

UTAH STATE COURTS



Volunteering for the Guardianship Signature Program

The Guardianship Signature Program provides to judges a list of lawyers who have volunteered to represent respondents in guardianship and conservatorship proceedings when the respondents do not have counsel of their own choice.

SIGNING UP

Getting started with the Guardianship Signature Program (GSP) is a simple process, just follow these steps to get signed up:

- 1 Fill out the "[Check Yes!](#)" survey* through the Utah State Bar.
 - Indicate you are interested in the GSP (check "Adult Guardianships and Conservatorship")
 - Indicate the districts in which you are willing to accept cases
- 2 Complete an online training. There are two free options available -
 - A. [Guardianship Training](#) - provides **1 hour** of CLE credit (with accompanying [Handout](#))

OR

 - B. [The Basics of Adult Guardianships and Conservatorships - Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#) - provides **2 hours** of CLE credit (with accompanying [handouts](#))
- 3 The Access to Justice Coordinator will reach out to you for the following documents:
 - Certificate of Completion - this can be found at the end of the training module (option A) **OR** at the end of the handouts (option B)
 - [Self-Study Form 5](#)
 - Certificate of Good Standing - if you are an attorney with an "inactive" status
- 4 The GRAMP Program Coordinator will add you to the group email list – you should receive a Welcome email letting you know you have been added.

* www.utahbar.org/public-services/pro-bono-assistance/

TAKING A CASE

Once enrolled, you can expect to receive emails similar to the following:

A Petition has been filed by John Smith requesting the appointment of a guardian for Michael Smith. The Respondent does not have a lawyer of his own choice and the Court is requesting an attorney to accept representation of the Respondent. The hearing is scheduled for November 26th at 9:30am.

The client will be placed with the first lawyer to respond affirmatively. Please respond no later than 12pm on Tuesday, October 29th.

You will only receive emails from the districts you selected. If you are interested in accepting a case, reply to the sender to volunteer.

Thank you so much for being part of the Guardianship Signature Program! If you have any questions regarding the program, or if you wish to make changes to your availability or contact information, please contact:

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