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**BY E-MAIL**

Honorable Todd Jay Plewe, Chair, ODR Task Force  
Honorable Randall C. Lococo, Co-Chair, ODR Advisory Committee

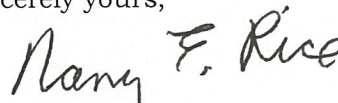
Re: ODR Task Force Proposals for DR Mediation Standards

Dear Judge Plewe and Magistrate Lococo:

Justice Gabriel has provided me with a report on the ODR Task Force's several proposals for DR mediation standards, the public comments regarding the first set of proposed standards, and the reaction of the ODRAC to the proposed standards. In addition, our court and I have had the opportunity to review and discuss these matters. In light of the ODRAC's inability to reach consensus on these issues, I have determined not to adopt either the initially proposed or the revised proposed standards at this time. Given the courts' interests in these important issues, however, our court will continue to consider how best to address these matters, and Justice Gabriel, as our court's liaison to the ODRAC, will keep you apprised as we move forward.

I thank you both for your efforts on behalf of the ODRAC and the ODR Task Force in what I know has proven to be a difficult and time-consuming task. Please convey my thanks to your respective committees and to staff as well.

Sincerely yours,



Nancy E. Rice

cc: Benjamin Stough  
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