

**APPLICATION / REAPPLICATION FOR GUARDIAN AD LITEM /
COURT VISITOR REGISTRY**
Family Law - Title 26 / Minor Guardianship - Title 11.130

Name: Desiree S. Hosannah

Business Name or Firm: Hosannah Law Group, PLLC

Business Address: 5631 Tacoma Mall Blvd. Suite 1

City and State: Tacoma, WA Zip Code: 99405

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Email Address: Desiree@DSHLG.com

☐ Non-Attorney ☒ Attorney - WSBA or Washington State Certification No: 31150

☒ I am hereby applying to serve as a:

☒ Guardian ad Litem (Title 26)

☐ Guardian ad Litem - Minor Guardianships (RCW 11.130.280)

☐ Court Visitor - Minor Guardianships (RCW 11.130.280)

☒ Attorney for ☒ RCW 11.130 Minor(s) ☐ RCW 11.130 Parent(s)

☒ I am willing to serve 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.

I have been a Title 26 GAL since June 2014, handling parenting investigations for residential schedules and paternity determinations. I have had over 100 appointments for the various registries I serve. As a GAL and CASA, I have applied my 20 plus years of professional experience as a family law attorney, including those skills gained as a ALA/Judge as well as my professional experience working with families in crisis.

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: 0

☐ 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

- X I have NOT completed the model training program but will do so once the training becomes available. X 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.

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/Court Visitor 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 or Court Visitor prior to completion of the Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor 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 Copy of fee schedule. [See KCLGALR 5(f)(3) re: private pay limits].
 - X Certificate of Qualification/Training for Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor seeking appointment under RCW 11.130;
- OR**
- X 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 31st day of May, 20 24, at Tacoma, Washington.


SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT WSBA 31150

PRINT NAME: Desiree S. Husgannah

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

DESIREE S. HOSANNAH, Esq.

5631 Tacoma Mall Blvd.

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Tacoma, WA 98409

Office (253) 476-5977

Email: desiree@dshlg.com

PROFILE:

I maintain a full-time civil law practice with three full-time employees. I have practiced law for more than 27 years. My practice areas include Family law, Administrative Law, Wills and Estate Planning and Elder law. I also have extensive litigation experience representing individuals in State and Tribal Courts. I have served as an Administrative Law Judge / Hearing Officer for the Quinault Indian Nation. My practice includes providing mediation services in family law and employment matters. In February 2014, I completed the Title 26 GAL training offered by the King County Bar Association. Currently, I serve as a Title 26 GAL for Pierce & Kitsap counties.

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS:

CENTER FOR DIALOG & RESOLUTION 40 HOUR MEDIATION TRAINING - 2017*

MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL COURT – 2017

KING COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION TITLE 26 GAL TRAINING – 2014*

NISQUALLY TRIBAL COURT – 2008

PUYALLUP NATION COURT/TRIBAL BAR - 2007

WASHINGTON STATE BAR – 2001

U. S. DISTRICT COURT/SOUTHERN&EASTERN DISTRICTS OF N. Y. – 1997

NEW YORK STATE BAR – 1996;

EDUCATION:

THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE, Olympia, WA

***Master of Public Administration* - June 2006**

CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK SCHOOL OF LAW AT QUEENS COLLEGE,

Flushing, N.Y.

***Juris Doctor* – May 1995**

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY – SCHOOL OF LAW, Athens, Greece

Constitutional, Criminal, Civil and Maritime Law classes in a comparative study of Continental and Common-Law legal systems. June – July 1993

PACE UNIVERSITY, New York, N. Y.

***Bachelor of Arts – Human Relations*, June 1989**

HONORS:

New York State IOLA Legal Services Fellowship (1995-1997)
New York State Regents Professional Opportunity Scholarship (1993-1995)
Charles H. Revson LSPIN Fellowship (1994)
Women's League of Science and Medicine Scholarship (1994)

LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Hosannah Law Group, PLLC (formerly dba Hosannah Lamont Law Firm PLLC),
Lakewood, WA

Solo Practitioner

July 2007 to present

Legal advice and representation in matters involving all aspects of family law, probate, wills, estate planning, guardianship including representing professional guardians in Tribal Courts and elder law.

Title 26 Guardian Ad Litem

2014 to Present

Conducted investigations in matters pertaining to contested child custody issues and/or dependency issues, for Tribal (Puyallup & Muckleshoot Tribes) and State Courts.

The Nisqually Indian Tribe, Olympia, WA

Contract Hearings Officer/Judge Pro Tem-Tribal Court

June 2007 to 2020

Preside over employee discipline and housing termination hearings as an independent Hearings Officer and over criminal matters as a Tribal Court Judge *Pro Tem*.

The Quinault Indian Nation, Taholah, WA

Contract Administrative Law Judge

May 2011 to present

Preside over employee discipline and housing termination hearings as an independent hearings officer.

The Office of Administrative Hearings, Seattle, WA

Administrative Law Judge – ES & SHS divisions

June 2001 to July 2008
(Judge Pro Tem – 8/08 to 6/09)

Conducted impartial administrative hearings for DSHS, and a variety of other state and local agencies throughout Washington.

The Northwest Justice Project, Seattle, WA

Staff Attorney – C.L.E.A.R. LINE

September 2000 to June 2001

Provided legal advice, referrals and brief services to low and moderate income clients through a telephone hot-line system funded in part and supported by the Washington State Access to Justice Fund.

**The Legal Aid Society
Brooklyn Office for the Aging, Brooklyn, N. Y.**

Staff Attorney

February 1998 to September 2000

Provided a broad range of civil legal representation for senior citizens including eviction prevention, SSI and public benefits, Medicare, family law, wills, trusts & estates; supervised law student and college interns; and actively participated in the joint Union/Management hiring committee involving the selection and hiring of legal staff.

Bronx Neighborhood Office, Bronx, N. Y.

Staff Attorney (N. Y. S. IOLA Fellow)

September 1995 to October 1997

Provided legal representation in the area of housing, matrimonial and family law involving eviction proceedings, Jiggets relief, divorce & separations, adoptions, guardianships, child custody, child abuse/neglect and Article 78 proceedings; and participated in the joint union/management hiring committees and was actively involved in the selection and hiring of legal staff.

Criminal Justice Project NAACP – Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., N.Y., N. Y.

Legal Intern

June 1994 to January 1995

Conducted legal research and prepared memoranda of law in the area of capital punishment and related issues such as the rights of the mentally retarded defendant and prosecutorial misconduct; and jointly developed and coordinated a citywide public awareness campaign concerning the reinstatement of the death penalty in New York and its impact on the poor and people of color.

CUNY Mississippi Project. C.U.N.Y School of Law, Flushing, N. Y.

ORIGINAL DELEGATE

August 1993 to May 1995

Organized and raised funds for a human rights endeavor in Mississippi involving the development of an internship program for a delegation of 17 law students to work with local Mississippi attorneys and community activists investigating the resurgence of lynching in Mississippi jails; and jointly prepared a memorandum of law regarding sovereign and qualified immunity of local and state officials.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Tacoma Community College

September 2021 to present

Adjunct Professor – Paralegal Studies Program

Teach various legal courses such as Legal Research, Family Law & Civil Practice to undergraduate students pursuing an associate degree in Paralegal Studies.

Central Washington University – Steilacoom Center

September 2001 to March 2008

Adjunct Professor – Law & Justice Division

Taught various legal courses such as Legal Research, Family Law, Civil Practice and Criminal Law to undergraduate students pursuing a four-year degree in Law & Justice.

Medgar Evers College (CUNY) – Brooklyn, N. Y.

***Adjunct Assistant Professor/Freshman Year Program* September 1996 to January 2000**

Taught two to three core sections of Freshman Seminar involving basic skill development and critical thinking strategies; taught basic writing skills; and provided ongoing academic and financial counseling.

***Faculty Liaison/Worker Education Program* May 1998 to February 1999**

Assisted in the coordination, development and implementation of faculty orientation for off-campus courses; provided academic advisement to paraprofessionals and adult-worker students; developed and conducted adjunct faculty seminars; developed and conducted enrichment seminars for the student population; and supervised support staff and college students.

C.U.N.Y. School of Law, Flushing, N. Y.

***Writing Assistant* August 1994 to May 1995**

Taught weekly writing seminars for 20 first-year law students; assisted first-year seminar professors in the development of the first-year writing curriculum; and evaluated writing assignments for clarity, conciseness and legal reasoning.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

CUNY – Medgar Evers College & Erasmus Hall High School, Brooklyn, N. Y.

***Counselor* December 1991 to June 1992**

Provided personal, educational and financial counseling to 100 students and their families; conducted bi-weekly teacher conferences; coordinated Parent Advocacy sessions; sponsored and supervised Tutor Training sessions; monitored Mentor/Mentee program; and co-wrote Liberty Partnership Program grant proposal.

St. Vincent's Foster Family Services, Brooklyn, N. Y.

***Case Worker* October 1989 to June 1991**

Monitored 21 foster homes for abused and neglected children; and provided intensive supportive services to biological and foster families.

Women In Need, Bronx, N. Y.

***Counselor* May 1989 to September 1989**

Provided individual and group counseling to battered women and their children.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Hon. Robert J. Bryan American Inn of Court -Member (2022 to present)

Washington Chapter Association of Family and Conciliation Courts – Member (2015 to 2017)

WA Chapter AFCC– Executive Board Member (2017-elected for 3 year term)

Washington State Bar Association – Member (2001 to present)

New York State Bar Association – Member (1996 to present)

Tacoma Pierce County Bar Association – Member/Trustee

Pierce County Minority Bar Association – Member/ President

Tacoma Community College Foundation Board – Former Member

Access to Justice Board – Impediments Committee Member/ (former) OAH Representative
Washington Administrative Law Judges Association – Former Member
St. Mary's Episcopal Church & School Advisory Board – Former Member
Bethlehem Baptist Church – Ordained Deacon/Member of Trustee Board
Concord Family Services Board of Directors – Former Member

SUMMARY PROFESSIONAL GUARDIAN AD LITEM TRAININGS 2014-2023

August 2014

King County Bar Association
Title 26 Initial Certification Training
24.00 hours/3 days

April 13, 2016

6.75 hours - Title 26 Training –
Kitsap County Legal Services

September 13, 2016

3.00 hours - CPS Safety Framework
Jennifer Gaddis, Quality Practice Specialist, Children's Administration

September 17, 2016

3.50 hours - Call to Duty – Day of Service

September 26, 2016

6.00 hours - Presenter - Title 26 Update Advanced Training for GAL
WA Chapter Association of Family and Conciliation Court (AFCC)

October 20, 2016

1 hour - Summary of June AFCC Conference Materials

January 19, 2017

1 hour - Family Court Judges Roundtable

February 16, 2017

1 hour - Psychological Evaluations & Personality Disorders
Dr James Manley

March 15, 2017

1.0 hour - Anger Assessments, DV Assessments, Mental Health Assessments and Parenting
Observation Assessments

March 25, 2017

6.00 hours – WA Chapter Association of Family and Conciliation Court (AFCC) Annual
Training

March 27, 2017, Rainbow Center

1.5 hours - Gender Identity Training

May 10, 2017

6.50 hours - Family Law Issues for GAL Title 26

June 21, 2017

Desiree S. Hosannah - Resume

1.0 hour - Family Financial Support in Military Family Law Cases

September 19, 2017, 10 AM - 2:30 PM

3.00 hours - Autism, Same-Sex Parenting Considerations

September 29th, 30th, October 1st, 13th and 14th 2017

40.00 hours - **Mediation** Training – Center for Dialog & Dispute Resolution

October 18, 2017

1.0 hour - Youth Education and CHINS Petition

October 19, 2017

1.0 hour - Pierce County Family Court Judges Roundtable

November 15, 2017

1.0 hour - Protecting Parental Rights in LGBTQ Families

February 3, 2018

6.0 hours – AFCC Training (University of Washington) From Shared Parenting Schedules to Children Who Resist Contact With a Parent

April 5, 2018

Domestic Violence - A Primer on Upcoming Changes to the WACs
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

May 16, 2018

Family Law Section: Social Media & Evidentiary Issues in Family Law
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

June 29, 2018 – July 1, 2018

The 2018 Family Law Section Midyear Meeting and Conference
WSBA CLE

October 5-7, 2018

24th Annual Bar Convention
Sponsor: Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

October 17, 2018

Family Law Section: CPS and Law Enforcement in Family Law Cases & Dependency Issues

December 19, 2018

Family Law GAL recertification training
Kitsap Legal Services

January 25, 2019

The Basics of Representing Children and Youth in Dependency Proceedings
Department of Assigned Counsel

September 18, 2019
Permanence Summit
Pierce County Juvenile Court

September 20-22, 2019
25th Annual Bar Convention
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

October 16, 2019
Family Law Section: Real Estate Transactions and Lending Issues in Divorce
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

October 25, 2019
DRAW: First Annual Meeting and CLE
Domestic Relations Attorneys of Washington

March 11, 2020
Pro Tem Training
Pierce County Superior Court

June 17, 2020
Race Equity Foundations for Unemployment Insurance Attorneys
Justlead Washington

June 17, 2020
Commissioners Roundtable
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

September 16, 2020
Primer on Minor Guardianship Under Title 11
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

October 21, 2020
Family Law Section: Real Estate and Appraisals for the Family Law Attorney
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

February 5, 2020
Don't Save the Worst for Last, How to Timely Prepare QDRO(s) and Other Retirement Asset Orders
King County Bar Association

February 17, 2021
Family Law Section: Uniform Guardianship Act - Minor Guardianships
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

May 21, 2021

Family Law Section: Parentage & Sexual Assault Allegations
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

April 28, 2021

Title 26 GAL Re-certification Training
Kitsap Legal Services

June 10, 2021

Principle of Practice: Values to Transform Child Welfare
Pierce County Juvenile Court

June 16, 2021

Diversity Equity & Inclusion - Language and Lexicon
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

July 2, 2021

When Pigs Fly - Significant Impacts on Dependencies
Department of Assigned Counsel

August 18, 2021

Diversity Equity & Inclusion - Cultural Competence
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

December 9, 2021

Pierce County's All Things Parentage Follow Up - Tip Sheet w/FAQs
Pierce County Juvenile Court

January 19, 2022

Family Law Section: Military Pensions - Recent Developments
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

February 22, 2022

Juvenile Court: Depositions Demystified
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

February 16, 2022

Family Law Section: Current Status of the DV Laws
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

February 28, 2022

Civility: Do We Really Have to Argue?
Hon. Robert J. Bryan Am. Inn of Court

April 13, 2022

Basics of Personal Injury
Kittitas County Bar Association

April 21, 2022

Title 26 GAL Re-Certification Training
Kitsap Legal Services

April 26, 2022

How Minor Guardianship Has Changed and Adult Guardianship Will Change Under the New UGA
WSBA CLE

May 3, 2022

Uniform Guardianship Act: Title 11 Minor Guardianship, RCW 11.130
King County Bar Association

May 3, 2022

2021 Title 11 Adult Guardianship GAL/Court Visitor Training
King County Bar Association

May 13, 2022

Dependency Virtual Trials: Pitfalls and Promise of Online Trials
Washington Defender Association

May 18, 2022

Family Law Section: Real Estate
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

October 14, 2022

26th Annual Bar Convention
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

October 24, 2022

Scream, Too? | The Horror of Nightmare Opponents, Clients, and Witness
Sponsor: Hon. Robert J. Bryan Am. Inn of Court

November 17, 2022

Clients and Mental Health: Mythbusting, Communication Tips, and Ethical Considerations
WSBA CLE

October 2, 2022

WA State OPD's 2022 PRP Statewide Conference
Washington State Office Of Public Defense

November 28, 2022

From the Bedroom to the Courtroom: The Tangled History of Privacy, Liberty, and Personal
Autonomy in American Jurisprudence
Hon. Robert J. Bryan Am. Inn of Court

December 21, 2022

Family Law Section: Ethical Issues in Family Law
Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association

January 23, 2023

History bites: What the Character and Fitness Board cares about from your past and present
Hon. Robert J. Bryan Am. Inn of Court

March 23 – 24, 2023

2023 WA Attorney Academy on Reasonable & Active Efforts
Admin. Office of the Courts

April 18-19, 2023

2023 Children's Justice Conference
King County Sexual Assault Resource Center

May 17, 2023

Civil Legal Aid & The Value of Volunteering
Tacomaprobono

May 18, 2023

Title 26 GAL Re-Certification Training
Kitsap Legal Services

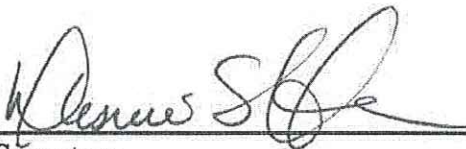
RELEASE OF INFORMATION

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

I, Desiree S. Hosannah (Professional License No. 31150)
herby 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

5/31/24
Date

Desiree S. Hosannah
Printed Name

5631 Tacoma Mall Blvd. - Suite 1
Street Address

Tacoma, WA 98409
City/State/Zip

2024 GAL Fee Schedule

Desiree S. Hosannah, WSBA #31150

My fee schedule for services performed as a GAL in Kitsap County is as follows:

1. I charge \$225.00 per hour / \$5,000.00 Retainer for GAL cases.
2. Administrative Support services are billed at \$65.00 per hour
3. Paralegal services are billed at \$75.00 per hour
4. Copies and print services are billed at \$.15 per page



CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

This certifies that

DESIREE S HOSANNAH

attended the Title 26 Guardian ad Litem Recertification Training Online via Zoom

on April 24, 2024.

This course has been approved for 3.5 hours of Law & Legal credits, and 2.5 hours of Other
(Nexus Subject) by the WSBA.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joanne E. Sprague".

Joanne E. Sprague
Executive Director
Kitsap Legal Services

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jennifer Forbes".

Hon. Jennifer Forbes
Presiding Judge
Kitsap County Superior Court

THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
FOR KITSAP COUNTY

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

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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

June 25, 2024

JENNIFER A. FORBES, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 7
CADINE FERGUSON-BROWN, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 8

MATTHEW L. CLUCAS
COURT COMMISSIONER
LYNN K. FLEISCHBEIN
COURT COMMISSIONER

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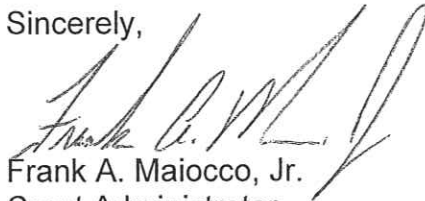
Re: Kitsap County Superior Court Title 26 Guardian ad Litem Registry, 2024-2025

Dear Ms. Hosannah:

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 2023 - 2024 Registry, effective July 1, 2024.

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