

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Guardian ad Litem Board

GAL Form 7  
7/30/13

**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 a guardian ad litem in New Hampshire. Persons submitting references may, alternatively, submit a written narrative. 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.*

**Mail references directly to Guardian ad Litem Board, State House Annex – Room 120, 25 Capital Street, Concord, NH 03301-6312.**

**1. Applicant Name:**

**2. Name of person writing this reference:**

**3. Address of writer:**

**4. Brief Description of writer's background:**

**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 supervisor)?**

*Yes (If yes, writer is ineligible to submit 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. Has the writer observed the applicant's interaction with children or incapacitated adults or had the opportunity to form an opinion regarding the applicant's ability to understand and empathize with children or incapacitated adults?**

**Yes**

**No**

a. If you answered yes to “8” above, do you attest to the applicant’s ability to understand and empathize with children or incapacitated adults?

Yes

No

Not Applicable

b. If you answered yes to “8” 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 “c” above, describe the basis for your opinion:

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

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

Yes

No

a. If you answered yes to “10” 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

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Signature of the writer

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Date