



**IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **COUNTY (JUVENILE DIVISION)**

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**IN THE INTEREST OF**

) **Juvenile No.** \_\_\_\_\_  
)

) **ORDER OF APPOINTMENT**  
) **OF COUNSEL FOR**

\_\_\_\_\_,  
**Child(ren).**

)  **Child**  **Parent**  **Other:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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NOW on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, the Court having received and examined the Financial Affidavit of Parent and Application for Appointment of Counsel and having considered not only the Child/Applicant's income, but also the availability of any assets subject to execution and the seriousness of the charge or nature of the case, finds the following:

**1. The Child/Applicant:**

- Is eligible<sup>1</sup> for court-appointed counsel pursuant to Iowa Code § 815.9 because:
  - Child/Applicant's income is **at or below 125%** of the poverty guidelines and Child/Applicant is unable to pay for the cost of an attorney; **OR**
  - Child/Applicant's income is **between 125% and 200%** of the poverty guidelines and not appointing counsel would cause Child/Applicant substantial financial hardship; **OR**
  - Child/Applicant's Income is **over 200%** of the poverty guidelines, case is a felony-level delinquency, and not appointing counsel would cause Child/Applicant substantial financial hardship.
- Is a child and is otherwise eligible for court-appointed counsel under Chapter 232.
- Is not eligible for court-appointed counsel.

**2. The counsel/guardian ad litem appointed below to represent the Child/Applicant is:**

- The local public defender office, nonprofit organization, or attorney designated by the State Public Defender pursuant to Iowa Code § 13B.4(2) to represent indigent persons in this type of case in this county **OR**
- An attorney not designated by the State Public Defender, **AND** any local public defender office or other designee of the State Public Defender for this type of case in this county has been contacted and has declined the appointment or withdrawn from the case, or there is no designation for this type of case in this county, **AND** the appointed attorney:
  - Has a current contract with the State Public Defender to represent indigent persons in this type of case and in this county; **OR**
  - Does not have such a contract, but all attorneys with a contract to represent indigent persons in this type of case in this county have been contacted and no such attorney is available to take this case; **OR**
  - Does not have such a contract, but the State Public Defender has been consulted and consents to the appointment.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Child/Applicant's Application for Appointment of Counsel is

- Denied.
- Approved, and that \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed to serve as counsel/guardian ad litem in this case for \_\_\_\_\_ at State expense and may be contacted at \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
JUDGE, \_\_\_\_\_ Judicial District

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<sup>1</sup> NOTE: A different standard applies for determining eligibility for appointment of respondent's counsel in a Chapter 600A TPR, and additional findings are required to determine the appropriate party/agency responsible for payment. See Iowa Code §§ 600A.2(11), 600A.6A(2), and 600A.6B. **Do not use this form order for 600A TPR Appointments.**