

# LAW OFFICE OF LAVERNE LEWIS GASKINS, P.C.

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## **EDUCATION**

**Juris Doctor (J.D.), Law**, Florida State University, College of Law. **Master of Education (M.Ed.) Guidance and Counseling**, Valdosta State (College) University. **Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Psychology, Cum Laude**, Valdosta State (College) University

## **ARBITRATION/MEDIATION PANELS**

Arbitrator (Commercial, Employment, and Consumer Panels), American Arbitration Association (AAA). Arbitrator, United States Postal Service/ American Postal Workers Union AFL-CIO. Arbitrator, International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution (CPR). Arbitrator, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). Roster of Arbitrators, National Mediation Board. Registered Neutral (Mediator), Georgia Commission on Dispute Resolution. Mediator, The Mediation Center of Coastal Empire, Inc.

Arbitration Experience: Contract Disputes, Labor, Consumer, Securities Investments, Higher Education, Employment (Termination/Discipline/Discrimination)

Mediation Experience: Higher Education, Consumer/Debt, Landlord/Tenant, Personal Injury

## **ARBITRATION RATES**

**Employment cases**: \$300.00 per hour, reimbursement for travel expenses (air, car), and hotel. Cancellation fee: If the hearing is canceled within 10 days of the scheduled date, the cancellation fee is \$800. The hearing may be conducted either virtually or in person.

**Labor cases**: \$2,000 per day, reimbursement for travel expenses (air, car), and hotel. Study time is \$400 per day for a minimum of two days per case. Cancellation fee: If the hearing is canceled within 10 days of the scheduled date, the cancellation fee is \$2,500. The hearing may be conducted either virtually or in person.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Law Office of Laverne Lewis Gaskins 1/2020-present**, Practice Areas: Arbitration, Mediation, Civil law.

Arizona Department of Economic Security, 11/2021-3/2022, **Administrative Law Judge** (Remote/Contract). Tuskegee University, 9/2020-June 1, 2021, **Deputy General Counsel** and Title IX Coordinator. **Senior Legal Advisor**, 7/2015-1/2020 (retired), Augusta University. **University Attorney**, 7/2002 – 7/2015, (Chief Legal Officer) Valdosta State University. Special Assistant to the President for Legal Affairs (Part-Time), 6/2000-7/2002, Valdosta State University. **Law Office of Laverne Lewis Gaskins, P.C.**, 1994-2002 (Full-time), Trial

Experience in Criminal, Family, and Personal Injury law, Appointed a **Georgia Special Assistant Attorney General** for the Georgia Department of Human Resources.

**ADMITTED TO PRACTICE**

United States Supreme Court, Georgia Supreme Court, all state courts of Georgia, United States District Court of Georgia, the Middle District of Georgia, United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit