

CAUSE NO. _____

IN THE GUARDIANSHIP

OF

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IN THE COUNTY COURT

AT LAW NO. _____ OF

HUNT COUNTY, TEXAS

STATEMENT OF SERVICES AND EXPENSES BY ATTORNEY AD LITEM

On this day personally appeared, _____, in the above referenced matter who swears and affirms:

1. *I was appointed on the above referenced case as the **ATTORNEY AD LITEM***
2. *I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Texas. I have performed all of the services required of me with due diligence. I am familiar with reasonable and customary fees charged by attorneys in such matters and based on my experience and training, the compensation and expenses claimed herein were reasonable and necessary to provide effective assistance of counsel. I therefore request the following fees and expenses for my services.*

a. *Attorney Ad Litem Fee:* \$ _____
(☐ Flat Fee or ☐ _____ hours billed at \$ _____)

b. *Expenses and reimbursements:* \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

3. *I understand if my total fee exceeds \$550 I must attach hereto as "Exhibit A" an itemized statement and explanation of all fees incurred relative to my services as Attorney Ad Litem.*
4. *I understand if I have any expenses and/or reimbursements, I must attach hereto as "Exhibit B" an itemized statement and explanation of all expenses and/or reimbursements incurred relative to my services as Attorney Ad Litem.*

Respectfully submitted,

State Bar No.

Phone:

Email:

Address:

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**ORDER APPROVING ATTORNEY AD LITEM FEES,
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT & DISCHARGING ATTORNEY AD LITEM**

On this day the Court considered the *Statement of Services and Expenses by Attorney Ad Litem* submitted by:

_____, Attorney Ad Litem

The **COURT FINDS** the requested fee and expenses listed below are reasonable and necessary and that this request should be granted:

Attorney Ad Litem Fee: \$ _____

Expenses and reimbursements: \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the fees and expenses are approved and taxed as costs. If there is an Attorney Ad Litem deposit, it shall be released to the Attorney Ad Litem within thirty (30) days of this Order as payment toward his/her fees and/or expenses. If the deposit exceeds the fees and expenses ordered by the Court, the remainder shall be refunded to the party that made the deposit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the fees and expenses ordered above exceed the Attorney Ad Litem deposit, or if there is no Attorney Ad Litem deposit, then the remaining balance shall be paid to the Attorney Ad Litem within thirty (30) days of this Order by:

- ☐ the guardianship estate.
- ☐ the management trust created for the benefit of the ward under Chapter 1301.
- ☐ the applicant (*the party to the proceeding who incurred the costs*).
- ☐ the Treasurer of Hunt County from county funds. (*After finding that there is no guardianship estate or management trust or the assets of the guardianship estate or management trust, as appropriate, are insufficient to pay the costs and the party to the proceeding who incurred the cost filed, on the party's own behalf, an affidavit of inability to pay the costs under Rule 145 TRCP that shows the party is unable to afford the costs.*)
- ☐ Other: _____.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that this appointment is terminated, and the Attorney Ad Litem named herein is discharged in this cause and the clerk **SHALL** remove the Attorney Ad Litem's name from the case manager system as an active Attorney Ad Litem in this cause.

SIGNED ON _____.

PRESIDING JUDGE