Application to Provide Court-Appointed Attorney / LGAL Services
for the Livingston County 44th Circuit Court – Juvenile Division

The 44th Circuit Court seeks qualified attorneys who can provide legal counsel to minor children and parents in child protective proceedings, adoption proceedings and respondent children in juvenile delinquency proceedings.

Applications may be submitted by individual attorneys, groups of attorneys, or firms. All applications will be reviewed for compliance with the mandatory requirements listed below.
The Court will contract with qualified applicants who shall be added to the master list, sorted by their agreement to represent parties in one or more case categories. Cases will be assigned by rotation, subject to the contractor's availability.

To assure that parties receive the effective assistance of counsel to which they are constitutionally entitled, attorneys providing services shall meet the following minimum professional qualifications:

a) Possess a Juris Doctorate (JD) degree from an ABA accredited law school.
b) Licensed to practice law in Michigan.
c) Member in good standing of the Michigan State Bar.
d) Possess the skill and ability to provide competent representation to parties in child protection, adoption and/or juvenile delinquency proceedings.
e) Understand and comply with applicable federal and state statutes.
f) Understand and comply with applicable Michigan Court Rules.
g) Understand and comply with ABA Standards of Practice.
h) Understand and comply with Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct.
i) An office in Livingston County is preferred, but not required.
j) Carry professional liability insurance.
k) Maintain appropriate means of contact including email, telephone and quality internet access.

Completed applications may be submitted to the Juvenile and Probate Court Administrator at dshaw@livgov.com

1. Applicant Profile

Name of Applicant:	
Primary Contact Name:	
Principle Business Address:	
Business Phone No.	Fax No.
Cell Phone No.	Number of Years in Practice
Email Address:	

2. Brief description of your qualifications and interest in providing attorney/GAL representation in juvenile matters (a resume may be attached to describe your qualifications).

3. Are you fluent in any language other than English? If so, please indicate languages.

4. Do you have any special skills or hold any special licenses?

5. Have you spoken, taught, presented, or published in the area(s) of juvenile law? If yes, please explain.

6. List any professional organization(s) of which you are a member (including sections or committees) that are relevant to the area(s) in which you seek appointments.

7. I use the following legal research tools in my practice:

   ☐ Westlaw
   ☐ LexisNexis
   ☐ HeinOnline
   ☐ Fastcase
   ☐ Other:

8. Have you ever been reprimanded, suspended, or disbarred from the practice of law in this state or any other state? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9. I am applying to provide legal representation to children and parents in (check all that apply):

   ☐ Delinquency (DL)
   ☐ Child Protection (NA)
   ☐ Adoptions
   ☐ Appeals

10. Provide a minimum of three (3) references.

Entity Name:	
Contact Name:	Title:
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11. I am interested in receiving mentoring from an attorney experienced in juvenile court practice: ☐ Yes ☐ No

12. I am an experience juvenile court attorney, and I am interested in serving as a mentor to an attorney new to the practice: ☐ Yes ☐ No

The undersigned affirms their ability to satisfy the mandatory minimum professional requirements on page one of this application.

Signature:

Printed Name and Title:

Date: