

Supreme Court of Florida Arbitration Trainer Qualifications

Primary Trainer: In order to be approved as a primary trainer, a primary trainer must have both court-ordered arbitration experience and training experience. Specific requirements include:

1. Arbitration Training Received: Successful completion of a court-ordered non-binding arbitration training which has been approved by the Florida Supreme Court.

2. Arbitration Experience: Arbitrated a minimum of 5 complete Florida court-ordered/non-binding arbitrations (*or their equivalent*) *OR* have adjudicatory experience as a judge, special master, hearing officer, or magistrate. In addition, must have served as an arbitrator in at least one court-ordered arbitration within the last two years.

3. Training Delivery Experience: Had responsibility as a trainer (as a lecturer and not a role play critiquer) in a minimum of 5 distinct training programs relating to ADR (minimum of 60 minutes per training program or at least 30% of the total program whichever is greater).

Subject Matter Specialist: In order to be approved as a subject matter specialist, a trainer shall have a substantial part of his or her professional practice in the area about which the specialist is lecturing and shall have the ability to connect his or her expertise with the arbitration process.

Renewing or Reinstating Approval as a Primary Trainer: Once approved, a primary trainer must demonstrate service as an arbitrator in at least one court-ordered arbitration within the last two years.