



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT- 14TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Probate and Guardianship Division – Elijah Smiley Probate Judge

IN RE: THE GUARDIAN ADVOCACY OF _____

Case No.: _____

Name of Person with a Developmental Disability

FORM B

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN ADVOCATE

TO: _____

Name of Person with a Developmental Disability

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a petition has been filed to determine your capacity and to seek the appointment of a guardian advocate over your person. A copy of the Petition for Appointment of Guardian Advocate is attached to this notice. There will be a hearing on the Petition for Appointment of Guardian Advocate before Judge Elijah Smiley at the Bay County Court, 300 East 4th Street, Panama City, Florida, _____ day _____ 20____ at _____ a.m. / p.m.

The reason for this hearing is to inquire into your capacity and to determine whether a guardian advocate is to be appointed over your person.

You have the right to attend this hearing and to present whatever evidence is appropriate. An attorney has been appointed to represent you. The name, address and telephone number of the attorney are: _____

You have the right to substitute your own attorney for the attorney appointed by the Court.

If you are determined to be incapable of exercising any of the rights enumerated in the Petition for Appointment of Guardian Advocate, a Guardian Advocate may be appointed to exercise those rights on your behalf. If a Guardian Advocate is appointed, the Guardian Advocate may have the care and custody of your person, and may have the right to regulate certain or all of your activities.

Dated _____, 20____.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

By _____
Deputy Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY CLERK

Copies furnished to:

- *Proposed Guardian Advocate*
- *Next of Kin of the person with a developmental disability, if any*
- *Health Care Surrogate designated by the person with a developmental disability pursuant to advanced directives, if any*
- *Agent appointed by the person with a developmental disability under Durable Power of Attorney, if any*

Clerk of the Circuit Court

By _____
Deputy Clerk