

File Petition for Appointment of Guardian and/or Conservator	 Any time the Incapacitated Person is unable to properly care for his/her finances or physical needs Best to have and file a letter from the Incapacitated Person's physician recommending this Petitioners can be one or more interested persons Can ask for emergency appointment of Guardian or Conservator if needed Must include your criminal history and credit report Court will give you a hearing date
Service of Notice of Hearing	 The Incapacitated Person must be PERSONALLY served (process server) a copy of the Petitions and the Notice of Hearing – at least 10 business days before the hearing Spouse and children of the Incapacitated Person must be MAILED a copy of the Petitions and Notice of Hearing – at least 13 business days before the hearing
Court Appoints a Visitor	 Petitioner(s) pays Visitor's Fee in Advance Visitor interviews Incapacitated Person, Petitioner(s), medical or other persons providing care. Visitor submits to Court a written report with recommendations
Hearing Before a Judge	Court will decide if a Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is necessary – be prepared to give testimony and have your witnesses testify
Inventory Due	Court will set a due date for Conservator to file Inventory of Incapacitated Person's Assets
Guardian's and/or Conservator's Report Due	Court will set an annual due date for a Guardian's and/or Conservator's Report

Basic Guardianship and Conservatorship Procedures – Adult

THIS IS NOT LEGAL ADVICE BUT IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY. HAVE AN ATTORNEY EXPLAIN THIS TO YOU IN DETAIL. SOME EXCEPTIONS APPLY TO THE DATES AND SOMETIMES OTHER PROCEDURES OR FILINGS ARE NEEDED.