



CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI  
 FAMILY COURT DIVISION  
 625 EAST 26TH STREET  
 KANSAS CITY MO 64108-2719

**POLICY & PROCEDURE**

Issued by: Director of Office of the Guardian ad Litem-Family Court

Topic: **Policy No. 1030-25 -- Social Contact with Clients**

Effective Date: July 27, 2015

New:

Revised:

Rescinds:

Reviewed:

**POLICY:**

Pursuant to Policy 1030-05 the Office of the Guardian ad Litem (OGAL) shall have ongoing meaningful contact with the child in order to help formulate recommendations for the child's best interest. In order to establish and maintain a relationship with the client some social contact may be necessary or beneficial.

**PROCEDURE:**

One way to support OGAL clients is to attend social events such as sporting events, birthday parties, graduations and other celebrations.

1. OGAL staff are allowed to participate in such events as other invited guests, but are not allowed to receive preferential treatment.

**REVISIONS:** The proponent for this policy is the Director of the Office of Guardian ad Litem. If you have recommended changes or want to report errors, send your suggestions to the Director of Guardian ad Litem, Family Justice Center, 625 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, MO 64108.

**REVIEW DATE:** July 1, 2019

June 1, 2018

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 Kathy J. Rodgers  
 Director of Office of the Guardian ad Litem-Family Court

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 Date

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APPLICABLE STANDARDS:

None

CC: Deputy Court Administrator – Family Court Division