

BASIC FAMILY MEDIATION TRAINING

Clarion Hotel

Shepherdstown, West Virginia

August 7-11, 2017

*An intensive, interactive 40-hour training program
for attorneys, counselors, therapists, social workers, and others
who desire to serve as Family Mediators in West Virginia.*



Co-sponsors

Potomac Mediation Services
and
Professor Tom Patrick
WVU College of Law

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The Family—The Fuss—and The Forum

Family conflict, if unattended or unmanaged, is costly and destructive. At best, relationships are damaged and inefficiencies abound. At par, civil litigation is spawned, and the impact ripples—it often avalanches—far beyond the litigants themselves. At worst, egocentric behavior erupts into severe injury or loss of life. Mediation is emerging as an appropriate dispute resolution forum. It is especially appropriate for those who must continue in their relationships as parents long after their “case” has been decided.

West Virginia family courts require mediation to help the parties resolve many domestic relations issues on their own. This training will equip a cadre of family law mediators to serve in West Virginia’s Family Court Circuits as these mediation initiatives are developed.

Faculty

Professor Tom Patrick, J.D.
WVU College of Law

Donna Maciorowski, LPC, NCC, CTT
Potomac Mediation Services
Shepherdstown, West Virginia

April Dowler, J. D., Former Family Law Master—Circuit 24

Amy Wilson Strange, Ph. D.
Family Matters Psychological Services, PLLC
Lost Creek, West Virginia

. . . and others who will lead small group exercises and coach the development of mediation skills.

Program†

This will be a stimulating workshop; participants will develop mediation skills through several hours of interactive, small-group instruction and mediation exercises. The program is intense—five full days of instruction and practice including

Day 1 Overview of Mediation & Conflict Resolution

Day 2 West Virginia Domestic Relations Law

Day 3 Parent Education & the Psychological Impact of Divorce upon Children

Day 4 Domestic Violence & Family Mediation

Day 5 Marketing, Professionalism, and Ethics
[course ends at approximately 3:00 P.M. on Friday]

†**For additional information**, please contact Professor Patrick at (304) 293-2871 or tom.patrick@mail.wvu.edu.

Registration

Tuition for the Basic Family Mediation Training is \$985. and includes all materials and refreshments each day. Continuing education units may be obtained upon request. Enrollment is limited; in order to ensure enrollment in this training, participants should register as soon as possible by returning the registration form to Donna Maciorowski at the address provided.

The training workshop will be conducted at the Clarion Hotel in Shepherdstown, West Virginia. For reservations and directions, visit www.clarionshepherdstown.com/ or contact the hotel directly at 304-876-7000. A block of rooms under “Potomac Mediation Services” are available at \$94.00 + 12% tax, single or double occupancy. Rooms are also available at the nearby Quality Inn at \$84.99 + tax--304-876-3160. A free shuttle service between the hotels will be available.

Requirements to become an Approved Family Court Mediator by the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals

bachelors degree

*40- Hour Basic Family Mediation Training **

*4 hours of instruction on West Virginia Family Law **

*4 hours of instruction on domestic violence **

2 family mediation observations ‡

3 family mediation co-mediations ‡

mediator malpractice insurance (information provided)

**included in the Basic Family Mediation Training*

‡must be scheduled in various circuits following the training; there may be some optional opportunities for observation in the evenings during this training.

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*Registration information [this form]
and tuition** should be mailed to*

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*Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____ home
_____ work
_____ cell
e-mail _____

- \$985–Tuition enclosed**
- \$550–Tuition deposit enclosed** [\$435
balance due 14 days prior to the training]
- \$195–Tuition enclosed** for West Virginia
Domestic Relations Law (Day 2) only
[for registrants who have previously completed
a 40-hour Divorce Mediation Training Program]

****Make checks payable to
Potomac Mediation Services**

***Print your name as you would like it to
appear on your name tag.**

- I desire continuing educational credit
from the following professional entity:‡

Note: Lodging reservations must be made
by the participant.

[address]

[telephone]

‡Approval for LPC, Social Work, and Legal
Continuing Education is pending.

I can not attend this training, but I would like to receive information
about future family mediation training workshops.

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