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## ***NEWS-For Immediate Release***

### **HANAN M. ISAACS ADDRESSES THE FAMILY SECTION OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION ON ETHICAL BOUNDRIES IN MEDIATION**

Princeton, NJ (July 9, 2006) Hanan M. Isaacs, M.A., J.D., A.P.M., with offices in Princeton, NJ, will present on “The Ethical Mediator” at the international Association for Conflict Resolution’s Conference, “Making Waves, Breaking Barriers”, at The Seacrest Resort in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, on July 14, 2006.

Mr. Isaacs brings a depth of experience to his presentation, from drafting New Jersey’s Uniform Mediation Act to serving as attorney for the Appellate Division amicus curiae in Lerner v. Laufer and participating on the State v. Williams amicus curiae committee to the New Jersey Supreme Court. Mr. Isaacs is a member of the NJ State Bar Association’s Family Law Section, served as Chair of its Dispute Resolution Section, as and is a past President of the NJ Association of Professional Mediators. He brings his experience as a mediator, arbitrator, and trial lawyer to the topic.

Mr. Isaacs will deal with complex questions and issues a mediator faces every day, including knowing when he or she has “crossed the line” ethically. He says, “A mediator must know if s/he has gone from facilitation to advocacy.” He will question whether it is ever acceptable to give advice, except regarding the process. Finally, he will ask, “When, if ever, is it permissible to break confidentiality? How does the mediator’s profession of origin affect what is said or done in the mediation?”

This professional development conference will be presented in collaboration with the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Sponsoring organizations are: The Massachusetts Council on Family Mediation, Association for Conflict Resolution–Greater New York, Association of Family and Conciliation Courts–New York, Family and Divorce Mediation Council of Greater New York, New York State Council on Divorce Mediation, New York State Dispute Resolution Association

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About Hanan M. Isaacs

Hanan M. Isaacs is a Past President of the NJ Association of Professional Mediators and Past Chairman of the Dispute Resolution Section of the NJ State Bar. He served on the New Jersey Supreme Court's Complementary Dispute Resolution Committee and is a Master of two Inns of Court: The Justice Marie L. Garibaldi American ADR Inn of Court and the Mercer County American Inn of Court. Recognized by the NJ State Bar Association as “ADR Practitioner of 1999-2000” and “General Practitioner of 1994”, Mr. Isaacs is a frequent journal author, multi-media contributor, and public speaker. He is a former Adjunct Professor at Seton Hall Law School and Rider University.

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