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# APPLICATION FOR GUARDIAN AD LITEM REGISTRY

## Family Law – Title 26

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: Susan Weitzel  
Business Name or Firm: Susan Weitzel, MA  
Business Address: PO Box 418  
City and State: Burley WA Zip Code: 98322-0418  
Business Phone: (253) 853-5895 Fax: (253) 857-8395  
Email Address: sweitzel@centurytel.net

- Non-Attorney       Attorney WSBA or Washington State Certification No \_\_\_\_\_
- I am willing to serve as a Guardian ad Litem at public expense.
- I have no pending investigation 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 been on the registry since 2000, Pierce County 1995, Mason County last 2 yrs. I have been appointed in about 300 cases. I have a MASTER'S in Marriage & Family Therapy from PSU. I attend regular trainings the most recent Parenting Plans 3/10/09 with King County BAR Assoc. I also attend the monthly trainings held at Pierce County Superior Court.

Number of times serving as a Guardian ad 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;
- Copies of 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;
- Copies of any order for removal of the Guardian ad Litem prior to completion of the Guardian ad Litem's duties;
- Copy of fee schedule;
- Washington State Patrol Conviction Criminal History Report;
- Signed release of information directed to all professional regulatory bodies which have licensed or supervised the applicant within the last ten years;

**AND, EITHER**

- Certificate of Qualification/Training for Guardian ad Litem seeking appointment under RCW Title 26

**OR**

- I am currently on the Guardian ad Litem Registry and have included a certificate of updated training taken within the last two years

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

DATED: 05/25/09

*Susan Weitzel*  
Signature of Applicant

Port Orchard  
City Where Signed

Susan Weitzel  
Printed Name

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### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- \* Masters Degree in Marriage & Family Therapy
- \* Several years experience in marital & family therapy, mediation, dissolution, parenting, domestic violence, sexual abuse, neglect, persons with special needs, and older adult services.
- \* Visitation Supervisor since 2000.
- \* Medical Assistant for fifteen years.
- \* Early Childhood Education for five years.
- \* Guardian ad Litem since 1999.

### **EDUCATION**

Pacific Lutheran University  
Tacoma, WA

Marriage & Family Therapy  
Masters Degree, 1992

The Evergreen State College  
Olympia, WA

Human Health & Behavior  
& Sociology  
Bachelors Degree, 1988

Pacific College  
San Diego, CA

Medical Assistant  
Graduated, 1975

### **POST GRADUATE EDUCATION**

Portland Family Institute  
Lake Oswego, OR

Adv. Problem Solving Therapy  
Completed 20 Hours, 06/1994

Problem Solving Therapy  
Completed 24 Hours, 06/1993

### **PROFESSIONAL GUARDIAN**

King County Bar Association  
Yakima, WA

Professional Guardian  
Certification Training 09/2003

### **PROFESSION MEDIATION**

Mediation Skills for Collaborative Professionals  
Felicia Malsby & Robin Amadei, JD, Mediator  
Pierce County

IACP Mediation Skills  
30 Hours, 03/6th-9th/2008

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**GUARDIAN AD LITEM TRAINING**

King County Bar Association	Parenting Plans 5 Hours, 03/10/09
Kitsap Legal Services	Guardian ad Litem Training RCW Title 26 Update Training 7 Hours, 04/08
King County Bar Association	Guardian ad Litem Training RCW Title 11 7 Hours, 05/16/08
Tacoma Pierce County Superior Court	Guardian ad Litem Trainings RCW Title 26 Monthly Trainings

**EXPERIENCE**

Guardian ad Litem 26.09 Parenting Investigator	Pierce County, since 1999 Kitsap County, since 2003
Guardian ad Litem 11.88 Guardianships	Pierce County, since 2000 Kitsap County, since 2003
Visitation Supervisor	Pierce & Kitsap Co., since 2000
YMCA Resource Director & Family Consultant	Pierce County, since 02/2008
Independent Contract Pierce County	Special Needs Children 02/02 - 2005
Puget Sound Education Service District, Burien	Counseling & Consultation 1999 - 2002
Family & Child Guidance Center Tacoma, WA	Counseling, Consultation, Head Start Staff Supervisor 1999 - 2001

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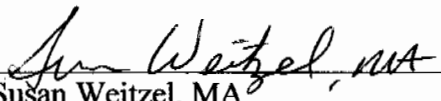
**FEE SCHEDULE FOR 2009**

**Parenting Investigator/ Guardian ad Litem - Family Law 26.09**

**Retainer: \$ 2,200**

**Hourly Rate: \$ 110.00**

(I accept County paid cases at the County rate)

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Susan Weitzel, MA  
Guardian ad Litem



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March 13, 2009

Susan M. Weitzel  
Susan Weitzel, MA  
PO Box 8025  
Tacoma, WA 98419

Sent via email: [sweitzel@centurytel.net](mailto:sweitzel@centurytel.net)

Dear Ms. Weitzel:

This is to certify that you attended the King County Bar Association Program, Parenting Plans, which was held at the Red Lion Hotel, 1415 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, Washington on March 10, 2009.

The program was approved for 5.00 General CLE Credits. Washington State Bar Approval #226 249.

Any questions regarding the above should be directed to my attention at 206-267-7004.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise L. Medlock", is written over a large, light-colored oval shape.

Denise L. Medlock  
KCBA CLE Manager



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