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11. **Appointment of Guardian ad litem**

A guardian ad litem is an officer of the court, assigned to represent the interests of a minor. Therefore, selection of a guardian ad litem is a matter which is committed largely to the discretion of the appointing judge. This Court will interfere with the exercise of that discretion only in a case of clear abuse. **In re Krause**, 2001 MT 37, ¶ 12, 304 Mont. 202, 19 P.3d 811 (citation omitted).