

together with a copy of the Guardian Ad Litem's Oath and Acceptance which has been filed with the Court.

4. That law enforcement shall cooperate with any requests to provide copies of law enforcement records regarding the children, parents, and other adults living in the parents' home to the Guardian ad Litem, upon receipt of a copy of this Order together with a copy of the Guardian Ad Litem's Oath and Acceptance which has been filed with the Court.
5. That probation is authorized and ordered to cooperate with any requests to provide copies of treatment records and drug screens regarding the children, parents, and other adults living in the parents' home to the Guardian ad Litem, upon receipt of a copy of this Order together with a copy of the Guardian Ad Litem's Oath and Acceptance which has been filed with the Court.
6. That all persons with information about the children and their potential custodian arrangements, and all expert persons and providers who have served the children shall consult with and disclose information to the Guardian Ad Litem as requested, upon receipt of a copy of this Order together with a copy of the Guardian ad Litem's Oath and Acceptance which has been filed with the Court.
7. That the Guardian ad Litem shall have authority to request a substance use screen from Community Corrections of either party and/or a member of either party's household at any time and that this Order Appointing the Guardian ad Litem shall suffice as the order for drug screen. The Guardian ad Litem must notify in writing the person of whom a screen is requested. That writing could be text, email, or paper copy and must give reasonable opportunity to the person to comply with the date and time the screen is set for. The Guardian ad Litem shall contact Community Corrections when a screen is requested, giving them the date and times that a person is requested to screen; that person's date of birth and full legal name; and the type of screen requested. The person tested shall be financially responsible for the cost of the screen and shall pay the costs to Community Corrections in advance of the screen.
8. That the Guardian ad Litem shall maintain any information received from any such source as confidential and will not disclose the same except in reports to the Court, other parties to this cause as required by I.C. 31-1-11.5-22, and as necessary to act in the best interest of the children.
9. That the Guardian ad Litem shall be notified by the Court of any hearings, orders, judicial conferences, or other judicial action concerning the children.
10. That the Guardian ad Litem shall appear at all hearings or proceedings scheduled in this cause and shall assure proper representation of the children at said hearings, and shall comply with all Court directives.

11. That the parties shall notify the Guardian ad Litem of any emergency hearings or conferences, investigations, depositions or other proceedings concerning the child, and shall receive notice prior to any action taken by the parties substantially affecting the custody or visitation of the children.
12. That the Guardian ad Litem shall send copies of all pleadings or reports to all attorneys of record when said reports or pleadings are filed with the Court.
13. That as referenced in Indiana's *Rules on Access to Court Records* Rule 5(B), the GAL Report shall be filed and treated as a confidential document (e-filing) or filed on green paper (paper filing), and shall be filed with an ACR Form identifying Rule 5(B)(13) as the grounds for exclusion.
14. That this case has the following events set:
 - a. Provisional Hearing: XX
 - b. Mediation: XX
 - c. Final Bench Trial: XX
 - d. No hearings are currently set for these matters.
15. That if the Guardian ad Litem believes that the parties should not receive a copy of the report to keep for any reason, that the Guardian must provide notice of that request to the Court and all parties at least five (5) days prior to the due date for the report so that the court may consider that request, and if granted, determine how the parties may review the report by the due date of the report.
16. That the Guardian ad Litem shall provide an informal (oral or written) summary of recommendations to the parties and/or their Counsel at least two (2) business days prior to any mediation and shall participate in any mediation, although the GAL may choose to be present for only the portions of the mediation about child-related issues.
17. That the Guardian ad Litem shall file with the Court and shall provide copies of the written report to all parties (or their counsel, if represented) at least ten (10) days prior to the final hearing in this matter. If a report is not possible, the court shall delay the hearing on its own motion. **The Due Date of the Report is _____.**
18. That the parties (and attorneys) are not to share the report or discuss the report with any person who is not a party to this case, on any social media, or with the child.
19. **Equally Paid by the Parties.** That the expense associated with this appointment shall be shared equally by the parties until the final hearing at which time the Court will hear evidence as to the final allocation of costs.

20. **Initially Borne by One Party.** That the expense associated with this appointment shall be borne by XX until the final hearing at which time the Court will hear evidence as to the final allocation of costs.
21. **Paid by County.** That the expense associated with this appointment shall be paid by the county at pauper rates.
22. **Paid by County with Party Contribution.** That XX shall make a payment of \$XX to the Guardian ad Litem and that the remainder of any expenses shall be paid by the County at pauper rates.

SO ORDERED this XX day of XX XX.

Catherine Stafford, Judge
Monroe Circuit Court IV

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