

ADULT GUARDIANSHIP TIMELINE



Go to https://www.okbar.org/a2j/guardian and open the 'Checklist and Forms' document to see forms and instructions. Fill out the necessary forms and take them to court to be filed.

Forms Available Here



Once you have filled out and filed your documents, you must send certain people a copy of those documents. This is known as 'service.' A full list of the people you must serve is included in the checklist.



NON-EMERGENCY

Within 30 days, you will be scheduled for a hearing at the courthouse. At that hearing, you will tell the judge why you should be the incapacitated person's guardian.

If the judge agrees, you will immediately become the guardian for that individual.

EMERGENCY

You will see a judge the same day as filing the documents, and, if approved, you will immediately become the temporary guardian.

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Within 10 days, you will be scheduled for a hearing at the courthouse. At that time, the judge will decide if you should remain the person's guardian.



You must submit an annual report for every year you serve as a guardian. The report includes an update about the incapacitated person's health, where they live, and information about their assets. You can use the templates in the checklist mentioned above.

