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ORANGE COUNTY
DISPUTE SETTLEMENT CENTER

Volunteer Application

Note to persons applying for Volunteer Mediator/Facilitator positions:

We adhere to the standards set by the Mediation Network of North Carolina which recommends that mediators have 20 hours of training. We require that facilitators have a 16-hour training. Divorce and Couples Mediators need 40 hours of training. In addition, we require a screening interview with staff.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ (h) _____ (w)

Email: _____ Fax: _____

Sex: Female Male

Race (optional): _____ Age (optional): _____

Occupation/Daytime Activities:

Employment: _____

Student: _____

Other: _____

Education:

High School _____

College: _____

Graduate Studies: _____

Community affiliations: _____

Why would you like to be a volunteer with us? _____

Hobbies, special talents or skills: _____

Volunteer work objectives (check all that might apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> learn new skills | <input type="checkbox"/> meet and work with people |
| <input type="checkbox"/> use existing skills | <input type="checkbox"/> help in the community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> explore new careers | <input type="checkbox"/> other _____ |

Ways you would like to volunteer:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> office support/reception | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Victim Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> mailings | Mediation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> publicity projects | <input type="checkbox"/> community/court mediation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> training support | <input type="checkbox"/> special events planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> group facilitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> schools/youth volunteer work | <input type="checkbox"/> fundraising committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> separation/divorce mediation | <input type="checkbox"/> speaker's bureau |
| <input type="checkbox"/> data entry, typing | <input type="checkbox"/> work on audio-visual needs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IT, website support, etc | |

What skills do you possess related to these volunteer interests? _____

What training or experiences do you have related to mediation and training? _____

If you have not had appropriate training, would you be willing to devote at least 16-20 hours to become trained as a facilitator or mediator?

Yes No

Would you be available to volunteer for an 18 month period?

Yes No

If no, please explain: _____

Which hours are you available to volunteer your time?

- 8-5 only Monday-Friday Other: _____
 after 5:30 only weekends only _____
 any hours any days _____

For those who wish to mediate, which mediation site do you prefer?

- Carrboro Hillsborough Either

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony? _____

If yes, please explain: _____

In case of emergency, notify: _____

Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

References

Kindly provide the names, addresses, and phone numbers for two references (please make at least one local).

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Due to the nature of our work, we may run background checks.

Permission granted: Yes No

All volunteers are required to sign a confidentiality agreement. By signing below, you agree to keep confidential all information you learn about clients if you perform volunteer duties for DSC.

Signature _____ date _____

Feel free to add a resume or any additional relevant information or comments on the back.