

Fees & Sliding Income Scale

Mediation fees:

17th Circuit Court post-evaluation civil cases - \$100 per party (\$50 non-refundable)

62B Kentwood District Court small claims on-site mediation - all fees waived

63rd District Court small claims on-site mediation – all fees waived

63rd District Court civil cases - \$50 per party

Divorce mediation:

\$150/party per session

Guardianship & Probate (estates, wills, etc.):

\$150/party per session

Parenting, Eldercare, or Personal Protection Orders cases:

\$100/party per session

Employment & workplace mediation: 10% discount to not-for-profits

\$100/party per session

Civil mediation

\$25,000 or more in dispute - \$150/party per session

\$5,001 – 24,999 in dispute - \$50/party per session

\$5,000 or less in dispute (small claims) - \$25/party per session

Landlord-tenant, neighbor disputes, and other cases – \$25/party per session

Sessions lasting over 3 hours will be charged another session fee.

Payment to the <u>Dispute Resolution Center</u> may be made by cash, check, money order, or credit card. Mediation fee is due prior to the start of the mediation. There is a \$30 fee for bounced checks or credit/debit card reversals.

In order to keep our services affordable to low income households, the following sliding fee scale reduces the fees above according to household size and income. Calculations are to be based on the individual's adjusted gross income. A copy of your most recently filed federal income tax statement will be needed for verification. You may discuss other financial considerations with DRC staff prior to scheduling your mediation.

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	Low-Income Fee Waiver Sliding Scale	
Household Size	50% of fee waived	100% of fee waived
	*Income up to (in dollars)	
1	\$22,980.00	\$11,490.00
2	\$31,020.00	\$15,510.00
3	\$39,060.00	\$19,530.00
4	\$47,100.00	\$23,550.00
5	\$55,140.00	\$27,570.00
6	\$63,180.00	\$31,590.00
7	\$71,220.00	\$35,610.00
8	\$79,260.00	\$39,630.00
for each additional person add	\$8,040.00	\$4,020.00

*Based on 2013 Federal Poverty Guidelines

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