

Family Law Mediation Training offered by the Dispute Resolution Center of Jefferson County



"Family mediation is a great way for parents to develop co-parenting plans and make personal decisions in the best interest of their children...it's a tremendous service to families and courts."

-Judge Larry Thorne, 317th District Court

This 24-hour course meets training requirements established by the Texas Civil Practice & Remedies Code for mediator qualification in family matters.
Prerequisite: 40 hour basic mediation training

Curriculum meets standards set forth by:
Texas Mediation Trainers Roundtable and Texas Mediator Credentialing Association

Training dates:

Monday, November 1, 2010 5:30 – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 3, 2010 5:30 – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 6, 2010 9:00 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Sunday, November 7, 2010 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Monday, November 8, 2010 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Training Sites:

Mon/Wed/Sat/Sun – November 1, 3, 6 & 7
Courthouse Annex 1 Bldg
AgriLife Auditorium - 2nd floor conference room
215 Franklin • Bmt, Tx

Monday, November 8
Jefferson County Courthouse
279th District Court, 2nd Floor
1149 Pearl • Bmt, Tx

TRAINING AGENDA AT A GLANCE

Monday, Nov 1 5:30-9:00 pm

- Program Overview
- Family Dynamics
 - Family systems
 - Blended families
 - Psychological aspects of divorce and parenting
 - Adult grief

Presenters:

Cindy Bloodsworth, DRC Director
Colleen Christie, LMFT, LPC

Wednesday, Nov 3 5:30-9:00 pm

- Child Development
 - Stages of development
 - Impact of divorce
 - Childhood grief

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Saturday, Nov 6 9am-5 pm

- Family Law
 - Legal rights of parents
 - Parentage (never married)
 - Suits affecting parent-child relationship
 - Dissolution of marriage
 - Adult guardianship
 - Allocation of resources
- Parenting Plans
 - Conservatorship
 - Parental access
 - Child support enforcement
 - Non-parental access

- Ethics

Presenter/Mediation Trainer:

Susan Cefai, J.D. of Austin, Tx

An experienced instructor and practitioner, Ms. Cefai has devoted most of her career in the legal and mediation fields to divorce and post-divorce issues. She trains regularly for the Dispute Resolution Center of Travis County.

Sunday, Nov 7 1:00-5:00 pm

- Family Violence
- Child Abuse & Neglect
- Referral to Support Services
- Cultural Understanding
- Practice Considerations
- DRC Policies/Procedures

Presenters:

Mistie Craver, Victim's Assistance
Bryant Sam, TDFPS
Cindy Bloodsworth

Monday, Nov 8 8:00-11:30 am

- Family Court Observation
279th District Court

Certificate of Completion awarded after documentation of one mediation session conducted with experienced family co-mediator.

- - TO REGISTER CALL 409-835-8747 - -

Fees: \$400 w/o volunteer commitment to DRC \$200 w/volunteer commitment to DRC
Fee includes all materials & refreshments, including lunch on Saturday, November 6

SBOT MCLE Approved – 20.5 Hours, 2 Ethics, CEUs for LDCs, LPCs and Social Workers.

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