



Tyler Meade Biography

Tyler Meade brings thirty years of diverse experience to mediation and arbitration.

Started as a Prosecutor: Tyler began his career in 1993 as a Deputy Attorney General in the Criminal Division of the California Attorney General's Office. He spent six years in the San Francisco office training on a blend of trial and appellate work. He investigated and prosecuted financial crimes, and defended criminal convictions in the California Courts of Appeal.



Early Civil Work: Tyler turned to civil practice in 1998. Over the next few years, he was part of the defense team in a civil RICO class action that settled for \$330 million, and was part of the plaintiffs' steering committee in a mass tort case.

The Meade Firm: Tyler founded his own civil litigation firm in 2004. For two decades, he represented plaintiffs and defendants in high value contract disputes, civil RICO and securities fraud cases, class actions, unfair competition cases, large cases involving condominiums and fractional properties, and disputes involving technology companies.

General Counsel: Tyler is Chief Legal Officer of [Gemini](#), which operates licensed, fully regulated digital asset exchanges in North America and Europe and serves users around the world. In addition, Gemini is a digital asset custodian, including for exchange traded funds and other institutional users through its New York-based limited purpose trust company, Gemini Trust Company, LLC.

Service to Courts: Tyler is active on the mediation panels for multiple state and federal courts in California and New York, and serves as a judge pro tem.

Associations: Tyler is a member of the [Silicon Valley Arbitration and Mediation Center](#), the Southern California Mediation Association, and the ADR sections of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, and the San Francisco Bar Association.

Education and Mediation Training:

- Tyler earned his B.A. from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in 1989, and his J.D. from the University of California College of Law, San Francisco in 1992.
- Tyler has studied mediation at the Harvard Program on Negotiation, Cornell University, and Pepperdine Law School.

Articles:

- T. Meade, The Case for Mediator Immunity in New York, *New York Dispute Resolution Lawyer*, Fall 2023.
- T. Meade, Quasi-Judicial Immunity Protects Mediation Without Any Discernable Cost, *ABA Dispute Resolution Magazine*, Vol. 30, No. 1, January 2024.

Litigation Achievements:

- Tyler obtained a \$51 million class action settlement in a hotel-condominium case in San Diego.
- On the defense side, Tyler obtained summary judgment of all claims alleged against high-profile defendants in a multimillion-dollar business dispute in Boston.

Recognition:

- The James Madison Freedom of Information Award, awarded by the Society of Professional Journalists in 2022.
- National Law Journal Top Verdicts of 2009, for a class action trial in 2009 that resulted in a \$27 million judgment.

Personal: An open water swimmer and member of San Francisco's Dolphin Club, Tyler is passionate about all things aquatic. He has sailed the San Francisco Bay since childhood and logged thousands of ocean miles. Tyler splits his time between California and NYC.



Tyler is a founding board member of the [Ocean Genome Atlas Project \(OGAP\)](#), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit formed by a group of sailors and scientists to create a genomic atlas of the world's oceans at single-cell resolution. OGAP deploys mobile labs on new, cost-effective platforms, including retrofitted sailboats and even a Mercedes Sprinter van. OGAP has explored 16,000 nautical miles in the Pacific and Atlantic, and was named an Ocean Shot Project by the US National Academy of Sciences as part of the UN [Ocean Decade](#) initiative.