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COUNTY COURTS AT LAW
IN AND FOR
HUNT COUNTY, TEXAS

JUDGE TIMOTHY S. LINDEN
COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1

JUDGE JOEL D. LITTLEFILED
COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 2

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER REGARDING SECURITY FOR ATTORNEY AD LITEM COSTS

The Court, on its own motion, enters this administrative standing order regarding payment of Attorney Ad Litems appointed in the following cases:

(1) Application for Appointment of Guardian,
(2) Application for Appointment of Temporary Guardian,
(3) Combined Application for Appointment of Independent/Dependent Administration with a Determination of Heirship,
(4) Application for Determination of Heirship,
(5) Application for Sale of a Minor's Interest in Property by a Parent or a Ward without Guardianship of the Estate, and
(6) Application for Attorney Ad Litem.

Texas Estates Code provides that the court shall appoint an Attorney Ad Litem to represent the interests of a proposed ward in the above matters. The Court finds the sum of $550 represents a reasonable amount to be deposited in contemplation of payment for services of the Attorney Ad Litem. In the above referenced matters.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED and **DECREED** that effective **APRIL 1, 2024**, unless an affidavit of indigency has been filed, in any and all applications or motions listed above filed thereafter, the Clerk of the Court shall collect an Attorney Ad Litem Retainer Deposit in the amount of $550, with administrative fee waived. The Attorney Ad Litem Retainer Deposit shall be held by the Clerk of the Court for the payment of the fees of the Attorney Ad Litem upon a proper order directing the taxing of the same as costs in the proceeding.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED and **DECREED** that the Attorney Ad Litem Deposit will be used as payment of the Court ordered Attorney Ad Litem fees. If the Court orders less than the $550, the excess will be refunded to the applicant. If the Court orders payment of more than $550, the order will indicate how the additional fee will be paid. Upon order of this Court, the Clerk of the Court shall release the Attorney Ad Litem Retainer deposit, minus any interest accumulated, as outlined in the Court's order. Any interest accumulated from the ad litem deposit will be returned to the applicant or upon request of the applicant, deposited into the Hunt County General Fund.

SIGNED ON FEBRUARY 20, 2024.

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