

FORM SUMMARY

Name of Form: **Petition for Appointment of Guardian ad Litem**

Form Number: **FA-4136V**

Statutory Reference: §§767.407 and 891.39, Wisconsin Statutes

Benchbook Reference:

Purpose of Form: This form allows a party to petition the court to appoint an attorney (called a guardian ad litem) to represent the interests of minor children while an action for divorce or legal separation is pending.

Who Completes It: The party seeking the appointment of a guardian ad litem.

Distribution of Form: Court. A copy would be served on the other parties.

Accompanying Forms: Although none are specifically required, it may be best practice to attach a copy of any existing court order that covers the custody or placement situation.

New Form/Modification: Modified; last update 05/17.

Modification: Pursuant to 2019 WI Act 30, updated to add party/attorney address, email address and telephone number.

Comments: An already existing form, GF-131, can be used for the purpose of making the actual appointment.

About this Form: This form is the product of the Wisconsin Records Management Committee, a committee of the Director of State Court's Office.

As a *pro se* form, its use is NOT mandatory but it is required to be accepted and distributed by the circuit courts of the State of Wisconsin.