



Indrani Govender is both CEDR & RICS trained as internationally certified mediator. She works professionally in mediation both as trainer & mediator. She trains built environment professionals, lawyers and advocates on the Five Day internationally accredited commercial mediator programme.

Indrani has special interest in commercial, facilitative and evaluative mediation. Her vibrant practise in mediation spans some 20 years, where she has mediated over one thousand disputes mainly in labour, land, community and commercial matters.

Indrani presides as lead mediator on land related disputes throughout South Africa, working predominately within rural communities. The disputes between farmer and occupiers are usually on labour tenant or security of tenure mediations and hinges on more than one dynamic given the previously disadvantaged history of race relations in SA. She has successfully assisted the parties in finding effective and sustainable outcomes to their disputes.

She also presides as lead mediator on communal property mediations which involves conflicts between previously dispossessed individuals on their communal property. These matters are highly charged with a history of violence and intimidation. Once the issues in conflict are neutralised she then effects the regularisation of the communal property, which often results in sustainable, profitable farming activities.

She has presided as mediator on commercial disputes, where a multidisciplinary approach is called for and has much success in extracting sustainable settlement agreements.

She has also presided as both mediator and arbitrator on a number of unfair dismissal disputes.

She sits on panels for both mediation and arbitration assignments and holds a degree in Psychology & communication, with postgraduate qualification in labour law and international commercial arbitration. Indrani also lectures to postgraduate students at the University of Witwatersrand in alternate dispute resolution (ADR).

Indrani is most passionate about alternate dispute resolution and is always in active pursuit of continuous professional development.