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Subject: [Rule Proposal Comment] GALR 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 7-Nancy Retsinas

GALR Rule 1(b)(5) -- add "Child Advocates" and "guardian ad litem-programs" as the list of people authorized to serve on the Registry. This ensures inclusion of multiple designations of court-appointed neutrals in the dependency setting. For instance, Clark County no longer contracts with CASA program; instead, the court contracts with a different child advocate program within our region.

Below is the proposed rule with the two above-noted phrases included.

(5) Registry. Registry shall mean the list of people authorized by the court to serve as guardians ad litem, court visitors, Child Advocates, or Court Appointed Special Advocate(s) (CASA), guardian ad litem programs authorized by RCW 26.12.175.