**THOMAS W. BROWN**

Thom Brown is a 1980 graduate of the night school program at Northwestern School of Law, Lewis & Clark College. He is admitted to practice before all Oregon and Washington courts, the United States District Court for the District of Oregon, United States District Court for the Eastern and Western Districts of Washington, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and the Supreme Court of the United States.

Thom served as a clerk to Judge William L. Richardson of the Oregon Court of Appeals (1980-81), and his practice focuses on appeals, insurance coverage, professional liability defense, arbitration and mediation. From 1994-2010, Thom was his firm’s managing partner. Presently, he is special counsel to his firm.

In 2000, Thom was elected a fellow in the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers. In 2008, Thom was selected as a fellow in the Honorary Trial Society of Litigation Counsel of America, and he has also been selected for The Best Lawyers in America (Appellate Practice (2006-16) and Insurance Law (2010-16), Benchmark: Appellate (Ninth Circuit 2012-13), and as an Oregon Super Lawyer (Appellate Practice (2006-16). Thom’s been “AV” rated by Martindale Hubbell since 1985. In 2013, he received the Multnomah Bar Association’s Professionalism Award, which is the organization's highest honor and recognizes lawyers who exemplify the standards set forth in the MBA Professionalism Statement, and was rated by Best Lawyers in America “2014 Portland, Oregon Lawyer of The Year: Appellate Practice, and “2015 and 2017 Portland, Oregon Lawyer of The Year: Insurance.

Thom is or has been involved in many professional activities related to his practice areas, law practice management, ADR, and professionalism, including ALFA International, The Global Legal Network (Board 2008-2011; Insurance Practice Group Vice-Chair 2009-13 and Chair 2013-15; Law Practice Management Group Chair 2005-2007); Multnomah Bar Association (MBA) Board of Directors (President 2007-08); MBA Managing Partners’ Roundtable (Co-Chair 2001-06); Oregon State Bar (OSB) Mediation Fee Program Task Force (2016-); OSB ADR Executive Committee (Member 2013-); OSB Appellate Process Review Committee (Member, 2003-04), Oregon Bench and Bar Commission on Professionalism (Member 2000-2004); MBA Professionalism Committee (Co-Chair 1999-2000); OSB Appellate Practice Section Executive Committee (Chair 2001-02); Oregon Association of Defense Counsel Amicus Committee (Member 1989-2001); Oregon Rules of Appellate Procedure Committee (Member 1994-2000); and OSB Law Practice Management Section Executive Committee (Chair 1995-96). He is or has been actively involved in the Classroom Law Project (Board Chair 2003-2005), the Lewis & Clark Law School Board of Visitors (Member 2004-14), and the Multnomah Bar Foundation Board of Directors (Secretary/Treasurer 2013).

Thom began arbitrating and mediating cases as a neutral over 20 years ago. He has handled over 50 mediations for the Oregon Court of Appeals appellate settlement program covering a wide range of legal disputes. He has also mediated over 15 cases through private retention, including business disputes, personal injury disputes, and complex insurance coverage and failure to procure insurance disputes. Thom is an approved mediator for the United States District Court for the District of Oregon, the Oregon Environmental Claims Mediation Program established by the Oregon Legislature, and the OSB Fee Dispute Program. Thom currently serves as an arbitrator through Arbitration Service of Portland, and is an approved arbitrator for court-annexed arbitration cases in Multnomah County, Washington County and Clackamas County, and for fee disputes filed with the OSB. In those roles, he has arbitrated over 30 cases involving a wide variety of civil disputes.

On appointment by the Oregon Supreme Court, each month, as a Circuit Court pro tem judge, Thom hears motions for summary judgment in civil cases involving a wide variety of claims and issues.

Through wide-ranging practice and related professional experience, Thom has the skill, background, experience and temperament to resolve all kinds of legal disputes as an arbitrator or to assist parties in the resolution of all kinds of legal disputes as a mediator.