

# Ena Shaw

Master of Educational Psychology  
Bachelor of Science (Honours)  
Bachelor of Arts (Multi-Discipline)  
Vocational Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute  
TAA Training and Assessment  
Nationally Accredited Mediator  
International Accredited Professional Mediator with the International Dispute Resolution and Risk Management Institute  
Registered Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner



Registered Psychologist  
Vice President of VADR

I have a strong passion for mediation since starting in the mediation field over 30 years ago, having worked as a clinical practitioner, academic, researcher and trainer in a wide range of mediation fields. Because of this passion, I have always worked towards increasing the general awareness of and respect for the profession.

I was the Chair of the 4<sup>th</sup> National Mediation Conference in Melbourne, 1998, and Chair of the Board for the 12<sup>th</sup> National Mediation Conference, Melbourne 2014. In addition, as the Family Dispute Resolution Training Manager at Relationships Australia Victoria, I conducted an extensive range of programs in the mediation field, developing one of the first training programs in Victoria, also assisting Relationships Australia to become a Registered Training Organisation, thus developing the training Programme for the Vocational Diploma of Dispute Resolution

In the last three years, as Vice-President of VADR, I have had the opportunity to work with and support mediators in all areas of mediation, to understand their concerns and promote mediation to the wider community.

In my private practice, I have extensive experience in the settlement of disputes involving interpersonal relationships such as family law, elder mediation, parent-adolescent, workplace, neighbourhood and gender-based harassment disputes and have conducted extensive training programs for federal, state and local government in all these areas. In addition, I am a conciliator on the Domestic Building Disputes Resolution Victoria Panel and have received a Recognition Award for my service. I also worked in the Residential Tenancy Dispute Service during the Victorian rental moratorium.

I have presented my work at national and international conferences and published several academic articles. I have taught at Victoria University of Technology and lectured at RMIT University in ADR and Mediation. In 2018, I supervised and led a team of upcoming mediators in the Inaugural ICC mediation Competition in Melbourne and led a team of student negotiators in an intercultural Negotiations between RMIT and Tecnológico de Monterrey University in Mexico. In addition, I have mentored and coached many aspiring mediators, as well as providing supervision and assisting them to become nationally accredited.

Being on the MSB Board is an opportunity at a national level to be a voice for mediators so that their issues can be heard. I am interested in furthering what the Mediator Standards Board has already done to raise the standard of mediation and the profile of mediation as a

respected profession. The breadth of my experience would, I believe, enable me to make a significant contribution to the work of the Board, both current and future.