What If We Don't Get Along?

The mediator will structure the sessions to promote success and help the parties communicate more openly.

"Given the costs of legal services, mediation provides an effective way to resolve many disputes that would otherwise further deplete both parties' financial resources…open, honest communication between husband and wife also provides some amount of closure at a very painful time. I wholeheartedly endorse this program…."

– Father of two

Is An Attorney Required?

While decisions reached in mediation are made by you, they should be informed decisions. You may seek legal counsel at any time during the mediation process. The mediator does not give legal advice. Attorneys do not usually attend the mediation sessions.



What Happens If Mediation is Successful?

If mediation results in an agreement, a Court hearing takes place to enter your agreement as a Court order.



"I have used mediation services twice and was so pleased to have an alternative way that was easy, not intimidating and did not require me to hire a lawyer."

– Mother of one

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