



Ethics Issues for Mediators

ADR Committee Lunch & Learn

Florida Coastal School of Law

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

1.0 CLE Credit pending Florida Bar accreditation

ADR Committee Chairs, Lisa Dasher (FL Bar # 52038) and G. Thomas Harper (FL Bar # 360880), will present “Ethics Issues for Mediators.”

OUTLINE OF TOPICS

PART I- LECTURE: ETHICS ISSUES FOR MEDIATORS

1. Reporting Abuse or Neglect: MEAC Opinion 2017-0016 (issued on April 11, 2018)
2. Getting paid: What to do; What Not to do.
 - a. Aurora Bank v. Saul Cimbler
 - b. Saul Cimbler v. Mediator Qualifications Board, Florida Supreme Court, AOSC 17-84
 - c. MEAC Opinion 2017-020 (issued May 8, 2018)
3. Getting the Job Done: Mediator Conduct; based on Vitakis-Valchine v. Valchine, 793 So. 2d 1094 (4th DCA, 2001) from Ethics Plenary, 2018 Florida Dispute Resolution Conference, Orlando, August 11, 2018
4. Getting a Signed Agreement: Brad Alpert v. American Family Insurance Company, et al. (11th Circuit, June 8, 2018)
5. Scene II Hypothetical from Mediator Ethical Traps by Sheryl Goski, Offices of Sheryl Mintz Goski, from 2018 Florida Dispute Resolution Conference, Orlando, August 11, 2018.

PART II- DISCUSSION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE ADR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

DETAILED TIME SCHEDULE

Time	Topic
50 Minutes	Part I- Lecture: Ethics Issues for Mediators
10 Minutes	Part II- Discussion of Topics for Future ADR Committee Meetings

SPEAKER BIO AND CREDENTIALS:

Lisa Dasher

Lisa is a graduate of Florida State University and Florida Coastal School of Law. She is the volunteer coordinator for Jacksonville Area Legal Aid's Clay County Family Law Clinic, and serves on the board of directors for Three Rivers Legal Service and Jacksonville Women's Lawyers Association. She is a member of the American Bar Association, The Florida Bar, the Jacksonville Bar Association, the Clay County Bar Association, Collaborative Family Law Group of Northeast Florida, and the Family Law Inn of Court

More details can be found here: <https://www.jacksonvillefamilymediation.com/>

G. Thomas Harper

Mr. Harper has practiced Labor Relations and Employment Law for over 30 years. He is Board Certified by the Florida Bar in Labor and Employment Law. He is also certified by the Florida Supreme Court as a Circuit Court Civil and Appellate Mediator. Mr. Harper has also studied and received training in Biblical conflict resolution. He has mediated disputes between Church members using the conflict resolution principles stated in the New Testament.

More details can be found here: <http://employmentlawflorida.com/>

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Course Title:	Ethics Issues for Mediators
Course Number:	PENDING
Program Level:	PENDING
Approval Period:	PENDING
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