

Mediation

The Court does not routinely refer all civil diversity cases to mediation pursuant to [E.D. Mich. LR 16.3](#). Cases are not referred if the parties do not stipulate that mediation sanctions will apply or if the parties agree that they do not want to mediate the case. Cases are referred to mediation after the discovery cutoff. On rare occasion, the Court will appoint a Special Master. Upon request of counsel, the Court allows the use of other methods of ADR to resolve a pending case.