

Dan May: *The Prosecutor's Role in Conflict Resolution*

Bio: Dan May began his legal career in 1982 and served 29 years as a prosecutor in the 4th Judicial District Attorney's Office in Colorado Springs. After leaving in 2004, Dan served four years as head of all county courts in the 18th Judicial District. In 2008, he was elected D.A. for both Teller and El Paso Counties and is currently serving his first term. Mr. May received a B.S.

in Economics at Arizona State University and his J.D. from Creighton University.

Synopsis: District Attorney Dan May will present how conflict resolution benefits both the courts and the District Attorney's office.

Kerri Schmitt: Co-presenter, *Compassionate Communication: A Strategy for Better Conflict Resolution Experiences*

Bio: Kerri Schmitt received her Master's degree in Negotiation and Conflict Resolution from Creighton University School of Law, Werner Institute. She is a mediator, mediation trainer, restorative justice facilitator and conflict conversation coach. She mediates for the Neighborhood Justice Center, Colorado Springs Municipal court, BBB, private businesses, families and schools. She uses the nonviolent communication skills taught in this presentation to support parties in repairing harm and restoring relationships.

Synopsis: (See Co-presenter Barry Johnson-Fay)

Dr. Clarence Shuler: Co-presenter, *Cultural Perspectives and Impact on Conflict*

Bio: Dr. Shuler is President/CEO of BLR: Building Lasting Relationships, a non-profit which assists individuals and organizations in developing mutually-beneficial relationships including teamwork and diversity. Dr. Shuler has authored six books including *Winning the Race to Unity: Is Racial Reconciliation Really Working?* With his wife, Dr. Shuler has conducted marriage, discipleship, men's, women's, and singles' seminars throughout the United States and internationally for nearly 30 years.

Synopsis: (See Co-presenter Clinton Cooper)

Pat Sullivan: *"Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?"*TM

Bio: Pat Sullivan trains adults in topics as diverse as career development, landscape design, and family heirloom distribution. Fate led her to oversee educational programs and public outreach for the U.S. Space Foundation and to write educational guides in history, science, and multiple learning styles. Pat received mediation training from Phoenix Strategies.

Synopsis: Family heirlooms and sentimental items can cause the most conflict in a family when it's time to pass them along to the next generation. But how do you minimize conflict and create the most satisfactory outcome? Learn peaceful methods of handing down family

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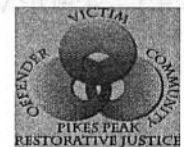


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Colorado Springs, CO

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2012 Seventh Annual Colorado
Conflict Resolution Month Conference

“Conflict Resolution: Community Evolution”

8:30AM Registration
9:00-10:30AM Opening Remarks
Keynote: Steven Chavez, Director of the
Colorado Civil Rights Division, Room 251

SESSION I

10:45-12:00PM Mediation: What is it? (Christiana
Bauch), Room 250

OR

10:45-12:00PM Cultural Perspectives and Impact on
Conflict (Clinton Cooper & Dr. Clarence
Shuler), Room 251

LUNCH

12:00 - 1:15PM Lunch
Sponsor & Presenter Displays

PLENARY

1:15 - 2:30PM The Prosecutor's Role in Conflict
Resolution (Fourth Judicial District
Attorney, Dan May), Room 251

SESSION II

2:45 - 4:00PM “Who Gets Grandma’s Yellow Pie

Plate?”™ (Pat Sullivan), Room 251

OR

2:45 - 4:00PM "Compassionate Communication: A
Strategy for Better Conflict Resolution
Experiences" (Barry Johnson-Fay &
Kerri Schmitt), Room 250

4:00-4:15PM Closing Remarks &

KEYNOTE

Steven Chavez: *We're the Government, We're here to help, REALLY!*

Bio: Steven Chavez has been the Director of the Colorado Civil Rights Division for the last five years. CCRD has jurisdiction over Colorado's anti-discriminations laws. Prior to coming to CCRD, Mr. Chavez held an executive position with the Colorado Department of Transportation managing their legal, risk management, training and human resources functions. Mr. Chavez was also a supervising employment litigation attorney at the Colorado Attorney General's Office. A Colorado native, Mr. Chavez received his JD from the University of Colorado.

Synopsis: Mr. Chavez will describe how civil rights enforcement work exists in an explosive environment as emotions run high on both sides of a dispute. Learn how the Colorado Civil Rights Division works and explore effective alternative dispute resolution strategies to get the most out of a bad situation.

SPEAKERS

Christiana Bauch: *Mediation: What is it?*

Bio: Christiana Bauch, owner of C.A.R.S Conflict and Resolution Services, LLC, holds a B.S. in Communications and is a practicing mediator in the greater Denver area specializing in Conflict Coaching, Transformative Mediation and Divorce Mediation. For the past eight years, Ms. Bauch has worked in conflict resolution including the court system and public sector. She has a passion for assisting others in transforming their perception of conflict through ADR processes. Ms. Bauch also teaches Basic Mediation courses with Phoenix Strategies, Inc.

Synopsis: This session will provide a general understanding of what mediation is and dispel some of the myths of mediation. Learn the differences between mediation, arbitration, and other ADR vehicles for resolving conflict. Ms. Bauch will also explore how mediation can be used within one's own personal lives, work environments, and the public arena. Participants will gain a new perspective on the

positives of conflict and the transformative effect conflict can actually have upon people's lives.

Clinton Cooper: Co-presenter, *Cultural Perspectives and Impact on Conflict*

Bio: Clinton “Cooper” is currently the Program Manager for the Supervised Exchange and Parenting Time program (SEPT) at CASA of the Pikes Peak Region. Mr. Cooper actively participates on the Domestic Violence Summit, the Minority Over Representation (MOR) committee for the 4th Judicial best practices court, the Coordinated Community Response (CCR) team for Domestic Violence in El Paso County. Also, he is a diversity trainer for El Paso County and coaches soft-skills relationships-interactions for Discover Good Will Industries.

Synopsis: This presentation will address how information is filtered and viewed through a lens of difference which affects how we create and work through conflict. Being human is culpable therefore conflict is inevitable. Participants will explore how the messages of our youth, our past and/or both predisposed us to view the world as we do. Learn elementary yet intentional actions to continue growth in cultural competence.

Barry Johnson-Fay: Co-presenter, *Compassionate Communication: A Strategy for Better Conflict Resolution Experiences*

Bio: A graduate of Yale Law School, Barry Johnson-Fay is a former trial lawyer with extensive experience in both civil and criminal litigation, as well as family law. Barry is also a trained mediator, and has received training in Marshall Rosenberg's model of “Nonviolent Communication.” With his wife, the Rev. Dr. Ellen Johnson-Fay, has introduced many individuals and groups to this form of enhanced, compassionate communication.

Synopsis: This presentation is designed to give mediators and other conflict resolution professionals additional skills and tools to improve mediation results. Compassionate Communication goes beyond traditional language and strategies and produces a more satisfying experience for the mediator and the parties. Participants will receive helpful information, sample scenarios, and an opportunity to practice inserting and effectively utilizing Compassionate Communication in all of their mediations or other conflict resolution processes.