



Biography

Anthony N. Palladino

Administrative Judge, Director of the Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisition

Judge Palladino has served as the Director of the Federal Aviation Administration's Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisition (ODRA) since December, 1997. In that capacity, he exercises the ODRA's statutory authority to adjudicate all bid protests and contract disputes arising under the FAA's Acquisition Management System (AMS), as well as OMB Circular A-76 contests. Through the ODRA, he also provides alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mediation services in contract and grant matters and adjudicates other types of administrative cases.

Prior to joining the FAA, Judge Palladino practiced for 16 years as an associate and a partner in private law firms focusing on litigation and ADR of disputes involving public contracts, construction and private commercial matters. He served as a law clerk for the Honorable Frank Q. Nebeker of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals from 1980 to 1981 and as a law clerk at the National Labor Relations Board, Division of Administrative Law Judges from 1979 to 1980.

Judge Palladino graduated from Mercyhurst College (B.A., Presidential Scholar, 1974) and from the Antioch College School of Law (J.D. 1980). He is admitted to the Bars of the District of Columbia, the State of Maryland and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Judge Palladino has served as the Chair of the Government Contracts Committee of the United States Claims Court Bar Association. He also served on the Advisory Council of the United States Court of Federal Claims from 1999 to 2006. He has been an active member of the American Bar Association's Public Contract Law Section, serving at various times as a committee chair and vice chair. He currently serves as a member of the Section's Council. Judge Palladino currently also serves on the Board of Governors of the Boards of Contract Appeals Bar Association.

Judge Palladino has been a member of the Federal Interagency ADR Working Group (IADRWG) since 1998. He has served as the IADRWG Steering Committee Chair and as the Chair of the IADRWG Contracts and Procurement Section from 2000 through 2007.

Beginning in 2009, Judge Palladino served as an outside advisor to the United Nations on the establishment of a contract award challenge program. In connection with that effort, he has been appointed as an outside member to the UN's Award Review Board. In 2010, Judge Palladino adjudicated the first bid protest in the history of the UN.

Judge Palladino frequently lectures and writes on procurement and dispute resolution topics.
