

1502.0018 REMOVAL OF MEDIATOR.

Subpart 1. **Procedure.** The mediator may be removed at any time during the mediation period upon written request of the debtor or initiating creditor. This request must be sent to the statewide program office who, upon receipt of the agreement, shall assign an available replacement mediator not previously stricken from the mediator list by the debtor or initiating creditor to participate in the mediation or if an unstricken mediator from the list is not available, the statewide program office must assign an available mediator subject to the disapproval of either the debtor or creditor upon a showing of conflict of interest.

Subp. 2. **Limitation.** The debtor and initiating creditor may each remove only one mediator during a mediation proceeding.

Subp. 3. **Time periods unaffected.** Time periods in the Farmer-Lender Mediation Act and parts 1502.0001 to 1502.0026 are not affected by the removal of a mediator.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 583.285*

History: *14 SR 1418; 28 SR 1360*

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