



# Property Mediation Process Staying Empowered



If you both can't come to an agreement in mediation then court is the next step.....  
with the final decision on your future made by a judge!

Courts are costly....financially and emotionally, so it should always be the last resort.

*Be Empowered to work together to reach agreement through mediation*

## Pre-Mediation Intake 1 hr Sessions \$150 per person

- Private Intake sessions with each party to understand background of dispute
- Determine if mediation is right for you
- Confirm Independent legal advice sought
- Parties to collate information on assets, debts, payslips, savings, pensions, shares, etc and summarise for negotiation
- Identify any special needs for mediation such as interpreters, support person, etc



## Mediation Session \$450 per person

- Scheduled mediation session <4hrs
- Explore, negotiate, win/win solution
- Delivery method via zoom from the comfort of your home
- Documented agreements

# The Divorce Centre Mediation Process Roadmap



## Pre-Mediation Private Sessions

- ❑ Private confidential sessions with mediator to confirm mediation readiness and advise of any concerns or changes since intake

## Mediation Preparation

- ❑ Mediator sets the scene; welcome, neutral role, not a legal forum confidentiality, voluntary process agreed by consent form, respectful calm communication to enable open communication & creativity



## Mediation Brief

- ❑ Each **party** provides brief uninterrupted **statements to the mediator**
- ❑ Mediator takes notes & reads back **summaries** to confirm correct
- ❑ Mediator establishes **list of issues** as agenda topics for discussion

## Mediation Exploration

- ❑ Parties to **talk directly to each other** to explore facts & feelings openly & respectfully
- ❑ Identify needs & interests
- ❑ Determine common ground
- ❑ Share responsibility of dispute
- ❑ How might issues have been handled differently at the time
- ❑ Define future behaviours

## Mediation Private Sessions

- ❑ Private confidential sessions with mediator to discuss mediation progress, possible options/solutions, worse/best/likely alternatives

## Mediation Negotiation

- ❑ Focus on the future
- ❑ Recognition of common interests & concerns
- ❑ Parties to propose/evaluate options
- ❑ Focus on future relationship & communication

## Mediation Outcome

- ❑ Agreements made in good will and specifically articulated
- ❑ Measurable outcomes determined
- ❑ ALL resolved and unresolved issue outcomes documented in statement