

Request to Waive Additional Court Fees (Superior Court) (Ward or Conservatee)**CONFIDENTIAL**

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This form must be used by a guardian or conservator, or a petitioner for the appointment of a guardian or conservator, in the guardianship or conservatorship proceeding or in any other civil action in which the guardian or conservator represents the interest of the ward or conservatee as a plaintiff or defendant, to ask the court to waive *additional* court fees that are not covered in a current order. If you have not already received an order that waived or reduced your court fees, you must complete and file a *Request to Waive Court Fees (Ward or Conservatee)*, form FW-001-GC, along with this form.

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of _____

Fill in case number and name:

Case Number: _____

Case Name: _____

1 Your Information (guardian or conservator, or person asking the court to appoint a guardian or conservator):

Name: _____

Street or mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____

2 Your Lawyer (if you have one): Name: _____

Firm or Affiliation: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

a. The lawyer has agreed to advance all or a portion of your fees or costs (check one): Yes No
(If yes, your lawyer must sign here.) Lawyer's signature: _____

b. If your lawyer is not providing legal-aid type services based on the ward's or conservatee's low income, you may have to go to a hearing to explain why you are asking the court to waive the fees.

3 Ward's or Conservatee's Information (file a separate Request for each ward in a multi-ward case):

Name: _____ Age and date of birth (ward only): _____

Street or mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____

4 Ward's or Conservatee's Lawyer, if any: Name: _____

Firm or Affiliation: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

5 Date ward's or conservatee's last court fee waiver order, if any, was granted: _____**6** Has the ward's or conservatee's financial situation improved since your last *Request to Waive Court Fees*? No Yes

(If yes, you must fill out a new Request to Waive Court Fees, form FW-001-GC, and attach it to this form.)



Name of (Proposed) Ward or Conservatee: _____

Case Number: _____

7 What other fees do you want the court fee waiver order to cover? (Check all that apply):

- a. Jury fees and expenses
- b. Court-appointed interpreter fees for a witness
- c. Fees for a peace officer to testify in court
- d. Fees for court-appointed experts
- e. Other (specify):

8 Why does the ward or conservatee need these other services? (Explain):

Notice: The court may order you to answer questions about the finances of the ward or conservatee and later order you, as guardian or conservator of his or her estate, to pay back waived fees. The court may also direct you to make efforts to collect money to pay back waived fees from persons who owe a duty to support the ward or conservatee. If the fees are not paid back, the court may also charge collection fees.

If there is a change in the financial circumstances of the ward or conservatee during this case that increases his or her ability to pay fees and costs, you must notify the trial court within five days. (Use form FW-010-GC for this purpose.)

If this case is a civil action against another person on behalf of the ward or conservatee and you win it, the trial court may order the other side to pay the fees. If you settle the case against another person for **\$10,000** or more payable to the ward's or conservatee's estate, the trial court will have a lien on the settlement in the amount of the waived fees. The trial court may not dismiss the case until the lien is paid.

The court may also have a lien against the ward's or conservatee's estate that must be paid before the estate is distributed, the guardianship or conservatorship proceeding is concluded, and you are discharged as guardian or conservator.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Date: _____

Print your name here



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