

**Nassau County Supreme Court, Commercial Division  
Alternative Dispute Resolution Program**

**Mediator Application**

The Commercial Division's Alternative Dispute Resolution Program offers mediation in cases referred by Justices of the court or in cases submitted by parties on consent. Those who wish to become mediators must have (i) successfully completed a minimum of 40 hours of mediation training in an OCA-sponsored or OCA-recognized training program; (ii) recent mediation experience; (iii) commercial law experience or equivalent subject matter expertise deemed appropriate by the Administrative Judge. Training in arbitration does not suffice.

For more information on mediator qualifications, please review Part 146 of the Rules of the Chief Administrative Judge on Guidelines for Qualifications and Training of ADR Neutrals Serving on Court Rosters, located at <http://www.nycourts.gov/ip/adr/Part146.shtml>.

Mediators who join the Nassau County Commercial Division Roster must be willing to provide the first 3-4 hours of initial mediation free of charge. Thereafter, mediators may charge parties up to \$300/hour for time spent in mediation and up to \$150/hour for any additional preparation time needed beyond the initial session. To learn more about how the Commercial Division ADR Program operates, see [http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/comdiv/nassau\\_ADR\\_Rules.shtml](http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/comdiv/nassau_ADR_Rules.shtml)

To apply to join the roster, please complete the sections below and attach additional sheets if needed. Alternatively, you may submit a resume and cover letter, provided those documents contain answers to the questions below:

1. **BASIC INFORMATION:** Please provide name, firm or organization name and address, phone and fax numbers and email address.
2. **ADMISSIONS:** If applicable, please list the year of your admission to the New York Bar, and the names of any other jurisdictions or courts where you are admitted to practice and the year of admission.
3. **EDUCATION:** Please list any undergraduate, graduate, legal or other degrees, educational institutions from which degrees were earned, and the year you obtained the degree(s).
4. **PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE:** Please summarize your professional background and experience. With respect to the firm or organization for which you currently work and those for which you previously worked, please list your position, the years of employment there, and a summary of the type of work performed, including areas of specialization.
5. **PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:** Please list relevant publications that you authored or relevant presentations that you have given.
6. **MEDIATION EXPERIENCE:** Please list all training programs in mediation for prospective mediators that you have attended, including a description of the program (e.g., basic mediation training, commercial mediation training), the number of hours of each course,

the entity that presented the program, and the year you took the course. Please state whether you have been certified as a mediator and provide details. If you are currently serving as a mediator, please identify the court or organization where you serve. If possible, please provide a reasonable estimate of the number of mediations for which you have served as mediator and the number of mediations in which you have represented a party.

7. **OTHER RELEVANT TRAINING OR EXPERIENCE:** Please describe any other training or experience you believe enables you to serve as a mediator in commercial matters.

**Please send a completed application to:**

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