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**RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR PIERCE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT  
TITLE 26 PARENTING INVESTIGATOR/GUARDIAN AD  
LITEM CERTIFIED REGISTRY**

**This application is for Guardians ad Litem currently serving on the Pierce  
County Superior Court Title 26 Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem  
Certified Registry.**

**THIS IS PUBLIC INFORMATION**

This is my renewal application to serve as a Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem in Pierce County, State of Washington, as required under Title 26. 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: March 10, 2009 Signature: Raelea Newman

WSBA # and Year Admitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: Rae Lea Newman,

- Business Address: 11012 Canyon Road East, Suite 8, PMB 818
- City: Puyallup State: Washington Zip Code: 98443
- E-Mail Address: Raeleanewmanrn@aol.com
- Business Telephone Number: 253-573-0230 FAX: 253-383-3397

Bilingual: \_\_\_\_\_ If so, in what language(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all trainings attended during the past year: (include Date, Sponsor, and Topic)

Noon GAL trainings excluding the CPS and bipolar

PAS, WEBCAST, 8 HOURS, presented by Dr. Michael Bone, April – May 2008

Mentor and Job Shadow for GAL 26.09

**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

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A. Please report the first year you served on the RCW 26.09 Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem Certified Registry in **Pierce County**. Please list any years where there was a break in service: 2002

B. Number of appointments you have received as a Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem and all counties eligible for appointment during the last year, 1/1/08 to 12/31/08:

22

C. Percentage of your total case load that RCW 26 Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem work represents overall:

100%

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:

\_\_\_\_\_

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  \_\_\_ If yes, please explain.

F. The number of times you have been removed for failure to adequately perform duties as Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem or for any other cause. For each removal, give a brief explanation, with the county, case name and cause number, and attach all relevant documents from the court file along with a copy of the court order.

One time, default as father's attorney did not show for hearing and hostility of mother and her counsel.

Jenkins, Russel and Sharon, 03-3-02983-1

Second GAL made same recommendations I had made

**I also certify the following:**

**G.** 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

**H.** I have no criminal history or license suspension or revocation.

AGREE  DISAGREE

**I.** 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

**J.** I have read and understand the applicability to me and agree to be bound and governed by the Pierce County Superior Court Administrative Policy #1 for the Title 26 Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem Certified Registry.

AGREE  DISAGREE

**K.** I have read, signed, returned, and understand the applicability to me of the Pierce County Superior Court Administrative Policy # 2 Title 26 Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem Code of Conduct and agree to be bound and governed by the Code of Conduct.

AGREE  DISAGREE

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

AGREE  DISAGREE

If you disagree for any answer (G-L), please explain in full:

I certify that I have thoroughly studied the provisions and requirements of Title 26 and Superior Court Guardian ad Litem Rules and believe I am fully qualified to be appointed as a Parenting Investigator/ Guardian ad Litem in Pierce County, Washington.



Rae Lea Newman, RN, GAL/PI  
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### Resume for Rae Lea Newman

I am a Registered Nurse, having obtained a BS in Nursing and a BA in Psychology at Seattle Pacific University in 1978. For 15 years I was employed as an inpatient oncology nurse at Group Health Hospital in Seattle, Washington. During this employment, I worked with many families and individuals experiencing stress in medical, social and financial issues, and was a facilitator for groups dealing with issues of grief and loss. I have served as an advocate for special education students in public education in several school districts within Pierce County. I have served as Secretary on the Board of Directors of the Evergreen Spina Bifida Association from 1993-1996, and was on the Steering Committee for Pierce County Parent Coalition for Developmental Disabilities from 1996-1999. I have worked with children and adults with developmental disabilities since 1989, holding a board position at Wonderland Child Development Center from 1989-1991. I have taken several graduate level classes at Seattle University in their Masters of Counseling program. I have been licensed as a RN in Washington State since 1978. I have worked with the March of Dimes as a member of the Washington State Folic Acid Commission in 2000. I completed GAL/PI training in the spring of 2002 in Pierce County, the Thurston County training in spring of 2004 and was a presenter at the GAL/PI training in Pierce County in 2006. I have served as a mentor, appointed by the GAL Judicial Committee in Pierce County, for provisional GAL's as part of their training since 2005.

I have functioned as both a stipulated and appointed GAL for Pierce County in over 200 cases. These cases have involved a myriad of concerns, including - but not limited to: parental alienation, methamphetamine abuse, alcohol abuse, multi-drug abuse, domestic violence, child abuse, sexual abuse, developmental disabilities, autism, cerebral palsy, spina bifida, sex offenders, traumatic death, same sex parent dissolution, dissolution of short and long term marriages with family interference, trans-cultural dissolutions, dissolutions with English as a not understood language, and third party custodies.

Classes that I have taken to facilitate my knowledge base include:

Chronic Child Neglect, B. Brennen and D. Ellis, PICC April 2002

Identifying Child Molesters, Carla Van Damm, April 2002

Cultural Based Advocacy Core Training, King County Superior Court, May 2002

Basic Mediation Training, Pierce County Center for Dispute Resolution, March 2003

Methamphetamine Identification and Symptoms of Abuse, May 2003

Interviewing the Child and Adult, John Yulle, May 2004

Methamphetamine Task Force, Washington State Patrol, May 2005

Mediation for Collaborative Law, Institute for Advanced Dispute Resolution, April 2006

Overcoming Parental Alienation, J. Michael Bone, Ph. D., May 2007

All GAL's in Pierce County are required to take the monthly continuing education classes set up by the Pierce County Family Court during the noon hour, including

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speakers on DV, drug abuse and testing, personality disorders, CPS, setting motions and other legal procedures, diversity, setting up parenting plans for incarcerated parents, immigration and travel abroad, ethics and interviewing children.

I have successfully worked with numerous attorneys, therapists and psychologists in the Pierce County area over the past five years. Each of the following is representative of a different role, however, each would be able to speak of their experiences in working with me.

**Adult therapist:**

Terry Bader MSW, Commencement Counseling, 253-272-2046

**Child therapist:**

Thomas Handlan PhD, McCollum and Associates, 253-537-2574

**Mentee:**

Claudia Bassin Esq, GAL, 206-931-3075

**Attorney:**

Debora F. Morse JD, 253-581-9715

**Attorney and pro tem Commissioner:**

John Cain, JD, 572-8338

**Paralegal:**

Robin Edwards 253-833-6633

**GAL:**

Tracy Burgess JD, GAL 253-531-7268

**Adult Psychologist:**

Vince Gollogly PhD

253-223-2525

I hope this addresses my areas of experience and training.

If you have any further questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rae Lea Newman, RN, GAL/PI

