

Current Date: [Date]

[Guardian Ad Litem Name]

[Address]

[City, State, Zip Code]

Re: Case Name: [Case Name]

Case Number: [Court Case Number]

In the Matter of: [Child's Name(s)]

Dear [Guardian Ad Litem Name],

I am writing to provide formal instructions regarding your role as Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) in the pending Petition for Termination of Parental Rights involving the above-referenced child(ren).

As the GAL, you are instructed to conduct a thorough investigation into the best interests of the child(ren) concerning the proposed termination of the parental rights of [Parent's Name(s)]. Specifically, please address the following in your investigation and subsequent report to the Court:

- The physical, emotional, and mental well-being of the child(ren) in their current placement.
- The nature and quality of the existing bond, if any, between the child(ren) and the parent(s) in question.
- The history of parental efforts to comply with previous court-ordered services or case plans.
- The likelihood of the child(ren) being adopted or achieving a permanent placement if the petition is granted.
- The child(ren)'s own wishes, taking into account their age and maturity.

You are authorized to access all relevant records, including medical, educational, and psychological files. You are also encouraged to interview the child(ren), the parents, foster parents, caseworkers, and any other relevant parties.

Please ensure that your written report and recommendations are submitted to the Court and all parties of record no later than [Date], or at least [Number] days prior to the scheduled hearing on [Hearing Date].

Should you require additional documentation or have questions regarding these instructions, please contact my office immediately.

Sincerely,

[Your Name/Attorney Name]

[Title/Law Firm]

[Phone Number]

[Email Address]

cc: [Opposing Counsel Name], [Caseworker Name]