

COLORADO JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Office of Dispute Resolution

Celebrating More Than 25 Years of Mediation Excellence



1300 Broadway, Suite 1200 Denver, Colorado 80203 (720) 625-5940 (800) 888-0001 extension 55940 Fax: (303) 218-9145 <u>www.coloradoODR.org</u> **Mediation** is an informal process in which a neutral third party helps people in conflict to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement.

"Mediation gave me the chance for my voice to be heard." - ODR Client

Mediation ...

- Can be faster and less expensive than going to court.
- Is an informative and confidential process.
- Gives parties a chance to come up with a solution that meets their needs.

"Our ODR mediator was very helpful and was instrumental in creating dialogue that helped both of us move forward." - ODR Client

The Office of Dispute Resolution

(ODR) provides dispute resolution programs and services for the Colorado Judicial Branch, through its ninety-plus contract mediators and neutrals.

ODR Contract Mediators are the same practitioners you would find in the private sector. ODR's contract mediators come from a variety of backgrounds and professions, but all have specialized training in conflict resolution and extensive mediation experience. They subscribe to codes of professional and ethical conduct and have demonstrated their skills.

"I prefer to use ODR mediators because they are skilled and knowledgeable, and the mediation is less expensive than private mediation." - ODR Attorney Client

Once the parties have participated

in mediation, they may return to court to file a certificate of compliance and the Memorandum of Understanding that summarizes any agreements they reached, and to take any other steps to resolve their case.

ODR handles approximately 7000 courtinvolved cases per year and has a proven track record in resolving disputes.

Mediation Costs:

- District Court Civil including Domestic Cases (DR, JV, PR, CV) \$75 per party per hour
- County Court Civil
 \$50 per party per hour
- Small Claims
 \$30 per party per hour

All mediations require a 2-hour deposit, due 10 days prior to the scheduled mediation date for all District Court Civil cases and 7 days prior for all other cases.

A party may have their mediation fee reduced if the Court has determined that the party is indigent within the last six months. Otherwise, a party may complete an application for reduced fees a (JDF 211) at <u>www.coloradoODR.org</u> or by calling (720) 625-5940.

To schedule your ODR mediation,

locate your judicial district on the other side of this brochure or go to <u>www.ColoradoODR.org</u> to select a mediator and schedule directly with the mediator.

1st Judicial District Gilpin and Jefferson Counties

2nd Judicial District **Denver County**

3rd Judicial District Huerfano and Las Animas Counties

4th Judicial District **El Paso and Teller Counties** Scheduler (719) 452-5005

5th Judicial District Clear Creek, Eagle, Lake and Summit Counties

6th Judicial District Archuleta, La Plata, and San Juan Counties

7th Judicial District Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montrose, Ouray, and San Miguel Counties

8th Judicial District Jackson and Larimer Counties 9th Judicial District Garfield, Pitkin, and Rio Blanco Counties

10th Judicial District **Pueblo County** Scheduler (719) 583-7049

11th Judicial District Chaffee, Cuter, Fremont and Park Counties 12th Judicial District Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande and Saguache Counties

13th Judicial District Kit Carson, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington and Yuma Counties

14th Judicial District Grand, Moffat and Routt Counties

15th Judicial District Baca, Cheyenne, Kiowa and Prowers Counties 16th Judicial District Bent, Crowley and Otero Counties

17th Judicial District Adams and Broomfield Counties

18th Judicial District Arapahoe County

19th Judicial District Weld County

20th Judicial District Boulder County

21st Judicial District Mesa County

22nd Judicial District Dolores and Montezuma Counties

23rd Judicial District **Douglas, Elbert and Lincoln Counties**