

APPLICATION FOR MEDIATOR CERTIFICATION

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA *(updated: 12/15/23)*

This application will be considered pursuant to the certification criteria set forth in and prescribed by S.D. Fla. L.R. 16.2. **Please print, type, or complete form electronically.**

Last Name	First Name	MI		
Mailing Address		Email address		
Have you been a member in good standing for at least 10 consecutive years of one or more State Bar(s) or the Bar of the District of Columbia?			Yes	No
Specify Bar Membership(s) (State or D.C.):				
Specify Bar Number:				
What year were you admitted to the State Bar(s) or the Bar of the District of Columbia indicated in the prior section?				
List any languages, other than English, in which you are fluent, including Sign Language:				
Member of the Southern District of Florida Bar?				
Are you presently a member in good standing of the So. District of Florida Bar?			Yes	No
If "yes," year of admission:				
Experience Mediating U.S. District Court Cases				
Have you mediated U.S. District Court cases (excluding cases which you observed or co-mediated as part of your Florida Circuit Court mediation certification process)?			Yes	No
If "yes," how many U.S. District Court cases have you mediated?				
What is the period of time (the inclusive years) during which you mediated the number of U.S. District Court cases indicated above?				
Please list the areas of law in which you have mediated U.S. District Court cases, estimating the percentage in each area:				

Please list the following information for the last five U.S. District Court cases you mediated:

Case Name	Court & Case No.	Lawyers' Names, Telephone Numbers & Email Address	Date of Mediation	Subject Matter

During the last 10 years how many U.S. District Court cases (your best estimate) have you been involved in as counsel of record?

During the last 10 years how many U.S. Bankruptcy Court cases (your best estimate) have you been involved in as counsel of record?

If you have had substantial experience as counsel of record in matters pending in any U.S. District or Bankruptcy Court, please indicate the areas of your experience by checking the box next to each area listed below in which you have such experience.

CONTRACT	TORTS		FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Med. Malpractice	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 751 Family and Medical Leave Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act IMMIGRATION <input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application <input type="checkbox"/> 463 Habeas Corpus - Alien Detainee (Prisoner Petition) <input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	<input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act <input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration <input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
REAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation <input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure <input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment <input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land <input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property	CIVIL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other <input type="checkbox"/> 448 Education	PRISONER PETITIONS <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition <input type="checkbox"/> 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions of Confinement			

Experience Mediating State Circuit Court Cases	
How many state circuit court cases have you mediated?	
What is the period of time (the inclusive years) during which you mediated the number of state circuit court cases indicated above?	
Please list the areas of law in which you have mediated state circuit court cases, estimating the percentage in each area:	

Please list the following information for the last five State cases you mediated:

Case Name	Court & Case No.	Lawyers' Names, Telephone Numbers & Email Address	Date of Mediation	Subject Matter

Experience Mediating Pre-Suit Disputes

Have you mediated disputes prior to litigation being commenced?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	If yes, how many pre-litigation disputes?	<input type="text"/>
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What is the period of time (the inclusive years) during which you mediated the number of pre-suit disputes indicated above?	<input type="text"/>
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Please list the areas of law in which you have mediated pre-suit disputes, estimating the percentage in each area:

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List the following information for the last 5 pre-suit disputes you mediated:

Names of Mediation Participants	Lawyers' Names, Telephone Numbers & Email Address	Date of Mediation	Subject Matter

Certification as a Florida Circuit Court Mediator			
Have you been certified as a circuit court mediator by the Florida Supreme Court?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes:			
Certification Date	Certification Number	Expiration Date	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

Business Affiliations and Addresses For Last 10 Years
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

Current Professional Status			
Please describe your current professional status:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Practicing attorney	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full-time mediator
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Engaged in other venture
If engaged in some venture other than practicing law or serving as a mediator, please explain:			
<input type="text"/>			
If you are practicing law, is it :	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full-time	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Part-time?
What percentage of your practice is devoted to trials?			<input type="text"/>
What percentage of your practice is devoted to serving as a mediator?			<input type="text"/>

Disciplinary History			
Have you ever been the subject of an inquiry or complaint concerning your professional conduct as a member of The Florida Bar or any other licensing agency wherein there was a finding of probable cause?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No			
If yes, please provide the details of all such inquiries or complaints, including:			
Licensing Agency	Date	Ultimate Disposition	

Conditions for Certification	Initials
<p>In order to become certified as a mediator in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, you must agree to accept at least two mediation assignments per year in cases where at least one party lacks the ability to compensate the mediator.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Acknowledge your agreement by initialing in the box:</p>	
<p>In order to become certified as a mediator in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, you must agree, if designated by the Clerk of the Court on a blind, random basis to serve as a mediator in a case, you will mediate any such case and agree to be compensated at the rate provided by Administrative Order 2018-34 (Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$350) per hour, which includes the mediator's time preparing for and conducting the mediation, and without compensation for travel time)?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Acknowledge your agreement by initialing the box:</p>	

Counties In Which You Are Willing To Mediate Without Compensation for Travel:					
Please check the box next to each county in which you are willing to conduct mediation without compensation for travel.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Broward	<input type="checkbox"/>	Highlands	<input type="checkbox"/>	Indian River
<input type="checkbox"/>	Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	Miami-Dade	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monroe
<input type="checkbox"/>	Okeechobee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Palm Beach	<input type="checkbox"/>	St. Lucie

References

Please provide the following information for 2 attorneys who are members of the Bar of the Southern District of Florida who can attest to your good moral character and your experience, either as a lawyer or mediator, in matters brought in any U.S. District or Bankruptcy Court.

Name	Address	Telephone Number & Email Address

Please provide any additional information which you feel the Committee should review when considering your application:

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Previous Applications:

Have you previously applied for certification in the USDC of the Southern, Middle or Northern Districts of Florida, and if yes, state when and which district(s)? YES NO

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Acknowledgement:

Before proceeding to complete the application, please acknowledge that you have reviewed the certification criteria set forth in and prescribed by S.D. Fla. L. R. 16.2.

Signature:		Date:	
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Signature and Certification

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §1746, I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature:

Date:

This application should be emailed to Clerk of Court, United States District Court, Southern District at **mediation_flsd@flsd.uscourts.gov**.

Please note: Illegible applications may be returned without review or consideration by the Committee charged with reviewing applications of prospective mediators and recommending certification to the Chief Judge as appropriate.