IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA AT _____

In the Matter of the Protective Proceeding of

Respondent (person who needs a guardian)

CASE NO. _____

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN FOR AN ADULT

A guardianship is a serious matter. It takes away a person's freedom to make important decisions about their own life. You should only file this petition if there is no other reasonable option that will keep the person safe. The court must order the **least restrictive** option possible. This means the fewest limits on the person's liberty.

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Some less restrictive options are a supported decision-making agreement (SDMA) or a power of attorney (POA) for medical and financial decisions. Read more about these options at https://health.alaska.gov/gcdse/Pages/projects/SDMA/default.aspx and https://health.alaska.gov/gcdse/Pages/projects/SDMA/default.aspx and

You should also consider a partial guardianship—this is when the guardian only makes decisions in specific areas. This is different from a full guardianship, in which the guardian makes major decisions in nearly all of the areas in a person's life. A guardian is needed if the person does not have the capacity to make decisions on their own. The court will not appoint a guardian simply because you disagree with the person's choices or believe that those choices are unwise. Later in this form, you must explain why you are asking the court to appoint a guardian for each separate decision-making area.

If you are **only** asking for authority to make decisions about money and financial management for the person (this is called a "conservatorship"), use form PG-104 instead.

IMPORTANT: If the person already has a court-appointed guardian from an Alaska court case, do **not** use this form. File form <u>PG-190</u> to ask to change (modify) the guardianship. For a guardian appointed by a non-Alaska court, you need to ask the original court for modification. If you want to transfer a guardianship from another state to Alaska, use form <u>PG-751</u>.

- Did you try to set up a supported decision-making agreement (SDMA) with Respondent?
 Yes, but the SDMA did not work or was not adequate. *[Explain below.]* No, it is not possible to set up a SDMA with Respondent. *[Explain below.]*

3. Does Respondent have a living will or advanced healthcare directive that explains how decisions about medical care must be made if Respondent is unable to make them?
No. I don't know. Yes.

	If yes, describe below. Include the name of any agent authorized to make decisions.
	I attached a copy of the living will or healthcare directive to this form.
4.	Does Respondent have a no-code (Do Not Resuscitate, or DNR) provision in place? [A DNR is a legal and medical document that the person agrees to and signs, saying that the person does not want to be given CPR to restart their heart or breathing.] No. I don't know. Yes.
5.	 Does Respondent have a "representative payee" for social security or other benefits? No. I don't know. Yes, name and contact information of payee:
6.	Does Respondent have a court-appointed conservator? No. I don't know. Yes, name and contact information of conservator:
7.	Are there any other restrictions on Respondent's legal capacity to act on their own behalf that you know of? No. Yes:
	A. Background Information
1.	I ask the court to appoint a guardian for Respondent, because Respondent is incapacitated as defined in Alaska Statute 13.26.005(5).

["Incapacitated" means Respondent's ability to receive and evaluate information or to communicate decisions is so impaired that Respondent can't provide for their own physical health or safety without court-ordered help (including health care, food, shelter, clothing, personal hygiene, and protection).]

How long does this appointment need to last?

2. Petitioner Information (person asking the court to appoint a guardian).

Name:	Age:
Mailing Address:	
E-mail Address:	
$\hfill \square$ I agree that the court and other parties can explicitly the large that the court and the large that the court and the large that	email me court documents in this case.
Home or Cell Phone:	Work Phone:
Relationship to Respondent:	

3. **Respondent Information** (person who needs a guardian).

•	Name:
	Name: Date of Birth:
	Mailing Address:
	Residence Address:
	Email: Daytime Phone: Social Security No.:1
4.	Has anyone filed a petition for appointment of a guardian for Respondent in any other state that you know of? No. Yes. If yes, in
5.	Has anyone filed a petition to protect Respondent from financial abuse that you know of?
6.	Has anyone filed a petition for a single transaction authorization to benefit Respondent that you know of?
7.	Jurisdiction (authority of the court to hear this case). □ Respondent's "home state" as defined in AS 13.27.180 is □ Alaska, □ another state: , because Respondent was physically present in this state for the six consecutive months before I am filing this petition (except for temporary absences). □ I do not know Respondent's "home state." Respondent was in the following states during the year before I am filing this petition: Dates During the Past Year Place (State & Address) Where Respondent Lived
8.	Venue (location of case). I am filing in the specific court location of, because: [Check all that apply.] It is in the same judicial district where Respondent lives. It is in the same judicial district where Respondent is currently located. It is in the same judicial district as a court that ordered Respondent admitted to an institution. [List of courts in each judicial district: <u>ak-courts.info/dir</u>]
	B. Contacts
1.	Respondent lives alone. with
	Who takes care of Respondent?
	Name of person or facility:
	Address: Phone:

¹ Documents filed in guardianship cases are confidential. Access to the petition is limited to parties to the case, court staff for case processing, and others specifically authorized by the judge.

2. Contact information for Respondent's relatives. *[If Respondent has no such relative, write "none" on that line. Attach more pages if necessary. Write only on one side of the page.]*

	a.	<u>Name</u> Spouse:	<u>Phone</u>	Address
	b.	Adult Children:		
	c.	Parents:		
	d.	Adult Siblings:		
	e.	-		s, list name, phone, address, and relationship
3.		parents that you filed this gu	<i>uardianship petitio</i> ne numbers of Re	<i>est Respondent's spouse, children, and on. See form <u>PG-115</u> for more information.]</i>
4.	 	t people who have knowledge	e that might help	the court determine the capacity and needs
				manage their own money and property. <u>Address</u>
	b.	Counselors and Social Worke	ers:	
	c.	Case Managers and Care Co	ordinators:	
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	d.	Name Others (teachers, clergy, etc.):	<u>Phone</u>	Address
		C. R	espondent's	Capacity
1.	Wh	at are Respondent's medical diag	gnoses?	
		I do not know or have any infor	mation about	medical diagnoses.
2.	Wh	at are Respondent's mental or b	ehavioral hea	Ith diagnoses?
	\Box	I do not know or have any infor	mation about	mental or behavioral health diagnoses.
3.	Let	ters or Evaluations:		
		practitioner (ANP), neuropsycho	logist, psycho w the diagnos	ses impact Respondent's ability to make
		I do not have any letters or eva	-	
4.	[Fo to thii	or each box you check, you mus make decisions about that area o	t provide example f their own li that area of	nt in each area that I checked below. mples or explain why Respondent is not able fe. You may also want to explain how you f Respondent's life. Attach additional pages .]
	a.	Medical care. [Examples inc doctor, whether to get certa		not limited to: when and where to go to the s done.]
	b.			ut are not limited to: whether to take certain nseling, what type of treatment to get.]
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d. 🗌		vocational services. [Examples include be ining employment, whether and where to and social activities.]	
e. 🔽	Applying for insurance or othe	r benefits. <i>[Examples include but are not</i>	t limited to:
		Medicare/Medicaid, and public assistance	
f. 🗌		minations to determine Respondent's nee	-
g. 🗌	treatment, and other assistance	ons a-f above. <i>[Authority to pay for cost.</i> <i>Te (similar to bookkeeping). This is more</i> <i>to make major financial and budgeting</i> o	limited than a
1. Mont	D. Res	pondent's Finances	
	come	b. <u>Expenses</u>	
	agos/Salany	Food:	
		Rent/Mortgage:	
Div	vidende/Aleeke DED.	Utilities:	
Pu	blic Assistance:	Transportation:	
Se	nior Care Benefit:	Debt/Credit Card Payment:	
-		Insurance Premiums:	
		Medications:	
	-	Child/Spousal Support:	
Ot	her:	Other:	
	her:		
	her:	Other: TOTAL	
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AS 13.26.005, .216, .221 & .316(c) Probate Rules 14 - 19 2. Other Income and Expenses. [List below any unusual or one-time income or expenses Respondent had in the last 12 months. Examples of income: gambling winnings, large gifts, inheritances, or sale of valuable property. Examples of expenses: buying a vehicle or other expensive item, or paying off a large debt or fine.]

	x and fill out as many details as you know. Attach extra pages if necessary. Write only e side of the page.]
	Cash on Hand (not in an account): \$
b.	Bank Accounts. [Checking, Savings, ABLE/Medicaid Qualifying Trusts, etc.] Name of Bank or Institution Type of Account Estimated Bala
	I attached pages of statements from one or more of the accounts above.
c.	Brokerage Accounts, Stocks, Bonds, Certificates of Deposit, & Other Securities. Name of Company Estimated Balance or Val
	I attached pages of documents about the financial instruments above.
d.	Retirement Account through
e.	Life Insurance Policy (owned by Respondent). Name of Company:
f.	Face Value: \$ Cash Value: \$
1.	 Real Estate (land and buildings). Home. Estimated Value: \$
g.	 Other Valuable Personal Property. [List items of significant value. Examples include but are not limited to: vehicles (cars, boats, snow machines, etc.), jewelry, art, guint Description of Item Location

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4. **Debts**. [List any debts or money Respondent owes that you know about. Include the type of debt (for example: mortgage, credit card, car loan, unpaid medical bills, court fine or judgment, etc.). Attach extra pages if necessary. Only write on one side of the page.]

	<u>To Whom Owed</u> [name of creditor, lender, mortgage holder, or credit card company]	Type of Debt	<u>Estimated</u> Balance Due
	TOTAL DEBTS: \$		
5.	Does Respondent have a trust?		
6.	Does Respondent belong to a Native Corporati If yes, name of corporation:		
7.	Is Respondent a veteran entitled to the payme Veterans Affairs?	Yes.	
	I have no knowledge of Respondent's fin	ances.	
	E. Guardian A	ppointment	
1.	Does the guardian also need to have conserva	-	
	No, Respondent can manage their own mo		
	No, Respondent already has a court-appoir		
	Yes, I am asking the court to also give the a. Respondent can't manage their own fir		
	b. Respondent has property that will be u [Explain what property needs to be maginary of the property needs to be magin		
2.	Who do you think the court should appoint to Me (Petitioner) Another Person:	be the guardian?	
	Name: Relat	tionship to Respondent:	
	Address:		
	Phone: Email:		
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3.	The person named in section 2 has priority to be appointed under AS 13.26.311,	because
	this person is	

- (1) the person who Respondent nominated (chose).
-] (2) Respondent's spouse.
- (3) Respondent's adult child or parent.
- (4) Respondent's relative that Respondent lived with for at least six months during the year before I am filing this petition.
- (5) Respondent's relative or friend who has shown a sincere and longstanding interest in Respondent's welfare.
- (6) a private professional guardian.
- \Box (7) the public guardian.

If there are unchecked boxes higher than the one you checked, list below the names and addresses of persons who could check those boxes **and**, for numbers (1) - (5), list any others in the category of the box you checked. *[For example, if you checked number (3), you would fill in (1) the person nominated by Respondent, (2) Respondent's spouse, and (3) all other adult children and parents of Respondent.]*

Names and Addresses:

4. W	ho do yoι	u think the	court shou	uld appoint t	o be the	conservator?
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Not applicable. Respondent either doesn't need a conservator or	already	has one.
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- Same person as the guardian.
- Another Person:

Name:	Relationship to Respondent:
Address:	
Phone:	Email:

- 5. The person named in section 4 has priority to be appointed under AS 13.26.311, because this person is
 - (1) the person who Respondent nominated (chose).
 - (2) Respondent's spouse.
 - (3) Respondent's adult child or parent.
 - (4) Respondent's relative that Respondent lived with for at least six months during the year before I am filing this petition.
 - (5) Respondent's relative or friend who has shown a sincere and longstanding interest in Respondent's welfare.
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F. Other Information

Other information I want the court to know about Respondent or about this petition:

Date
Signature of Petitioner or Petitioner's Attorney
If attorney, print or type name and bar number:

Verification

[Sign in front of a notary public. A court clerk can provide this notary service for you for free when you bring the petition to court. Bring a photo ID for the notary. If you don't have access to notary or court clerk, you can instead fill out Self-Certification (No Notary Available) (form <u>TF-835</u>) and attach it to your petition.]

I state on oath or affirm that I have read this petition and that all statements made in it are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

 Date
 Petitioner's Signature

 Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me at ______, Alaska on ______.

 (SEAL)

Court clerk, notary public, or other person

Court clerk, notary public, or other person authorized to administer oaths. My commission expires:

MORE INFORMATION and NEXT STEPS

(This page is for your information only, it does not need to be filed with the court)

Once you file your petition in court, the court clerk will give or send you a notice of the court hearing date, time, and location. You must give notice of this hearing to certain relatives of Respondent and other interested persons using form <u>PG-115</u>. If you do not give this notice, your petition may be delayed or your case dismissed (closed) by the court. Court forms are available online at <u>https://courts.alaska.gov/forms/index2.htm</u> or from your local court clerk.

Once you file the petition, the court will appoint:

- a court visitor to gather information about Respondent and provide a report to the court
- an expert (such as a doctor or psychologist) to provide information about Respondent's alleged incapacity
- a lawyer to represent Respondent (if Respondent has not already hired a lawyer)

The court provides resources to help you fill out this petition, learn about the court process, and prepare and serve as a guardian if you are appointed.

- Website: https://courts.alaska.gov/shc/guardian-conservator/index.htm
- **Videos:** The website above has links to 3 online videos to help you start the guardianship process. It is best to watch parts 1 and 2 before filing this petition. If you were not able to do this, you should still watch them before the court hearing. Also watch part 3 if you are asking to be the guardian. If you have limited or no internet connection, you can ask for a flashdrive of the video from your local court clerk or by calling the helpline (see below).
- Written Instructions: Read form <u>PG-505</u> for more information about filling out this form and about the court hearing and court process. You can read these instructions online, pick up a paper copy in person from the court clerk, or ask the helpline staff to mail you a copy.
- **Helpline:** Call (907) 264-0520 for help over the phone. Staff can answer questions and mail you copies of any forms or instructions you need. Helpline hours: 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Thursday; and 8 AM to 12 Noon on Fridays.