

**APPLICATION / REAPPLICATION FOR GUARDIAN AD LITEM /
COURT VISITOR REGISTRY**
Family Law - Title 26 / Minor Guardianship - Title 11.130

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Non-Attorney Attorney - WSBA or Washington State Certification No: _____

I am hereby applying to serve as a:

- Guardian ad Litem (Title 26)
 Guardian ad Litem - Minor Guardianships (RCW 11.130.280)
 Court Visitor - Minor Guardianships (RCW 11.130.280)
 Attorney for RCW 11.130 Minor(s) RCW 11.130 Parent(s)

I am willing to serve at public expense.

I have no pending investigations or action against me involving felony allegations, professional certification or license suspension and/or revocation.

I agree to advise the court immediately in the event of any complaint, investigation or action being commenced which could lead to professional discipline, or the suspension or revocation of my professional license, or to the filing of criminal charges for felony or crime involving allegations of theft, dishonesty or moral turpitude.

I have read and agree to be bound by the Kitsap County Superior Court Guardian ad Litem Registry Code of Conduct.

Summary of my experiences as a Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor, including years of experience and number of appointments.

I have been a Guardian ad Litem in Island County for 3 years. I have experience in high conflict cases with a total of 11 appointments through Island County. I have had 3 cases in guardianship.

Number of times serving as a Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor that I have been removed for failure to perform my duties as a Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor: 0

I have completed the 2-day model training program required by RCW 11.130.155 (or prior 2-day training under RCW 11.88) and have provided proof of the same with this application. Yes No

- I have NOT completed the model training program but will do so once the training becomes available. Yes No

Summary of my knowledge, training and experience in each of the following areas: Needs of impaired elderly people, physical disabilities, mental disabilities, developmental disabilities, substance use disorder; and other areas relevant to the needs of persons subject to guardianship or conservatorship, legal procedure, and the requirements of RCW 11.130.

I have experience with domestic violence, mental disabilities, physical disabilities, and substance abuse disorders. In addition to my Guardian ad Litem work, I am in the process of becoming a clinical mental health counselor and a substance abuse disorder professional, and I am in training to be a domestic violence evaluator. I attend regular trainings to keep my knowledge updating on topics relating to guardian ad litem work. My education background is in social work and I have worked in the mental health field of healthcare.

I include the following with my application (please check all applicable boxes):

- Curriculum vitae, showing work and professional or personal experience in or related to the field that would assist in the performance and completion of Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor duties.
- Completed Washington State Patrol Conviction Criminal History.
- Signed release of information directed to all professional regulatory bodies which have licensed or supervised the applicant within the last ten years.
- Description of nature, status and outcome of any professional complaints, investigations or disciplinary actions, lawsuits or professional liability claims, and any order for removal of the Guardian ad Litem or Court Visitor prior to completion of the Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor duties.
- Description of any claims or litigation that has been commenced, involving allegations of improper fee charges, charges of fraud, theft or other forms of dishonesty or professional malpractice or misconduct.
- Copy of fee schedule. [See KCLGALR 5(f)(3) re: private pay limits].
- Certificate of Qualification/Training for Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor seeking appointment under RCW 11.130;

OR

- I am currently on the Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor Registry and have included a certificate of updated training taken within the last year.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 31 day of May, 2023, at Bainbridge Island, Washington.

Kristi Gavigan
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

PRINT NAME: Kristi Gavigan, BSW

Please mail, deliver or email the completed application, with all attachments, to:

**ATTN: Court Administrator
Kitsap County Superior Court
614 Division Street, MS-24
Port Orchard, WA 98366
fmaiocco@co.kitsap.wa.us**

Kristi Gavigan

Education

Walden University

January 2022- Current

- Masters in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- 3.8GPA
- Online Program – Expected graduation of May 2024

Olympic College

April 2023 – Current

Substance Abuse Disorder Professional

Certified Guardian ad Litem – February 2021

Kitsap Legal Services

Re-Certification – May 2023

Nursing Assistant Certification – November 2020

Skagit Valley College

Central Washington University

April 2016 – July 2021

- Social Services
- 3.4GPA
- Bachelors in Social Work
- Minor in Child & Family Communication

Additional Trainings:

- IVAT – It’s Alienation, Clearly - Or Is It?
 - January 12, 2023
- Advanced Issues for Family Law and Dispute Resolution Professionals
 - December 6, 2021
- The Fundamentals of Parenting Coordination
 - November 29, 2021

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**KITSAP COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
GUARDIAN AD LITEM
FEE SCHEDULE**

RETAINER: \$4000

HOURLY RATE: \$175.00

- Retainer due before any investigation commences.
- Order appointing GAL should authorize an additional retainer without court approval.
- Estimated trial time shall be paid up front, 30 days prior to trial, unless the remaining trust account has a sufficient balance.



**CERTIFICATE
OF
ATTENDANCE**

This certifies that

KRISTI GAVIGAN

attended the Title 26 Guardian ad Litem Recertification Training Online via Zoom
on May 18th, 2023.

This course has been approved for 5.75 CLE credits: 2.00 Law and Legal, and 3.75 Other
(Nexus) by the WSBA.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joanne E. Sprague".

Joanne E. Sprague
Executive Director
Kitsap Legal Services

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer Forbes".

Hon. Jennifer Forbes
Presiding Judge
Kitsap County Superior Court