

CONSENT TO FAMILY MEDIATION AND MANDATE

We, the undersigned, understand that the goal to mediation is to allow parties planning to separate, divorce, or live apart, to identify their needs and conflicts and to reach an agreement regarding the custody of the children, visiting right, alimony and the sharing of the family assets.

We understand that the mediator is an impartial person who works for both of us, helping us negotiate an agreement and we retain the mediation services of Dominique F. Bourcheix.

We recognize that the mediator will not give us a legal opinion but will provide us with the general legal information needed to help us take well-informed decisions.

It is understood that either one of us or the mediator can put an end to the meditation at any given time.

We agree to participate in the discussions in a climate of cooperation and respect and are committed to working towards solutions that are in the best interests of the parties and, most importantly, of the children.

We recognize that mediation is a confidential process and that the mediator cannot be called upon to testify regarding allegations or information communicated in mediation.

We agree to divulge all financial information for negotiation, more particularly regarding our income to help determine alimony and child support, as well as the existence and value of our assets including pension and retirement plans.

The mediator's fees are \$76 an hour (\$95 for 75 min.) for mediation meetings or telephone conversations with the parties. The first seven and a half hours (7 1/2 hrs.) of these are non-taxable and paid for by the Ministry of Justice for eligible parties. Should the mediation extend beyond the 7 1/2 hours, fees plus applicable taxes will be payable at each subsequent meeting, upon presentation of an invoice for the previous meeting. A final invoice will be issued to the parties at the closing of the file.

A fee of \$180 an hour plus applicable taxes will be applied to the drafting of the agreement to be included in a final judgment.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we agree to the terms and conditions stipulated herein.

SIGNED in Saint-Lambert, this _______,

Dominique F. Bourcheix, Mediator