NSW RURAL ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY
FARM DEBT MEDIATION ACT
MEDIATOR PROFILES

TITLE **MR** LOCATION **Mediation & Arbitration Chambers**

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MEDIATIONS AS MEDIATOR **OVER 1,000** HOURLY FEE **$250** (plus GST)

MEDIATIONS AS ADVISOR **10** DAILY FEE **$2000** (plus GST)

MEDIATIONS AS CO-MEDIATOR **100** FEES ARE NEGOTIABLE **YES**

AREAS OF EXPERIENCE

✔	Accountancy	✔	Administrative	✔	Banking	✔	Commercial
✔	Contracts	✔	Corporate	✔	Environment	✔	Family
✔	Finance	✔	Property	✔	Resources	✔	Securities
✔	Succession	✔	Taxation	✔	Tort	✔	Trade Practices
✔	Trusts	✔	Company	✔	Industrial Relations	✔	Estates

AFFINITY WITH RURAL INDUSTRIES

I do work assisting farmers and people living in rural areas resolve their disputes. On behalf of the NSW Farmers Association, I have:

- conducted training for Dairy Farmers and their cooperatives in negotiation and dispute resolution;
- mediated disputes between Egg producers on chicken cage regulations
- advised on resolving disputes with mining and coal seam gas companies seeking access to farm properties

As a former member of the NSW Workers Compensation Commission, for a period of 8 years, I regularly travelled to NSW regional centres, Ballina, Byron Bay, Coolangatta, Tamworth, Dubbo, Orange, Albury, Griffith and Wagga. I conducted hearings resolving workers claims for compensation for injuries received whilst working on farms and in rural industries.

I have been a mediator since 1992, conducting a range of mediation matters, including Farm Debt mediations. As an independent legal practitioner, I am able to travel to country areas to conduct mediations and have never been employed by any bank or financial services company as an advisor or employee.

Apart from 20 years as a barrister, I have spent 16 years in general business management, strategic planning and the financial management of business enterprises. I am a trained in financial analysis and planning.