

CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON
Fourth Judicial District

Court-Connected Mediator Application Form

Qualifications for mediators are based upon the Oregon Judicial Department Court-Connected Mediator Qualifications Rules, issued as Chief Justice Order (CJO) No. 05-028, effective August 1, 2005.

For more information regarding the CJO go to:

[http://www.ojd.state.or.us/web/OJDPublications.nsf/Files/05cER001sh.pdf/\\$File/05cER001sh.pdf](http://www.ojd.state.or.us/web/OJDPublications.nsf/Files/05cER001sh.pdf/$File/05cER001sh.pdf)

Guidelines for Mediator Applicants can be found at:

http://courts.oregon.gov/Multnomah/docs/civilcourt/mediation_guidelinesformediatorapplicants.pdf

Instructions for submitting the completed form are at the bottom of the last page of this form.

Please note: Approved applications will appear on the court website as public information.

General Information

Applicant's Last Name: Scher

First Name, Middle Initial: Linda R.

Title: JD

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I Am Applying To Be A:

General Civil Mediator Yes No

Probate Mediator Yes No

Domestic Relations Custody and Parenting Mediator Yes No

Domestic Relations Financial Mediator Yes No

I adhere to the following organization's code(s) of professional ethics (e.g. OMA, OSB, ACR, AAA, etc.):

OMA and AFCC

I certify that I include in my opening remarks to the parties the required information specified in Section 1.4(3) of the CJO.LRS (Initials)

Current Employment Information

Self-employed in private practice

Professional Memberships

OMA, AFCC (national and local), Wash. Bar (inactive)

It is required that you attach diplomas, certificates, or other forms of verification for the sections of the application below that contain an asterisk.

*** Basic Mediation Training** (verifying certificates or diplomas required)

Basic Mediation Training (Minimum required: 30 hours) [Sections 2.1(1)(a), 2.2(2)(a), 2.3(2)(a), & 3.2] Indicate the description, trainer(s), number of hours, and dates. If you have not had Basic Mediation Training, describe substantially similar training or education. (Please note that experience as a mediator does not constitute "training.")

Pacific Family Mediation Training (40 hours, 1986), Clackamas County Family Court Services Internship (9 months, 1989-90)

*** Court System Training** (verifying certificates or diplomas required)

Describe your court system training. (Minimum required: 8 hours) [Sections 2.1(1)(b), 2.2(2)(c), 2.3(2)(d), & 3.5] Indicate the description, trainers(s), number of hours, and dates.

JD Degree, University of Washington 1986. Multnomah County Small Claims Mediation Training 1991.

If you have not had 8 hours of Court System Training, describe substantially similar training or education. Indicate the trainer(s), number of hours, and dates.

Mediation Experience (Only General Civil Mediator and Probate Mediator applicants complete the next two boxes.)

Describe your observations of 3 actual mediations [in accordance with Section 2.1(2)].

Describe your experience mediating or co-mediating where you were observed by a qualified supervisor in 3 court-connected civil cases [in accordance with Section 2.1(2)] .

Probate Mediators (Only Probate Mediator applicants complete the next box.)

I am applying to be a probate mediator (conservatorship/guardianship, estate disputes, and/or trust matters). I meet the qualifications set forth in SLR 12.045(8).

Please describe how you qualify: (e.g. attorney with five years relevant experience; individual with special skills and training in administration of estates, trusts or protective proceedings; or mediator training)

I have completed the Multnomah County Probate Department mediation training.

____ **Initials** _____ **Date of Training**

Domestic Relations Mediators (Both Domestic Relations Custody and Parenting Mediator and Domestic Relations Financial Mediator applicants complete the next 3 boxes.)

***Education** (verifying certificates or diplomas required)

Enter your Law, Master's, or Doctorate degree in a specific field. [Sections 2.2(1)(a-c) & 2.3(1)] Include the institution's name, dates attended, and degrees awarded.

JD, University of Washington 1986.

If you have none of the above, but have a bachelor's degree and 7 years of relevant experience, enter your degree, the institution's name, dates attended, and degrees and date awarded. Then describe your 7 years of relevant experience. [Sections 2.2(1)(d) & 2.3(1)]

***Domestic Relations Custody and Parenting Mediator Training**

(verifying certificates or diplomas required) (Minimum required: 40 hours.) [Sections 2.2(2)(b), 2.3(2)(b) & 3.3] Indicate the description, trainer(s), number of hours, and dates.

Pacific Family Mediation Institute (40-hour family mediation training 1986), Clackamas County Family Services (9-month internship 1989-90)

Domestic Relations Custody and Parenting Mediator Experience.

(Only Domestic Relations Custody and Parenting Mediator applicants complete this box.)

(Please describe your participation in at least 20 domestic relations cases, with 100 hours supervised or co-mediated with qualified supervisor; minimum 10 cases/50 hours custody and parenting mediation; or at least 2 years full-time experience as described in Section 2.2(3). Include name(s) or supervisor(s) and/or co-mediator(s).

Clackamas County Family Court Services (9-month internship 1989-90)

Private practice family mediation since (1990 - present) - mediating over 400 family cases including custody and parenting time.

*** Domestic Relations Financial Mediator Training**

(Only Domestic Relations Financial Mediator applicants complete the next 3 boxes.)

(verifying certificates or diplomas required) (Minimum: 40 hours domestic relations financial issues training) [Sections 2.3(2)(2) & 3.4] Indicate the description, trainer(s), number of hours, and dates.

Clackamas County Family Court Services (9-month internship 1989-90)

Domestic Relations Financial Mediator Experience.

(Please describe your participation in at least 20 domestic relations cases, with 100 hours supervised or co-mediated with qualified supervisor; minimum 10 cases/50 hours domestic relations financial mediation; or at least 2 years full-time experience as described in Section 2.3(3). Include name(s) or supervisor(s) and/or co-mediator(s).

Clackamas County Family Court Services (9-month internship 1989-90)
Private practice in family mediation (1990-present) - mediating over 400 cases including financial issues.

Insurance for Domestic Relations Financial Mediators

I certify that I have in effect, and shall maintain during my court-connected mediator listing, malpractice insurance or self-insurance with comparable coverage as required by Section 2.3(7).

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Other Mediation Training (All applicants complete the next 3 boxes.)

Enter description(s) of specialized or advanced mediation training.

Open Adoption Mediation Training (1993), Parent-Adolescent Mediation Training (1992)

Other Experience

Describe any other relevant experience.

Committee member of Statewide Family Law Advisory Committee 1998-2014, Co-Chair Parenting Plan Workgroup 2002-14.
Associate Member, Oregon State Bar Family Law Section since 1996.

Describe any special skills or experience you have (e.g. second language proficiency, cultural sophistication, non-mediation related licenses or skills, other relevant education, etc.).

[Empty text box for special skills or experience]

All Applicants complete the next sections, only as relevant to your practice. Indicate with a checkmark in the boxes below the types of cases you are willing and have experience to mediate. No checkmark will indicate you are not willing to mediate those types of cases. Indicate in the second column the number of that type of case you have mediated. If any explanation is necessary, use the Comments column.

Civil Types of Cases Mediated

Type of Case	Mediate?	No of Cases	Comments
Business/Commercial	Yes		
Contract	Yes		
Employment	Yes		
Small Claims	Yes		
Landlord-Tenant Residential/Commercial	Yes		
Real Property	Yes		
Tort	Yes		
Construction	Yes		
Professional Negligence	Yes		
General Negligence	Yes		
Other	Yes		

Probate Types of Cases Mediated

Type of Cases	Mediate?	No of Cases	Comments
Estate Disputes	Yes		
Trust Matters	Yes		
Guardianships/Conservatorships	Yes		

Domestic Relations Types of Cases Mediated

Type of Case	Mediate?	No of Cases	Comments
Adoption (including open adoption)	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20	
Custody	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	400+	estimate
Dissolution	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	400+	estimate
Domestic Partnership	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	30	estimate
Domestic Violence	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	30	estimate (known cases)
Filiation/Paternity	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10	
Grandparents Disputes	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6	
Parenting Time	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	400+	estimate
Support Disputes	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	400+	estimate
UCCIA	Yes		

Compensation Information

Describe Fees.

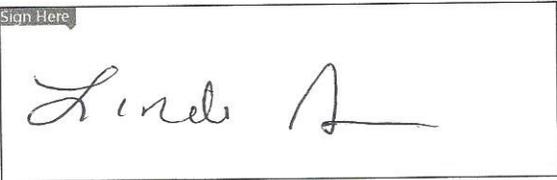
Basic rate is \$180/hour. First hour is always free. Sliding scale available.

Are you willing to consider pro bono requests?

Yes No

Oath

I hereby certify that I have reviewed and, if selected, will comply with the Oregon Revised Statutes, Uniform Trial Court Rules, and Supplemental Local Rules for Multnomah County that pertain to civil case mediation. I affirm that I have reviewed the August 2005, Chief Justice Order No. 05-028, describing the Oregon Judicial Department Court-Connected Mediator Qualifications Rules and that the above information is a true and accurate reflection of my qualifications as a mediator as outlined in that CJO. I acknowledge that my information may be verified, and that any references and/or programs listed above may be contacted. I expressly approve such investigation, and consent to the release of information about me from any relevant source. I agree to fulfill the continuing education requirement for court-connected mediators [Section 2.1(3), 2.2(4), 2.3(4), & 3.6] and all other requirements specified in the CJO. I will keep the court informed of any changes in my contact information, license status, or qualifications to be listed as a mediator.

Signature Sign Here


Date 12/07/2015

Sign with an electronic signature per UTCR 21.090(2)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING COMPLETED FORM

After the form has been completed, click the button bellow to e-mail this PDF form to the court.
If you don't have the ability to e-mail using the button below, you will need to save the PDF to your computer, then e-mail it manually as an attachment to:
MUL.Mediation.Applications@ojd.state.or.us

Click Here

Retain a copy for your records if you desire. Having this form saved to your computer will expedite your ability to update information as required by the CJO.

Questions? Call the mediation coordinator at 503-988-3318 or e-mail mediation.coordinator@ojd.state.or.us

State of Oregon
Fourth Judicial District
for Multnomah County

CERTIFIES THAT

Linda R. Scher

has successfully completed 10 hours as a trainer-intern in the
Multnomah Courts/State Judicial Institute Mediator Training Program.

Date: *April 1991*

Kristena A. LaMar

Kristena A. LaMar
Chief Judge
Alternative Dispute Resolution



The Pacific Family Mediation Institute

takes great pleasure in recognizing Linda Scher
who has successfully completed a 40 hour training program in the
theory of conflict resolution and in the practice of Divorce &
Child Custody mediation. May this accomplishment measurably
aid the prospects for peace between and among people.

February 12, 1987

date

Susan Dearborn

Susan Dearborn, Managing Partner

David P. Mason

David P. Mason, Partner

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FAMILY
MEDIATION
INSTITUTE

CLACKAMAS COUNTY FAMILY COURT SERVICE

This is to certify that

Linda R. Scher

has completed the requirements of the

1989-90

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

IN

FAMILY MEDIATION

Nolan Jones

Nolan Jones, Ed.D., Director

5-31-90

Date

Alison Taylor

Alison Taylor, M.A., Training Coordinator

Date