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**National Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee of the Office of the Chief Justice
Announces Swearing-in Ceremony for Criminal and Civil Mediators of the Senior Courts
of Belize**

Belize City, Belize- Chief Justice Honourable Mde. Louise Esther Blenman of the Senior Courts of Belize is pleased to announce the upcoming swearing-in ceremony for another cohort of court-connected Criminal and Civil mediators to the Senior Courts of Belize. The ceremony will be held on **20th February 2026**, at the **High Court, Treasury Lane, Belize City, Belize**, at **10:00 a.m.**

The appointment of these new mediators represents yet another significant milestone in the ongoing efforts to strengthen **Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)** mechanisms within the justice system of Belize. These individuals have successfully undergone the requisite training and certification processes to qualify as mediators and will play a crucial role in facilitating the fair, efficient, and confidential resolution of criminal and civil matters, without the need for prolonged litigation.

The swearing-in ceremony will be presided over by the Chief Justice, Honourable Mde. Louise Esther Blenman, who reaffirms the commitment of the **National Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee (NADRC)**, a committee within the Office of the Chief Justice and the Senior Courts of Belize, to the continued transformation of the judiciary through the expansion and effective use of ADR processes in Belize.

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