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Rule 31 Continuing Mediation Education Accreditation Request Form

Provider Name: Association of Attorney-Mediators
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Course Title: Advanced Attorney-Mediator Training: CHALLENGE YOURSELF

Date(s) Held: September 16, 2016

Location(s): Houston, TX

Fee for Members/Non-Members: \$225 Mbrs/\$350 Non-Mbr

Does this course have CLE Commission Approval? Yes, TX, AR, MO, pending MS, LA, OK

Session Description	Type of Credit Requested (General Continuing Education, General Mediation Issues, Mediation Ethics, or Family Law)	Start Time	End Time	Credit Approval (Office Use Only)
Beginning with Impasse... Ending in Settlement - Mediators live in the world of impasse! Usually a mediation starts with the parties at impasse! It's important we talk about and share our techniques to avoid or "break" impasse to help the parties move toward agreement. We will share some of our ways of avoidance and breaking impasse. We ask participants to share theirs as well.	General Mediation Issues	8:30	9:30	1.0 Hour General Mediation Issues

<p>Eight Ways to Sunday to Break an Impasse - It's 4 o'clock in the afternoon, tempers are frayed, parties are frustrated and everyone just wants to go home. So what's a mediator to do? This session will show the experienced mediator how to avoid an impasse in the afternoon by beginning to avoid the possibility of impasse in the morning. We will discuss early warning signs of impending impasse and specific things to do to get around them as well as the personality types most likely to cause an impasse and how to deal with them. (This discussion is rated M for language; not for tender ears).</p>	<p>General Mediation Issues</p>	<p>9:45</p>	<p>10:45</p>	<p>1.0 Hour General Mediation Issues</p>
<p>Negotiating With People Who Are Not Like Me - What's in your backpack and is any of it baggage? For today's multicultural mediator to be effective, we all need to be prepared to engage in open, cross-cultural communications. Attendees should be prepared to listen and understand each other. Does unconscious bias, unspoken interactions, and ultimately fear get in the way? This will get you thinking and maybe acting in a different way with people not like you. The challenge is yours.</p>	<p>General Mediation Issues</p>	<p>10:45</p>	<p>11:45</p>	<p>1.0 Hour General Mediation Issues</p>
<p>Time for a Change – Creative Ways to Deal with the Challenge of Imminent Impasse - Come prepared to share your ideas and experiences, and change your view on what to do, during an interactive session exploring a variety of creative, alternative actions mediators can take when confronting the challenge of imminent impasse. The goal of this session is for each of us to gain a better understanding of what we might do at that point in the mediation process when the parties are ready to "call it over." Beyond the tried</p>	<p>General Mediation Issues</p>	<p>12:45</p>	<p>1:45</p>	<p>1.0 Hour General Mediation Issues</p>

and true, there are less-frequently-considered, "creative" options which we need to know are available for us to use when other impasse-avoiding actions are not likely to be productive.				
How to Use the Mediation-Arbitration Hybrid Dispute Resolution Process - Join us in a lively point-counterpoint discussion between Courtenay Bass, a mediator, Trey Bergman, an arbitrator and mediator, and Chris Pappas, a trial lawyer for forty years. This expert panel with over 100 years of experience among them will explain the process, and the pros and cons of using the hybrid ADR method of Mediation-Arbitration. This presentation is designed to "Challenge Yourself" to open your mind to alternatives to alternative dispute resolution.	General Mediation Issues	1:45	2:45	1.0 Hour General Mediation Issues
Ethical Issues in Mediation- Challenge yourself to maximize your effectiveness and to honor the ethical guidelines of an attorney and mediator in your daily work habits. We will have a review of the mandatory and aspirational guidelines for AAM mediators with time for interactive sharing.	Mediation Ethics	3:00	4:00	1.0 Hour Mediation Ethics
Ethical Solutions for Moving Past Impasse - When a mediation gets stuck, the mediator often gets creative. This creativity sometimes gets the job done, but let's review the ethical side of the creativity. This panel will work through the easy and the tough to find the good solutions and the flawed.	Mediation Ethics	4:00	5:00	1.0 Hour Mediation Ethics

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Total Approved CME: 7.0 Hours
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