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Montgomery County Circuit Court  
50 Maryland Avenue  
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Judges and Family Division Masters:

I am requesting consideration to be included on the Roster of Court-Approved Child Counsel.

I have been a family law practitioner and member in good standing of the Maryland Bar since 1987. My practice generally consists of representing parties in contested cases of divorce, custody, property division, child support, protective orders, and Child Protective Service proceedings, primarily in Montgomery and Frederick counties.

I previously have been appointed by Judges and Masters of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County and requested by private attorneys, to represent the interests of children as a Best Interest Attorney and Child's Privilege Attorney.

My experience includes representing children during multiple day trials in high conflict cases, some of which have included issues of parental alcoholism, sexual abuse, and alienation.

In my representation I have worked closely with court and private evaluators, mental health professionals, medical personnel, and Child Protective Services investigators.

I have completed numerous continuing legal education programs relevant to representing children in contested cases, and have successfully completed more than six

hours of training and continuing legal education as specified in Guideline 4, of the Maryland Guidelines for Practice of Court-Appointed Lawyers Representing Children in Cases Involving Child Custody and Access. Please see attached certificate.

I previously have accepted court appointments from the Family Law Fund, and I agree to take at least one pro bono appointment as child counsel per year.

I maintain professional liability insurance for my law practice, verification will be provided upon request. Thank you for your consideration.

Most sincerely,

Suzanne L. Duclos