

Biography – Vanessa L. Hall

Vanessa Hall currently serves as an administrative judge and settlement judge at the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in Washington, D.C. Since 2007, Ms. Hall has adjudicated hearings involving debt collection assessments, salary offsets, and debarments and suspensions of non-compliant financial institutions. Since admission to the Maryland bar in 1991, Ms. Hall's legal background includes experience in private practice, federal prosecution, legislative policy, and 25 years of alternative dispute resolution. In addition to facilitating multi-party disputes involving formal and informal EEOC complaints, landlord/tenant disputes, and partnership dissolutions as a certified civil mediator for the Supreme Court of Virginia and member of the D. C. Court of Appeals Appellate Mediation Panel, Ms. Hall, as a settlement judge, has facilitated structured settlements between claimants in matters involving program fraud, civil money penalty assessments, salary offsets, and attorney disciplinary violations subject to adjudication.

Her preferred mediation style is evaluative and facilitative and as such participants are encouraged to maximize opportunities to engage in effective communication, identify and assess realistic goals and objectives, and work towards a mutually agreeable resolution.