

5500.0500 MEDIATION CONFERENCE.**Subpart 1. Conference.**

A. Upon receiving a petition under part 5500.0300, the commissioner must:

- (1) fix the time and place for a conference; and
- (2) notify the parties to the dispute in writing of the conference's time and place.

B. A conference under this part is informal and limited by the commissioner to matters relative and material to settling the dispute. The conference is closed to the public and is limited to the parties and their representatives interested in the dispute.

C. If all parties agree, the conference may take place virtually through an online conferencing or videoconferencing tool.

Subp. 2. **Agreement binding.** An agreement reached under subpart 1, item B, is binding if agreed to by both parties and put in writing.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 179.02; 179.71; 179.82; 179A.04; 179A.16; 626.892*

History: *L 1987 c 186 s 15; 46 SR 1387*

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