



CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY
STATE OF MISSOURI

NEUTRAL QUALIFICATION FORM
Pursuant to Local Rule 38

I am applying for inclusion on the list of neutrals to be maintained by the Circuit Clerk pursuant to Local Rule 38 of the Circuit Court of St. Louis County. The following information is supplied in support of this application.

1. Name: Burns Mark Gardner
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Address: USA & M
720 Olive St., Ste 2300
St. Louis, MO 63101
(City) (State) (ZIP+4)

3. Telephone Number: 314-231-4642

4. Facsimile Number: 314-231-0137

5. State the standard hourly fee for your services as a neutral. 250/hr.
**Plus USA&M, Midwest Administrative fee of \$225.00

6. List your appropriate training or equivalent experience in conducting alternative dispute resolution as required for certification under Supreme Court Rule 17.04.

1997, U. MO. Columbia - Mediating Civil Cases - 16 MCLE Hrs
2002, Nat. Bus. Inst. - Keys to Successful Mediation in MO - 3.6 MCLE
2006, USA&M/WashU. - Beyond the Basics: Mediation - 3.6 MCLE
2006, USA & M - Transitional Mediator Training - 3.6 MCLE
I have participated in civil mediation representing a party
approximately thirty times over the last seven years.

7. Please list all areas of substantive law or experience which are or have been a significant part of your professional background or practice.

5/1979 - 2/1999 Burns, Marshall & Burns - insurance defense - coverage
2/1999 - present Staff attorney with Safeco - insurance
defense & coverage litigation ASE

8. [If the answer to any of the following questions is yes, please explain the circumstances on a separate sheet and attach.]

- a. Have you ever been disciplined for violation of any code of professional ethics or responsibility? NO
- b. Have you ever pled guilty to or been found guilty of a felony? NO
- c. Have you ever been found liable for fraud or any other intentional tort? NO
- d. Have you ever had a professional license revoked or suspended for reasons other than non-payment of dues? NO
- e. Have any professional malpractice judgments been entered against you? NO

9. List the courts and professional organizations in which you currently hold certifications as a neutral, mediator, arbitrator, or other ADR service provider.

Contemporaneous with this application, I am applying for certification as a mediator/neutral with the US District Court, Eastern District of Missouri and the Circuit Courts of the City of St. Louis, St. Louis County and St. Charles County.

10. In the space below, briefly describe your experience, qualifications, special areas of expertise, and any other reasons why you should be selected as a neutral.

I have been in continuous practice for over twenty-seven years. My work has consisted primarily of insurance defense work involving personal injury and death claims arising from auto accidents, premises liability and products liability. My work also involved a significant amount of insurance coverage ~~and~~ analysis and litigation.


(Signature)

9/13/06
(Date)



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September 25, 2006

Ms. Joan Gilmore, Clerk
Circuit Court of St. Louis County
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Clayton, MO 63105

RE: Neutral's Application Form

Dear Ms. Gilmore:

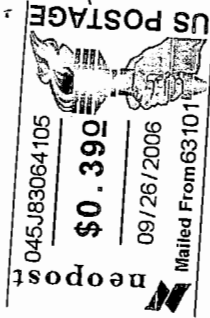
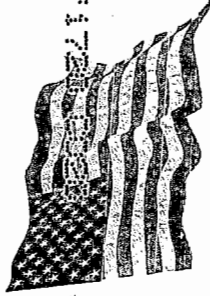
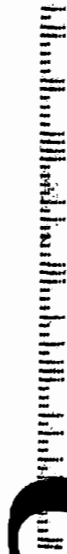
Enclosed please find the application for Mr. Mark Burns who is now on our panel. If any additional information is required, please advise the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Michael S. Geigerman

MG/as
enclosure

cc: Mark Burns



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