**Mediation Training FAQs:**

**When is your next 40-Hour NC Dispute Resolution Commission (NCDRC) Superior Court Training?**

**The Zoom training is scheduled for May 6-17, 2024 every afternoon from 1:00pm to 5:15pm for 10 business days.   Other trainings are scheduled in July and October 2024.**

**Does your training qualify under the Rule 8(a)(1) requirement for “at least forty hours of Commission-certified trial court mediation training?”**

**Yes. NCDRC has previously and repeatedly approved this course as satisfying Rule 8(a)(1) of the Superior Court mediation certification requirement.**

**Does your course qualify for NC State Bar continuing legal education (CLE) credits?**

**Yes. The NC State Bar has previously and repeatedly approved this course for 40.00 hour(s) of CLE credit, of which 1.00 hour will be available to satisfy the substance abuse/mental health awareness requirement, 3.00 hour(s) will be available to satisfy the professional responsibility/ethics requirement, and 36 hours will be available for to satisfy the general credits.**

**The NC State Bar will also credit registrants with 1.0 hours of technology as part of the 36 hours of general credit.**

**What does a typical agenda look like?**

**Visit** [**https://www.ellengelbin.com**](https://www.ellengelbin.com) **and click on “Services”. The courses curriculums may be found by clicking on the curriculums for May, July and/or October 2024 offerings.**

**Is registration limited?**

**Yes. The NCDRC has limited remote courses to 22 registrants.**

**Are scholarships available?**

 **Yes. Please contact Kate Deiter Maradei at** **www.deitermediation.com** **to find**

**out the details.**

**What are the registration fees?**

**Due to limited seating, the registration fees are as follows:**

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| **Course** | **Registration Fee** | **Early Bird Fee** | **Public Interest Law Fee\*** |
| **40-Hour Superior Court**  | **$1,850** | **$1,550** | **$1,250\*** |
| **16-Hour MSC Supplemental** | **$1,550** | **$1,250** | **$1,050** |

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| **\***1. Public interest law is an extremely broad topic with no single definition or practice setting. Often, it involves work on behalf of poor individuals and families with legal problems. This might pertain to criminal matters (through public defender offices) or to civil matters (most commonly through civil legal aid offices). 2. Public interest law also frequently supports civil rights and social justice causes. You’ll find public interest lawyers working with the American Civil Liberties Union, the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, the National Resources Defense Council, and many other nonprofit organizations dedicated to furthering these legal issues.3. Public interest lawyers can also work in government, whether in prosecutors’ offices at both the state and federal level, or in government agencies, including attorney generals’ offices. The work can focus on domestic issues but also international ones, including human rights. |

**Will you guarantee seating?**

**Yes. Your non-refundable deposit of $500 now will guarantee your seat (as long as seats are available).  Your deposit will be returned if we cancel the class or the guaranteed seats are already filled when we receive your check.  Mail you check to Ellen R. Gelbin, 743 Big Tree Drive, Lewisville NC 27023. Please designate which course your deposit covers.**

**What is the registration process?**

**You may pay online by clicking on the course you need and going through the registration process.**

**Or, you may make checks payable to:**

**Ellen R. Gelbin, Attorney-Mediator-Arbitrator**

**743 Big Tree Drive**

**Lewisville, NC 27023**

**Is there a price discount for paying with a check instead of a credit card, etc.?**

 **Yes. If you are paying by check, there is a $50 discount on any course.**

**What have registrants said about your course?**

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| ***The training was fantastic, and one of the best training courses I have encountered in many years over several disciplines. Ellen Gelbin provided information in a multitude of ways to complement our individual learning styles … .*** ***The simulations placed us in situations that unfold over the course … . We began [our simulations] with a starting point and we continued to add layers and complexities.*** ***On the first day, Ellen informed us that the class would unfold over time … . Not only did the course unfold, it grew, blossomed, flowered, proliferated and thrives. This type of experience doesn’t come along often. It is extremely special. This course inspires me.*** ***Quentin Huff October 2023*** |
| ***Ellen is a wonderful person and mediator. [She is] passionate about this profession, her class and having everyone feel engaged. This class was incredibly humbling, eye opening and will make me a better lawyer and person overall. I was extremely impressed with the co-trainers as well… .******Hailey Hawkins, October 2023*** |
| ***Ellen’s training was extremely beneficial. She is a knowledgeable and delightful teacher. Ellen successfully brought together a group of aspiring mediators from various backgrounds and helped us all learn to expand our toolboxes as attorneys for creative ways to help facilitate negotiations as neutrals in the future. Thanks Ellen!*** ***Susan T. Fountain October 2023*** |
| ***This well thought out class will provide a level of self-awareness that is invaluable. As lawyers, it was very challenging to relearn how best to help people who are in conflict. Ellen knows how to guide her students in the best way in learning new skills. I would highly recommend [this] course.*** ***Lillian Salcine Bright October 2023*** |
| ***Ellen is [a] patient, thorough and attentive instructor. The course material … was easy to access and comprehend. Ellen allowed class interaction which contributed to the overall success of the course. Thanks Ellen!*** ***Ellie Bragg October 2023*** |
| ***Ellen is a top-notch instructor, weaving all pertinent substantive and procedural knowledge regarding mediation in with helpful and relatable practical application. She has a wonderful personality, a great sense of humor, and a staunch commitment to her craft. Her guest instructors were excellent too. … [D]elivery was the key.*** ***David Yopp October 2023*** |
| ***Ellen and everyone who participated was wonderful. It reminded me that I actually like lawyers.*** ***Zachary Horn October 2023*** |
| ***I’ve been an advocate many times in mediations and learned things that will help me improve my services on that side as well. I really enjoyed the time spent with fellow classmates and learned a lot from them too.*** ***Judith “Jude” Starrett October 2023*** |

**How do I contact Ellen?**

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