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HONORS & AWARDS

- Best Lawyers in America®, 1999-2026
  - Best Lawyer of the Year, 2021 & 2025
- Super Lawyers®, 2007-2026
  - Top 50, 2020 & 2022
- Bruce K. Davis Bar Service Award, Kentucky Bar Association, 2014
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Rating, 1985

PRIMARY PRACTICE

Mediation Services

ADMISSIONS

Kentucky, 1979

Eastern District of Kentucky, 1980

6th Circuit Court of Appeals, 1985

Western District of Kentucky, 1986

John R. Martin Jr. brings over 44 years of civil litigation experience, offering a practical and informed approach to resolving disputes. For the past decade, he has focused exclusively on mediating civil cases, primarily in the areas of personal injury, insurance coverage, and related matters. His mediation style is experienced, impartial, and solution-driven.

John works closely with litigators to provide insight on case valuation and trial strategy, while guiding parties through complex insurance and coverage issues. His goal is to foster a collaborative environment that encourages resolution and minimizes conflict, ensuring all participants feel heard and respected throughout the process.

With extensive experience in both state and federal trial practice, including appearances before the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, John offers a comprehensive understanding of litigation risks and settlement opportunities. This expertise enables him to help parties achieve fair, efficient outcomes while mitigating the costs and uncertainties associated with proceeding to trial. John's passion for mediation is inspired by the remarkable lawyers and judges he has had the privilege to work with throughout Kentucky, fueling his dedication to achieving fair and effective dispute resolution.

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EDUCATION

University of Kentucky College of Law,
Lexington, Kentucky, J.D., 1979

- Honors: Moot Court Board, Member

Oxford University,
Oxford, United Kingdom,
Summer Study, 1975

University of Louisville,
Louisville, Kentucky, B.A., 1975

- Majors: Economics and Political Science

CAPABILITIES, SUCCESSES, AND ASSIGNMENTS

- Advises litigators on valuation and trial strategy.
- Counsels less experienced attorneys on the nature of civil litigation based on 44 years of experience.
- Handled the occasional appeal of cases when necessary.

Published Cases:

- Mr. Roof of Kentucky, LLC v. Estate of Henry, Kentucky Supreme Court 2022-SC-0177-DG

Kentucky Leader

- Downtown YMCA, Board Member
- Audubon Country Club, Board Member

Professional Activities

- IOLTA Board of Trustees, KY Bar Association, Board Member, 2000-2006
  - Chairman, 2006
- Kentucky Bar Foundation, Board Member, 2007-2013
  - President, 2011

News

IN THE MEDIA - John R. Martin Jr. Featured for Mediation Experience and Litigation Insight
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