

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

In re:

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 98-2**

ORDER ESTABLISHING  
NEW COMPENSATION RATE FOR  
MEDIATORS AND CLARIFYING  
EFFECTIVE DATE OF NEW RATE

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In conformity with the rate established by the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, and pursuant to local rule, the Court hereby **ORDERS** as follows:

1. The compensation rate for qualified mediators selected or appointed pursuant to an Order of Referral to Mediation entered after the entry date of this Order shall be \$175.00 per hour and the compensation rate for all previously selected or appointed mediators shall remain as \$150.00 per hour unless (1) a different rate is or was agreed to in writing by the parties and the mediator selected by the parties; or (2) the matter is or was being mediated pro bono, in whole or in part, pursuant to Local Rule 919(A)(2)(d).

2. This Order replaces Administrative Order 94-5 "Compensation of Mediators".

3. Local Form 51 "Order of Referral to Mediation" shall be amended in paragraph seven and LF-50 "Verification of Qualification to Act as Mediator" shall be amended in paragraph 5 to reflect that the compensation rate for mediators shall be in accordance with the Court's current Administrative Order on Compensation. Previously submitted verification forms need not be refiled to reflect this amendment, which will be deemed to have been incorporated retroactively by this Order.

**ORDERED** in the Southern District of Florida this 23rd day of February, 1998.

/s \_\_\_\_\_  
A. JAY CRISTOL CHIEF JUDGE  
United States Bankruptcy Court