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There are hundreds of us around the state who do these economic mediations. Most of us also, of course, do ESP paneling.

The idea that we should have to bring *an action*, and put more time in, in order to collect a fee that is already ordered to be paid by the litigants in the original appointment Order is just adding insult to injury. I never understood why the first two hours should be free. But to then have to bring a law suit to collect a balance is just beyond reasonable. It tells me that the system just does not really need us mediators. In fact, having to even bring a motion in the case in chief is not even reasonable unless counsel fees are awarded for bringing the motion itself.

The first opportunity where I would have to bring a Special Civil Part action to collect a fee, that has already really been ordered, will be my last economic mediation. I truly have better things to do.

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