



Please join the Commission as we celebrate Maureen Robinson's retirement!

**"The only way to make sense out of change is to plunge into it,
move with it, and join the dance." - Alan Watts**

Maureen M. Robinson began her adventure with the Dispute Resolution Commission (DRC) on April 4, 2006. After nearly 20 years of service to the DRC, she will retire on June 30, 2025. Mrs. Robinson has been paramount to the successful operation of the DRC and will be greatly missed. At the February 2025 Commission meeting, Mrs. Robinson was presented with a plaque recognizing her outstanding service. Additionally, the NCBA DR Section recognized her at their annual meeting in March of 2025.

Please send well wishes directly to Maureen at Maureen.M.Robinson@nccourts.org before Friday, June 27th.



Welcome new DRC staff!!

Jennifer Suchanec, Jennifer.R.Suchanec@nccourts.org

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Anita Y. Robinson is a Secretary for the Dispute Resolution Commission (DRC). Robinson received her B.A. degree in Public Administration with a minor in Political Science from North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC. Prior to joining the DRC, she worked with local government where she retired after 17.5 years of service.



Jennifer Reid Suchanec is a Secretary for the Dispute Resolution Commission (DRC). A Delaware native, she earned a B.A. in English (minors in History and Theater) from James Madison University, an M.A. in English / Education from Agnes Scott College, and a Graduate Certificate in General Counseling from North Carolina State University. She advocates the pursuit of ethical justice, which shows in her work teaching English at Meredith College and William Peace University.

The Dispute Resolution Commission is excited to announce that beginning July 1, 2025, mediators will complete their Certification Renewal Applications on the eCourts Guide&File platform!

Please check your email for instructions on how to renew your mediator certification for the FY 25-26, from July 1 through September 30, 2025. Information on how to renew your certification will also be posted on the front page of the DRC's website:

“Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past and present are certain to miss the future.” - John F. Kennedy

Mediator Fees Change Effective February 28, 2025.

DRC Mediator application for certification fees and annual renewal certification fees have not been increased since 2002. At the February 2025 Commission Meeting, the Commission adopted a Fee Schedule to increase the application for certification fees and the certified mediator's annual renewal certification fees. The Dispute Resolution Commission operates 100% from mediator fees and does not receive State funding. The annual renewal certification fees for FY 25-26 are scheduled to increase effective July 1, 2025, moving forward, as follows:

Single Certification (MSC or FFS): \$200.00

Dual Certification (MSC & FFS): \$400.00

To review the Commission's Fee schedule, visit: [DRC Fee Schedule page](#).

Guide to Assist NCDRC Mediators with Filing their Reports of Mediator in Odyssey

To assist certified mediators, NCDRC staff created a Guide to Assist Certified Mediators with Filing their Reports of Mediator in Odyssey. The guide may be found within the Mediator Toolbox located on the Commission's website, www.ncdrc.gov; or by visiting: [Guide to Assist NCDRC Certified Mediators with Filing their Reports of Mediator | North Carolina Judicial Branch \(nccourts.gov\)](#).

Did you Know?

Did you know that the Commission has all program brochures posted on DRC website?

MSC Brochures: [Mediated Settlement Conference Brochure | North Carolina Judicial Branch](#)

FFS Brochures: [Family Financial Settlement Brochure | North Carolina Judicial Branch](#)

Clerk Brochures: [Clerk Mediation Brochure | North Carolina Judicial Branch](#)

DCC Brochures: [District Criminal Court Mediation Brochure | North Carolina Judicial Branch](#)

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