

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
GUARDIAN AD LITEM, CHILD/YOUTH**

JD-JM-100 Rev. 9-20

C.G.S. §§ 17a-101f; 45a-132; 45a-708; 46b-120; 46b-129a

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Docket number	
Address of Court	
Telephone number	
Name of child or youth	
Telephone number	
Address of child or youth	
Name of Guardian Ad Litem	Juris number
Telephone number	
Address of Guardian Ad Litem	
Fax number	
Type of petition	
<input type="checkbox"/> Neglect/Uncared for/Abuse <input type="checkbox"/> Emancipation <input type="checkbox"/> Termination of Parental Rights <input type="checkbox"/> Delinquency	

**For good cause, the above guardian ad litem is appointed and:**

1. The Guardian Ad Litem shall have the powers and duties for the purposes of this specific petition as the ward or the natural guardian could exercise in the absence of a legal guardian.
2. The Guardian Ad Litem shall be notified of all proceedings concerning the ward, including any hearing, case status conference and investigations, including findings and shall be notified before any action is taken affecting the ward by any party. If the Guardian Ad Litem is a Children in Placement Connecticut Inc. (CIP) volunteer, a Child Advocates of Connecticut, Inc. (CAC) volunteer, or CASA volunteer, the CIP Coordinator, CAC Program Director, and the CASA director shall be notified and shall be responsible to notify the Guardian Ad Litem. CIP, CAC or CASA volunteer Guardians Ad Litem may have access to relevant child protection court files including, but not limited to, records, investigations and reports related to all cases to which the CIP, CAC, or CASA volunteer Guardian Ad Litem is assigned. The Guardian Ad Litem may appear at all proceedings to this litigation to ensure representation of the best interest of the ward.
3. Based upon an independent evaluation of the best interest of the child or youth, the Guardian Ad Litem shall file reports of findings and recommendations as part of the dispositional hearings as deemed necessary or as directed by the Court. The evaluation may consist of interviews with the child or youth, parents, foster parents, teachers, social workers, medical authorities, therapists, service providers or other sources of information relating to the best interest of the child or youth. Written reports shall be marked as an exhibit, but all reports are subject to the right of any party to require that the Guardian Ad Litem, if available, submit to cross-examination.
4. The Guardian Ad Litem shall seek cooperative solutions on behalf of the best interest of the ward. The Guardian Ad Litem shall monitor the implementation and effects of service plans.
5. The Guardian Ad Litem may be a signatory to any agreement or plan entered into on behalf of the ward. If the Guardian Ad Litem objects to any agreement or plan, any objection shall be communicated to the parties and a notice of objection, with reasons, shall be filed with the Court.
6. The Guardian Ad Litem shall maintain any information received from court records and any other source as confidential, and will not disclose the information except in reports to the Court and to other parties to this litigation.
7. The Guardian Ad Litem may not file a self-represented (pro se) appearance or retain counsel without prior court approval and the Guardian Ad Litem shall seek prior court approval before incurring extraordinary expenses such as consultant or attorney fees.
8. Even in the absence of a specific request, the Guardian Ad Litem's appointment shall continue during the pendency of all subsequent proceedings involving the ward in this Court. The Guardian Ad Litem shall promptly notify the Court if the disability of the ward no longer exists.

**The next hearing on this  
matter is scheduled for:**



Date	Time of hearing .m.
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Name of Judge	Signed (Judge)	Date signed
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