

## POLICY FOR COURT VISITOR APPOINTMENTS FOR SUCCESSOR GUARDIAN PETITIONS

1. If the proposed successor guardian or conservator is a certified professional guardian, no court visitor is required to be appointed.
2. A motion and hearing shall be set to appoint the successor. The date and time should be obtained from the Guardianship Monitoring Program. If an objection is raised to the proposed successor, or some other issue arises at the hearing, a court visitor could be appointed at that time to further investigate.
3. If the proposed successor guardian or conservator is anyone other than a certified professional guardian, then a court visitor shall be appointed to investigate and file a report with a recommendation on the suitability of the proposed successor and any changes to the scope of the existing guardianship or conservatorship.
4. A motion and hearing shall be set to review the court visitor report and rule on the appointment of a successor.
5. Motions must be filed with the Superior Court Clerk's office, with bench copies supplied to the Guardianship Monitoring Program. Notice of the motion must be served on the individual subject to the guardianship/conservatorship. The motion must be called ready per the standard procedure on the website.