

# Mediation Information

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Sixth Circuit BAP LBR 8027-1 describes a procedure for the review of appeals shortly after filing to determine whether a mediation conference would benefit the panel or the parties and to explore the possibilities of settlement or simplification of the issues. Any party may request a mediation conference by submitting a [Mediation Conference Request](#) directly to the Sixth Circuit Mediation Office. The requests are completely confidential and not entered on the docket

The conference is conducted by an experienced attorney trained as a mediator and employed by the Sixth Circuit Mediation Office.

Any party may be required to attend a mediation conference, with attendance being in person, by telephone, or by video conference. The possibility of settlement, simplification of issues, the use of mediation, and any other matters which the panel or conference attorney determines may aid in disposition of the appeal may be considered at the mediation conference.

The Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals' mediation program is highly successful. For more information, see <http://www.ca6.uscourts.gov/mediation>.