

2026 Online

Parenting Investigator/ Guardian ad Litem

Session Details

- Each online session requires separate registration in advance by attendees.
- To receive full credit, attendees must remain for the entire session and cameras must remain on for each session and will be monitored to receive credit.
- The sessions will not be recorded.



To qualify for this training, attendees must have completed the Initial Parenting Investigation Orientation training and be currently rostered. If you have any questions, contact Bryan Pechtl at (701) 328-4292 or via email at: bpechtl@ndcourts.gov

The following live virtual event is approved for 6.0 ND CLE credits 0.0 ethics:

Event #20260505NDCS 2026 Parenting Investigator/Guardian ad Litem 6-Hour Online Training 05/05-06/2026

North Dakota Supreme Court

600 East Boulevard Ave.,
Dept. 180
Bismarck, ND 58505

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Online Zoom Sessions

May 5th, 2026

May 6th, 2026

9:00 AM—12:00 PM C.S.T.

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Joe Noble, MA, LMFT

Joe Noble is a Minnesota board licensed marriage and family therapist (LMFT) and Board-certified State Supervisor. He is co-founder and partner of Bridging Parental Conflict® and continues to be an instructor of the program. He is co-founder and managing partner of The Bridging Center in Edina, MN, where he practices systemic relational therapy with conflicted families. In addition to practicing family therapy, Joe is a family mediator, a qualified neutral under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice, certified Child-Inclusive Mediator, and parenting and co-parenting coach.

Lori Thibodeau, MA, LMFT

Lori is a business owner, trainer, speaker, and mental health professional. She has many years of experience working with systems that struggle with organizational conflict, parental conflict, parent-child conflict, divorce, parent-child separation, and mental health disorders. Her education is in counseling and psychotherapy and licensure by the Minnesota board of marriage and family therapy. She works in private practice at The Bridging Center specializing in family systems experiencing divorce, family conflict, and co-parenting issues. Her career focus is promoting individual and systemic health in families.

Session 1 & Session 2:
Understanding Complex and Conflicted
Family Systems

This presentation explains the underlying systemic dynamics of families facing intractable conflict and complex co-parenting matters, for example, Parent Child Resist Refuse (PCRR) relationship problems. It explains and defines the need for interdisciplinary cooperation among professionals to help families correct the dynamic, and explains why without an interdisciplinary approach, families dealing with complex matters remain stuck. This presentation also provides ways of conceptualizing the problem and some general approaches and tools for successfully engaging a family dealing with conflict.

All sessions will be held online via Zoom. Be sure to register for each session in advance individually by clicking the highlighted link below. There is no registration fee.

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Session 2
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