

CAUSE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ § In the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ § Court \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ § Galveston County Texas

**MOTION FOR SUBSIDIZED MEDIATION**

Movant, \_\_\_\_\_, files this motion for subsidized mediation.

I have been ordered to mediate in this case and do not have the funds to pay for the mediation.

**(Check one)**

***[ ] This is for Temporary Orders or [ ] This is for Final Orders.***

**Attached** are proof of my income such as a pay stub or income tax return **MUST BE ATTACHED** and an itemized list of my income and expenses or a Financial Information statement.

I have \_\_\_\_\_ dependents for which I am the primary source of financial support.

I have less than \$40,000 in total net assets excluding my primary residence.

I have no other resources from which to obtain the funds for the mediation.

If there are children in this matter, I affirm that I have scheduled a parenting class – if mediating for temporary orders or have taken a parenting class either in person or through an on-line class if mediating for final orders.

Financial assistance is necessary in order to pay for the court ordered mediation.

I request that the court order that mediation be subsidized.

I swear and affirm that the information contained in this motion and the attached documents are true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Galveston County Mediation Board

### Qualification Guidelines for Subsidized Mediation

Gross Annual Income	Family Size	Hourly Rate	Max for 5 Hours
Less Than \$30,000.00	Any Size	\$10.00	\$50.00
\$30,000.01 - \$35,000.00	1-2	\$20.00	\$100.00
	3	\$15.00	\$75.00
	4	\$12.00	\$60.00
\$35,000.01 - \$40,000.00	1-2	\$25.00	\$125.00
	3	\$20.00	\$100.00
	4	\$15.00	\$75.00
\$40,000.01 - \$45,000.00	5	\$12.00	\$60.00
	1-2	\$30.00	\$150.00
	3	\$25.00	\$125.00
\$45,000.01 - \$50,000.00	4	\$20.00	\$100.00
	5	\$15.00	\$75.00
	1-2	No Subsidy	No Subsidy
\$50,000.01 - \$52,500.00	3	\$30.00	\$150.00
	4	\$25.00	\$125.00
	5-7	\$20.00	\$100.00
\$52,500.01 - \$55,000.00	1-2	No Subsidy	No Subsidy
	3	\$35.00	\$175.00
	4	\$30.00	\$150.00
\$55,000.01 - \$57,500.00	5-6	\$25.00	\$125.00
	1-2	No Subsidy	No Subsidy
	3	\$40.00	\$200.00
\$57,500.01 - \$60,000.00	4	\$35.00	\$175.00
	5-6	\$30.00	\$150.00
	1-3	No Subsidy	No Subsidy
\$60,000.01 - \$65,000.00	4	\$45.00	\$225.00
	5	\$40.00	\$200.00
	6-7	\$35.00	\$175.00
\$65,000.01 - \$70,000.00	1-3	No Subsidy	No Subsidy
	4	\$50.00	\$250.00
	5	\$45.00	\$225.00
\$70,000.01 - \$75,000.00	6-7	\$40.00	\$200.00
	4	\$50.00	\$250.00
\$75,000.01 - \$80,000.00	5	\$45.00	\$225.00
	6-7	\$40.00	\$200.00

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**ORDER ON MOTION FOR SUBSIDIZED MEDIATION**

CAME ON THIS DAY for consideration \_\_\_\_\_  
Movant's Motion for Subsidized Mediation. Having considered the Motion and supporting documents, the Court enters the following findings and Orders:

- The Court finds that a Petition for Divorce is pending and that Movant has filed a sworn inventory or equivalent;
- The Court finds that a Petition for Divorce is not pending and that Movant has filed a list of assets and income;
- The Court finds that there are minor children involved in this matter and that Movant has completed an approved parenting course and has filed the certificate of completion;

The Court finds that Movant's gross income to be \$\_\_\_\_\_;

The Court finds that Movant has represented to the Court that the total net assets of the parties' estate, excluding the primary residence, are less than \$40,000;

The Court finds that Movant shall pay \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour / flat fee for a maximum of five (5) hours.

Accordingly, it is

- ORDERED** that Movant's Motion for Subsidized Mediation is
  - GRANTED**
  - DENIED**
- ORDERED** that the mediator previously appointed by the Court remains appointed in this matter;
- ORDERED** that \_\_\_\_\_  
is appointed as Mediator;

**ORDERED** that the parties or their attorneys shall contact the Mediator within ten (10) days from the date of this Order and schedule mediation. In the event the parties fail to contact the Mediator as ordered or fail to agree to a mediation date, the Mediator shall schedule mediation and provide written notice to all parties. All parties and their attorneys are **ORDERED** to attend mediation as scheduled and to remain present during mediation;

**ORDERED** that Movant shall pay the mediator's usual fee for any hour, or portion thereof, in excess of five hours;

**ORDERED** that the Mediator is entitled to a minimum fee of \$100.00 if mediation is scheduled and the parties fail to appear for mediation and fail to notify the mediator 48 hours before the scheduled mediation;

**ORDERED** that the Mediator shall notify the Court, in writing, if the financial circumstances of the parties are inconsistent with Movant's affidavit and this Order;

**ORDERED** that if Movant's net recovery, after legal fees, expenses, and costs, is greater than \$40,000, excluding the Movant's homestead and retirement account(s), Movant shall pay the mediator's regular fee as existed at the time of mediation or as agreed between Mediator and Movant.

Signed on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**JUDGE PRESIDING**

Signature of Movant \_\_\_\_\_

Movant's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Movant's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Movant's Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Movant's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Movant's fax number: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Movant is required to sign this Order. By signing this Order, Movant acknowledges that Movant has filed the supporting documentation and that such documentation is true and correct. Movant further acknowledges that the fee stated in this Order is based upon the current Mediation Board Subsidy Guidelines.**