

**AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN MEDIATION**

We are requesting mediation services from MWI and understand and agree to the following terms:

1. We are the decision makers in this process and the mediators cannot impose any decisions regarding the disputed issues.
2. Mediator services shall not be construed as legal advice, financial advice, therapy or any professional service other than mediation. Either of us may seek expert advice at any time during the mediation. The mediators have advised each of us to have separate, independent counsel review any agreement before we sign it.
3. Mediation is a voluntary process. The mediators or we may choose to end the process at any time.
4. If we discuss finances, we will disclose all of our financial worth, assets and liabilities during the mediation process. We each accept full responsibility for the reasonable accuracy of the figures disclosed and understand that agreements reached will be based in part on these figures.
5. We understand that mediation is a confidential process under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 233, Section 23C and that MWI and its mediators will keep the details of our case and all related documents confidential. However, we understand the mediator and MWI reserve the right to disclose suspected abuse and plan to commit a crime to the proper authorities.
6. The mediators or MWI can set forth any agreement reached in mediation in a Memorandum of Understanding, Separation Agreement or other written document upon our request.

*Signed by the parties:*

*Docket #* \_\_\_\_\_

Sign Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*and signed by the mediator(s) and observer(s):*

Mediator - Sign Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mediator - Sign Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Observer - Sign Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Observer - Sign Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_