

**CONSERVATORSHIPS:  
What are they?  
Who needs them?**

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## SELECTED CONSERVATORSHIP PROBATE CODES

### § 1471. Mandatory appointment; proceedings

(a) If a conservatee, proposed conservatee, or person alleged to lack legal capacity is unable to retain legal counsel and requests the appointment of counsel to assist in the particular matter, whether or not that person lacks or appears to lack legal capacity, the court shall, at or before the time of the hearing, appoint the public defender or private counsel to represent the person in the following proceedings under this division:

- (1) A proceeding to establish or transfer a conservatorship or to appoint a proposed conservator.
- (2) A proceeding to terminate the conservatorship.
- (3) A proceeding to remove the conservator.
- (4) A proceeding for a court order affecting the legal capacity of the conservatee.
- (5) A proceeding to obtain an order authorizing removal of a temporary conservatee from the temporary conservatee's place of residence.

(b) If a conservatee or proposed conservatee has not retained legal counsel and does not plan to retain legal counsel, whether or not that person lacks or appears to lack legal capacity, the court shall, at or before the time of the hearing, appoint the public defender or private counsel to represent the person in any proceeding listed in subdivision (a).

(c) In any proceeding to establish a limited conservatorship, if the proposed limited conservatee has not retained legal counsel and does not plan to retain legal counsel, the court shall immediately appoint the public defender or private counsel to represent the proposed limited conservatee. The proposed limited conservatee shall pay the cost for that legal service if they are able. This subdivision applies irrespective of any medical or psychological inability to attend the hearing on the part of the proposed limited conservatee as allowed in Section 1825.

**(d) If a conservatee, proposed conservatee, or person alleged to lack legal capacity expresses a preference for a particular attorney to represent them, the court shall allow representation by the preferred attorney, even if the attorney is not on the court's list of a court-appointed attorneys, and the attorney shall provide zealous representation as provided in subdivision (e). However, an attorney who cannot provide zealous advocacy or who has any conflict of interest with respect to the representation of the conservatee, proposed conservatee, or person alleged to lack legal capacity shall be disqualified.**

**(e) The role of legal counsel of a conservatee, proposed conservatee, or a person alleged to lack legal capacity is that of a zealous, independent advocate representing the wishes of their client, consistent with the duties set forth in Section 6068 of the Business and Professions Code and the California Rules of Professional Conduct.**

**(f) In an appeal or writ proceeding arising out of a proceeding described in this section, if a conservatee or proposed conservatee is not represented by legal counsel, the reviewing court shall appoint legal counsel to represent the conservatee or proposed conservatee before the court.**

Subdivisions (d), (e) and (f) added by Stats.2021, c. 417 (A.B.1194), § 6, eff. Jan. 1, 2022.)

### **§ 1800.3. Conservatorship for adults and married minors**

(a) If the need therefor is established to the satisfaction of the court and the other requirements of this chapter are satisfied, the court may appoint:

- (1) A conservator of the person or estate of an adult, or both.
- (2) A conservator of the person of a minor who is married or whose marriage has been dissolved.

(b) No conservatorship of the person or of the estate shall be granted by the court unless the court makes an express finding that the granting of the conservatorship is the least restrictive alternative needed for the protection of the conservatee.

### **§ 1801. Conservator of person or estate or person and estate**

Subject to Section 1800.3:

(a) A conservator of the person may be appointed for a person who is unable to provide properly for his or her personal needs for physical health, food, clothing, or shelter, except as provided for the person as described in subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 1828.5.

(b) A conservator of the estate may be appointed for a person who is substantially unable to manage his or her own financial resources or resist fraud or undue influence, except as provided for that person as described in subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 1828.5. Substantial inability may not be proved solely by isolated incidents of negligence or improvidence.

(c) A conservator of the person and estate may be appointed for a person described in subdivisions (a) and (b).

(d) A limited conservator of the person or of the estate, or both, may be appointed for a developmentally disabled adult. ...

(e) *The standard of proof for the appointment of a conservator pursuant to this section shall be clear and convincing evidence.*

### **§ 1820. Petition; filing; persons authorized**

(a) A petition for the appointment of a conservator may be filed by any of the following:

- (1) The proposed conservatee.
- (2) The spouse or domestic partner of the proposed conservatee.
- (3) A relative of the proposed conservatee.
- (4) Any interested state or local entity or agency of this state or any interested public officer or employee of this state or of a local public entity of this state.
- (5) Any other interested person or friend of the proposed conservatee.

(b) If the proposed conservatee is a minor, the petition may be filed during his or her minority so that the appointment of a conservator may be made effective immediately upon the minor's attaining the age of majority. An existing guardian of the minor may be appointed as conservator under this part upon the minor's attaining the age of majority, whether or not the guardian's accounts have been settled.

(c) A creditor of the proposed conservatee may not file a petition for appointment of a conservator unless the creditor is a person described in paragraph (2), (3), or (4) of subdivision (a).

### **§ 1827. Law and procedure applicable to hearing**

The court shall hear and determine the matter of the establishment of the conservatorship according to the law and procedure relating to the trial of civil actions, *including trial by jury if demanded by the proposed conservatee*.

### **§ 1880. Determination by court; order**

If the court determines that there is no form of medical treatment for which the conservatee has the capacity to give an informed consent, the court shall (1) adjudge that the conservatee lacks the capacity to give informed consent for medical treatment and (2) by order give the conservator of the person the powers specified in Section 2355. If an order is made under this section, the letters shall include a statement that the conservator has the powers specified in Section 2355.

### **§ 1900. Appointment of conservator; effect**

The appointment of a conservator of the person or estate or both does not affect the capacity of the conservatee to marry or to enter into a registered domestic partnership.

### **§ 1901. Determination of capacity; order; law governing; filing of petition**

(a) The court may by order determine whether the conservatee has the capacity to enter into a valid marriage, as provided in Part 1 (commencing with Section 300) of Division 3 of the Family Code, or to enter into a registered domestic partnership, as provided in Section 297 of the Family Code, at the time the order is made.

(b) A petition for an order under this section may be filed by the conservator of the person or estate or both, the conservatee, any relative or friend of the conservatee, or any interested person.

### **§ 2101. Fiduciary relationship; trust law**

The relationship of guardian and ward and of conservator and conservatee is a fiduciary relationship that is governed by the law of trusts, except as provided in this division.

### **§ 2113. Balance of conflicting interests**

A conservator shall accommodate the desires of the conservatee, except to the extent that doing so would violate the conservator's fiduciary duties to the conservatee or impose an unreasonable expense on the conservatorship estate.

## **SELECTED JUDICIAL COUNCIL FORMS**

- GC - 310      Petition for Appointment of Probate Conservator
- GC - 348      Duties of Conservator
- GC - 335      Capacity Declaration
- GC - 350      Letters of Conservatorship
- GC - 341      Notice of Conservatee's Rights
- GC - 355      Determination of Conservatee's Appropriate Level of Care
- GC - 010      Certification of Attorney Qualifications

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY STATE BAR NO.: NAME: FIRM NAME: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE: TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO.: E-MAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (name):	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
CONSERVATORSHIP OF (name): <div style="text-align: right;">(PROPOSED) CONSERVATEE</div>	
<b>PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF PROBATE CONSERVATOR OF THE</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Conservatorship	<input type="checkbox"/> SUCCESSOR <input type="checkbox"/> PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> ESTATE
	CASE NUMBER: <hr/> HEARING DATE AND TIME: DEPT.:

1. **Petitioner (name):****requests that**

- a. (Name):  
(Address):

(Telephone):

**be appointed**  successor  conservator  limited conservator  
 of the PERSON of the (proposed) conservatee and Letters issue upon qualification.

- b. (Name):  
(Address):

(Telephone):

**be appointed**  successor  conservator  limited conservator  
 of the ESTATE of the (proposed) conservatee and Letters issue upon qualification.

- c. (1)  bond not be required  because the proposed  successor conservator is a corporate fiduciary or an exempt government agency.  for the reasons stated in Attachment 1c.
- (2)  bond be fixed at: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be furnished by an authorized surety company or as otherwise provided by law. (Specify reasons in Attachment 1c if the amount is different from the minimum required by Probate Code section 2320.)
- (3)  \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in deposits in a blocked account be allowed. Receipts will be filed.  
(Specify institution and location):
- d.  orders authorizing independent exercise of powers under Probate Code section 2590 be granted. Granting the proposed  successor conservator of the estate powers to be exercised independently under Probate Code section 2590 would be to the advantage and benefit and in the best interest of the conservatorship estate. (Specify orders, powers, and reasons in Attachment 1d.)
- e.  orders relating to the capacity of the (proposed) conservatee under Probate Code section 1873 or 1901 be granted. (Specify orders, facts, and reasons in Attachment 1e.)
- f.  orders relating to the powers and duties of the proposed  successor conservator of the person under Probate Code sections 2351-2358 be granted. (Specify orders, facts, and reasons in Attachment 1f.)
- g.  the (proposed) conservatee be adjudged to lack the capacity to give informed consent for medical treatment or healing by prayer and that the proposed  successor conservator of the person be granted the powers specified in Probate Code section 2355. (Complete item 9 on page 6.)

**Do NOT use this form for a temporary conservatorship.**

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1. h.  (for limited conservatorship only) orders relating to the powers and duties of the proposed limited conservator of the person under Probate Code section 2351.5 be granted. (Specify orders, powers, and duties in Attachment 1h and complete item 1j.)  successor\*
- i.  (for limited conservatorship only) orders relating to the powers and duties of the proposed limited conservator of the estate under Probate Code section 1830(b) be granted. (Specify orders, powers, and duties in Attachment 1i and complete item 1j.)  successor\*
- j.  (for limited conservatorship only) orders limiting the civil and legal rights of the (proposed) limited conservatee be granted. (Specify limitations in Attachment 1j.)
- k.  orders authorizing placement or treatment for a major neurocognitive disorder (such as dementia) as specified in the Attachment Requesting Special Orders Regarding a Major Neurocognitive Disorder (form GC-313) under Probate Code section 2356.5 be granted. A Capacity Declaration—Conservatorship (form GC-335) and Major Neurocognitive Disorder Attachment to Capacity Declaration—Conservatorship (form GC-335A), executed by a licensed physician or by a licensed psychologist acting within the scope of his or her license with at least two years experience diagnosing major neurocognitive disorders (including dementia),  are filed herewith.  will be filed before the hearing.  (appointment of successor conservator only) will not be filed because an order relating to placement or treatment for a major neurocognitive disorder (such as dementia) was filed on (date): . That order has neither expired by its terms nor been revoked.
- l.  other orders be granted. (Specify in Attachment 1l.)
2. (Proposed) conservatee is (name): (Telephone):  
(Current address):
3. a.  **Jurisdictional facts** (initial appointment only) The proposed conservatee has no conservator in California and is a
- (1)  resident of California and
- (a)  a resident of this county.
- (b)  not a resident of this county, but commencement of the conservatorship in this county is in the best interests of the proposed conservatee for the reasons specified in Attachment 3a.
- (2)  nonresident of California but
- (a)  is temporarily living in this county, or
- (b)  has property in this county, or
- (c)  commencement of the conservatorship in this county is in the best interest of the proposed conservatee for the reasons specified in Attachment 3a.
- b. **Petitioner** (answer items (1) and (2) and check all other items that apply)
- (1)  is  is not a **creditor** or an agent of a creditor of the (proposed) conservatee.
- (2)  is  is not a **debtor** or an agent of a debtor of the (proposed) conservatee.
- (3)  is the proposed  successor conservator.
- (4)  is the (proposed) conservatee. (If this item is **not** checked, you must also complete item 3f.)
- (5)  is the spouse of the (proposed) conservatee. (You must also complete item 6.)
- (6)  is the domestic partner or former domestic partner of the (proposed) conservatee. (You must also complete item 7.)
- (7)  is a relative of the (proposed) conservatee as (specify relationship):
- (8)  is an interested person or friend of the (proposed) conservatee.
- (9)  is a state or local public entity, officer, or employee.
- (10)  is the guardian of the proposed conservatee.
- (11)  is a bank  is another entity authorized to conduct the business of a trust company.
- (12)  is a professional fiduciary within the meaning of Business and Professions Code section 6501(f) who is licensed by the Professional Fiduciaries Bureau of the Department of Consumer Affairs. Petitioner's license number is provided in item 1 on page 1 of the attached Professional Fiduciary Attachment. (Use form GC-210(A-PF)/GC-310(A-PF) for this attachment. You must also complete item 2 on page 2 of that form and item 3d below.)

\* See Item 5b on page 4.



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3. c. **Proposed**  **successor conservator** is (check all that apply)
- (1)  a nominee. (Affix nomination as Attachment 3c(1).)
  - (2)  the spouse of the (proposed) conservatee. (You must also complete item 6.)
  - (3)  the domestic partner or former domestic partner of the (proposed) conservatee. (You must also complete item 7.)
  - (4)  a relative of the (proposed) conservatee as (specify relationship):
  - (5)  a bank.  another entity authorized to conduct the business of a trust company.
  - (6)  a nonprofit charitable corporation that meets the requirements of Probate Code section 2104.
  - (7)  a professional fiduciary, as defined in Business and Professions Code section 6501(f). His or her statement concerning licensure or exemption is provided in item 1 on page 1 of the attached *Professional Fiduciary Attachment*. (Use form GC-210(A-PF)/GC-310(A-PF) for this attachment.)
  - (8)  other (specify):
- d.  Engagement and prior relationship with petitioning professional fiduciary (complete this item if petitioner is licensed by the *Professional Fiduciaries Bureau*.)
- (1)  Statements of who engaged petitioner, or how petitioner was engaged to file this petition, and a description of any prior relationship petitioner had with the (proposed) conservatee or his or her family or friends, are provided in item 2 on page 2 of the attached *Professional Fiduciary Attachment*. (Use form GC-210(A-PF)/GC-310(A-PF) for this attachment.)
  - (2)  A petition for appointment of a temporary conservator is filed with this petition. That petition contains statements of who engaged petitioner, how petitioner was engaged to file this petition, and a description of any prior relationship petitioner had with the (proposed) conservatee or his or her family and friends.
- e. **Character and estimated value of the property of the estate** (complete items (1) or (2) and (3), (4), and (5)):
- (1)  (For appointment of successor conservator only, if complete Inventory and Appraisal filed by predecessor):  
Personal property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_, per Inventory and Appraisal filed in this proceeding on  
(specify dates of filing of all inventories and appraisals):
  - (2)  Estimated value of personal property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - (3) Annual gross income from
    - (a) real property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    - (b) personal property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    - (c) pensions: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    - (d) wages: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    - (e) public assistance benefits: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    - (f) other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - (4) **Total** of (1) or (2) and (3): \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - (5) Real property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    - (a)  per Inventory and Appraisal identified in item (1).
    - (b)  estimated value.
- f.  Due diligence (complete this item if the (proposed) conservatee is not a petitioner):
- (1) Efforts to find the (proposed) conservatee's relatives or reasons why it is not feasible to contact any of them are described on Attachment 3f(1).
  - (2) Statements of the (proposed) conservatee's preferences concerning the appointment of any (successor) conservator and the appointment of the proposed (successor) conservator or reasons why it is not feasible to ascertain those preferences are contained on Attachment 3f(2).

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3. g. So far as known to petitioner, a conservatorship or equivalent proceeding concerning the proposed conservatee
- has not  has been filed in another jurisdiction, including a court of a federally-recognized Indian tribe with jurisdiction (see Prob. Code, § 2031(b)).
- (If you answered "has," identify the jurisdiction and state the date the case was filed):
4. **(Proposed) conservatee**
- a.  is  is not a patient in or on leave of absence from a state institution under the jurisdiction of the California Department of State Hospitals or the California Department of Developmental Services (specify state institution):
- b.  is receiving or entitled to receive  is neither receiving nor entitled to receive benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (estimate amount of monthly benefit payable):
- c.  is  is not, so far as is known to petitioner, a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe.  
(If you answered "is," complete items (1)–(4)):
- (1) Name of tribe:
- (2) Location of tribe (if the tribe is located in more than one state, the state that is the tribe's principal location):
- (3) The proposed conservatee  does  does not reside on tribal land.\*
- (4) So far as known to petitioner, the proposed conservatee  owns  does not own property on tribal land.
5. a.  Proposed conservatee (initial appointment of conservator only)
- (1)  is an adult.
- (2)  will be an adult on the effective date of the order (date):
- (3)  is a married minor.
- (4)  is a minor whose marriage has been dissolved.
- b.  Vacancy in office of conservator (appointment of successor conservator only. A petition for appointment of a limited conservator after the death of a predecessor is a petition for initial appointment. (Prob. Code, § 1860.5(a)(1).)
- There is a vacancy in the office of conservator of the  person  estate for the reasons  specified in Attachment 5b.  specified below.

\* "Tribal land" is land that is, with respect to a specific Indian tribe and the members of that tribe, "Indian country", as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 1151.



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5. d.  (Proposed) conservatee voluntarily requests the appointment of a  successor conservator.  
(Specify facts showing good cause in Attachment 5(d).)
- e.  Confidential Supplemental Information (form GC-312) is filed with this petition. (Initial appointment of conservator only.  
All petitioners must file this form except banks and other entities authorized to do business as a trust company.)
- f. **(Proposed) conservatee**  does  does not have a developmental disability as defined in Probate Code section 1420. Petitioner is aware of the requirements of Probate Code section 1827.5. (Specify the nature and degree of the alleged disability in Attachment 5f).
6.  **Petitioner or proposed**  **successor conservator is the spouse of the (proposed) conservatee.**  
(If this statement is true, you must answer a or b.)
- a.  The (proposed) conservatee's spouse is not a party to any action or proceeding against the (proposed) conservatee for legal separation, dissolution of marriage, annulment, or adjudication of nullity of their marriage.
- b.  Although the (proposed) conservatee's spouse is a party to an action or proceeding against the (proposed) conservatee for legal separation, dissolution, annulment, or adjudication of nullity of their marriage, or has obtained a judgment in one of these proceedings, it is in the best interest of the (proposed) conservatee that:
- (1)  a  successor conservator be appointed.
- (2)  the spouse be appointed as the  successor conservator.  
(if you checked item 6b(1) or (2) or both, specify the facts and reasons in Attachment 6b.)
7.  **Petitioner or proposed**  **successor conservator is the domestic partner or former domestic partner of the (proposed) conservatee.** (If this statement is true, you must answer a or b.)
- a.  The domestic partner of the (proposed) conservatee has not terminated and does not intend to terminate the domestic partnership.
- b.  Although the domestic partner or former domestic partner of the (proposed) conservatee intends to terminate or has terminated the domestic partnership, it is in the best interest of the (proposed) conservatee that
- (1)  a  successor conservator be appointed.
- (2)  the domestic partner or former domestic partner be appointed as the  successor conservator.  
(if you checked item 7b(1) or (2) or both, specify the facts and reasons in Attachment 7b.)
8. **(Proposed) conservatee** (check all that apply)
- a.  will attend the hearing AND  is the petitioner  is not the petitioner AND  has  has not nominated the proposed  successor conservator.
- b.  (initial appointment of conservator only) is able but unwilling to attend the hearing AND  does  does not wish to contest the establishment of a conservatorship,  does  does not object to the proposed conservator, AND  does  does not prefer that another person act as conservator.
- c.  (initial appointment of conservator only): is unable to attend the hearing because of medical inability. A *Capacity Declaration-Conservatorship* (form GC-335), executed by a licensed medical practitioner or an accredited religious practitioner  is filed with this petition.  will be filed before the hearing.
- d.  (initial appointment of conservator only) is not the petitioner, is out of state, and will not attend the hearing.
- e.  (appointment of successor conservator only) will not attend the hearing.
9.  **Medical treatment of (proposed) conservatee**
- a. There is no form of medical treatment for which the (proposed) conservatee has the capacity to give an informed consent.
- b. A *Capacity Declaration-Conservatorship* (form GC-335) executed by a licensed physician or by a licensed psychologist acting within the scope of his or her licensure, stating that the (proposed) conservatee lacks the capacity to give informed consent for any form of medical treatment and giving reasons and the factual basis for this conclusion,  is filed with this petition.  will be filed before the hearing.  will not be filed for the reason stated in c.
- c.  (appointment of successor conservator only) The conservatee's incapacity to consent to any form of medical treatment was determined by order filed in this matter on (date):  
That order has neither expired by its terms nor been revoked.
- d. (Proposed) conservatee  is  is not an adherent of a religion that relies on prayer alone for healing, as defined in Probate Code section 2355(b).

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10.  **Temporary conservatorship**

Filed with this petition is a *Petition for Appointment of Temporary Conservator* (form GC-111).

11. **(Proposed) conservatee's relatives**

The names, residence addresses, and relationships of the spouse or registered domestic partner and the second-degree relatives of the (proposed) conservatee (his or her parents, grandparents, children, grandchildren, and brothers and sisters), so far as known to petitioner, are

- a.  listed below.
- b.  not known, or no longer living, so the (proposed) conservatee's deemed relatives under Probate Code section 1821(b) (1)-(4) are listed below.

	<u>Name and relationship to conservatee</u>	<u>Residence address</u>
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
(11)		
(12)		
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12.  **Confidential conservator screening form**

Submitted with this petition is a *Confidential Conservator Screening Form* (form GC-314) completed and signed by the proposed  successor conservator. *(Required for all proposed conservators except banks and trust companies.)*

13.  **Court investigator**

Filed with this petition is a proposed *Order Appointing Court Investigator* (form GC-330).

14. Number of pages attached:

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER)

\_\_\_\_\_

(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER)

*(All petitioners must also sign (Prob. Code, § 1020; Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.103).)*

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF PETITIONER)

\_\_\_\_\_

(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER)

\_\_\_\_\_

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF PETITIONER)

\_\_\_\_\_

(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER)



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- III. A. 1.** An evaluation of the level of care existing when the petition for your appointment as a conservator was filed and the measures that would be necessary to keep the conservatee in his or her **personal residence**.  
(*Note: The conservatee's **personal residence** is the residence the conservatee understood or believed to be his or her permanent residence on (1) the date the petition for appointment of a conservator was filed in this matter, or (2) on the last earlier date the conservatee could form or communicate an understanding or belief about a permanent residence, whether or not he or she was living there when the appointment petition was filed. See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.1063(b).*)
- 2.** A plan to return the conservatee to his or her **personal residence** or an explanation of the limitations or restrictions on a return of the conservatee to that residence in the foreseeable future if the conservatee was not living there when the petition for appointment of a conservator was filed.
- 3.** A reevaluation after a material (important) change in circumstances affecting the conservatee's needs for placement and care after your initial determination.
- 4.** If the conservatee is a limited conservatee who is developmentally disabled, special rules may apply to the determination of his or her level of care and residential placement. See item **VI** below.
- B. DECIDE WHERE THE CONSERVATEE WILL LIVE**
- 1.** You must decide where the conservatee will live. You may choose a residence in California without prior approval of the court, but you must choose the least restrictive appropriate residence that is available and necessary to meet the conservatee's needs and that is in his or her best interests.
- 2.** You must file a written notice of any change of the conservatee's residence with the court within 30 days of the move, and you must mail copies of the notice to the conservatee's attorney, the conservatee's spouse or registered domestic partner, and the conservatee's relatives who were mailed copies of the petition for your appointment as conservator, unless the court excuses you from the mailing to prevent harm to the conservatee. (There is a court form you must use for this notice and another form you may use to prove that you have mailed it. The forms are the *Post-Move Notice of Change of Residence of Conservatee or Ward* (form GC-080) and the *Attachment to Post-Move Notice, etc.* (form GC-080(MA)). These forms refer to a "post-move notice" because the notice may be filed and mailed after the date of the move.)
- 3.** The law presumes that the conservatee's **personal residence** (see item **IIIA**) is the conservatee's least restrictive appropriate residence. There must be a reason supported by sufficient evidence to justify a change of residence from the conservatee's personal residence (including a move from a care facility or other temporary placement to a residence that is not the conservatee's personal residence).
- 4.** If you want to move the conservatee from his or her **personal residence**, in addition to the post-move notice described in item 2, you must mail a notice of your intent to change the conservatee's residence to the conservatee, the conservatee's attorney, if any, and to each other person or entity entitled to notice of the hearing on the petition for your appointment as conservator; and then you must file with the court proof that the notice was mailed. Unless there is an emergency requiring a shorter period of notice, this notice must be mailed at least 15 days before the date of the proposed move. (There is a court form you must use for this notice and another form you may use to prove that you have mailed it. The forms are the *Pre-Move Notice of Proposed Change of Personal Residence of Conservatee or Ward* (form GC-079) and the *Attachment to Pre-Move Notice, etc.* (form GC-079(MA)). These forms refer to a "pre-move notice" because the notice must be mailed before the move.)
- 5.** If you want to establish the conservatee's residence outside California, you must petition the court for permission before the move. Notice of the court hearing on this petition, together with a copy of the petition, must be mailed to the conservatee and the other persons and entities that were entitled to notice of the hearing on the petition for your appointment as conservator. There is a court form for this petition, the *Petition to Fix Residence Outside the State of California* (form GC-085). Notice of the hearing and proof of its mailing is given on another court form, the *Notice of Hearing—Guardianship or Conservatorship* (form GC-020).
- 6.** You may not place the conservatee involuntarily in a mental health treatment facility unless he or she has been determined to be gravely disabled as the result of a mental disorder or impairment by chronic alcoholism, you have been appointed as conservator under the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (Welf. & Inst. Code, § 5350 et seq.), and then only if the court has authorized the placement. If the court has authorized you to place the conservatee in a secured-perimeter residential care facility or a locked and secured nursing facility because he or she suffers from dementia, you must be sure that the placement is the least restrictive placement appropriate to the conservatee's needs.



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**III. C. PROVIDE MEDICAL CARE FOR THE CONSERVATEE**

You are responsible for making sure that the conservatee's health care needs are met. But there are special rules you must follow to meet these needs. Two of the most important rules are as follows:

1. Unless the court has given you exclusive authority to consent to the conservatee's medical treatment because the court has determined that the conservatee has lost the capacity to make sound medical decisions, your consent or refusal to consent to such treatment is not sufficient if the conservatee disagrees (except in certain emergency situations). If you do have exclusive medical consent authority, you should be sure that all medical treatment and medications are appropriate.
2. If the conservatee has dementia and has lost the capacity to give an informed consent to the administration of medications for its treatment and care, you must be given specific authority by the court to consent to the administration of these medications. If you do have this authority, you should be sure that the medications are appropriate.

**D. WORK WITH THE PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CONSERVATEE'S PROPERTY**

If other persons are handling the conservatee's property, such as his or her estate conservator, the conservatee's spouse or registered domestic partner in possession of the couple's marital or partnership property, or the trustee of a trust created for the management of the conservatee's property and for his or her support, you must work together to be sure that the conservatee can afford the care you arrange. Purchases you make for the conservatee must be approved by the person(s) responsible for managing the conservatee's assets or you may not be reimbursed or your reimbursement may be delayed.

**IV. CONSERVATOR OF THE ESTATE**

The conservatee's property or assets and income are known as the conservatee's "estate." If the court appoints you as conservator of the estate, you will manage the conservatee's finances, protect the conservatee's income and property or assets, make an inventory of the conservatee's property or assets, make sure the conservatee's bills are paid, invest the conservatee's money, see that the conservatee receives all the income and benefits to which he or she is entitled, ensure that the conservatee's tax returns are filed on time and all taxes paid, keep accurate financial records, and regularly report the conservatee's financial condition to the court. *(Note: Property or assets and income in a trust for the conservatee's support and maintenance are usually not considered as part of the conservatee's estate, particularly if the trust was created and funded before the appointment of a conservator. Unless the conservatee's spouse or registered domestic partner consents to its inclusion in the conservatee's estate, the community property of the conservatee and his or her spouse or registered domestic partner under the management and control of the spouse or partner is also not part of the conservatee's estate.)*

**A. MANAGING THE ESTATE****1. Prudent management for the benefit of the conservatee; prudent investments**

You must manage the estate's property or assets and income for the benefit of the conservatee and with the care of a prudent person dealing with someone else's property. You must not make unreasonably risky investments of money or property of the estate.

**2. Prior court approval required for fees, borrowing, loans, and gifts**

You must ask and receive the court's permission, after full disclosure of all relevant facts, before you may pay from the conservatee's estate fees to yourself for your services as conservator and to your attorney for his or her services to you; borrow money for or loan money from the conservatee's estate (to yourself or anyone else); or make gifts of estate assets or property.

**3. Keep estate money and property separate from your or anyone else's money or property**

You must keep the money and property of the conservatee's estate separate from your money or property or from the money or property of any other person. Never deposit estate funds in your personal bank account or otherwise mix them with your or anyone else's funds, even for brief periods. Title to individual stocks, bonds, or other securities; securities broker accounts; mutual funds; and accounts with banks and other financial institutions must show that these assets are property of the conservatorship estate and not your or anyone else's property.

**4. Interest-bearing accounts and other investments**

Except for a checking account intended for payment of ordinary expenses, estate bank accounts must earn interest. You may deposit estate funds in one or more insured accounts in financial institutions, but you should not put more than the FDIC insurance limit, currently \$250,000, in any single institution. You have authority to make some investments without court approval. Other investments may be made only after court approval has been obtained. Consult with an attorney before making any investments, even those you have authority to make without court approval.

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**IV. A. 5. Claims against others on behalf of the conservatee**

Pursue claims against others on behalf of the conservatee's estate when it is in the best interests of the conservatee or his or her estate to do so. The court may require you to be represented by a lawyer to proceed with litigation on behalf of the conservatee's estate. Consider requesting prior court authority to pursue or compromise large or complex claims, particularly those that might require litigation and the assistance of legal counsel and those that might result in an award of attorney fees for the other party against the conservatee's estate if you are unsuccessful. You may sign a contingent fee agreement with legal counsel on behalf of the conservatee's estate if such agreements are customary for the type of case involved, but the court must approve the agreement before it is enforceable. You may ask for court approval of a contingent fee agreement before signing it and before legal counsel performs any services under it.

**6. Defend against claims against the conservatee's estate**

Defend against actions or claims against the conservatee or his or her estate when it is in the best interest of the conservatee or the estate to do so. The court may require you to be represented by a lawyer for your defense of a lawsuit against the conservatee's estate. You may request court approval or instructions concerning the defense or compromise of such a lawsuit.

**7. Public and insurance benefits**

You must learn about and collect all public and insurance benefits for which the conservatee is eligible.

**8. Evaluate the conservatee's ability to manage cash and other assets**

You should evaluate the conservatee's ability to manage cash or other assets and take appropriate action, including asking for prior court approval when necessary or appropriate, to enable the conservatee to do so to the level of his or her ability.

**9. Locate the conservatee's estate planning documents**

You should undertake, as soon as possible after your appointment and qualification as conservator, to locate and take reasonable steps to ensure the safety of the conservatee's estate planning documents, including wills and codicils, living trusts, powers of attorney for health care and finances, life insurance policies, and pension records.

**10. Preserve property mentioned in the conservatee's estate planning documents**

Make reasonable efforts to identify, locate, and preserve property mentioned in the conservatee's estate planning documents.

**11. Guard against inappropriate disclosure of the conservatee's financial information**

Subject to your duty of full disclosure to the court and persons entitled under the law to receive it, you must closely guard against unnecessary or inappropriate disclosure of the conservatee's financial information.

**12. Conservatee's tangible personal property**

If you plan to dispose of any of the conservatee's tangible personal property, inform the conservatee's family members in advance and give them an opportunity to acquire the property, with approval or confirmation of the court.

**13. Factors to consider when deciding whether to dispose of any of the conservatee's property**

In deciding whether it is in the best interest of the conservatee to dispose of property of his or her estate, consider the following factors, among others, as appropriate in the circumstances:

- (A) The likely benefit or improvement of the conservatee's life that disposing of the property would bring;
- (B) The likelihood that the conservatee would need or benefit from the property in the future;
- (C) The previously expressed or current desires of the conservatee concerning the property, unless accommodating those desires would violate your fiduciary duty to the conservatee or impose an unreasonable expense on the estate;
- (D) The provisions of the conservatee's estate plan concerning the property;
- (E) The tax consequences of disposing of the property;
- (F) The impact of disposition on the conservatee's eligibility for public benefits;
- (G) The condition of the entire estate;
- (H) The likelihood that the property will deteriorate or be subject to waste if kept in the estate; and
- (I) The benefit versus the cost or liability of maintaining the property in the estate.

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#### IV. A. 14. Property, casualty, and liability insurance

Determine the appropriate kinds and adequate levels of property, casualty, and liability insurance covering the property, assets, risks, and potential liabilities of the conservatee and his or her estate. Maintain the insurance in force during the entire period of the administration (except for assets after they are sold).

#### 15. Communicate with conservator of the person and trustee

You should communicate as necessary and appropriate with the conservator of the conservatee's person, if any, and with the trustee of any trust of which the conservatee is a beneficiary.

#### 16. Other limitations or restrictions

There are many limitations or restrictions on your authority to deal with estate assets not mentioned here. If you do not obtain the court's permission when it is required before taking an action, you may be removed as conservator or you may be required to reimburse the estate from your own personal funds, or both.

### B. INVENTORY OF ESTATE PROPERTY

#### 1. Locate and take possession of the estate's property and prepare an inventory

You must identify, locate, take possession of, and protect all the conservatee's property, assets, and income that will be or become part of the conservatorship estate. You must change the record title or ownership of most property and assets of the estate to reflect the conservatorship. You must record a copy of your *Letters of Conservatorship* (form GC-350) with the county recorder in each county where the conservatee owns real property. You must then prepare an inventory, or a list, of all of the real and personal property of the estate. There are court forms that must be used for the inventory. These consist of a two-page cover sheet, *Inventory and Appraisal* (form DE-160/GC-040) and one or more pages to be attached to the cover sheet containing the list of property, *Inventory and Appraisal Attachment* (form DE-161/GC-041). The property is separated into two categories, cash and cash-equivalent items, listed on Attachment 1; and all other types of real and personal property, listed on Attachment 2.

#### 2. Determine the value of the estate's property

You must arrange to have a **probate referee** appointed by the court appraise, or determine the fair market value of, the noncash property of the estate shown in Attachment 2 of your inventory unless the referee's appointment is waived by the court. You, rather than the referee, may appraise the value of the cash and cash-equivalent items of property listed in Attachment 1, such as bank accounts.

#### 3. File and mail copies of the inventory and appraisal and notice of how to object

Within 90 days after your appointment as conservator, unless the court gives you more time, you must file with the court your inventory containing the appraisals of estate property, signed by you and, if the probate referee has appraised assets, by the referee. You must also mail copies of the completed inventory and appraisal to the conservatee, the conservatee's attorney, if any, and the conservatee's spouse or registered domestic partner, parents, and children, and must give them written notice of how to file an objection to the inventory and appraisal. There is a court form that must be used for this notice, the *Notice of Filing of Inventory and Appraisal and How to Object to the Inventory or the Appraised Value of Property* (form GC-042).

### C. RECORD KEEPING AND ACCOUNTING

#### 1. Keep records and prepare accountings

You must keep complete and accurate records of each financial transaction affecting the estate, including all receipts of income, changes in assets or property held in the estate, and expenditures. The checkbook for the conservatorship checking account is your indispensable tool for keeping records of income and expenditures. You should also save original bills or invoices paid, records of property sale transactions, receipts for money spent, and bank or other institutions' statements showing income received and money spent. You must prepare periodic accountings of all money and property you have received, what you have spent, the date of each transaction, and its purpose. Your accountings must describe in detail what you have left after you pay the estate's expenses. There are court forms you may, or in some situations must, use for your accountings. You will have to file original statements from banks and other institutions with your accountings.

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#### IV. C. 2. Court review of your accountings and records

You must file with the court a report with each of your accountings that shows the current circumstances of the conservatee and the estate, along with a petition requesting that the court review and approve the accounting. Your first accounting is due one year after your appointment, and later accountings must be filed at least every two years after that. The court may order you to file more frequent accountings. You must save your receipts and other original records because the court may ask to review them. If you do not file your accountings as required, the court will order you to do so. You may be removed as conservator if you fail to properly prepare and file your accountings or comply with the court's orders.

#### V. DUTY TO DISCLOSE CHANGES IN MARITAL OR DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP STATUS

If you are the spouse of the conservatee, you must disclose to the court, and give notice to interested persons under the Probate Code, of the filing of any action or proceeding against the conservatee for (1) legal separation, (2) dissolution of marriage, or (3) adjudication of nullity of the marriage. If you are or were the registered domestic partner of the conservatee, you must disclose to the court any termination of the domestic partnership. The disclosure must be made within 10 days of the initial filing of the action or proceeding or termination of the partnership by filing a notice with the court. If you are not the spouse or registered domestic partner or former partner of the conservatee and one of these events occurs, the conservatee's spouse or former registered domestic partner must disclose the event to you within the same 10-day period.

#### VI. LIMITED CONSERVATOR (for the developmentally disabled only)

##### A. AUTHORITY SPECIFIED IN YOUR *LETTERS OF CONSERVATORSHIP* AND APPOINTMENT ORDER

If the court appoints you as limited conservator, you will have authority to take care of **only** those aspects of the conservatee's life and financial affairs specified in your *Letters of Conservatorship* and the court's order appointing you. The conservatee retains all other legal and civil rights. Although most of the information provided in this form also applies to limited conservatorships (especially the duties of the conservator of the person), you should clarify with your attorney exactly which information applies in your case.

##### B. DUTY TO HELP LIMITED CONSERVATEE DEVELOP SELF-RELIANCE

You must secure treatment, services, and opportunities that will assist the limited conservatee to develop maximum self-reliance and independence. This assistance may include training, education, medical and psychological services, social opportunities, vocational opportunities, and other appropriate help.

##### C. DETERMINATION OF LEVEL OF CARE FOR CERTAIN LIMITED CONSERVATEES

The level of care determination described in item **IIIA** does not apply to a limited conservatee who receives services from a regional center for the developmentally disabled and for whom the Director of Developmental Services or the regional center is acting as conservator. Determination of the services provided for and residential placement of these limited conservatees are to be identified, delivered, and evaluated consistent with the individual program plan process described in Welfare and Institutions Code sections 4640–4659. (*See Prob. Code, § 2352.5(e).*)

#### VII. TEMPORARY CONSERVATOR

If the court appoints you as temporary conservator, you will generally have the same duties and authority as general conservators, **except** the conservatorship will end on the date specified in your *Letters of Temporary Conservatorship*. Most of the information in this form also applies to temporary conservatorships, but you must consult your attorney about which duties you will **not** perform because of the short duration of the temporary conservatorship appointment. A temporary conservator should avoid making long-term decisions or changes that could safely wait until a general conservator is appointed. As temporary conservator, you may not move a conservatee from his or her home, unless there is an emergency, or sell or give away the conservatee's home or any other assets without prior court approval.

**Sign the *Acknowledgment of Receipt* on page 7.**

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**VIII. JUDICIAL COUNCIL FORMS**

This form identifies a number of Judicial Council forms used for court filings in conservatorship proceedings. This form, the petition for your appointment as conservator, and the order that appoints you as conservator are examples of Judicial Council forms. Judicial Council forms are either mandatory or optional. If a mandatory form applies to a situation or proposed action, it must be used. Optional forms may be used, at the option of the person preparing and filing the form or, in some situations, at the option of the court. Each form is identified on the bottom left side of its first page as optional or mandatory. Judicial Council forms are not available for every situation where a document may or must be filed with the court, but the forms address the most common and important matters that occur during a conservatorship. The *Handbook for Conservators* has additional information about Judicial Council conservatorship forms.

Your attorney will select and prepare the appropriate Judicial Council forms. However, if you do not have an attorney, you can prepare them yourself. All Judicial Council forms are posted on the California courts' public website, [www.courts.ca.gov](http://www.courts.ca.gov). Select "Forms" at the top of the site's home page, then select the form group in the drop-down menu in the middle of the page. All conservatorship forms are collected in the Probate—Guardianships and Conservatorships form group. They are designated with the prefix "GC," followed by a three-digit number. Forms shown in the drop-down list with an asterisk are mandatory forms.

The forms are posted on the website in both unfillable and fillable versions, as PDF files. The unfillable versions are designed to be completed by typewriter or, in some cases, by hand. Fillable forms may be filled out online, then printed out ready for signing and filing with the court, and they may also be saved to your computer and completed in more than one sitting. Go to the "Forms and Information" page at the Web site's Self-Help Center for more information on accessing the forms.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT  
of *Duties of Conservator and Handbook for Conservators*  
(Probate Code, § 1834)**

I acknowledge that I have received this statement of the duties and liabilities of the office of conservator, the *Duties of Conservator* (form GC-348), and the *Handbook for Conservators* adopted by the Judicial Council.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)



\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF (PROPOSED) CONSERVATOR)

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)



\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF (PROPOSED) CONSERVATOR)

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)



\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF (PROPOSED) CONSERVATOR)

**NOTICE**

**This statement of duties and liabilities is a summary and is not a complete statement of the law. Your conduct as a conservator is governed by the law itself and not by this summary or by the Judicial Council's *Handbook for Conservators*. When in doubt, consult your attorney.**

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY NAME: FIRM NAME: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE: TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO.: E-MAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (name):	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE <input type="checkbox"/> PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> ESTATE OF (Name):  <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATEE <input type="checkbox"/> PROPOSED CONSERVATEE	
<b>CAPACITY DECLARATION-CONSERVATORSHIP</b>	CASE NUMBER:
<b>TO PHYSICIAN, PSYCHOLOGIST, OR RELIGIOUS HEALING PRACTITIONER</b> The purpose of this form is to enable the court to determine whether the (proposed) conservatee (check all that apply): A. <input type="checkbox"/> is able to attend a court hearing to determine whether a conservator should be appointed to care for him or her. The court hearing is set for (date): . (Complete item 5, then sign and file page 1 of this form.) B. <input type="checkbox"/> has the capacity to give informed consent to medical treatment. (Complete items 6 through 8, sign page 3, and file pages 1 through 3 of this form.) C. <input type="checkbox"/> has a major neurocognitive disorder (such as dementia) and, if so, (1) whether he or she needs to be placed in a secured-perimeter residential care facility for the elderly, and (2) whether he or she needs or would benefit from medication for the treatment of major neurocognitive disorders (including dementia). (Complete items 6 and 8 of this form and complete form GC-335A; sign and attach form GC-335A. File pages 1 through 3 of this form and file form GC-335A.) (If more than one item is checked above, sign the last applicable page of this form or, if item C is checked, form GC-335A. File page 1 through the last applicable page of this form; if item C is checked, file form GC-335A as well.) <b>COMPLETE ITEMS 1-4 OF THIS FORM IN EVERY CASE.</b>	

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. (Name):
2. (Office address and telephone number):
3. I am
  - a.  a California-licensed  physician  psychologist acting within the scope of my license  with at least two years' experience in diagnosing and treating major neurocognitive disorders (including dementia).
  - b.  an accredited practitioner of a religion that calls for reliance on prayer alone for healing. The (proposed) conservatee is an adherent of my religion and is under my care. (Practitioner may make ONLY the determination in item 5.)
4. (Proposed) conservatee (name):
  - a. I last saw the (proposed) conservatee on (date):
  - b. The (proposed) conservatee  is  is NOT a patient under my continuing treatment and care.

#### ABILITY TO ATTEND COURT HEARING

5. A court hearing on the petition for appointment of a conservator is set for the date indicated in item A above. (Complete a or b.)
  - a.  The proposed conservatee is able to attend the court hearing.
  - b.  Because of medical inability, the proposed conservatee is NOT able to attend the court hearing (check all items below that apply)
    - (1)  on the date set (see date in box in item A above).
    - (2)  for the foreseeable future.
    - (3)  until (date):
    - (4) **Supporting facts** (State facts in the space below or check this box  and state the facts in Attachment 5.)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

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## 6. EVALUATION OF (PROPOSED) CONSERVATEE'S MENTAL FUNCTIONS

**Note to practitioner:** This form is *not* a rating scale. It is intended to assist you in recording your *impressions* of the (proposed) conservatee's mental abilities. Where appropriate, you may refer to scores on standardized rating instruments.

**(Instructions for items 6A–6C):** Check the appropriate designation as follows: **a** = no apparent impairment; **b** = moderate impairment; **c** = major impairment; **d** = so impaired as to be incapable of being assessed; **e** = I have no opinion.

### A. Alertness and attention

- (1) Levels of arousal (lethargic, responds only to vigorous and persistent stimulation, stupor)

a  b  c  d  e

- (2) Orientation (types of orientation impaired)

a  b  c  d  e  Person

a  b  c  d  e  Time (day, date, month, season, year)

a  b  c  d  e  Place (address, town, state)

a  b  c  d  e  Situation ("Why am I here?")

- (3) Ability to attend and concentrate (give detailed answers from memory, mental ability required to thread a needle)

a  b  c  d  e

### B. Information processing. Ability to:

- (1) Remember (ability to remember a question before answering; to recall names, relatives, past presidents, and events of the past 24 hours)

i. Short-term memory a  b  c  d  e

ii. Long-term memory a  b  c  d  e

iii. Immediate recall a  b  c  d  e

- (2) Understand and communicate either verbally or otherwise (deficits reflected by inability to comprehend questions, follow instructions, use words correctly, or name objects; use of nonsense words)

a  b  c  d  e

- (3) Recognize familiar objects and persons (deficits reflected by inability to recognize familiar faces, objects, etc.)

a  b  c  d  e

- (4) Understand and appreciate quantities (deficits reflected by inability to perform simple calculations)

a  b  c  d  e

- (5) Reason using abstract concepts (deficits reflected by inability to grasp abstract aspects of his or her situation or to interpret idiomatic expressions or proverbs)

a  b  c  d  e

- (6) Plan, organize, and carry out actions (assuming physical ability) in one's own rational self-interest (deficits reflected by inability to break complex tasks down into simple steps and carry them out)

a  b  c  d  e

- (7) Reason logically

a  b  c  d  e

### C. Thought disorders

- (1) Severely disorganized thinking (rambling thoughts; nonsensical, incoherent, or nonlinear thinking)

a  b  c  d  e

- (2) Hallucinations (auditory, visual, olfactory)

a  b  c  d  e

- (3) Delusions (demonstrably false belief maintained without or against reason or evidence)

a  b  c  d  e

- (4) Uncontrollable or intrusive thoughts (unwanted compulsive thoughts, compulsive behavior)

a  b  c  d  e

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6. (continued)

- D. **Ability to modulate mood and affect.** The (proposed) conservatee  has  does NOT have a pervasive and persistent or recurrent emotional state that appears inappropriate in degree to his or her circumstances. (If so, complete remainder of item 6D.)  I have no opinion.

**(Instructions for item 6D):** Check the degree of impairment of each inappropriate mood state (if any) as follows: **a** = mildly inappropriate; **b** = moderately inappropriate; **c** = severely inappropriate.

Anger	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>	Euphoria	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>	Helplessness	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>
Anxiety	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>	Depression	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>	Apathy	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>
Fear	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>	Hopelessness	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>	Indifference	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>
Panic	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>	Despair	a <input type="checkbox"/>	b <input type="checkbox"/>	c <input type="checkbox"/>				

- E. The (proposed) conservatee's periods of impairment from the deficits indicated in items 6A-6D

- (1)  do NOT vary substantially in frequency, severity, or duration.  
 (2)  do vary substantially in frequency, severity, or duration (explain; continue on Attachment 6E if necessary):

- F.  (Optional) Other information regarding my evaluation of the (proposed) conservatee's mental function (e.g., diagnosis, symptomatology, and other impressions) is  stated below  stated in Attachment 6F.

#### ABILITY TO CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT

7. Based on the information above, it is my opinion that the (proposed) conservatee
- a.  has the capacity to give informed consent to any form of medical treatment. This opinion is limited to medical consent capacity.
  - b.  lacks the capacity to give informed consent to any form of medical treatment because he or she is **either** (1) unable to respond knowingly and intelligently regarding medical treatment **or** (2) unable to participate in a treatment decision by means of a rational thought process, **or both**. The deficits in the mental functions described in item 6 above significantly impair the (proposed) conservatee's ability to understand and appreciate the consequences of medical decisions. This opinion is limited to medical consent capacity.

**(Declarant must initial here if item 7b applies: \_\_\_\_\_ .)**

8. Number of pages attached: \_\_\_\_\_

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
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(SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)



ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (name, address, and State Bar number):  
 After recording return to:  
  
 TEL NO.: FAX NO. (optional):  
 E-MAIL ADDRESS (optional):  
 ATTORNEY FOR (name):

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF  
 STREET ADDRESS:  
 MAILING ADDRESS:  
 CITY AND ZIP CODE:  
 BRANCH NAME:

FOR RECORDER'S USE ONLY

CONSERVATORSHIP OF (name):  
  
 CONSERVATEE

CASE NUMBER:

**LETTERS OF CONSERVATORSHIP**  
 Person     Estate     Limited Conservatorship

FOR COURT USE ONLY

1.  (Name): \_\_\_\_\_ is the appointed  
 conservator     limited conservator    of the  person     estate  
 of (name): \_\_\_\_\_
2.  (For conservatorship that was on December 31, 1980, a guardianship of an adult or of  
 the person of a married minor) (Name): \_\_\_\_\_  
 was appointed the guardian of the  person     estate by order dated  
 (specify): \_\_\_\_\_ and is now the conservator of the  person  
 estate of (name): \_\_\_\_\_
3.  Other powers have been granted or conditions imposed as follows:
  - a.  Exclusive authority to give consent for and to require the conservatee to receive  
 medical treatment that the conservator in good faith based on medical advice  
 determines to be necessary even if the conservatee objects, subject to the limitations  
 stated in Probate Code section 2356.
    - (1)  This treatment shall be performed by an accredited practitioner of the religion whose tenets and practices call  
 for reliance on prayer alone for healing of which the conservatee was an adherent prior to the establishment of  
 the conservatorship.
    - (2)  (If court order limits duration) This medical authority terminates on (date): \_\_\_\_\_
  - b.  Authority to place the conservatee in a care or nursing facility described in Probate Code section 2356.5(b).
  - c.  Authority to authorize the administration of medications appropriate for the care and treatment of dementia described in  
 Probate Code section 2356.5(c).
  - d.  Powers to be exercised independently under Probate Code section 2590 are specified in Attachment 3d (specify powers,  
 restrictions, conditions, and limitations).
  - e.  Conditions relating to the care and custody of property under Probate Code section 2402 are specified in Attachment 3e.
  - f.  Conditions relating to the care, treatment, education, and welfare of the conservatee under Probate Code section 2358  
 are specified in Attachment 3f.
  - g.  (For limited conservatorship only) Powers of the limited conservator of the person under Probate Code section 2351.5 are  
 specified in Attachment 3g.
  - h.  (For limited conservatorship only) Powers of the limited conservator of the estate under Probate Code section 1830(b) are  
 specified in Attachment 3h.
  - i.  Other powers granted or conditions imposed are specified in Attachment 3i.
4.  The conservator is **not** authorized to take possession of money or any other property without a  
 specific court order.
5. Number of pages attached:  
 WITNESS, clerk of the court, with seal of the court affixed.  
  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clerk, by \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

(SEAL)

This form may be recorded as notice of the establishment of a conservatorship of the estate as provided in Probate Code §1875.

CONSERVATORSHIP OF <i>(name)</i> :	CASE NUMBER:
CONSERVATEE	

**NOTICE TO INSTITUTIONS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**  
(Probate Code sections 2890-2893)

When these *Letters of Conservatorship* (Letters) are delivered to you as an employee or other representative of an *institution* or *financial institution* (described below) in order for the conservator of the estate (1) to take possession or control of an asset of the conservatee named above held by your institution (including changing title, withdrawing all or any portion of the asset, or transferring all or any portion of the asset) or (2) to open or change the name of an account or a safe-deposit box in your financial institution to reflect the conservatorship, you must fill out Judicial Council form GC-050 (for an institution) or form GC-051 (for a financial institution). An officer authorized by your institution or financial institution must date and sign the form, and you must file the completed form with the court.

There is no filing fee for filing the form. You may either arrange for personal delivery of the form or mail it to the court for filing at the address given for the court on page 1 of these Letters.

The conservator should deliver a blank copy of the appropriate form to you with these Letters, but it is your institution's or financial institution's responsibility to complete the correct form, have an authorized officer sign it, and file the completed form with the court. If the correct form is not delivered with these Letters or is unavailable for any other reason, blank copies of the forms may be obtained from the court. The forms may also be accessed from the judicial branch's public Web site free of charge. The Internet address (URL) is [www.courts.ca.gov/forms/](http://www.courts.ca.gov/forms/). Select the form group *Probate—Guardianships and Conservatorships* and scroll down to form GC-050 for an institution or form GC-051 for a financial institution. The forms may be printed out as blank forms and filled in by typewriter or may be filled out online and printed out ready for signature and filing.

An *institution* under California Probate Code section 2890(c) is an insurance company, agent, or broker; an investment company; an investment bank; a securities broker-dealer; an investment advisor; a financial planner; a financial advisor; or any other person who takes, holds, or controls an asset subject to a conservatorship or guardianship other than a financial institution. Institutions must file a *Notice of Taking Possession or Control of an Asset of Minor or Conservatee* (form GC-050) for an asset of the conservatee held by the institution. A single form may be filed for all affected assets held by the institution.

A *financial institution* under California Probate Code section 2892(b) is a bank, a trust, a savings and loan association, a savings bank, an industrial bank, or a credit union. Financial institutions must file a *Notice of Opening or Changing a Guardianship or Conservatorship Account or Safe-Deposit Box* (form GC-051) for an account or a safe-deposit box held by the financial institution. A single form may be filed for all affected accounts or safe-deposit boxes held by the financial institution.

**LETTERS OF CONSERVATORSHIP**

**AFFIRMATION**

I solemnly affirm that I will perform according to law the duties of  conservator  limited conservator.

Executed on *(date)*: \_\_\_\_\_, at *(place)*: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF APPOINTEE)

**CERTIFICATION**

I certify that this document, including any attachments, is a correct copy of the original on file in my office, and that the Letters issued to the person appointed above have not been revoked, annulled, or set aside, and are still in full force and effect.

(SEAL)

Date:

Clerk, by \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY ( <i>Name, State Bar number, and address</i> ):  TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. ( <i>Optional</i> ): _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS ( <i>Optional</i> ): _____ ATTORNEY FOR ( <i>Name</i> ): _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE <input type="checkbox"/> PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> ESTATE OF ( <i>Name</i> ): _____ <div style="text-align: right;">CONSERVATEE</div>	
<b>NOTICE OF CONSERVATEE'S RIGHTS</b>	CASE NUMBER: _____

When a person becomes a conservatee, he or she does not necessarily lose the right to take part in important decisions affecting his or her property and way of life. Every conservatee has the right to be treated with understanding and respect and to have his or her wishes considered. Every conservatee has all basic human rights and the right to be well cared for by his or her conservator.

The conservatee has the right to ask questions and to express concerns and complaints about the conservatorship and the actions of his or her conservator. The conservatee may ask the court to review the conservator's management of the conservatorship if disputes cannot be worked out between them. Even if the conservatee does not take direct action, the court will periodically send a person, called a **court investigator**, to visit the conservatee, to inquire about his or her circumstances and desires, and to advise the conservatee of his or her rights. The court also may appoint a lawyer to represent the conservatee.

The conservatee will be allowed the greatest degree of freedom and privacy possible consistent with the underlying reasons for the conservatorship. The conservator should give as much regard to the wishes of the conservatee as possible under the circumstances so that the conservatee may function at the highest level his or her ability permits. The conservator must give due regard to the preferences of the conservatee and to encourage the conservatee's participation in decision-making.

## THE CONSERVATEE'S RIGHTS

After appointment of a conservator, the conservatee keeps the right to:

- Be represented by a lawyer;
- Ask a judge to replace the conservator;
- Ask a judge to end the conservatorship;
- Make or change his or her will;
- Directly receive and control his or her salary; and
- Control an allowance (an allowance is personal spending money the court has authorized the conservator to pay directly to the conservatee).

(Conservatee's rights continued on next page)

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CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE (Name): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> PERSON	<input type="checkbox"/> ESTATE OF	CASE NUMBER:    
CONSERVATEE			

### THE CONSERVATEE'S RIGHTS (continued)

Unless the court has limited or taken the right away, the conservatee also keeps the right to:

- Receive personal mail;
- Vote;
- Marry or enter into a registered domestic partnership;
- Receive visits from family and friends;
- Make his or her own medical decisions;
- Enter into transactions, to the extent reasonable to (1) provide the necessities of life to the conservatee and his or her minor children, and (2) provide the necessities of life to his or her spouse or basic living expenses to his or her registered domestic partner;
- Engage in other activities the court expressly allows him or her to do, at the time of the conservator's appointment, or a later time following a court hearing on a request for authority to engage in the activity; and
- If the conservatee is a **limited conservatee**, to engage in any activity that the court has not expressly reserved to his or the **limited conservator**.

(Proof of mailing on page 3)  
 (Instructions for mailing on page 4)

CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE <input type="checkbox"/> PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> ESTATE OF (Name): _____ <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;">CONSERVATEE</div>	CASE NUMBER: _____
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**PROOF OF MAILING**

1. I am over the age of 18. I am the appointed conservator of the above-named conservatee, the conservator's attorney, or an employee of the conservator's attorney. I am a resident of or employed in the county where the mailing occurred.
2. My residence or business address is *(specify)*:
3. I mailed the foregoing *Notice of Conservatee's Rights* to each person named below by enclosing a copy in an envelope addressed as shown below AND
  - a.  **depositing** the sealed envelope on the date and at the place shown in item 4 with the United States Postal Service with the postage fully prepaid.
  - b.  **placing** the envelope for collection and mailing on the date and at the place shown in item 4 following our ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with this business's practice for collecting and processing correspondence for mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United States Postal Service in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid.
4. a. Date mailed: \_\_\_\_\_ b. Place mailed *(city, state)*: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Each copy of the *Notice of Conservatee's Rights* was mailed with an attached conformed copy, showing the date of its filing and the judicial officer's signature, of the *Order Appointing Probate Conservator* filed in this matter on *(date)*:

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM) (SIGNATURE OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM)

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF EACH PERSON TO WHOM NOTICE WAS MAILED**

Name and relationship to conservatee

Address (number, street, city, state, and zip code)

1.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;">Conservatee</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
2.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;">Attorney for conservatee</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
3.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;">Spouse or registered domestic partner</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
4.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <p>Relationship: <input style="width: 200px;" type="text"/></p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
5.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <p>Relationship: <input style="width: 200px;" type="text"/></p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>

Continued on an attachment. *(You may use form GC-341(MA) to show additional addressees.)*

CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE <input type="checkbox"/> PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> ESTATE OF (Name): _____  CONSERVATEE	CASE NUMBER:
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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAILING COPIES OF NOTICE OF CONSERVATEE'S  
RIGHTS AND ORDER APPOINTING PROBATE CONSERVATOR**

1. **What to mail:** The conservator, the conservator's attorney, or the attorney's employee must mail a copy of this *Notice of Conservatee's Rights*, with an attached copy of the *Order Appointing Probate Conservator* showing the judicial officer's signature and the date of filing, to each person identified in item 2 below.
2. **Who must receive the mailing:** The persons to whom copies of this *Notice of Conservatee's Rights* and the *Order Appointing Probate Conservator* must be mailed are:
  - a. The conservatee;
  - b. The conservatee's attorney, if any;
  - c. The following relatives of the conservatee named in Probate Code section 1821(b) (spouse or registered domestic partner and second-degree relatives required to be named in the *Petition for Appointment of Probate Conservator*):
    - (1) Spouse or registered domestic partner;
    - (2) Parents;
    - (3) Children at least 12 years old (see item e below if there are children under the age of 12);
    - (4) Grandparents;
    - (5) Grandchildren at least 12 years old (see item e below if there are grandchildren under the age of 12); and
    - (6) Brothers and sisters, including half-brothers and half-sisters.
  - d. If the conservator knows of no spouse or registered domestic partner or second-degree relative of the conservatee, copies of this *Notice of Conservatee's Rights* and the *Order Appointing Probate Conservator* must be mailed to the following persons:
    - (1) Spouse or registered domestic partner of a predeceased parent of the conservatee;
    - (2) Children of a predeceased spouse or predeceased registered domestic partner of the conservatee at least 12 years old (see item e below if there are children under the age of 12);
    - (3) Brothers and sisters of the conservatee's parents (conservatee's aunts and uncles), if any, or, if none, to their natural and adoptive children at least 12 years old (see item e below if there are children under the age of 12); and
    - (4) The natural and adoptive children of the conservatee's brothers and sisters at least 12 years old (see item e below if there are children under the age of 12).
  - e. If a person named above is under the age of 12, a parent, guardian, or other person having legal custody of the person entitled to notice, with whom the person entitled to notice resides.
3. **When the mailing must be completed:** The mailing described in item 1 must be completed on or before the 30th day following the filing date of the *Order Appointing Probate Conservator*.
4. **Fill out Proof of Mailing:** The conservator or his or her attorney of record must fill out the Proof of Mailing on page 3 of this form, including the correct addresses of the persons to receive the mailing, identified in item 2 above, before making the copies to be mailed. If the Proof of Mailing does not have enough space for the names and addresses of all persons who will receive the mailing, the names and addresses not shown on the Proof of Mailing must be shown on one or more additional pages attached to this form. One or more copies of *Attachment to Notice of Conservatee's Rights* (form GC-341(MA)) may be used for this purpose. After the mailing described in item 5 below, the conservator or his or her attorney must date and sign the Proof of Mailing on page 3 of this form.
5. **How to mail:** The conservator, the conservator's attorney of record, or an employee of the attorney, must do the following:
  - a. Place copies of this *Notice of Conservatee's Rights*, with attached conformed copies of the *Order Appointing Probate Conservator* in sealed envelopes, addressed to each person at the address shown for that person on the Proof of Mailing on page 3 of this form, or on attached additional pages, with postage fully prepaid.
  - b. Deposit (mail) the sealed envelope(s) with the United States Postal Service on the date and from the place (city and state) shown in item 4 of the Proof of Mailing on page 3 of this form.
6. **Filing Notice of Conservatee's Rights:** The conservator, or his or her attorney of record, must file with the court the original *Notice of Conservatee's Rights*, with a signed and dated Proof of Mailing and all attached additional address pages. **Do not attach a copy of the *Order Appointing Probate Conservator* to the original *Notice of Conservatee's Rights* filed with the court.**

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address):    TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. (Optional): _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): _____ ATTORNEY FOR (Name): _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> AND ESTATE OF (Name): _____ <div style="text-align: right;">CONSERVATEE</div>	
<b>DETERMINATION OF CONSERVATEE'S APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF CARE</b>	CASE NUMBER: _____

### Notice to Conservator of the Person

You must prepare a written determination of the conservatee's appropriate level of care, sign it under penalty of perjury, and file it with the court within 60 days of the date of the court's order appointing you as conservator. You must use this form for that purpose. Your determination must include an evaluation of the conservatee's level of care on the date the conservatorship proceeding was started (the date the petition for the appointment of a conservator was filed with the court or, if more than one petition was filed, the date the first petition was filed), and the measures that would be necessary to keep the conservatee in his or her **personal residence**. If the conservatee was not living in that residence on the date the proceeding was started, your determination must include either a plan to return the conservatee to that residence or an explanation of the reasons why the conservatee cannot return to that residence in the foreseeable future. **This determination is in addition to, not a replacement for, any written care or placement plan the court may require. Check the court's local rules to see if a care or placement plan must also be filed.**

The conservatee's **personal residence** is the residence he or she understood or believed, or appeared to understand or believe, was his or her permanent residence on the date the conservatorship proceeding was started, whether or not he or she was living there on that date. If the conservatee could not then form or communicate an understanding or belief about his or her permanent residence, the conservatee's personal residence is the residence he or she last previously understood or appeared to understand was his or her permanent residence. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.1063.)

(Name): \_\_\_\_\_, declares as follows:

1. I am conservator of the person of the above-named conservatee. I am determining the conservatee's appropriate level of care as of (date): \_\_\_\_\_, the date of the order appointing me as conservator.
2. a. On the date stated in item 1, the conservatee was living at the following residence or facility (address and name of facility, if any):

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

- b. The conservatee has been living in the above residence or facility since (date): \_\_\_\_\_

CONSERVATORSHIP OF (Name):	CASE NUMBER:
CONSERVATEE	

2. c. The residence or facility identified in item 2a is described as follows (*select all that apply*):

- Conservatee's single family home, condominium, or apartment  
 Relative's or friend's single family home, condominium, or apartment  
 Acute care hospital     Acute psychiatric hospital     Intermediate-care facility     Skilled nursing facility  
 Licensed residential care facility     Assisted living facility (7 or more beds)  
 Board and care home (6 or fewer beds)     Continuing-care retirement community     Secured perimeter  
 Congregate living health facility—terminal or life-threatening illness type (hospice)  
 Other (*describe*):

3. a. The conservatee's care requirements as of the date given in item 1 are as follows (*select all that apply; you may provide additional information concerning any items selected below under "other assistance required"*):

- No assistance is needed at this time.     Light housekeeping help required, \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week.  
 Personal caregivers required, \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week:  24-hour care     Part-time, \_\_\_\_\_ hours per day.  
 Assistance with daily living skills, \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week.  
 Nursing care required, \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week.     Meal preparation assistance required, \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week.  
 Assistance with medication required, \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week:  Dispensing     Set-up only  
 Assistance with ambulation:     Maximum     Standby     In-home hospice services.  
 Other assistance required, \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week (*describe*):

Continued on Attachment 3a.

- b.  A professional assessment of the conservatee's care needs has been made. A copy of the assessment, including a statement of the professional's qualifications, is provided on Attachment 3b. (*A professional assessment of the conservatee's care needs is not required, but is recommended if the conservatee's circumstances and condition warrant it and the conservatee can afford the expense. Include any written assessment performed by a professional fiduciary proposed for appointment or appointed as conservator.*)



CONSERVATORSHIP OF (Name):   CONSERVATEE	CASE NUMBER:
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4. (Complete item 4a if the residence identified in item 2 is the conservatee's personal residence as defined in Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.1063. Complete item 4b if the residence identified in item 2 is not the conservatee's personal residence.)

a.  **Conservatee living in personal residence**

The residence or facility described in item 2 is the conservatee's **personal residence** within the meaning of Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.1063. The following measures are necessary to keep the conservatee in that residence:

Continued on Attachment 4a.

b.  **Conservatee not living in personal residence**

The residence or facility described in item 2 is **not** the conservatee's **personal residence** within the meaning of Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.1063. The conservatee's **personal residence** is (address and name of facility, if any):

(Complete either item 4b(1) below or item 4b(2) on page 4. Complete item 4b(1) if you believe the conservatee can be returned to his or her personal residence in the foreseeable future. Complete item 4b(2) if you believe the conservatee cannot be returned to his or her personal residence in the foreseeable future.)

(1)  The conservator's plan to restore the conservatee to his or her **personal residence** is as follows:

Continued on Attachment 4b(1).

CONSERVATORSHIP OF (Name):   CONSERVATEE	CASE NUMBER:
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4. b. (2)  The limitations or restrictions on the conservatee's return to his or her **personal residence** in the foreseeable future are as follows:

Continued on Attachment 4b(2).

5. Number of pages attached: \_\_\_\_\_

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF CONSERVATOR OF THE PERSON)



\_\_\_\_\_

(SIGNATURE OF CONSERVATOR OF THE PERSON)

<b>ATTORNEY</b> STATE BAR NUMBER: NAME: FIRM NAME: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE: TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO.: EMAIL ADDRESS:	<b>DO NOT FILE OR LODGE IN CASE FILE</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
<b>CERTIFICATION OF ATTORNEY QUALIFICATIONS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> INITIAL <input type="checkbox"/> ANNUAL	

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. **INITIAL:** Before a court may appoint you as counsel for the first time under Probate Code section 1470 or 1471, you must complete items 1, 2, and 3; complete item 4 for appointment to represent a ward or proposed ward; complete item 5 for appointment to represent a conservatee, proposed conservatee, or person alleged to lack legal capacity; provide any additional required information in item 7; sign the form at the bottom of page 2; and submit the form to the appointing court.
2. **ANNUAL:** To remain eligible for appointment, before March 31 of each calendar year following initial certification you must complete items 1, 2, 3, and 6; provide any additional required information, including an explanation of any unsatisfied requirements, in item 7; sign the form at the bottom of page 2; and submit the form to the appointing court.

I certify that *(check all boxes that apply)*:

**LICENSING AND DISCIPLINE**

1. a.  I am an active member in good standing of the State Bar of California. *(Date of admission):*  
OR  
 b.  I am a registered legal aid attorney qualified to practice law in California under rule 9.45 of the California Rules of Court. *(Date of special admission):*
2.  I have had no professional discipline imposed in the 12 months immediately preceding the execution of this form.

**INSURANCE**

3. a.  I am covered by professional liability insurance with limits no lower than \$100,000 per claim and \$300,000 per year or any higher limits required by local rule, if applicable.  
 My insurer is *(specify name, address, phone number, and email address)*:  
  
 OR  
 b.  I am covered against professional liability at a level not lower than that in a. by a self-insurance program through my firm, employer, or government agency. *(Describe self-insurance in item 7.)*

**INITIAL QUALIFICATIONS**

**Guardianship**

4.  I am qualified for appointment under Probate Code section 1470 to represent a ward or proposed ward because I have met at least one of the requirements in rule 7.1102(a) or (b) and, if applicable, all additional requirements imposed by local rule. *(Describe qualifying experience, work arrangements, or education in item 7.)*

**Conservatorship and Capacity Determination**

5.  I am qualified for appointment under Probate Code section 1470 or 1471 to represent a conservatee, proposed conservatee, or person alleged to lack legal capacity because I have met at least one of the requirements in rule 7.1103(a) or (b) and, if applicable, all additional requirements imposed by local rule. *(Describe qualifying experience, work arrangements, or education in item 7.)*

**ANNUAL EDUCATION**

6.  I have completed the annual education requirements in  rule 7.1102(c)  rule 7.1103(c) and  all additional education or training requirements imposed by local rule of court for the previous calendar year. *(List the hours and applicable subjects of completed education in item 7.)*

Additional space provided and signature required on page 2.

CERTIFICATION OF <i>(name)</i> :  <div style="text-align: right;">, ATTORNEY</div>	STATE BAR NUMBER:
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7.  Provide any additional required information, including an explanation of any unsatisfied requirements, below.

Continued on Attachment 7.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing statements, including the statements in any document attached to or submitted with this form, are true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF CERTIFYING ATTORNEY) (SIGNATURE)