

SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MEDIATOR INFORMATION SHEET

- All mediators who provide services under contract with the Sixth Circuit must be certified by the Florida Supreme Court in County Mediation, Family Mediation, or Dependency Mediation, as applicable.
- Each mediator selected to serve must enter a contract with the Court. New contracts are effective July 1, 2018, with the possibility of renewals for up to three years. **Bilingual mediators desired.**
- Each mediator serves in rotation. Family mediators must agree to provide the 20th and 40th family mediations scheduled will be pro bono mediations provided without payment. Compensation for services is paid by the State of Florida at the rates set by the Court. The rates for payment in court-provided mediation are:
 - **Small Claims Pretrial Mediation** – \$20.00 per hour except in Dade City where the rate is \$22.00 per hour. **NOTE**: Mediators providing small claims pretrial mediation should expect to serve for the entire calendar, approximately 6 to 8 hours for the day.
 - **County Civil Mediation** – \$50.00 session, except when conducted during a small claims pretrial calendar, in which case the rate is the same as that for small claims pretrial mediation. A “session” is a scheduled mediation up to 90 minutes.
 - **Family Mediation** – \$300.00 per session for cases where the parties’ combined annual gross income is greater than \$50,000 but does not exceed \$100,000; and \$200.00 per session when the parties’ combined annual gross income is \$50,000 or less. A “session” is one-scheduled mediation up to 3 hours.
 - **Juvenile Dependency Mediation** – \$200.00 per session. A “session” is one-scheduled mediation up to 3 hours.
- **Other Resources:** Rule 12.741, Family Law Rules of Procedure; Rule 10, Rules for Certified and Court-appointed Mediators; Rule 8.290, Rules of Juvenile Procedure; Rule 1.720, Rules of Civil Procedure; Chapter 39, Florida Statutes; and Chapter 44, Florida Statutes.

****THE COURT IS NOT CURRENTLY SOLICITING FOR MEDIATORS.
IF THE SITUATION CHANGES A NOTICE OF A SOLICITATION WILL BE
POSTED ON THE COURTS WEBSITE.****