

WEEKLY UPDATE

Wednesday, January 26, 2022



Hi Massimo,

AFCC webinars provide professionals with the opportunity to earn continuing education while learning about important topics from family law experts.

Coming soon: presentations from Leslie Todd, the immediate past-president of the Louisiana chapter of AFCC, and mediation experts Bernie Mayer and Colin Rule. We hope to see you there!

Focused or Cost-Effective Evaluations

Leslie Todd, LCSW, ACSW

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

1:00pm – 2:00pm Eastern Time (US/Canada)

Registration will close on February 7, 2022, at 9:00am Eastern Time US/Canada.

Many families cannot afford the “Cadillac” of child custody evaluations. Leslie provides a hybrid Honda model: sturdy, sensible and efficient, which has won many Louisiana attorneys over to AFCC. Leslie creates dual-household genograms in sessions, educating families while gathering data. This Honda provides an excellent psychosocial history and collateral data with attention to parenting competencies and relational attributes rather than relying on psychological testing and its inflammatory potential.

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Leslie Todd, LCSW, ACSW has been a psychotherapist for thirty years. For twenty years, she has been a custody evaluator and pioneered parenting coordination in Louisiana. Leslie has served on the AFCC-LA board since its inception and twice as Chapter President.



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Moving Family Disputes Online

Bernie Mayer, PhD and Colin Rule

Thursday, March 10, 2022

1:00pm – 2:00pm Eastern Time (US/Canada)

Registration will close on March 9, 2022 at 9:00am Eastern Time US/Canada.

Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) is growing quickly in family dispute resolution and family courts, primarily as a result of the pandemic. But what are the ramifications of moving family disputes online? Presenters in this webinar will discuss some of the opportunities and challenges in resolving family disputes online, including: How do online processes change the dynamics in a dispute? Can online resolutions truly address the psychological needs of the parties? And what are some of the ethical dilemmas that emerge from online practice?

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Bernie Mayer, PhD is an icon in the world of conflict resolution. With over a quarter century of experience in the field, he was a founding partner at CDR Associates, the internationally recognized mediation and conflict resolution organization, and originally trained as a psychotherapist. A true scholar as well as leading practitioner in the field, Dr. Mayer is the author of many works including the book *Beyond Neutrality: Confronting the Crisis in Conflict Resolution*, and has taught courses for Harvard, University of Missouri, University of Colorado, Antioch University, the Budapest College of Economics, University of Warsaw, and Colorado State University, among others. He earned his Ph.D. in Social Work with an emphasis on conflict resolution.



Colin Rule is CEO of Mediate.com. In 2011 Colin co-founded Modria.com, an Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) provider based in Silicon Valley, which was acquired by Tyler Technologies in 2017. From 2017 to 2020 Colin served as Vice President of ODR at Tyler. From 2003 to 2011 Colin was Director of ODR for eBay and PayPal. Colin is the author of *Online Dispute Resolution for Business* and co-author of *The New Handshake: ODR and the Future of Consumer Protection*. He co-founded Online Resolution, in 1999 and served as its CEO and President. Colin also worked with the National Institute for Dispute Resolution in Washington, DC and the Consensus Building Institute in Cambridge, MA.



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