

INFORMATION SHEET FOR LANTERMAN-PETRIS-SHORT CONSERVATORSHIP REAPPOINTMENT

Your documents may be submitted to the court by eFiling, mail or at the Probate / Mental Health Clerk's office located at 3390 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa, CA 92626-1554. For more information regarding Probate eFiling, please visit www.occourts.org.

The following forms are required at the time of filing:

- Petition for Reappointment of Conservator
- Declaration of Physician or Qualified Licensed Psychologist Conservatorship Re-evaluation (Exhibit A)
- Notice of Hearing
- Declaration of Service
- Order Reappointing Conservator

1. All documents must be signed and dated.
2. The Petition for Reappointment of Conservator **MUST** have attached the opinions of two (2) physicians or qualified licensed psychologists declaring that the conservatee is still gravely disabled.
3. File all of the above documents to obtain a hearing date from the court.
4. Upon receiving a hearing date, place the date on the Notice of Hearing.
5. Mail copies of the Petition for Reappointment of Conservator, the Notice of Hearing and declaration(s) by first class mail to the parties listed in the Declaration of Service form.
6. Complete the Declaration of Service and file with the court.
7. **You must attend the hearing.** You must attend even if the conservatee tells you that he or she will not oppose your reappointment; the conservatee may have expressed a different position to his or her attorney. You will be notified by the conservatee's attorney if your presence at the hearing is not required.
8. The conservatee has the right to oppose your reappointment as conservator and to request an evidentiary hearing. At such a hearing you have the burden of proving that the conservatee is still gravely disabled. You will need to secure the testimony of a psychiatrist or psychologist who has examined the conservatee. You may want to hire an attorney for that purpose. If you cannot afford to hire an attorney, the court can supply you with the name of an attorney who may be willing to provide you with representation at no charge. You will need to contact that attorney and arrange representation; the court cannot do that for you.