

ELDERCARE MEDIATOR QUESTIONNAIRE

A. BASIC INFORMATION:

LOCATION(S):
"I WILL MEDIATE IN THE FOLLOWING LOCATION(S)":

New York

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LANGUAGES SPOKEN FLUENTLY:

English

FEES PER HOUR & OTHER FEES (EG. TRAVEL):

\$350

DO YOU HAVE MEDIATOR MALPRACTICE INSURANCE? Yes

B. BACKGROUND:

OVERVIEW OF BACKGROUND
(PRIMARY PROFESSION, ETC. MAXIMUM 50 WORDS):

Clare is a mediator and attorney with a practice in family law, estates and trusts and real estate law. She stopped accepting litigated matters in 2005 to focus on mediation and firmly believes that mediation is the primary choice to resolve conflict and improve communication.

GENERAL MEDIATION EXPERIENCE (MAX 30 WORDS):

I was trained in mediation and collaborative law in 2004/05 and in elder care mediation in 2006. I have been a divorce mediator since 2005 and no longer litigate.

NUMBER OF MEDIATED DISPUTES (ANY KIND--MINIMUM 5 TO BE LISTED):

100+

NUMBER OF MEDIATED DISPUTES INVOLVING HIGH-CONFLICT FAMILY MEDIATION:

100+

ELDERCARE MEDIATION EXPERIENCE: NUMBER OF EM DISPUTES MEDIATED:

5<

NUMBER OF YEARS YOU HAVE MEDIATED: 6+ years

GERIATRIC EXPERIENCE (MAX 30 WORDS):

My experience is both professional through my estates and trusts practice as well as personal in caring for my parents and my aunt who passed away when they were over 90 years of age.

OTHER (EG. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH FAMILY DECISIONMAKING REGARDING PARENTS, ETC. MAX 30 WORDS):

I became interested in elder care mediation when I saw the conflict within my own family when my father needed to enter a nursing home. That was resolved without mediation, but I also saw in my practice how mediation would have saved much emotional conflict in family disputes.

C. EDUCATION, ASSOCIATIONS, AND LICENSES/MEDIATOR REGISTRIES:

EDUCATIONAL DEGREE(S), MAJOR(S), & INSTITUTION(S):

J.D. State University of New York Faculty of Law and Jurisprudence

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS: MEDIATION (IF ASSOCIATION FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION (ACR), INCLUDE WHETHER PRACTITIONER MEMBER), GERIATRIC, THERAPIST, LEGAL, ETC. (MAX 30 WORDS):

Accredited member of NYS Council on Divorce Mediation
Member ADR section of the NYS Bar Association
Member ADR committee of the Westchester Women's Bar Assoc.

MEDIATOR REGISTRIES/CERTIFICATION/LICENSES (NOTE IF YOU RECEIVED ANY DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS) (MAX 30 WORDS):

Certified Custody and Visitation Mediator through the Westchester Mediation Center
Panel of Divorce Mediators, Westchester County Supreme Court Matrimonial Mediation Program

D.

TYPES OF ELDERCARE MEDIATION DISPUTES THAT YOU WILL MEDIATE:

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY & CHECK TYPES OF EM DISPUTES THAT YOU HAVE ALREADY MEDIATED:	
WILL	HAVE
Quality of Life	Quality of Life
Housing	Housing
Car Keys, Driving & Transportation (limitations on driving, testing, transportation to medical appointments, friends, social events & church)	
Caregiving (division of duties, relief for caregivers, level of care needed, planning vacations for parents & caregivers)	
Financial Decisions	Financial Decisions
Working through Family Fights (improving sibling relationships, learning communication skills, & working as a team)	Working through Family Fights (improving sibling relationships, learning communication skills, & working as a team)
Wills, Trusts, Estates	Wills, Trusts, Estates
Division or Sale of Farms, Businesses, Property	
Powers of Attorney, Avoiding Guardianship	
Health Care Decisions	
Emergency Decisions	
Planning Ahead for End of Life Decisions (funeral planning & Advanced Directives (Living Wills/Life Prolongation, organ donation preference, appointment of health care representatives)	
Resident Injury; level of care	
Other (List):	

**E.
MEDIATION TRAINING:**

**TRAINING IN BASIC MEDIATION
(MINIMUM 40 HOURS OF GENERAL MEDIATION TRAINING):
NOTE TYPE (FAMILY, CIVIL, COMMUNITY MEDIATION OR OTHER, TITLE(S),
TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS, TRAINERS)
(MAX 30 WORDS):**

The basic mediation trainers were Jack Himmelstein and Gary Friedman.
Basic mediation training - Center for Mediation in Law - 36 hours
Conflict Resolution & Mediation Theory -Bobbie Dillon - 5 hours
Mediating Parenting Plans - Joan Kelly - 6 hours
Annual Conferences of NYS Council on Divorce Mediation 2005-11

**TRAINING RECEIVED IN ELDERCARE MEDIATION:
NOTE TITLES, TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS & TRAINERS (MAX 30 WORDS):**

Norristown, PA.
Elder care mediation training - Montgomery County Mediation Center - 20 hours

**TRAINING IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: NOTE TITLE(S), TOTAL NUMBER OF
HOURS & TRAINERS (MAX 30 WORDS):**

**SUMMARY OF OTHER ADVANCED MEDIATION TRAINING:
NOTE TITLE(S), TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS & TRAINERS (MAX 30 WORDS):**

Domestic Violence training - Pace Law School Women's Justice Center - 2 hours

**WERE YOU A TRAINER FOR ANY NOTED ABOVE? No
IF SO, LIST HOURS:**

**F.
MODELS AND PROCEDURES USED AS A MEDIATOR:**

MODEL(S) OF MEDIATION USED PRIMARILY:

FACILITATIVE TRANSFORMATIVE

**TYPE(S) OF MEDIATION SESSION USED (NOTE ALL YOU USE, THEN FOR
EACH CATEGORY, LIST YOUR LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE: LOW, MEDIUM,
HIGH):**

EXPERIENCE	
HIGH	IN-PERSON ONLY
LOW	IN-PERSON WITH SOME PARTICIPATION BY CONFERENCE CALL
LOW	MEDIATION BY CONFERENCE CALL

NONE

**ONLINE DISPUTE RESOLUTION
(MEDIATION WITH VIDEO COMPONENT)**