

# Finding A Professional Mediator

## *What is Mediation?*

Mediation is a process in which two or more parties involved in a disagreement work with an impartial third party, the mediator, to generate their own solutions to solve the dispute. Unlike a judge or an arbitrator whose decisions subject one party to win and the other party to lose, mediation is about finding a solution that works for both parties.

## *Court-Ordered or Voluntary*

Court-Ordered: A judge has ordered the parties of a case to attend mediation and make a sincere effort to resolve the case

Voluntary: Parties decide they want to attend mediation voluntarily to resolve issues more quickly

## *How Can Mediation Benefit Me?*

- Mediation can make the process quicker, less expensive and non-adversarial
- Mediation gives the power to the parties, instead of the court
- Professional mediators have the experience and the training which will allow the parties to work through their issues towards a satisfactory resolution
- Mediation can make the outcome of the dispute more amicable
- Mediation can be used in numerous types of cases:  
Family/Divorce • Will/Probate • Elder Care •  
Consumer/Debt • Business/Contract • Labor •  
Medical/Insurance • Family • Neighbors •  
Landlord/Tenant • Real Estate • Public Policy

## *How Do I Find a Professional Mediator?*

Finding a Professional Mediator who has training and experience can be challenging. The MAC makes that process easy.

- Go to [www.coloradomediation.org](http://www.coloradomediation.org)
- Click on the green Find-A-Mediator button on the home page
- Choose language
- Check the boxes that apply to your case
- Enter either your zip code or click your judicial district
- A list of professional mediators will appear (in random order)
- Call and speak with the mediators to find the one that best suits your needs OR contact theMAC for assistance (303-322-9275)

## *How Do I Know the Mediator is Qualified?*

All MAC Professional Mediators have been carefully screened and meet our professional standards.

- They must have completed a 40 hour training program
- They must have participated as a mediator (co-mediator and solo mediator) with numerous types of case experience
- They must have obtained supplemental education, training and experience
- They must complete continuing education, training, and experience every year
- They must abide by theMAC Code of Ethics



*If you have questions or don't know where to turn, contact us:*  
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