



Melissa Gragg

CVA, MAFF

Melissa Gragg is a divorce mediator and business valuation expert with a passion for the psychology of negotiation. She testifies in court but first works to settle the matter through mediation - one form of ADR or alternative dispute resolution. She works with attorneys and other mediators around the country who need a neutral, third-party provider of business valuation, pension valuation, income analysis, tracing of non-marital assets or calculations for complex financial matters. She also works with couples or partners who have a financial disagreement with the business or need to separate, but are not sure of the process.

Melissa is an expert witness with 20 years of experience, testifying in over 50 cases for business valuations and financial matters. She has served as a financial mediator since 2016, and a neutral, joint valuation expert for businesses and families in conflict. Melissa excels in divorce mediation, business mediation, valuing business interests, pensions, stock options, calculating income for maintenance, and tracing separate assets.

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Education

1997

B.S., Business Administration

Creighton University

2000

Master of Science in Finance

Saint Louis University

Credentials

- **CVA** – Certified Valuation Analyst, 2003
- **MAFF** – Master Analyst in Financial Forensics, 2014

Professional Affiliations

- National Association of Certified Valuators and Analysts (**NACVA**) - Member
- The Association of Missouri Mediators (**AMM**) - Member

Experience

Work History

- Bridge Valuation Partners, LLC – Managing Partner - Current
- BDO USA, LLP (Acquired Stone Carlie & Co. on June 1, 2015) – Senior Manager - 2015-2016
- Stone Carlie & Co (Acquired by BDO USA, LLP) – Manager – 2013-2015
- Bridge Valuation Partners, LLC – 2011-2013
- Migraine Relief Institute – VP of Operations – 2009-2011
- Brown Smith Wallace, LLC – Supervisor -2003-2009
- Douglas Group – Analyst – 2000-2003

Accomplishments

- Instructor for NACVA's Current Updates in Valuations (CUV) – a one-day course required for member recertification (2017-Current)
- Senior Correspondent for "Around the Valuation World" for (NACVA) (2013-current)
- NACVA's Executive Advisory Board (2019-2022)
- NACVA's Litigation Forensics Board (2015-2018)
- Recipient of the 2014 "40 Under Forty" Award from NACVA and Consultants' Training Institute (CTI)

Presentations (2020-2023)

- NACVA and CTI's 2022 Annual Consultants' Conference – Alternative Dispute Resolution & Mediation with Michael Kaplan, Judge Driscoll, Judge Platt and Judge Yates
- MoBarCLE and The Missouri Bar Family Law Section's 2022 Annual Family Law Conference – Getting Your Case Settled: How to Settle a Financially Complex Case with Simone Haberstock
- Monthly Webinar Interviews and Industry Compliance Presentation for Around the Valuation World
- BV Resources Webinar– Valuation in Divorce: Winning Clients and Testifying in Court
- American Society of Appraisers Webinar – Expert v Attorney: How to Leverage Your BV Experience in the Courtroom
- 16th Annual Domestic Litigation Forum – Let Your Valuation Expert Work for You

Industry Experience

- Healthcare (ambulatory surgery centers, pharmacies, rural health clinics, nursing homes, adult daycares, doctors, dentists, orthodontists, chiropractors, stem-cell therapy, anesthesiologists, maxillo-facial surgeons, orthopedic surgeons, sports medicine, physical therapists)
- Retail franchises
- Financial planning services
- Food and produce distributors
- Gas stations and convenience stores
- Hospitality human resources and payroll services
- Funeral homes
- Insurance companies
- Architects and engineers
- Landscaping and lawn services
- Technology and website developers
- Diamond distributors
- Specialty ice-cream manufacturers and distributors,
- Retail muffler operations
- Automotive aftermarket supplier
- Online security companies
- Concrete contractors
- Environmental recycling and trash removal
- Grocery stores
- Printing and imaging
- Specialty retail and franchises (restaurants, bars, taverns)
- Event production and entertainment companies
- Internet start-ups
- Colocation and cloud computing
- Internet applications
- Real estate holding companies
- Manufacturing and/or distribution
- Wealth management
- Automotive/motorcycle dealerships
- Heavy-duty towing
- Construction
- Electrical contracting
- Plumbing contractors
- Retail donut producers
- Steel bar manufacturers
- Metal (stamper, laser job shop)
- Plastics (injection molding, thermoforming, packaging, specialty plastic container manufacturers)
- Law firms and accounting firms
- Nuclear power plant
- Printing and labeling equipment
- Trucking and transportation
- Customs clearance
- Marketing research