

what's new

Promoting Ontario's Subsidized Family Information and Mediation Services!



We spoke with Val Cole of Roger's TV about what Ontario's family mediation service providers have to offer! Val described it as "one of the best-kept secrets out there". You can view the complete interview on Riverdale Mediation Ltd. Youtube channel!

Mediator profile



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Languages Spoken:
English, Dari, Farsi

On mediate393 Roster Since:
2015

Bio:

ZahraKhedri is an Accredited Mediator (certified by the OAFM Ontario in 2015), a graduate of Kabul University, with a B.A. Degree in Law, and a graduate of McGill University, with a Degree in Civil and Common Law.

In May 2006, Zahra was called to the Ontario Bar, where she practiced family law and immigration and refugee law as an associate with Kerr and Associates, and since 2011, as a sole practitioner. Zahra served as member and mediator with the Aga Khan Conciliation & Arbitration Board for Ontario from 2009 to 2015. Currently, Zahra is a member of the Aga Khan National Conciliation and Arbitration Board (2015-2018).

Expanding Legal Services Options for Ontario Families

mediate393 led the way by drafting a submission on "Expanding Legal Services Options for Ontario Families" to the Family Legal Services Review. It was revised and approved by nearly all of Ontario's family mediation and information service providers! Great team work by the province's most dedicated family mediators. Our President, Hilary Linton, met with Justice Bonkalo to discuss the submission on behalf of the service providers.



WE ARE PROUD SPONSORS OF THE 2016 ANNUAL SCHLIFER TRIBUTE AWARDS DINNER!

Held on June 9, the 2016 Annual Tribute for the Barbra Schlifer clinic saw more than 500 guests in attendance (including Daniella Wald and Michelle Walton of the mediate393 roster), and exceeded its fundraising target! "This outpouring of support represents even more than its direct benefit to the women who seek our services each year", says Amanda Dale, representative of the Barbra Schlifer Clinic. Mediate393 is proud to be a part of this experience!

NEW TRANSIT ADS

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mediate393 will be rolling out a new public print ad that will be featured on TTC subway trains, buses, and shelters. The banner (top) and poster (left) samples presented here is what will be used to promote public awareness of our services.

FREE SPEAKERS



FOR YOUR EVENT OR COMMUNITY!

mediate393 is relentlessly seeking to educate organizations and the public about free family information and mediation services, family court procedures, and FDR options. For organizations and agencies interested in learning more, we will, at no cost, visit your location to provide an informative presentation.

We can also make arrangements to speak at an organization's social / networking event. For more information, please email us at info@mediate393.ca

ON AIR:
Latin Voices

Shely Polak

On January 29, 2016, I went 'live on-air' on *Voces Latinas*, a Spanish radio talk show in Toronto to talk about Mediate393 and what it is like being a roster mediator. I began the show by providing information about Mediate393 and the services offered by our team of roster mediators.



The mediators at Mediate393 are comprised of mental health professionals and lawyers to help deal with family matters post-separation and/or families involved in the court system. I also shared with the listeners the important fact that Mediate393 is a subsidized program through the Ministry of the Attorney General, and clients can receive services on a sliding scale based on income.

Mental health professionals at Mediate393 typically deal with parenting and child related issues that may arise from the separation. For instance, developing a comprehensive parenting plan, developing communication protocols, managing conflict using a children's best interest lens and resolving issues around major decision making would be typical issues that I as a mental health mediator would encounter at 393.

I also provided examples of some typical situations lawyers encounter to help assist families. Lawyers at Mediate393 can help with income determination issues, support calculations, information about child support guidelines, as well as help people understand the impact different parenting arrangements may have on child support in order to help families make good decisions about who will move from the home, and who will pay what amount to the other.

The issues we hear and deal with are deeply personal and often highly emotional. It is without a doubt that it is most helpful to discuss and negotiate with the assistance of a trained mediator with knowledge and expertise in the area of law and/or child development

The main feature of this program was the ability for Spanish community members to call in and ask questions. The questions were asked and answered in Spanish. I answered questions related to mediation in the context of domestic violence or presence of restraining orders, all types of custody/access related questions, general questions about Ontario's Family Law Rules and the Child Law Reform Act, questions involving whether children can participate in mediation or at what point can children make decisions and many more. The phone lines went off NON-STOP with listeners wishing to ask personal questions. It is evident that mediation to help resolve family issues is necessary, beneficial and valued amongst community members. We should all be proud of the work we do at Mediate393!

Did you know...?

Many of our mediators speak different languages. We will assign the best mediator for your case. For a list of our mediators, please visit our "About Us" page at mediate393.ca



Looking for Family Law Resources? Look No Further...

A new document detailing family law resources and related organizations in Ontario is available now on our website! For easier use by both professionals and the greater public, the extensive document is broken down into various categories, such as: "top 20" (a diverse collection of multiservice organizations); LGBTQ+ services; phone line services (including many 24/7 help and crisis lines); family services; sexual and physical health; women's services; and more.



The document link can be found on our homepage. Please use and forward it widely! It is organized in alphabetical order, and is also searchable, making it simpler to find what you or your client is looking for. An introductory paragraph on page 2 explains that although mediate393 inc. cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information contained in the doc, we do welcome suggestions for improvement, as well as information about additional resources to help grow our database. We are especially hoping to add more resources for men who are experiencing intimate partner violence, and a greater variety of culturally specific and/or multicultural resources.

Additionally, although inclusion of an organization does not equate an endorsement, we are always looking to make new connections! If you would like a speaker from mediate393 to come speak to your organization, or to come tell us more about the work that you do, please reach out to us at info@mediate393.ca. We would love to hear from you!

from... our clients

