

## Collaborative Law and the Rules on Court-Annexed Family Mediation

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The Note looks at the forms of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) available to cases covered by the Family Code. The first part examines the most commonly-used ADR method in the country, the court-annexed mediation. It discusses the advantages and disadvantages of this form as it applies specifically to family disputes. The second part sheds light on another form of ADR, the collaborative law approach, by elaborating on its pros and cons as it is utilized in foreign jurisdictions where it has gained acceptance.

Then, the Note analyzes the possibility of collaborative law becoming another standard of ADR for local family law cases in addition to mediation. It concludes by proposing that the Supreme Court should consider promulgating rules on collaborative law in order to make available another option which would aid the Court in ensuring the speedy disposition of family law litigation.