

**APPLICATION / REAPPLICATION FOR TITLE 11.130 ADULT GUARDIANSHIP /
COURT VISITOR REGISTRY**
Guardianship / Conservatorship / Protective Arrangement

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Non-Attorney Attorney - WSBA or Washington State Certification No: 42438

- I am hereby applying to serve as a:
- Court Visitor (RCW 11.130.280)
 - Attorney for Respondent/Person Subject to Guardianship (RCW 11.130.285)
 - Special Agent / Complex Case Appointments (RCW 11.130.635)
 - Emergency Guardian (RCW 11.130.320)

I am willing to serve as a Title 11.130 Court Visitor 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.

1. On GAL/CV registry from 2013-2020, resigned due to personal medical issues. Appointed numerous times as GAL/CV, attorney for respondent, and special master to investigate.
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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:

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

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

A strong focus of my practice since 2010 has been on elder law and the needs of senior citizens and vulnerable adults. I have participated in multiple guardianship (prior to the conservatorship statute) trials, including a jury trial. I have advised and represented numerous guardians/conservators through the petition process and also during the course of their appointment. I have also represented mental health patients in involuntary commitment proceedings. Through my work and my personal experiences, I have become very familiar with the needs of all segments of our vulnerable population.

I include the following with my application (please check all applicable boxes):

- 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.
- Completed Washington State Patrol Conviction Criminal History.
- Signed release of information directed to all professional regulatory bodies which have licensed or supervised the applicant within the last ten years.
- 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.
- 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.
- Copy of fee schedule. [See KCLGALR 5(f)(3) re: private pay limits].
- Certificate of Qualification/Training for Guardian ad Litem/Court Visitor seeking

appointment under RCW 11.130;

OR

- 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 13 day of May, 2024, at Port Orchard, Washington.


SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

PRINT NAME: Ben F. Leonard

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

**Ronald D. Richmond, Attorney
Richmond Hill, PLLC.**

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Port Orchard, Washington 98366**

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND:

**Attorney
Richmond & Hill, PLLC
2023 – Present**

**Richmond & Richmond
2015 – 2020, 2022**

General civil practitioner with practice focus in elder law, probate/guardianship, real estate, and civil litigation. Demonstrated strengths in case analysis in and determining a course of action. Unwavering focus on resolution, either through negotiation or litigation.

**Associate Attorney
GSJones Law Group, Port Orchard, Washington.
2010 – 2014**

General civil practice. Relevant highlights include:

- Working with hundreds of senior residents of Kitsap County under Senior Legal Services Contract with the Area Agency on Aging, helping seniors with a variety of issues including estate planning, powers of attorney, housing issues, and consumer protection.
- Successfully represented an Incapacitated Person seeking to have their Guardian replaced.
- Successfully represented an AIP in negotiating dismissal of guardianship.
- Represented an AIP where we retained most of his rights after a trial by jury.
- Represented Petitioner in a complex bench trial where we proved incapacity of the AIP.

**Director of Planning / Associate Advisor
Northwestern Mutual Financial Network, Cincinnati / Dayton, Ohio
2003 – 2009**

Responsible for retirement plan design, implementation, customer service, and client interface on complex cases. Majority of clientele made up of Fortune 500 executives. Received the 2009 Commitment to Excellence Award for dedication, expertise, and teamwork.

CERTIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION:

Washington State Bar, 2010 – present
California State Bar, 2004 – present (inactive)
Also admitted to US District Court (Western WA), and Suquamish Tribal Court.
Juris Doctor, 2002
FINRA Series 66, 2007 – 2010
FINRA Series 7, 2006 – 2010
FINRA Series 6 & 63, 2003 – 2010
Ohio Insurance License, 2000 – 2010
(Note: Financial certifications no longer needed after changing careers, so voluntarily non-renewed.)


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, Ronald D. Richmond
(Professional License No. 42438) hereby 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

23 May 24
Date

Ronald D. Richmond
Printed Name

1521 SE Piperberry, Ste. 135
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Private Pay Schedule: \$270 / hr. + travel/milage

I am willing and able to take Public Pay cases per county rate.

Certificate of Completion

This certificate is presented by Community Guardians and certifies that

Ronald Richmond

Has successfully completed

2024 Title 11 Court Visitor Recertification Training

This 7th day of May, 2024



Community Guardians

*Jenifer Mick, CPG - Kirsten Murray, CPG -
Jaime S. Huff, JD, CPG - Denise Hughes, RN - Gale McKiernan
Board of Directors*


Jaime S. Huff, Director

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