State of Minnesota

County of:

District Court

Judicial District: Court File Number: Case Type: Guardianship/Conservatorship

Petition for Appointment of:

□ Successor Conservator

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT:

1. Petitioner:

Name:			
Address:			
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Telephone	number:		
Interest in	this matter:		

2. Person Subject to Guardianship/Conservatorship:

Telephone number:

- 3. If the petition is granted, the person subject to guardianship/conservatorship □ will not be moved OR □ will be moved to:
- 4. A \Box Guardianship \Box Conservatorship was established by order dated: _____
- 5. The names and addresses of the spouse and kin of the person subject to guardianship/conservatorship:

a. Spouse:

Name:	
Street Address:	
City/State/Zip:	

b. Any adult the person has lived with for more than 6 months:

Name:	
Street Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Relationship:	
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Name:	
Street Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Relationship:	

c. Kin [adult children and stepchildren of a living spouse; if none, list parents and adult brothers and sisters; and if none of these, then list the next kin of the Respondent. See Minn. Stat. § 524.5-102, subd. 7(iv)]. Use more paper if you need more space.

Name:
Street Address:
City/State/Zip:
Relationship:
Name:
Street Address:
City/State/Zip:
Relationship:
Name:
Street Address:
City/State/Zip:
Relationship:
Name:
Street Address:
City/State/Zip:
Relationship:

d. Administrator (if the person is in a hospital, nursing home, VA unit, group home, home care agency, or other institution):

Name of Administra	ator:	
Street Address:		
City/State/Zip:		
Name of Facility:		
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e. Legal representative (guardian/conservator, representative payee, trustee, or custodian of property):

Name:

Street Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Relationship:	

f. Persons nominated, proposed, or confirmed by prior order, as guardian or conservator (file applicable document with petition including prior order, health care directive, or related document):

Use more paper if you need more space.

(Complete paragraphs #6 - #19 only if you want a Successor Guardian appointed.)

 \Box I am NOT asking the court to appoint a Successor **Guardian** (if checked, skip to paragraph #20)

SUCCESSOR GUARDIAN

6. Proposed Successor Guardian:

a.	Name:	
	Street Address:	
	City/State/Zip:	
	Telephone:	Age:

b. The proposed Successor Guardian was:

- \Box Appointed by prior court order;
- \Box Nominated by the person subject to guardianship;
- \Box Nominated by the parent of the person subject to guardianship;
- \Box Nominated by the spouse of the person subject to guardianship; or

 \Box Nominated by some other person.

7.

l.	The proposed Successor Guardian is not excluded from appointment under Minn. Stat. § 524.5-309(c).
Pro	oposed Successor Co-Guardian
	N/A because there is only 1 proposed Successor Guardian, OR
l.	Name:
	Address:
	City/State/Zip: Age:
	 Appointed by prior court order; Nominated by the person subject to guardianship; Nominated by the parent of the person subject to guardianship; Nominated by the spouse of the person subject to guardianship; or Nominated by some other person.
•	The proposed Successor Co-Guardian is the most suitable and best qualified among those available and willing to serve as successor co-guardian because:
l.	The proposed Successor Co-Guardian is not excluded from appointment under Minn. Stat. § 524.5-309(c).
	here are more than 2 co-guardians, add these details about the other co-guardian

8. The following Guardian is no longer able or willing to serve as Guardian:

, because:

9. A Successor Guardian should be appointed because:

- a. The person subject to guardianship continues to be an incapacitated person in that they lack sufficient understanding or capacity to make personal decisions and is unable to meet their personal needs. (Describe the present general mental condition supporting this statement.)
- b. The person subject to guardianship continues to be unable to meet their needs for medical care, nutrition, clothing, shelter, safety, even with appropriate technological and supported decision making assistance. (Describe the behavior supporting this statement.)
- c. Less restrictive means have been considered and attempted but are not sufficient to meet the identified needs of the person subject to guardianship.
 - i. The following less restrictive means have been considered and attempted:
 - ii. The length of time these less restrictive means were attempted:
 - iii. The less restrictive means have not been successful because:
- 10. The following powers are needed for a Successor **Guardian** to protect and supervise the person subject to guardianship:

	All of the rights and powers under Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c), paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, and 10. A <i>limited guardianship</i> is not appropriate because:
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	Successor Guardian is granted limited powers and duties, specify which power ies are vested in the Successor Guardian by this Order.)
	1) Have custody and establish the place of abode of the person subject to guardianship within or outside the State. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c)(1).
```	2) Provide for the care, comfort, and maintenance needs of the person subject to guardianship. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c)(2).
	3) Take reasonable care of the clothing, furniture, vehicles, and other personal effects of the person subject to guardianship. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c)(3).
1	4) Give any necessary consent to enable, or to withhold consent for, the person subject to guardianship to receive necessary medical or other professional care, counsel, treatment, or service. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c)(4).
1	5) Approve or withhold approval of any contract, except for necessities, which the person subject to guardianship may make or wish to make ( <i>only given if no conservator is appointed</i> ). Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c)(5).
1	6) Exercise supervision authority over the person subject to guardianship, but may not restrict the ability of the person subject to guardianship to communicate, visit, or interact with others unless the guardian has good cause to believe the restriction is necessary to prevent significant harm to the person subject to guardianship. Minn. Stat. § $524.5-313(c)(6)$ .
1	7) Apply on behalf of the person subject to guardianship for any assistance, services, or benefits available to the person through any unit of government ( <i>only given if no conservator is appointed</i> ). Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c)(7).
1	8) Establish an Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2014 account under section 529A of the Internal Revenue code (known as an ABLE account) for the person subject to guardianship. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c)(9).

 $\Box$  (9) Start a lawsuit on behalf of the person subject to guardianship, represent the person in noncriminal court proceedings, and settle claims with court approval (*only given if no conservator is appointed*). Minn. Stat. § 524.5-313(c)(10).

□ (10) Other:
and all other powers, duties, and responsibilities given to the Successor Guardian under applicable law.
Is there a Successor Co-Guardian? $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes:
$\Box$ The Successor Co-Guardian should have the same powers as the Successor Guardian.

OR

 $\Box$  The Successor Co-Guardian should have the following powers:

$\Box(1)$	$\Box$ (6)
$\Box$ (2)	$\Box$ (7)
$\Box$ (3)	$\Box(8)$
$\Box$ (4)	$\Box(9)$
$\Box(5)$	□(10) Other:

The information in paragraphs #11 - #19 applies to the proposed Successor Guardian and any Co-Guardian. You will need to fill out the *Attachment to Petition for Appointment of Successor Guardian and/or Conservator* (GAC403) to answer these questions about co-guardians.

11. The proposed Successor Guardian, _____(name),

 $\Box$  Has never been removed for cause from serving as a guardian or conservator.

OR

 $\Box$  Has been removed for cause from serving as a guardian or conservator:

Location: _____

Court File Number:

12. The proposed Successor **Guardian** anticipates charging the following rate for the performance of guardian services:

\$ _____ □ hourly / □ monthly / □ flat rate / □ other: _____

- 13.  $\Box$  The proposed Successor **Guardian** is a professional guardian.
  - a. A summary of the proposed Successor Guardian's educational background, relevant work, and other experience is as follows:

b. The professional guardian's current customary rate per hour is \$_____

## 14. The proposed Successor Guardian:

 $\Box$  Has not applied for or held any professional licenses.

### OR

□ Has applied for or held the following professional licenses:

Type of License	Agency	License Number	Status (for example, active, revoked, etc.)

If the status of any license has been denied, conditioned, suspended, revoked, or cancelled, please explain why:

## 15. The proposed Successor Guardian:

□ Has not been found civilly liable in an action involving fraud, misrepresentation, material omission, misappropriation, theft, or conversion.

OR

□ Has been found civilly liable in an action involving fraud, misrepresentation, material omission, misappropriation, theft, or conversion:

Court Location:

Court File Number:

- 16. The proposed Successor **Guardian**:
  - □ Has not filed for nor has received protection under the bankruptcy laws within the last 5 years.

## OR

□ Has filed for or has received protection under the bankruptcy laws within the last 5 years:

Court Location: _____

Court File Number:

# 17. The proposed Successor Guardian:

 $\Box$  Does not have any outstanding civil money judgments against them.

## OR

□ Has outstanding civil money judgments against them:

Court location:

Court File Number: _____

Amount still owed:

## 18. The proposed Successor Guardian:

□ Does not have, and has not had, an order for protection or harassment restraining order issued against them.

# OR

□ Currently has, or has had in the past, an order for protection or harassment restraining order issued against them:

Court Location:

Court File Number: _____

19. The proposed Successor Guardian:

 $\Box$  Has not been convicted of a gross misdemeanor or felony crime.

OR

 $\Box$  Has been convicted of a gross misdemeanor or felony crime:

Court Location:

Court File Number: _____

NOTE: Do not include petty misdemeanors or traffic offenses.

(Complete paragraphs #20 - #34 only if you want a Successor Conservator appointed.)

 $\Box$  I am NOT asking the court to appoint a Successor **Conservator** (if checked, skip to the **Request** section)

### SUCCESSOR CONSERVATOR

#### 20. Proposed Successor **Conservator**:

a.	Name:	
	Address:	
	City/State/Zip:	
	Telephone:	Age:

- b. The proposed Successor Conservator was:
  - $\Box$  Appointed by prior court order;
  - $\Box$  Nominated by the person subject to conservatorship;
  - $\Box$  Nominated by the parent of the person subject to conservatorship;
  - $\Box$  Nominated by the spouse of the person subject to conservatorship; or
  - $\Box$  Nominated by some other person.
- c. The proposed Successor **Conservator** is the most suitable and best qualified among those available and willing to serve as conservator because:
- d. The proposed Successor **Conservator** is not excluded from appointment under Minn. Stat. § 524.5-413(d).

#### 21. Proposed Successor Co-Conservator:

 $\Box$  N/A because there is only 1 proposed Successor **Conservator**, OR

a.	Name of Co-Conservator:		
	Address:		
	City/State/Zip:		
	Telephone:	Age:	
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b. The proposed Successor **Co-Conservator** was: □ Appointed by prior court order;

- □ Nominated by the person subject to conservatorship;
- □ Nominated by the parent of the person subject to conservatorship;
- $\Box$  Nominated by the spouse of the person subject to conservatorship; or
- $\Box$  Nominated by some other person.
- c. The proposed Successor **Co-Conservator** is the most suitable and best qualified among those available and willing to serve as conservator because:

d. The proposed Successor **Co-Conservator** is not excluded from appointment under Minn. Stat. § 524.5-309(c).

If there are more than 2 co-conservators, add these details about the other coconservators on another sheet of paper.

22. The following Conservator is no longer able or willing to serve as Conservator: , because:

- 23. A Successor **Conservator** is needed because:
  - a. The person subject to conservatorship continues to be unable to manage property and business affairs because of an impairment in the ability to receive and evaluate information or make decisions, even with the use of appropriate technological assistance. (Describe present general mental condition supporting this statement.)

	rting this statement.)
	estrictive means have been attempted and considered but are not sufficien at the identified needs of the person subject to conservatorship.
i.	The following less restrictive means have been considered and attempte
ii.	The length of time these less restrictive means were attempted:
iii.	The less restrictive means have not been successful because:

- 24. The following powers are needed for a Successor **Conservator/Co-Conservator** to protect and supervise the estate of the person subject to conservatorship:
  - □ All of the rights and powers under Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(c), paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. A *limited* conservatorship is not appropriate because: _____

(If the Conservator is granted limited powers and duties, specify which powers and duties are vested in the Conservator by this Order.)

- $\Box$  (1) Pay reasonable charges for the support, maintenance, and education of the person subject to conservatorship in a manner suitable to their station in life and the value of their estate. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(c)(1).
- $\Box$  (2) Pay out of the estate of the person subject to conservatorship all lawful debts of the person. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(c)(2).
- $\Box$  (3) Possess and manage the estate of the person subject to conservatorship, collect all debts and claims in favor of the person subject to conservatorship, or settle them with court approval, start a lawsuit on behalf of the person subject to conservatorship and represent the person in non-criminal court proceedings, and invest all funds not currently needed for debts, charges, and management of the estate pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 48A.07, subd. 6; 501C.0901; and 524.5-423; or as otherwise ordered by the court. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(c)(3).
- $\Box$  (4) Exchange or sell an undivided interest in real property. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(c)(4).
- $\Box$  (5) Approve or withhold approval of any contract, except for necessities, which the person subject to conservatorship may make or wish to make. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(c)(5).
- $\Box$  (6) Apply on behalf of the person subject to conservatorship for any assistance, services, or benefits available to them through any unit of government. Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(c)(6).
- $\Box$  (7) Establish and exercise all powers over an Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2014 account under section 529A of the Internal Revenue code (known as an ABLE account). Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(c)(7).
- $\Box$  (8) Other:

and all other powers, duties, and responsibilities given to the Successor Conservator under applicable law.

Is there a Successor Co-Conservator?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

If Yes:

 $\Box$  The Successor Co-Conservator should have the same powers as the Successor Conservator.

OR

□ The Successor Co-Conservator should have the following powers:

$\Box(1)$	$\Box$ (5)
$\Box$ (2)	$\Box$ (6)
$\Box$ (3)	$\Box$ (7)
$\Box(4)$	□(8) Other:

- 25. Wages or salary from the employment of the person subject to conservatorship [Minn. Stat. § 524.5-417(g)]:
  - □ Any wages or salary the person subject to conservatorship earns from employment during the conservatorship will be paid to and controlled by them. The Successor **Conservator** does not account for the wages and salary of the person subject to conservatorship in the annual reporting.

### OR

□ Any wages or salary the person subject to conservatorship earns from employment during the conservatorship will be part of the conservatorship estate. The Successor **Conservator** must include the wages and salary of the person subject to conservatorship in the annual reporting.

The information in paragraphs #26 - #34 applies to the proposed Successor Conservator and any Co-Conservator. You will need to fill out the *Attachment to Petition for Appointment of Successor Guardian and/or Conservator* (GAC403) to answer these questions about co-conservators.

26.	The proposed Successor Conservator,	(name),
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 $\Box$  Has never been removed for cause from serving as a guardian or conservator.

OR

 $\Box$  Has been removed for cause from serving as a guardian or conservator:

Location:

Court File Number:

27. The proposed Successor **Conservator** anticipates charging the following rate for the performance of conservator services:

\$ _____ □ hourly / □ monthly / □ flat rate / □ other: _____

- - a. A summary of the proposed Successor Conservator's educational background, relevant work and other experience is as follows:

b. The professional conservator's current customary rate per hour is \$_____

# 29. The proposed Successor **Conservator**:

 $\Box$  Has not applied for or held any professional licenses.

## OR

□ Has applied for or held the following professional licenses:

Type of License	Agency	License Number	Status (for example, active, revoked, etc.)

If the status of any license has been denied, conditioned, suspended, revoked, or cancelled, please explain why: ______

## 30. The proposed Successor **Conservator**:

□ Has not been found civilly liable in an action involving fraud, misrepresentation, material omission, misappropriation, theft, or conversion.

# OR

□ Has been found civilly liable in an action involving fraud, misrepresentation, material omission, misappropriation, theft, or conversion:

Court Location:

Court File Number: _____

# 31. The proposed Successor Conservator:

□ Has not filed for nor has received protection under the bankruptcy laws within the last 5 years.

### OR

□ Has filed for or has received protection under the bankruptcy laws within the last 5 years:

Court Location:

Court File Number:

## 32. The proposed Successor **Conservator**:

 $\Box$  Does not have any outstanding civil money judgments.

OR

□ Has outstanding civil money judgments:

Court Location:

Court File Number:

Amount still owed:

## 33. The proposed Successor **Conservator**:

□ Does not have, and has not had, an order for protection or harassment restraining order issued against them.

# OR

□ Currently has, or has had in the past, an order for protection or harassment restraining order issued against them:

Court Location:

Court File Number:

34. The proposed Successor **Conservator**:

 $\Box$  Has not been convicted of a gross misdemeanor or felony crime.

## OR

 $\Box$  Has been convicted of a gross misdemeanor or felony crime:

Court Location:

Court File Number:

NOTE: Do not include petty misdemeanors or traffic offenses.

# REQUESTS

The Petitioner asks the court to schedule a hearing on this petition and, after the hearing, issue an order:

Discharging	, the Guardian.
Terminating	, the <b>Conservator</b> .
□ Appointing person subject to guardianship with the pow number #10 above.	
□ Appointing person subject to guardianship with the pow number #10 above.	
□ Appointing person subject to guardianship with the pow number #24 above.	as Successor <b>Conservator</b> of the ters and duties described in the statements at
□ Appointing the person subject to guardianship with the p number #24 above.	as Successor <b>Co-Conservator</b> of powers and duties described in the statements at

I declare or affirm that I have read this petition and, to the best of my knowledge or information, its contents are true, correct and complete.

Dated

Signature of Petitioner

Name: Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Telephone:	
Email:	