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Removing or Changing a Guardian of a Minor

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Information provided in this packet **IS NOT LEGAL ADVICE**. It is information. This information is not a substitute for a competent lawyer.

When you sign a legal document or file any papers in court, it can seriously affect you in the future. You should always try to get legal advice before filing documents.

Bar Association lawyer referral services are listed in our brochure "Legal Resources in and around Suffolk County." Also listed are free legal service providers. You may be eligible for help.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR *Removal of Guardian and Appointment of new Guardian*

Look at the sample form attached and follow the instructions for each number. Please print or type all information. Complete the front and the back of the form.

Front of Form

1. Print your name.
2. Print the name of the city or town where you live.
3. Print the name of the county where you live.
4. Print your relationship to the child (for example, the mother).
5. Print the child's name.
6. Print the name of the city or town where the child lives.
7. Print the child's name.
8. Print the date that the permanent guardianship went into effect.
9. Print the name of the guardian.
10. Print the place where the guardian lives.
11. Print the word "guardian."
12. Print the child's name.
13. State the reasons why the guardian should be removed.
14. Print the guardian's name.
15. Print either the word "his" or "her", whichever applies.
16. Print the name of the person, if there is anyone that you want to become the guardian.
17. Print where the newly requested guardian lives.
18. Print either the word "his" or "her", whichever applies.
19. Print the date.
20. Sign your name.

Back of Form: Where it reads "No." Put in your docket number.

Where it reads "For Petitioner", print your name, address and phone number.

If there is a need for an emergency hearing, you may file a motion for an emergency hearing with an affidavit stating the reason(s) that there is a need for an emergency hearing.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT

To the Honorable the Justices of the Probate and Family Court, in and for the County of Suffolk-

RESPECTFULLY represents 1

of 2 in the County of 3

that 4

of 5 of 6

in the County of Suffolk and is interested in the estate of said 7

that by a decree of said Court, dated the 8 day of
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of 10 in the County of 10

was appointed 11 of said 12

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That 13

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and is unsuitable for the discharge of said trust.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that said 14

..... may be removed from h 15 said office and

and that 16 of 17

in the County of 17 or some other

person be appointed as h 18 successor.

Dated this 19 day of 19 20

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