

APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOR MINOR CHILD

Continuance Date:

J.D. Of Waterbury
At Waterbury

Case Name: _____
Docket Number: _____-s

The Court appoints _____ to be Guardian ad litem for the following minor child(ren). The G.A.L. is instructed to file his/ her appearance upon receipt of this notice, examine the parties' financial condition and file a request for a status conference seeking an order of fees from either or both parties at an early date.

Child's Name

Date of Birth

Attorney for the Plaintiff:
Attorney for the Defendant:

Tel.#
Tel.#

The duties of the G.A.L. are checked off below:

- 1. An investigation of the facts necessary to get a clear picture of the child's circumstances;
 - 2. A determination of the child's best interest to be summarized in writing by a report to the court;
 - 3. Interview the parties including the child;
 - 4. Frequent communication with the child and the court;
 - 5. Visit the child as often as necessary to verify that court orders are being followed;
 - 6. Make recommendation to the court if you believe an Atty. for Minor is necessary;
 - 7. Review court files, DCF files, police records, and mental health records;
 - 8. Confer with teachers, coaches, and other school authorities;
 - 9. Confer with family relations counselors;
 - 10 Confer with professionals;
 - 11. The making of recommendations to the court through testimony;
 - 12. Report any incidents of child abuse;
 - 13. Attend all hearings;
 - 14. Participate in formulation the child's permanent plan;
 - 15. Remain engaged in the case until discharged by the court;
 - 16. Encourage settlement of disputes;
 - 17. Review and Inquire of work records for each party;
 - 18. Request that the court order additional functions/duties you believe necessary to complete the function of the guardian.
- ALL OF THE ABOVE***

By the Court,

Assistant Clerk

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