



Appointment Registration for Harris County Probate Court 4

Thank you for taking the time to respond to this Registration form for Harris County Probate Court 4. It is the mission of this court to serve families in times of crisis when the crisis involves the loss or incapacity of a loved one or a mental health challenge. We know that acting as an ad litem, guardian, or administrator is an act of service and we appreciate your willingness to help this court in our mission. If you have never served as an appointee in Court 4, we will invite you to attend an hour long presentation on serving as an appointee once we receive your registration form, resumé, and certification form. These presentations will be offered in the courtroom on the first Monday of each month beginning at 10:00 a.m. and the presentation topics will alternate from month to month between Guardianship Appointments and Heirship Appointments. Once you have attended the appropriate presentation, you will be placed on either both the Heirship or Guardianship Appointee List and such list is published on Court 4's website.

1. Please enter the information indicated below.

First Name:

Last Name:

Work Phone:

Email Address:
emailaddress@xyz.com

2. In what year were you licensed to practice law in Texas?

3. If you are licensed to practice law in another jurisdiction, please list such jurisdiction(s).

4. How many years have you been practicing in the area of probate?

less than a year

longer than a year but fewer than five years

between five and ten years

over ten years

5. Are you board certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization? If so, please indicate your specialty(ies).

No

Yes

6. Do you have special qualifications, training, or licenses you would like us to know about?

7. Are you fluent in any foreign languages? If so, please indicate the language(s) below.

8. Have you served as a court appointed attorney ad litem, guardian ad litem, guardian, or administrator of an estate? If so, please briefly tell us about your experience.

No

Yes

Comment:

9. What areas of service most interest you?

Heirships

Guardianships

Estate Administrations

Mental Health

Contested Matters

10. Are you willing to serve as a fiduciary in the following capacities: Guardian or Administrator?

Guardian No Yes

Administrator No Yes

11. Are you a veteran of the US Armed Forces?

No

Yes

12. Would you be willing to serve on a pro bono basis for small, special matters (for example as an attorney ad litem in the heirship of a veteran or first responder)?

No

Yes

13. What is the hourly rate you plan to charge as an appointee of the court? (Be aware that in our county pay guardianship cases, you will receive the greater of \$500.00 or \$100.00 per hour. In addition, if you are appointed to serve as a guardian or administrator, fiduciary activities must be charged at \$100.00 per hour and attorney related activities may be charged at your normal hourly rate in accordance with the Fee Standards published on the Harris County Probate Courts website.)

\$100 - \$150

\$201 - \$250

\$301 - \$350

\$151 - \$200

\$251 - 300

14. May we publish the information you provided on our website and make it available to parties seeking to choose a fiduciary and avoid the court's automatic appointment process?

No

Yes

15. What else would you like us to know about you?

Once completed, please submit Registration Form to [Probate Court 4](#) along with your resumé and current certificate from the State Bar of Texas stating that you are eligible to practice as an attorney ad litem in Texas courts.