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via e-mail: jgarfein@nycourts.gov
James Garfein, Esq.
Principal Settlement Coordinator
Ninth Judicial District

Re: Rockland Divorce Mediation

Dear Mr. Garfein:

Thank you for contacting me regarding potential selection for the Rockland County Provisional Roster of Divorce Mediators. In that regard, attached please find my resume. I believe that my many and varied years of legal experience, including 18 years of matrimonial practice, would contribute to the Courts' efforts toward successfully mediating divorce and custody cases.

I was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court, Appellate Division, First Department, in 1987 and in Federal Court in the Southern and Eastern Districts in 1988 and in United States Tax Court in 2007.

I am a member of the Rockland County Bar Association and the Rockland County Women's Bar Association where I am in my second year on the Board of Directors as Corresponding Secretary.

I have 16 hours of OCA-approved divorce mediation training in collaboration with the Rockland County Women's Bar Association. Additionally, I recently completed 40 hours of approved community mediation training through the Westchester Mediation Center (a program of CLUSTER Community Services) in October and November, 2013. I will be taking, as a follow up to that program, custody and visitation mediation training in February of 2014, also through the Westchester Mediation Center. Also, I will be participating in approximately 8 mediation cases through the Westchester Mediation Center as a prerequisite to being certified by that organization.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for an interview, references, or any additional information you may require.

Very truly yours,

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1/95 to Present

Senior managing partner of law firm concentrating in family law and adoptions. Extensive experience in all phases of residential and commercial landlord/tenant law and litigation, real estate law including construction, financing and leasing of shopping centers, commercial and residential closings, leases and new construction, bank closings, foreclosures, loan workouts, short sales of distressed properties, and representation of private and commercial lenders and condominium boards. Interpretation of land use and zoning laws and regulations, including appeals. Experienced in wills, trusts and estate planning. Extensive experience, including trials, appeals, motions, depositions and conferences in family law, real estate, criminal defense, collections and commercial litigation including employment and education law in Federal, State and Justice Courts. Responsible for law office management and administration.

Berkeley College, White Plains, New York

4/94 to 4/96

Adjunct Professor, taught courses entitled "Legal Research and Writing" and "Paralegal Practices and Procedures".

Bower & Gardner, New York, New York

1/88 to 9/94

Extensive experience in litigation and contract law, including commercial agreements, employment discrimination, real estate, landlord/tenant, securities, professional liability, insurance and torts. Conducted complex negotiations and drafted settlement agreements for contract and partnership/corporate dissolution cases. Tried cases, argued motions and handled conferences in contract and tort actions both New York and Federal Courts. Prepared appellate briefs and argued appeals in the First and Second Departments.

Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, New York, New York

9/86 to 12/87

Involved in a diverse litigation practice in both Federal and State Courts. Drafted pleadings, conducted depositions, researched and prepared legal memoranda. Also responsible for coverage determinations and supervision of local counsel.

New York State Supreme Court, Civil Division, New York, New York

Fall 1985

One semester internship program for selected third-year law students. Responsibilities included researching and writing legal memoranda, drafting opinions, attending trials, and listening to oral arguments.

Internal Revenue Service, Office of the Chief Counsel

Summer 1985

Washington, D.C. Researched a variety of legal issues, including disclosure of tax return information under the Internal Revenue Code. Worked extensively on Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act requests, appeals, litigation, and tax reform legislation.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, New York, New York

Summer 1984

Prepared legal memoranda for use in the beneficiary designation of life insurance settlement options.

EDUCATION:

Touro College School of Law, Huntington, New York

Legal:

Juris Doctor, June 1986

Research Editor, Touro Law Review, 1985-1986

Undergraduate: **The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.**

Bachelor of Arts, History, May 1983