

RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR PIERCE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
TITLE 11 GUARDIAN AD LITEM REGISTRY

This application is for Guardians ad Litem currently serving on the Pierce County Superior Court Title 11 Guardian ad Litem Registry.

THIS IS PUBLIC INFORMATION

This is my **renewal** application to serve as a Guardian ad Litem in Pierce County, State of Washington as required under Title 11. I hereby certify under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that my renewal application is true and correct. Please **check each box** where contact information has changed since last year's application was submitted.

Date Signed: 3/17/09 Signature: Judson C. Gray

WSBA # and Year Admitted: 15195 1985

Printed Name: Judson C. Gray

[] Business Address: 4142 6th Avenue

[] City: Tacoma State: WA Zip Code: 98406

[] E-Mail Address: jgrayattorney@harbornet.com

[] Business Telephone Number: (253) 759-1141 [] FAX: (253) 759-1447

Bilingual: NO If so, in what language(s): _____

Please indicate the date, county and sponsor where you are enrolled for the one day mandatory training (only approved training qualifies): 4/24, 2009 KING COUNTY BAR ASSO.
DATE COUNTY/SPONSOR

Please include the dates and sponsor of the initial two day training that you previously completed:

Training Sponsored by: (Name) KING COUNTY BAR ASSO

(Address) UNKNOWN

(County) KING (Dates) 1994 OR 1996

(Phone) _____

NOTE: **Only** this application may be utilized. Late applications shall **not** be accepted for any reason. All questions **must** be answered in the order in which they are given. Answers that only refer to a resume or vitae are **not** acceptable although a resume is required and you may attach supporting materials. Please return completed application, resume and any materials by **March 20, 2009 4:30 PM** to:

Pierce County Superior Court Administrator
Room 334, County City Building
930 Tacoma Ave South
Tacoma, WA 98402-2108

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A. Please report the first year you served on the RCW 11.88 Guardian ad Litem Registry in **Pierce County**. Please list any years where there was a break in service.

1994

B. Number of appointments you have received as a Guardian ad Litem and the county or counties of appointment during the last Registry year, 7/1/08 to 3/20/09:

KITSAP AND PIERCE 11

C. Percentage of your total case load that RCW 11.88 Guardian ad Litem work represents overall: 5-3%

D. Criminal history, as defined in RCW 9.94A.030: A current and completed Washington State Patrol Conviction Criminal History Record must be received by the Court. If not attached, the expected date the Court will have the record: attached

E. Have you ever been accused of, found guilty of, or been a victim of **either** domestic violence or an anti-harassment action? Yes _____ No X. If **yes**, please explain.

F. Evidence of your knowledge, training, and experience, in the following areas, pursuant to RCW 11.88.090 (3) (b) (I). You must complete **in full** the information requested below, in the space provided, in addition to attaching a required resume or vitae. However, answers that only refer to a resume or vitae are **not** acceptable .

1) The number of times you have been removed for failure to perform duties as Guardian ad Litem. For each removal, give a brief explanation, with the county, case name, cause number, and attach all relevant documents from the court file along with a copy of the court order. 2 PRO

2) Please list all other trainings you have attended, the month/year attended and the materials covered in each training you attended.

I also certify the following:

G. I will successfully complete the Guardian ad Litem training required by the Pierce County Superior Court and under the laws of the State of Washington (only approved

training qualifies) under the laws of the State of Washington and immediately submit my Certificate of Attendance.

AGREE DISAGREE _____

H. My normal hourly rate is \$ 210.00 . My hourly rate to serve as Guardian ad Litem in guardianships is \$ 200.00 .

I. I am presently not serving, nor have I recently applied to serve, as a Judge or Commissioner pro tempore in Pierce County Superior Court. I understand that I am not permitted to serve in both capacities.

AGREE DISAGREE _____

J. I have no criminal history or license suspension or revocation.

AGREE DISAGREE _____

K. I am not the subject of any pending investigation or action by a government agency, professional organization or one that would result in either a criminal conviction or a license revocation or suspension.

AGREE DISAGREE _____

L. I have read and understand the applicability to me and agree to be bound and governed by the Pierce County Superior Court Administrative Policy #3 for the Title 11 Guardian ad Litem Registry.

AGREE DISAGREE _____

M. I have read, signed, returned and understand the applicability to me of the Pierce County Superior Court Administrative Policy #4 Title 11 Guardian ad Litem. Code of Conduct and agree to be bound and governed by the Code of Conduct.

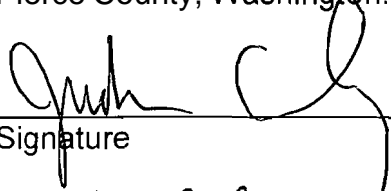
AGREE DISAGREE _____

N. I have completed in full, signed and attached the confidential supplement to this renewal application .

AGREE DISAGREE _____

If you disagree for **any** above (G-N) please explain in full:

I certify that I have thoroughly studied the provisions and requirements of Title 11 and believe I am fully qualified to be appointed as Guardian Ad Litem for Guardianships in Pierce County, Washington.

	<u>3/19/09</u>
Signature	Date of signing
<u>Judson C. Gray</u>	<u>Tacoma WA</u>
Print Name	Place of signing

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POLICY 4

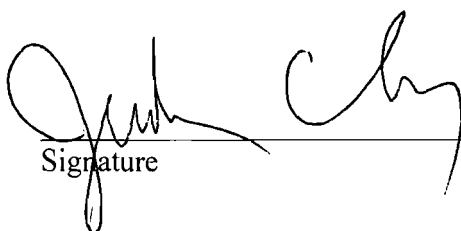
**PIERCE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
RCW 11.88 GUARDIAN AD LITEM
CODE OF CONDUCT**

All Guardian ad Litem's shall fully comply with this Code of Conduct and the requirements of Superior Court GALR, effective 11/01:

1. The appointed Guardian ad Litem shall decline the appointment if they are not qualified, competent, or able to complete the matter in a timely manner.
2. The Guardian ad Litem shall maintain the ethical principles of their own profession in addition to compliance with this Code of Conduct.
3. The Guardian ad Litem shall promptly advise the court of any grounds for disqualification or unavailability to serve.
4. The Guardian ad Litem shall avoid self-dealing or association from which the Guardian ad Litem might directly or indirectly benefit, other than from compensation as a Guardian ad Litem.
5. The Guardian ad Litem shall not guarantee or create the impression that any portion of the investigation will remain confidential, and shall inform all witnesses that the information gathered by the Guardian ad Litem must be reported to the court.
6. All records, including contemporaneously maintained time and expense records, of the Guardian ad Litem shall promptly be made available to the parties and their attorneys for review upon request, without formal discovery request(s) being made. Copies of the records may be made by the parties and their attorneys under circumstances that assure that the file remains complete, organized and intact.
7. Once admitted to the RCW 11.88 Registry, all Guardian ad Litem's shall fully comply with all continuing education requirements established under Pierce County Local Rules and GALR, as amended.
8. The Guardian ad Litem shall report to D.S.H.S. and the court, any adult abuse as defined in RCW 74.34.020(2).

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the foregoing, has read the same and GALR, and agrees to be governed by all.

3/17/09
Date + 4/20/09
(Adopted 5/4/98; amended 3/6/02)


Signature

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IN COUNTY FILED
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 PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON
 BY KEVIN STOCK, County Clerk
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PIERCE

In re the Matter of:)	Cause No. 09-2-00646-1
STAFFORD T. CARTER, a Vulnerable Adult,)	STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS
and)	
MICHAEL T. CARTER, Respondent.)	

GUARDIAN AD LITEM STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

THIS STATEMENT is presented as required by RCW 11.88.090.

REQUISITE AREAS OF KNOWLEDGE, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE are detailed below:

I have been a court-appointed Guardian ad Litem and court-appointed attorney for the alleged incapacitated persons in guardianship matters since 1994. During the past 13 years, my appointment as a Guardian ad Litem and court-appointed attorney has resulted in my being involved in over 125 cases, including a contested jury trial and contested bench trials. I have been appointed as a Guardian ad Litem in Pierce, Kitsap, and King counties and have represented petitioners in Pierce and King County guardianships.

I. THE NEEDS OF THE ELDERLY

I have attended the following Guardian ad Litem training and other miscellaneous CLE training which specifically address the needs of the elderly:

1. Pierce County Bar Association Guardian ad Litem Training, 1/28/94, 7.0 CLE credits
2. WSBA Elder Law CLE, 8/23/96, 6.75 CLE credits
3. Inter-County GAL Training, 5/28-5/29/98, 14.75 CLE credits
4. Inter-County GAL Training, 5/14/99, 7.0 CLE credits
5. Inter-County GAL Training 2000

6. 2000 Professional Guardianship 2-day Training Seminar
7. Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training, 5/11/01 6.75 CLE Credits
8. 2001 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training, 6.75 CLE Credits
9. 2002 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training, 6.75 Credits
10. 2003 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training, 7.25 Credits
11. 2004 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training, 13.25 Credits
12. 2005 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training, 6.75 Credits
13. 2006 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training, 5.75 Credits
14. 2006 Elder Law CLE, 5.00 Credits
15. 2nd, 4th & 5th Annual Tacoma-Pierce County Guardianship CLE
16. 2007 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training
17. 2008 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Training

In addition, I have received and have purchased the Guardian ad Litem training materials produced by DSHS and adopted by Pierce County Superior Court as part of its guardian ad litem certification process for both 1996 and 1997. I also have the 2002 - 2008 Inter-County Guardian ad Litem Handbook. I have also taken various real estate, real estate tax, estate planning, ethics, probate, and Elder Law continuing legal education courses for the last 12 years amounting to well over 100 hours of continuing legal education which has exposed me in a direct manner to the financial, tax, real estate, and estate planning needs of the elderly.

I have been involved in numerous guardianships involving impaired elderly people, as an attorney for the Petitioner, a Guardian ad Litem, and a court-appointed attorney. My involvement has given me keen insight into the personal care needs of a variety of differently impaired elderly individuals who need and desire help yet also need, desire, and have the right to have their dignity and personal autonomy preserved. I also represent certified professional Guardians and lay people needing help in Elder Law matters.

I have personally visited numerous adult family homes and care facilities in King, Kitsap, Pierce, and Thurston Counties. My association with these guardianships and visiting these facilities have exposed me to the needs virtually all of the elderly.

II. THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

Again, in addition to the above-referenced Guardian ad Litem and CLE training which addressed this issue, I have been appointed as a Guardian ad Litem and court-appointed attorney in guardianships involving persons with physical disabilities over the last 13 years. As the acting GAL, I have been exposed to the needs of persons with physical disabilities and persons with hearing disabilities, speech disabilities, sight disabilities, ambulatory disabilities, and general communication problems, including the inability to speak or communicate through the common use of language. I have handled cases involving Quadriplegia, sightlessness and all manners of physical disabilities.

III. THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS

In addition to the training and CLEs referenced above, as a court-appointed Guardian ad Litem and court-appointed attorney representing wards, I have been involved with and have represented persons with mental illnesses, including schizophrenia, anxiety disorder, and persons with manic depressive-type problems commonly referred to as bipolar disorders.

IV. THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

1 In addition to the training and CLEs referenced above and paragraph III referenced above, I
2 have been involved in guardianships as a GAL and as a court-appointed attorney for persons with
3 developmental disabilities. As a court-appointed GAL, I have observed, watched, and interacted
4 with many people as their mental and physical condition slowly deteriorated. It aided me in my
5 understanding of the needs of persons with developmental disabilities. I have gained experience
6 through being appointed guardian ad litem for people with mild Down's syndrome, general mental
7 retardation, and other persons with neurological disorders, Asperger's Syndrome, Bipolar Disorder,
8 ADHD, and the like.

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10 **V. OTHER AREAS RELEVANT TO THE NEEDS OF INCAPACITATED PERSONS**

11 I believe my experience as a sole practitioner and focusing my practice in the areas of real
12 estate law, wills, probate, and elder law, along with my prior experience in family law, exposes me
13 to a wide variety of situations in which certain individual's needs need to be addressed, met, and
14 satisfied. I have in the past been a basketball coach at the high school level and have been involved
15 with the Alumni Board at the Charles Wright Academy which has also exposed me to the needs of
16 the less fortunate. I was on the Mary Bridge Children's Foundation Board for the years 2003-
17 2005.

18 **VI. LEGAL PROCEDURE**

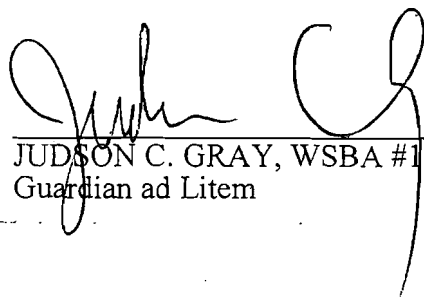
19 I have participated in guardianship cases since 1994, including a jury trial, bench trials, and
20 numerous guardianship hearings. Furthermore, I have personally witnessed well over 250 show
21 cause hearings involving guardianships, reports, testimony, and decisions of court commissioners.
22 I have reviewed on numerous occasions the entire RCWs, including Chapter 11.88 and Chapter
23 11.92, which are directly responsible for the parameters of the current guardianship laws and
24 thinking. I have also been involved as a Guardian ad Litem in a minor settlement on a few
25 occasions. I have also in the past been involved in an adoption.

VII. THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 11.88 AND 11.92

I qualify under RCW 11.88.020 as I am over the age of 18, of sound mind, and have never
been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. I am a resident of this state
and am otherwise a person whom the court should find suitable. I am an active, licensed practicing
attorney and I also qualify under RCW 11.92.010 as a Guardian ad Litem.

I have successfully completed the Guardian ad Litem training as approved by King, Kitsap,
Pierce, Snohomish, and Thurston County Superior Courts; and my practical experience and my
practice continue to involve guardianship matters. My fees are at a rate of \$210.00 per hour.

DATED this 6 day of March 2009.



JUDSON C. GRAY, WSBA #15195
Guardian ad Litem

Certificate of Completion
King County Bar Association

Judson Gray

2008 Washington State
RCW 11.88.090 Guardianship Guardian ad Litem Training
Re-Certification, May 16, 2008

5.50 General & 1.00 Ethics for a Total of 6.50 CLE Credits Approved (approval #200 733)

5.50 CPG Credits Approved: 5.00 General & .50 Ethics



Roxanne Mennes, King County Bar Association CLE Director

Certificate of Completion

King County Bar Association

Judson Gray

**2009 Washington State
RCW 11.88.090 Guardianship
Guardian ad Litem Training**

Re-Certification, April 24, 2009

April 24, 2009: 5.50 General & 1.00 Ethics for a Total of 6.50 CLE Credits Approved (approval # 227 029)

5.75 Certified Professional Guardian Credits Approved for April 24, 2009 (4.75 General & 1.00 Ethics)



Roxanne Mennes, Education Director, King County Bar Association