

Mediation is an informal process in which a neutral third party helps people in conflict to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement.

“Mediation gave me the chance for my voice to be heard.” - ODR Client

Mediation ...

- Can be faster – and less expensive - than going to court.
- Is an informative and confidential process.
- Gives parties a chance to come up with a solution that meets their needs.

“Our ODR mediator was very helpful and was instrumental in creating dialogue that helped both of us move forward.” - ODR Client

The Office of Dispute Resolution (ODR) provides dispute resolution programs and services for the Colorado Judicial Branch, through its sixty-plus contract mediators and neutrals. ODR also provides information about dispute resolution in Colorado and nationally, and coordinates training for judicial officers and court staff.

ODR Mediators are the same practitioners you would find in the private sector. ODR’s mediators come from a variety of backgrounds and professions, but all have specialized training in conflict resolution and extensive mediation experience. They subscribe to codes of professional and ethical conduct and have demonstrated their skills.

“I prefer to use ODR mediators because they are skilled and knowledgeable, and the mediation is less expensive than private mediation.” - ODR Attorney Client

Once the parties have participated in mediation, they may return to court to present a certificate of compliance, to enter into the record a Memorandum of Understanding that summarizes any agreements they reached, and to take any other steps to resolve their case.

ODR handles approximately 7000 court-involved cases per year, and has a proven track record in resolving disputes.

Mediation Costs:

- District Court Civil
\$75 per party per hour
\$150 per hour when one party is present
- Domestic Relations, Juvenile and District Court Criminal
\$60 per party per hour
\$120 per hour when one party is present
- County Court Civil and County Court Criminal
\$50 per party per hour
\$100 per hour when one party is present
- Small Claims
\$30 per party per hour
\$60 per hour when one party is present

All mediations require a 2-hour deposit, due 10 days prior to the scheduled mediation date.

A party may have their mediation fee reduced if the Court has determined that the party is indigent within the last six months. Otherwise, a party may complete a Motion to File without Payment and Supporting Financial Affidavit (JDF 205) at www.coloradoODR.org or by calling (720) 625-5940.

To schedule your ODR mediation, locate your judicial district on the other side of this brochure, or go to www.coloradoODR.org.

1st Judicial District
Gilpin and Jefferson Counties

2nd Judicial District
Denver County

3rd Judicial District
Huerfano and Las Animas Counties

4th Judicial District
El Paso and Teller Counties
Scheduler (719) 452-5005

5th Judicial District
Clear Creek, Eagle, Lake and Summit Counties

6th Judicial District
Archuleta, La Plata, and San Juan Counties

7th Judicial District
Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montrose, Ouray, and San Miguel Counties

8th Judicial District
Jackson and Larimer Counties

9th Judicial District
Garfield, Pitkin, and Rio Blanco Counties

10th Judicial District
Pueblo County
Scheduler (719) 583-7049

11th Judicial District
Chaffee, Custer, Fremont and Park Counties

12th Judicial District
Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande and Saguache Counties

13th Judicial District
Kit Carson, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington and Yuma Counties

14th Judicial District
Grand, Moffat and Routt Counties

15th Judicial District
Baca, Cheyenne, Kiowa and Prowers Counties

16th Judicial District
Bent, Crowley and Otero Counties

17th Judicial District
Adams and Broomfield Counties

18th Judicial District
Arapahoe, Douglas, Elbert and Lincoln Counties

19th Judicial District
Weld County

20th Judicial District
Boulder County

21st Judicial District
Mesa County

22nd Judicial District
Dolores and Montezuma Counties



COLORADO JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Office of Dispute Resolution

*Celebrating More Than
25 Years of Mediation Excellence*



1300 Broadway, Suite 1220
Denver, Colorado 80203
(720) 625-5940
(800) 888-0001 extension 55940
Fax: (303) 218-9145

www.coloradoODR.org