

387th Judicial District Court
Guidelines for Appointments of
Attorneys Ad Litem, Guardians Ad
Litem, and Mediators

1. **Attorney Ad Litem**

Minimum requirement for qualifying to serve as attorney ad litem

- a. At least 50% of the annual practice related to family law;
- b. Eight hours of continuing legal education in family law and three hours in ethics for the last reporting year;
- c. Attendance at an amicus/ad litem training seminar presented by the Fort Bend County Bar Association or other amicus/ad litem training CLE presented by the HBA or State Bar of Texas, or viewed the video of one of these live presentations;

2. **Guardians Ad Litem**

Minimum requirement for qualifying to serve as guardian ad litem

- a. Attendance at an amicus/ad litem training seminar presented by the Fort Bend County Bar Association or other amicus/ad litem training CLE presented by the HBA or State Bar of Texas, or viewed the video of one of these live presentations.

3. **Mediators**

Minimum requirement for qualifying to serve as mediator

- a. Completion of the requirements of the CPRC Section 154.052;
- b. Three hours of continuing legal education (CLE) in alternative dispute resolution for the last reporting year and at least one hour of CLE related to domestic violence;
- c. For appointments involving CPS, three hours of continuing legal education related to Texas Family Code Chapter 262 regarding protection of the child, or prior training and experience as a mediator in CPS cases.