

**THIS TRAINING HAS
BEEN COURT-APPROVED
IN THE FOLLOWING
ILLINOIS JUDICIAL
CIRCUITS:**

- First Judicial Circuit
- Second Judicial Circuit
- Sixth Judicial Circuit
- Twentieth Judicial Circuit

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**ABOUT THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION
INSTITUTE, INC. (DRI)**

Founded in 2009, DRI administers mediation programs within and outside of the Illinois Court System.

These mediations are provided at no cost to the participants. DRI is funded by grants, contracts, filing fees, training fees, and donations.

Dispute Resolution Institute, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to help people in conflict find common ground, resolve disputes, and reach agreement.

*Dispute
Resolution
Institute, Inc.*

**40-HOUR
VIRTUAL
FAMILY
MEDIATION
TRAINING**

*Helping people find
common ground.*

MEDIATION TRAINING OBJECTIVES

After completing this training, trainees should be able to:

- Understand the spectrum of conflict resolution
- Effectively distinguish positions from interests
- Effectively use questioning, summarizing, and reframing
- Understand the mediator's role, skills, and standards
- Understand ethical obligations of mediators
- Understand and demonstrate the 7-step mediation process
- Understand how and when to use caucusing
- Understand the role of confidentiality in mediation
- Understand the nuances of family mediations

TRAINING METHOD

Mediation training is very interactive. Trainees must commit to participating via video. The training process will consist of the following:

- Lecture
- Group Discussion
- Family Mediation Role-Plays
- Mediate Online
- A Final Role Play will be video-taped and the trainee will complete a self-reflection prior to a debrief session.

FAMILY TOPICS COVERED

- Family Law
- Psychological issues in separation, dissolution, and family dynamics
- Issues and needs of children
- Screening for and addressing domestic violence, child abuse, substance abuse, and mental illness issues in mediation cases

LEAD TRAINER: MISSY GREATHOUSE, J.D., B.S.S.W.



Missy serves as the Executive Director of Dispute Resolution Institute, Inc. (DRI). She is a licensed attorney, mediator, facilitator, trainer, social worker, and an adjunct clinical assistant professor at Southern Illinois University School of Law. Missy is active in the alternative dispute resolution community serving as a past Chair and current CLE Coordinator of the ISBA ADR Section Council. She has presented nationally on topics relating to ADR and mediation. Her method is facilitative, and she enjoys staying connected with trainees as they begin their mediation practice.