

KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

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CLERK'S ALERT

Changes to Compensation Rates for Guardians ad Litem and Attorneys

Effective May 5, 2021, the standard rate of compensation will be \$700.00 for Guardians ad Litem accepting appointment in Minor Settlements anticipated to be less than \$5000. The new rate applies only to those matters in which the Order Appointing Guardian ad Litem is/was entered on or after May 5, 2021.

The standard fee limit for privately paid Guardian ad Litem/Visitor, Attorney for Alleged Incapacitated Persons is \$275.00 per hour up to 10 hours without further court approval. Such fees shall be the responsibility of a party or parties unless the Court has entered an order authorizing payment at public expense.

Updated appointment form(s) "Order Appointing Settlement Guardian ad Litem" and "Order Appointing Guardian ad Litem and Notice of Hearing" (for Title 11 Guardianships) are available on the King County Superior Court website: <https://kingcounty.gov/courts/superior-court/ex-parte-probate>.



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