

Suggested Paper Topics

CR 4377/HCS 4378

(Not listed in order of preference)

Transformational Mediation: What is it, exactly, and how does it differ ? What are its objectives? Are they incompatible with “ordinary” mediation?

The Mediator and Emotional Intelligence: How do emotions affect the Mediator’s tasks and how can they be detected in the parties and managed by the Mediator?

Mediator Ethics: What are the authoritative sources, if any?

Mediator Training: The Training Roundtable and its standards? Should they become mandatory? What is a “Credentialed” Mediator? Does Self Declaration defeat the purpose? What objective standards for being a Credentialed Mediator should apply?

Med/Arb: What is it, and should it be part of Mediator Training? Review Norman Solvay’s article provided at the Collaborative law Forum in 2010 and evaluate.

Arbitration and its Procedural and Substantive differences from Mediation. Should counsel for the parties be allowed to conduct routine discovery as in regular litigation? Compare the AAA rules for Mediation and Arbitration. How should they be clarified to deal with this problem?

ADR and Mediation. How should coursework be expanded to include the other methods included in Nolan-Haley’s ADR “Nutshell” test?

Master’s Program in Dispute Resolution: What should it include in addition to the most customary forms of dispute resolution?

The Collaborative Process. How will work in mediation and what substantive changes in outcomes could it engender or foster?