

Mission Statement

The Mediation Center provides Maury and surrounding counties with high-quality dispute resolution services at affordable rates. We help people solve and prevent conflict.

Programs Offered:

- Divorce Mediations
- Parenting Plans
- Parenting Classes
- Victim Offender Reconciliation Program
- Community Mediation



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What is The Mediation Center?

The Mediation Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping resolve the disputes that arise in our community. We serve as a place where people can come and solve their disagreements before incurring the emotional and economic costs of litigation. Our trained mediators employ problem-solving strategies that encourage communication and empower parties to develop their own solutions .

What is The Mediation?

Mediation is a voluntary process. Although a court may order parties to attend mediation, the actual settlement is up to the individual parties to determine. One thing that all mediations have in common is that you are in charge. Mediation may be the last opportunity to have a say in the outcome of your dispute before a judge or jury determines it for you. The mediator will not judge your case, take sides, or offer you legal advice. The mediator's role is that of a facilitator. He or she keeps the parties on topic and guides them to a mutually satisfactory agreement.



Our Programs

Rule 31 Mediations

- To ensure that cost is never a barrier, The Mediation Center provides Rule 31 Mediations to divorcing or never married parents on a Sliding Fee Scale, so that each party is charged based on their individual gross monthly income.
- Sliding Fee Scale

Gross Income Per Party	Hourly Fee Per Party, 3 Hour Minimum
Up to \$2000 per month	\$45 per hour, \$135 minimum
\$2001 - \$3000 per month	\$55 per hour, \$165 minimum
\$3001 - \$4000 per month	\$70 per hour, \$210 minimum
\$4001 - \$5000 per month	\$100 per hour, \$300 minimum
Over \$5000 per month	\$150 per hour, \$450 minimum

Pro-Bono Mediations

- This program will provide pro se litigants addressing custody, visitation, and other parenting matters in Juvenile, Chancery, and Circuit Court with mediation services free of charge for the Middle Tennessee region.

Legal Information Resource Center

- This program provides printed and electronic resources, information, and assistance services to pro se litigants in Maury County Juvenile, Chancery, and Circuit Courts who are

seeking to pro se litigants in Maury County Juvenile, Chancery, and Circuit Courts who are seeking to establish a new parenting plan, modify an existing parenting plan, or seek an uncontested divorce. It also has listings of local attorneys and agencies able to help families in transition.

Victim--Offender Reconciliation Program

- The Mediation Center currently provides the juvenile courts of Maury County with VORP services. We are primarily referred first- time shoplifters, participants in minor assaults, and vandals to mediate through the court process. Once the mediation and follow- up recommendations are completed, we submit a request to the court to have the issue dismissed and kept off the juvenile's record. There are no fees or charges associated.