

CAUSE NO. _____

IN THE GUARDIANSHIP

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IN THE COUNTY COURT

AT LAW NO. 2 OF

HUNT COUNTY, TEXAS

**ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN AD LITEM
PURSUANT TO § 1054.051 OF THE TEXAS ESTATES CODE**

(Following Application for Guardianship)

On this day, the Court finds it necessary to appoint a Guardian Ad Litem to represent the interests of the proposed incapacitated person in this guardianship proceeding pursuant to § 1054.051 of the Texas Estates Code.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Attorney listed below, who is an Attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Texas, is appointed as Guardian Ad Litem of Proposed Ward.

ATTORNEY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said Guardian Ad Litem, is to perform, with due diligence, the duties listed below:

1. protect the Proposed Ward in a manner that will enable the court to determine the action that will be in that person's best interests;
2. to investigate the Proposed Ward's conditions and circumstances to determine whether a guardianship is necessary;
3. evaluate alternatives to guardianship and supports and services available to the proposed ward that would avoid the need for appointment of a guardian;
4. to personally interview the Proposed Ward;
5. to investigate the need for the appointment of a Guardian of the Person and/or Estate for Proposed Ward and obtain a Proposed Guardian if necessary;
6. to file a written report with the Court concerning the best interest of Proposed Ward as soon as possible but no later than one week prior to a hearing date.

IT IS ORDERED that the Guardian Ad Litem is to be considered an officer of the Court and is to be given access to all of the Proposed Ward's financial, medical, psychological and intellectual testing records. *This Order is issued pursuant to 45 CFR 164.512(e)(1)(i) Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act which authorizes covered entities to disclose protected health information in the course of any judicial or administrative proceeding when responding to an order of the Court, as well as the Privacy Act of 1974 pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a, and pursuant to 38U.S.C. 5701 & 7332 regarding Veterans Administration Records.*

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a hearing pursuant to Texas Estates Code § 1101.051 is scheduled in the above entitled and numbered case on _____ at _____ o'clock am / pm.

SIGNED ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, _____.

JUDGE PRESIDING