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News from the Director

A couple of timely updates for everybody. ..

We are sad for ourselves, but happy for Bailey. Bailey has accepted a job with a law firm in San Antonio. Her last day will be November 3<sup>rd</sup>. We have loved having Bailey as our mediation coordinator and will miss her. We wish her well on her next endeavor and will call her to mediate when she finishes that law degree! **See Bailey's note on the next page...**

If you know of anyone who might be interested in the mediation coordinator job, please let Martha Joyce know! In the meantime, Connie and Martha will be holding down the fort.

Please see the attached flyer for our Ribbon Cutting in New Braunfels. We invite all of you to attend. The New Braunfels Chamber and the New Braunfels Mayor are planning on being here. Ribbon Cutting for the New Braunfels office is Tuesday, November 14 at 11:30, however, you should arrive early to park and walk to the office from RecoveryWerks!

CPS Training

Chris Turner is going to be teaching CPS training here in person. While you may not mediate "CPS cases", there are times CPS is involved in the cases we handle with children. Please consider joining us for the class. Flyer is attached. **Start November 29, a Wednesday, at noon and ends on Dec. 1, a Friday at 5:00. Fee is \$500. NEED TO SIGN UP BY NOVEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>!**

New Software and Software training

We mentioned it before. We have purchased ADR Notable. Now we are ready to execute. The program was created especially for mediators and combines note-taking function with the case management tools. We know there will be a learning curve. When you agree to mediate a case, you will receive an invite to join the software. Create your password. You will then be able to access everything we have on the

case with ease.

The new ADR Notable will be a big transition but will be great for our record keeping and communication ability.



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To all the Great Mediators and  
Volunteers,

I am writing this letter to express my deepest gratitude and bid farewell as I move on to the next chapter of my life. It has been an incredible journey being a part of the Central Texas Dispute Resolution Center, and I am profoundly thankful for the opportunities, experiences, and memories that I have gathered during my time here.



From the very first day, I have felt welcomed and supported by the entire team. The knowledge and skills I have acquired, the challenges I have overcome, and the friendships I have built are all invaluable to me. I will always cherish the moments of collaboration, learning, and growth that have shaped me both personally and professionally.

My last day at the DRC is November 3<sup>rd</sup>. I do hope to see you all again in the future and wish you the best!

*Bailey Rozas*

Mediation Coordinator



# Central Texas Dispute Resolution Center

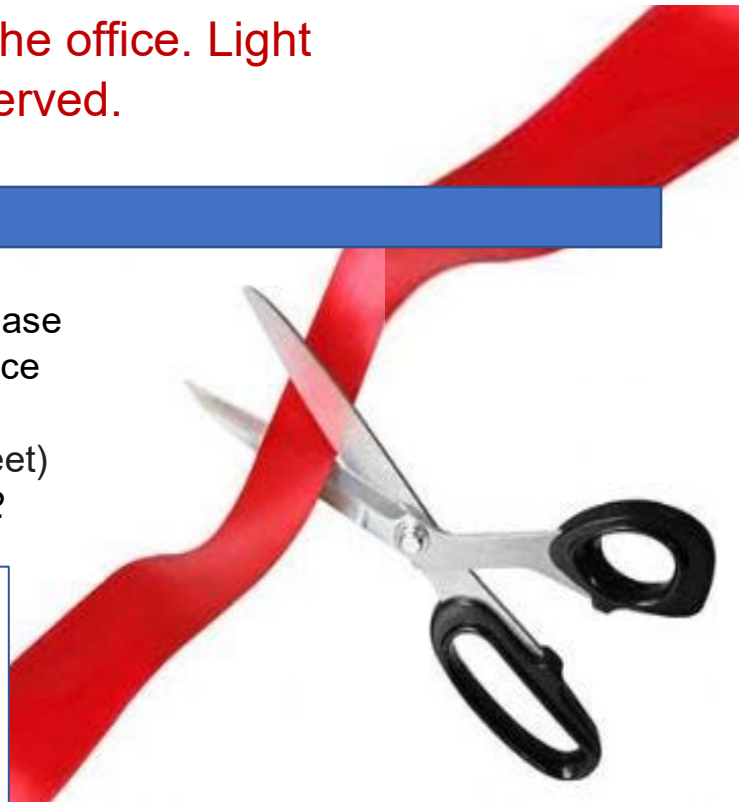
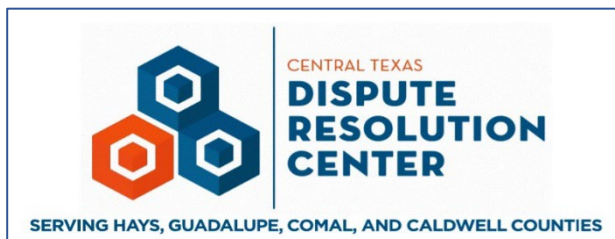


We have a new office in New Braunfels!  
880 Landa Street

The Board of Directors invites you to join us for a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on **Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 11:00am.** New Braunfels Chamber of Commerce will be at the event.

Meet the Board and staff, tour the office. Light refreshments will be served.

Parking is limited at our office. Please park on the grass around our office (880 Landa Street) or at RecoveryWerks! (790 Landa Street)  
*Questions? Call 512-878-0382*



## CPS Mediation Training 2023

**DATE & TIME:** November 29, 30 and Dec. 1 (attend all dates)

**LOCATION:** New Braunfels, Texas in Person!

**COST:** **\$ pending**  
(Includes: Dropbox Course Material; certificate of completion in addition to MCLE/CEU credit for Attorneys/non-Attorneys; daily lunch, snacks & beverages)

### **Sponsoring Organization:**

The Central Texas Dispute Resolution Center is a non-profit organization that facilitates problem-solving for individuals and or county residents by providing, promoting, and training with effective methods of conflict resolution. Trainer will be Chris Turner.

### **Course Design:**

The course prepares participants to be able to mediate CPS cases in the state of Texas.

It meets the standards described for court-referred mediations in the Texas Alternative Dispute Resolution Procedure Act. It adheres to the standards of the Texas Mediation Trainers Roundtable CPS Training Standards as required by the Texas Mediator Credentialing Association.

### **Course Content:**

This CPS course helps the participants improve their understanding of main CPS topics including: Texas CPS Law & Protection, Foster Care, Child Abuse & Neglect, ethical issues and conflict resolution skills. CPS enhances the effectiveness of: Basic 40 Hr. & 30 Hr. Advanced Family Mediators looking to expand their knowledge and credentials; volunteer coordinators; social workers and counselors; educational administrators; and attorneys who want to offer a specialized option of expertise for their clients.



Participants engage in discussions, role-plays and exercises. The course is highly participative. Instructors may also assign brief homework assignments to facilitate student learning.

### **Features and benefits:**

- Experienced faculty bring multiple perspectives and experiences to the subject matter.
- Realistic role-plays are mentored by experienced mediators.
- Successful completion entitles the participant to mediate CPS cases at the Central Texas Dispute Resolution Center.
- Located in a conveniently accessible area that affords shopping, dining, and recreational activities
- Reasonable and efficient course schedule.

### **Educational Standards and Credits:**

MCLE Credits *pending* for attorneys, including ethics credits *pending*.  
CEU Credits *pending* for social workers and mental health professionals.

### **Course Attendance and Requirements:**

Each participant must attend all training hours of instruction to qualify for the Certificate of Completion and to satisfy state of Texas training requirements. In the event of an emergency, participants who miss any part of the instruction may arrange to make up the missed topics at the next CTDRC course offering, usually within one year from this course.

Register at [www.centexdrc.org](http://www.centexdrc.org)

Call or email the Central Texas DRC office at 512.878.0382

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