

# APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY / EMERGENCY GUARDIAN AND/OR CONSERVATOR

## CHECKLIST

**Use the forms in this packet ONLY if the following factors apply to your situation:**

- You want to have the court appoint a guardian and/or a conservator for one or more persons on a temporary or emergency basis for a period of not more than 6 months.\*
- The person(s) needing the guardian and/or conservator lives in Mohave County.
- You believe that the adult or minor needs to have a guardian and/or conservator temporarily and/or immediately.
- If the person needing a guardian is under the age of 18, the person who will serve as guardian is not one of the parents.\*\*
- If you are applying for guardianship/conservatorship for more than one child under the age of 18, they must have the same parents.\*\*\*

\* **If the need for the guardianship will continue for more than 6 months, you will need to petition for “permanent” guardianship.**

\*\* **Note that a parent may serve as conservator for their own child.**

\*\*\* **If there are multiple children and they do not all have the same fathers or mothers, you must file a separate case for each set of parents.**

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**READ ME:** It is very important for you to know that when you sign a court document, you may be helping or hurting your court case. Before you sign any court document, or get involved with a court case, it is important that you see a lawyer to make sure you are doing the right thing. GO to [www.azbar.org](http://www.azbar.org) for a current list of court-approved lawyers.