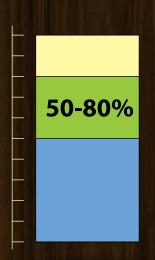


Nearly 50 percent of marriages end in divorce, and many couples going through it are opting for an alternative resolution to litigation. Mediation is one such alternative, and an increasingly popular one at that. It involves you and your soon-to-be ex-spouse meeting with a neutral third party mediator, who will help you work through the issues you need to resolve and end your marriage as amicably as possible. U.S. divorce statistics show that nearly 90 percent of mediated divorces settle successfully.

## Benefits of Mediation:

- Faster & Less Expensive
- Confidentiality
- Control
- Compliance
- Mutuality
- Support
- Less Conflict



Agreements are produced in 50-80% of mediated cases.

#### Mediation is less expensive

Hourly rates are generally smaller than during litigation, while document preparation costs are greatly reduced.



### Mediation takes less time

3-6 months mediation versus an average of 2 years for litigation



### Better child support agreements

80% voluntary compliance with child support versus 40% with litigation





In America, a divorce occurs every 13 seconds.



Research shows that clients in more than two-thirds of all mediated cases are satisfied with the outcome.



# Mediation is for you if:

- You would like to stay on good terms
- You can disagree with your spouse in a civil way
- You are both aware of your financial situation
- You have no desire to revive the marriage
- Physical violence is not present in your relationship

Mediation gives separating spouses the best opportunity to resolve disputes and work out fair settlements in a way that minimizes the emotional and financial cost of divorce.



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