

## MEDIATOR TIA WEI CH MAFR7

## PREPARED, PERSISTENT AND PERSONABLE

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#### MEDIATOR

2005

APPOINTED ENE/MEDIATOR USDC, Northern District, CA 2008

APPOINTED EARLY SETTLEMENT JUDGE San Francisco Superior Court

APPOINTED MEDIATOR Alameda County Superior Court Access to Justice Program 2021

TRAINING
USDC, Northern District
Mediation (40 hr.)
Early Neutral Evaluation (40 hr.)
Gary Friedman (40 hr.)

#### COMMUNITY

Faculty, Intensive Advocacy Program, USF School of Law Proctor in Admiralty, Maritime Law Association Mentor, BASF School-to-College Master, Inns of Court, SF Executive Board Member, GirlVentures

## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

- Applies subject matter expertise in personal injury, contracts, employment, maritime, insurance coverage and civil rights
- Listens closely to the parties and their legal counsel to quickly discern their needs, and to identify disputed legal issues as well as areas of agreement
- Does not give up
- Communicates clearly and skillfully, balancing neutrality with evaluation when helpful to the parties
- Brings her winning trial lawyer record of 90% and experience in hundreds of mediations to facilitate meaningful negotiations
- Reasonable rates, Spanish-speaking

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## NAME PARTNER AT SAN FRANCISCO BOUTIQUE LITIGATION FIRM Chan & Welch LLP

- Employment: individual and class action claims including harassment, discrimination, retaliation, wage & hour, leave of absence, disability, trade secrets, restrictive covenants, contracts, defamation, and privacy
- Contracts: Commercial and Municipal including \$250M procurement program for investor-owned utility

# NAME & FOUNDING PARTNER AT SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME FIRM Kelly, Cox, Wootton, Welch, Gill & Sherburne

- Maritime: Jones Act, Unseaworthiness, Limitation of Liability
- Insurance Coverage

### **TRIAL DEPUTY**

City and County of San Francisco

- Personal Injury and Civil Rights
- Public Entity Claims
- Attorneys' Fees