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**ORDER FOR
MEDIATED SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE
IN FAMILY FINANCIAL CASE**

G.S. 7A-38.4A; Rules 1 and 2 of the Rules for Settlement
Procedures in District Court Family Financial Cases

Deadline For Completion Of Settlement Procedure (for court use only)

Tentative Trial Date

Name Of Plaintiff

Name Of Plaintiff's Attorney(s)

VERSUS

Name Of Defendant

Name Of Defendant's Attorney(s)

In accordance with the Rules for Settlement Procedures in District Court Family Financial Cases, it is ORDERED that a mediated settlement conference be held in this case. The procedure shall be completed by the deadline shown above. This Order shall remain in effect unless and until another settlement procedure is ordered by the Court upon motion of the parties.

The parties may, by agreement, select a certified mediator to conduct their mediated settlement conference. The parties shall notify the Court of their designation of a certified mediator, or their failure to agree on a mediator on a Designation Of Mediator form, AOC-CV-825. (Fillable form is available at: www.nccourts.gov/documents/forms/designation-of-mediator-in-family-financial-case.) If the parties cannot agree on a mediator or take no action to select one, the Court shall appoint a certified mediator under a procedure set out in local rule.

As an aid to mediator selection, the NC Dispute Resolution Commission maintains a list of certified family financial mediators on its website at: www.NCDRC.gov (You may search for mediators by name of mediator, by city, or by court district. Once a mediator's name appears on your screen, click on it for a complete contact and availability listing.)

A mediator selected by agreement of the parties shall be compensated at a rate agreed upon between the mediator and the parties. A court-appointed mediator shall be compensated at the rate of \$150 per hour for time spent in the mediated settlement conference, to be billed in quarter hour segments. In addition, a \$175 administrative fee shall be paid pursuant to Rule 7(b). The conference fee shall be paid as provided for in Rule 7(d).

All parties and persons required to attend a mediated settlement conference may agree to conduct the conference in person, using remote technology, or using a hybrid of in-person attendance and remote technology. If all parties and persons required to attend the conference do not agree on an attendance method and the mediator has designated in the Mediator Information Directory that he or she will conduct conferences only using remote technology, then the conference shall be conducted using remote technology. If all parties and persons required to attend the conference do not agree on an attendance method and the mediator has not selected remote technology as his or her designated attendance method in the Mediator Information Directory, then the conference shall be conducted in person.

The mediator shall schedule the date, time and location of the mediated settlement conference or other settlement procedure and timely notify all attorneys and unrepresented parties. The conference shall be completed by the deadline for completion set forth above and the mediator shall report the results on form AOC-CV-827 to the court within ten (10) days after the conference is completed.

Date Of Order

Name Of Judge Or Designee (type or print)

Signature Of Judge Or Designee

Original-File Copy-Plaintiff Copy-Defendant