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Michelle Obradovic was educated by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur at Trinity College in Washington DC, is a graduate of Cumberland School of Law and holds an LL.M. from Pepperdine University, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution. Michelle clerked for Judge Michael F. Bolin, Probate Court of Jefferson County (now a member of the Alabama Supreme Court) and Senior Judge Edward S. Smith, (dec.) U.S. Court of Appeals Federal Circuit, Washington, DC and for the 104th Congress, United States Senate Judiciary Committee, Democratic Minority Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Government Information, Senators Herbert H. Kohl (D-WI), Patrick J. Leahy (D-VT), and Dianne Feinstein (D-CA).

She is the owner of Wise Resolution, LLC<sup>®</sup> and is the County Mediator for Jefferson County, Alabama. She is a Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators, a member of Arbitral Women and a Founding Member of Mediators Beyond Borders. She has mediated in excess of 2000 commercial cases and co-meditated 145 mass torts, class actions and MDLs locally, nationally and internationally. She is licensed to practice law in Alabama.

Michelle has been an Adjunct Associate Professor of Law since 2002 teaching Mediation Advocacy and Mediation Practice and Process at Samford University's Cumberland School of Law. She has lectured at Cambridge University, England and also teaches Interviewing, Counseling and Negotiation, Justice Theory and Mediation at Birmingham School of Law. She is the Coach of Cumberland's ABA Representation in Mediation National Teams, including the 2005 National Champions who went on to compete at the ICC in Paris, France.

Michelle is also the Director of the Jefferson County, Alabama, District Court Mediation Project, a program she created in 1999 that provides dispute resolution training to attorneys and judges and coordinates mediators with dockets. The Project resolves in excess of 400 small claims cases per year, mediates all ad valorem tax cases in Jefferson County and is participating in the pilot mediation program in Criminal District and Circuit Court. All mediators are attorneys providing pro bono mediation services and the program is privately funded.