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In Re: Petitioner: Respondent/Co-Petitioner:		
Attorney or Party Without Attorney (Name and Address): Phone Number: E-mail: FAX Number: Atty.Reg.#:		Case Number: Division Courtroom
ORDER OF APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM		

THE COURT, having read and considered the *Motion to Appoint a Guardian Ad Litem* and responses thereto and being advised in the premises, finds and orders as follows:

1. The court grants the *Motion to Appoint a Guardian Ad Litem*.
2. The court appoints _____ as Guardian Ad Litem for the minor child of this action.
3. The address and telephone number of the Guardian Ad Litem is as follows:

Address:

Telephone:
4. The Guardian Ad Litem shall represent the best interest of the child. The parties and their counsel, if any, are ordered to cooperate with the Guardian Ad Litem ("GAL").
5. Payment of the GAL shall be as follows:
 - The parties are found to be indigent and the GAL shall be paid by the State of Colorado at the state rate at the time of appointment.
 - The parties are not indigent. A retainer equal to 10 hours at the normal hourly rate set by the GAL shall be paid prior to the GAL beginning work. Payment of the fees and costs shall be divided between the parties as follows:

_____ % paid by Petitioner and _____ % paid by Respondent
6. The GAL is authorized to completely investigate any and all matters pertaining to the welfare of the child and the custody/allocation of parental responsibilities and parenting time issues. The parties are to execute any and all necessary releases required for the GAL's investigation. This order shall act as authorization for the GAL to acquire privileged information about the child from any and all sources, including but not limited to schools, therapists, court personnel, law enforcement agencies and health care providers. The GAL shall make personal contact with the child.

7. The parties are not to discuss any issue in the case with the child(ren). Questions the child(ren) may have should be referred to the GAL.
8. At such time as the GAL deems necessary, the GAL shall report to the court either orally or in writing as to their findings and recommendations. Such reports may be on an *ex parte* basis with verification and affidavit at the discretion of the court in appropriate circumstances.
9. The parties and their counsel, if any, are ordered to refrain from interfering with the GAL in any way, including refraining from engaging in any abusive language or conduct directed toward the GAL or minor child(ren).
10. The GAL is an attorney of record for this case, with all rights and privileges accorded to other attorneys of record, including the right to receive copies of all pleadings, exhibits, documents, report and the like. The GAL shall receive notice of all court settings and hearings. The GAL shall have the right to conduct discovery and motion practice and fully participate in any trial, hearing or settlement negotiations.

There are no future hearing dates at this time.

This matter is scheduled for hearing on _____(date) at _____(time).

DATE: _____

BY THE COURT:

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- District Court Judge
 District Court Magistrate