



BENEFITS OF A MEDIATED SETTLEMENT

- The parties decide the outcome of the dispute.
- The dispute is resolved immediately without additional time or expenses due to continued litigation.
- The outcome may be monetary, a trade of goods or services, a combination of both, or any other financial or equitable resolution.
- The resolution of the dispute is confidential.
- A confidential settlement prevents third persons, or the public, from knowing the terms of the mediated settlement.
- The mediator is prevented, by law, from testifying about the settlement discussions, the negotiations, or the terms of the settlement.
- The settlement is a written contract, signed by all parties, and is legally enforceable.
- The parties may return to their normal way of life without the stress of continuing involvement in a high-conflict financial dispute.
- By putting the financial dispute to rest, the parties can use their time and energy in a more self-satisfying way.
- If there is an exchange of money to resolve the dispute, the timing of that exchange is certain, especially if the conflict falls under the purview of FINRA.