

Guardian Ad Litem -GAL

Goal: To determine the best interests of the child/ren and to encourage settlement and the use of alternative forms of dispute resolution in order to decrease litigation.

1. An investigation will be conducted to the extent necessary to determine the best interests of the child/ren.
2. Individual interviews of child/ren and persons who have significant knowledge of the child's history and condition, including any foster parent of the child; and/or the parents or the parties to the suit.
3. Possible participation in case staffing by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (CPS) concerning the child.
4. GAL may attend legal proceedings.
5. A Report to the Court with recommendations relating to the best interests of the child/ren and the basis for the recommendations will be submitted to the court.