



BLUE RIDGE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

CHEROKEE COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER 90 NORTH STREET, SUITE 250 CANTON, GA 30114

Neutral Application

Application Overview and Requirements

Applications and renewals will be accepted February 8, 2024 – June 28, 2024. Completed applications and all required items are to be submitted to the Court Administrators Office by email to adr@cherokeecountyga.gov or by mail to the address above. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Submission of application does not guarantee an appointment to become a neutral for the Cherokee County Courts.

Applicant Checklist

- Completed Application
- Copy of GODR registration
- Email Completed Packet to adr@cherokeecountyga.gov

Notification Process

The Courts will review all information submitted and applicants will receive written correspondence as to the decision on their application. If your application is approved, the Mediation Office will notify you of the upcoming dates for a mandatory in-person orientation.

The Court reserves the right to deny the request of any applicant as it deems appropriate in the interest of the Court and the citizens and litigants within this jurisdiction.

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Cherokee County Justice Center 90 North Street Suite 250 Canton GA 30114
770-501-8905 adr@cherokeecountyga.gov

Please return Application to adr@cherokeecountyga.gov

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name (Last, First, Middle)

Address: (Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Home/Cell Telephone:

Office Phone:

Email Address:

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Please list your education (School and Degree) _____

Please list your experience and number of years of experience. _____

Please list your applicable ADR experience. _____

Neutral Information

Please check below the areas you are registered for with GODR and you would like to handle in our program:

☐ General Civil/Magistrate

☐ Case Evaluation

☐ Domestic Relations/Domestic Violence

☐ Juvenile Delinquency

☐ Judicially Hosted Settlement Conference

☐ Juvenile Dependency

Are you trained to serve as a neutral through the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please attach a copy of your current registration.

My certificate number with GODR _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

What languages(s), other than English, do you speak fluently? _____

What is your area of specialization? _____

Have you been convicted of, pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to a violation of the law? This includes DUI offenses but excludes traffic violations unless they resulted in suspension or revocation of a drivers license. You must also report any such pending actions.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you been disciplined by any professional organization? You must also report any such pending actions.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Have your professional privileges been curtailed at any time? You must also report any such pending actions.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you relinquished a professional privilege or license while under investigation? You must also report any such pending actions.

☐ Yes ☐ No

*For any "Yes" answers above, please provide in detail on a separate sheet of paper:

- 1) information concerning the background of the incident(s)
- 2) information concerning the length of time which has elapsed since the conviction/plea; discipline, curtailment of privileges
- 3) your age at the time of the punishment 4) evidence of rehabilitation since the incident(s).

I certify that all information given in this Application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I certify that I have read and understand the Statement on Policy Regarding the Conduct of a Mediator in the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit hereby authorize the Court Administrators Office to verify any information contained in this application or supplements to this document. I understand that the Court has the DISCRETION TO WITHHOLD OR REVOKE CERTIFICATION BASED ON CRIMINAL HISTORY, MY CONDUCT AS A NEUTRAL, OR WHEN OTHERWISE IN THE INTERESTS OF THE COURT AND LITIGANTS IN THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

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