

59-3061. Petition for appointment of guardian or conservator for person previously adjudged impaired in another state; contents; authenticated documents; plan. (a) The guardian, conservator or other similarly empowered fiduciary appointed in any other state for a person who has been previously adjudged as impaired in another state may file in the district court of the county wherein the proposed ward or proposed conservatee may be found or wherein the petitioner plans to relocate the proposed ward or proposed conservatee, a verified petition requesting that the court give full faith and credit to the prior adjudication and appoint a guardian or a conservator, or both, in Kansas. The petition shall also declare that immediately upon such appointment, the petitioner will take the necessary action to terminate the proceedings in the other state.

(b) The petition shall include:

(1) The petitioner's name and address;

(2) the proposed ward's or proposed conservatee's name, age, date of birth, address of permanent residence, and present address or whereabouts, if different from the proposed ward's or proposed conservatee's permanent residence;

(3) the places where the proposed ward or proposed conservatee has lived during the last five years, and the names and present addresses of the persons with whom the proposed ward or proposed conservatee has lived during that period;

(4) if the proposed ward or proposed conservatee is not already present within Kansas, the address and nature of the place located within Kansas to which the petitioner plans to relocate the proposed ward or proposed conservatee if the court does appoint a guardian or conservator, or both, in Kansas;

(5) the place where and the date upon which the petitioner was appointed as the guardian, conservator or other similarly empowered fiduciary for the proposed ward or proposed conservatee and a statement that this appointment remains in full force and effect;

(6) the factual basis upon which the petitioner alleges the need for the appointment of a guardian or conservator, or both, in Kansas;

(7) the names and addresses of any spouse, adult children and adult grandchildren of the proposed ward or proposed conservatee, and those of any parent and adult siblings of the proposed ward or proposed conservatee, or if no such names or addresses are known to the petitioner, the name and address of at least one adult who is nearest in kinship to the proposed ward or proposed conservatee, or if none, that fact. If no such names or addresses are known to the petitioner, but the petitioner has reason to believe such persons exist, then the petition shall state that fact and that the petitioner has made diligent inquiry to learn those names and addresses;

(8) the name and address of any person or corporation acting for or nominated to act on behalf of the proposed ward or proposed conservatee pursuant to any power of attorney, trust or other fiduciary relationship established by any court order, other than the appointment in the other state of the petitioner as the guardian, conservator or other similarly empowered fiduciary for the proposed ward or proposed conservatee, and a description of that authority or relationship. If not known, the petition shall state that the petitioner has made diligent inquiry to learn this information;

(9) a list and description of all court proceedings in which the proposed ward or proposed conservatee is a party, or is the subject of, or may be a beneficiary of, or in which any rights of the proposed ward or proposed conservatee may be determined or affected, and the name and address of any attorney who represents the proposed ward or proposed conservatee in such matter. If not known, the petition shall state that the petitioner has made diligent inquiry to learn this information;

(10) in general terms, the location, type and value of any real or personal property of the proposed ward or proposed conservatee, including the amount and sources of any income of the proposed ward or proposed conservatee. If not known, the petition shall state that the petitioner has made diligent inquiry to learn this information;

(11) the names and addresses of the witnesses by whom the truth of the petition may be proved;

(12) the name, age, date of birth, gender, address, place of employment, relationship to the proposed ward or proposed conservatee, if any, of the individual or corporation whom the petitioner suggests that the court appoint as guardian or conservator, or both, and any personal or agency interest of the proposed guardian or proposed conservator that may be perceived as self-serving or adverse to the position or best interest of the proposed ward or proposed conservatee, and if the suggested guardian or conservator is under contract with the Kansas guardianship program, that fact;

(13) if the petitioner suggests the appointment of co-guardians or co-conservators, or both, a statement of the reasons why such appointment is sought and whether the petitioner suggests that the co-guardians or co-conservators, if appointed, should be able to act independently or whether they should be required to act only in concert or only in concert with regard to specified matters;

(14) a declaration that, immediately upon the appointment of a guardian or conservator in this state, the petitioner will take the necessary action to terminate the proceedings in the other state; and

(15) a request that the court make a determination that the proposed ward or proposed conservatee is a person who has been previously adjudged as impaired in another state, that the court enter one or more of the orders provided for in K.S.A. 59-3063 and 59-3065, and amendments thereto, and that the court appoint a guardian or conservator, or both, for the proposed ward or proposed conservatee in Kansas.

(c) Any such petition shall be accompanied by a duly authenticated copy of the order of adjudication and appointment and documents showing the continuing authority of the petitioner in the other state.

(d) Any such petition may be accompanied by, or the court may require that such petition be accompanied by, a proposed guardianship plan as provided for in K.S.A. 59-3076, and amendments thereto, or a proposed conservatorship plan as provided for in K.S.A. 59-3079, and amendments thereto, or both.

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