

GUARDIANSHIP PETITION INFO SHEET

The petition must generally provide:

- Description of the nature of the disability
- How it affects the alleged disabled person's ability to function
- Why a guardian should be appointed

Less Restrictive Alternatives

The Petitioner must attempt less restrictive alternatives to guardianship and describe the less restrictive alternatives that have been attempted and failed.

Certificates of Incapacity

Two certificates from health care professionals who have examined or evaluated the alleged disabled person certifying that the alleged disabled person is, in fact, disabled and in need of a guardianship must accompany the petition. The certificates may be obtained from:

- Two licensed physicians OR
- One licensed physician AND
- One licensed psychologist,
- One licensed certified social worker-clinical, or
- One nurse practitioner

One of the certificates must be within 21 days of submitting a petition.