

HARDY'S ADR SERVICES MCLE -INTRODUCTION

Thank you for your participation in non-binding judicial arbitration with Hardy's ADR Services. Your participation will allow you to submit your case, electronically, on-line for adjudication in a non-binding forum. In addition, by virtue of your participation, you are eligible to receive 1.5 hours in mandatory continuing legal education credits with the State Bar of California on the topic of "Evidence".

To ensure proper accreditation, please confirm your payment in the amount of \$225.00 either by forwarding a check made payable to Hardy's ADR Services; or, by completing your application on-line at www.hardysadrservices.com.

To complete the submission of your case for adjudication, please review the attached **Course Outline**. Begin your evidentiary submittals by preparing a written brief to include a procedural introduction identifying the parties and the pleadings; introduction to the claims or statement of the case; and, a statement of facts with a list of intended exhibits and/or witnesses to be presented.

Note that electronic submittals are required. The list of witnesses and exhibits must identify the foundational prerequisites and should summarize how those prerequisites are, or will be, met during the course of the presentation.

You may elect to present your witnesses in person at hearing at the date, time and place to be scheduled. You may choose to present "live witness testimony" via webcast and/or teleconference (assuming you have the technical capabilities i.e. webcam); or, you may choose to present witness testimony either visually or orally-whether as recorded deposition testimony already subject to cross-examination; or, as independently recorded without the opportunity to cross. Simply note that absent cross-examination, opposing counsel will be allowed sufficient opportunity to evaluate and respond.

The intent of the exercise is to seek the advantages that technology may offer by experimenting with adjudication on-line. The non-binding nature of judicial arbitration, makes the effort relatively risk free while-at the same time-providing for a free exchange of information coupled with the opinion of a neutral third-party-all of which have proven to promote resolution in recognized ADR contexts such as mediation, early neutral evaluation, etc....

Please join with me in an on-line experiment that, with minimal risks, will enhance the civil litigation system; promote resolution of your specific case; and, give MCLE credits for your efforts.

Thank you.



Mark L. Hardy

***SUBMITTAL**

To complete your case submittal, kindly identify the case by title in the Superior Court, and by case number. Indicate whether opposing counsel concurs by your submittal to judicial non-binding arbitration with Hardy's ADR Services; and, confirm your application for MCLE credits.

Case Name: _____

Court:

Case Action no.: _____

Your name: _____

State Bar Number: _____

Attorney representing Plaintiff: _____

Attorney representing Defendant: _____

Do all parties stipulate to use Hardy's ADR Services? Yes____ No____

*By completing this submittal form, you communicate your concurrence with the use of Hardy's ADR Services on-line to adjudicate your case.