SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 13-06

Revised Standards of Practice for CCAN and GAL Appointments – Supersedes Administrative Order No. 03-07

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Family Court Act of 2001, Pub. L. 107-114, 115 Stat. 2100 (2002) provides that the Superior Court shall establish standards of practice for attorneys appointed as counsel in matters under the jurisdiction of the Family Court of the Superior Court; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Order 03-07, issued on February 28, 2003, adopted standards of practice for attorneys appointed as counsel in matters under the jurisdiction of the Family Court of the Superior Court; and

WHEREAS, Revised Child Abuse and Neglect Attorney and Guardian *ad Litem* Practice Standards have been developed by the Family Court Neglect and Abuse Sub-Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Child Abuse and Neglect Attorney and Guardian *ad Litem* Practice Standards are intended to define the role and responsibilities of counsel in child abuse and neglect proceedings pending in the Superior Court and to improve the quality of representation of children and families with matters under the jurisdiction of the Family Court of the Superior Court;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is by the Court,

ORDERED, that the attached Superior Court of the District of Columbia Revised Child Abuse and Neglect Attorney and Guardian *ad Litem* Practice Standards are adopted by this Administrative Order, shall take effect on the date of this order, and shall govern practice in child abuse and neglect, termination of parental rights, guardianship and adoption proceedings; and it is further

ORDERED, that this Administrative Order hereby supersedes Administrative Order No. 03-07.

SO ORDERED.		
BY THE COURT		
	/s/	
March 28, 2013	Lee F. Satterfield	
	Chief Judge	

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