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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - PROBATE DIVISION**

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SUMMONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR DISABLED PERSON

To: _____

You are summoned to appear at a hearing on a petition to adjudge you a disabled person and have a guardian appointed to make decisions for you regarding yourself, your property, or both. A copy of the petition and notice of rights of respondent are attached.

The hearing to determine whether or not a guardian will be appointed for you will be held on _____, _____ at _____ a.m. / pm., in Room _____ of the _____.

At the hearing, you have a right to be represented by a lawyer. You have the right to attend the hearing. If you do not have a lawyer, the court will appoint one for you upon your written or oral request communicated to the court prior to or at the hearing. You have the right to demand a jury trial. You may confront and cross-examine all witnesses and present your own witnesses. You have the right to request that your hearing be closed to the public. You have the right to request that an expert be appointed to examine you.

TO THE OFFICER:

This summons must be served on the alleged disabled person personally no later than 14 days before the day for appearance. The summons must be returned by the officer or other person to whom it was given for service with endorsement of service and fees, if any, no later than 2 days after service. If service cannot be made on the alleged disabled person personally, this summons must be returned so endorsed.

Witness _____,

 Clerk of Court

(Seal of Court)

RETURN

I certify that on _____, _____, I served this summons on the alleged disabled person, leaving a copy with him/her personally and informing him/her of its contents.

_____ Sheriff of _____ County

By _____ Deputy

SHERIFF'S FEES

Service and return	_____	\$	_____
Miles	_____	\$	_____
Total	_____	\$	_____

Atty. No.: _____

Atty. Name: _____

Firm Name: _____

Atty. for Petitioner: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

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NOTICE OF RIGHTS OF RESPONDENT

You have been named as a respondent in a guardianship petition asking that you be declared a disabled person. If the court grants the petition, a guardian will be appointed for you. A copy of the guardianship petition is attached for your convenience.

The date and time of the hearing:

The place where the hearing will occur is:

The Judge's name and phone number is:

If a guardian is appointed for you, the guardian may be given the right to make all important personal decisions for you, such as where you may live, what medical treatment you may receive, what places you may visit, and who may visit you. A guardian may also be given the right to control and manage your money and other property, including your home, if you own one. You may lose the right to make these decisions for yourself.

You have the following legal rights:

- (1) You have the right to be present at the court hearing.
- (2) You have the right to be represented by a lawyer, either one that you retain, or one appointed by the Judge.
- (3) You have the right to ask for a jury of six persons to hear your case.
- (4) You have the right to present evidence to the court and to confront and cross-examine witnesses.
- (5) You have the right to ask the Judge to appoint an independent expert to examine you and give an opinion about your need for a guardian.
- (6) You have the right to ask that the court hearing be closed to the public.
- (7) You have the right to tell the court whom you prefer to have for your guardian.

You do not have to attend the court hearing if you do not want to be there. If you do not attend, the Judge may appoint a guardian if the Judge finds that a guardian would be of benefit to you. The hearing will not be postponed or cancelled if you do not attend.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU ATTEND THE HEARING IF YOU DO NOT WANT A GUARDIAN OR IF YOU WANT SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE PERSON NAMED IN THE GUARDIANSHIP PETITION TO BE YOUR GUARDIAN. IF YOU DO NOT WANT A GUARDIAN OR IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER PROBLEMS, YOU SHOULD CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR COME TO COURT AND TELL THE JUDGE.