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Helena Tavares Erickson is responsible for a wide range of CPR activities including ADR counseling and research for CPR members, publications, and education and CLE-training.

Under her direction, CPR recently released a new generation of books on conflict resolution topics under the halo title, Master Guide Series. Ms. Erickson served as co-editor of *Patent Mediation* (2004), as editor of *Drafting Dispute Resolution Clauses* (2006) and as author of *Drafting Dispute Resolution Clauses 2008 Supplement* released in January 2009. Ms. Erickson is also responsible for creating and convening a number of CPR membership-based committees charged with designing industry or practice-focused ADR protocols, rules and other products and for overseeing CPR's Awards Program. In addition, Ms. Erickson serves as CPR's Challenge Review Officer and oversees the Dispute Resolution Services and Panels departments in administering complex matters.

Prior to joining CPR in 2004, Ms. Erickson practiced for over seventeen years with the litigation and arbitration groups of Dewey Ballantine and White & Case, including three years in White & Case's Paris office, where she was admitted to the Paris bar. She is a member of the bars of New York and Connecticut, is active in several Bar Association committees, and has been trained as a mediator.

Ms. Erickson is the author of several articles, including: *The Top Ten Questions People Ask About Ad Hoc, Non-Administered Or Self-Administered Arbitration*, The Metropolitan Corporate Counsel (August 2008), *Business Arbitration Can and Should Be Improved in the United States*, Dispute Resolution Mag., Vol. 14, No. 3 (ABA, Spring/Summer 2008)(with Kathy A. Bryan), *Looking Back and Ahead: The Panama Convention After 30 Years*, 23 Alternatives 184 (2005), *Litigation vs. Arbitration in the Americas: Advantages and Disadvantages from a New York Perspective*, 15 Int'l L. Practicum 3 (Spring 2002) and *The United States Perspective on Traveling with the Attorney-Client Privilege: Checked or Carry-on Baggage?*, 7 Int'l L. Practicum 3 (Spring 1994). She has regularly lectured on topics relating to international arbitration, litigation and ethics. She is a 2006 recipient of the NYSBA ADR Committee's award for contributions to the field of ADR.

Ms. Erickson graduated *cum laude* from Cornell Law School and *magna cum laude* from Wellesley College, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

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