

IN THE TRIAL COURT OF THE
 SAC & FOX TRIBE OF THE MISSISSIPPI IN IOWA TRIBAL COURT
 Meskwaki Settlement
 307 Meskwaki Road
 Tama, Iowa 52339-9629

In RE the Guardianship of: _____, DOB _____, A Minor Child.	Case No. _____ PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF <input type="checkbox"/> PERMANENT GUARDIAN(S) OF MINOR CHILD <input type="checkbox"/> TEMPORARY GUARDIAN(S) OF MINOR CHILD
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NOW COMES _____ (name), who on oath states:

1. That I am the Petitioner in the above matter.
2. That I am interested in the welfare of and petitioning the Court for appointment as the Guardian of the above named minor child (proposed ward).
3. That the proposed ward's full name is _____ (name) and the birthdate of the child is _____ (birthdate).
4. That the proposed ward(s) currently resides or is present at:

5. That the name and address of the person or institution, if any, having the care, custody, or control of the proposed ward is the following:

6. That the minor child is not emancipated and does not currently have a Guardian by instrument or appointment; nor are there any currently pending guardianship proceedings.

7. That the relationship of the proposed Guardian to the proposed ward is:
- Grandmother(father's mother) Aunt
- Grandfather (father's father) Uncle
- Grandmother (mother's mother) Brother (adult)
- Grandfather (mother's father) Sister (adult)
- Other relative (explain relationship to child)_____
- Not related to the child (explain proposed Guardian's interest in or connection to the child)_____
8. That the physical address and the mailing address, if different, of the proposed Guardian is:
- _____
- _____
- _____
9. That the proposed Guardian is qualified to act as a Guardian in accordance with Sections 23-1304 or 23-1305 of the Tribal Code of the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa and meets the recommended preferences listed under Section 23-1211 of the Tribal Code.
10. That if the proposed Guardian is a nonresident of the Meskwaki Settlement and a non member, but otherwise qualified to act as a Guardian, the Court may upon application appoint that person provided there is a resident Guardian appointed to serve with such nonresident Guardian; and provided further that the Court for good cause shown may appoint such nonresident Guardian to serve alone without the appointment of a resident Guardian.

11. That the proposed ward's best interests require the appointment of a Guardian and that the following categories apply (check all that apply):

The proposed ward is an enrolled Tribal member or resides within the Meskwaki Settlement.

OR

The proposed Guardian is an enrolled Tribal member or resides within the Meskwaki Settlement.

12. That the proposed ward is in either of the following categories:

Is a person whose decision making capacity is so impaired that the person is unable to care for the person's personal safety or to attend to or provide for necessities of the person such as food, shelter, clothing, or medical care, without which physical injury or illness might occur.

OR

Is a Minor.

13. That the child or children need a permanent or temporary guardian right now. The factual circumstances that make the guardianship necessary are that (Attach additional sheets as necessary):

14. That the total value of the proposed ward's finances or other assets of value is \$_____.
15. That the Meskwaki Tribal Court has jurisdiction over this matter in accordance with applicable tribal laws and Section 23-1104 of the Tribal Code.
16. That it is in the best interests of the proposed ward to appoint a guardian.
17. That in this matter it is appropriate to grant a
 - Full Guardianship
 - Limited Guardianship in accordance with Section 23-1303(e) of the Tribal Code.
18. That it is my belief the child will:
 - Attend the Court hearing.
 - Not attend the Court hearing.
19. That a completed "Guardianship (Minor) Child Information Attachment" is attached to this Petition.

WHEREFORE, the Petitioner(s) prays that the Court order that:

- A. A hearing be set on this matter and that the Petition for Appointment of a Guardianship be granted.
- B. The Court appoint _____ (name), as guardian of the minor child.
- C. That the Court determine if the proposed ward is entitled to legal representation.
- D. That the Court grant and order such other relief as it deems just and proper.
- E. (Please list any other relief requested below or write N/A if not applicable)

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20____.

VERIFICATION

Petitioner(s) by signing below declares under penalty of perjury and verifies that he or she has read this Petition for Appointment of Guardian for a Minor Child and believes that the statements herein are true and accurate to the best of his or her knowledge and belief.

Signature of Petitioner, In Front of Notary

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
_____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public

Signature of 2nd Petitioner, In Front of Notary

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
_____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public