BRONX COMMERCIAL DIVISION MEDIATION PROGRAM'S AGREEMENT TO MEDIATE

All Parties must complete this form and send a fully executed copy to BXSUPADR@nycourts.gov

- 1. We understand that we are allowed one free, 90-minute initial mediation session. If we choose to continue beyond the initial 90-minutes, we, the parties, will pay the mediator at a rate agreed upon beforehand, in writing.
- 2. We understand that mediation is voluntary; we can choose which points to discuss and we can, with good cause, opt-out of mediation, if approved to do so by the Court.
- 3. We understand that if we do not work out an issue in mediation, we can return to Court.
- 4. We understand that we are each free to talk with a lawyer now, before, during or after the mediation sessions.
- 5. We understand that the mediator is not acting as a lawyer for either of us, and will not be giving us legal advice or opinions on the law. The mediator may share with us legal information.
- 6. Except for allegations of child abuse or threats of imminent harm, we understand that what is said during this process will be confidential. The mediator agrees not to reveal any oral or written communications to others, including the Court, without the consent of all parties.
- 7. We agree that if we do go to Court, we will not testify about what happened in the mediation. We will not ask the mediator or the other party to give evidence about what happened in the mediation, and we will not demand anything prepared for the mediation, unless it is allowed by law.
- $8.\ \mbox{We understand}$ that the mediator shall be immune from suit to the extent allowed by law.

(Case Name)	(Index Number)
(Attorney for Plaintiff - Signature)	
(Print name	
(Attorney for Defendant - Signature)	-
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