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When a Party's Mental Health Is Under Attack Resources to Help presented by Dan Bernstein

During family court and mediation cases, parties and practitioners often accuse one another of having mental health problems. What can we do to address problems, prevent bias, and support people facing these kinds of attacks?

Receive tools to...

1. Respond to **allegations of unfitness** based on speculated or known mental health situations
2. Address **innuendo or colloquial mental illness accusations**
3. Navigate mental-health-based **reasonable accommodations requests**
4. Appropriately address problems by focusing on **behaviors instead of mental health labels**
5. Support parties using mental health as an **ameliorative factor**
6. Build good will by displaying **sensitivity** for parties who have mental health needs

Submit your questions in advance at <https://forms.gle/C2N5k4N1JuyrDsdR7>
and Dan will answer them during the program



About the Presenter

Dan Bernstein, MHS is a mediator living with bipolar disorder working to apply conflict resolution best practices to promote effective mental health communication and prevent mental illness discrimination. His book, *Mental Health and Conflicts: A Handbook for Empowerment*, was originally published by the American Bar Association and is being republished by DRI Press. Through MH Mediate's Mental Health Safe Project, Dan has successfully advocated for many publications to be updated to prevent disparate treatment toward parties regarded as having psychiatric disabilities.