



## Mr. Hal Vhugen

## Arbitrator, Mediator

### Expertise Areas:

- Serious Injury & Wrongful Death
- Products Liability
- Maritime
- Professional Negligence
- General Civil & Tort Litigation
- Workers' Compensation

### WAMS Mediator Certification: 1989

**Accomplishments:** Mr. Vhugen has been practicing law since 1957, with an emphasis on maritime/admiralty, workers' compensation, and personal injury cases. Formerly a partner at Levinson Friedman and now Of Counsel at Kraft, Palmer & Davies, Mr. Vhugen's personal injury representation has been on behalf of plaintiffs. In addition to the above areas of focus, he has experience with medical negligence and other matters involving professional liability.

As an arbitrator, Mr. Vhugen serves on three arbitrator panels and as a sole arbitrator. Mr. Vhugen has lectured on issues surrounding professional responsibility at the University of Washington School of Law and has been a seminar speaker on topics involving trial tactics, maritime law, and personal injury law. Mr. Vhugen is an elected Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers has been selected as one of the "Best Lawyers in America" since 1991. He has been named a "Super Lawyer" by Law & Politics since 2000 and has appeared in the national "Who's Who in America" registry since 1999.

**Education:** USA&M Mediator Training, 1989; Rutgers University, JD, 1952; Rutgers University, BA, 1950.

**Affiliations:** Washington Arbitration and Mediation Service; American Bar Association; Washington State Bar Association, past Governor and Treasurer; King County Bar Association, past President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Trustee; Washington State Bar Association's Disciplinary Board; Maritime Law Association; American Trial Lawyers Association; Washington State Trial Lawyers Association.