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### Rule 31 Continuing Mediation Education Accreditation Request Form

**Provider Name:** Private Dispute Resolution Services, LLC  
**Address:** 5708 Uptain Road, Suite 1200, Chattanooga, TN 37411  
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**E-Mail Address:** [contact@4pdrs.com](mailto:contact@4pdrs.com)  
**Course Title:** Professionals Guide to Mediation and the Parenting Plan  
**Date(s) Held:** April 13, April 27, May 11, June 1, June 29, 2018  
**Location(s):** 5708 Uptain Road, Suite 1200, Chattanooga, TN 37411  
**Fee for Members/Non-Members:** \$25  
**Does this course have CLE Commission Approval?** Yes

**Presented by:** : Carol Berz Focusing on solution-based, collaborative problem-solving, in both the public and private sectors, Carol Berz has been a Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 31 Listed General Civil and Family mediator and trainer for more than 25 years. Dr. Berz is the owner and Chief Executive Officer of Private Dispute Resolution Services, LLC, a mediation services and training organization headquartered in Chattanooga, Tennessee. She also serves as a Councilwoman for the City of Chattanooga, where she currently chairs the Budget and Finance Committee. Through public/private partnerships, Dr. Berz has overseen the renaissance of commerce, economic development and connectivity in a diverse business environment that includes health care, construction, government, employment and finance. Dr. Berz does extensive practice and teaching in both the public and private sector in the areas of mediation, law and ethics, and employment and labor/management issues relative to the costs of corporate conflict. She also is recognized as an authority in Family Mediation, with expertise in the special circumstance of domestic and workplace violence.

**Joe E. Manuel**, Esquire a/k/a "The ADR Professor" Joe began his career in 1978 and is one of Tennessee's most experienced civil trial lawyers. He has maintained an active trial practice in Tennessee & Georgia throughout his career. In recognition of his outstanding trial skills, he was first certified in 1995 by The National Board of Trial Advocacy as a Civil Trial Advocate and as a Civil Specialist by the Tennessee Commission on CLE & Specialization in 1996. An early proponent of ADR, he received his first mediation training in 1991 from the American Arbitration Association. He became an Arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association in 1992 and has served as an Arbitrator (a private judge) in more than 50 cases. And, was one of the Speakers at the first ADR Seminar sponsored by the Tennessee Bar Association in 1994. When Tennessee created court annexed Alternative Dispute Resolution, he became a Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 31 Listed Mediator in 1997 and completed additional training in 2008 to also become Listed as a Family Mediator.

Joe is one of Tennessee's most prolific writers and lecturers on Alternative Dispute Resolution. He is the Senior Author of the Tennessee Alternative Dispute Resolution Handbook (The Harrison Co. 1997). He is the creator and Editor of the Tennessee Mediation Pocket Guide (2000). By 1999, he was writing "Internet" Continuing Legal Education Courses on Mediation & Arbitration

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)
<u><b>Review of Divorce in TN w / kids:</b></u> <b>Dynamics of the “Split”</b> 1. The Process a. Setting the Foundation b. The Special Circumstance of Domestic Violence - Law and practical aspects 2. The Power of the Plan – Law and practical aspects	Family Law: 1.0	9:00am	10:00am	1 hour Family Law
<u><b>Mediation and Skillful use of the TN Parenting Plan:</b></u> 1. Understanding Residency 2. Understanding Parents Rights / Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Right of Refusal</li> <li>• On Duty, Off Duty Parent</li> </ul> 3. Child Support Guidelines	Family Law: 1.0	10:00am	11:00am	1 hour Family Law
Break	Break	11:00am	11:15am	N/A
<u><b>Parenting Plan Practicum : Filling out the Parenting Plan – Role Play</b></u> 1. Reality-Testing 2. Establishing Criteria 3. Safety Planning	Family Law: 1.0 Or General Mediation Issues: .50 Ethics: .50	11:15am	12:15pm	1 hour Family Law OR .5 of an hour General Mediation Issues and .5 of an hour Mediation Ethics

<b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b>  <b>Total Approved CME: maximum of 3 hours</b> <b>Date Approved: March 14, 2018</b>
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