## SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MEDIATOR INFORMATION SHEET \*\*SMALL CLAIMS ONLY\*\*

- All Small Claims mediators who provide services under contract with the Sixth Judicial Circuit must be certified by the Florida Supreme Court in County Mediation.
- Each mediator selected to serve must enter a contract with the Court. New contracts are effective July through June, with the possibility of renewals for up to three years. **Bilingual mediators desired**.
- **Compensation:** Each mediator serves in rotation. Compensation for services is paid by the State of Florida at the rates set by the Court. The rates for payment in court-provided mediation are as follows:
  - o **Pretrial Mediations** \$20.00 per hour, except in Dade City (East Pasco), where the rate is \$22.00 per hour.

## **Expected Performance Details:**

- Pasco County (East Dade City): Pretrial mediations are normally held in person every other Wednesday with court starting at 9:30 A.M. (West New Port Richey): Pretrial mediations are normally held in person Thursday with court starting at 9:00 A.M. NOTE: Mediators providing small claims pretrial mediation should expect to serve for the entire calendar, approximately 6 to 8 hours for the day.
- Tasks: Besides mediating cases, mediators may be tasked by a Hearing Officer or Judge with administrative duties including identifying parties, assisting parties with completing and signing documents, and relaying parties' questions to the Court.
- ➤ Other Resources: Rule 10, Rules for Certified and Court-appointed Mediators; Rule 1.720, Rules of Civil Procedure; and Chapter 44, Florida Statutes.

The Court is currently soliciting for Small Claims mediators only.

ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF COURT COUNSEL AT SixthCircuitContracts@jud6.org

NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2025