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University of South Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium in conjunction with the American Arbitration Association

www.mortgagemediation.org
www.mediate.crc.usf.edu

Staff for Today's Presentation

- Dr. Rebecca Storrow, AAA VP, Director of RMM Program
- John Bishop, AAA VP, Atlanta, Commercial Division
- Allyson Connor, AAA Manager of ADR Operations, Atlanta
- Website for information and access to case filing <u>www.mortgagemediation.org</u>
- Email <u>12thCircuitRMM@adr.org</u>
- Call 800-218-5524

Mailing Address Correspondence and Checks:

American Arbitration Association

RMM Manager

Miami Regional Office

100 SE 2nd St., Ste. 2300

Miami, FL 33131

Mediation is held at

Residential Mortgage Mediation (RMM)

Office:

5804 Lakewood Ranch Blvd.

North Sarasota, FL 34240

USF Website: www.mediate.crc.usf.edu

Make checks payable to "American Arbitration Association," including case number(s)

Purpose Today

- Details about the RMM Program
- Location information
- Website <u>www.mortgagemediation.org</u>
- Filing and processing cases
- Web-enabled platform and tools
 - Form A and other forms
 - Payment Options
 - Secure Documents Exchange
 - Mediation Scheduling

Please make sure you read Administrative Order 2012-9.1 carefully!

Link:

http://www.jud12.flcourts.org/ProgramsServices/12thJudicialCircuitForeclosureDivision/ForeclosureManagedMediationProgram.aspx

American Arbitration Association

- Founded 1926
- Offices in Florida for over forty-five years
- Was RMFM Program manager for the 8th, 17th, and 18th Judicial Circuit Courts
- Experienced in large claims programs of 130,000+ cases per year - www.adr.org
- Mediation, arbitration, neutral elections management, ADR education through AAAU, due process standards for consumer/employment/health care arbitration
- We are managing the 12th Judicial Circuit RMM Program in conjunction with the University of South Florida Conflict Resolution Collaborative

Program Staff and Resources

Directors

- > Dr. Greg Firestone, USF CRC
- > Dr. Rebecca Storrow, Vice President for AAA
- Mediation Site Manager Diana Ojeda
- Scheduling Staff Allyson Connor, AAA Atlanta Office
- Outreach team Ana Figueredo, AAA Outreach Manager
- HUD Certified Foreclosure Counselors available, not required
- RMM Qualified, Foreclosure-Trained, Certified Circuit Court Civil Mediators – Program Mediators and Outside Mediators
- > Email 12thCircuitRMM@adr.org
- > 800# for Lenders and Law Firms regarding Filing/Payment Issues
- O 800-218-5524

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Responsibilities of Plaintiff

Per Court Summary Document

http://www.jud12.flcourts.org/Portals/0/PDF/Foreclosure/Active%20Foreclosure/e%20AO%20Summary.pdf

1.	The Plaintiff's responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:
	☐File a verified complaint and pay the mediation fee.
	File with the Clerk a Form A with all certifications filled out completely,
	requesting any additional documentation from the borrower and identifying
	the plaintiff's representative(s) who will appear at mediation.

(Phone number for Borrower is required! Emails for Borrowers are very important to include if you know them!)

Designate a **single individual** as authorized agent to receive financial materials submitted by borrowers. Mediation will not be scheduled by the Program Manager until plaintiff confirms receipt of borrower's documentation. (Form A)

AO 2012-9.1, I ,4. Plaintiff Responsibilities (p.5)

Form A shall include:

- Court case number and the assigned division
- Contact information for the lender and each borrower, including telephone numbers and email addresses
- Contact information for each borrower, including telephone numbers, and email addresses if known
- Whether pre-suit mediation occurred
- Whether plaintiff and its counsel will accept service by email.
- Request for additional documents

If these items are not in the Form A, you are not in compliance with the AO Plaintiff Responsibilities

- Serve on borrowers with the summons and complaint a Form B Important Notice from the Court to Homeowners Regarding Your Property, which contains information for the property owner about mediation.
- Electronically transmit a copy of Form A to the Program Manager within two business days after the filing of Form A.
- Notify the Program Manager when a borrower is served no later than 10 days after service.
- Respond to borrower's request for plaintiff's disclosure and provide documents to the Program Manager no later than **10 business days before the mediation.**
- (Program Manager is responsible for confirming the items needed by plaintiff to effectively participate in mediation were identified in Form A or in the Order of Referral, prior to mediation, AO2012-1.9)
- Attend the mediation session with full authority to settle, negotiate, discuss, accept, or reject specific options being proposed by borrowers to resolve the case, without further consultation.

Responsibilities of the Plaintiff (continued)

- 2. The Plaintiff shall notify the Program Manager at least 20 days before the scheduled date of mediation when an Outside mediator is agreed to by the parties, and shall submit an Order of Referral to the court. (Form D-2)
- 3. Regularly monitor the circuit and Program Manager's websites for updated RMM Program forms and to use the most current forms.
- 4. The Judge may impose sanctions including <u>dismissal</u> of actions for non-compliance with the <u>completion</u> and filing of a Form A or failure to timely provide borrower requested documentation.

Court Ordered Cases – Cases filed prior to August 1, 2012

- Order of Referral Paragraph 13 (proposed revisions)
- 13.

 This case was filed before the effective date of the Residential Mortgage Mediation Administrative Order. The court orders this matter be referred to a Program Mediator for mediation upon the terms and subject to the procedures set forth in the Administrative Order. Borrowers shall pay their mediation fee within 20 days of this order. Plaintiffs shall immediately fax or email a copy of the signed order and completed Form A including borrower's phone number to the Program Manager, and pay their fee within 10 days of borrower's remittance. Thereafter, the case will begin RMM Program procedures and timelines and the parties shall comply with the provisions of this referral order. Failure of borrowers to timely pay their fee shall terminate their eligibility to participate in the RMM Program. Failure of plaintiff to timely pay their mediation fee may result in sanctions, including dismissal of the complaint.

Cc: Residential Mortgage Mediation Program Manager, 100 SE 2nd St., Ste. 2300, Miami, FL 33131, 12thCircuitRMM@adr.org, Fax: 877-395-1389, Phone: 800-218-5524

Fees – Mailing Address

 Process – \$225 Fees for Lenders are due at the time Form A is filed

Mailing Address:

American Arbitration Association

RMM Manager Miami Regional Office 100 SE 2nd St., Ste. 2300 Miami, FL 33131

 Plaintiffs are required to pay \$225 as a non-refundable fee, even when an Outside Mediator is selected.

Program Timeline

Plaintiff Files in Court	Plaintiff submits filing fee	Plaintiff files Form A with the AAA	Outreach to borrower - 2 letters & 2 phone calls	Borrower Accepts - 20 days	AAA files Forms D-1 & F-1 (Order of Referral and Temp. Stay)	Borrower submits financia documents	Plaintiff confirms receipt of documents	Mediation scheduled & Notice sent	Borrowers Request for Plaintiff Disclosure	Plaintiff Submission of Documents to Borrower	Plaintiff Request for Additional Documetns	Mediation
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Mediators

- Program and Outside Mediators
 - Outside Mediator Form D-2 (Stipulation & Order of Referral to Outside Mediation)
 - Submit Mediator Report for Outside Mediator to Diana Ojeda, at dojeda1@health.usf.edu]
- Parties can jointly select a qualified Mediator themselves
- Specific Qualifications for RMM Mediators
- Parties will get to evaluate the AAA, Mediators and Counselors

Pre Suit Mediation Opportunity

- Either Party May Use Request for Presuit Mediation on www.MortgageMediation.org
- If a Borrower files a Request for Mediation, we will contact you about participation—make sure we know the right contact person in your firm
- In order for a Pre Suit Mediation to qualify, it must comply with Sec.
 IV of AO2012-9.1, requiring
 - o the exchange of mortgage related information,
 - the use of Florida Supreme Court certified circuit civil mediators specially trained to mediate residential mortgage foreclosure actions, and
 - o the program coordination by an independent program manager
- If not, you may find yourself referred to RMM program

What you can find on the Residential Mortgage Mediation Website

www.mortgagemediation.org

AAA WebFile®

Forms, documents, and resources

Contact information and directions

Some Forms and documents on www.mortgagemediation.org

- RMM Law Firm Informational Letter
- RMM Party Calendar Tool Guide
- RMM FAQ's
- RMM Sarasota Office Directions
- Hardship Affidavit
- How to File an RMM Case
- Borrower Financial Worksheet
- List of Program and Outside Mediators (coming soon)

Some Links you can find on www.mortgagemediation.org

- Twelfth Judicial Circuit Foreclosure Managed Mediation Program web page and Forms
- Link to Summary of Active Administrative Orders Pertaining to the Foreclosure Division in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit
- Gulfcoast Legal Services
- Legal Aid of Manasota
- University of South Florida Conflict Resolution Collaborative (USF CRC):

AO forms links that may be found on the Court Website

http://www.jud12.flcourts.org/ProgramsServices/12thCircuitForeclosureDivision/ForeclosureManagedMediationProgram.aspx or RMM Program Website www.mortgagemediation.org:

- FORM A: Plaintiff's Certificate (To be filed with the complaint.)
- **FORM B: Important Notice From The Court To Homeowner**
- FORM C: Notice of Borrower Nonparticipation with RMM Program
- FORM D-1: Order of Referral to Program Mediator with the Residential Mortgage Mediation Program
- FORM D-2: Stipulation & Order of Referral to Outside Mediator for Residential Mortgage Mediation
- FORM E: Notice of Pre-Suit Mediation Exemption from RMM Program
- FORM F-1: Notice of Temporary Stay Due to Mediation
- FORM F-2: Notice of Termination of Mediation Stay
- FORM G: Notice of Borrower's Request for Plaintiff's Disclosure For Mediation
- FORM H: 12TH Circuit Foreclosure Mediation Participation Form
- **FORM I:** Mediator Report
- **FORM J:** Application for Determination of Civil Indigency Status



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Residential Mortgage Mediation (RMM) in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Court

BORROWERS: Select County



The University of South Florida Conflict Resolution Collaborative in conjunction with the American Arbitration Association (AAA) are working together to offer a Residential Mortgage Mediation Program for Homeowners and Lenders in the 12th Judicial Circuit of Florida. Our program is conducted in accordance with Administrative Order No.: 2012-9.1 issued by Chief Andrew D. Owens, Jr.

AAA Solutions and Mediation Systems Design for Mortgage Foreclosure Disputes

Learn More

The AAA offers residential mortgage foreclosure mediation systems design for Government Agencies, Courts and Lenders & Servicers, as well as mediation and arbitration of commercial mortgage disputes.



Mediator/Counselor Case Management

Residential Mortgage Mediation in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Court



RMM Mediation Office Location: 5804 Lakewood Ranch Blvd. North Sarasota, Florida 34240 (941) 893-4944



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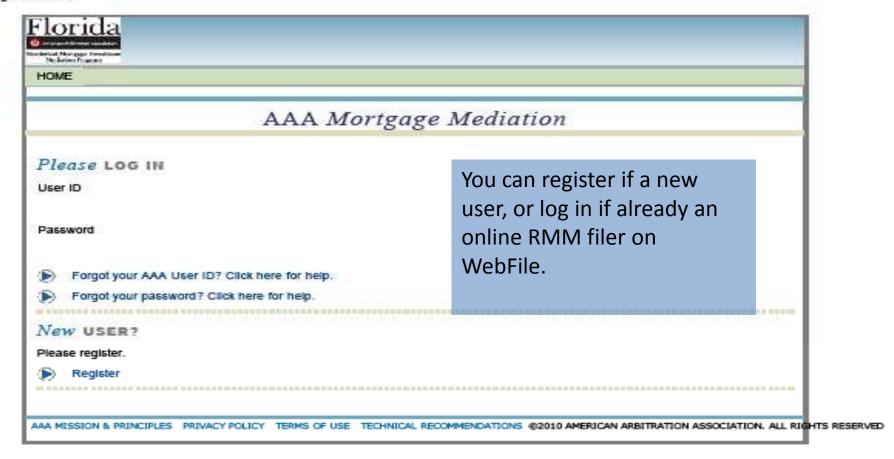


The RMM Program allows homeowners and lenders to explore ways of resolving their foreclosure dispute quickly and without further litigation.

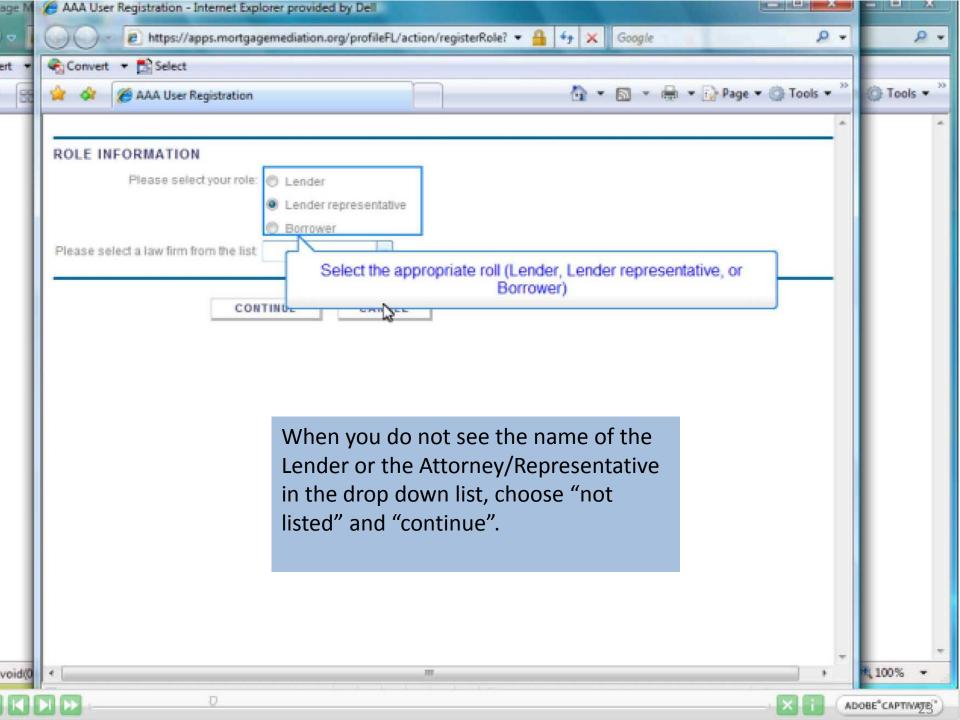
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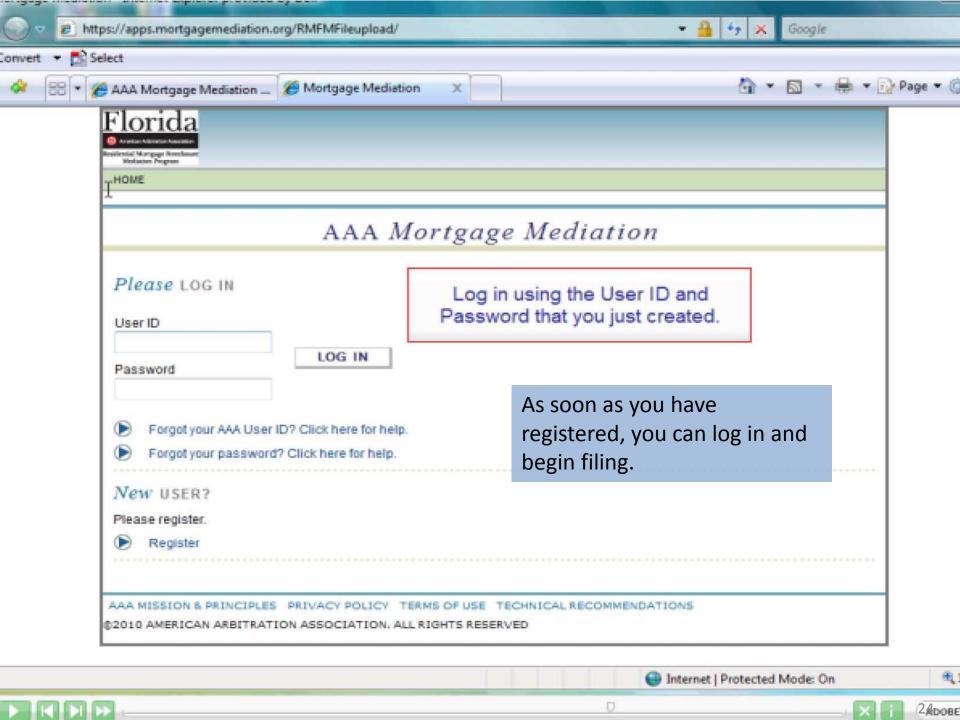
As a result of the establishment of the RMFM program, certain Judicial Circuit Courts have appointed the American Arbitration Association (AAA), the world's leading provider of conflict management and dispute resolution services, to administer their Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Programs. The RMFM Program stipulates that all lawsuits involving a residential mortgage foreclosure of an owner-occupied homestead residence will be referred to the AAA for mediation prior to proceeding with litigation.

Homeowners who participate in the Program first undergo mortgage foreclosure counseling and then proceed to the mediation process with the objective of reaching an early and mutually agreeable settlement of their dispute.



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RMM Lender/Borrower Attorney letter

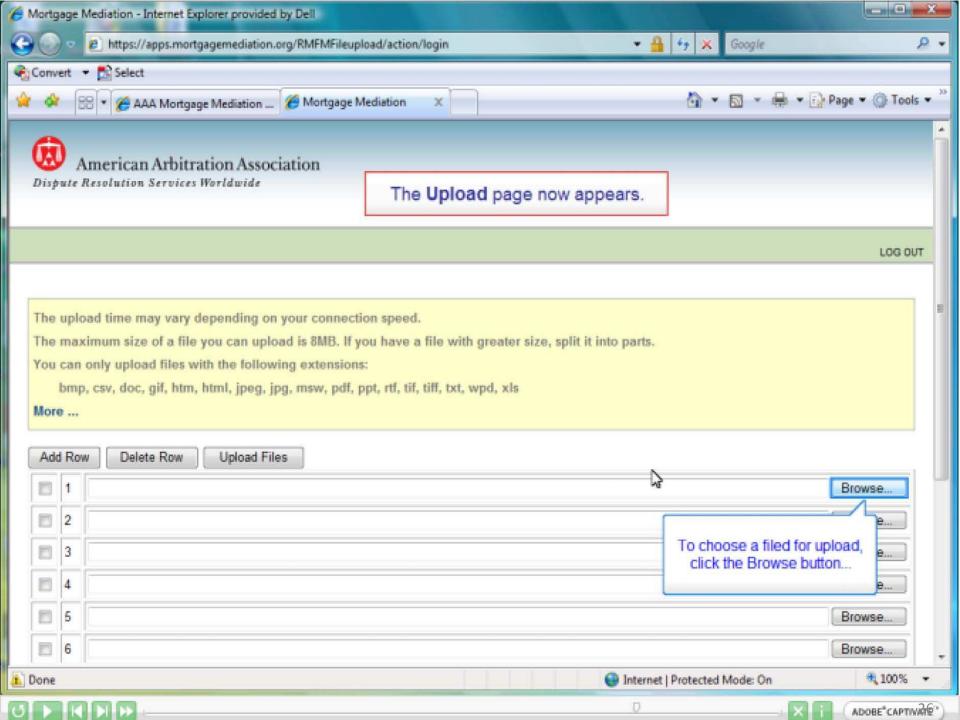
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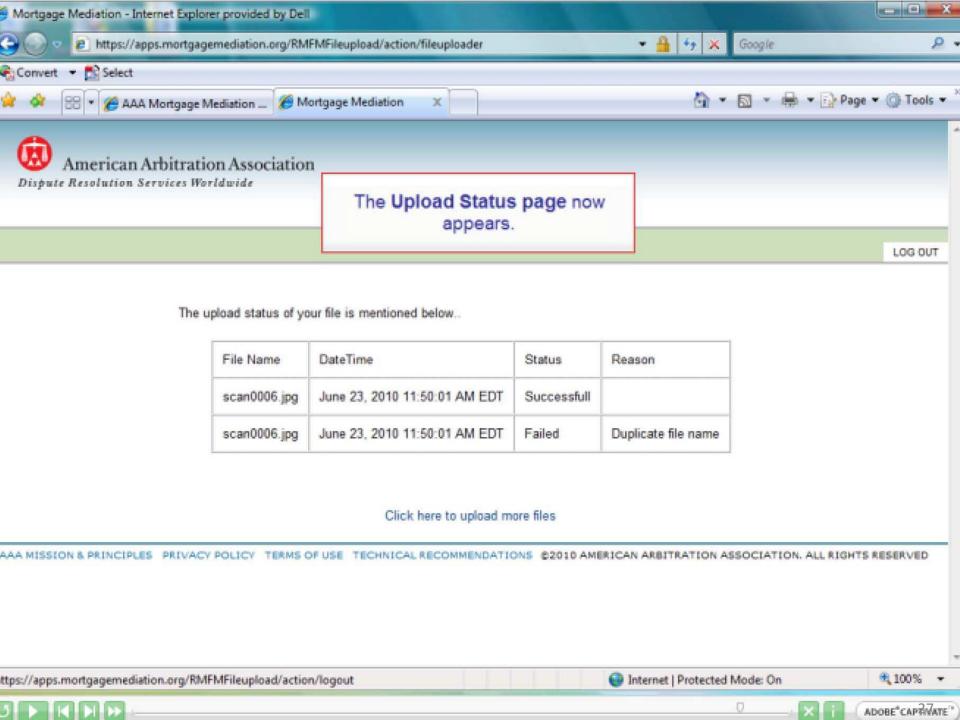
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Telephone contact for case filing or payment problems: 1.800.218.5524 or, email: RMM Operations or Mortgage Mediation

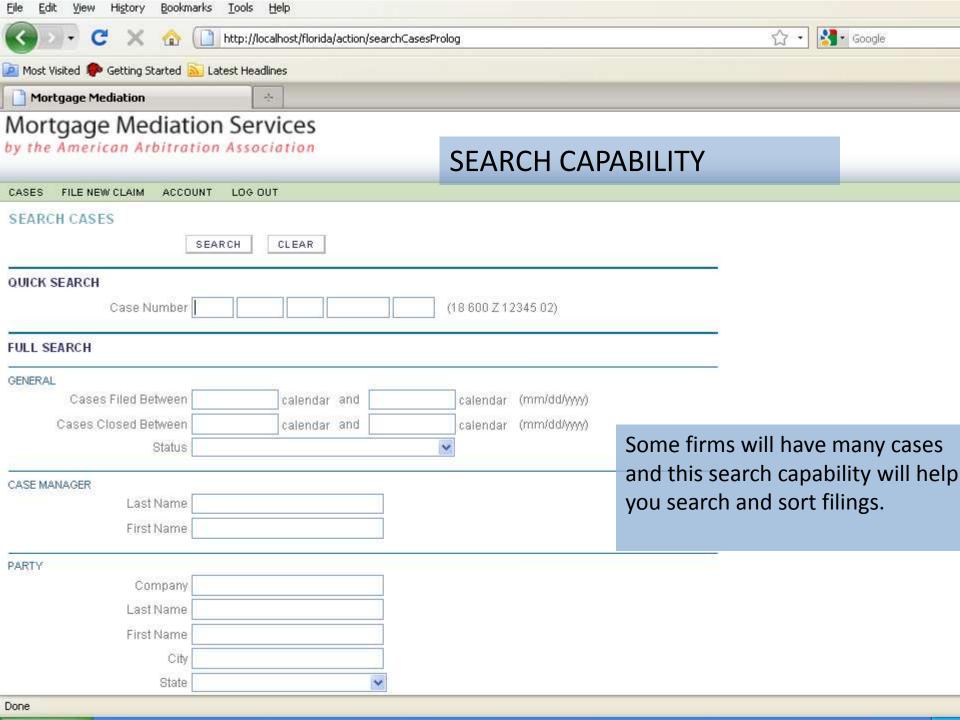
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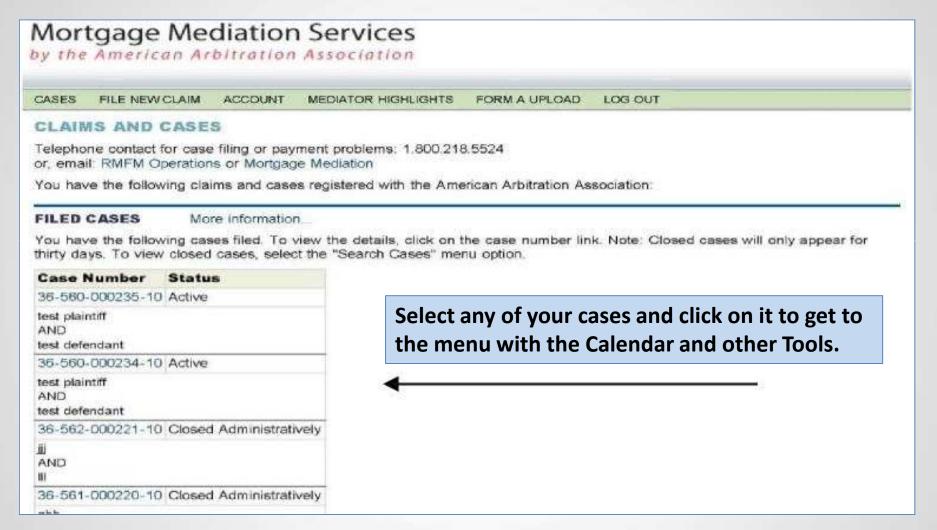




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SUMMARY

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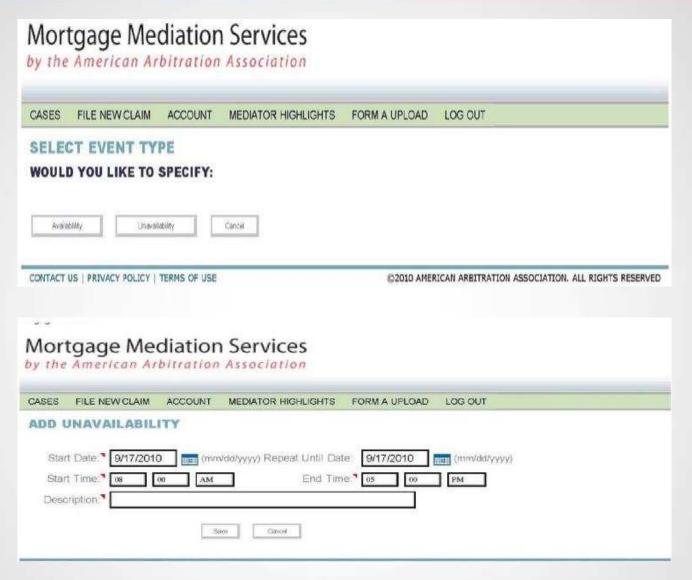
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A new document has been uploaded to your case #xx-xxx-xxx-xx.

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You can view this filing by visiting the following link: http://nydweb03/webfile/

Thank you,

American Arbitration Association

- SAMPLE of an email alert from the System to a Party or Representative.
- For instance, when a Borrower Financial Disclosure Worksheet is uploaded.

Cancellations and Rescheduling

- Cancellations are discouraged and should only be for good cause.
 Cancellations within five days of the mediation date will trigger payment of the \$225 Borrower fee to the mediator who has reserved time to mediate that day.
- Rescheduling may be available when both parties want to reschedule and any necessary fees are deposited. Pursuant to AO 2012-9.1, rescheduling due to Plaintiff's untimely compliance with the order may result in a sanction of \$225 for mediation cancellation and rescheduling.
- You MUST arrive at mediation promptly at the scheduled time. A Non-appearance of a party or counsel will be reported to the Court.

Questions?

Type into text box on left and hit 'enter'

- Or contact us for more information anytime at 12thCircuitRMM@adr.org
- Lenders and Law Firms Phone: 800-218-5524

Thank you!