

## Tenth Judicial District Early Neutral Evaluation (ENE) Fee Policy

### **Party with Attorney**

If a party has an attorney, regardless of court fee waiver status, the party shall be charged  $\frac{1}{2}$  the normal hourly rate charged by that party's attorney. If the party is represented by multiple attorneys at a firm, the party shall be charged  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the attorneys' average normal hourly rate.

	<b>Flat rate SENE fee for each party for initial 4-hour SENE session</b>	<b>Flat rate FENE fee for each party for initial 3-hour FENE session</b>	<b>Hourly rate for each party after initial session for SENE or FENE</b>
<b>Represented by 1 Attorney</b>	Attorney's normal hourly rate * $\frac{1}{2}$ * 4 hours	Attorney's normal hourly rate * $\frac{1}{2}$ * 3 hours	$\frac{1}{2}$ of attorney's normal hourly rate
<b>Represented by Multiple Attorneys</b>	Average of attorneys' normal hourly rate * $\frac{1}{2}$ * 4 hours	Average of attorneys' normal hourly rate * $\frac{1}{2}$ * 3 hours	$\frac{1}{2}$ of average of attorneys' normal hourly rate

### **Unrepresented Party, Represented by Legal Aid/Pro Bono Attorney, or Court Fees Waived**

If a party is unrepresented or is represented by legal aid or pro bono attorney (no attorney fees), or the judge waived the party's court fees, the following rates apply:

	<b>Flat rate SENE fee for each party for initial 4-hour SENE session</b>	<b>Flat rate FENE fee for each party for initial 3-hour FENE session</b>	<b>Hourly rate for each party after initial session for SENE or FENE</b>
<b>Unrepresented</b>	\$400	\$350	\$100
<b>Court Fees Waived Legal Aid, Pro Bono</b>	\$200	\$150	\$50

If a party does not have an attorney at the ICMC, but hires an attorney before the ENE session, that party's fees shall be recalculated based upon the party with attorney rate.

### **Preparation Work**

The providers will not charge for any work they do before the ENE session without prior agreement with the parties or their attorneys.

### **Flat Rate Fee for Initial ENE Session**

The fee for the initial ENE session is a flat rate. This is the minimum fee due even if the session ends early.