

Resolving Disputes Without Trial

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The alternatives to litigation, and what each offers.

Method and characteristics.

Method	Decided by	Binding?
Negotiation	The parties	Only if agreed
Mediation	Parties, with a neutral facilitator	Only if agreed
Conciliation	Parties, neutral suggests terms	Only if agreed
Arbitration	An appointed arbitrator	Yes, with limited appeal
Litigation	A court	Yes, with appeal rights

Educational reference. Arbitration awards are often easier to enforce across borders than court judgments.