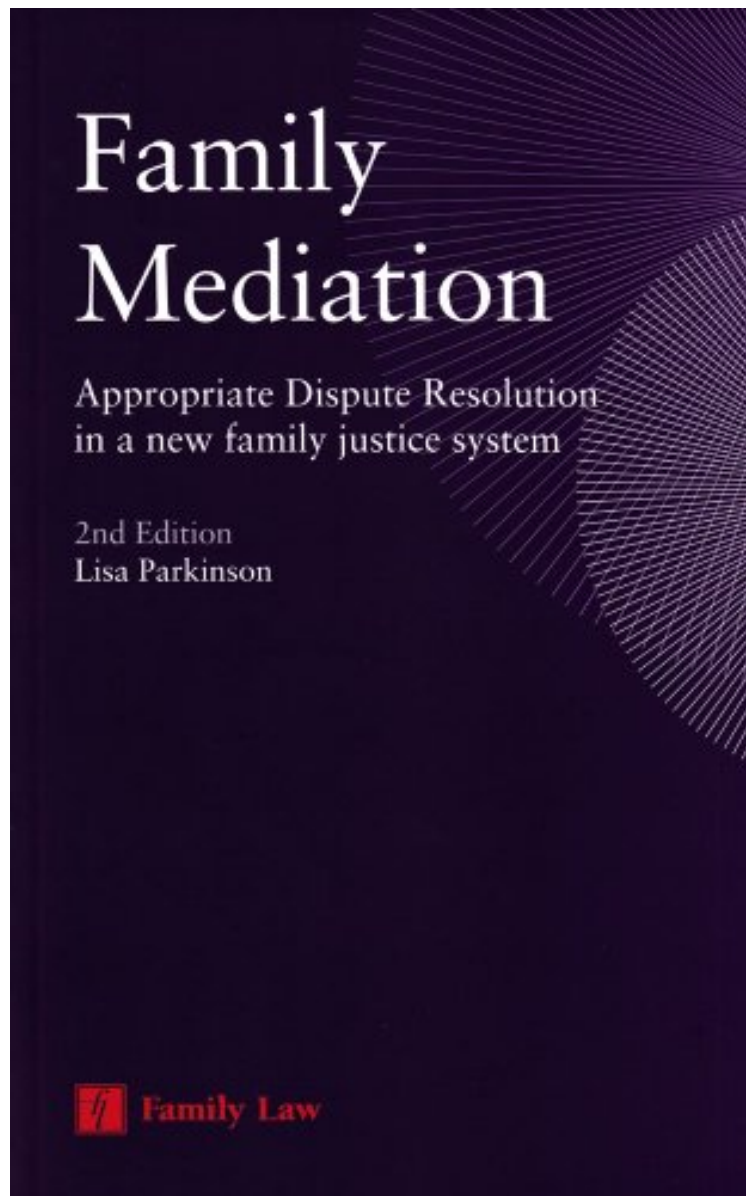


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The definitive work on family mediation...By Phillip Taylor MBE[[VIDEOID:mo1FCT5TM9YYYWT]]FROM JORDAN'S FAMILY LAW- AN ACKNOWLEDGED TOP AUTHORITY IN THE FIELDAn Appreciation by Phillip Taylor MBE and Elizabeth Taylor of Richmond Green ChambersEmanating from family law and procedure in England and Wales, the first edition of this valuable book from renowned expert Lisa Parkinson, was published in 1997. We would agree with Wilson LJ, who expresses a degree of pleasant surprise that the first edition was translated into five European languages: Russian Portuguese, Italian, Spanish and Romanian - a significant indicator of the book's value and success if we ever saw one!However, as Wilson has pointed out, the first edition is now seriously out of date. Once a curious peripheral outside the mainstream of the family justice system, mediation is now virtually at the core of what is now known as Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR).The UK's new coalition government now holds that family matters are going to be (or highly likely to be) removed from the court system. This is auto-mediation, you might say, on a whether-you-like-it-or-not basis and it's obvious that this process is continuing.Following government cuts, 103 courts in England and Wales are being closed during 2011 alone and undergoing relocation to large combined court centres. Effectively -- and against some opposition --- family matters are being taken outside the court system and placed squarely in the context of mediation.There's a caveat here. Based on our personal experience, mediation (so far) does not necessarily work, because warring parties too often have a stubborn tendency to remain obdurately locked in to their respective positions. Parkinson does confront this problem head on and concedes, we believe, that in such cases, recourse to the courts is the only way forward.Mediation will nonetheless continue as the preferred -- and sometimes compulsory -- first port of call in family disputes, prior to court appearances, almost always at the insistence of judges.As Wilson reminds us, family mediation is `far more complex and multifaceted than the unformed observer might assume. We will need a vade mecum. It will be Lisa Parkinson's book.'All of which means that if you are professionally involved in family mediation, or you aspire to be, you seriously need the latest edition of this definitive work - out now from Jordan's.To aid your further research, there are appendices containing sample documentation, an extensive 10-page bibliography and useful index. This is an excellent guide to understanding how family mediation can be made to work successfully as a precisely structured and, for the most part, effective means of dispute resolution in family cases.The publication date is March 2011 under the `Family Law' publishing name from Jordans,

Mediation provides an alternative to litigation in the courts to resolve family disputes and/or make arrangements about children, finances, and other personal matters after separation or divorce. It is intended to reduce the time, cost, and stress involved by helping families reach long-lasting agreements in the best interests of all involved. The UK government is increasingly supportive of this form of dispute resolution and matrimonial lawyers need to be aware of how they can integrate mediation with their existing legal skills. Now in its second edition, this is an authoritative and practical guide which clearly explains the mediation process, taking the reader through each stage, explaining how to interact with other professionals, and providing invaluable advice on the role of the mediator in particular situations.