**COLLABORATE OKLAHOMA**

**CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINAR**

**DATE: September 12, 2025**

**TIME/LENGTH: 3 hours total including 1 hour Ethics**

**SPEAKERS: David Tracy, Robert Merlin, Melissa Fell**

**TOPIC: Implementing the UCLA in Oklahoma**

**GOALS: In depth overview of the UCLA and its effect on Collaborative Cases**

**CLE CREDITS: 2 general, 1 Ethics**

**AGENDA**

1. **INTRODUCTIONS – Introduction-Melissa Fell- 10 minutes**
2. **Walkthrough provisions of the UCLA – David Tracy 40 minutes**
3. **Review pertinent forms for adoption by practice group for use in cases,**

**Where to find and download - David Tracy and Melissa Fell 40 minutes**

1. **Ethical considerations in the UCLA- Robert Merlin 50 minutes**
2. **Additional discussion and questions 10 minutes**

**TOTAL TIME: 3 HOURS**

**(Breaks to be determined by group during meeting.)**

**MATERIALS**

1. **Copy of UCLA as adopted by Oklahoma Legislature**
2. **IACP Standards and Ethics**
3. **UCLA ABA fact Sheet**
4. **UCLA Frequently Asked Questions**

**More materials to be distributed at the meeting.**

**BIOS**

**PRESENTERS:**

**DAVID TRACY: David Tracy** has practiced family law in Tulsa Oklahoma for more than 30 years. He is an AAML fellow and trained matrimonial arbitrator and mediator. David is a frequent speaker and trainer on Collaborative Practice across the state. David was instrumental in the adoption of the UCLA in Oklahoma in 2025.

ROBERT MERLIN: ROBERT JOSEPH MERLIN

Bob was admitted to The Florida Bar in 1979. He exclusively practices family law and specializes in the Collaborative Process. Bob is Florida Bar Board Certified in Marital and Family Law and is a Certified Family Mediator. He is a former board member and Treasurer of the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals and is a Past President of the Florida Academy of Collaborative Professionals. Bob is an Adjunct Professor of Collaborative Law at the University of Florida Levin College of Law and he was the point person for the adoption of the Collaborative Process statutes and rules in Florida. [www.merlinlaw.com](http://www.merlinlaw.com/) rmerlin@merlinlaw.com

**MELISSA FELL:** Collaborative Attorney. Admitted to the Oklahoma Bar in 1997. President of Collaborate Oklahoma. Instrumental in drafting, organizing and disseminating information forms and guidelines to all practitioners of Collaborative Practice. Liason for national and international Collaborative Practice development.