



Become A Mediator

Community Mediation Services Training Institute (CMSTI), a renowned training entity with more than 30 years of experience in the field of community and family mediation, announces its Spring Basic Mediation training and Apprenticeship.

What is Mediation? Mediation is a process of facilitated conversation in which an impartial third party (the mediator) helps people in a dispute talk over their concerns and needs, brainstorm for solutions, and work towards a resolution that will work best for everyone concerned. Mediation can help build the bonds of trust lost in the dynamics of conflict.

Who can be a mediator? Mediators come from a variety of backgrounds. Your profession or education does not dictate whether you will be a good mediator . . . solid training, the right attitude, and lots of practice do! Our mediation training provides you with the building blocks you need to become a successful mediator.

How can you become a Mediator? Enroll in **BASIC MEDIATION TRAINING** - March 21,22, 23, 28, and 30, 2014. The five-day training is certified by the Office of Court Administration. Completion of the Basic Training and the Apprenticeship program is required to become a mediator for the Queens Mediation Network of Community Mediation Services. Fee: \$850.00

BASIC MEDIATION APPRENTICESHIP –

Upon completion of the Basic Mediation Training, trainees will be eligible to apply to participate in a 13-week apprenticeship. Based upon individual schedules, apprentices will be offered the opportunity to develop their mediation skills in weekly 2 -3 hour mediations with a trained and experienced mediator/mentor. Participants will observe, co-mediate and mediate cases which are referred to the CMS center followed by a thorough feedback and debriefing. Apprentices will also be invited to attend the monthly in-services provided for all CMS mediators. Fee: \$500

TRAINERS - Mark Kleiman, Esq. and Michelle M. Leonard-Smith, Esq. will lead the training. Mark and Michelle, an experienced team with more than 38 years of combined mediation trainer experience and mediation practice, are certified by the NYS Unified Court System's Community Dispute Resolution Centers Program.

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VETERAN AND STUDENTS
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TEACHERS AND GUIDANCE COUNSELORS
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Eligible participants may receive CLE credits for this portion of the course. Trainings are Part 146 approved by the NYS Unified Court System's Office of ADR Programs. (Please note that final placement on any court roster is at the discretion of the local Administrative Judge and participation in a course that is either approved or pending approval does not guarantee placement on a local court roster.)

For more information about mediation, how to register for training or to schedule an appointment, please contact:

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