

**Columbia County Circuit Court
Domestic Relations Mediator
Application Form**

This completed form will be on file for public inspection

1. Name: _____ Business Name: _____

2. Mailing/Office Address: _____

3. Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

4. Application for (*may choose one or both*):

custody/parenting time issues panel financial issues panel

5. What educational degrees have you earned? *Indicate degree, institution, and subject areas:*

6. What is your current occupation? _____ How long? _____

7. What professional certifications do you hold? _____

8. Please set forth the formal training in mediation that you have received to date by listing sources, dates and hours. *Please attach copies of your certificate(s) of completion and training outline(s).* _____

9. Please describe your training on legal and financial issues in separation, divorce and family reorganization in Oregon, including property division, asset valuation, public benefits law, domestic relations income tax law, child and spousal support and joint and several liability for family debt; corporate and partnership law, retirement interests, personal bankruptcy, ethics (including unauthorized practice of law), drafting, legal process (including disclosure problems), the needs of pro se parties review by independent counsel, finality of a judgment, and methods to carry out the parties' agreement. (*List topics, hours and dates and attach supporting documentation.*) _____

Number of hours accredited by the Oregon State Bar: _____

10. Please describe any training about the court system you have had, including the number of hours: _____

11. Description of how your fees are established (*Please note that the court pays a set rate as determined by the presiding judge for custody/parenting time mediation*): _____

12. Are you bilingual? Yes No

If yes, please list languages you speak fluently: _____

13. Please check the boxes and fill in the blanks to describe your **educational background and experience**:

Bachelors in a behavioral science related to:

- family relationships
- child development
- conflict resolution
- with course work in a behavioral science

Post graduate experience serving families (*list full time equivalent experience*):

- social work for _____ years
- mental health for _____ years
- conflict resolution for _____ years

Masters Doctoral in:

- counseling
- psychiatry
- psychology
- social work
- marriage and family therapy
- mental health

In a subject relating to:

- children and family dynamics
- education
- communication
- conflict resolution

Post graduate experience serving families (*list full time equivalent experience*):

- social work for _____ years
- mental health for _____ years
- conflict resolution for _____ years

Juris Doctor with:

- Course work in family law
- CLE credits in family law

Mediation Experience

Domestic relations mediation, supervised by or co-mediated with a qualified supervisor:

Number of cases _____

Number of hours _____

Domestic Relations Custody and Parenting Time:

Number of cases _____

Number of hours _____

Supervisor: _____

Directly observed:

Number of cases _____

Number of hours _____

Domestic Relations Financial Issues:

Number of cases _____

Number of hours _____

Supervisor: _____

Directly observed:

Number of cases _____

Number of hours _____

Mediation:

Types of disputes/cases: _____

Number of cases _____

Number of hours _____

Organization/Supervisor: _____

Additional Work Experience

List full time equivalent experience in the following areas:

mediation: _____ years

direct therapy or counseling with an emphasis on short-term problem solving:
_____ years

domestic relations lawyer for _____ years

juvenile lawyer for _____ years

List any other relevant education and/or experience: _____

14a. If you do not meet the specific criteria in UTCR 12 do you have other training, experience or education that qualifies you to mediate? Please explain: _____

14b. What is your plan, including a timeline, to meet the minimum requirements _____

15. Advertising and Solicitation

If I am selected to serve as a mediator who provides court-connected mediation services, I will not directly solicit such employment from a party to litigation. Direct solicitation does not include general advertising, so long as the advertising does not specifically target parties to litigation, claim designations such as “certified” by Columbia County Circuit Court or identify Columbia County Circuit Court. Direct solicitation of parties does not include contact with counsel. _____ (initials)

16. Mediator Ethics

I subscribe to the following code of professional ethics, standards or principles (e.g. OMA, OSB, ACR): _____

I am subject to the following disciplinary rules relevant to my memberships, licenses, or certifications: _____

I certify that I am currently in good standing with all regulatory authorities of my profession. I hereby authorize the court to review any professional associations and licensing authorities that I am associated with and particularly with regard to any complaints that have been filed with any such agencies or organizations I am licensed with.

I am licensed with the following agencies: Oregon State Bar
 Board of: Psychologists Counselors and Therapists Clinical Social Workers
 Other: _____

I agree to keep the Columbia County Circuit Court informed of any changes in my licensure status or qualifications to be listed as a mediator. _____ (initials)

I certify that I have read and will comply with the Oregon Revised Statutes, Supplemental Local Rules for Columbia County that pertain to court connected mediation, and Oregon UTCR 12. _____ (initials)

Financial Mediators

I certify I shall maintain at least \$100,000 in malpractice insurance or self-insurance with comparable coverage Section 2.3(7). Please provide name of Insurance company:

By signing this mediator application, I acknowledge that the information provided may be verified, references/programs may be contacted, and I expressly consent to the release of information.

Signature Date

Return to:
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