

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Participation in Funding )  
Activities of the Oregon Office for )  
Community Dispute Resolution )  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 44 - 2007**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believes that the settlement of disputes by mediation may lead to more long-lasting and mutually satisfactory agreements; and

WHEREAS, mediation may reduce the need for time-consuming and costly litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Legislature has charged the State of Oregon acting by and through the State Board of Higher Education on behalf of the University of Oregon for the University of Oregon School of Law (Grantor) with the responsibility to foster the development of community mediation programs by making grant monies available to participating Counties; and

WHEREAS, any County wishing to participate must formally notify the Grantor of its intentions;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED as follows:

1. Columbia County hereby notifies the Grantor of its desire to be a participant in the expenditure of funds for community dispute resolution programs within Columbia County.
2. Columbia County agrees to engage in a selection process and to select as potential funding recipients those entities both qualified by the standards and guidelines adopted by the Grantor and capable of and willing to provide community dispute resolution services according to the rules adopted by the Grantor.
3. Columbia County understands that should more than one county apply for the one-time start-up grant of \$10,000 in the 2007 - 2009 biennium, the Grantor, in consultation with its Advisory Council, will select the County that will be eligible to receive the start-up grant award.

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, at St. Helens, Oregon.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: [Signature]  
Chair

By: [Signature]  
Commissioner

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Commissioner

Approved as to form

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Office of County Counsel

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