

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: Elizabeth Allen Starks
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- Non-Attorney Attorney WSBA or Washington State Certification No 33407
- 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 completed the GAL training in February of 2011. I am a practicing attorney specializing in Family Law for the past 13 1/2 years.

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: 3/14/11

Elizabeth Starks
Signature of Applicant

Bremerton
City Where Signed

Elizabeth Starks
Printed Name

BUSKIRK & ASSOCIATES^{PLLC}

Title 26 GAL Fee Schedule

RETAINER:

- \$2,200 payable before work begins.
- Additional fees and costs may be necessary if the case takes longer than 17.6 hours to complete.
- Billing statements are sent out the end of each month.
- An additional deposit of \$500 is required thirty days before trial.

HOURLY RATE:

- \$125, including travel time and costs.

ELIZABETH ALLEN STARKS

BUSKIRK & ASSOCIATES

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Education:

Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, WA

Juris Doctor, May 2006.

Dickinson College, Carlisle PA

Bachelor of Arts Degree, *Magna Cum Laude*, May 2002, Political Science & American Studies

Work Experience:

Buskirk & Associates (Formerly Buskirk Law), Bremerton, WA

Family Law Attorney and Public Defender for Poulsbo Municipal Court

Represent clients in dissolutions, paternity actions, child support modifications, parenting plan modifications, and relocation actions.

Represent indigent defendants during pretrial, trial and post-sentencing. October 2008-present

Roving Fong and Associates, Port Orchard, WA.

Public Defender for Poulsbo Municipal Courts

Represent indigent defendants during pretrial, review hearings, and motion to revoke hearings.

Negotiate plea deals with prosecutors in the Bremerton, Port Orchard and Poulsbo Municipal Courts and Superior Court. Practice family law: represent clients in dissolution and child custody matters. July 2007-October 2008

Association of Attorneys for the Accused, Everett, WA.

Public Defender for the Municipal Court of Everett

Appeared in court daily on behalf of incarcerated and out-of-custody clients. Represented clients during pre-trial and trial phases of criminal litigation: arraignments, bench trials, jury trials, and show cause hearings. Negotiated with prosecutors regularly. Draft sentencing reviews. November 2006-July 2007.

Rovang Fong and Associates, Port Orchard, WA.

Rule 9 Intern

Participated in pretrial criminal proceedings. Interviewed incarcerated clients. Negotiated with prosecutors. Attended court hearings. October 2005-May 2006.

Michele Shaw, Attorney at Law, Seattle, WA.

Intern

Drafted motions and sentencing memoranda. Researched complex criminal law issues.

Organized and compiled discovery in anticipation for trial. Summer 2005.

Mesenbrink Law Offices, P.S., Inc. Poulsbo, WA.

Intern

Drafted pleadings. Researched and drafted a summary judgment motion. Summer 2004

Judge J. Wesley Oler, Jr., Cumberland County Court of Common Pleas, Carlisle, PA

Assistant/Intern

Researched case law and topics Judge Oler assigned. Witnessed civil and criminal courtroom procedures. Helped draft a court opinion. Spring 2002

Phyllis Baron, Attorney at Law. Washington, D.C.

Intern

Witnessed courtroom procedures and assisted attorney during felony trials. Organized case files. Drafted a sentencing memorandum. Fall 2000

Professional and Community Activities

Memberships

Kitsap County Bar Association

Washington State Bar Association

Washington Women Lawyers

Domestic Violence Shelter. Carlisle, PA. Relief Staff Worker. Ensured the safety and security of the residents. Managed the shelter during non-office hours. Answered hotline calls. Fall 2001-2002

Rape Crisis Services of Cumberland County. Carlisle, PA. Hotline Worker. Accompanied rape victims to the hospital when needed. Empowerment counseling over the telephone. Spring 2001-2002

Certificate of Completion
King County Bar Association

Elizabeth Allen Starks

2011 Title 26 Family Law
Guardian ad Litem Initial Training

February 23, 24, 25, 2011

This educational program meets the requirements for initial training made effective January 1, 2007 by the Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts under RCW 2.56.030(15) for Title 26 Family Law Guardians ad Litem.

20.25 General and 1.00 Ethics CLE Credits Approved
(approval #280 019)

Denise Medlock, CLE Senior Manager
King County Bar Association



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Washington State Patrol
Identification and Criminal History Section
P.O. Box 42633
Olympia, Washington 98504-2633
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Conviction Criminal History RCW 10.97.050(1)

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

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that your search criteria did not match the spelling of the person's name or date of
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