

## TESTIMONIALS BY CLIENTS AND PROFESSIONALS

### ABOUT MARI FRANK'S MEDIATION ABILITY AND TRAINING

"We thought we could never get through this divorce without destroying each other. Then we were referred to Mari Frank as our attorney/mediator. Mari has that great quality to be able to understand all perspectives and treat each person with dignity and respect. She helped us see that blame and accusations would not help us to resolve our differences. We believe that with her expert help and incredible negotiation skills, we were able to emerge from this possible legal embroilment into wiser, stronger, more capable people who could resolve our differences and help our family to heal. Divorce is probably never an easy process, and Mari's realistic expectations helped us move through those most difficult times. We are appreciative of her gentle confrontation, encouragement, and professionalism." **-Connie and Robert C., clients**

"We came into the process very skeptical that we could have a cooperative divorce, however, Mari showed us new ways of dealing with each other. Neither of us wanted to hurt our kids, but we had a lot of pain and anger at each other. Through the process, we both learned that we had done the best we could given what we knew at the time. We both grew in the mediation sessions and came up with a fair settlement. The best was that it helped us to parent our kids better and we didn't spend an arm and a leg in litigation." **Beverly and Tom D. clients**

We came to Mari as an attorney mediator to save money- but actually it ended p saving our marriage. After many years of marriage, we lost sight of who we were and my wife had an extramarital affair. I was devastated and angry, and didn't think I could ever forgive her- but during the process of mediation, our mediator gave us new tools, helped us communicate much more effectively, and although we separated all of our property, by the time it was nearing a final signing of the agreement, we decided to get back together and it's been three years and we love each other dearly. **Steve and Susan T. Clients**

Divorce is painful, no doubt about it, but if you have to go through it, we strongly suggest you use Mari Frank. She led us through the tough times and we were able to fairly divide our property, handle support issues and keep our finances private. We have a fairly large estate and didn't want the public to see what even our kids don't know. So we are relieved that this worked out without a litigation battle and we can maintain a cordial relationship. We are so glad that we were referred to Mari, she was a Godsend. **Trevor and Joanne., clients.**

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pleasure, it has been a blessing. You are a very special role model and a credit to your profession. Thank you again Mari for your integrity and professionalism! You sincerely deserve the title Counselor and I will always consider you a friend."- **Kathy M., client.**

"Thank you so much for your wonderful training for our marriage and family counselors. The response to your presentation was overwhelmingly positive and we were honored to have you share such pertinent information with our therapists." -**Mary O'Connell Harris, Director, Family Assessment Counseling and Educational Services.**

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"Mari Frank has played a critical role in the development of our credential program for advanced level mediators. Her ability to design programs and keep aspiring mediators attention with her delivery and style is invaluable. It's our custom to evaluate each training done under the auspices of the Mediation Center and I'm proud to say that Mari's evaluations are consistently the highest in all categories of any of the trainers we've ever had. When Ms. Frank is billed as a Seminar Professional Trainer, we've enjoyed tremendous attendance." **Susan J. Atkinson, Director of Training, The Mediation Center, Irvine, CA.**

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"Thank you Mari for the fabulous presentation on Effective Negotiations. I learned so much, and you completely changed how I look at the process of negotiation and mediation. Really you are great!" -**Barbara Stany**, author of Prince Charming Isn't Coming.

"The learning tools you gave us in the program Prescriptions for Healing Conflict were extremely effective in resolving conflict and the whole program was enjoyable." - **Robert Glasser, Esq. attorney/mediator, Irvine, CA**.

"Mari is a very dynamic trainer, thorough, informative, and shows she really enjoys and knows her topic." -**Debby LeFevre MFCC**