

OAKLAND COUNTY PROBATE COURT

Notice to Guardians and Conservators re: Payment for Guardianship Reviews

***THIS NOTICE ONLY APPLIES IF YOUR WARD HAS A
CONSERVATORSHIP AND IF THERE ARE MORE THAN
\$5000 IN LIQUID ASSETS IN THE CONSERVATORSHIP ESTATE.**

The Court is advising you that the ward's conservatorship estate may be billed for the guardianship review.

Reviews are mandated by MCL 700.5309, which states that reviews must be performed one year after the guardianship is established and every three years thereafter. Furthermore, MCL 700.5413 states that reviews may be billed to the conservatorship estate. Court policy establishes that the estate must have at least \$5000 in liquid assets before it can be billed.

Therefore, where the Court has identified conservatorship files which appear to have more than \$5000 in liquid assets, we have authorized our review contractors to bill the ward's estate up to \$200 to perform the review. The conservator will receive a bill that should not exceed \$200. It should be paid out of the ward's assets and identified as a disbursement on the annual account.

If the ward is entitled to PIP benefits due to an auto accident, please inform the reviewer as well. The reviewer may bill the insurance company directly instead of the conservator.

If you have any questions, please contact the Probate Court at 248-858-0260.