

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Guardian ad Litem Board

GAL Form 7
9/15/07

Reference Form
(Attach additional sheets, if needed)

This form may be utilized to provide the Guardian Ad Litem Board with information concerning applicants for certification as guardians ad litem in New Hampshire. Persons submitting references may, alternatively, submit a written narrative. See Gal 302.05. Mail references directly to Guardian ad Litem Board, State House Annex – Room 120, 25 Capital Street, Concord, NH 03301-6312. Positive letters of reference are required from three (3) individuals, at least one of whom has known the applicant for at least two (2) years and at least one of whom has observed the applicant’s interaction with children or incapacitated adults or who has had the opportunity to form an opinion regarding the applicant’s ability to understand and empathize with children or incapacitated adults. See Gal 302.04 (f).

1. **Applicant’s Name:** _____
2. **Name of person writing this reference:** _____
3. **Mailing address of writer:** _____

4. **Brief description of writer’s background and experience:**

5. **How long have you known the applicant?** _____
6. **Is the writer a family member, current business partner, employee, workplace subordinate or business associate of the applicant (other than a supervisor)?**
 Yes (If yes, writer is ineligible to serve as a reference) **No**
7. **Is the writer familiar with the applicant’s character and overall knowledge, skill, proficiency and impartiality in contexts that the writer views as indicative of the applicant’s future successful performance of the duties of a guardian ad litem?**
 Yes **No** (If no, writer is ineligible to serve as a reference)
8. **a. Has the writer observed the applicant’s interaction with children or incapacitated adults or had an opportunity to form an opinion regarding the applicant’s ability to understand and empathize with children or incapacitated adults?**
 Yes **No**
- b. If you answered yes to “a.” above, have you formed an opinion as to the applicant’s ability to understand and empathize with children or incapacitated adults?**
 Yes **No** **Not applicable**
- c. If you answered yes to “b.” above, describe the basis for your opinion:**

d. If you answered yes to “a.” above, do you attest to the applicant’s ability to understand and empathize with children or incapacitated adults?

- Yes No Not applicable

9. What attributes of the applicant do you believe would render the applicant a good candidate for certification as a guardian ad litem?

10. a. In your opinion is the applicant a person of good character?

- Yes No

b. If you answered “yes” to a. above, why do you conclude that the applicant is a person of good character?

11. Do you recommend the applicant for certification as a guardian ad litem?

- Yes No

Signature of the writer

Date