



Mr. William Joyce

Mediator

Expertise Areas:

- Environmental
- Insurance Coverage
- Toxic Torts

WAMS Mediator Certification: 1989

Accomplishments: Bill Joyce is one of the leading environmental attorneys and mediators in the Pacific Northwest. Bill has helped people find solutions to complex environmental problems since 1985. Mr. Joyce's practice includes environmental cost recovery litigation, complex soil, ground water and sediment cleanups, contaminated real property transactions and permit compliance. He has represented large and small corporations in state and federal CERCLA and MTCA litigation, as well as individuals in property damage and injury claims involving toxic exposure or ground water contamination.

Mr. Joyce has participated in mediation on behalf of plaintiffs or defendants since 1986 and has been a WAMS mediator since 1989. He has lectured on environmental mediation at various law schools, including Seattle University, Gonzaga University, the University of Washington and Western Washington University. He also authored the environmental mediation section of the King County Bar Association's Washington Lawyers Practice Manual. Mr. Joyce has successfully mediated many environmental cleanup and environmental insurance coverage cases, combining coverage disputes with underlying site cleanup issues. His recent experience also includes a broad range of coverage disputes, both within and outside the environmental arena.

Sample environmental mediation subjects include: PCB transformer reclamation and salvage yard, with participation by the site owners, their insurance carriers and PRP group representatives; complex D&O, E&O and advertising injury coverage disputes; log sort yard site involving MTCA, Solid Waste Disposal Act and lease claims between site operators and their lessors; numerous manufacturing facility cleanups involving insurance coverage allocation and CERCLA/MTCA claims; CERCLA contribution suit between a municipal landfill operator and transporter and generator defendants; landslide case involving damage to oyster production beds and streams; contribution claims by multiple PRPs involved with a waste recycling facility; bankruptcy estimation for smelter emissions cleanup and NRD issues; insurance coverage dispute concerning explosion of pipeline; and cost allocation for major shipyard cleanup, including sediment impacts.

Education: USA&M Specialized Environmental and Land Use Dispute Resolution Training, 1990; USA&M Mediator Training, 1989; University of Washington School of Law, JD, 1985; University of Oregon, BA, 1981.

Affiliations: Washington Arbitration & Mediation Service; NW Environmental Claims Association, past Chair; Association of NW Environmental Professionals, past General Counsel.