



State of Florida

Eighteenth Judicial Circuit

APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE REGISTRY FOR CHILDREN WITH CERTAIN SPECIAL NEEDS PURSUANT TO s. 39.01305, F.S.

Name _____ Telephone _____

Firm Name _____ E-mail Address _____

Address _____

Are you a member in good standing of the Florida Bar? Yes _____ No _____

Florida Bar Number _____ Year Admitted _____

By submitting this application to participate in the registry for children with certain special needs I am certifying the following:

- I. I meet the minimum requirements for court appointed counsel established by the Chief Judge for the 18th Judicial Circuit in which I seek to participate in the registry including any local requirements for court-appointed attorneys appointed to represent children in dependency cases.
- II. A. I have at least one (1) year of experience representing children in dependency cases within the last five (5) years; or
B. I am currently supervised by an attorney that has at least one (1) year of experience representing children in dependency cases; or
C. I have observed at least thirty (30) hours of hearings in dependency cases including at least one (1) shelter hearing, one (1) dependency adjudicatory hearing, one (1) judicial review hearing, one (1) hearing pursuant to either rule 8.350 or 8.355, Fla.R.Juv.P., and one (1) termination of parental rights trial.
- III. Within the last two (2) years I have attended at least ten (10) hours of continuing legal education devoted to the legal needs of children, at least five (5) hours of which were devoted to representation of children with special needs or disabilities and at least one (1) hour of which was devoted to ethics related to the representation of children or, if I have not, I will complete the requisite CLE requirements within three (3) months of being placed on the registry.
- IV. I have reviewed the Florida Guidelines of Practice for Lawyers Who Represent Children in Abuse and Neglect Cases.

Signature

Date

PLEASE SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

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