In the Indiana Supreme Court

Cause No. 23S-MS-10



Order Amending Rules for Alternative Dispute Resolution

The Indiana Rules for Alternative Dispute Resolution are amended as follows (deletions shown by striking and new text shown by underlining):

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Rule 2.5. Qualifications of Mediators

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(B) Domestic Relations Cases: Educational Qualifications.

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(2) In domestic relations cases, a registered mediator must be either: (a) an attorney, in good standing with the Supreme Court of Indiana; (b) a person who has a bachelor's degree or advanced degree from an accredited institution recognized by a the U.S. Department of Education approved accreditation organization, e.g. The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.; or (c) a person who has a bachelor's degree or advanced degree from an international institution and provides a degree evaluation from a service recognized by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) showing the program is equivalent to a degree from an accredited institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Notwithstanding the provisions of (2)(a), (b) and (bc) above, any licensed professional whose professional license is currently suspended or revoked by the respective licensing agency, or has been relinquished voluntarily while a disciplinary action is pending, shall not be a registered mediator.

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This amendment is effective immediately.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 10/25/2023

Louis A. Ruch

Loretta H. Rush Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.