

Third Party Mediation Week 5 Lecture Notes

Chapter 9 | Topics Covered

Third Party Mandates

Domenici - Littlejohn Model of Intervention

Benefits of Third Parties to Climate

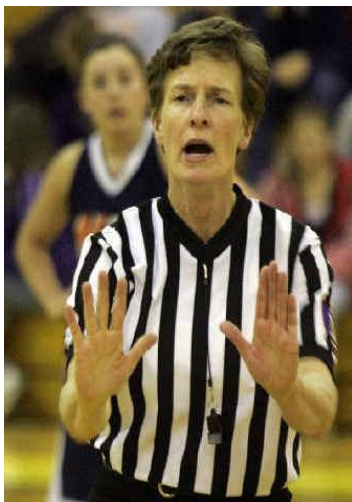


Break from the storm

Third party intervention is when a neutral outside party works with parties in a conflict to facilitate a resolution.

A third party mandate is the degree of authority given to help the parties.
There are **3 types of mandates**:

1. *Process Control* – controls procedures. Time, place, order of discussion.



Similar to a referee

(Types of third party authority mandates continued)

2. *Content Control* – degree of influence over content of discussion.
Narrows the issues to be discussed
3. *Motivational Control* – degree to which they can coerce the parties to perform mediation and resolution tasks. Often occurs when third parties are managers, overseers, or in a position of power to enforce an action or resolution.

Ex: An international mediator might threaten to withdraw economic resources from the countries in conflict if they do not agree to stop violent attacks. (pg.259)

Recognizable phases in third party intervention include: definition, discussion, alternative selection and reconciliation.

There are multiple third party models of mediation.

The **Domenici - Littlejohn Model** (pg. 270) developed in 2001 is as follows:

1. Introduction : Mediation process is explained, communication guidelines are established, mediator confidentiality is shared
2. Storytelling : Parties discuss their views about what happened and what might happen in the future to address the issues in the conflict
3. Problem Solving : Mediators assist with the identification of interests that underlie parties' positions, an issue agenda is set and possible options for settlement are generated
4. Resolution : Summary of parties' commonalities; finding an agreement that is satisfactory to all parties; writing up the final agreement

Third Party Influence over Climates - benefits

- ✓ Parties feel safer
- ✓ Parties are more optimistic
- ✓ Change in a location can disrupt patterns and broaden thinking
- ✓ Reframing of the issues



A third party can sometimes help us get more than what we expected.