

In the Circuit Court of the 22nd Judicial Circuit McHenry County, Illinois

Application For Appointment As Attorney for a Minor Child

Pursuant to Rule 11.04 of the Rules of the 22nd Judicial Circuit, I hereby make application for court appointment as a guardian ad litem, child's representative, or attorney for a minor child for issues of custody, visitation, neglect, dependency, or such other issues as the Court deems appropriate, and in support thereof state as follows:

I. Status:

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Office Address: _____

Office Phone/Fax/Email: _____

Date Admitted to Practice Law in Illinois. _____

Date Admitted in Other Jurisdictions. _____

II. Past Experience in Custody, Visitation, or Juvenile Cases

Please advise of your experience within the last five years concerning contested custody, visitation, or juvenile cases. Please provide case names and numbers and your role regarding the case. You may also list any other relevant experience.

III. References

Please list at least two references who are aware of your work concerning the above, and who would be willing to advise concerning the same. Please list addresses and phone numbers.

Reference

1: _____

Reference

2. _____

IV. Legal Education

Please list all approved continuing legal education courses you have taken in the last two years in the following areas: roles of guardian ad litem and child representative; ethics in child custody or juvenile cases; relevant substantive state or federal case law in custody, visitation, or juvenile issues; family dynamics, including substance abuse, domestic violence, and mental health issues; or any related, approved training sessions presented or approved by this Court or by state or local bar associations. Attorneys who work for government or non-profit family or legal aid agencies may list their appropriate in house legal education classes:

Note: The applicant must have completed at least ten (10) hours of approved continuing legal education courses in the following areas: child development; roles of guardian ad litem and child representative; ethics in parental responsibility allocation cases; relevant substantive state and federal case law in parental responsibility allocation and parenting time issues; family dynamics, including substance abuse, domestic abuse, and mental health issues. Applicants may seek approval of related training sessions presented by this Court or by state or local bar associations. Attorneys who work for the government or non-profit family or legal aid agencies may meet the requirements of this rule by attending appropriate in-house legal education classes.

The applicant must be a licensed attorney in good standing with the Supreme Court of Illinois and have no less than three (3) years' experience in cases arising under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Parentage Act, the Domestic Violence Act, the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, Article 112 A of the Code of Criminal Procedure; or experience of not less than one (1) year in cases arising under the Juvenile Court Act.

I agree to update my office and contact information by giving same to the Trial Court Administrator of this Court no later than 7 days after any change in address or status.

I agree to follow the rules of the 22d Judicial Circuit, McHenry County, Illinois, concerning my appointment, and to faithfully discharge the powers, duties and responsibilities of an attorney for a minor child, including but not necessarily limited to those specified in 750 ILCS 5/506 and other relevant provisions of the Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, Illinois Supreme Court Rule 907 and other relevant Supreme Court Rules, the Parentage Act, the Juvenile Court Act, the Illinois Domestic Violence Act, the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, and Section 112A of the Illinois Code of Criminal Procedure.

Signed:

Date