

Full-Day Mediation (see what's included!)

	Austin	Other Major Texas Cities <i>Includes travel expenses & time</i>	Continental US or Canada <i>Includes travel expenses & time</i>	Outside Continental US or Canada
2 parties	\$2,400 / party	\$3,000 / party	\$7,000 / party	Email me for a fixed fee quote based on location, anticipated travel expenses, nature of your dispute and number of parties
3 parties	\$2,100 / party	\$2,400 / party	\$5,000 / party	
4 parties	\$1,900 / party	\$2,200 / party	\$4,000 / party	
5 parties	\$1,700 / party	\$1,950 / party	\$3,500 / party	
6–10 parties	\$1,500 / party	\$1,750 / party	\$3,000 / party	
>10 parties	negotiable			

What's included in the fee. Supplemental invoices are rare. The above fees include:

- A true “full day.” This means no overtime charges that day. As long as I get home by midnight (for Austin mediations), catch the last flight home (for other Texas mediations), or get back to the hotel that night (for out of state mediations), your fee has it covered.
- Preparation, including pre-session calls with parties’ counsel
- Travel time and expenses, including airfare and, for out of state mediations, two-nights lodging
- Lunch served on site
- Up to 3 hours of follow-up, if needed, in succeeding days or weeks.

What a “party” is. A “party” is one or more participants represented solely by the same counsel. Separate counsel means a separate mediation “party” without regard to issue alignment. Also, if the number of parties changes between confirmation and mediation day, the fee would change with appropriate increase/decrease of the fee.

What the rates reflect. The fees reflect the demand for my services, the nature of the cases, and the commitment parties are expected to bring to the process.

Other Fee Considerations and Charges

Other Possible Charges. Occasionally, parties will be responsible charges associated with mediations not held the office of one of the attorneys or outside Austin—typically use of a conference facility. If I need to reserve a conference facility, I anticipate any charges in advance and incorporate it into a slightly revised per party fee.

Post-session Supplemental Billing. While a rare occurrence, if pre-session work was greatly more than anticipated, post-session day follow-up exceeded the 3 hours, and/or (for Texas mediations only) I missed that last flight home causing me to invest time going home the next day, I reserve the right to charge an additional fee of \$600 per hour (to be divided) for the additional time, plus unanticipated expenses (such as an unanticipated hotel stay).

Case-specific Considerations. Based upon your dispute, there could be a different fee if we anticipate unusual preparation time, extended post-mediation work, or the like. My confirmation email will set out any special fee arrangement. In matters likely to involve several mediation days over time, I charge \$600 per hour plus expenses.

Half-day Mediations: I only do half-day mediations on Friday afternoons in Austin and in a 2-party case, where it is scheduled no more than 30 days in advance. The fee is \$1800 per party.

Payment, Cancellation and Other Policies

Payment Due Date and Guarantee. Payment must be received ten (10) business days before the mediation and should be made payable to Van Osselaer Dispute Resolution PLLC (Tax ID # 46-4228210). If fees are not timely paid by all parties, the session is subject to cancellation. Additional charges, if applicable, are billed promptly after the mediation and due upon receipt. All fees and charges are guaranteed by the party and by the party’s counsel.

Cancellation. A 25% fee (plus any non-refundable expenses incurred, such as for a conference center or hotel) will be charged to each parties if the mediation is cancelled for any reason on less than ten (10) business days’ notice.

Other Terms. Parties and counsel agree that participation in the mediation by submission of a mediation statement or attendance on mediation day constitutes agreement to these terms as well as those on the *Mediation Details* document and in your emailed mediation confirmation. Once mediation day begins, the full fee is deemed earned.