

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE**

APPLICATION TO BECOME AN APPROVED MEDIATOR

To be approved as a mediator, you must meet the following qualifications and agree to be bound by the following:

1. Mediators must be lawyers, licensed to practice in the State of Tennessee and admitted to practice in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee;
2. Mediators must have practiced law at least five years;
3. Mediators must have had at least forty (40) hours of formal mediation training as approved by the Court¹ and such procedural training as shall be provided by the Clerk of the Court.
4. Mediators must report the results of their mediations in accordance with Local Rule 16.4(m).
5. Mediators must be available to conduct at least one mediation per year without compensation.
6. Mediators must commit to at least one year of service on the Mediation Panel.
7. Mediators must participate in any reporting and research requirements of the program.
8. Mediators must comply with the provisions of the program as set forth in Local Rule 16.4 and any applicable Standing Orders.
9. Mediators must provide the Court with such biographical information that the Court may require that will be made available to litigants and lawyers who are seeking mediators.

¹ The Court will accept mediation training approved by the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education and Specialization; the American Arbitration Association, Dispute Management, Inc.; Mediation and Conflict Management Services of St. Louis; United States Arbitration & Mediation or equivalent training as determined by the Court's **Standing Committee to Administer ADR Programs**.

NAME: _____

BPRNO.: _____

FIRM NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

DATE LICENSED TO PRACTICE IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

DATE ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE:

NUMBER OF YEARS OF LAW PRACTICE (this can include time spent clerking for a federal or state judge):

FORMAL MEDIATION TRAINING (40 hours required-please proof of completion):

I HEREBY CERTIFY, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT THE INFORMATION STATED
HEREIN BY ME IS TRUE AND CORRECT. I MEET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A
FEDERAL COURT MEDIATOR AND I HEREBY AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
THE PROGRAM AS SET FORTH ABOVE.

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

Return completed form to:

Honorable Christopher H. Steger
United States Magistrate Judge
900 Georgia Ave., Room 102
Chattanooga, TN 37402