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CARMEL ATTORNEYS SERVE AS GUARDIANS AD LITEM FOR KIDS VOICE

CARMEL, IN – MARCH 25, 2008 – Founding partners, Kena Hollingsworth, Stephenie Jocham and Christina Zivitz were among the attorneys of Hollingsworth Jocham & Zivitz, PC who recently completed Guardian Ad Litem training through the Kids' Voice of Indiana CASA For Kids (CFK) Program. The CFK Program provides guardian ad litem/court appointed special advocate (GAL/CASA) services for children and is designed to represent and protect the best interests of children alleged to be at risk due to abuse, neglect or endangerment. Judicial officers of the Marion Superior Court, Civil Division and Probate Division and the Marion Circuit Court, Paternity Division determine whether to appoint a trained GAL/CASA volunteer to represent the interests of a child in a specific case.

During the training program, the attorneys of HJZ Law learned about their roles and responsibilities as GAL volunteers. The training covers all relevant topics including child abuse and neglect, domestic violence substance abuse, mental health issues, interviewing, report writing, relevant statutes, court procedures, and testifying in court. Since completion of the training, several attorneys, including Stephenie Jocham, Holly Wanzer, Laura Holt and Anne-Marie Briscoe, have accepted GAL appointments.

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