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# Florida Academy of Professional Mediators, Inc.

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## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

(Please print or type)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Check One:  Membership Renewal  New Member

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

My practice of mediation is *primarily* in the following circuits: (Specify up to three circuit numbers)

I have been certified as a mediator as required by the Florida Rules for Certified Mediators for the following areas of practice:  County  Circuit  Family  Dependency  Appellate

I am proficient in the following languages: (List up to two other than English) \_\_\_\_\_

I have special expertise in the following areas: (Check up to three)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> Business       | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Law  | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental   | <input type="checkbox"/> Investments        | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Contract         | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Ed      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ADA Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights   | <input type="checkbox"/> Cross-Cultural | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law      | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use           | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Policy           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Admiralty      | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial     | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency     | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance         | <input type="checkbox"/> Landlord/Tenant.   | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utility          | <input type="checkbox"/> Taxation        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption,      | <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Dispute        | <input type="checkbox"/> Government      | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Govt.        | <input type="checkbox"/> Residential Foreclosure | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air & Space    | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer       | <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce        | <input type="checkbox"/> Govt. Contracts | <input type="checkbox"/> Malpractice        | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate             | <input type="checkbox"/> Title VII       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust Law  | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction   | <input type="checkbox"/> Education      | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Law      | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Injury    | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Property           | <input type="checkbox"/> Torts           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appellate      | <input type="checkbox"/> Condominium    | <input type="checkbox"/> Eminent Domain | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance       | <input type="checkbox"/> Probate            | <input type="checkbox"/> Science                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banking Law    | <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Fraud | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellect Prop  | <input type="checkbox"/> Products Liability | <input type="checkbox"/> Securities              | <input type="checkbox"/> Trusts          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy     | <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts      | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment  | <input type="checkbox"/> International   | <input type="checkbox"/> Prof Fee           | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Claims            | <input type="checkbox"/> Victim Offender |
|   |   |   |  |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security         | <input type="checkbox"/> Workers' Comp   |

### CLASSIFICATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

Please check one class of membership for which you are applying

**DIPLOMATE - Highest class of membership** **\$65.00 per year**

Individuals who have been members of The Academy or FAPFM for at least 2 years and are certified as a mediator as required by the Florida Rules for Certified Mediators and pursuant to those rules have been certified as a County Court, Circuit Civil, Family and/or Dependency Mediator for at least 3 years. Candidates must also have completed at least 150 mediations in area(s) of their certification since becoming certified AND completed 25 hours of additional mediation training within the past 2 years preceding the date of this application beyond any basic training, even if in an additional area of certification, or conducted such trainings in a Florida Supreme Court approved or Florida Bar approved training course or seminar, and not more than 12 of the 25 hours may be as a trainer/lecturer. In order to earn Diplomate status, one must have completed a minimum of 25 hours of additional mediation training within 2 years of submitting application. Please e-mail for a separate Diplomate membership application and description of benefits.

**REGULAR** **\$50.00 per year**

Individuals who have completed training in mediation as required by the Florida Rules for Certified and Court Appointed Mediators and pursuant to those Rules have been certified as County Court, Circuit Court, Family and/or Dependency mediators.

**AFFILIATE** **\$40.00 per year**

Any individual or organization, not qualifying as either a Regular or Diplomate member as described above, who supports the purposes of the Academy and is interested in learning about mediation and alternative dispute resolution. Affiliate members may receive Academy publications and may attend Academy meetings and functions at member rates. Affiliate members are not entitled to vote in the election of the Officers and Directors of the Academy or at Academy meetings, nor serve as an Officer or Director.

ANYONE WHO HAS BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF A FELONY AND WHOSE CIVIL RIGHTS HAVE NOT BEEN RESTORED OR WHOSE PROFESSIONAL LICENSES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED OR REVOKED AND HAVE NOT BEEN REINSTATED MAY NOT HOLD MEMBERSHIP IN ANY CLASS.

### APPLICANT OATH

As a member of the Florida Academy of Professional Mediators, Inc., I/our organization hereby subscribe to the goals, purposes and principles of the Academy and shall strive for the highest ethical standards of professional conduct. I understand that a violation could result in the revocation of my/our membership. I further certify that all information supplied above is correct and, to the best of my knowledge, I/we qualify for the class of membership for which I/we apply.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature/Name of Organization

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please enclose with your application a check payable to Florida Academy of Professional Mediators and return to:  
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# ACADEMY COMMITTEES

**The Academy offers its members a multitude of ways to get involved!**

**Please check the box(es) of the committee(s) on which you would be willing to actively serve**

## **Goals of The Florida Academy of Professional Mediators**

**Goal 1 – Support the professional objectives of The Academy’s mediators**

**Goal 2 – Support the business objectives of The Academy’s mediators**

**Goal 3 – Develop Academy programs that enable the organization to be recognized as providing the support and programs that are meaningful to mediators**

**Goal 4 – Promote mediation as a superior process for resolving disputes**

- ACADEMY DEVELOPMENT** – Develop Academy programs that enable the organization to be recognized as providing the support and programs that are meaningful to mediators. Improve The Academy as a professional association
- ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE** – Evaluate and develop the best ways to most effectively and economically conduct the day-to-day business of The Academy.
- BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT** – Support business objectives of The Academy mediators. Consider matters related to operating a for-profit mediation business.
- GOALS AND STRATEGIES** – Facilitate the development of The Academy goals and strategies to guide the organization’s activities and resources in both the short term (1 year) and long term (5 years).
- MEDIATION ADVOCACY** – Promote mediation as a superior process for resolving disputes. Educate the public and specific stakeholders about mediation as a process.
- PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT** – Support the professional objectives of The Academy mediators. Consider matters relating to the professional needs of our member mediators.
- RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT** – Identify and evaluate resources, programs, and services available from other organizations or sources that the committees can utilize.
- TECHNOLOGY AND WEBSITE** – Create technology and website strategies that are needed to support the goals of The Academy.