

STATE OF MICHIGAN 22nd CIRCUIT COURT WASHTENAW COUNTY	APPLICATION FOR DOMESTIC RELATIONS MEDIATION	CASE NO.
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Plaintiff

v

Defendant

Mediation is a service available through the Washtenaw County Friend of the Court to assist the parties in resolving custody and/or visitation issues. This service is available even if the dispute is not before the Court. Mediation is voluntary; both parties must agree to participate. The parties meet with a mediator, discuss the issues and try to come to an agreement. Communications between the parties and the mediator are confidential, and may not otherwise be used by the Friend of the Court or the Court. Attorneys are not present during mediation.

If an agreement is reached through mediation, either the Friend of the Court or your attorney will prepare a consent order. If no agreement is reached, you may still use the conventional way of settling the matters, which may include a Friend of the Court investigation and recommendation from the casework division.

Please sign below and return this form to the Friend of the Court office if you wish to use this service.

I am willing to participate in mediation as an alternative for resolving custody and/or visitation issues in my case. I understand that should the other parent be unwilling to consider mediation, that no conference will be held. I am aware that this is voluntary on my part and that the matters discussed in such a session are confidential and cannot be used for or against me in any future hearing before the Court. My assigned mediator cannot testify for or against me in such a hearing.

If mediation is elected by both parties, you will be notified as soon as a mediation conference is scheduled.

NAME: _____

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Telephone:

Home: _____

Work: _____

(hours — from to)

Please indicate what issues are to be discussed in mediation. Please check all that apply

Custody

Visitation

Other (*please specify*)

Return this application to: Washtenaw County Friend of the Court
P.O. Box 8645
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