

COURT ORDER #2

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF _____ COUNTY, OHIO

In the matter of:

PLAINTIFF, PETITIONER

DEFENDANT, PETITIONER, RESPONDENT

JUDGE _____

**ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN
AD LITEM**

CASE NUMBER: _____

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_____ having moved for the appointment of a guardian ad litem, and it appearing that appointment of a guardian ad litem is essential to protect the interests of the minor child(ren); it is hereby **ORDERED**, that _____; be and hereby is appointed guardian ad litem for the minor child(ren) _____

_____ ; it is further **ORDERED**, that upon presentation of a copy of this order to any agency, hospital, physician, chiropractor, optometrist, dentist, nurse or other medical, dental or optical practitioner, psychologist, psychiatrist, or other mental health practitioner, organization, school, person, or office including, but not limited to, the Clerk of this Court, human services agencies, public children services agencies, private child placing agencies, health departments, juvenile courts, and juvenile probation departments, the guardian ad litem shall be permitted to inspect and copy any records relating to the child(ren)/parent and/or to confer with any and all professionals who may provide information relative to said minor child(ren)/parent with respect to issues pending before this Court without the consent of the child(ren) or parent(s); it is further

ORDERED, that the guardian ad litem appointed to this cause shall maintain any information received from any such source as confidential, and will not disclose the same except to report to the Court or as the Court directs or law permits; it is further

ORDERED, that the guardian ad litem shall be given notice of and shall appear at all hearings or proceedings scheduled in this cause and assure proper representation of the child(ren) at said hearings; unless excused or otherwise indicated by the Court; it is further

ORDERED, that the guardian ad litem shall be notified of any hearings, reviews, investigations, depositions, or other proceedings concerning the child(ren) and shall be entitled to attend the same; it is further

ORDERED that the guardian ad litem shall be notified prior to any change being made in the child(ren)'s residential placement and/or case plan by any party, except those actions taken to prevent immediate or threatened physical or emotional harm to the child(ren) as provided in 2151.41.2, in which case the guardian ad litem must be notified before the end of the next business day after the change is made; it is

ORDERED that the GAL shall charge at the rate of _____ per hour for his/her services.

ORDERED that fees for said guardian ad litem shall be taxed as follows: _____

Date Approved:

Judge/Magistrate

CERTIFICATION:

A copy of this order was hand-delivered or mailed to counsel of the parties or to the parties without counsel and to the guardian ad litem this _____ day of _____, 20 _____. [Receipt of a copy of this order was waived by the parties and/or counsel.]
