

Agenda

Training

Date of Training: 02/26/2014
Place: Davidson County Juv. Ct.
Courtroom D

Training called by: Colleague Group

Presenter: David Grimmett, Esq

Facilitator:
Stacy Miller, Asst. Dist. Attorney

CLE Agenda

Time: 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

February 26, 2014

Attendees: Attorneys who represent juveniles, court staff, and judge's staff

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Best Practice Series: The Art and Science of the Guardian ad Litem

Part I:

Review of GAL Responsibilities

Rule 40 explained; New AG opinion re: conflict if representing adopted parents

Part II:

Step by Step Analysis of GAL Representation

Initial Intake

Review of Documents; Contact with Parties; Contact with Client

Part III:

Pre-Settlement Actions

Permanency Plan Developed; Obtain copies of T-FACTS, Medical and School Records; Determine if Expert is Required

Part IV:

Pre-Trial Actions

Contact Lay Witnesses; Contact Experts; Depose Expert Witnesses; Prepare Trial Exhibits; Certificate of Readiness

Part V:

Trial

Direct and Cross Examinations; Calling own Witnesses

Part VI:

Advocating for TPR & Adoption

Part VII:

Questions