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AGREEMENT TO MEDIATE /General

We the undersigned understand and consent to the following:

1. The mediator, the litigants, their attorneys and any other participants in the mediation session agree that everything said or done in the mediation session is confidential and may not be used in any subsequent judicial or administrative procedure except as allowed by statute. Allegations of child abuse and threats of future harm shall not be confidential.
2. Should any complaint against the mediator arise as a result of this mediation, confidentiality is waived with respect to that information necessary to present or defend against such a complaint.
3. Each party will provide substantial full disclosure of any and all relevant property and financial information. It is understood that the mediators may terminate the mediation if it becomes evident that there is a failure to participate in good faith on the part of either party.
4. The mediator does not give legal advice. Parties are encouraged to seek such advice. Each party has the opportunity to have counsel present during mediation or to consult with independent legal counsel at any time during the mediation.
5. The mediator will not represent either or both of the parties in any subsequent legal proceeding between them; and the mediators may or may not draft a legally binding agreement should the parties reach an agreement depending on the complexity of the agreement. If applicable, the parties may have the legally binding agreement drafted by independent attorneys rather than the mediators if they so desire and both parties have the right to have any legally binding agreement reviewed by an independent attorney prior to the signing of the agreement and are encouraged to do so. Any signed mediated agreement which the parties reach will affect their legal rights.
6. The mediator's style is primarily to facilitate the parties to arrive at their own agreement, if possible, but the mediator may, with the consent of the parties during the course of the mediation; use evaluative techniques to help the parties arrive at an agreement.
7. It is my understanding that the cost for General mediation service is \$90.00 per hour for one mediator or \$145.00 for co-mediation cases. (Co-mediation will not be utilized unless the issues are too complex and difficult to be handled by one mediator. In such a case two mediators may enable the process to move forward in a timely efficient manner.) Payment is due at the end of each mediation session.

Participant

Participant

Mediator

Date

Read and sign Contract and mail to:
Anderson Mediation Services, Inc.
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