

2019 MEDIATION COUNCIL OF WESTERN PA ROUNDTABLES

Place: Leech Tishman, 525 William Penn Place, 28th Floor, Pittsburgh, PA

Time: 5:45pm

Cost: \$0 for MCWP Members, \$20 for Non-Members

Leader	Topic	Date - 2019
Rebecca Cartus	<p><i>“Picture This: Drawing Up Mediation Strategies for Everyday Faith Communities”</i> (1 Substantive CLE Credit) An interactive roundtable where mediators imagine conflict in a distinct context and brainstorm strategies toward resolution to increase insight into the multifaceted layers of interpersonal relationships within religious organizations. This lens of understanding the complexity of faith organizations will help to sharpen the tools of resolution in that environment.</p>	February 11
Rick Rogow	<p>“Why are you so serious?” (1 Substantive CLE Credit) Humor can be used to advantage in mediation, to reduce aggression and conflict, to get past a difficult road block, or just to break up the day. This roundtable will address when and how a mediator can use humor, even if it is outside her/his comfort zone. The leader will present elements of improvisation and perspective through all phases of a mediation session, from the mediator’s opening statement to creating a positive closure following a difficult day.</p>	April 15
Mark Greenblatt	<p>“Applying alternative dispute resolution techniques to domestic relations” (1 Substantive CLE Credit) In the high conflict world of domestic relations litigation, Allegheny County courts use mediation in custody cases only. How might mediation be of use in the resolution of support matters? Using scenarios of spousal and child support cases, Mark Greenblatt, a hearing officer for the Allegheny County Family Division, will lead discussion and roleplaying to compare and contrast how domestic conflict is resolved using rules of civil procedure versus how a mediation approach could assist resolution while reducing the no-win results from litigation. Judge Kim Eaton, the Administrative Judge of the Allegheny County Family Division, will be present to offer the judicial perspective on the discussion.</p>	June 17

<p>Patricia Wozniak Henk</p>	<p>"Moral Imagination: A Driver for Bold Conflict Transformation" (1 Substantive CLE Credit) It is thought that Moral Imagination is the catalyst to bold conflict transformation practices, techniques, tactics and procedures, with lasting results. The definition of moral imagination and appreciative inquiry approaches will be discussed. I will point to recent world events where moral imagination reduced the acceleration towards violent conflict. This Round Table is inspired by a workshop at the recent ACR Conference in Pittsburgh presented by Daniel Njoroge Karanja on "Moral Imagination."</p>	<p>August 19</p>
<p>Jean Clickner</p>	<p>"Be safe out there" (1 Substantive CLE Credit) Even conflict resolution gurus are not immune to the world of senseless violence. Roundtable covers strategies to make one's workplace safe as well as responsive tactics when violence comes to you. Remaining safe is often contrary to our instincts to help others. How does one balance instinctual reaction to self-preservation? Based on an Association of Conflict Resolution Taskforce on Safety in ADR report, "ADR Safety Planning: Recommended Guidance."</p>	<p>October 21</p>
<p>Sally Cimini</p>	<p>"You Want Me to Do What?" (1 Ethics CLE Credit) Mediators are often directed by parties to take actions in mediations that raise a myriad of ethical questions. What are the ethical boundaries for mediators? Where do the PA Rules of Professional Conduct come into play for attorney mediators? We will discuss these dilemmas and the applicable rules.</p>	<p>Dec. 16</p>