

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 K Selleck

Business Name or Firm: _____

Business Address: Post Office Box 4520

City and State: Rolling Bay, WA Zip Code: 98061

Business Phone: (206) 261-6367 Fax: (_____) _____

Email Address: ekselleck@gmail.com

- Non-Attorney
- X Attorney - WSBA or Washington State Certification No: 11960
- I am willing to serve as a Guardian ad Litem at public expense.
- X I have no pending investigations or action against me involving felony allegations, professional certification or license suspension and/or revocation.
- X 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.
- X 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.

Since 1986, I have served as a GAL, primarily in family law matters, but also adoption, guardianship and minor settlement matters in the past. To date, I have handled approximately 1000+ GAL cases. I have practiced family law since 1984. From April 1999 to December 2002, I was employed as attorney for the Family Law CASA Program and an employee of King County Superior Court. I have been a speaker at numerous CLE's on GAL practice, including the court-sponsored GAL trainings. Virtually all of my experience has been in King County to date. I am now residing in Kitsap County.

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: Once (see comments attached re: Reeves and Wharton matter).

I include the following with my application (please check all applicable boxes):

- X 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.
 - X Completed Washington State Patrol Conviction Criminal History.
 - X Signed release of information directed to all professional regulatory bodies which have licensed or supervised the applicant within the last ten years.
 - X Description of nature, status and outcome of any professional complaints, investigations or disciplinary actions, lawsuits or professional liability claims, and any order for removal of the Guardian ad Litem prior to completion of the Guardian ad Litem's duties.
 - X 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.
 - X Fee schedule: I charge \$250 to \$300 per hour, depending on the case and activity. My retainer for most matters is \$7,500.
 - X Certificate of Qualification/Training for Guardian ad Litem seeking appointment under RCW Title 26.
- OR**
- X I am currently on the Guardian ad Litem Registry; GAL training has been waived this year.

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

DATED this May 29, 2020, at Bainbridge Island, Washington.



ELIZABETH K. SELLECK

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Attorney at Law

EDUCATION

The American University, Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C.
Juris Doctor, Cum Laude, 1981

University of Washington, Seattle, Washington
Bachelor of Arts, History and Psychology, 1977

University of Washington, Department of Outpatient Psychiatry
Parenting Evaluation Training Program, 1997

BAR ADMISSIONS

Supreme Court of Washington, 1981

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, 1982

United States District Court, Western and Eastern Districts of Washington, 1982

EXPERIENCE

Legal

- 1984 – Present **Private law practice, Seattle, Washington.** Historically, my private practice focused on family law and guardianship litigation, estate planning and probate. My private practice is currently limited to work as a guardian ad litem, case manager, parent coordinator, mediator and arbitrator in family law cases.
- 1999 – 2002 **King County Family Law CASA Program, Seattle, Washington.** As program attorney, my responsibilities included advising the program manager and staff on legal issues, training and supervision of volunteers, reviewing and editing volunteer reports, representing CASA volunteers and staff in court proceedings, and participating in various Superior Court judges' committees relating to program issues.
- 1981-1984 **Washington Appellate Defender Association, Seattle, Washington.** As staff attorney, I represented indigent criminal appellants in Washington State appellate courts.

Guardian ad Litem/Parenting Investigator/Case Management & Coordination

- 1985 - Present Court appointed guardian ad litem (GAL) and post-decree case manager/parent coordinator, primarily in King County. I have represented the interests of minor children and incapacitated adults in hundreds of cases, primarily in contested custody, guardianship, and adoption matters. From 1986 through 1997, I contracted with DSHS to provide GAL services in paternity actions brought by the State of Washington in King County Superior Court. I have frequently been a lecturer or speaker at GAL training seminars. During this period, I was qualified as a GAL on the family law,

guardianship, adoption, and minor settlement registries in King County Superior Court.

Mediation/Decision-Making

- 1994 - Present Mediation and arbitration services for parenting plan disputes, property division and other domestic matters.
- 1991 - 1996 Protem judge and family law commissioner in King County Superior Court.

Teaching

- 1999 – 2003 King County Family Law CASA Program. I taught CLE-accredited courses on the legal process, ethics, and report writing to CASA volunteers and court staff.
- 1983 - Present Speaker at various continuing education (CLE) seminars on topics of interest to family law practitioners, guardians ad litem and criminal defense lawyers.
- 1984 City University, Seattle, Washington. Instructor with the legal assistants program teaching courses in legal research and criminal law and procedure.

Investigation

- 1983 - 1988 Contract Equal Employment Opportunity investigator with Susan Grimes & Associates, Inc., Washington, D.C., Equal Opportunity Consultants, Inc. of Lanham, Maryland, Nero and Associates of Portland, Oregon, the General Services Administration, Region 10, Auburn, Washington, and the Western Administrative Support Center, U.S. Department of Commerce, Seattle, Washington, investigating employment discrimination complaints by federal workers and job applicants.
- 1977 - 1978 United States House of Representatives, Select Committee on Assassinations, Washington, D.C. I served as a staff investigator on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Task Force.
- 1974 - 1977 The Public Defender Association, Seattle, Washington. Felony investigator.

RELEASE

Date: May 29, 2020

To: Washington State Bar Association

I, ELIZABETH K. SELLECK, WSBA #11960, hereby authorize you, for the purpose of my application and/or work as a King County Guardian ad Litem, to release information and discuss such information with:

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

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

Sincerely,



Elizabeth K. Selleck
PO Box 4520
Rolling Bay, WA 98061

EKS:ms

Title 26 GAL Fee Schedule

All deposits will be kept in a client trust fund. Clients will be required to sign a fee agreement detailing billing practices and charges for services. A copy of this form will be provided upon request.

Initial Retainer:	\$5,000
Hourly Rates:	\$200 for most activity \$100 for travel time \$300 for court or deposition time, including preparation time
GAL's File:	\$300 to be paid by requesting party. File to be transmitted electronically via DropBox.
Other:	GAL Order of Appointment should authorize total billing twice the amount of the initial retainer without further order of the Court.

All parties and their attorneys agree to accept electronic service of all pleadings and correspondence.

Professional Complaints, Investigations or Disciplinary Actions

Description of the nature, status and outcome of any professional complaints, investigations or disciplinary actions, lawsuits or professional liability claims, and any order for removal of the Guardian ad Litem prior to completion of the Guardian ad Litem's duties.

December 2007: Reeves v. Wharton, King County Case No. 99-3-05054-5 SEA. I was removed as GAL for the minor child on the father's motion. The Court found that I should have advised the father that the mother had placed the mentally ill child in an in-patient treatment program out of state, although the mother had sole decision-making authority for healthcare. The father subsequently filed a grievance with the WSBA which was dismissed on 2/25/09.

May 2018: Darrel Riley, King County Case No. 10-3-02055-5 RTS. I twice served as GAL for the minor children (2014 and 2017) in a family law modification matter and later in a relocation proceeding. Judge Regina Cahan, who had retained jurisdiction over the case, adopted by recommendations on both occasions. On 5/17/18, Mr. Riley filed a grievance with the WSBA. His grievance was dismissed by the Managing Disciplinary Counsel on 5/21/18. Mr. Riley appealed. The WSBA Review Committee dismissed the grievance by a 3-0 vote on 7/31/18.

June 2018: Gretl Galgon, King County Case No. 11-3-05559-4 SEA. After failing to have me removed as the post-decree GAL (2014) and refusing to pay her portion of my fees (2015 and 2018), Ms. Galgon filed a grievance with the WSBA. The grievance was dismissed by the Managing Disciplinary Counsel on 6/5/18. Ms. Galgon appealed. The WSBA Review Committee dismissed the grievance by a 3-0 vote on 7/31/18.

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

Date: May 29, 2020

Elizabeth K. Selleck

Claims or Litigations

I affirm that there have been NO claims or litigation involving allegations of improper fee charges, charges of fraud, theft or other forms of dishonesty or professional malpractice or misconduct.

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Date: May 29, 2020



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THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
FOR KITSAP COUNTY

614 DIVISION STREET, MS-24
PORT ORCHARD, WASHINGTON 98366
(360) 337-7140

JEANETTE M. DALTON, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 1

MICHELLE ADAMS, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 2

MELISSA A. HEMSTREET, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 3

WILLIAM C. HOUSER, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 4

JEFFREY P. BASSETT, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 5

KEVIN D. HULL, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 6

JENNIFER A. FORBES, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 7

SALLY F. OLSEN, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 8

MATTHEW L. CLUCAS
COURT COMMISSIONER

FRANK A. MAIOCCO, JR.
COURT ADMINISTRATOR

June 25, 2020

Ms. Elizabeth K. Selleck
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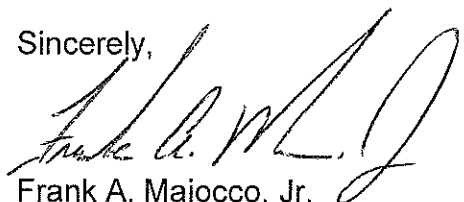
Re: Kitsap County Superior Court Title 26 Guardian ad Litem Registry, 2020-2021

Dear Ms. Selleck:

The Kitsap County Superior Court Guardian ad Litem Committee has received and reviewed your application for the Title 26 Guardian ad Litem registry. We are pleased to include you on the 2020 - 2021 Registry, effective July 1, 2020.

Thank you for your interest and participation in Kitsap County's Guardian ad Litem program.

Sincerely,



Frank A. Maiocco, Jr.
Court Administrator
Kitsap County Superior Court