

Michael Cardello III, Esq.

Educational Background:

Hofstra University, BBA
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Experience:

Mr. Cardello served as a Court-Appointed Discovery Referee and Special Referee by various courts to oversee all aspects of the discovery process in complex commercial cases. From 2005 through 2008, Mr. Cardello oversaw all aspects of discovery in *Delta Financial Corp v. Morrison*, in which he rendered many written decisions related to discover, e-discovery, and privilege issues and presided over sixty-five depositions. From 2009 through 2015, Mr. Cardello served as Special Referee in a very large multi-party construction defect case captioned *Archstone v. Tocci Building Corporation* of New Jersey. During his appointment, Mr. Cardello issues numerous decisions regarding complex e-discovery issues as well as issuing decisions on other non-dispositive motions. From 2012 to 2016, Mr. Cardello served as the Special Referee in the related insurance coverage action to the Archstone construction defect case, captioned *QBE Insurance Corporation v. Adjo Contracting Corporation*. During his tenure, Mr. Cardello issued numerous decisions and rulings in order to prepare the case for trial. Mr. Cardello was also involved in the settlement process, which lead to a resolution.

From 2013 to 2016, Mr. Cardello served as the Special Referee to oversee the dissolution of a law firm and the wind up of its affairs. During his appointment, Mr. Cardello dealt with many legal issues and was successful in separating the law firm into two firms. On consent of the parties, he has presided over a trial on one unresolved issue related to the wind up which resulted in a settlement.

Mr. Cardello is also approved by the Officer of Court Administration in the State of New York to serve as a Receiver and has been appointed by the Court as Receiver to oversee the dissolution and wind up of the affairs of businesses and for the collection of rents for commercial properties. Mr. Cardello also mediates complex commercial litigation matters for cases pending in the Commercial Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.