

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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 COUNTY OF _____)
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 IN THE MATTER OF:)
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 _____,)
 an alleged incapacitated individual.)
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 vs.)
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 Respondent(s).)

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IN THE PROBATE COURT
 CASE NUMBER -GC- -

ORDER APPOINTING EXAMINER

- GUARDIANSHIP
- CONSERVATORSHIP
- PROTECTIVE PROCEEDING

Upon reading the Petition in the above matter, the Court hereby appoints _____(_____) who shall provide the Court with an opinion of the alleged incapacitated¹ individual's abilities and limitations. The examiner shall report to this Court his/her findings as to the alleged incapacitated individual's mental condition, utilizing the examiner's guidelines as established by the Court, and provide an opinion as to whether the above captioned individual is incapacitated and would benefit from the appointment of a guardian² or conservator.³

The examiner may rely upon examinations within the last 90 days to complete the Examiner Report and Affidavit Regarding Capacity. If not otherwise compensated for services rendered, the examiner is entitled to reasonable compensation as determined by the Court. Unless the Court issues an order stating otherwise, the Petitioner is responsible for all costs and expenses associated with this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED!

_____, Judge of Probate

_____ day of _____, 20_____
 _____, South Carolina

1. "Incapacity" means the inability to effectively receive, evaluate, and respond to information or make or communicate decisions such that a person, even with appropriate, reasonably available support and assistance cannot:
 - a) meet the essential requirements for his/her physical health, safety, or self-care, necessitating the need for a guardian or;
 - b) manage his/her property or financial affairs or provide for his support or for the support of his legal dependents, necessitating the need for a protective order.
2. A "guardian" means a person appointed by the Court as a legal guardian for an adult, but excludes one who is a guardian *ad litem*. A guardian shall make decisions regarding the incapacitated individual's health, education, maintenance, and support.
3. A "conservator" means a person appointed by the Court to manage the estate of an incapacitated individual.