

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

Name: CAROL JOAN WILLIAMS
Business Name or Firm: SAME
Business Address: 7061 NW JUPITER TRL,
City and State: SILVERDALE, WA Zip Code: 98383
Business Phone: (360) 355-5168 Fax: ()
Email Address: cjwkgo@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.

39 CASES AS GAL/CV SINCE JULY 2017 ADMISSION TO KCSC REGISTRY
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE SERVING AS LAY/DE FACTO GUARDIAN AND
CONSERVATOR FOR MY MOTHER DIAGNOSED WITH ALZHEIMER'S
~ 2008 UNTIL HER DEATH IN 2017.

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: FO

☒ 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.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON BA IN PSYCHOLOGY 1977
KING COUNTY GAL ASSOCIATION TITLE II TRAINING FOR KITSAP REGISTRY
ADMINISTRATION OF WASHINGTON COURTS LAY GUARDIANSHIP TRAINING 2018
ANNUAL RECERTIFICATION TRAINING 2018, 2019, 2020 (PANDEMIC
(HOLDOVER) 2021, 2022, 2023.
REVIEWED 2024 ONLINE PRESENTATIONS OF MAY 7, 2024, AFTER
PRESENTER'S FAILURE TO INCLUDE ME IN RECERTIFICATION TRAINING.
LETTERS ATTESTING TO MY REVIEW OF TRAINING MATERIALS
FROM JANE S. HUFF OF COMMUNITY GUARDIANS AND SARA
MCCULLOCH ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONERS ON SEVERAL CASES
IN RECENT YEARS

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. NA - NO ACTIONS
- ☐ 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. NA - NO CLAIMS
- ☒ 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; SEE ACCOMPANYING LETTERS
- 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. * SEE COVER LETTER

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

DATED this 31st day of MAY, 20 24, at PORT ORCHARD, Washington.


SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

PRINT NAME: CAROL J. WILLIAMS

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

CAROL J. WILLIAMS, Kitsap County Superior Court Visitor

7061 NW Jupiter Trail, Silverdale, WA (360) 355-5168 cjwkgo@gmail.com caroljwilliams.net

GUARDIAN AD LITEM | 2017-PRESENT

Certified as a Guardian ad Litem by the Washington State Courts administration in April 2017, appointed since to 39 cases to research and evaluate petitions for guardianship of incapacitated adults and serve as their advocate during review and adjudication process.

Formal Education: Bachelor of Arts, in psychology and editorial journalism, University of Washington 1977. Journalist Law Certificate, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles (summer scholarship program), 2009.

Training Related to Guardian's Duties: Washington State AOC's lay guardianship training, April 2015. Guardian ad Litem Title 11 training certificate, King County Bar Assn., April 2017. Kitsap County Superior Court Guardian ad Litem recertification, April 2018. King County Bar Assn., recertification April 2019. Kitsap County Superior Court recertification training May 2021, Kitsap County Superior Court CV certification training in May 2022. Community Guardians recert training May 9, 2023, reviewed Community Guardians' online documents and presentations from May 7, 2024, recert training to which a communications error failed to inform me to save the date or when it was conducted.

Experience Related to Guardian Duties: Ten years' experience organizing care and acting as a lay or de facto guardian for my mother as she advanced through Alzheimer's from moderate to severe incapacity, 2008-2017. With the aim of allowing her to remain in her home, I worked with my five siblings to provide an expanding array of support as her cognition deteriorated.

Appointments as Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor: Thirty-nine (39) since admission to Kitsap County Superior Court Guardian ad Litem registry in July 2017.

Other Experience: Forty years of researching, fact-finding, investigation, interviewing and report-writing as a journalist and foreign correspondent covering armed conflict, natural disasters, international development, diplomacy, relief work and electoral politics.

Foreign language proficiency certificates: fluent Russian (since 1983), German (since 1988), basic communication ability in French and Spanish.

Completion of Pentagon training for hazardous environment deployment ahead of U.S. Navy embedding aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln aircraft carrier in the Persian Gulf (2002-2003), including advanced first aid, chemical and biological weapons protection and mine detection and awareness.

JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS WRITER AND ANALYST | 2016-PRESENT

Curator of "World Briefing by CJ Williams," a digest of the day's main international news via Twitter; foreign affairs writer and analyst for Postalley.org, Seattle-based online newsroom; panels on US-Russia relations and press freedom at civic forums, Folio Seattle lecture series, and Russian Studies programs at the University of Washington's Ellison Center on Russian, Eastern European and Central Asian Studies

LOS ANGELES TIMES | 1990-2015

Senior International Affairs Writer: 2011-2015 -- Correspondent-at-large based in Los Angeles, traveling to Russia, Ukraine, and Eastern Europe to cover Vladimir Putin's mission to restore Kremlin influence in the former Soviet space. Covered the seizure of Crimea, Russia-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine, Baltic states' tensions with Russia and imposition of Western sanctions. Wrote frequently on the Arab Spring rebellions, Fukushima disaster, Syrian war, and North Korean nuclear ambitions.

Legal Affairs Writer: 2008-2011 -- Based in Los Angeles with responsibility for national and international legal issues and coverage of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, capital punishment, counterterrorism, gay rights, and constitutional challenges. Included responsibility from previous beat for Guantanamo detention and prosecution of terrorism suspects.

Caribbean Bureau Chief: 2002-2008 -- Covering Cuba, Haiti, Venezuela, and other areas of Central and South America, with a focus on ideological and security issues. Posting included extensive coverage of the Guantanamo Bay detention center and war-crimes tribunal, involving 20-plus reporting trips to the US base in southern Cuba. Also frequently assigned to Iraq 2003-2007. Embedded aboard USS Abraham Lincoln in Persian Gulf February-April 2003 to cover US air operations over Iraq.

Berlin Bureau Chief: 1998-2002 -- Responsible for Germany and Scandinavia, covering post-reunification reconstruction, social and ideological divisions between East Germans and West Germans, introduction of the euro common currency, and extensive reporting on post-9/11 European security aftermath, including investigation of the Hamburg terror cell and the Afghan government conference in Bonn. Multiple assignments to Afghanistan after October 2001 invasion.

Moscow Bureau Chief: 1994-1998 -- Head of 20-person bureau responsible for coverage of post-Soviet Russia during the Yeltsin administration. Beat included the newly independent former Soviet republics, the wars in Chechnya and Russia's integration into international political, security and economic alliances. Extensive travel to remote regions of Russia to cover the more traumatic upheaval beyond Moscow and St. Petersburg.

Eastern Europe Bureau Chief: 1990-1994 -- Based in Budapest and Vienna, covering post-communist reconstruction, privatization of state assets and the first elected governments in the former Soviet-bloc countries. Extensive coverage of the social impacts of transition out of planned economies that provided an illusion of full employment. Coverage later became dominated by the ethnic and political conflicts in Yugoslavia leading to its breakup.

ASSOCIATED PRESS | 1980-1990

Correspondent, West Germany: 1988-1990 -- Based in the West German capital, Bonn, covered protest movement in the East that led to opening of the Berlin Wall and Eastern Europe revolutions.

Correspondent, Moscow, USSR: 1984-1988 -- Moscow-based reporter covering deterioration of the Old Guard, plight of dissidents and refuseniks, rise of Mikhail Gorbachev, perestroika and glasnost reform efforts, the Chernobyl nuclear disaster, disarmament talks, US Embassy spying scandal, US-Soviet summits and emerging conflicts with the Baltic states and Caucasus.

Foreign Desk editor, New York, NY: 1983-1984 -- Edited copy from correspondents around the world for filing on international AP news wire.

BREMERTON SUN | 1976-1979 - Covered military affairs, religion and city politics in Bremerton, WA

RELEASE OF INFORMATION

- TO: ☐ Washington State Bar Association *NA*
☐ Washington State Medical Association *NA*
☐ Washington State Nursing Commission *NA*
☐ Washington State Board of Psychology *NA*
☐ Washington State Department of Licensing *NA*

I, CAROL JOAN WILLIAMS
(Professional License No. NA) 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.

Carol Williams
Signature

31 MAY 2024
Date

CAROL J. WILLIAMS
Printed Name

7061 NW JUPITER TR
Street Address

SILVERDALE, WA 98383
City/State/Zip

Carol J Williams: Court Visitor/Guardian ad Litem

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Fee Schedule for 2024/25 Registry:

Public Pay appointments: \$75 per hour (or as ordered by the Court)

Private Pay appointment: \$100 per hour

Reimbursement of Expenses as Approved by the Court

Carol J. Williams

Date May 31, 2024

From: Jaime S. Huff jaime@cguardians.org
Subject: Court Visitor application materials
Date: May 28, 2024 at 5:10 PM
To: Frank Maiocco FMaiocco@kitsap.gov
Cc: Carol J Williams cjwkgo@gmail.com

JS

Hi Frank,

Pursuant to our conversation about Ms. Williams not receiving notice of the court visitor refresher training May 7, we did send Ms. Williams the materials from the speakers that day. It's my understanding she's reviewed them and will be submitting her application materials.

I also mentioned to Ms. Williams that you were expecting some sort of letter or affirmation from her that she completed review of the materials.

Thanks so much,

Jaime S. Huff, CPG, JD
Executive Director
Community Guardians

jaime@cguardians.org

PO Box 5779

Bremerton, WA 98312

(360) 509-4168 (phone)

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May 30, 2024

Kitsap County Superior Court
614 Division Street
Port Orchard, WA 98366

RE: Carol J. Williams, Court Visitor

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing this letter to recommend that Carol J. Williams be retained as an Adult Guardianship Court Visitor. Carol is one of the best Court Visitors on the list. She is able to handle complex cases that others cannot.

In conversation with Carol, we realized that she was not notified of the annual Court Visitor training. I reviewed my prior emails about the training and discovered that she was not included.

I would encourage the Kitsap County Superior Court to renew her Court Visitor application, despite the lack of annual training this year. Carol is extremely good at this work and a great asset to the court and legal community. With the Court Visitor list dwindling, the Court cannot afford to let someone as excellent as Carol go.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sara McCulloch', with a stylized, cursive script.

Sara McCulloch

From: Kaylee McEdward kaylee@cguardians.org 
Subject: RE: May 7 CV recert training
Date: May 23, 2024 at 3:04 PM
To: Jaime S. Huff jaime@cguardians.org, Carol J Williams cjwngo@gmail.com



Carol,
Apologies that you did not receive the email regarding our annual training..
Please see attached speaker materials to review.
Please let me know if you have any issues opening these documents.
Thanks,

Kaylee McEdward
(She,her,hers)
Community Guardians

PO BOX 5779• Bremerton, WA 98312

360-509-4168
kaylee@cguardians.org

-----Original Message-----

From: Jaime S. Huff <jaime@cguardians.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2024 9:38 AM
To: Carol J Williams <cjwngo@gmail.com>; Kaylee McEdward <kaylee@cguardians.org>
Subject: RE: May 7 CV recert training

I think it was recorded. I'm sorry you didn't get notice, I thought we emailed everyone who was currently on the list or who was on the list last year. Notice was also physically posted in the courthouse, but so few people actually go there it would have been easy to miss.

In years past, Frank Maiocco has been agreeable to allowing people to view the refresher training and submit a note saying they've done so.

I'll check with Kaylee on the recording and get back to you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Carol J Williams <cjwngo@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 22, 2024 3:48 PM
To: Jaime S. Huff <jaime@cguardians.org>; Kaylee McEdward <kaylee@cguardians.org>
Subject: May 7 CV recert training

Hi Jaime,

I just found out yesterday about the May 7 CV training for the next registry when Sara McCulloch contacted me about a new case. I asked her if she had heard anything about a session ahead of the (presumed) June 1 deadline for applications. I never got the save-the-date notice for May 7 from your agency sent March 1 or the followup with the link. Sara resurrected both and my email was not included in either.

Was the May 7 session recorded? Or is there any way I can make this up? I hadn't worried about it until about a week ago because last year's session was fairly late in May. I doubt I can find a session from King County bar this late and I have four cases pending in the next couple weeks. I don't understand how/why I was dropped from the notice list as I have participated every year since CG started offering recert seminars.

Let me know if you see a solution to qualify for the new July 1 registry.

Best, CJ
Carol J. Williams
(360) 355-5168
Sent from my iPhone



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Carol J. Williams – Kitsap County Superior Court Visitor

7061 NW Jupiter Trail, Silverdale WA 98383 (360) 355-5168 cjwkgo@gmail.com

May 30, 2024

Attn: Frank Maiocco, Court Administrator

Dear Mr. Maiocco,

I missed the May 7 recertification training organized by Community Guardians because I was not included in the email “save the date” notice of March 1 or the April 29 reminder and link to the Zoom session. I learned of my omission only in mid-May when I asked Sara McCulloch while we were working a case together whether she’d heard anything about the training ahead of the June 1 deadline for the next registry. Sara searched her old emails and found the two previous notices sent to other CVs, which confirmed I had not been informed of the May 7 session.

Jaime Huff apologized for her colleague’s omission of my email ahead of the training and sent me the recorded presentations from the May 7 session, which I have reviewed over the past week. A copy of the presentations link is attached.

During this upsetting turn of events, I looked up my current registry entry last week and was surprised to discover I was listed as “Inactive” since March 2023. I suspended my availability after being diagnosed with breast cancer that month but reinstated my “Active” status as of Sept. 1, 2023, after completing five weeks of post-surgical daily radiation treatments. Since September 2023 I have been appointed to 11 new cases, a few still pending hearings in June and July.

Please consider my efforts to make up the training after an inadvertent exclusion, likely due to my erroneous note of “Inactive” status on the current registry.

I look forward to another year working with the guardianship legal community as the demands seem evermore in excess of Court Visitor availability.

Thank you and best regards,



Carol J. Williams
Court Visitor/Guardian ad Litem

THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
FOR KITSAP COUNTY

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(360) 337-7140

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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
CADINE FERGUSON-BROWN, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 8

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COURT COMMISSIONER
LYNN K. FLEISCHBEIN
COURT COMMISSIONER
FRANK A. MAIOCCO, JR.
COURT ADMINISTRATOR

June 25, 2024

Ms. Carol J. Williams
7061 NW Jupiter Trail
Silverdale, WA 98383

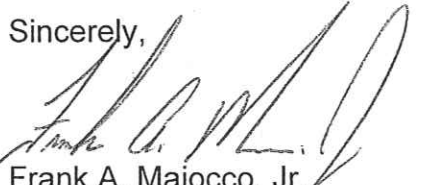
Re: Kitsap County Superior Court Title 11.130 Court Visitor Registry, 2024-2025

Dear Ms. Williams:

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 2024 - 2025 Registry, effective July 1, 2024.

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