

APPLICATION FOR GUARDIAN AD LITEM REGISTRY
Guardianship/Probate/Trust – Title 11

Mail or deliver the completed application, with all attachments, to:

Kitsap County Superior Court Administrator
614 Division Street, MS-24
Port Orchard, WA 98366

Name: Paulette Peterson
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Business Address: 7869 Hansen Rd. NE
City and State: Bainbridge Is., WA Zip Code: 98110
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- Non-Attorney Attorney WSBA or Washington State Certification No: 17274
- I am willing to serve as a Guardian ad Litem for Guardianships 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 GAL including years of experience and number of appointments.
I have practiced guardianship & elder law for over 20 years. I have been on the King County GAL registry since 1995 and have annually completed mandatory trainings. I have been appointed in over 40 cases in King Cty. I have been on the Kitsap registry since 2007 and have been appointed in approximately 10 cases

Number of times serving as a Guardian as Litem that I have been removed for failure to perform my duties as a Guardian ad Litem: none

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 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;
- N/A Copies of any any professional complaints, investigations or disciplinary actions, lawsuits or professional liability claims filed, whether pending or completed, including a statement for each setting out the current status and any applicable response to said claims;
- N/A Copies of any order for removal of the Guardian ad Litem prior to completion of the Guardian ad Litem's duties;
- NA 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;

AND, EITHER

- Certificate of Qualification/Training for Guardian ad Litem seeking appointment under RCW Title 11,

OR

- I am currently on the Guardian ad Litem 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: 5/5/2009

Paulette Peterson
Signature of Applicant

Bainbridge Is., WA
City Where Signed

: Paulette Peterson
Printed Name

**PAULETTE PETERSON
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EDUCATION

- B.A., Psychology/Education, Gonzaga University; Spokane, Washington; graduated *magna cum laude*, 1980.
- J.D., University of Washington, Seattle, Washington; 1987.

Admitted to the Washington State Bar in 1987.

CURRENT PRACTICE AREA

Guardianships, estate planning, trusts, probate and related litigation.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Legal

- Law Office of Paulette Peterson, PLLC; 7869 Hansen Road NE; Bainbridge Island, WA 98110
September 2005 to present
- Attorney – of Counsel to Smith & Zuccarini, P.S.; 999 Third Avenue, Suite 3210, Seattle, WA 98104
May 2004 to May 2008
- Attorney – Law Offices of Keller Rohrback, L.L.P.; 1201 Third Avenue, Suite 3200, Seattle, WA 98101
September 1987 to May 2004
- Summer Intern -Washington State Attorney General, DSHS Division, Seattle, WA.
June 1985 – September 1985

Other Employment Related to Issues of Incapacitated Person

- Infant Learning Teacher -State of Alaska, Infant Learning Program, Anchorage, AK
February 1984 – June 1984
- Director of Respite Program - Catholic Social Services, Anchorage AK January 1982 – February 1984

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Washington State Bar Association, American Bar Association, and King County Bar Association.
- Member, Real Property, Probate and Trust Section of the Washington State Bar Association.
- Member, Guardianship and Elder Law Section of the King County Bar Association.
- Member, National Association of Elder Law Attorneys

ACTIVITIES

- Co-Chair King County Bar Association CLE: "Advanced Issues in Elder Law", 2006.
- Chair: Special Needs Foundation, Bainbridge Island, Washington
- Editor of the King County Ex Parte Probate and Policy Manual, 2002
- Co-author of the Washington State Training Manual for Professional Guardians, 1999.
- CLE Speaker "Will Contests" 2003 – 2006.
- CLE Speaker "How to Probate an Estate" 1998 – 2005.
- Speaker at Annual GAL Mandatory Trainings, 2002-2006, 2008, 2009.
- Co-Editor of the 1995 Supplement to the Washington Motor Vehicle Accident Deskbook; author – Chapter 12 of the 1998 Supplement.
- Author *Amicus Curiae* Brief on behalf of Washington Defense Trial Lawyers in Barr v. Day, 124 Wn.2d 318, 879 P2d 912 (1994) regarding immunity of guardian ad litem in judicial proceedings.

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS AND FEE SCHEDULE

The undersigned applicant to the Guardianship Guardian ad Litem registry of the Kitsap County Superior Court submits the following Statement pursuant to RCW 11.88.090(3)(b) and the Kitsap County Court application.

1. Training related to duties as a Guardian ad Litem:

Completed Inter-County Guardianship Guardian ad Litem Training – April 24, 2009 (also completed in 1998 - 2008).

See also resume included in this application packet.

2. Criminal history as defined in RCW 9.94A030 for the period covering ten years prior to appointment:

None.

3. Fee Schedule:

\$250.00 per hour

Travel costs - .42 per mile

4. Any conflicts of interest in individual cases will be noted at time of appointment.

DATED this 5th day of May, 2009.



Paulette Peterson

Certificate of Completion

King County Bar Association

PAULETTE PETERSON

**2009 Washington State
RCW 11.88.090 *Guardianship*
Guardian ad Litem Training**

**Re-Certification
April 24, 2009**

April 24, 2009: 5.50 General & 1.00 Ethics for a Total of 6.50 CLE Credits Approved (approval # 227 029)
5.75 Certified Professional Guardian Credits Approved for April 24, 2009 (4.75 General & 1.00 Ethics)



Roxanne Mennes, Education Director, King County Bar Association



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Washington State Patrol
Identification and Criminal History Section
P.O. Box 42633
Olympia, Washington 98504-2633
Telephone (360) 534-2000

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Conviction Criminal History RCW 10.97.050(1)

Pursuant to the purpose of inquiry, NO EXACT MATCH was found in the Washington State Criminal History Repository based on the descriptors provided:

PETERSON,PAULETTE E

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