

**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: 15420

- 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 worked as a Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor since 2019, following 25 years as an attorney working in the field of family law, civil commitments, dependencies, and other related fields of law. I have been appointed as a Title 26 GAL an estimated 20 times, as a Title 11 GAL an estimated 30 times, and as a Court Visitor for minors and parents an estimated 15 times.

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

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 28 day of May, 2023, at Port Orchard Washington.


SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

PRINT NAME: Kerry Stevens

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**

GUARDIAN AD LITEM/COURT VISITOR APPLICATION

KERRY STEVENS, as her declaration in support of her application for inclusion on the Kitsap County Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor registration, states as follows:

A.

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

2. I have worked as a Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor since 2019. I estimate that I have had been appointed as a Title 26 GAL approximately 20 times, and as a Title 11 Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor approximately 30 times;

3) I have never been removed as a Guardian ad Litem for failure to perform my duties;

B. My resume is attached to this application;

C. I was once involved in a complaint against me concerning my involvement with a real estate transaction. The case was dismissed and there was no discipline or judgment. That occurred in 1991 or 1992. I have never been removed as a Guardian ad Litem or Court Visitor prior to completion of my duties as Guardian ad Litem or Court Visitor;

D. I have never been involved in any claim or litigation involving allegations of improper fee charges, charges of fraud, theft or any other form of dishonesty. The civil litigation mentioned above concerning the real estate matter included an allegation of malpractice was dismissed;

E. A copy of my fee schedule is attached hereto;

F. My Washington State Patrol Criminal History Report is attached hereto;

G. A signed release of information directed to all professional regulatory bodies is attached hereto;

H. Certificates of Training for Guardian ad Litem and Court Visitor for Title 26 and Title 11 are attached hereto;

I. All requested information for inclusion on the Title 26 and Title 11 Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor has been submitted.

I DECLARE UNDER THE PENALTY OF PERJURY OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Signed at Port Orchard, Washington on May 28 2023.


KERRY STEVENS WSBA#15420

KERRY STEVENS, STEVENS LAW OFFICE PS

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EDUCATION:

1973-1978: Reed College, B.A.

Major: German Literature

1979-1982: Hamline University School of Law, J.D.

EMPLOYMENT:

1982-1985: John Joyce Law Office, Stillwater, Mn.

Associate Attorney in general practice, working primarily in the area of Domestic Relations

1985-1989: Shiers, Kamps and Chrey, Port Orchard, WA.

Associate Attorney working in the area of Domestic Relations

1990-Present: Stevens Law Office, Port Orchard, WA.

Solo practitioner with 37 years experience working in the areas of Domestic Relations, Misdemeanor Criminal Defense, Estates and Probate, Dependency representation of parents and children, Mental Health Civil Commitment, Juvenile Defense, and miscellaneous other matters.

2019-2022: Guardian ad Litem and Court Visitor

Retained by private counsel to serve as Guardian ad Litem in Title 26 cases approximately 25 times, and appointed by the court in several Title 26 matters. Appointed to serve as Guardian ad Litem or Court Visitor in approximately 25 cases for Guardianships for Alleged Incapacitated Persons and Minor Guardianships. Appointed by the court to prepared Post Placement Reports for adoptions in approximately 15 cases.

Professional Training and Associations:

1982 Minnesota Bar Association

1984 Wisconsin Bar Association

1985 Washington State Bar Association

1982-2023: Continuing Legal Education Courses

Minimum of 15 hours of continuing education per year for forty years in all aspects of the practice of law.

2019-2023: Mandatory Training for Title 26 Guardian ad Litem

Completed the three day course to become certified as a Title 26 Guardian ad Litem and all annual training courses.

2019-2023 Mandatory Training for Title 11 Guardian ad Litem and Court Visitor

Completed Mandatory Training and annual mandatory training to be certified as a Title 11 Guardian ad Litem and Court Visitor.

RELEASE OF INFORMATION

- TO: Washington State Bar Association
 Washington State Medical Association
 Washington State Nursing Commission
 Washington State Board of Psychology
 Washington State Department of Licensing

I, KERRY STEVENS (Professional License No.15420_) hereby authorize you, for the purpose of my application and/or work as a Kitsap County Guardian ad Litem, to release information to and discuss such information with:

Frank A. Maiocco, Jr.
Court Administrator
Kitsap County Superior Court
614 Division Street, MS-24
Port Orchard, WA 98366
(360) 337-7140

This RELEASE OF INFORMATION includes, but is not limited to, all records and information concerning any official disciplinary action or a pending active investigation you have with regard to me.


Signature

5/28/23
Date

KERRY STEVENS
Printed Name

11074 SE Glendale,
Street Address

Port Orchard, WA. 98366
City/State/Zip

GAL/COURT VISITORL FEE SCHEDULE;

TITLE 26 GUARDIAN AD LITEM:

Private Pay: Retainer \$2,500; hourly rate \$225.00

County Pay: As approved by the court

TITLE 11 COURT VISITOR:

Minor Guardianship/Private Pay: \$1,500.00 retainer; \$125.00 /hr.

County pay: As approved by the court

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kerry Stevens", is written over a horizontal line.

KERRY STEVENS WSBA#15420

Certificate of Completion

This certificate is presented by Community Guardians and certifies that

Kerry Stevens

Has successfully completed

2023 Title 11 Court Visitor Recertification Training

This 9th day of May, 2023



*Community Guardians
Jennifer Mick, CPG - Kirsten Murray, CPG -
Jaime S. Huff, JD, CPG - Denise Hughes, RN - Gale McKiernan
Board of Directors*


Jaime S. Huff, Director



CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

This certifies that

KERRY STEVENS

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