

# Oregon Divorce Guides – Agreement to Mediate

## Confidentiality Agreement

1. I understand that all discussions during mediation are confidential. The mediator will not testify in court, disclose any written records, or share any information concerning the content of mediation sessions.
2. I understand that information from individual sessions will be confidential unless I consent to its disclosure to the other person.
3. I understand that our final mediated agreement, (after being signed and dated), is not confidential, unless we agree otherwise.
4. With the exception of people with whom I have a privileged confidential relationship (lawyers, doctors, and counselors) I will not disclose any information shared in a mediation session to anyone without written permission of the other person.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ agree that mediation information may be disclosed by the other person, in a respectful and non-disparaging manner, to:

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## Process Guidelines

5. We agree to listen and try to understand the other person's goals and concerns.
6. We agree to search for fair and workable plans. Fairness is subjective, legal and practical.
7. We agree to provide complete and accurate information relevant to the issues being discussed.
8. Fees: (\$160/hr.). We agree to pay for meeting time at the end of each meeting, and for agreement writing time within 30 days' of receiving the written work. There is a \$20 fee for meetings cancelled within four hours of the scheduled meeting time.

## Mediator's Role

9. I am participating voluntarily in the mediation process, and I will not hold the mediator liable for the outcome of any agreements we might reach in this process.
10. I understand the mediator is unbiased, does not represent either of us, and is not acting as an attorney. The mediator can provide legal information and options, but not legal advice.
11. I understand I can consult with an attorney regarding my own separate legal rights and obligations.

**THE MEDIATOR HAS EXPLAINED THIS TO ME AND I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE:**

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Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Stuart Watson, Family Mediator      Date



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