



## CASA of Harford County

The Circuit Court for Harford County  
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### LIABILITY STATEMENT

The CASA Volunteer should not become inappropriately involved in a CASA case that could lead to a conflict of interest or liability problems. The CASA volunteer should not be related to any parties involved in the case, or be employed in a position and/or by an agency that might result in a conflict of interest. All potential conflicts of interest situations should be immediately brought to the attention of the CASA Director for consideration. Examples of inappropriate volunteer practices are:

1. Taking a child to the volunteers' home or sheltering a child in your home overnight without written permission by the Court or unless approved by the Court or the Department of Social Services;
2. Making placement arrangements for a child without permission/approval from the Court or the Department of Social Services;
3. Taking a child from a home/shelter or off an authorized premise without the permission of the parent/family/caretaker, foster parent, group home or residential facility administrator;
4. Failing to report the child's whereabouts to the proper authorities in case of an emergency;
5. Failing to report allegations of child abuse or neglect concerning the CASA child to the Department of Social Services, the CASA Director or the police;
6. Transporting a CASA child in an uninsured vehicle; a car seat is required by law when transporting children under four years old;
7. Failing at any time to notify CASA of Harford County of any criminal offense within 48 hours of its occurrence. This shall include but not be limited to:
  - a. Failing to notify CASA of Harford County of any convictions of the volunteer or pending or threatened charges against the volunteer regarding manufacturing, distributing, or dispensing a controlled dangerous substance; or the possession with intent to manufacture, distribute or dispense a controlled dangerous substance;
  - b. Failing to notify CASA of Harford County of any convictions of the volunteer or pending or threatened charges against the volunteer relating to child abuse, neglect, murder, rape, child pornography, child abduction, kidnapping or sex offense as defined under Article 27, subsection 464, 464A, 464B and 464C of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

I \_\_\_\_\_, HAVE READ THE ABOVE LIABILITY STATEMENT, AND I AGREE TO ADHERE TO THE STANDARDS. I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO MEET THE LIABILITY STANDARDS MAY RESULT IN THE TERMINATION OF MY STATUS AS A CASA VOLUNTEER.

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CASA VOLUNTEER  
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CASA DIRECTOR

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