

Former State Appeals Court Mediator Joins JAMS In Miami

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Law360 (September 30, 2025, 3:57 PM EDT) -- Alternative dispute resolution provider JAMS has strengthened its capabilities in Miami with the addition of a former acting chief court mediator for the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Beth Greenfield-Mandler brings decades of legal experience to JAMS, the organization announced Monday. In her previous role, she handled more than 2,500 mediations from 2006 to 2025 and helped lead family and circuit training programs.

"My particular skill set was more in alignment with the international exposure that JAMS has, and I know that there are many, many federal court judges who have retired from the bench and have gone to JAMS, so far be it for me to question the expertise of a federal court district judge," Greenfield-Mandler said in an interview with Law360 Pulse Tuesday.

At JAMS, Greenfield-Mandler will serve as a mediator and neutral evaluator handling business and commercial, appellate, intellectual property, insurance, employment, admiralty, franchise and distribution disputes.

"JAMS is honored to welcome Ms. Greenfield-Mandler, who is well known for her long-standing commitment to advancing ADR in Florida and beyond," Kimberly Taylor, JAMS CEO and president, said in a statement. "With extensive experience mediating complex federal appellate disputes, she brings attention to detail, empathy and integrity to every case she oversees."

Earlier in her career, Greenfield-Mandler maintained a private mediation practice from 1990 to 2005. She also chaired the Supreme Court of Florida Mediator and Ethics Advisory Committee from 2008 to 2016.

"I took my first [mediation] training session, and I just loved it. I just loved it. It was a blend of psychology, which I had taken in undergrad, and it was a blend of the law, which I loved, and it was problem-solving, and it was people oriented, and it was about empowering people to make the decision that they found was the best for them. And all of that led me to that practice, and I've been doing it since 1989 since my youngest son was born, and I've never looked back and never had any reason to want to go back to litigation," Greenfield-Mandler said.

Greenfield-Mandler also has experience as an assistant attorney general for the state of Florida and as



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an attorney in private practice, JAMS said.

She was first admitted to practice in Florida in 1980 after graduating from the South Texas College of Law, which is now Texas A&M University School of Law. Her bachelor's degree is from the University of Florida.

JAMS handles more than 21,000 cases annually and employs almost 500 neutrals in 29 different locations. The organization was founded in 1979, and since then its panel has included retired federal and state court judges, former litigators, transactional attorneys and other ADR professionals.

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