## DIVORCE MEDIATION GUIDELINES

- 1. The Mediator should be neutral.
- 2. The Mediation participants should be cooperative.
- 3. Each party should respect the interests and needs of the other party.
- 4. Neither party to a mediation should be pressured by the other party or the Mediator.
- 5. Each party should fully disclose all assets, debts and important information concerning the community property.
- 6. The mediation process should be efficient and consume less time than a contested divorce.
- 7. The mediation should be significantly less expensive than a contested divorce.
- 8. Any decisions by the mediation participants should be informed.
- 9. The results of the mediation should be fair to both parties.
- 10. The agreement resulting from the mediation should be understandable to the participants.