

## MARTIN E. PRICE

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## PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Juris Doctor (J.D.)  
Concentration in Public Interest Law  
Wayne State University Law School, Detroit, MI  
Honorary Ph.D., John F. Kennedy University of Argentina, Graduate School of Law

Bachelor's in Social Work  
Concentration in Community Organization  
Wayne State University, Detroit, MI

## MEDIATION AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION TRAINING

Over 1,000 hours in local, State and Federal agencies, as well as in national and international non-profits and NGOs recognized for their excellence in Alternative Dispute Resolution

## VICTIM'S ASSISTANCE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING

Over 200 hours, including the U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime, the National Organization for Victim's Assistance and Mothers Against Drunk Driving

## EXPERIENCE IN EDUCATION, LAW AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

**2013 (present) National Academy of Legal Studies and Research Hyderabad, India**

**Visiting Professor in Restorative Justice, Integrative and Transformative Law** — teaching at the top-ranked law school in the country, viewed as "the Harvard Law School of India." With NALSAR as his institutional foundation, Price believes he will be able to raise Restorative Justice to a level of visibility and credibility not previously possible in India. He intends to develop a program of court-based and prison-based internships where his students can make a real difference. In India, it is common for (poor) people accused of a serious crime to be in jail for as much as 10 - 20 years waiting for a trial! Meanwhile the victims and their loved ones, as well as the loved ones of the accused are all waiting for justice. Price finds this to be an outrageous situation and he believes that Restorative Justice and student lawyers can be part of the solution. With NALSAR, Price plans to organize regional conferences and speak at a national conference to introduce Restorative Justice to High Court justices, district judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys and other criminal justice professionals. He will also deliver guest lectures at other Indian law schools and universities.

**2012 National Law University of India – Orissa  
National Law University of India – Delhi  
Dr. Ram Manohiya Lohar National Law University of India – Lucknow**

**Fulbright Professor and Senior Specialist** — Visiting Lecturer in Restorative Justice and Alternative Dispute Resolution. Introduce Restorative Justice into the curriculum as a framework for Criminal Law Reform, as an intensive Certificate Course. Teach culturally appropriate graduate and undergraduate courses, supervise student research projects, train faculty, speak and serve as Senior Judge at the 1<sup>st</sup> National Mediation Competition. After this six-week residency, take residencies, other teaching and training assignments and speaking engagements at other Law Universities in India, throughout 2012. Conduct regional Restorative Justice Conferences at Law Universities, inviting judges, prosecutors, the criminal law bar, other criminal justice officials, corrections officials, counselors and other professionals in fields concerned with criminal justice, crime victims and offenders, as well as community leaders and concerned community members. Speak before State and Federal Legislatures and Judiciaries as invited. Provide expert consultation for the development of a national Restorative Justice Initiative, which could be based in the National Law Universities, and include clinical programs in the Law Universities.

**2011** **Charlotte School of Law** **Charlotte, NC**

**Adjunct Faculty** — Instructor of Restorative Justice and Advanced Writing

**2010** **University of Padua** **Padova, Italy**

**Visiting Professor** — Master's Program in Mediation as an Operative Tool in the Family, Penal and Community Contexts, Psychology Department

**Trainer and Collaborator** — 1<sup>st</sup> International Meeting, Mediators Beyond Borders and Educators Without Borders

**2006—2009:** **Warren Wilson College** **Asheville, NC**

**Adjunct Faculty** — Instructor of undergraduate courses on Restorative Justice, in Social Work and Peace and Justice Studies Departments. Class projects developed into a campus-wide movement toward restorative school discipline, strengthening community and conflict resolution.

**1993—Present: Victim-Offender Reconciliation Program** **Charlotte, NC**  
**Information & Resource Center**

**Founder and Director** — Train and consult in restorative justice. Specialist in juvenile justice, restorative justice, victim-offender mediation/dialogue in homicide cases and other crimes of severe violence. Special expertise in drunk driving fatality cases. Featured in an ABC 20/20 story about a drunk driving death reconciliation that became the example of the potential for healing in victim-offender mediation in crimes of severe violence; the 20/20 broadcast video is used internationally for education and training. Consultant to many media including Oprah, Hallmark Channel, Faith and Values Television, Court TV, and Arts & Entertainment Network.

Trained and consulted with restorative justice and victim-offender mediation/conferencing initiatives and programs throughout the U.S. and Territories, in Mexico, Central America, South America, Cuba, the Caribbean, the Pacific Rim, Central and Eastern Europe.

Frequent presenter before community groups, local, state and federal government agencies.  
Faculty member/trainer (partial list) at:

National Conference on Restorative Justice	2007—2011
National Conference of Lawyers as Peacemakers	2008
Annual Conference of the National Association of Social Workers	2006
Annual Conference of the Victim-Offender Mediation Association	1993—2007
U. S. Department of Justice, Restorative Justice Symposia	1997—2000
National Conference on Peacemaking and Conflict Resolution	1993—1999
Annual Conference of the Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution	1996—1998
Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Training and Symposium	1997
American Probation and Parole Association Restorative Justice Roundtable	1996
National Restorative Justice Institute, Advanced Training for the Mediation of Seriously Violent Crimes at University of Minnesota School of Social Work	1996

**2006—2011 Restorative Justice Resources Asheville, NC and Santa Barbara, CA**

**Founding Board Member and Director of International Education and Outreach** — Established a non-profit organization to provide crime victims, offenders and communities with the information, resources and technical support necessary to access existing services, establish new programs and transform criminal justice, nationally and internationally, to focus on healing the harm caused by crime.

**2009 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Restorative Justice Parana, Argentina**  
**2007 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Restorative Justice Tierra del Fuego, Argentina**

Delivered keynote address, plenary addresses and seminars. Provided victim-offender mediation training for mediators from six Latin American nations and seven provinces of Argentina.

**2008 Catholic University of Salta Buenos Aires, Argentina**  
**Institut Universitaire Kurt Bösch Sion, Switzerland**

**Visiting Professor, Restorative Justice, Victimology and Criminology** – Master’s in Mediation and Conflict Resolution in Latin America and Europe.

**2008 Vanderbilt University School of Law Nashville, TN**  
**Visiting Lecturer, Restorative Justice**

**2007 John F. Kennedy University of Argentina Graduate School of Law Buenos Aires, AR**

**Fulbright Senior Specialist** — As International Fulbright Scholar, taught restorative justice and related courses for Ph.D. candidates. Delivered guest lectures at University of Buenos Aires School of Law. Trained mediators from Provincial Dispute Resolution Centers throughout Argentina. Requested for Fulbright appointment by the Supreme Court of Argentina and Ministry of Justice of Argentina.



**1979—1989**

**Private Practice**

**Birmingham, MI**

**Attorney, Counselor & Mediator** – Attorney/mediator in domestic relations, domestic violence, child abuse, neglect, juvenile delinquency, adoption and guardianship. Pioneer in a non-adversarial method, counseled and empowered clients to create parenting agreements that protected children and preserved family relationships in matters of family, juvenile and mental health law. Provided *pro bono* representation for clients of The Haven, a domestic violence shelter, and served on board.

**1977—1979**

**Free Legal Aid Clinic and Public Defender**

**Detroit, MI**

**Student Attorney** – Family law and criminal law, with emphasis on domestic violence cases

### **PUBLIC SERVICE AND PUBLIC EDUCATION**

**Speaker and Facilitator** to hundreds of community groups about restorative justice, from professional organizations to church groups.

**Authored and developed** the Web sites for the non-profit, international Victim Offender Mediation Association [www.voma.org](http://www.voma.org) and the Victim-Offender Reconciliation Program (VORP) Information and Resource Center [www.vorp.com](http://www.vorp.com). The VORP Web Site has received Academic Excellence Awards from Encyclopedia Britannica Online and Study Web.

**Co-founded** the Michigan Mediation Association, which was established to pair attorney-mediators with mental health therapist-mediators in family law disputes and provide public education about family mediation.

**Developed** an educational program on alternative dispute resolution and presented it to over 100 civic groups. Received a public interest award from local bar association in Michigan.

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Mediators Beyond Borders

World Mediation Forum

International Victim-Offender Mediation Association, former Board member and Chair

American Bar Association Section on Dispute Resolution

National Conference on Peacemaking and Conflict Resolution, Leadership Team

People of Faith Against the Death Penalty, Leadership Team

Capital Restorative Justice Project Advisory Board

Association for Conflict Resolution

Murder Victims' Families for Reconciliation

Project for Integrating Spirituality, Law and Politics

## PUBLICATIONS

*Restorative Justice: Theory, Practice, Potential and Pitfalls in Latin America*, (co-authored with Mark Umbreit, Ph.D. and Susan Szmania, Ph.D.), to be published in the Comparative Law Review of the Supreme Court of Argentina (Spanish) 2013

*Restorative Justice Speaking Tour in Argentina and Chile*, Justice Connections, a joint publication of the Victim Offender Mediation Association, the National Association for Community Mediation and the Practitioners' Research and Scholarship Institute, Fall 2006

*Honoring Conflict as an Opportunity for Transformation*, (co-authored with J. Kim Wright, J.D.) Collaborative Review, International Academy of Collaborative Professionals, Spring 2006

*"First Kill All the Lawyers?"* Bar Briefs, 28<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Bar (Buncombe County, NC) 2005

*Finding Love and Meaning in the Law*, (co-authored with J. Kim Wright, J.D.), Spirit in the Smokies Magazine, January 2005

*Conscious Relationship and Conscious Divorce*, (co-authored with J. Kim Wright, J.D.) Alternatives Magazine (cover article), March 2004

*Transformational Law: New Approaches Expand Choices in Law Practice* (co-authored with J. Kim Wright, J.D. and Dolly Gallo, R.N., J.D.) Washington State Bar Association (cover article) February 2004

Entries on *Victim-Offender Mediation* and *Restorative Justice*, Women's Encyclopedia of Crime, Oryx Press, 2002

Chapter and quotations in *I Thought We'd Never Speak Again – The Road from Estrangement to Reconciliation*, Davis, Laura, 2002

*Personalizing Crime: Mediation Produces Restorative Justice for Victims and Offenders*, Dispute Resolution Magazine, "ADR in Criminal Cases," American Bar Association, Fall 2001  
*Restorative Justice Warmly Received in Mexico*, ADR Report, Bureau of National Affairs, Inc., September 1999

*Restorative Justice for Juvenile Delinquency: The Case of the Interstate 205 Rock-Throwers*. "Connections," Victim Offender Mediation Association, 1999

*Punishment-What's in it for the Victim? A Restorative Justice Discussion for Crime Victims and Their Advocates*, Kaleidoscope of Justice, 1999

*Mediated Civil Compromise: A Tool for Restorative Justice*, Oregon Defense Attorney, 1995

All published in VOMA Quarterly Journal, Victim Offender Mediation Association:

*A Victim-Offender Mediation Model of Neutrality*, 1996

*Victim-Offender Mediation: The State of the Art*, 1996

*Comparing Victim-Offender Mediation Program Models*, 1995

*Crime and Punishment: Can Mediation Produce Restorative Justice for Victims and Offenders? and The Benefits of Victim-Offender Mediation*, 1994

*The Mediation of a Drunk Driving Death: A Case Development Study — Some Observations and Principles for Victim-Offender Mediation in Cases of Seriously Violent Crimes* (Paper presented June 7, 1994 at the International Conference of the Victim-Offender Mediation Association, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada)

National media about the drunk driving death mediation case:

*Life After Death*, West Magazine, San Jose Mercury News

*Coming Home: A Life Lost and a Life Saved*, The Sunday Oregonian

"*I Forgave My Sister's Killer*" - *I Couldn't Begin to Heal Until I Let Go of My Hatred*, Ladies Home Journal