

MAINE JUDICIAL BRANCH

\_\_\_\_\_ Plaintiff/Petitioner "X" the court for filing:  
 Superior Court  District Court  
 County: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Location (Town): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Docket No.: \_\_\_\_\_

V.

\_\_\_\_\_ Defendant/Respondent  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other party

OR

IN RE: \_\_\_\_\_

GUARDIAN AD LITEM'S MOTION FOR PRE-APPROVAL TO EXCEED THE VOUCHER CAP

Pursuant to Administrative Order (AO) JB-05-05, this Guardian ad Litem hereby seeks pre-approval of this Court to exceed the applicable maximum hours set forth in JB-05-05, and states as follows:

1. Type of case:

- Child Protection (Please indicate the legal stage to which this motion applies):
  - Summary Preliminary Hearing
  - Jeopardy Hearing (with or without JR and/or PP)
  - Judicial Rev. and/or Perm. Planning Hearing
  - Termination of Parental Rights Hearing
  - Release of a GAL from an Order of Appointment
  - Cease Reunification Hearing
  - Contested Perm. Guardianship Hearing
  - Contested Child Placement Hearing
  - Dismissal of Child Protection Action
  - Law Court Appeal
- Family matter:  Guardianship of a Minor  Adoption  Termination of Parental Rights, Title 19-A
- Juvenile Matter
- Guardian for Minor or Incompetent Person, M.R. Civ. P. 17(b)

2. As of the date of this Motion, the Guardian ad Litem has expended the following number of hours:

- Child protection cases: \_\_\_\_\_ hours during this legal stage of the proceeding; or
- All other cases: \_\_\_\_\_ hours on the case.

3. Pre-Approval Request (check one):

- This initial pre-approval request is for a total of \_\_\_\_\_ hours above the applicable maximum hours set forth in JB-05-05 for  this child protection legal stage  for the case (which is not a child protection case); or
- The court previously granted this GAL's motion for pre-approval to exceed the applicable maximum hours for  this child protection legal stage  for the case (which is not a child protection case) as set forth in JB-05-05 by \_\_\_\_\_ hours. This pre-approval request is for an additional \_\_\_\_\_ hours above the previously approved total hours.

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4. The circumstances supporting this request are (please attach additional pages as needed):

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\_\_\_\_\_

Date (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_



Signature of Guardian ad Litem

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Bar No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

ORDER OF COURT

[ ] The request is granted and pre-approval is given for an additional \_\_\_\_\_ hours. The GAL shall attach this Order to the GAL's voucher for reimbursement, along with any prior Orders granting pre-approval to exceed the cap for the same child protection legal stage, or for the case total hours if this is not a child protection case.

[ ] The request is denied. Any amount in excess of the cap will not be paid.

In accordance with M.R. Civ. P. 79(a), this Order is incorporated in the docket by reference at the specific direction of the Court.

Date (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_



[ ] Justice, Maine Superior Court

[ ] Judge [ ] Magistrate, Maine District Court

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