



The AAA's National Roster of Arbitrators

The use of arbitration has become a significant part of the justice system; the American Arbitration Association® (AAA®), a not-for-profit corporation founded in 1926, recognizes that its arbitrators undertake serious responsibilities and ethical obligations to the public as well as to the parties.

Parties to cases administered by the AAA can be assured that stringent standards of ethics and experience are applied to any member serving on the AAA's National Roster of Arbitrators. In this regard, Roster Members agree to serve in accordance with the Standards and Responsibilities for Members of the AAA Roster, the *Code of Ethics for Arbitrators in Commercial Disputes* and the *Code of Professional Responsibility for Arbitrators of Labor-Management Disputes*, as applicable.

The AAA's National Roster consists of highly accomplished and respected experts from the legal and business communities, including:

- Former federal and state judges.
- Attorneys with exceptional subject-matter expertise.
- Professionals who understand the essence of the dispute

Continuing educational programs are available, and in some cases required, which focus Roster Members on managing the dispute resolution process with fairness and skill, with an eye towards time-and cost-efficiency.

Each of the Commercial, Construction, Labor, Employment, and International panels has their own requirements. Specialty panels, including Aerospace, Aviation, and National Security; Construction Mega Project, Healthcare, Judicial and Large Cases, are curated with even more specialized criteria.

AAA Administrative Fees, and Arbitrators' Fees and Expenses

The AAA maintains administrative fee schedules to compensate it for the cost of providing administrative services. No portion of the AAA's administrative fees are shared with arbitrators.

Arbitrators' fees are determined either by individual Roster Members or the applicable rules. The AAA typically collects deposits from the parties for distribution as arbitrator compensation on a pass-through basis, where any unexpended balances are returned to the parties at the conclusion of a case. The AAA administers a variety of caseloads and provides dispute resolution services within the United States and around the world, and unique rules and fee structures apply to some of that work. Roster Members are not AAA employees and have no ownership or financial interest in the AAA.

As a not for profit corporation, the AAA does not have individual owners or shareholders. To the extent surplus revenues exist, they are directed back to furthering the mission of the AAA.