

Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution *for U.S. and international clients*

Lindquist & Vennum represents U.S. and international clients in trials, arbitrations, mediations, and appeals ranging from simple, straightforward business and personal matters to multimillion-dollar commercial conflicts. Our more than 70 litigators have won cases in venues ranging from county courthouses to the U.S. Supreme Court, as well as before state and federal regulatory agencies.

The primary areas in which we help clients resolve disputes include:

- Antitrust and trade regulation
- Commercial litigation
- Employment and labor
- Family law
- Franchise and distribution
- Insurance recovery
- Intellectual property
- Product liability and liability defense
- Real estate and construction
- Securities and financial litigation
- Shareholder disputes
- Tax litigation
- White-collar and regulatory defense

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)

Sometimes the courtroom is the only place to settle a dispute, but often that traditional process is needlessly time-consuming, expensive, and adversarial. In many instances, resolving disputes out of court—through arbitration, mediation, or other settlement processes—delivers results that meet clients' goals more quickly, at a lower cost, and with less combativeness.

Lindquist & Vennum has long been a leader in promoting alternative methods of resolving disputes. Leonard Lindquist, who founded the current firm in 1968, was a respected arbitrator. The head of our litigation group is a past chair of the Minnesota State Bar Association's ADR section and, as a member of the American Arbitration Association's Commercial Panel, has been appointed to arbitrate dozens of commercial matters.

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More than 60 of the attorneys at our firm represent clients in ADR processes. In addition, Lindquist & Vennum has provided pro bono mediation services to county, state, and federal courts since 1997. Our commitment to ADR led us to launch an internal program in 1997 that trains attorneys to serve as mediators in multiple venues. With these programs, our firm continues to be a leader in ADR, both through representing clients and providing an important community service.

International Dispute Resolution

Lindquist & Vennum has helped numerous clients achieve favorable outcomes in multinational business disputes. Clients we have recently represented include:

- A European luxury goods company, in a dispute arising from trademark issues involving the purchase and sale of a business line
- German technology giant Siemens, in a dispute over trade secrets and a competition restriction with Medtronic
- NBS Canada, a provider of credit-card and stored-value-card services, in a patent infringement matter and related competition claims involving the company and a U.S. subsidiary
- Swiss company Datamars, a manufacturer of RFID (radio frequency identification) devices, in patent and antitrust suits
- German hunting-ammunition manufacturer Brenneke, on intellectual property matters
- Lisec America, a subsidiary of an Austrian group of companies that manufacture glass-making equipment, in employment disputes
- German medical device company Medos, in a dispute with Medtronic involving a contract to develop an artificial lung for use during open-heart surgery