
QUALIFICATIONS

Successful applicants must have the following qualifications:

1. Be a member in good standing of the Law Society of Alberta;
2. Have practiced primarily in the field of Family Law for a minimum of ten years;
3. Have the following attributes:
 - (a) Actual and perceived neutrality;
 - (b) A strong command of the legal issues involved;
 - (c) Strong interpersonal skills;
 - (d) The ability to listen and be non-judgmental;
 - (e) The ability to be patient, persistent and positive;
 - (f) The ability to comprehend the nature of the dispute and to develop innovative solutions;
 - (g) Knowledge of the process that will be used to resolve the dispute if no agreement is reached, such as adjudication or arbitration.

In considering the suitability of prospective candidates, the Committee MAY consider the following:

4. Past or current experience as an instructor in the Bar Admission Course;
5. Mediation training or experience;
6. Interest-based negotiation training or experience;
7. Papers or publications authored by the candidate in the area of Family Law;
8. Participation in continuing Legal Education programs in Family Law;
9. Use of child support software.

COMPLAINTS

The Dispute Resolution Officer Program Committee will be responsible for receiving suggestions regarding improvements to the project and for the determination of any complaints regarding the DRO selection or administration process. The Committee will not be required to give reasons for any decisions taken regarding selection of DROs or the administration of the project. **DRO Program, Attention: Family Justice Services, 706S, 601 – 5 Street SW, Calgary, AB, T2P 5P7**