

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF _____ COUNTY, NEBRASKA

_____,
Petitioner__,

vs.

_____,
Respondent__.

Case No. _____

**ORDER ASSIGNING CASE
TO MEDIATION**

SUBJECT OF ORDER: Referral to mediation.

FINDINGS: After examination of the files and on the court's own motion, the court finds that the issues have not been resolved, that the type of case is one for which referral for mediation is authorized under § 25-2911, and that a referral to mediation is advisable.

ORDER: IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The case is hereby referred to:
 - [] The Nebraska Justice Center, 312 Main Street, P.O. Box 475, Walthill, NE 68067, telephone 402-846-5576, attn: _____;
 - [] _____

for possible mediation of the dispute between the parties.

2. Counsel for each party shall furnish a copy of this order to the party represented and to any other person having responsibility and authority to settle the issues in the case.

3. Counsel, and each pro se party, shall contact the above-referenced person/entity at the above number within 10 days of the date of this order to commence the mediation process or to decline to participate therein.

4. All pending hearings are continued to _____, 20____, at

_____.m., or until the further order of the court, whichever occurs first.

5. The parties and counsel are advised that special confidentiality and evidence rules found in § 25-2914 *et seq.* pertain to information gained during mediation.

6. Personnel from the mediation center shall not communicate with the court concerning this matter except to furnish the following information:

- a. the parties never called to request or decline mediation services;
- b. an assessment that the case is inappropriate for mediation without elaboration;
- c. the parties reached agreement prior to mediation;
- d. mediation failed to reach agreement without elaboration;
- e. the parties request additional time to continue mediation;
- f. if all parties agree, a request for procedural action by the court that will facilitate the mediation;
- g. a report that the mediation resulted in an agreement, and if requested by the court, a copy of the agreement; or,
- h. information that, in the judgment of the mediation center staff, reveals a danger of physical harm to court personnel.

Signed (in chambers) at _____, Nebraska, on _____: **BY THE COURT:**
DEEMED ENTERED upon file stamp date by court clerk.

If checked, the court clerk shall:

- Mail a copy of this order to all counsel of record and any pro se parties.
Done on _____, 20____ by _____.
- If not already done, immediately transcribe trial docket entry dictated in open court.
Done on _____, 20____ by _____.
- Note the decision on the trial docket as: [date of filing] **Signed "Order Assigning Case to Mediation" entered; pending hearing(s) continued to** [date, from order] **at** [time, from order] **or until further order, whichever occurs first.**
Done on _____, 20____ by _____.

William B. Cassel
District Judge

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