

**INFORMATION SHEET
ASSIGNMENT TO THE PERSONAL INJURY HUB COURT'S
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MANDATORY SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

The Los Angeles Superior Court's Personal Injury Hub Courts offer qualified parties the opportunity to participate in the Resolvelawla.com Mandatory Settlement Conference Program. The program is hosted by the Beverly Hills Bar Association, is staffed by volunteer attorneys from the:

- American Board of Trial Advocates
- Association of Southern California Defense Counsel
- Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles

and is supervised by a Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge. Participants will be offered a free 3-hour virtual settlement conference conducted by a combination of a plaintiff's and a defendant's attorney.

Because the program is staffed by volunteers, the Court restricts assignments to the program to cases indicating a likelihood of settling. Historically, this has meant that only cases ready for trial would be assigned to the program. But, recognizing that in some cases expenditures made in preparing for trial become an impediment to settling, the Court now offers cases at any stage of their development to be assigned to the program, **AS LONG AS COUNSEL DECLARE THAT THEIR CASE IS AMENABLE TO SETTLING** and make an ex parte application for an order assigning their case to an MSC.

The program is still limited to cases with:

- one Plaintiff's attorney and
- one Defendant's attorney

(meaning there can be two or more plaintiffs or two or more defendants, so long as all plaintiffs are represented by one attorney and all defendants are represented by one attorney. Cases with cross-complaints against third parties are not eligible for the program.).

The exparte application should be made on form LASC CIV 290, available on the Court's website.

Both counsel must appear at the hearing on the ex parte application. The Court has absolute discretion as to whether to send the case to the program.

Counsel are directed to the Los Angeles Superior Court's Personal Injury Hub Court's 6th Amended Standing Order dated June 23, 2021 for further details and orders.