



Emery L. Rann III has a history of service within government, non-profit organizations and educational institutions. A Charlotte native, he earned his B.A. and Juris Doctorate from Lincoln University and Howard University School of Law, respectively. He has worked as special assistant to Governor James G. Martin, director of the Land Ownership Information Project at NC A& T State University and the Winston-Salem Human Relations Commission, and currently is the director of Mediation Services of Forsyth County. Emery is an adjunct instructor of Political Science at Winston-Salem State University and the pastor at Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church in Woodleaf, NC. He also consults with neighborhood groups on organizational and project development through his company, The SPHINX Group. He is married to RaVonda Dalton-Rann and they have two grown children and three grandchildren.

In his current role with Mediation Services, Emery combines his experience with human relations, the law and the ministry to help bring peaceful resolution to persons who are engaged in disputes.

Mediation Services is an alternative dispute settlement center that handles criminal court referrals and civil matters as well as neighborhood disputes, truancy cases, Medicaid appeals, and family matters.

Mediation Services has been serving Winston-Salem and Forsyth County for over 28 years and helps keep the Courts from overcrowding and gridlock through cases referred to them. It also helps resolve many simple neighborhood disputes that often unnecessarily tie up law enforcement's time and energy.

Emery has been very involved in community advocacy and action, serving on several boards and commissions to help empower citizens. He presently serves on the boards of Mediation Network of North Carolina and the NC Association of Black Lawyers Land Loss Prevention Project, and was formerly chairman of the board for the NC Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service and the Sawtooth Center for Visual Arts. He is currently president of the Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and a member of Sigma Pi Phi Boule'.