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KITSAP COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN RE THE KITSAP COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND THE PANDEMIC OUTBREAK OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

No. 2020-18

EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RE TITLE 11 GUARDIAN AD LITEM UPDATED TRAINING

THIS ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER is being issued in response to the current pandemic outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).¹

Given the significant number of identified and projected cases of the disease in Washington, the severity of the risk posed to the public and staff, the recommendations of the Kitsap Public Health District, Governor Inslee's March 23, 2020 "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" Order, and the authority granted by Supreme Court Orders No. 25700-B-602 at ¶1 (Mar. 4, 2020); No. 25700-B-607 at ¶15 (amended Mar. 20, 2020), and No. 25700-B-615 at ¶22 (revised April 13, 2020), additional immediate action by the Kitsap County Superior Court is required.

Now, Therefore, it is hereby -

ORDERED that effective immediately and until further Order of the Courts -

1. The requirement for Title 11 Guardians ad Litem (GALs) to complete annual, updated training as a prerequisite for reapplication to the annual Registry, as set forth in Kitsap County Superior Court Guardian ad Litem Rule (KCLGALR) 2(b)(5)(viii), is waived for the 2020-2021 reapplication period. The Title 11 GAL training requirement is waived only for those GALs on the 2019-2020 active Registry.

DATED - APRIL 14, 2020

KEVIN D. HULL, Presiding Judge Kitsap County Superior Court

¹ Hereafter "disease."