

**APPLICATION / REAPPLICATION FOR TITLE 11.130 ADULT GUARDIANSHIP /
COURT VISITOR REGISTRY
Guardianship / Conservatorship / Protective Arrangement**

Name: George L. Gasson III

Business Name or Firm: _____

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City and State: Bremerton, WA Zip Code: 98312

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Email Address: GeorgeGasson1@gmail.com

☒ Non-Attorney ☐ Attorney - WSBA or Washington State Certification No: _____

- ☒ I am hereby applying to serve as a:
- ☒ Court Visitor (RCW 11.130.280)
 - ☐ Attorney for Respondent/Person Subject to Guardianship (RCW 11.130.285)
 - ☐ Special Agent / Complex Case Appointments (RCW 11.130.635)
 - ☐ Emergency Guardian (RCW 11.130.320)

☒ I am willing to serve as a Title 11.130 Court Visitor at public expense.

☒ I have no pending investigations 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 Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor, including years of experience and number of appointments.

- Currently employed as an Adult Protective Services Investigation Social Service Specialist 3 with the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services. I have served one year specifically as an APS Investigator, conducting thorough investigations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults. This includes case assessment, evidence gathering, witness interviews, and protective service recommendations.
- Approximately 26 years of hands-on personal caregiving and full financial management for two disabled family members, including daily living support, medical coordination, safety planning, benefit management, and long-term care decision-making.
- Served as Representative Payee for a non-family member, responsibly managing and accounting for their Social Security and other benefits in full compliance with federal requirements.

- 13 years conducting internal prison investigations into staff conduct and Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) compliance, including detailed evidence collection, witness interviews, neutral fact-finding, and comprehensive report writing.
- 20 years of progressive corrections leadership experience as Unit Supervisor, Training Coordinator/Instructor, Shift Commander, Safety Officer, and Mediator/Grievance Coordinator.
- I have completed Title 26 GAL Certification Training through Kitsap Legal Aid Services, and Title 11 Adult Court Visitor training through King County Bar Association, and I have received conditional approval from the Washington Administrative Office of Guardianship and Elder Services (Administrative Office of the Courts) pending completion of the University of Washington training program. I am eager to apply my investigative skills, caregiving experience, and strong commitment to objectivity and the best interests of vulnerable persons once appointed.

Number of times serving as a Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor that I have been removed for failure to perform my duties as a Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor: _____

- ☒ I have completed the 2-day model training program required by RCW 11.130.155 (or prior 2-day training under RCW 11.88) and have provided proof of the same with this application. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- ☐ I have NOT completed the model training program but will do so once the training becomes available. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Summary of my knowledge, training and experience in each of the following areas: Needs of impaired elderly people, physical disabilities, mental disabilities, developmental disabilities, substance use disorder; and other areas relevant to the needs of persons subject to guardianship or conservatorship, legal procedure, and the requirements of RCW 11.130.

Needs of Impaired Elderly People & Physical Disabilities I have approximately 26 years of hands-on experience providing full-time caregiving and support for two disabled family members, including elderly individuals with significant physical disabilities. This included assistance with activities of daily living (ADLs), mobility support, medical appointment coordination, home safety modifications, and long-term care planning. As an Adult Protective Services Investigation Social Service Specialist 3, I regularly investigate and assess the needs of impaired elderly adults living in the community.

Mental Disabilities & Developmental Disabilities Through my 26 years of personal caregiving and current APS role, I have direct experience supporting individuals with mental health conditions, cognitive impairments, and developmental disabilities. This includes recognizing signs of diminished capacity, managing behavioral challenges, coordinating with mental health providers, and ensuring appropriate support services. My APS investigations frequently involve assessing functional limitations caused by dementia, traumatic brain injury, intellectual disabilities, and other cognitive conditions.

Substance Use Disorder In both my corrections career (including PREA and staff conduct investigations) and current APS position, I have worked extensively with individuals affected by substance use disorders. I am experienced in identifying the impact of addiction on decision-making capacity, safety, and financial stability, and in making appropriate referrals to treatment resources.

Other Areas Relevant to Guardianship, Court Visitor, or Conservatorship

- **Financial Management & Conservatorship:** I managed all household, medical, and benefit finances for two disabled adults for 26 years. I also served as Representative Payee for a non-family member, maintaining strict accounting and compliance with Social Security Administration rules.
- **Capacity Assessments & Protective Decision-Making:** Daily experience evaluating functional capacity and best-interest decisions through caregiving and APS investigations.
- **Safety & Risk Assessment:** 20 years in corrections leadership (Safety Officer) combined with APS investigative work.
- **Legal Procedure & RCW 11.130:** I am actively preparing through formal GAL training. I am registered for the June 2026 Title 26 GAL Certification Training and have received conditional approval from the Washington Administrative Office of Guardianship and Elder Services pending completion of the University of Washington training. I have studied RCW 11.130 requirements regarding least restrictive alternatives, due process, and guardian/conservator duties. I am committed to strict adherence to the statute, ethical standards, and court rules.

My combination of direct caregiving, financial oversight, professional investigations, and upcoming specialized GAL training gives me strong, practical insight into the full range of needs of persons subject to guardianship or conservatorship. I am prepared to provide thorough, neutral, and compassionate reports to the court.

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/Court Visitor duties.
- ☒ Completed Washington State Patrol Conviction Criminal History.
- ☒ Signed release of information directed to all professional regulatory bodies which have licensed or supervised the applicant within the last ten years.
- ☐ 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 or Court Visitor prior to completion of the Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor duties.
- ☐ 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.
- ☒ Copy of fee schedule. [See KCLGALR 5(f)(3) re: private pay limits].
- ☒ Certificate of Qualification/Training for Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor seeking appointment under RCW 11.130;

OR

☐ I am currently on the Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor Registry and have included a certificate of updated training taken within the last year. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 17th day of June 2026, at Bremerton, Washington.


SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

PRINT NAME: George L. Gasson III

Please mail, deliver or email the completed application, with all attachments, to:

ATTN: Court Administrator
Kitsap County Superior Court
614 Division Street, MS-24
Port Orchard, WA 98366
fmaiocco@co.kitsap.wa.us

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dedicated and neutral investigator with over 30 years of combined experience in adult protective services, high-stakes investigations, corrections leadership, and long-term caregiving for vulnerable individuals. Extensive background in abuse/neglect investigations, capacity assessments, financial management, risk/safety evaluations, and objective report writing. Actively pursuing Guardian ad Litem and Court Visitor appointments in both Title 11 and Title 26 matters.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Adult Protective Services Investigation Social Service Specialist 3 Washington State Department of Social and Health Services 07/01/2025 – Present

- Conduct thorough investigations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults, including elderly individuals and those with physical, mental, developmental, and cognitive disabilities.
- Perform detailed case assessments, evidence gathering, witness interviews, and protective service recommendations.
- Served one year specifically as an APS Investigator with focused responsibility for case evaluation and intervention.
- Assess functional capacity, safety risks, and service needs — directly relevant to Title 11 guardianship and conservatorship cases.

Personal Caregiver & Financial Manager [Family / Private] 2005 – Present (~26 combined years)

- Provided extensive hands-on caregiving and full financial management for two disabled family members, including elderly individuals with physical disabilities, mental health conditions, and long-term care needs.
- Managed daily living activities, medical coordination, safety planning, household finances, benefit programs, and long-term care decisions.
- Served as **Representative Payee** for a non-family member, maintaining full compliance with Social Security Administration accounting and reporting requirements.
- Strong practical experience in capacity assessment and least-restrictive support — highly relevant to both Title 11 and Title 26 cases.

Corrections Sergeant – Investigations & Leadership – WA Department of Correction 07/01/2005 – 07/01/2025 (20 years total)

- Conducted **13 years of internal investigations** into staff conduct and Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) compliance, including complex evidence collection, neutral witness interviews, and detailed report writing.
- Served in multiple leadership roles: Unit Supervisor, Training Coordinator & Instructor, Shift Commander, Safety Officer, and Grievance Coordinator.
- Developed strong skills in conflict resolution, mediation, risk/safety assessment, impartial fact-finding, and high-pressure decision-making.

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (BSIT) University of Phoenix, 2004

Extensive and ongoing training through Department of Corrections (DOC) and DOC Academy,
Department of Social and Health Service.

TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS (In Progress)

- Registered for Title 26 GAL Certification Training – June 5, 6, 12, & 13, 2026 (Kitsap Legal Aid Services)
- Conditionally approved by Washington Administrative Office of Guardianship and Elder Services / Administrative Office of the Courts, pending completion of University of Washington training program
- Washington State Patrol (WSP) WATCH background – Clear
- Professional liability insurance to be maintained

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Father of grown children – direct understanding of family dynamics relevant to Title 26 matters
- Strong technical skills in documentation, record management, and clear, objective report writing
- Committed to neutrality, ethics, and the best interests of children and vulnerable adults

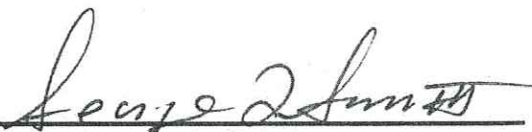
RELEASE OF INFORMATION

- TO: ☐ Washington State Bar Association
- ☐ Washington State Medical Association
- ☐ Washington State Nursing Commission
- ☒ Washington State Department of Social and Health Services /
Adult Protective Services
- ☒ Washington State Department of Corrections

I, George L. Gasson III, hereby authorize you, for the purpose of my application and/or work as a Kitsap County Guardian ad Litem, to release information to and discuss such information with:

Frank A. Maiocco, Jr.
Court Administrator
Kitsap County Superior Court
614 Division Street, MS-24
Port Orchard, WA 98366
(360) 337-7140

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


Signature

5/10/26
Date

George L. Gasson III

Printed Name

13430 NW Quarterhorse Way

Street Address

Bremerton, WA 98312

City/State/Zip

Proposed FEE SCHEDULE Guardian ad Litem / Court Visitor

George L. Gasson III

Effective: May 2026

Private Pay Rates

Hourly Rate: \$250.00 per hour (billed in 15-minute increments)

Initial Retainer: \$2,500.00 The Initial Retainer must be paid in full before any work can commence. This retainer will be applied toward fees and costs incurred.

Trial Deposit (Title 26 cases): \$500.00 This deposit must be paid in full at least thirty (30) days prior to the trial date.

Additional Retainer: An Order Appointing Guardian ad Litem may authorize approval of a second retainer without further court approval.

Maximum Fees – Title 11 Cases Only: Not to exceed \$2,750 total per case, per KCLGALR 5(f)(3).

Travel & Mileage

- Travel Time: \$125.00 per hour (portal-to-portal when outside Kitsap County)
- Mileage: Current IRS standard mileage rate

Costs and Expenses Background checks, record retrieval, drug testing, mailing/copying expenses, and other necessary case-related expenses will be billed separately or against the retainer. If a professional (e.g., doctor, counselor, or expert) charges a fee for consultation or records, the parties will share that cost equally unless otherwise ordered by the court.

Non-Sufficient Funds Fee: \$75.00

Court-Appointed / Public Pay Cases I will accept the rate established by the Court or as ordered.

Billing and Payment

- Detailed invoices with time entries will be provided.
- Payment is due within 30 days of the invoice date unless otherwise ordered by the court.
- I reserve the right to suspend work if fees become substantially delinquent.

Additional Time Additional fees may apply for extended investigations, depositions, or trial preparation that require significantly more time than a typical case. Any such additional work will be discussed with the parties and/or the court in advance when possible.

Note Regarding Kitsap County Resources Kitsap County has many helpful resources available through the Court Facilitator's Office. In some cases, the court may also appoint a third-party custody investigator.

All fees are subject to court approval.

Certificate of Completion
KING COUNTY BAR
ASSOCIATION

George Gasson

2026 King County
RCW 11.130 Adult Court Visitor Training

Two Day Initial Certification—
April 29 & April 30, 2026
Recorded version (viewed at a later date).

6.25 Law & Legal CLE Credits, April 29, 2026
Approval #2086134
5.25 Law & Legal CLE Credits, 1.0 Ethics Credit, April 30, 2026
Approval #2085477



Bridget Schuster, Member Services Director
King County Bar Association

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FOR KITSAP COUNTY

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WILLIAM C. HOUSER, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 4
JEFFREY P. BASSETT, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 5
KEVIN D. HULL, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 6

June 29, 2026

JENNIFER A. FORBES, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 7
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DEPARTMENT NO. 8

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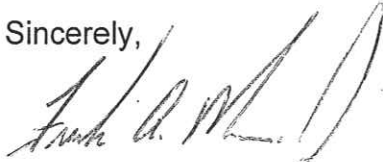
Re: Kitsap County Superior Court Title 11.130 Court Visitor Registry, 2026-2027

Dear Mr. Gasson:

The Kitsap County Superior Court Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor Committee has received and reviewed your application for the Title 11.130 Court Visitor registry. We are pleased to include you on the 2026 - 2027 Registry, effective July 1, 2026.

Thank you for your interest and participation in Kitsap County's Court Visitor program.

Sincerely,



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