

Rule 7.1.02 Judicial Mediation

- (a) Parties may request judicial mediation by indicating their preference on the Case Management Conference Statement, Judicial Council form CM-110. Parties may also agree to judicial mediation at a case management conference or by submitting local form SUPCV 1012, Stipulation and Order to Attend Judicial Mediation or Private Arbitration.
- (b) If the case is appropriate for judicial mediation and all parties agree to mediate, the Court will generally set the mediation for a single half-day session.
- (c) Generally, the case management judicial officer will conduct the mediation. In agreeing to judicial mediation, the parties waive any conflict with the mediator in the event the case is returned to the case management judicial officer (who has served as mediator) for any purpose, including trial.
- (d) A person who has the authority to settle the matter must participate in the entire mediation.
- (e) Continuance of judicial mediation is disfavored. Absent good cause, any request for continuance filed less than ten days before the scheduled mediation date will be denied. Local form SUPCV 1013, Application and Stipulation for Order to Continue Trial, and a separate declaration will be required for consideration of a request for continuance.
- (f) At the conclusion of a successful mediation, a return case management conference will be set. No appearance will be necessary if a Request for Dismissal, Judicial Council form CIV-110, has been filed by the return date. Otherwise, each party must file a Case Management Conference Statement, Judicial Council form CM-110, explaining what has transpired since the successful mediation.

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