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FAMILY MEDIATOR

DEFINITION

To perform court-mandated professional mediation services with parents involved in custody and/or parenting time disputes; and to perform related duties as assigned.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives direction from the Family Mediation Program Manager.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: Duties may include, but are not limited to the following:

Conducts client assessment; obtains appropriate documents; plans and implements intervention to comply with client needs.

Meets with clients to facilitate constructive conflict resolution; provides education and referrals to assist clients in improving family relations.

Teach classes in related subjects as required.

Writes custody and parenting time agreements and plans for clients and attorneys.

Completes case-related correspondence; prepares appropriate records and reports.

Maintains contact with attorneys and professionals relating to individual cases.

May address professional organizations, schools, community agencies, and other interested groups on matters pertaining to the Family Mediation Program.

Assists in program planning and evaluation.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

Principles, practices and techniques of domestic relations mediation.

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Principles, practices, methods and techniques of marital, family and parent/child dynamics and child development.

Knowledge of: (con't)

Techniques and methods of effective conflict resolution.

Domestic relations, confidentiality laws, and the court system.

Acceptable alternatives in custody and parenting time.

Ability to:

Promote and facilitate conflict resolutions.

Work effectively within limited time frames with clients of varied backgrounds.

Effect constructive change in behavior.

Maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.

Education and Experience

Education:

Master's or doctoral degree from an accredited college or university in a behavioral science, or a law degree from an accredited law school with substantial course work and/or Continuing Legal Education credits in family law.

Experience:

Participation in at least 20 cases of domestic relations mediation totaling at least 100 hours, or two years of professional mediation, direct therapy/counseling experience or legal practice with domestic relations or juvenile caseloads, that otherwise satisfies the experience/training requirements for court connected domestic relations mediators.

An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities as required by OJD Court-Connected Mediator qualifications rules is qualifying.

Deminimus change memo clarifying education and minimum experience requirements approved by County Administrator 03/11/08.

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