



Maureen Fitzgerald

Lawyer | Mediator | Facilitator



Maureen Fitzgerald is a lawyer, mediator, and facilitator. She helps organizations prevent workplace problems from becoming legal issues.

Maureen F. Fitzgerald, PhD is a lawyer, mediator and recognized conflict and collaboration expert. She is the author of six books and the president of CenterPoint Inc. — a company dedicated to transforming conflict and building resilient teams.

Maureen has a law degree (LLB) from the University of Western Ontario and a masters of law degree with distinction (LLM) from the London School of Economics, specializing in alternative dispute resolution. She has a business degree (BComm) with distinction from the University of Alberta and was called to the Bar in both Ontario and British Columbia.

Her company, CenterPoint, is dedicated to preventing workplace problems from becoming legal issues. She and her associates are committed to helping groups, not just resolve their differences, but more importantly, get back on track, set a clear direction and create trusting teams .

Prior to forming CenterPoint, Maureen practiced labour and employment law. She conducted investigations, arbitrations and mediations and assisted corporations in developing their visions, mission statements and goals. She was a law professor for several years and wrote a law textbook that is now in its fourth edition and is used in most Canadian law faculties.

Maureen's books include:

- *Corporate Circles – Transforming Conflict and Building Trusting Teams* (Quinn Publishing)
- *One Circle – Tapping the Power of Those Who Know You Best* (Quinn Publishing)
- *Hiring, Managing and Keeping the Best* (with Monica Beauregard) (McGraw-Hill)
- *Mission Possible: Creating a Mission for Work and Life* (Quinn Publishing)
- *So You Think You Need a Lawyer* (McGraw-Hill)
- *Legal Problem Solving* (4th Edition) (Lexis/Nexis).

As an expert facilitator and speaker, Maureen mixes humour with practical insights. She has appeared on TV News, national radio, and talk TV.

Maureen believes that every conversation makes a difference. With her unique approaches and the ability to see things from different perspectives, Maureen challenges others to question their own assumptions. She is particularly skilled at asking difficult and powerful questions in a supportive manner and leaves groups with an enhanced sense of commitment.