



SPEAKER'S BIO



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Todd Austin is a Commissioner assigned to the Woodbridge/Iselin New Jersey field office of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS). In this capacity, he assists parties in the private, public and federal sectors in contract negotiations, in grievance mediation and in resolving workplace disputes. He is available to train labor and management advocates in collective bargaining, contract administration and grievance processing, steward/supervisor relationships, labor management committee structure and process, problem solving, communication and decision making.

Prior to joining FMCS, Todd worked in the Labor Relations Department for Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx. He was previously employed as a Contract Administrator/Organizer for 1199SEIU, where he came up through the rank-and-file and the majority of his assignment was at Montefiore Medical Center. In both of his positions within the Employer and Union he participated in the fostering and development of Labor Management Committees, training and growth of staff, collective bargaining, grievance handling, and settlement agreements.

Throughout his career Todd has had a strong focus on problem solving and Labor/Management relations. Ever the diplomat, Todd enjoyed the opportunities he had to work in a collaborative environment and looks forward to more of those same opportunities with FMCS.