

Peer Conflict Mediation

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- 📖 **Two conflicting parties meet in confidential sessions**
- 📖 **Trained peer guides discussion of their differences to find solutions to their problem.**
- 📖 **Disputants sign a contract that outlines what each will do to solve the problem.**

Mediation differs from **trial** in many ways:

- **Trial assumes guilt and innocence.**
- **Mediation assumes no fault.**

- **A trial seeks to learn the truth.**
- **Mediation seeks to find an equitable solution.**

- **A trial deals with facts.**
- **Mediation deals with the feelings and perceptions behind the facts.**

- **In a trial, the judge makes a decision.**
- **In mediation, the disputants make the decisions.**