

Minutes
Training Subcommittee of the Standing Committee
On Guardians Ad Litem and Attorneys for the Minor Child
in Family Matters
April 6, 2021

The Training Subcommittee of the Standing Committee on Guardians Ad Litem and Attorneys for the Minor Child in Family Matters Via Microsoft Teams and streamed on YouTube on Tuesday April 6, 2021.

Those in attendance: Ms. Liza Andrews, Policy Director, CT Coalition Against Domestic Violence; Attorney Susan Hamilton (as designated by Attorney Christine Rapillo); Attorney Justine Rakich-Kelly

Absent: Judge Michael Albis, chair.

Also in attendance were Ms. Danielle Johnson from the Division of Public Defender Services, and Attorney Damon Goldstein and Ms. Lauren Orlowski from the Judicial Branch's Court Operations Unit.

The meeting was called to order at 12:32 P.M. by Susan Hamilton.

I. Review and Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting was made by Justine Rakich-Kelly and seconded by Liza Andrews. The minutes of the meeting held on February 23, 2021 were approved unanimously.

II. Discussion of Pre-Service Training for Guardians Ad Litem and Attorneys for the Minor Child in Family Matters

The Subcommittee members reviewed the training outline and list of presenters, as well as the current allotted length of time for each session. The Subcommittee will ask that each presenter provide a detailed outline of their respective presentation by May 3, 2021 so that the Subcommittee may discuss the content of the outlines at the next meeting. The final outline and schedule will be presented to the full Committee for approval. The Subcommittee also discussed registration and eligibility to attend the training, pursuant to the requirements of CT Practice Book Section 25-62. This topic will be revisited with the full Committee.

III. Schedule of Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Subcommittee will be held on Tuesday May 4, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. The meeting will be held remotely using Microsoft Teams and streamed to the public on YouTube.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 P.M.