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Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____ (circle: work/home/cell)

The purpose of our scholarship program is to increase our cultural competency and diversity within our mediator pool. We have developed the following scholarship selection criteria to help us meet this goal.

Applicants must meet our low income guidelines (at or below 150% of poverty level). Please check one appropriate box.

- I am the only person in my household and my income is at or below \$18,210.
- There are 2 people in my household and total income is at or below \$24,690.
- There are 3 people in my household and total income is at or below \$31,170.
- There are 4 people in my household and total income is at or below \$37,650.
- There are 5 people in my household and total income is at or below \$44,130.
- There are 6 people in my household and total income is at or below \$50,610.
- There are 7 people in my household and total income is at or below \$57,090.
- There are 8 people in my household and total income is at or below \$63,570.

In addition, at least two of the following must also apply. Please check all that apply to you.

- I am a person of color.
- I speak English as a second language, and my first language is spoken by underserved populations in the Dispute Resolution Center service area. My first language is: _____
- I am a parent.
- I am a military veteran.
- I am living with a disability.
- I am lesbian, gay, or bisexual.
- I am a resident of rural Thurston County or southern Mason County.
- I am between the ages of 14 and 35.
- I am male, transgender, or intersex.

If selected for this scholarship, I can commit to the following:

- I will attend the full 40-Hour Professional Mediation Training, scheduled for:
 - April 15th - 17th & 22nd - 24th, Wednesday 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., Thursday & Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 - June 22nd - 26th, 2020, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- After completing the training, I will commit to completing my exam within two months.
- I will observe 6 mediation cases and participate in a mock mediation within one year of completing my exam.
- I will continue to volunteer for at least one year from completing my mock mediation.

Please tell us more about yourself by answering the following questions on a separate piece of paper. Please type your answers or write legibly for no more than 3 pages.

1. Why would you like to become a mediator with the DRC?
2. Describe a conflict that you weren't able to work out. What do you think went wrong? What would have worked better?
3. Discuss a special attribute or accomplishment that sets you apart.
4. These awards are given based on the expectation that recipients will give back to their communities. What do you hope to give back to your community?
5. What else would you like us to know about you?

Submit your application to Oriana Noël Lewis, Training Manager at onalewis@mediatethurston.org or Dispute Resolution Center, P.O. Box 6184, Olympia, WA 98507. Contact us at (360) 956-1155 with questions.