



**CIRCUIT COURT
NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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The Chambers of
JOHN L. JOANEM
Circuit Judge

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Instructions for Application for Approval to Serve as a Member of the Probate Guardian Ad Litem List

These instructions and the attached Application are for use by qualified attorneys in connection with the Local Court 5-3.28 regarding the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Probate Referral List for Guardians ad Litem and Court Appointed Attorneys 2025-2027 list. If you are interested in being added to the Probate Guardian Ad Litem list you must submit all of the documents below by **January 10, 2025**.

In order to be added to the Child Representatives and Guardian Ad Litem list please submit the following by January 10, 2025:

1. Probate Guardian Ad Litem Application
2. Probate Guardian Ad Litem training (required for new applicants)
3. Current State of Illinois Professional License (ARDC card or active information from website)
4. Current malpractice insurance (declaration page)
5. Documentation of completion of at least 7 hours of continuing education in the past 2 years (Only for renewing applicants)

Please read the Local Court 5-3.28 regarding the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Probate Referral List for Guardians ad Litem and Court Appointed Attorneys for more information. Applications and the documentation listed above will **ONLY** be accepted via email to the Civil Division Judicial Assistant (CivilJA@lakecountyil.gov) in order to expedite the process. If you have any questions, call 847-377-3724 or email the address above.

For further information, please refer to the Local Court Rules of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit on the website www.19thcircuitcourt.state.il.us/. Thank you for your continued interest in the 19th Judicial Circuit's Probate Guardian Ad Litem Program.

Sincerely,

John L. Joanem
Presiding Judge of Probate