# SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT FAMILY COURT DIVISION SOCIAL EARLY NEUTRAL EVALUATION PROGRAM

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Second Judicial District Family Court Division seeks applications for private Social Early Neutral Evaluation ("SENE") providers.

- I. All candidates shall:
- A. Be a qualified evaluative neutral pursuant to Rule 114.13(e) of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice.
  - B. Accept the attached SENE fee structure.
  - C. Have completed two approved SENE ride-a-longs and submit who these were conducted with or submit in writing an explanation of why this requirement should be waived.
  - D. Be able to structure your practice to accommodate expedient scheduling requirements;
- II. <u>Attorney candidates</u> shall have:
  - A. At least five (5) years of experience as a family law attorney, and
  - B. An attorney license in good standing with the Minnesota Supreme Court, either in active or retired status.
- III. Other professional candidates shall have:
  - A. At least five (5) years of experience as a professional working in the area of family law with parenting matters, and
  - B. A professional license in good standing with the State of Minnesota, either in active or retired status.

Interested applicants may submit applications via the PASS system once the required WebEx training has been completed. Applicants applying via PASS agree to pair with any of the providers on the Ramsey SENE roster. Applicants should send an email to <a href="PASS@courts.state.mn.us">PASS@courts.state.mn.us</a>, listing Ramsey County in the subject line, detailing when, and with whom, the two required Ride-alongs were completed or explaining why a waiver of the Ride-along requirement should be granted.

Applicants may also apply outside of the PASS system. This preserves the option to select specific pairings. To apply, please send a cover letter addressing the criteria listed in this announcement, and including a copy of your resume, by June 30, 2018 to:

Second Judicial District Family Court Division ATTN: Terri Barett Room 160 Ramsey County Courthouse 15 West Kellogg Boulevard Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102.

## RAMSEY COUNTY FEE SCHEDULE

### **SOCIAL EARLY NEUTRAL EVALUATION**

Effective April 1, 2010 Revised: August 2011

**NOTE:** Each party's SENE hourly rate is determined individually.

## For parties represented by counsel:

The SENE fee for a party represented by counsel is the hourly rate charged by that party's counsel. Counsel shall provide Court and the SENE evaluator with his or her hourly rate. In the event that the party is represented by more than one attorney at a firm, the highest hourly rate charged to the party shall be used to determine that party's SENE hourly rate.

### For parties not represented by counsel:

0 - \$25,000 gross per year:

The SENE fee for a party not represented by counsel is to be determined based upon their gross annual income using the following sliding fee scale:

\$25 per hour

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\$25,000 - \$50,000 gross per year:	\$50 per hour
\$50,000 - \$100,000 gross per year:	\$75 per hour
\$100,000 - \$125,000 gross per year:	\$120 per hour
\$125,000 - \$150,000 gross per year:	\$150 per hour

Over \$150,000 gross per year: \$175 per hour

## For parties with a Current IFP:

1. The SENE fee for a party who has a current IFP and who is not represented by counsel, or has a pro bono attorney, shall be a one-time flat fee of \$50.00.

**2.** The SENE fee for a party who has a current IFP and **who is represented by counsel**, shall be the hourly rate charged by that party's counsel. Counsel shall provide Court and the SENE evaluator(s) with his or her hourly rate. In the event that more than one attorney at a firm represents the party, the highest hourly rate charged to the party shall be used to determine that party's SENE hourly rate.