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## **How it works**

Mediation is a process whereas the parties meet with a neutral mediator in order to come to an agreement on the issue(s) at hand. The mediator does not make decisions on behalf of either party nor does the mediator determine the outcome. The mediator simply facilitates the negotiations in order for both parties to come to a resolution that is mutually agreeable. Mediation is an alternative to going to court and having the court make a ruling which may or may not result in the most desirable outcome for either or both parties. In mediation, the outcome is completely controlled by the parties.

Here is how it works. I would meet with both of you and discuss the issue(s) at hand. This is a confidential process and I would not be able to be called as a witness for either party if you should not come to a resolution and you proceed to court. While meeting with you individually, there is an additional layer of confidentiality that covers the conversation that I have with either party. While in our individual meetings, either party can notify me of any portion of our discussion that shall not be shared with the other party. Ultimately, my job is to listen to both parties and assist you in coming to a mutually agreeable resolution. Once an agreement is reached, I would draft the agreement which you would both sign and file with the court. In divorce cases, the negotiations would also include child custody, child support, assets, debts, spousal support, etc... see more by clicking the link "[Preparing For Mediation](#)".

My rate is \$225/hour with a two-hour minimum. I require the two-hour minimum payment at the beginning of the session and will require full payment for additional time at the end of each session. Please also be prepared to pay in advance for the drafting of the agreement which averages 2-3 hours. I can give you a more accurate estimate of the drafting process once we meet and I can determine the variables involved in your case. I accept checks made payable to DKI Consultants.

Please be sure to bring any documentation that you feel will need to be verified by the other. In other words, if you feel that you may disagree on assets or liabilities, please bring documentation to back up your position.