

Linda J. Yelmini, Attorney at Law

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Experience

Dispute resolution, mediation, contract negotiations, rights and interest arbitration with the unions representing the following types of private and public employees: administrative, autoworkers, boilermakers, corrections, health care, governmental, information technology, machinists, police and fire, steelworkers. Extensive experience in benefit plans: defined contribution and defined benefit plans, health and welfare plans.

Employment

Yelmini Arbitration and Mediation Services LLC 1/2015 – present

Arbitration and mediation of contractual and rights grievances; impartial hearing officer under CGS § 10-151 (teacher tenure); neutral arbitrator in disciplinary matters, including discharge, pension and health care eligibility and plan provisions; contract interpretation.

State of Connecticut 6/87 – 1/2015

■ **Director of Labor Relations**

Responsible for development and administration of the objectives and operations of the State's labor relations program. Contract administration and representation in administrative hearings for contracts covering thousands of employees. Designed, coordinated, and planned statewide labor relations activities. Mediation and resolution of the most complex labor relations issues. Direct development and implementation of labor relations training. Member and fiduciary of joint labor management commission responsible for administration of state, municipal and judicial defined benefit and contribution plans. Member of statewide joint labor management commission responsible for health care plans

■ **Deputy Commissioner Department of Public Safety**

Responsible for development of new policies and procedures at the Division of State Police following investigation of whistleblower and other complaints

■ **Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services**

Head of agency responsible for statewide human resources, workers' compensation, contracting, collections

■ **Deputy Executive Director, Division of Special Revenue**

Other Employment

Attorney, Employee Relations Manager, Human Resource Manager and Pension consultant for several corporations.

Education

Western New England Law School

Juris Doctorate

University of New Haven

Master of Business Administration,
Industrial Relations and Finance

University of Connecticut

Bachelor of Science, Business
Administration

Other

Neutral Arbitrator, Connecticut State Board of Mediation and Arbitration, grievance and
interest

Neutral Labor Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association

Neutral Arbitrator, American Dispute Resolution Center

Neutral Arbitrator, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service

Neutral Arbitrator, Public Employees Review Board, New York

Neutral Arbitrator, State of Connecticut Education Panel

FMCS Training on Federal Arbitration

Certificate, FMCS - Labor Arbitration

Certificate, Quinnipiac Law School – Mediation

Member of the Connecticut Bar

Member of the American Bar Association

Member of Labor and Employment Relations Association