

## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** August 13, 1999

**TO:** All FMCS Staff

**FROM:** Richard Barnes

It is my pleasure to announce that Commissioner Louis J. Manchise of Cincinnati will be Acting Director of Mediation Services for the Midwestern Region effective October 1, 1999. Lou will join Acting Regional Director Jack Buettner and Director of Mediation Services John Pinto on the region's management team.

As a mediator in Cincinnati for the last 26 years, Manchise has served as ADR Coordinator, helping design and institutionalize the first-ever United States Government mediation alternative for the general public and regulatory agencies in the Department of Labor. He is a past president of the local Industrial Relations Research Association (IRRA), and currently sits on the Board of Directors of the Southern Ohio Labor-Management Council.

Lou joined FMCS in 1973 after seven years as a regional manager of industrial relations with a major container manufacturer. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the City College of New York.

Please join me in congratulating Lou on his new assignment.