

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO**

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In re the matter of _____)
)
) No: _____)
[] minor(s) or)
[] alleged to be an adult with a disability)

ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN AD LITEM (“GAL”)

It is ordered that _____
be appointed GAL for the above Respondent(s), either
[] pursuant to 755 ILCS 5/11a-10 as an adult alleged to have a disability
or
[] pursuant to the court’s inherent authority for the minor(s).

The GAL shall investigate the facts of the case and report to the court concerning the proposed Ward’s best interests.

Further, the GAL is authorized to:

- obtain Respondent(s) complete medical record, including records concerning mental health, alcohol/drug abuse treatment, lab results, and communicable diseases;
- discuss Respondent’s condition with medical providers, counselors, and related personnel;
- obtain school records, including standing, grades, attendance, and discipline.

This authorization is effective immediately and shall continue until either the discharge of the GAL or revocation by the court. This authorization is granted to enable the GAL to fulfill the investigatory nature of their mandate and to provide an accurate, fair, and complete report concerning the Respondent(s) and their best interests.

Documentation obtained by the GAL shall not be disseminated without leave of court. Information obtained by the GAL shall be kept confidential, except as may be required to fulfill the GAL’s duties and complete the mandated investigation.

GAL FEES are subject to review and re-allocation. Absent any further order of court, fees
[] Shall be responsibility of the Petitioner at the G.O. 3.09 rate of \$_____ per hour, or at such other rate as agreed to by the parties and approved by the Court;
[] Shall be paid by the County (ILSC Rule 299 rate) per full fee waiver order;
[] Shall be allocated between the County and Petitioner, per partial fee waiver order;
[] Shall be reserved until further order of court.

Date

Judge