



# Adult Guardian ad Litem Training 2022

**Program dates start May 13. Register today!**

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# Adult Guardian ad Litem Training 2022

## Look out for their best interests

Adults under guardianship depend on guardians ad litem (GALs) like you to protect them and their well-being. Get up to speed on skills every GAL should know at various stages of guardianship and protective placement cases. You'll get the tools, guidance, and credits you need to serve as a court-appointed GAL for adults.

Explore the appointment process, receive a legislative and case law review, and hear stories from people who have been released from guardianship. They'll offer their unique perspectives on what happens once a guardianship has been terminated.

## How you'll benefit:

- Handle a guardianship or protective placement from appointment through payment
- Revisit key statutes and seminal cases involving guardianship and protective placement
- Be able to distinguish treatable mental illness cases from guardianships
- Hear stories from people who terminated their guardianships and gained independence
- Earn the credits necessary to accept GAL appointments for adults

## Who should attend:

- Guardians ad litem for adults
- Elder law attorneys
- Attorneys representing adults with special needs

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## Schedule

**8:00 AM Registration**

**8:30 AM Guardianship Basics**

- Handling an initial guardianship/protective placement case from appointment through payment
- Navigating a temporary guardianship
- Conducting an annual (*Watts*) review  
*Avery J. Mayne*

**10:00 AM Break**

**10:15 AM Revisiting Key Statutes and Seminal Cases Regarding Guardianships and Protective Placements**

- Key guardianship cases that every GAL should know
- Holdings regarding *Watts* reviews, Agnes T, Medicaid planning, end of life decisions
- Recent cases and statutory update  
*Jessica A. Liebau*

**11:05 AM Treatable Mental Illness vs. Permanent Incapacity: Exploring Chapters 51, 54, and 55**

- Explore parameters of Chapter 51 and "treatable conditions"
- Compare 51's temporary orders with permanent orders under chapter 55
- Consider tips for navigating cases where both treatable conditions and permanent incapacity may be at play  
*Robert T. Pledl*

**12:05 PM Lunch Break (on your own)**

**1:05 PM "I Fought for 'Less Restrictive Means'" – Stories of Independence**

- Hear the first-hand account of an individual who spent years institutionalized before gaining greater autonomy over her own life and becoming a leader and advocate in her community.  
*Jessica A. Liebau, Cindy Bentley*

**1:55 PM Post-Guardianship: A Look at Supported Decision Making**

*Amy M. Burger, Polly Shoemaker*

**2:45 PM Break**

**3:00 PM Ethics for the GAL – What It Means to Be the Eyes and Ears of the Court**

- Eligibility for appointment
- Required communications and to whom
- Conflicts of interest
- Taking a position  
*Elizabeth Ruthmansdorfer*

**3:50 PM Program Concludes**

*Following start time, webcast replay schedule will vary slightly from above listed times*

## Faculty

### Program Chairs & Presenters

**Jessica A. Liebau**  
Wessels & Liebau LLC  
Mequon

**Avery J. Mayne**  
Walny Legal Group LLC  
Milwaukee

### Presenters

**Cindy Bentley**  
People First Wisconsin  
Glendale

**Amy M. Burger**  
Law Office of Attorney Amy Burger  
Hubertus

**Robert T. Pledl**  
Davis & Pledl, S.C.  
Milwaukee

**Elizabeth Ruthmanskorfer**  
Ruthmanskorfer Law Group, S.C.  
South Milwaukee

**Polly Shoemaker**  
Greater Wisconsin Agency on  
Aging Resources  
Madison

## Dates Location

### In-Person Seminar—Madison

Friday, May 13, 2022  
**State Bar Center**  
5302 Eastpark Blvd.,  
Madison, WI  
(608) 257-3838

### Live Webcast

Friday, May 13, 2022

### Webcast Replays

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