Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

CHILD CUSTODY MEDIATION
AGREEMENT TO MEDIATE TOGETHER FORM

California law requires that custody mediation be conducted in separate sessions and at separate times in cases where there are sworn allegations of domestic violence, and/or in cases where there is a civil or criminal restraining order in place that requires one party to stay away from the other party. If you have a restraining order against you that forbids you to have any contact at all with the other party, then you must have that restraining order modified by the judicial officer who issued it before you can participate in a joint mediation session.

Mediation appointments for each party will be scheduled separately, unless:

1. There is a specific exception entered by the court on any civil or criminal restraining orders that may be in place that allows the parties to have brief and peaceful contact to talk about issues related to children; and,
2. Both parties agree to meeting together; and,
3. Both parties sign this **Agreement to Mediate Together Form** before the meeting.

Indicate (below) whether you are choosing to meet together for *either* 1) this session only; *or* 2) for this session and any future sessions that may be scheduled. You may withdraw your agreement at any time by notifying the program that you wish to meet separately. Check one box:

1. For this session only ☐
2. For this session and any future sessions that may be scheduled ☐

By signing and dating this form you are acknowledging that you understand your right to meet separately and are choosing to participate in a joint mediation session.

_____ _____
Parent or Guardian's Signature Date

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Mediator's Signature Date

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CCM Case Number