

# David P. Stark

146 Wedgewood Drive SW  
Calgary, AB T3C 3G  
403. 969.7967  
Email: [starkd@shaw.ca](mailto:starkd@shaw.ca)

## EDUCATION

B. Ed. 1976  
LL.B. 1980

University of Alberta  
University of Alberta

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

AIIC 1986  
FIIC 1990  
Mediation

Supervision I

Insurance Institute of Canada  
Insurance Institute of Canada  
Alberta Arbitration & Mediation Society (AAMS)  
Level 1 – 1993  
AAMS Level 2 – 1994  
Western Union Insurance Co., 1994

## EMPLOYMENT

May 2005 to Present

Stark Mediation and Training,- Mediation and Arbitration  
Fully experienced and widely trained  
Full service Alternate Dispute Resolution Service  
Cost Effective, Pro Active ,Professional  
Sought after by Plaintiff Counsel, Defense Counsel and the  
Insurance Industry  
Lecture widely on the benefits of ADR and interest based  
Negotiation.

August 2001 – May 2005

Zurich Canada Insurance

- Proactive conflict resolution and alternate dispute resolution program, with an emphasis on face to face meetings and open dialogue to achieve win win results.
- Overseeing large litigation files throughout Western Canada.
- Providing in-house legal support

June 1997 – July 2001

Allianz Canada

- Overseeing large litigation files
- Coordinating mediation and ADR initiatives
- In-house training for adjusters and examiners

September 1990- June 1997

Western Union Insurance, Casualty Analyst

- Providing direction, advice, support and training to branch offices
- Implementing monthly reporting program for senior management
- Budgeting
- large loss reporting to reinsurers and facility association
- Attending mediation with and without counsel
- Creating and delivering in-house training programs

May 1983 – September 1990	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Western Union Insurance, Calgary Head Office</li> <li>Increasing responsibility for liability claims</li> <li>Instruction and supervision of head office personnel</li> <li>Responsible for maintaining legal publications</li> </ul>
July 1981 – May 1983	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Western Union Insurance, Edmonton Office</li> <li>Claims examiner: investigation, negotiation and conduct of liability claims, retaining and working with defence counsel, reporting to Calgary head office</li> </ul>
June 1980 – June 1981	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Melnik McCord Barristers &amp; Solicitors, Edmonton</li> <li>Articled to Anton Melnik</li> </ul>

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

1981 – Present	Law Society of Alberta
----------------	------------------------

## PUBLICATIONS

1988	Claims Manual – Western Union Insurance
1992	Revised Automobile Insurance text book for Insurance Institute of Canada
1996	New edition of Automobile Insurance text book for insurance institute of Canada
1996	"Investigating Soft Tissue Injury Cases"
2007-2008	4 Alternate Dispute Resolution articles-for Lawyers Weekly
2010	"Cost effective ways to improve your performance at mediation", published in The Barrister

## Other Professional Experience

<b>Panelist</b>	2013	Coach, Legal Education Society of Alberta, Two day Advanced Mediation training, Calgary
	2011. 2012	Update presentations re Mediation, 2011, and trends, 2012
	2010	Mediation, the next Frontier, ACTLA seminar, Edmonton and Calgary
	2007	Annual Meeting of Canadian Defense Counsel, Mediating the coverage dispute, Mediation Strategies and Perspectives
	2006	Calgary Small Business Week, Presenter, " Keeping a win win perspective in negotiation"
	2005	Canadian Bar Association, ADR Sub Section,
	2000	Resolver 2000 and Mediation symposium
	1998	Canadian Bar Association Personal Injury Subsection, "No-fault: Section B Update"
	1997	Insight seminar: Insurance Investigations
	1996	Insight seminar: Personal Injury Claims
<b>Lectures</b>	2009	Canadian Bar Association, Personal Injury Subsection "Success at Mediation"
	2008	Canadian Bar Association, Young lawyers, " Mediation, a Primer"
	1997	Insight International: Fraudulent Claims Investigation
	1996	Insight international: Accident Investigation
	1993	Canadian Bar Association: Mediation of injury Claims

1991 Canadian Bar Association: Section B Benefits  
1988 University of Calgary, Faculty of Law: Collateral Benefits

### **Teaching**

2013 Mediation coach, Advanced Mediation course, LESA  
1998 – Present Bar Admission Course, Negotiations  
1996- Present Mount Royal University: Sessional Instructor (various  
Insurance courses)  
1986 – Present Insurance Institute of Canada: various courses  
1984 – 1985 SAIT: Business Law, Spring of 2001