

APPLICATION FOR GUARDIAN AD LITEM REGISTRY

Family Law - Title 26

Mail or deliver the completed application, with all attachments, to:

Kitsap County Superior Court Administrator
614 Division Street, MS-24
Port Orchard, WA 98366

Name: Vernon Ovington Hosannah
Business Name or Firm: The Hosannah Law Group, PLLC.
Business Address: 7403 Lakewood Drive W. Ste 5,
City and State: Lakewood, WA Zip Code: 98499
Business Phone: (253) 476-5977 Fax: (253) 474-2968
Email Address: vernon@dshlg.com

- Non-Attorney
- Attorney - WSBA or Washington State Certification No: 57170
- I am willing to serve as a Guardian ad Litem 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 GAL including years of experience and number of appointments.
STATEMENT OF GAL QUALIFICATIONS

My educational background, training and experience prepared me to serve as a GAL and to represent the best interests of individuals under the direction of the Court. My educational background consists of a Bachelor's degree in Psychology, a Master's degree in Educational Administration & Supervision, plus a Juris Doctorate degree in Law.

In terms of training, I have held several professional credentials including certification by Washington State as a teacher, certified counselor, principal program administrator and superintendent. In addition, I am licensed by New York State as a school district administrator and a science teacher. I have worked youth and their families over the past thirty years. My experience includes educational leadership, conflict resolution and advocacy with five years of experience as a DSHS employee in the area of criminal juvenile justice; having

worked at Echo Glen Children's Center as a juvenile rehabilitation residential counselor and later by helping youth transition to life outside of confinement as a parole officer, also known as a juvenile rehabilitation community counselor. Moreover, I have practical experience performing investigations and preparing reports. On November 13, 2015, I was admitted into the Puyallup Tribal Court. On October 7, 2020 I was admitted to the Washing State Bar Association. In conclusion, for the above reasons, my educational background, training and experience have prepared me to serve in the capacity of a Title 26 Parenting Investigator /Guardian Ad Litem. I have served as a GAL for over four years in Pierce and Kitsap Counties.

Number of times serving as a Guardian as Litem that I have been removed for failure to perform my duties as a Guardian ad Litem: 0

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 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 prior to completion of the Guardian ad Litem's 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.
- Certificate of Qualification/Training for Guardian ad Litem seeking appointment under RCW Title 26.

OR

- I am currently on the Guardian ad Litem 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 9th day of April, 2021, at Lakewood, Washington.



SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

PRINT NAME: Vernon Hosannah

VERNON O. HOSANNAH

6323 60th Street W. University Place, WA 98467
Cell (253) 363-3526 Fax (253) 565-2262
Email: vhhosa1@msn.com

EDUCATION:

Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA 98119
Executive Leadership Program, Superintendent's Certificate, Awarded January 2010

Baruch College, New York, NY 10010
Master of Science in Education, Administration and Supervision, Awarded June 1998

The City University of New York School of Law at Queens College, Flushing, N.Y. 11367
Juris Doctor, Law, Awarded May 1994, Admitted to practice Law in WA State October 7, 2020

Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA 30314
Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, Awarded June 1984

PROFESSIONAL STATE LICENSES:

*WA – Superintendent, Principal, Program Administrator, Teacher- Biology Primary, Primary Science, ELL
NY- Permanent – School District Administrator (SDA), Biology and General Science- Grades 7 - 12*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Attorney, - Hosannah Law Group, PLLC.

7403 Lakewood Drive W., Ste. 5
Lakewood, WA 98499

I engage in the practice of administrative, education and family law.
40 hrs/ week, October 2020 to Present

Substitute Teacher, - Tacoma School District

601 South 8th Street, Tacoma, WA 98405

I was employed to educate youth of various ages throughout the district.
October 2019 to June 2020

Teacher, - Kent School District

12033 SE 256th Street, Kent, WA 98030

I taught Sixth Grade students the Common Core Curriculum at Meridian Elementary School. Supervisors:
LySander Collins, Principal Rainier View Elementary School, 3015 S 368th St, Federal Way, WA 98003 (253) 945-3700 and Stephanie Barringer, Principal Meridian Elementary, (253) 373-3220. 40 hrs/week, *August 2016 to June 2019*

Guardian Ad Litem, - Kitsap County Superior Court

614 Division Street, MS – 24, Port Orchard, WA 98366

Pursuant to RCW 26.12.175(1)(a), "The court may appoint a guardian ad litem to represent the interests of a minor or dependent child when the court believes the appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary to protect the best interests of the child in any proceedings under this chapter." The role of the guardian ad litem is to investigate and report factual information to the court concerning parenting arrangements of the child and to represent the child's best interests. *June 2016 to June 2018*

Juvenile Rehabilitation Community Counselor- JRA Region 2, Seattle Office

500 1st Avenue S, Suite 600, Seattle, WA 98104

I modeled pro-social adaptive behavior; assessed youth behavior for risk to self or community and referred youth for treatment services. I identified, taught and assisted families connect with appropriate services and resources matched

to the family. I supported and monitored youth and family participation in appropriate community services, as well as maintained professional standards and boundaries when working with youth and their families. Supervisor: Ed Pompey, Program Manager (206) 639-6007 (Work), *November 2012 to October 2013*

Juvenile Rehabilitation Residential Counselor – Echo Glen Children’s Center

Chinook Cottage, 33010 SE 99th Street, Snoqualmie, WA 98065

I provided daily group supervision, mental health treatment, comprehensive case management, transition planning, and counseling services for youth offenders and their families. Supervisor: Gerald Threet, Program Manager (425) 831-2632 (Work), *March 2008 to October 2012*,

Assistant Principal - Central Kitsap School District

Central Kitsap Junior High School, 10130 Frontier Place NW, Silverdale, WA 98383

I was responsible for the safety and security of the school. As assistant principal, I conducted investigations of student misconduct, hired, trained and evaluated staff. I also reviewed District and school wide policies. I wrote and revised the student handbook annually. I practiced investigative techniques and have prepared and reviewed investigative reports. I also represented the school in numerous administrative proceedings. My duties included working directly with HR involving employee matters. I participated in meetings, trainings and workshops related to the collective bargaining process and explained rights and responsibilities for approximately 1000 students and 80 staff. Supervisor Barbara Gilchrist, Principal Retired. N/A, August 2002 to June 2006

Assistant Principal - Seattle Public Schools

Bailey Gatzert Elementary School, 1301 E. Yesler Way, Seattle, WA 98122

I served as site supervisor for the Washington Reading Corp., the umbrella program for all reading instruction for the school. In addition, I led and coordinated Student Intervention Team meetings. My other responsibilities included providing instructional leadership, supervising and evaluating staff, improving the school culture, handling discipline issues and maintaining a safe and orderly environment for 430 students and for 60 staff. Supervisor: Jean Anthony, Principal Retired N/A, *August 2001 to June 2002, 40 hours/week*

Adjunct Professor - Tacoma Community College

Gig Harbor/ Peninsula College Center

3993 Hunt Street, Gig Harbor, WA 98335

I taught Business Law. Supervisor: Becky Morgan (253) 460-2424(Work), *September 2000 to December 2000*

Assistant Principal - Board of Education of the City of New York

The Eubie Blake School - P. S. / I. S. 25, 787 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221

As an administrator in the Chancellor's District, I was hired to turn around a failing school, which I did. During that year, I supervised approximately eighty staff and evaluated approximately twenty of them. My responsibilities included the sixth, seventh and eighth grade. All grades showed improvement, the sixth and eighth grade's test scores improved significantly. Supervisor: Carmen Lloyd, Principal Retired, N/A *September 1999 to August 2000*

Adjunct Assistant Professor/ Freshman Year Program - Medgar Evers College (CUNY)

1650 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11225

I taught two core sections of Freshman Seminar involving basic skills development and critical thinking strategies. In addition, I taught basic writing skills; provided ongoing academic and financial counseling. *September 1999 to June 2000*

Teacher - Board of Education of the City of New York,

65 Court Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201

As a certified science teacher, I taught Junior High School students. *September 1994 to September 1999*

Legal Intern - The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.,

99 Hudson Street, NYC, NY 10013

I performed legal research and prepared memorandums of law in the area of capital punishment and related issues such as prosecutorial misconduct and its repercussions in capital cases, assisted in the writing of an Eighth Circuit brief and reviewed depositions and transcripts. *September 1993 to December 1993*

Legal Intern - The Federal Trade Commission, 150 William Street, NYC, NY 10038

Working during the summer as a legal intern, I investigated unfair and deceptive trade practices in the market place. I researched and drafted legal memorandum that included anti-competitive and discriminatory conduct. I crafted lesson plans for a consumer education curriculum for the State of New Jersey. *June 1991 - August 1991*

Supply Teacher - Atlanta Public Schools, 210 Pryor Street, Atlanta, GA 30303

I taught high school English to grades 9-12. *September 1989 to June 1990*

Gate Supervisor - Eastern Airlines, Hartsfield International Airport

I was hired as a ramp agent and then rose to supervise two crews of six individuals. In addition, I conducted safety audits for the airline. I gained further knowledge of investigative technique and in particular, skill in conducting investigations and preparing and reviewing investigative reports. I demonstrated a high level of communication skills in order to present complex and interrelated concepts and information and to secure the participation of others in the investigative process. *October 1988 to September 1989*

Teacher - Board of Education of the City of New York, C. E. S. 90, Sheridan Avenue, Bronx, NY 10456

I educated elementary students in Common Branches. *February 1987 to June 1987, 40 hours/week*

Administrative Assistant/Group Leader, Association for the Help of Retarded Children,
200 Park Avenue South, NYC, NY 10003

I led staff training and performed client education sessions. *September 1986 to September 1988*

Mental Health Worker III, Upper Manhattan Mental Health Center formerly known as
Problems with Life Mental Health Community Center

1727 Amsterdam Avenue, NYC, NY 10031

Provided primary care, crisis intervention to clients with a variety of psychological needs.

September 1984 to August 1985

REFERENCES FURNISHED UPON REQUEST

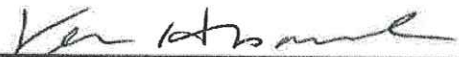
RELEASE OF INFORMATION

- TO: Washington State Bar Association
 Washington State Medical Association
 Washington State Nursing Commission
 Washington State Board of Psychology
 Washington State Department of Licensing

I, Vernon Ovington Hosannah
(Professional License No. 57170) 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

4/9/2021
Date

Vernon Hosannah
Printed Name

7403 Lakewood Drive W., Ste. 5
Street Address

Lakewood, WA 98499
City/State/Zip



Effective June 1, 2022

**Vernon O. Hosannah
Title 26 Guardian ad Litem Fee Schedule**

Initial Retainer: \$5,000 payable by cash, money order, bank check or credit card and must be paid in full before work commences.

Trial Retainer: \$2,000 which must be paid 30 days prior to trial.

Hourly Rate: \$200 per hour for Appointed GAL, \$60 per hour for Paralegals and Support Staff; time is billed in 1/4 of an hour, including trials, depositions and travel time.

Costs: Printing and copying is charged at \$0.15 per page, mileage is billed at the standard rate issued by the IRS. Actual costs of gaining records, background checks, and other necessary expenses are charged against the retainer at actual cost.

Please note: Order Appointing Guardian ad Litem shall be authorized 2x retainer without further court order.



April 9, 2021

TITLE 26 Guardian ad Litem Fee Schedule*

Initial Retainer: \$3,000. Payable by cash, money order, cashier/bank check or credit cards and payment must be received before work commences.

Trial Retainer: \$2,000. which must be paid 30 days prior to trial. Trials and depositions will be billed at \$200., my hourly rate.

Hourly Rate: \$200. per hour, which includes travel time.

Costs: Actual costs for receiving records, conducting background checks etc. will be applied against the retainer, plus labor if applicable. Printing and or Coping is charged at \$0.25 per page.

Please note: Order Appointing Guardian ad Litem shall authorize 2X my retainer, (i.e. \$ \$6,000.), without further order of the court.

**Above Fees Schedule is applicable for Vernon Ovington Hosannah's services as a GAL.*

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Friday, April 9, 2021



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WASHINGTON ACCESS TO CRIMINAL HISTORY

Web Search No Record Found Report

Washington State Patrol

Identification and Criminal History Section

P. O. Box 42633

Olympia, Washington 98504-2633

Telephone (360) 534-2000 Option 2

**THE FOLLOWING TRANSCRIPT OF RECORD
IS FURNISHED FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

This report was generated from a transaction run on 4/9/2021 at 10:56 AM
Conviction Criminal History RCW 10.97.050(1)

Pursuant to the purpose of inquiry, NO RECORD was found in the Washington
State Criminal History Repository based on descriptors provided:

HOSANNAH, VERNON O DOB 04/26/1962 SEX M RAC U

This may mean that the person you searched for has no criminal conviction
record OR that your search criteria did not match the spelling of the person's
name or date of birth.

Positive identification or non-identification in the Washington State Patrol's
database can only be determined by fingerprint comparison.



**CERTIFICATE
OF
ATTENDANCE**

This certifies that

VERNON HOSANNAH

attended the Title 26 Guardian ad Litem Recertification Training Online via Zoom
on April 28th of 2021.

This course has been approved for 6.25 CLE credits (2.75 Law & Legal, .5 Ethics, and 3.00
Other) by the WSBA.

Joanne E. Sprague

Joanne E. Sprague
Executive Director
Kitsap Legal Services

K.D. Hull

Hon. Kevin D. Hull
Presiding Judge
Kitsap Superior Court

Certificate of Completion



This certifies that

Vernon Hosannah

attended the

Kitsap County Superior Court
RCW Title 26 Guardian ad Litem Update Training

on April 10, 2018



*Certified by the Superior Court of Kitsap County as the statutory required
RCW 26.12.175 Guardianship, GAL Registry Update Training*

HONORABLE JEFFREY P. BASSETT
Kitsap County Superior Court Judge

WSBA CLE Credits: Application Pending

THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
FOR KITSAP COUNTY

614 DIVISION STREET, MS-24
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TINA ROBINSON, JUDGE
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DEPARTMENT NO. 5

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DEPARTMENT NO. 7
SALLY F. OLSEN, JUDGE
DEPARTMENT NO. 8

MATTHEW L. CLUCAS
COURT COMMISSIONER
FRANK A. MAIOCCO, JR.
COURT ADMINISTRATOR

July 1, 2021

Mr. Vernon O. Hosannah
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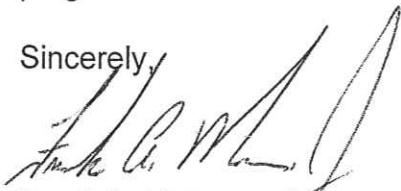
Re: Kitsap County Superior Court Title 26 Guardian ad Litem Registry, 2021-2022

Dear Mr. Hosannah:

The Kitsap County Superior Court Guardian ad Litem Committee has received and reviewed your application for the Title 26 Guardian ad Litem registry. We are pleased to include you on the 2021 - 2022 Registry, effective July 1, 2021.

Thank you for your interest and participation in Kitsap County's Guardian ad Litem program.

Sincerely,



Frank A. Maiocco, Jr.
Court Administrator
Kitsap County Superior Court