

to the full extent required by law, the confidentiality of the information disclosed during mediation.

- Mediation is voluntary, and may be terminated at any time by a party or the mediator. Although in court-referred mediation the parties may be ordered to attend a mediation session, any agreement is entirely voluntary. In the absence of agreement, the parties retain their right to take the dispute before a judge or jury.

- Mediation costs may be significantly less than taking a case to court, especially if mediation is chosen prior to filing a lawsuit.



WHAT TYPES OF DISPUTES CAN BE MEDIATED?

- Landlord and Tenant
- Neighbor and Community
- Business and Customer
- Employer and Employee
- Divorce and Family
- Juvenile
- Negligence
- Products Liability
- Construction

- Contracts
- Personal and Real Property
- Small Claims
- Other Civil Matters

HOW DO I LOCATE A MEDIATOR, OR FIND OUT MORE ABOUT MEDIATION?

Ask your attorney, or contact the Alabama Center for Dispute Resolution. The Center maintains a statewide roster of mediators, and provides information on dispute resolution alternatives.

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