

## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

*An Act to amend and reenact § 37.2-1002 of the Code of Virginia, relating to requiring the sealed filing of the social security number in a petition for the appointment of a guardian, a conservator, or both.*

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Approved

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:****1. That § 37.2-1002 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 37.2-1002. (Effective October 1, 2005) Who may file petition; contents.

A. Any person may file a petition for the appointment of a guardian, a conservator, or both.

B. A petition for the appointment of a guardian, a conservator, or both, shall state the petitioner's name, place of residence, post office address, and relationship, if any, to the respondent and, to the extent known as of the date of filing, shall include the following:

1. The respondent's name, date of birth, place of residence or location, ~~social security number~~, and post office address *and the sealed filing of the social security number*;

2. The names and post office addresses of the respondent's spouse, adult children, parents, and adult siblings or, if no such relatives are known to the petitioner, at least three other known relatives of the respondent, including step-children. If a total of three such persons cannot be identified and located, the petitioner shall certify that fact in the petition, and the court shall set forth such finding in the final order;

3. The name, place of residence or location, and post office address of the individual or facility, if any, that is responsible for or has assumed responsibility for the respondent's care or custody;

4. The name, place of residence or location, and post office address of any agent designated under a durable power of attorney or an advance directive of which the respondent is the principal or any guardian, committee, or conservator currently acting, whether in this state or elsewhere, with a copy of any such documents, if available, attached by the petitioner;

5. The type of guardianship or conservatorship requested and a brief description of the nature and extent of the respondent's alleged incapacity;

6. When the petition requests appointment of a guardian, a brief description of the services currently being provided for the respondent's health, care, safety, or rehabilitation and, where appropriate, a recommendation as to living arrangement and treatment plan;

7. If the appointment of a limited guardian is requested, the specific areas of protection and assistance to be included in the order of appointment and, if the appointment of a limited conservator is requested, the specific areas of management and assistance to be included in the order of appointment;

8. The name and post office address of any proposed guardian or conservator or any guardian or conservator nominated by the respondent and that person's relationship to the respondent;

9. The native language of the respondent and any necessary alternative mode of communication;

10. A statement of the financial resources of the respondent that shall, to the extent known, list the approximate value of the respondent's property and the respondent's anticipated annual gross income, other receipts, and debts;

11. A statement of whether the petitioner believes that the respondent's attendance at the hearing would be detrimental to the respondent's health, care, or safety; and

12. A request for appointment of a guardian ad litem.

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