In	the District Court for	County, Nebraska
	,	) Case No.:
	Plaintiff,	) ) MEDIATION STATUS REPORT
VS.		) PARENTING PLAN MEDIATION
	,	)
	Defendant.	) )

The status of the referral to parenting plan mediation for the above-captioned parties is:

## Mediation case is pending:

- Date mediation referral received by mediation office:
- □ Plaintiff scheduled initial parenting mediation session \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no
- Defendant scheduled initial parenting mediation session \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no
- □ Plaintiff attended mediation session \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no
- Defendant attended mediation session \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no

#### Mediation case is closed:

- □ Mediation has occurred
- □ Mediation is not appropriate
- □ Mediation settlement full parenting plan agreement (*opt: parenting plan attached*)
- □ Mediation settlement partial parenting plan agreement (*opt: parenting plan attached*)
- $\Box$  No agreement
- Date closed by mediator:

Signature

Mediation Office / Address / Phone / email

## STATUTORY REFERENCES FOR MEDIATION STATUS REPORT TO COURT.

**Uniform Mediation Act. Section 25-2936 Prohibited mediator reports**. (a) Except as required in subsection (b) of this section, a mediator may not make a report, assessment, evaluation, recommendation, finding, or other communication regarding a mediation to a court, administrative agency, or other authority that may make a ruling on the dispute that is the subject of the mediation.

(b) A mediator may disclose:

(1) whether the mediation occurred or has terminated, whether a settlement was reached, and attendance;

(2) a mediation communication as permitted under section 25-2935; or

(3) a mediation communication evidencing abuse, neglect, abandonment, or exploitation of an individual to a public agency responsible for protecting individuals against such mistreatment.

(c) A communication made in violation of subsection (a) of this section may not be considered by a court, administrative agency, or arbitrator.

#### **Parenting Act.**

**Section 43-2941 Mediation subject to other laws; claim of privilege; disclosures authorized.** Mediation of a parenting plan shall be subject to the Uniform Mediation Act and the Dispute Resolution Act, to the extent such acts are not in conflict with the Parenting Act. Unsigned mediated agreements under the Parenting Act are not subject to a claim of privilege under subdivision (a)(1) of section 25-2935. In addition to disclosures permitted in section 25-2936, a mediator under the Parenting Act may also disclose a party's failure to schedule an individual initial screening session or a mediation session.

# Section 43-2939 Parenting Act mediator; duties; conflict of interest; report of child abuse or neglect; termination of mediation. . . .

(5) The mediator may terminate mediation if one or more of the following conditions exist:

(a) There is no reasonable possibility that mediation will promote the development of an effective parenting plan;

(b) Allegations are made of direct physical or significant emotional harm to a party or to a child that have not been heard and ruled upon by the court; or

(c) Mediation will otherwise fail to serve the best interests of the child.

(6) Until July 1, 2010, either party may terminate mediation at any point in the process. On and after July 1, 2010, a party may not terminate mediation until after an individual initial screening session and one mediation or specialized alternative dispute resolution session are held. The session after the individual initial screening session shall be an individual specialized alternative dispute resolution session if the screening indicated the existence of any condition specified in subsection (1) of this section.