



CASA
 Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN

CASA OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC.

Court Appointed Special Advocate Program -- Volunteer Application Form

Name: _____ Maiden Names/Alias: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Phone: _____

Home Address: _____

 (City) (Zip) (E-mail Address)

Employed by: _____ Work Phone: _____

Work Address: _____

May you be called at work? Yes _____ No _____

Brief description of work: _____

Formal Education (Highest year of school completed): 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 18+

Do you speak a foreign language? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, what language(s): _____

Do you drive? Yes _____ No _____. Do you have regular access to a car? Yes _____ No _____

List Current Community Activities: _____

List current and previous volunteer work (Include all previous volunteer work, a brief description of duties/activities, and dates of service.) _____

As a CASA Guardian ad Litem you will be required to attend court hearings for the children you represent. Will you be able to arrange your schedule to attend these hearings? Yes _____ No _____

Are you willing to commit to the life of a case (averages 2 years)? Yes _____ No _____

What are your reasons for wanting to become a CASA volunteer? _____

Have you had any personal or professional experience(s) involving:

____ Child Welfare ____ Foster Care ____ Court System ____ Other agencies offering services to a child

If so, please explain: _____

How did you learn of the CASA of NH program? _____

Have you ever been arrested for or convicted of a crime other than a traffic violation? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain charge? _____

Date convicted: _____

Where: _____

Do you consent to a check of your criminal records (child abuse registry, state police, attorney general and sex offender registry)? Yes _____ No _____

If you have had a conviction or arrest annulled, you do not have to disclose the annulled arrest or conviction to us; but if a conviction or arrest shows up on your criminal background check, we will ask you to produce a certificate from the Court demonstrating the annulment)

Can you think of any reason why a judge might be reluctant to have you serve as a CASA/GAL?

Please list three references of people who know you well, other than relatives, preferably for whom you have worked in either a paid or volunteer capacity. If you are currently working, either paid or as a volunteer, please include the name of your supervisor.

	NAME	COMPLETE ADDRESS	<u>Zip Code</u>	Phone #	Relationship
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please answer the following questions and requests for your philosophy in paragraph form and send your completed responses with your application.

1. Please provide a short summary about your interest in volunteerism and how you hope to benefit from your experience as a volunteer. Discuss also why you chose the CASA volunteer Guardian ad Litem program as opposed to another sort of volunteer experience.
2. Please give a short account of what role you believe society should play in protecting the rights of children and in helping a family overcome hardships and remain together. Also include your feelings regarding the rights and responsibilities of parents and of children.
3. Please write a one-page autobiography.

How long have you lived in NH? _____ In your current residence? _____

Have you ever applied to be a CASA volunteer or served as a CASA volunteer in this state or another state?
Yes _____ No _____ If yes, what state and when? _____

CASA of New Hampshire, Inc. reserves the right to make any checks deemed appropriate as to the suitability of anyone responsible for this confidential work. All information will be held in the strictest confidence.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Please mail this application to: Diane Valladares, CASA of NH, Inc.,
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