

**SAMPLE**

**Superior Court**  
**County of King**

**of Washington,**

In the Guardianship/  
Conservatorship of:  
PWD's name  
Respondent

**Case No.:**  
**Notice of Petition for**  
**Guardian, Conservator, or**  
**Protective Arrangement for**  
**Adult**  
**(NT)**

**Notice of Petition for Guardian, Conservator, or Protective Arrangement for Adult**

To: The Respondent, court visitor, and all other persons who are listed in the petition:

A petition has been filed in **King** \_\_\_\_\_ County

Superior Court by (*petitioner's name*) **Joan Smith** \_\_\_\_\_. The

petition asks the court to appoint a [] guardian, [] conservator,  
and/or

[  ] protective arrangement for (*respondent's name*) \_\_\_\_\_.

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO THE RESPONDENT –  
READ CAREFULLY**

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**YOU AS THE RESPONDENT COULD LOSE ONE OR MORE  
OF THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS:**

- to marry, divorce, or enter into or end a state registered domestic partnership;
- to vote or hold an elected office;
- to make or revoke a will;
- to make financial decisions about your own money;
- to enter into a contract;
- to appoint someone to act on your behalf;
- to sue and/or be sued, other than through a guardian;
- to possess a license to drive;
- to buy, sell, own, mortgage, or lease property;
- to consent to or refuse medical treatment;
- to decide who shall provide your care and assistance;
- to make decisions regarding social aspects of your life.

## **YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW:**

1. You have the right to have a lawyer you choose at any stage of the proceedings. The court will appoint a lawyer at public expense you if you cannot afford one or if paying a lawyer would result in a significant hardship to you.
2. You have the right to demand a jury trial on the:
  - issue of whether the basis exists for appointment of a guardian or conservator; and
  - rights to be retained or restricted if a guardian or conservator is appointed.
3. You have the right to be present in court and testify when the hearing is held to decide whether or not you need a guardian or conservator. If a court visitor is appointed, you have the right to request the court to replace that person.
4. You have the right to ask the court to establish a protective arrangement instead of a guardianship or conservatorship.

If you have any questions about these rights or you want to exercise these rights, tell your court visitor, lawyer, or the judge.

Joan Smith's signature

*Petitioner signs here*

Joan Smith

*Print name (if lawyer, also list WSBA #)*

3/12/25

*Date*

The following is my contact information:

*Email: joansmith234@hotmail.com*

*Phone (Optional):* \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to accept legal papers for this case at the following address (*this does **not** have to be your home address*):

Joan Smith's address

*Street Address or PO Box*

*City*

*State Zip*

*Note: You and the other party/ies may agree to accept legal papers by email under Civil Rule 5 and local court rules.*