



SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

OFFICE OF THE FAMILY LAW FACILITATOR

GUARDIANSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Guardianship Assistance Program (GAP) is a self help program of the San Diego Superior Court, Family Law Facilitator's Office. The assistance provided by GAP is neutral. There is no representation of any person or party. There are no income requirements for services provided by GAP. However, if you are a potential guardian and are low income, call the San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program at (619) 235-5656 to see if you qualify for services. If you are objecting to a guardianship, contact the Legal Aid Society at (877) 534-2524 to see if you qualify for services.

Services Offered by GAP:

- Informational workshop on guardianships
- Completion of guardianship forms
- Help resolving paperwork deficiencies
- Help in filing an objection in a San Diego guardianship case
- Terminating a guardianship in a San Diego guardianship case

No Assistance for:

- Guardianship of the estate
- Juvenile Court matters
- Conservatorships
- Individuals who are currently represented by an attorney

How to Get Started:

1. Attend an informational workshop on guardianships. Workshops are held every Friday at 8:30 a.m. at the Family Court located at 1555 Sixth Avenue, San Diego, California 92101. Services are provided on a first come, first served basis. Arrive early as space is limited.
2. At the conclusion of the workshop you will be given a packet of materials to fill out prior to scheduling a follow up appointment with the guardianship coordinator. At the follow up appointment the guardianship coordinator will assist you with the preparation of all necessary forms required to be filed to be appointed as guardian.
3. After a petition has been filed and a case is open, walk-in assistance is available on Friday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. to file an objection to a guardianship, request termination of a guardianship, seek visitation orders, correct defects in your guardianship forms, and other related guardianship issues. Services are provided on a first come, first served basis at the Madge Bradley Building located at 1409 Fourth Avenue, San Diego, California 92101. You may also call (619) 450-7642 to make an appointment for assistance.