

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
ORPHANS' COURT DIVISION

IN RE:

No.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*An alleged incapacitated person*

**ORDER OF COURT DETERMINING INCAPACITY  
AND APPOINTING EMERGENCY  
PLENARY GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON AND ESTATE**

AND NOW, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, a hearing having been held on \_\_\_\_\_, and it appearing to the Court that \_\_\_\_\_ was served with a Citation and Notice of this hearing on \_\_\_\_\_ and was present at the hearing (or) the Court finds that the physical or mental condition of \_\_\_\_\_ would be harmed by his/her presence at the hearing, and further finds from the testimony:

1. That \_\_\_\_\_ suffers from \_\_\_\_\_, a condition or disability which totally impairs his/her capacity to receive and evaluate information effectively and to make and communicate decisions concerning his/her management of financial affairs or to meet essential requirements to his/her physical health and safety.

2. That there are insufficient supports available to assist \_\_\_\_\_ in overcoming such limitations and that there exists no less restrictive alternative mechanism for decision making than the appointment of a Emergency Plenary Guardian.
3. That based on the total incapacity of \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and evaluate information and to make or communicate decisions, an Emergency Plenary Guardian of the Person and an Emergency Plenary Guardian of the Estate are required on an emergency basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the clear and convincing evidence supporting the foregoing findings, it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that \_\_\_\_\_ be and is hereby adjudged an incapacitated person. \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed Emergency Plenary Guardian of the Person and \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed Emergency Plenary Guardian of the Estate.

The Emergency Plenary Guardian of the Person shall have authority to consent to the general care, maintenance and custody of \_\_\_\_\_, without exception.

The Emergency Plenary Guardian of the Person shall assure that \_\_\_\_\_ receives appropriate services and shall assist him/her in developing self-reliance and independence.

The Emergency Plenary Guardian of the Estate shall have the authority to marshal all of \_\_\_\_\_'s income and assets, pay his/her bills and

manage his/her financial affairs as fully as \_\_\_\_\_ could do so himself/herself if he/she had not be adjudged incapacitated.

If there is a safe deposit box in the name of the incapacitated person alone or in the names of the incapacitated person and another or others, said safe deposit box shall not be entered by the Guardian except in the presence of a representative of the financial institution where the box is located or in the presence of a representative of the Orphans' Court Division. The representative present at the time of entry shall make or cause to be made a record of the incapacitated person's property, and said record shall be filed with the Clerk of the Orphans' Court Division. None of the incapacitated person's property may be removed until after the aforesaid inventory is completed.

If the safe deposit box is jointly owned, five (5) days notice of the proposed entry shall be given to the other owners by the Guardian.

The appointment of the Emergency Plenary Guardian of the Person and Estate shall remain in effect until further Order of Court.

**NO BOND REQUIRED ON EMERGENCY PLENARY GUARDIAN APPOINTMENT**

\_\_\_\_\_, an incapacitated person, has the right to appeal this Order of Court by filing exceptions with the Clerk of the Orphans' Court Division within twenty (20) days of the date of this Order or to file an appeal with the Prothonotary's Office of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order or petition this Court for a hearing to review or terminate the adjudication of incapacity and guardianship herein established.

If \_\_\_\_\_ was not present at this hearing on appointment of a guardian then petitioner shall serve upon and read to \_\_\_\_\_

the Statement of Rights, a copy of which is attached to this Order on Exhibit "A", and file proof of such service with this Court within ten (10) days of the date of this Order.

PER CURIAM:

\_\_\_\_\_, J.