

# Colorado Mediators & Arbitrators

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## Med-Arbitration Conversion Agreement

Med-Arbitration is a form of dispute resolution that combines the self-determination of mediation with the finality of arbitration. In the initial stage of a Med-Arbitration proceeding, the parties attempt to reach a voluntary settlement through negotiation that is facilitated by a single, neutral Med-Arbitrator. If settlement is not reached, the parties are given a full and fair hearing by the same Med-Arbitrator. After considering the evidence and testimony presented, the Med-Arbitrator shall render a simple written decision which is binding on the parties.

Parties hereby agree jointly convert their COMA Mediation Case #  to Med-Arbitration.

1. Send this completed form to COMA. The form may be signed in counterparts (individually.)
2. The previously signed Mediation Fee Agreement shall apply to Med-Arbitration. There are no additional costs associated with converting to Med-Arbitration once the Mediation case has been filed and responded to.
3. Print the Med-Arbitration Procedural Rules at <http://coma.com/rules/med-arbitration> to refer to during the tenure of the case.

The named undersigned are parties to a contract dated

The undersigned parties acknowledge that the Med-Arbitrator will negotiate between the parties, and if negotiations fail, the Med-Arbitrator shall render a written decision that is binding upon the parties.

The undersigned parties agree to negotiate in good faith, and consider all options presented to them. The undersigned parties  further agree to abide by and perform all agreements entered into according to the terms of a written MOU / Memorandum of Understanding or the written decision / award that results from the Med-Arbitration process

The undersigned parties acknowledge that signed agreements that results from Med-Arbitration may be filed in any court of competent jurisdiction to affect an order for enforcement

Mediation Initiation Fee applies to Med-Arbitration - no additional initiation fee due.

Parties acknowledge the above and affix their signatures in agreement:

### CLAIMANTS

Dollar Amount in Dispute \$  Other Disputed Matters:

Claimant's Relief Sought:  Attorney's Fees  Med-Arbitration Costs  Interest

Claimant  Claimant

Signature  Signature

Date  Date

### RESPONDENTS

Dollar Amount in Dispute \$  Other Disputed Matters:

Respondent's Relief Sought:  Attorney's Fees  Med-Arbitration Costs  Interest

Respondent  Respondent

Signature  Signature

Date  Date