

### Initial Consultation between couple and mediator

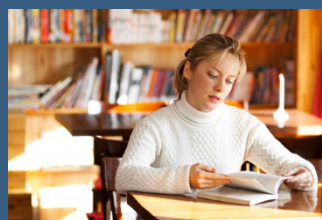
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Couple selects comprehensive fixed fee program or hourly billing.

### Clients complete initial paperwork, including:

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- Client Packet
- Court Financial Form

### First Mediation Session

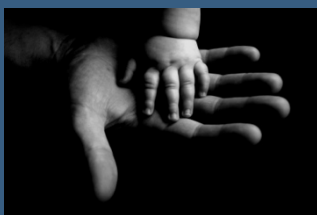
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Discuss goals and any pressing issues requiring attention, such as parenting schedule or keeping bills paid.

### Second Mediation Session

August 15, 2010



At the 2nd session, the focus is usually on the parenting plan for couples with children. For clients that selected the comprehensive mediation program, this session includes attendance by an experienced mental health professional/divorce coach to discuss issues related to children, and how to best protect them during and after divorce.

### Session Three

September 10, 2010



The 3rd mediation session frequently focuses on financial issues, such as child and/or spousal support.

A review of assets and debts will also be undertaken, so that the mediator and the couple have a clear understanding of the financial picture.

### Mediation Session Four

October 1, 2010



Work continues on any unresolved issues, such as reaching an equitable division of marital property.

### Fifth Mediation Session

October 20, 2010



If needed, additional time will be spent on reaching a resolution on remaining issues. There will be a review of the draft Separation Agreement, so that it can be executed at the final meeting.

Sometimes, Zombies come to this session since it is close to Halloween.

### Sixth Session - if needed

November 1, 2010



Many couples have concluded their mediation by this time, but a few couples will require this meeting - and maybe even additional sessions.

Final adjustments to the Separation (Divorce) Agreement will be reviewed, other court forms will be executed, and a review of the post-mediation items will occur.

### Clients Receive Signed Documents, File Packet with Court

November 3, 2010



Note: A couple has a lot of flexibility on the pace of their mediation. This timeline reflects an average pace.

July 12, 2010

July 26, 2010

August 9, 2010

August 23, 2010

September 6, 2010

September 20, 2010

October 4, 2010