

MARYLAND COUNCIL FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Invites you to the next quarterly membership meeting.

March 15, 2016

Location: JECC, 2011 D Commerce Park Drive
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Networking & Light Refreshments: 6:00 p.m.
Program Will Begin Promptly at 6:30, Concluding at 8:30

THE PATH FORWARD:

CONFLICT RESOLUTION IN THE MARYLAND COURTS

Presented by: Jonathan S. Rosenthal, Esq.

Things have changed at the Maryland Judiciary Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office (MACRO) as reflected, in part, by Mr. Rosenthal's recent installation as the Director. Mr. Rosenthal will discuss with Maryland Council for Dispute Resolution members his vision of the future of conflict resolution in the Maryland courts in the near and distant future. Mr. Rosenthal plans to describe recent changes in the court structure in Maryland and how that will affect conflict resolution practice in Maryland courts. As well, in an interactive conversation with attendees, he intends to explore ideas and questions about how mediation and conflict resolution practices both generally and in the Maryland court setting may better help bring peace to conflict. Certainly a conversation about conflict resolution practice in the courts by those with a variety of professional backgrounds may warrant discussion.

Jonathan S. Rosenthal, Esq. was previously the Executive Director of Alternative Dispute Resolution Programs for the District Court of Maryland where he was responsible for: increasing the profile and understanding of ADR; educating those within the Judiciary and the general public on the benefits of ADR; and ensuring access to high quality ADR programs. Prior to serving in his present position, he served as the Court ADR Resources Director at MACRO, where he worked with all 24 Circuit Courts, helping to create, expand, improve and evaluate ADR programs. Jonathan has trained hundreds of attorneys and ADR practitioners both locally and nationally. Additionally, he teaches negotiation, arbitration and mediation at Anne Arundel Community College and has taught mediation at the University of Maryland's Francis King Carey School Of Law Mediation Clinic. In 2015, Jonathan received the Maryland Bar Association ADR Section Robert M. Bell Award for Outstanding Contribution to Maryland ADR. Jonathan holds an MCDR performance-based mediator certificate. His training and practice experience includes facilitative and transformative mediation along with training in a wide and varying range of conflict resolution processes.

A Certificate for 2-hours of ADR related activities will be provided to attendees.

MCDR quarterly meetings are open to everyone without charge; membership is not required. It is our pleasure to welcome newcomers to join us for an interesting evening of ADR related information and networking.

For planning purposes, please RSVP to: EdKetchen@yahoo.com