

# Phone Mediation with Imprisoned Parents

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On 11/21/08, Kelly Medina of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) Regulation & Policy Management reported CDCR now makes prisoners available for confidential phone calls. The policy was developed primarily around prisoner-attorney calls, but it does cover other confidential calls such as family court mediation. Though the requisite form was designed for attorneys to complete, Ms. Medina confirmed all CDCR facilities will respond to requests made by FCS mediators/administrators/directors.

To arrange a **confidential** call for the purpose of court ordered mediation:

1. Mediator, Administrator, or Director completes a CDCR 106A form:  
<http://www.fdap.org/downloads/forms/CDCR-ConfidentialCallRequest-106a.pdf>
2. Attach a note on FCS/Superior Court letterhead requesting a confidential call for the purpose of mediation;
3. Attach a copy of the minute/court order for mediation;
4. Fax to CDCR facility's Litigation Coordinator. The Litigation Coordinator will ensure the prisoner is made available to make the call\*.

\* Suggestion: Contact the Litigation Coordinator in advance to determine if the prisoner will be allowed to call out or the mediator will need to call in. Provide as much notice as possible to Litigation Coordinators.