



Ohio Court of Appeals – Eighth District

Conferencing / Mediation Department

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This statement is to be completed by counsel for appellant and appellee, or by a self-represented party, and returned to the conference attorney within ten (10) days of receipt of the order from this court directing the parties to participate in a mediation conference. Communications with the mediation program, *including responses to this form*, are considered privileged and confidential pursuant to R.C. 2710.03 and do not constitute ex parte communications.

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DO NOT FILE THIS FORM WITH THE CLERK OF COURTS. Return the completed form to the Office of the Conference Attorney, Room 144, 1 Lakeside Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44113. The completed form can also be electronically mailed to das@8thappeals.com or cmm@8thappeals.com.

Please use additional sheets of paper where necessary:

1. Case caption and court of appeals case number.
2. Briefly describe the underlying conflict between the parties that led to the litigation in the trial court.
3. Briefly address appealability issues and standards of review that pertain to your appeal.

4. Please identify any significant facts or issues that may have a continuing impact on settlement:

(a) from your (or your client's) perspective;

(b) from what you perceive to be the other side's perspective.

5. Please state the strong and weak points of your case.

6. How would you suggest the case settle? What would be the dollar amount, if relevant? Is your proposal realistic and if not, what is the barrier?

7. What are your goals with regard to this dispute? What outcome would best suit your (or your client's) needs? *Please state your goal regardless of whether you believe this court can facilitate the desired outcome.*

8. Is there any other pending and/or anticipated litigation between the parties? If so, please briefly describe.

Date _____

Signature

Printed Name