



# NEWSLETTER

## Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

An International association of judges, counselors, court evaluators, mediators, and lawyers

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### MIDWINTER CONFERENCE PROMISES TO BE A WINNER! December 3-5, 1987 Las Vegas Desert Inn and Country Club

AFCC's midwinter conference, December 3-5, 1987 promises to be a winner as participants enjoy the spacious facilities of the Desert Inn and Country Club located at the center of the Las Vegas strip.

**Dr. William Donohue**, professor of communications at Michigan State University, will be the featured opening and luncheon speaker. Dr. Donohue, known to many AFCC members for his quick wit and entertaining style, will provide an interesting analysis of the communication process in divorce mediation. **Dr. Diane Skafte**, author of *Child Custody Evaluations*, will be speaking on the use of the expert witness and **Dr. Nancy Thoenes**, will provide an update on the recent research findings of the Sexual Abuse Allegations Project, cosponsored by AFCC and the American Bar Association. Friday afternoon and Saturday morning will feature nearly a dozen workshops de-

signed to meet the needs of AFCC's interdisciplinary participants. Members of the legal professions may be interested in *The Constitutionality of Court Ordered Urinalysis and Psychological Evaluations in Contested Custody Proceedings*.

Judicial participants will find the workshop on *Court Appointed Special Advocates and Guardians Ad Litem in Custody Proceedings* particularly inviting and mediators will surely be attracted to *Mediators Making Recommendations and Testifying: The Peaks and the Pitfalls*. Court administrators and court service supervisors will be interested in the poster session on *Administrative Issues for Directors and Supervisors* and custody evaluators will find *Dynamics of Enmeshment in Custody Disputes: How Not to Get Hooked* a special attraction. The odds are you will find this conference full of stimulating ideas and innovations, not to mention

the opportunity to meet colleagues from around the world.

### Featured Speaker William Donohue

Mention the name of any animal to Bill Donohue and he promises to be able to tell you a joke about it. Bill's wit and storytelling skill is really no surprise when you look at his professional background. Communication is his forte. Bill will be sharing his expertise with us as both the keynote and luncheon presenter. The effect of power on the mediation process and on settlements will be the subject of his opening address **When Your're Hot, They're Not: Power Communicating in Divorce Mediation**.

His luncheon presentation **What Are They Fighting About: Managing Disputants' Views of Reality** will look beneath the surface level of communications - an area not often acknowledged by mediators.

Bill received his Doctorate in Communications from Ohio State in 1976 and has been on the faculty of the Department of Communications at Michigan State University ever since. He became involved in the communication side of mediation in 1983 and has published several articles on the subject in conjunction with his research. Currently, Bill is studying the effectiveness of various custody mediation models and is assisting the FBI in studying the communication process in hostage negotiations. This double feature is sure to be a winner!

### United Airlines Discount

United Airlines is offering special discounts for AFCC conference participants. To receive 5% off any applicable fare from First Class to Ultra Saver (including excursion and Ultrasaver fares) or 40% off full coach:

1. Call the Convention Desk at (800) 521-4041, 8 a.m.-11 p.m. EST.
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Full **MILEAGE PLUS** credit is awarded on all discounted fares. AFCC receives credit for every 50 reservations when this procedure is followed. As you can see, both AFCC and you benefit when using this procedure to travel on United Airlines.

### JUDICIAL FORUM TO FOCUS ON NEW SETTLEMENT OPTION

The Judicial Forum luncheon scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 3, 1987 Noon-2 p.m. will feature a panel presentation on the successful use of mediation as applied to the civil litigation calendar. Coordinated by Marion County (Indianapolis) Superior Court Judge Betty Barteau, the panel will describe the use of Settlement Week.

Over 50 lawyers and 12 courts participated in the program. The lawyers, trained in mediation techniques, attempted to mediate all pending civil cases, excluding divorce-related matters. Nearly 50% of the cases were resolved. Settlement Week was heralded by the public, the bar and the press and will be conducted on an annual

basis. This model program may hold promise for use in other jurisdictions. The Judicial Forum will be sponsored by the Las Vegas law firm of Beckley, Singleton, DeLanoy, Jemison & List. Justice Charles Springer of the Nevada Supreme Court and Chief Judge Earle White, Jr. of Las Vegas will welcome the participants.

# Member News

Lisa Parkinson, AFCC member from Great Britain, recently received funding to develop a mediation training program under the aegis of the National Family Conciliation Council. NFCC hosted AFCC members during the post-conference trip to Great Britain. The training project will include the development of standards of professional practice in family conciliation services and informing conciliators of the most recent research and literature in the field. Lisa will be a presenter at the Las Vegas conference and would be happy to talk further with anyone interested in learning more about conciliation in Great Britain.

Sandra Volgy and Craig Everett recently returned to Arizona to establish a private practice in Tucson in marriage and family therapy and mediation. Craig was formerly the Director of the Family Studies program at Florida State University in Tallahassee and past president of the Association of Marital and Family Therapists. Sandy had been in private practice in Tallahassee.

Florence Kaslow, the roving reporter for AAMFT's Newsletter recently returned from the International Family Therapy Conference in Prague. This new organization will be composed of family therapists and others interested in family therapy on a multicultural and international scale. Dr. Kaslow was elected President of the organization and AFCC member Janet Walker, Great Britain, was elected Secretary. With these kinds of contacts, AFCC's international scope (and the opportunity for additional post-conference exchanges) will be further enhanced.

Emily and John Visher, well known for their work with step-families and past presenters at AFCC meetings, were named Family Therapy Fellows by the Association of Marital and Family Therapists. They will be honored along with 37 others at AAMFT's conference in Chicago in October. AFCC will also be making its presence known at this conference as Judge Susan Ruffolo, Stanley Cohen, Ann Milne, Craig Everett, Florence Kaslow, Leonore Levit, and Sandra Volgy are program presenters.

Margaret Shaw, Executive Director of the Institute of Judicial Administration and Patrick Phear, Boston mediator, conducted a two day training program for the Connecticut Family Division on the subject of case study/pre-trial settlement conferences for child protective cases.

Lynelle Hale Yingling, AFCC member and founder of the McLean County, Illinois Court Referred Divorce Mediation Program and the McClean County Mediator's Association has moved to Dallas, Texas where she has accepted a position as Associate Professor of Marriage and Family Therapy at East Texas State University and will be clinical director of the Marriage and Family Consultation Center.

Presiding Judge Benjamin Mackoff and Joan Massaquoi, Director of the Cook County Domestic Relations Division, really have something to crow about. The mediation staff of the Domestic Relations Division has more than tripled in size - from 5 to 18! They report that there are other exciting events on the horizon. Good things to look forward to when AFCC has its conference in Chicago in May 1989.

## KANSAS SEEKS CHAPTER STATUS

An application for affiliate chapter status has been received from a steering committee of AFCC Kansas members. The Board of Directors will be acting on this application at the next Board meeting in December. Several representatives from Kansas will be attending the Las Vegas conference including Judge Herbert Walton, Adminis-

trative Judge of Johnson County Superior Court. Judge Walton was a featured member in the winter, 1987 Newsletter. Judge Walton will be joined by attorney David Woodbury who authored the chapter application. We hope many of you will welcome our Kansas members and we look forward to adding Kansas to our chapter roster.

## CONNECTICUT REVISES EVALUATION PROCEDURES

The Family Division of Connecticut Superior Court will be conducting training sessions for staff in the revised procedures for conducting custody and visitation evaluations. The new procedures focus on the use of the evaluation process as an educational tool for parents in dispute. The evaluator will meet jointly with the parents to define the issues in dispute, the information needed and the criteria to be used in determining the most appropriate parenting arrangement. At the conclusion

of the evaluation, and before a written report is prepared, the parents and their attorneys meet to receive and discuss the formation and the recommendations. This procedure has been used on 50 trial cases and resulted in approximately 70% of the families reaching a parenting agreement. Further information may be obtained by contacting Bob Tompkins, Deputy Director, 28 Grand St, Hartford, CT 06106 (203) 566-7973.

## BRITISH GUESTS TO CONDUCT WORKSHOP

Lisa Parkinson, Training Officer of the National Family Conciliation Council and author of *Conciliation In Separation and Divorce*, and Tony Wells, Staff Development Officer of the Avon Probation Service and chair of the Civil Work Committee of the Association of Chief Officers of Probation, will be conducting a workshop in advanced mediation techniques and methods of supervision on Dec. 10, 1987 in the Hartford, CT area. Sponsored by the Family Division of Connecticut Superior Court, AFCC members are invited to attend as guests of the Family Division. Contact Bob Tompkins, Deputy Director, 28 Grand St., Hartford, CT 06106 (203) 566-7973.

## ARIZONA CHAPTER HOLDS CONFERENCE

The 1987 Fall Institute, sponsored by the Arizona Chapter of AFCC and Palo Verde Hospital, focused on joint custody, legislative matters, behavioral and legal issues and the "how to's" of custody evaluations. Nearly 70 people attended the Institute at the Hacienda Del Sol Ranch Resort in Tucson. The theme *Building Bridges Between Legal and Behavioral Health Professionals* was an apt title for the interdisciplinary mix of conference participants and subject matter. Saturday's mock trial featured an order to show cause hearing on a modification of joint custody following a unilateral decision to move out of state by a primary residential parent now seeking sole custody.

## LEGISLATIVE NEWS

**Arizona** • SB 1031, effective January, 1988, will provide for mandatory wage withholding for child support. New child support guidelines became an administrative order of the Supreme Court as of October 1. The guidelines included a provision for the court to provide ongoing supervision of visitation. A workgroup has been developed, including AFCC members Russ Schoeneman and Clarence Cramer, to develop appropriate and effective means of implementing these provisions.

**California** • SB 1310 was signed by the governor providing \$16.5 million for the support of the state-wide mandatory mediation program.

**Connecticut** • The Connecticut Legislature recently enacted Public Act 86-337 and revised Public Act 87-567 known as the Family Violence Prevention and Response Act. This far-ranging legislation mandates arrest on probable cause and provides new resources to respond to family violence. Family violence arrests are arraigned the following day and victims receive immediate protective orders, including removal of the defendant from the residence and referrals to newly funded victim advocate programs. Defendants are evaluated by family relations counselors who recommend services, including referral to the Pre-Trial Family Violence Education Program.

**Texas** • Senate Bill 1436, proclaiming the resolution of disputes through non-adversarial means as state policy, was signed into law by Governor Clements this June. This legislation provides for referral to qualified mediators on a court's own motion or at the request of either party. It also defines procedures for the appointment of impartial third parties and defines their duties, qualifications, standards and compensation.

## Job Opening

The Conciliation Court of Tucson, AZ has an opening for a Conciliation Court Counselor. Responsibilities include marital and divorce therapy, mediation and family assessment in child custody disputes and community education. Candidates should have a Master's degree or Doctorate in a behavioral science plus one-two years post-degree, supervised experience in marriage and family counseling. Salary range \$25,452 - \$28,751 plus fringe benefits. Applications will close November 5, 1987. Send a resume and list of references to Linda Kerr, Director, Conciliation Court, Transamerica Bldg., 177 N. Church, Ste. 400, Tucson, AZ 85701-1126.

## First New England Youth Mediation Conference

Margaret Shaw, Director of the Institute of Judicial Administration in New York, will be the keynote speaker at the first New England Youth Mediation Conference in White River, Vermont Dec. 5, 1987 at the Hotel Coolidge. Workshops will focus on court-ordered juvenile mediation, the recruitment and use of volunteer mediators, training and supervision and administration of a mediation program. Further information can be obtained from Bear Hollyday, c/o Youth and Family Mediation Program, 34 Gates St. White River Junction, VT 05001, (802) 295-9192.

## DIVORCE RATE DOWN

According to the National Center for Health Statistics, the annual number of divorces in the United States fell two percent between 1985 and 1986. The actual number of divorces recorded for 1986 was 1,159,000—down from 1,187,000 the previous year. Throughout the 1960s and 70s the US divorce rate rose rather steadily, peaking at 5.3 per 1,000 population in 1979 and 1981. Divorce rates fluctuated between 4.9 and 5.0 from 1982 to 1985. The 1986 rate of 4.8 is the lowest since 1975.

## AFM Has New President & Executive Director

Burt Zoub was installed as President of the Academy of Family Mediators at the annual meeting in July. Burt succeeds Lois Gold, a mediator and AFCC Board member from Portland, OR. Burt is a practicing attorney and mediator in Chicago and former chair of the Chicago Bar Association's Matrimonial Law Committee and the ABA's Mediation and Arbitration Committee. Burt has been on the Board of AFM since 1984 and is also a member of AFCC. In a recent edition of *Mediation News*, AFM's newsletter, Zoub outlined his goals for the Academy. They include the immediate development of uniform statutory definitions of certification, licensure and confidentiality for mediators and working closely with other organizations which share an interest in dispute resolution.

Jim Melamed, an attorney and mediator from Eugene, Oregon was appointed Executive Director of the Academy. He succeeds Nancy Thode who will be returning to private practice in Greenwich, Connecticut. Jim received his BS in psychology from Stanford University and his law degree from the University of Oregon. He established his mediation practice in 1983 and was one of the founding members of the Oregon Mediation Association, currently serving as President. He recently authored a chapter on mediation for the Oregon State Bar Manual on alternative dispute resolution. Congratulations to both Burt and Jim.

AFM's new address is P.O. Box 10501, Eugene, OR 97440 (503) 345-1205.

May 29-June 17, 1988

## AFCC to Send Delegation to China



After two years of planning and work by Dr. Lollie Levit and the International Committee, AFCC is happy to announce the initial approval of our delegation by the China Law Society and the Goodwill People to People Travel Program. As delegates, we have an opportunity to step beyond the many beautiful sights and see the inner working of the Chinese mediation system.

China will be challenging and rewarding. As a delegation, we will need to school ourselves in protocol and maintain the clear lines of communication they expect. This is our first delegation in a non-English speaking country, so we are planning professional exchanges based upon scientific cases and observation of their court system instead of the usual speeches.

Because much of our planning must be in place by December 1, we need to know as soon as possible if you can take advantage of this opportunity. The cost is \$3,867 from Los Angeles.

A briefing is to be held in Las Vegas on Dec. 4 at 5 p.m. Or call delegation leader John Kydd at (206) 623-1590 (office) or (206) 842-1913 (home).

## WE GOOFED



The printing of the 1987 Membership Directory omitted a portion of the alphabetized listing of members. Unfortunately this was not discovered until after the Directories had been mailed. The missing inserts were sent out with the last issue of the Newsletter. If you have not received your Directory or the missing insert, please contact Stan Cohen, Executive Director or Dorothy Quinn, Secretary at (503) 279-5651.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

## COURT SERVICES IN VIRGINIA

Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court Service Units in the State of Virginia were surveyed in December, 1985 and early 1986 to provide a profile of services, personnel, training and procedures. Nineteen of 33 Court Service Units provide mediation services. At the time of the survey, seven other Court Services were in the process of developing mediation services or considering such. Of the 70 Court Service Mediators, 64 had received formal training in mediation and most mediators had received at least 40 hours of training. Mediation was not the primary function of these court employees. Their job titles included Probation/Aftercare Officer, Intake Officers and Family Counselors. Most of these courts provided mediation of custody, visitation and child support disputes. Several programs also mediated

neighborhood disputes and victim restitution. Most programs are voluntary and only two courts required participation in mediation. The primary source of referrals were Intake Officers and the Judge. Each Court Service Unit had developed its own mediation process but tended to average four sessions before matters were either concluded with an agreement or mediation was terminated. Several Courts had clients sign a statement that they would not subpoena the mediator to testify at any future court hearings. Some Units kept a limited narrative of each session and purged the files when the case was closed. Court Service Unit mediators actively encouraged parties to consult with attorneys during mediation and especially before signing a final agreement.

## JOINT CUSTODY NEWS

To date, 33 states have adopted joint custody legislation. Of these, 13 endorse a "preference" when one parent seeks custody and/or a "rebuttable presumption" when both parents seek joint custody. Recent legislative activity in California and Louisiana has focused on attempts to change the preference and presumption tenets. Louisiana HB 260 was introduced to eliminate the presumption concept and to make joint custody an option. Supporters of presumptive joint custody won a decisive 60 to 33 victory. California's SB 1306 is an effort to curtail some of the principles of shared parenting. Hearings have been held before the Assembly Judiciary Committee, the last hurdle before the vote on the Assembly floor. Currently, the bill has been scheduled as a "two year" bill, decreasing its chance of passage in the near future.

## NEW TO AFCC?

Will this be your first AFCC conference? Would you like to know more about AFCC and its members? Attend the **Everything You'd Want to Know About AFCC - Ask Me** party on Friday, December 4, 1987 from 5:15 - 6 p.m.

Sponsored by the Orientation Committee, this will be just the ticket for those of you wondering how to join and become

active in the Association.

A special "Welcome Table" will be set up in the registration area. Check the table for the place of the party and to get any other assistance you may need. Board Members can be identified by the **Ask Me** sticker on the name badge. Be sure to identify yourself so we can give you a personal welcome.

## Executive Board Meets

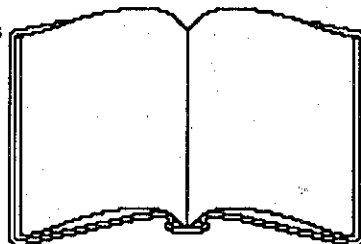
AFCC's Executive Board and several committee chairpersons met in Green Lake, Wisconsin September 11-13, 1987. The meeting addressed AFCC's regional and chapter efforts and the development of provisions for international affiliations. Plans for regional conferences to replace the annual mid-winter meeting were discussed and will be reported on further at the Board meeting in December. Financial planning efforts and the continued need to seek additional supportive financing of AFCC's outreach activities will also be a

topic to be further addressed by the Board. The Executive Committee will be asking the Bylaws Committee to look at providing a means for chapter representation on the Board.

A request for proposals for the Executive Director function of AFCC will be mailed to all members in December and included in the winter issue of the Newsletter. Applicants for the position will be screened by the Executive Search Committee and interviewed during the 1988 annual meeting in Los Angeles.

## AAA Dispute Brochure

The American Arbitration Association has published an 18 page brochure on *Resolving Your Disputes*. The brochure provides an introduction to alternative dispute resolution and is available for \$1.00 prepaid from Betty Berry, AAA 140 West 51st Street NY, NY 10020.



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**Custody Resolution Counseling:** Designed for training counselors in mediation techniques for family disputes concerning custody and visitation. Color, 45 minutes. Rental-\$40/5 days; Purchase-\$130.

**A Family Affair:** Designed to inform judges and other professionals of the legal remedies and implications regarding child abuse. This film is a gold medal winner. New York International Film and Television Festival (1982), First Prize winner, American Film Festival (1982) in its category. Gold medal, National Council Family Relations (1983). Available in 16 mm or video cassette through VISUCOM Productions, Inc., 1255 Veterans Blvd., Redwood City, CA 94063. Rental-\$60/3 days; Purchase-\$450.

**You're Still Mom and Dad:** A sensitive portrayal of the issues of Joint Custody. Designed for parents, professionals, and others who wish to understand and implement this post-divorce parenting plan. Color, 38 minutes. Video Cassette: Rental-\$40/5 days; Purchase-\$100.

### PUBLICATIONS

**Guidelines for Court-Connected Child Custody Evaluation:** A procedural guide for custody evaluators. Developed by AFCC Committee on Custody Evaluation, this booklet provides a much needed practical format that can be used easily by evaluators charged with the responsibility of preparing custody evaluation reports for use by domestic relations courts. (\$4.50)

**Joint Custody and Shared Parenting:** Edited by Jay Folberg, Past President AFCC and Professor of Law at Lewis and Clark College, this book provides the reader with a compilation of writings that cut across the disciplines of law, social work, family therapy, and psychology. It presents a balanced debate on a sometimes volatile and difficult issue. The book's interdisciplinary approach enables judges, social workers and family therapists to benefit from its material. Royalty proceeds have been donated to AFCC by Jay Folberg. This book ordinarily is \$30.00. AFCC has a limited number available for purchase @ \$26.00 (includes postage and handling).

**Guidelines for Establishing a Court Connected Counseling Service:** A manual for courts and individuals with helpful information regarding how to establish a court connected counseling service. \$3.50.

**My Mom and Dad Are Getting a Divorce:** Written by Florence Bienenfeld, an AFCC member and conciliation court counselor in Los Angeles, this colorfully illustrated book appeals to children whose parents are going through divorce and assists parents in understanding their children's feelings. Available for \$3.95 plus \$1.25 postage and handling from Changing Times Education Service, Division of EMC Publishing. 300 York Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55101.

**Divorce and Family Mediation: History, Review, Future Considerations:** A monograph, published in the December, 1982 issue **Conciliation Courts Review**. This 45 page article presents a well researched history of the development of mediation in the field of divorce. \$2.50 each.

**Divorce Mediation Final Report:** The findings of the AFCC sponsored project are now available in a bound volume. The project was under the direction of Dr. Jessica Pearson. The findings are presented in eleven extensive reports and is an important contribution to the field. Copies are available for \$25.00 by contacting Dr. Jessica Pearson, 1720 Emerson St., Denver, CO 80218. (303) 837-1555.

**PAMPHLETS**

**Parents Are Forever:** Internationally acclaimed pamphlet used by Conciliation Court staff, family courts, lawyers, counselors and mediators to assist families in the divorce process. Pamphlet addresses custody and visitation issues and assists parents in using the divorce experience as an opportunity for growth.

**Guide For Stepparents:** This pamphlet provides guidelines that will assist the blended family in working together.

**Joint Custody: A New Way of Being Related:** This brochure provides guidelines for parents considering joint custody of their children and suggestions for what to include in a joint custody agreement.

**Twenty Questions Divorcing Parents Ask About Their Children:** This brochure answers 20 of the most commonly asked questions about how to help children adjust to divorce such as "How can parents prepare children for divorce?" and "What kinds of things are especially damaging to children?"

**Is Mediation for Us?:** This brochure has been developed to provide basic information about the use of mediation in resolving family conflict. Presented in a clear and concise manner, this pamphlet describes the mediation process to the potential consumer.

**THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL IS AVAILABLE DIRECTLY THROUGH AFCC**

VIDEO TAPES	Total Cost @	Number	Price
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Guidelines for Court-Connected Child Custody Evaluations	\$ 4.50	_____	_____
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Divorce and Family Mediation: History, Review and Future/Brown	2.50	_____	_____
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# AFCC WINTER CONFERENCE

## Conference Registration

### Registration fees:

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Make check payable and mail to:

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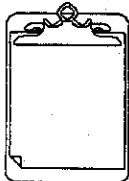
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 Because of checkout patterns at the Desert Inn, it is impossible to guarantee guest rooms and suites reservations in regard to exact location, type, price, etc. The hotel will try to fill all reservations as requested or come as close as possible. In the event that accommodations requested are not available, your deposit will be applied to the accommodations you receive.

Cut-off date for reservations is Nov. 2, 1987. Any received after that date will be accepted on a space-available basis only.



## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

### Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1987

Conference Committee 10 a.m.-1p.m.  
 Custody Evaluation Committee 10-Noon  
 Publications Committee 11:30 a.m.-2p.m.  
 Executive Committee 1-5 p.m.  
 Awards Committee 7p.m.

### Thursday, Dec. 3, 1987

Family Violence Committee 8-9 a.m.  
 Board Meeting 9-Noon & 2-5 p.m.  
 Chapter Committee 10-11 a.m.  
 Mediation Committee 12:30-1:30 p.m.  
 Judges' Forum Luncheon Noon-2 p.m.  
 Orientation Committee 1:30-2 p.m.  
 Conference Registration 2-6 p.m.  
 Nominations Committee 3 p.m.  
 Academic Committee 4:15-5:30 p.m.  
 International Committee 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
 Conference Opening 6-8 p.m.  
 Reception 8-10 p.m.

### Friday, Dec. 4, 1987

Conference Program 8:30-11:30  
 Awards Luncheon 11:30-1:30  
 Conference Workshops 1:30-5 p.m.

### Saturday, Dec. 5, 1987

Lawyers Committee 8:30-9:30 a.m.  
 Continental Breakfast 9-9:30 a.m.  
 Workshops 9:30-11:00 a.m.  
 Conference Closing 11-Noon

Check with Registration Desk for meeting place.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

November 5-8, 1987

## Mediation Training for Lawyers

New York

Contact: The Center for Law and

Human Values

2901 Broadway, #120

NY, NY 10025

(212) 316-1267

November 6-7, 1987

## Second Annual Arizona

### Conference on Dispute Resolution

with James Laue

Holiday Inn - Broadway

Tucson, AZ

Contact: Jean Lippitt

(602) 944-0156

November 7-8 & 21-22, 1987

## Divorce Mediation Training

with Carl Schneider & Zena Zumeta

Chicago

Contact: Divorce and Mediation  
Institute

1875 Dempster St., Suite 223

Park Ridge, IL 60068

(312) 696-6023

also 1/23-26/88 Ann Arbor, MI

November 11-15, 1987

## Divorce Mediation Training

with Emily Brown

Arlington, VA

Contact: Divorce and

Marital Stress Clinic

1925 N. Lynn Street, Suite 810

Arlington, VA 22209

(703) 528-3900

also Advanced Sessions on

1/22/88; 2/26/88; 3/18/88; 4/15/88

November 14-19, 1987

## Families in an Information Era

National Council on Family Relations

Westin Peachtree Plaza, Atlanta

Contact: Cindy Winter

NCFR

1910 County Road B, Suite 147

St. Paul, MN 55113

(612) 633-6933

November 19-13, 1987

## Mediation Training

with Martin Kranitz,

Catherine Crockett & Sarah Grebe

San Diego

Contact: National Center for

Mediation Education

2083 West Street, Suite 3C

Annapolis, MD 21401

(301) 261-8445

December 3-5, 1987

## AFCC Midwinter Meeting

Desert Inn Hotel and Country Club

Las Vegas, Nevada

Contact: Ruth Pearson-Urban

Clark County Courthouse

200 S. Third St., 4th Floor

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