

The Negotiator's Desk Reference

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57. Negotiation as Law's Shadow: On the Jurisprudence of Roger Fisher 79

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The author reviews the life work of one of negotiation's most famous scholars, and reveals a wholly new observation. Roger Fisher, she argues, did

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59. Choosing Among Modes of Communication **107**
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60. Negotiation via Email **115**
Noam Ebner

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61. Negotiation via Text Messaging **133**
Noam Ebner

“Never!” That’s the typical reply, says the author, when he queries a negotiator about negotiating through text messages. Not so fast, Ebner says—look closely at how your day goes and how your various forms of communication fit together, and you may well find yourself already handling part of that traffic via text. Furthermore, he says, in the future you can expect to use this medium more, as more and more of your counterparts depend on it. Yet negotiating via text is significantly different even from email negotiation. Ebner walks you through the assets, and the liabilities.

62. Negotiation via Videoconferencing **151**
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63. The Technology of Negotiation **171**

Noam Ebner

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Orna Rabinovich-Einy and Ethan Katsh

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concurrent streams of information—has been exposed as something of a myth. And there are other prices paid for assuming that one can handle multiple digital forms of communication, from cognitive overload to neurological changes. Yet communication technology is here to stay, Newell says: we have to learn how to handle it. She offers a succession of techniques for reclaiming and holding attention.

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68. Productive Disagreement **239**

Howard Gadlin

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children in the Roman Catholic Church quiet for decades. This was a *system* at work—there is no denying it. Thus questions of justice and accountability arise at the outset when analyzing or, even more important, planning any dispute resolution system. Amsler lays out the criteria and makes proposals for how to design and effectuate a system that is not only systematic, but requires *justice*.

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75. Martial Arts and Conflict Resolution 355

Joel Lee and James T. Shanahan

Is there a relationship between skill in negotiation and skill in martial arts? Counterintuitive as this may be, the authors answer—*yes there is*. Starting from opposite sides of the planet and very different occupations (law teaching in Singapore, and police work in New York City), the authors have two things in common: they teach negotiation, *and* they teach martial arts. Here, they compare and contrast the worlds in which they must operate, and show how martial arts training has benefited both of them—and their negotiation students.

76. “Non-Events” and Avoiding Reality 369

Susan Morash

What do you do when you think something should be discussed, but others don’t seem to recognize there’s an issue? This essay uses specific examples from health care to make a larger point. Only in recent years have health care professionals adopted standard policies against a former pattern, of choosing not to view supposedly-minor errors and “incidents” as triggering a need for a discussion with a patient. By taking the former view, of course, they had often set themselves up for confrontation or even lawsuits later, when and if the patient found out anyway. In reassessing her findings from 10 years ago, Morash finds there has been some progress, but not enough in practice. Furthermore, the intervening decade has presented society with all too many examples of “avoiding reality” and treating suspected harm to a third party as a “nonevent” in *other* fields, such as global finance. Do similar assumptions limit discussion with your kinds of clients? What are the consequences?

77. Peer Mediation 389

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On the surface, the authors describe an ingenious and far-reaching effort John McDonald undertook many years ago to foster peer mediation among students in schools. But for those interested in systemic change, the McDonalds’ subject leads farther: this chapter stands as a demonstration of what it takes to use the political system to support a societal change that can be far-reaching for our field.

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78. Shadow of the Tribe 397

John Wade

The negotiations have gone on for hours or months or years. A deal is at hand. And now, the other side mentions for the first time that the approval of

some previously unremarked person is required, or there is no deal. Could you have prepared for this? Do *you* have options at this point? Are you, perhaps, the negotiator making the dread announcement that you must respond to a higher power before a deal's a deal? Here, Wade meticulously deconstructs the circumstances that lead to "shadow of the tribe" negotiations, and suggests what you can do.

79. Multiparty Negotiations in the Public Sphere 413

Sanda Kaufman, Connie Ozawa and Deborah Shmueli

Most negotiation research in the laboratory, and much practical wisdom in the field, concerns the actions of "dyads", i.e. pairs of individuals negotiating with each other. This is far from the real-world environment of major public disputes. And in such disputes, blindly following the typical advice from less complex environments can get the negotiator or mediator and the clients into real trouble. The authors use case studies from three highly dissimilar environments to unpack the negotiating differences that apply when the parties are many, the stakes are high, and the situation is unstable.

80. Agents and Informed Consent: After the 2008 Financial Crisis 431

Jacqueline Nolan-Haley

How can you-the-negotiator ensure that your client is really on board? Nolan-Haley argues that by paying more attention to "informed consent" not only before, but again at intervals during a negotiation, and taking care to reaffirm this as the process reaches agreement, agents will not only better serve their clients but reach better, more lasting agreements. Yet revisiting the subject, years after the 2008 financial shocks demonstrated the degree to which large institutions were ignoring these principles, she finds strong evidence that lawyers and other professionals with a duty to their clients have badly failed them. As a result, she concludes that if your attorney *isn't* asking you the hard questions, it's in your interest to ask the attorney why not. This chapter should be read in conjunction with Wade's Shadow of the Tribe.

81. Dueling Experts 439

John Wade

Your case is complicated; it involves specialized knowledge, and without some help, the judge probably won't understand it and the jury certainly won't. Furthermore, your chances of negotiating a settlement depend on getting some degree of shared understanding with the other side of what the facts are. So you've hired your expert, and the other side has hired its expert—and now the experts themselves are locked in combat. Could you avoid this next time? In the meantime, what do you do now? Wade analyzes your options at every stage, and shows how even when the experts have delivered black-versus-white reports of the facts, you can still salvage the situation. This chapter should be read in conjunction with Adler on Negotiating Facts.

82. Negotiating the Facts 455

Peter Adler

Many believe that in negotiations as elsewhere, facts are the bedrock, the only things that can be firmly ascertained and then relied on, in a shifting universe of personalities, perceptions and preferences. Adler, steeped in the mediation of scientific disputes, begs to differ. Facts in science are routinely challenged. Factual disagreement is also at the heart of many public policy disputes, and cannot be successfully papered over by focusing either on interests or positions. Yet after years of experimentation, public policy negotiators and mediators have made considerable progress in developing systems and

structures for uncovering the assumptions and data that underlie many difficult disputes. This makes it possible to address fact-driven disputes more productively—and the technology now exists to do this on a wider scale. Adler shows how. This chapter should be read in conjunction with Wade on *Dueling Experts*.

Section XV. Making Conflicts Less Intractable 466

83. Getting in Sync: What to Do when Problem-Solving Fails to Fix the Problem 467

Peter Coleman and Rob Ricigliano

In the first of a trilogy on complex cases, the authors estimate that far beyond the usual categories people think of as “intractable”—such as international, race relations or major environmental conflicts—about 5% of disputes of virtually all kinds actually fit this pattern. The authors review why this is, and outline a series of techniques developed in recent years for handling conflict of the worst kind, in any domain. This chapter should be read in conjunction with Coleman, Redding & Fisher’s “Intractable 1 and 2” chapters.

84. Understanding Intractable Conflicts 489

Peter Coleman, Nicholas Redding and Joshua Fisher

In the second chapter of our complex-case trilogy, the authors summarize recent findings from complexity science and dynamical systems theory, showing how the new insights provide the possibility of innovative levers for change. Their key findings are presented as a set of five guidelines. This follows the more general explanation in Coleman and Ricigliano on Getting in Sync and is also closely related to the next chapter, Influencing Intractable Conflicts, which also presents a set of five guidelines: this time, for actually working on a conflict which, on the surface, appears impossible to influence.

85. Influencing Intractable Conflicts 509

Peter Coleman, Nicholas Redding and Joshua Fisher

The final chapter of our complex-case trilogy describes techniques developed in recent years which promise greater effectiveness in the admittedly frustrating process of actually tackling an intractable conflict. It should be read not only in conjunction with Understanding Intractable Conflicts by the same authors and Getting in Sync by Coleman and Ricigliano, but also in conjunction with McDonald on Kashmir, in which a retired U.S. Ambassador describes what he actually did when drawn into working on the long-standing Kashmir problem.

86. Training a Captive Audience 529

Stuart Kirschner and Jack J. Cambria

Let’s say you’ve finished this book and would like to use some of it. But what about your more hardheaded colleagues, team members or other audiences? Using their experience in training the highly skeptical police officers of the New York City Police Department, psychologist Stuart Kirschner and long-time (2001-2015) NYPD Hostage Negotiation Team commander Jack Cambria discuss the design of training for a potentially resistant audience.

87. Religion in Cooperation and Conflict 545

Jeffrey R. Seul

In the first of two chapters, the author argues that the relationship between religion and conflict is widely oversimplified. Recent and careful social science research has demonstrated that contrary to the assumptions of

some people, religion most often increases its adherents' ability to relate positively to others—and this can include adherents of another religion or non at all. In contrast, he reviews the research on extreme religious militancy, including the evidence on suicide and other violent attackers, and concludes that the most careful researchers have universally found that these actions are not principally propelled by religion itself, but by other factors. In his next chapter, Seul proceeds to analysis of how religion can help to transform conflict, and how it can be consciously invoked toward that purpose.

88. Religious Prosociality for Conflict Transformation 565
Jeffrey R. Seul

In the second of two chapters on religion and conflict, Seul reviews the research on religious prosociality, or its ability to help people relate positively to others, and finds a series of features of religion that can actually help to resolve conflict—when understood and employed appropriately. He offers a series of specific steps and strategies for particular situations, and argues that we are beginning to improve our ability to encourage the best rather than the worst of behavior when invoking religion in a conflict.

89. A New Future for Kashmir? 581
John and Christel McDonald

Only rarely is the public privileged to track a major negotiation and see up close whether the theories actually get put into practice. A multitude of other chapters in the book are implicated here as Ambassador John McDonald talks about the prevailing assumptions, the intractable conflict, and a breakthrough move toward progress in the decades-old conflict between India and Pakistan over Kashmir. This chapter stands particularly as a practical illustration, by a consummate practitioner, of the principles explained by Coleman et al., in *Intractable 1 and 2*, as well as Adler's *Protean Negotiator*. Because so few practitioners at this level have undertaken to write down what they actually did, we have elected to preserve the original 2006 text largely intact, with only a few clarifying changes. The McDonalds' updated (2016) assessment follows. [For another view of how the field's theories apply, or do not, in a difficult environment, this chapter could be read in conjunction with Kaufman and Blanchot, *Theory Meets Reality*.]

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90. Making Deals about Power Sharing 595
John Wade

Power-sharing is an intrinsic element of many negotiations, particularly those which involve some kind of continued interaction in the future. The need to provide for future decisions to be made without resort to open conflict creates a series of questions, about who will make each decision or type of decision, what the criteria will be, and what essential or ancillary conditions might apply. Clear thinking is essential, and here Wade offers a gradation in 13 steps from total power held by one party to total power held by the other. Somewhere along the 11 steps in between, perhaps, is your best solution to your particular problem in negotiating today, for what must happen next week or next year.

91. The Uses of Ambiguity 609
Chris Honeyman

The reality sinks in: everybody's now trying to reach an agreement, but on some fundamental things, the parties *really* don't agree. Some of those

involved see themselves as reasonable people, others are Standing On Principle without any thought of what that will mean in practice. Is there anything you can do to get this dispute over with before it spirals completely out of control? Yes, says Honeyman: you can allow, or even consciously design in, a bit of ambiguity here and there. Doing this knowledgeably can preserve your principles, while allowing for an agreement that works well enough for an imperfect world. This can be read with Moffitt's chapter on Contingent Agreements and Wade's on the Final Gap.

92. Contingent Agreements 619

Michael Moffitt

What if you and the other side have very different views of the future? Should this make it harder to achieve an agreement? In fact, as Moffitt explains, these different views can provide exactly the lubricant needed for the gears to mesh. Contingent agreements can help negotiators move toward an overall agreement, even (or particularly) when they disagree. As one of several chapters discussing particular techniques for use when things get sticky, it should be read in conjunction with Wade's chapter on the Final Gap and Honeyman's on Ambiguity.

93. Crossing the Final Gap 627

John Wade

It's three o'clock in the morning. You've been negotiating or mediating since 9 a.m. and everybody is exhausted. Each side has made more concessions than it really thinks it should have had to, and the gap between the parties has narrowed to millimeters. But there it has stuck, and will stay stuck unless you do something new. Every sophisticated negotiator or experienced mediator has a personal answer to this problem, a private stock of a few gambits, often tried and sometimes successful. But John Wade has the longest list we have ever seen, 16 techniques in all. Not one of them works all the time; but together they can materially improve your batting average.

**94. Dobermans and Diplomats:
Re-Opening Deadlocked Negotiations 639**

John Wade

One of the clear roles of negotiators, mediators, lawyers, managers, parents and human beings is to attempt to re-open "jammed" negotiations. Lawyers, negotiators, managers and mediators are paid to be competent, even expert, at recommencing communications and negotiations which have reached a stalemate or a tense stand-off. Yet many otherwise competent professionals find this difficult. This chapter sets out seventeen common strategies used by the most skilled "problem-solvers" to re-open negotiations between deadlocked disputants.

95. An Agreement that Lasts 655

John Wade and Chris Honeyman

So, you finally have a deal! How can you make the deal stick? This straightforward chapter shows why deals regularly fall apart, and provides specific advice on what you can do in order to increase the likelihood that *your* agreement will survive the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune.

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96. The Uses of Mediation 671

Lela Love and Joseph Stulberg

How’s your negotiation going? Would using a mediator perhaps be helpful? This chapter shows why and when mediation can help negotiators reach an agreement. It also explains the different types of mediation goals, and how each of those goals can affect the process. This should be read in conjunction with Honeyman on Working with Mediators.

97. Working with Mediators 683

Chris Honeyman

Perhaps you’ve reached the point in the negotiation where it’s time to bring in a third party. This chapter helps you make wise choices about whom to hire as a mediator. It’s designed to help the negotiator understand how mediators actually operate, and to be aware of the skill set and biases within which any given mediator *must* operate. This should be read in conjunction with Love and Stulberg on The Uses of Mediation.

**98. The Mediator as Medium: Reflections on Boxes—
Black, Translucent, Refractive, and Gray 697**

Wayne Brazil

One of the U.S.’s most experienced mediators here discusses a striking difference between his own view of one critical feature of practice, and that of most of his peers. Most high-end litigators and their clients, he argues, have found most mediators to be anything but transparent as to their own thinking processes, even while pressing the parties to be more transparent about theirs. Brazil discusses the pluses and minuses of this way of working, offering his own take on transparency as an alternative. Delving further into the motivations, however, he concludes ultimately that his own practice is a bit less transparent than he thought—more “gray box” than either black or translucent box. The resulting reflection, however, stands as one of the most transparent discussions of a mediator’s motivations and methods offered by a prominent practitioner.

99. Allies in Negotiation 707

Bernard Mayer

In a thought-provoking book, Mayer analyzed new roles that experienced mediators and other conflict specialists might play, and suggested that they think more broadly about how they can best assist disputants. Here, he focuses specifically on how negotiators can enlist these specialists as allies instead of as third party neutrals. Just for openers, this could help you to get a complex negotiation framed properly, or to approach the other side in ways that will put them in the right frame of mind. But a decade after first analyzing the possible roles, Mayer has extended the reach of the underlying idea to a long list of “ally” roles which today often go unfilled—to the negotiator’s and principals’ disadvantage.

100. The Interpreter as Intervener 725

Sanda Kaufman

You’re about to start negotiating in a language where you can’t even read the alphabet. What to do? This chapter is essential for anyone about to engage in a negotiation involving multiple languages—which could include many “domestic” negotiations in Singapore or Chicago or London or Paris. Kaufman explores how translators are neither perfectly neutral third parties,

nor part of a team (contrary to common assumptions). She then shows how they are often powerful and autonomous actors in the negotiation, and demonstrates how important it is to think about the use of interpreters *before* the day they are hired.

101. The A is for Activism

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Jennifer Reynolds

Negotiation, mediation, and arbitration—the three major practice areas of ADR—have become so mainstream that many argue that the “A” of ADR, which historically has stood for “alternative,” no longer applies. But modern ADR originally developed as a set of practices outside the mainstream, intended in large part to promote social transformation and empower individuals. Reynolds argues that these activist roots of ADR should not be forgotten, and in fact should spur new research and pedagogy around activism, community organizing, social movements, and other “extralegal” approaches to changing law and society.