# PETITION FOR TEMPORARY LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP OF MINOR

#### INSTRUCTIONS

#### I. Specific Instructions

- 1. This form is to be used for filing a Petition for Temporary Letters of Guardianship of a Minor pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 29-2-5.
- 2. Notice of the Petition must be given to the "parents" of the Minor. If an objection to the establishment of the temporary guardianship is filed by a parent who is also a "natural guardian," the Court will dismiss the Petition without a hearing. If a parent who is not a natural guardian objects, a hearing on the matter will be scheduled.

A "parent" is defined as the biological or adoptive father or mother whose parental rights have not been surrendered or terminated. However, in the case of a child born out of wedlock, the Father shall be considered a "parent" only if he has legitimated the Minor.

A father of a child born out of wedlock has legitimated the Minor if he married the Mother after the child's birth or obtained an order of legitimation from a court of competent jurisdiction.

A "natural guardian" is defined as each parent, unless the parents are divorced. If one parent has sole legal custody, that parent is the sole "natural guardian." If both parents have joint legal custody, then both parents are the "natural guardians."

- 3. Although a mother or father may not be a "legal parent," the Court may require service on such person.
- 4. A temporary guardianship will be deemed to be a permanent guardianship for the purposes of obtaining medical insurance coverage for the Minor if the guardian assumes in writing the obligation to support the Minor while the guardianship is in effect to the extent that no other sources of support are available.
- 5. Unless otherwise permitted by the Probate Court in which the Petition is filed, a separate Petition must be filed for each minor. Contact the Probate Court in which the Petition will be filed for its policy. If the filing of one Petition for more than one minor is permitted by the Probate Court, modify the Petition accordingly.
- 6. According to Uniform Probate Court Rule 5.6 (A), unless the Court specifically assumes the responsibility, it is the responsibility of the moving party to prepare the proper citation and deliver it properly so it can be served according to law. All pages after the Notice regarding Uniform Probate Court Rule 5.6 (A) are to be completed by the moving party, unless otherwise directed by the Court.

- 7. O.C.G.A. § 53-11-2 provides that a party to a probate proceeding who is not sui juris must be represented by a guardian provided that the Court may appoint a guardian ad litem or determine that the natural guardian, guardian, conservator or testamentary guardian has no conflict and may serve. Should a guardian ad litem be necessary because a party is not sui juris, use Supplement 1.
- 8. Use Supplement 2 if the Court determines it is necessary to appoint a special process server.
- 9. Use Supplement 3 when an additional certificate of service is necessary.
- 10. Exhibits should be labeled at the bottom of each exhibit as Exhibit "A," Exhibit "B," etc. in consecutive order. The corresponding letter of each said exhibit should be inserted into the appropriate place in the form.
- 11. An oath must be administered by a Probate Judge or Clerk (the oath cannot be administered by a notary public). Use Georgia Probate Court Supplement 4 for the oath. The oath is not included in this form. Georgia Probate Court Standard Form 53, Commission to Administer Oath, can be used if the oath is to be administered by a court outside the State of Georgia.

#### II. General Instructions

General instructions applicable to all Georgia Probate Court Standard Forms are available in each Probate Court or at www.gaprobate.gov, labeled GPCSF 1.

IN THE PROBA			COUN	TY
	STATE O	F GEORGIA	<del></del>	
IN RE: ESTATE OF		)		
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MINOR		) ESTATI	E NO	
MATOR		)		<del></del>
PETITION FO	R TEMPORARY	GUARDIANSHIP	OF A MINOD	
			OF PLININGS	•
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	City		State	Zip Co
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:/are:	of the lift	tor named above and	whose mailing	address(es
Street	City			
now(s):	<i>011.</i> j	County	State	Zip Co.
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517 77 O7 5		·		
[Full name of Minor]	First	Middle	Last	
ge, whose date o	f birth is			ia format.
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Street	City	County	State	Zip Cod
	2.			
A copy of the Minor's bi	irth certificate is a	Ittached as Evhibit "	<del>2</del> 7	
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	3,			
Said Minor is in need of	a temporary guard	dian. The Petitionada	) haa/harra 41	C 11
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ationship(s) with the Minor: _				

Fu	ill name of Mother]	First	Middle		ast	
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	Street	City	County	Si	ate	Zip Code
	a. Is the Mother dec			[Select One]	Пν	es 🗀 No
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(	c. Is the Mother's ad	dress known and listed abov	e?	[Select One]	□ Yes	s□ No
(	I. Have the Mother's Order?	rights been terminated via (	Court	[Select One]	□ Yes	□ No
	If yes, attac	h the Order as Exhibit "	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			
е		t custody via Court Order?  h the Order as Exhibit "	25	[Select One]	□ Yes	□ No
f.	via Court Order?	we joint legal custody		[Select One]	□ Yes	□ No
	If yes, attac	h the Order as Exhibit "	"			
g.	Does the Mother havia Court Order?	ve sole legal custody		[Select One]	□ Yes	□ No
	If yes, attack	the Order as Exhibit "	 II			
h.	Was the Mother man	ried to the Father of the chi on of the Child?	ld during	[Select One] [	□ Yes∣	□ No
i.	conception, gestation	ried to another during the or birth of the Child?  It man's name below:		[Select One] [	∃ Yes [	□ No

[Full name of Mother's Hust	and] First	Middle	Last	<del></del>
; ;			Last	
Street	City	County	State	Zip Code
The Minor's Fath	ner is;			_ <sub>4</sub> > 00as
[Full name of Father]	First	Middle	Last	
Street	City	County	State	Zip Code
a. Is the Father dece	ased?		[Select One] 🗆 Ye	a Fl No
If yes, atta and skip b	ch death certificate as Ex -g.	chibit ""		>> □ 110
b. Has the Father sig	ned a consent for the apporary guardianship?	Ĺ	<i>Select One]</i> □ Ye	s□ No
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d. Have the Father's a	ights been terminated vis	Court [	Select One] 🗆 Yes	s□ No
If yes, attac	h the Order as Exhibit "_		•	
	custody via Court Order? h the Order as Exhibit "_	·	Select One] 🗆 Yes	s□ No
f. Does the Father hav	e joint legal custody	E	Select One] 🛘 Yes	□ No
If yes, attack	the Order as Exhibit "_	, n		
g. Does the Father hav	e sole legal custody	[5	elect One] 🗆 Yes	□ No
If yes, attach	the Order as Exhibit "	n		
	6.			
Is the Minor fourteer	n years of age or older?	[S	elect One] 🗆 Yes	□ No
If you answer " Yes," Petitioner(s) to act as ter	and the Minor made a s nporary guardian(s) as I	election attach	the Minor's Selection."	on for

7.

The	temporary	guardianship	is needed	because.

8.

Additional Data: [Where full particulars are lacking, state here the reasons for any such omission. Also, state here all pertinent facts that may govern the method of giving notice to any party and that may determine whether or not a guardian ad litem should be appointed for any party.]

## WHEREFORE, Petitioner(s) pray(s) that:

- 1. Service be perfected as provided by law; and
- 2. Petitioner(s) be appointed temporary guardian(s) of the Minor named above.

Signature of First Petitioner	Signature of Second Petitioner, if any
Printed Name	Printed Name
Mailing Address	Mailing Address
Telephone Number	Telephone Number
Signature of Attorney	
Printed Name of AttorneyAddress	
Telephone Number	State Bar #

## VERIFICATION

GEORGIA,CC	DUNTY
Personally appeared before me the un state(s) that the facts set forth in the foregoin Minor (and the attached Exhibit(s)) are true a	dersigned Petitioner(s) who, after being duly sworn g Petition for Temporary Letters of Guardianship of and correct.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this	
day of, 20	Signature of First Petitioner
NOTARY/CLERK OF PROBATE COURT My Commission Expires	
Sworn to and subscribed before me this	
, 20,	Signature of Second Petitioner, if any
NOTARY/CLERK OF PROBATE COURT My Commission Expires	Printed Name of Second Petitioner, if any

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF		·	COUNTY
STATE C	IF GEOR	GIA	
IN RE: ESTATE OF	)		
MINOR	)	ESTATE NO.	
SELECTION BY MINO	R IF AG	E 14 OR OLDER	<u>.</u>
I, the undersigned Minor, being 14 year	s of age o	or older and a resid	lent of
County, select			
to be appointed my guardian(s).			
This day of		, 20	
Sworn to and subscribed before me this			
day of, 20	Signatu	re of Minor if age	14 or over
NOTARY/CLERK OF PROBATE COURT My Commission Expires	Printed	Name	

Exhibit "\_\_\_\_\_

IN THE PROBATE C	OURT OF	_	COUNT	"V
	STATE O	F GEORGIA		-
IN RE: ESTATE OF		)		
MINOR		) ESTAT )	E NO	
•	CONSENT	OF MOTHER		
I.	. ,			
[Full name of Mother] Firs	t	Middle	Last	-
Street	City	County	State	Zip Code
[Full name of first Temporary Guardian]	First	Middle	. Last	<del></del>
[Full name of second Temporary Guardian,	7 First	Middle	Last	
and also acknowledge service of the Minor and waive any and all further I further understand that, purs by a natural guardian as defined in Temporary Guardian(s) and dissolve by the appointed Temporary Guard termination, the Juvenile Court or the whether a continuation or dissolution Minor. I understand that nothing here the obligation to support the Minor that affects my legal obligation to support	service and statute the temporar ian(s). If a he Probate (n of the tempiral, including to the extent	notice concerning sates. G.A. § 29-2-8 (b), up to [see instructions], by guardianship unless in objection is time! Court shall determine porary guardianship gany optional Assument that no other source.	id Petition.  on a petition for the Court will as an objection is the graph of the file of	termination remove the timely filed petition for ad hearing, crest of the
Sworn to and subscribed before me the day of, 20	nis	Signature of Mothe	r	
NOTARY/CLERK OF PROBATE CO	OURT	Printed Name of Mo	other	

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF _			COUNT	TV .
STATE OF GEORGIA				. <b>I</b>
IN RE: ESTATE OF  MINOR		) ) ESTATE	NO	
	CONSENT	OF FATHER		
I.				
[Full name of Father] I	First	Middle	Last	
Street	City	County	State	Zip Code
Father of the above named Minor and the appointment of [list all page 1] [Full name of first Temporary Guardian	arties to wnom j	you wish to grant temp	porary guardia Last	nship]:
[Full name of second Temporary Guard	ian] First	Middle	Last	<u> </u>
and also acknowledge service of Minor and waive any and all further understand that, point by a natural guardian as defined Temporary Guardian(s) and dissolute the appointed Temporary Guardian Court of the Minor. I understand that nothing he the obligation to support the Minor affects my legal obligation to support	ursuant to O.C.( in said statute ve the temporar ardian(s). If ar the Probate C ion of the temp erein, including or to the extent	G.A. § 29-2-8 (b), upon [see instructions], the guardianship unless a objection is timely court shall determine, porary guardianship is any optional Assumpthat no other sources.	Petition.  n a petition for the Court will an objection is filled to such parties after notice are in the best into	termination remove the timely filed petition for and hearing, erest of the
Sworn to and subscribed before me day of,	e this 20	Signature of Father		
NOTARY/CLERK OF PROBATE My Commission Expires	COURT	Printed Name of Fath	er	

IN THE PROBATE				COUNTY
	STATE	OF GEOR		
IN RE: ESTATE OF		)	EST LEE NO.	
MINOR		)	ESTATE NO.	· .
ASSUMPTION OF	FOBLIGAT	TON TO	SUPPORT (OPT	IONAL)
The undersigned, if appoint the obligation to support the Minosources of support are available.	ted temporar or while the	y guardian guardiansh	(s) of the above na ip is in effect to th	med Minor, assume( ne extent that no oth
Sworn to and subscribed before me	e this			
day of,	20	Signati	re of First Petition	ner
NOTARY/CLERK OF PROBATE My Commission Expires	•	Printed	Name of First Pe	itioner
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# INFORMATION REGARDING TEMPORARY GUARDIANSHIP OF MINOR

The following information, in whole or in part, may be forwarded or divulged to protection and law enforcement agencies for the purpose of an investigation germane to the best interest of the child(ren).

#### 1. INFORMATION ON EACH CHILD

(If more than one child, give all information on this page for each child on a separate page)

Cł 1.	nild's Full Name <u>as shown on Birth</u>				
	Child's present address, the loca	ation where they slep	ot last night.		
	Street	Apt	. City	State	Zip
	How long has child lived at this a	address?			
	Date of birth	Age	Sex		
	Race/National Origin		G	rade in School	
	School last attended				·
2. <u>INFO</u>	RMATION ON PARENTS				
Mothe	r's Full Name				
Addres	ss				
	Street	Apt.	City	State	Zip
Teleph	one (Home)	(Wo	ork)	<u>-</u> .	
Date o	f Birth	R	Race/National Or	igin	
Place o	of Employment				
1.	Was the mother married to the f	ather at the time of o	child's conceptio	n or birth? Yes	No
2.	Was the mother married to som birth? Yes N		he father at the	time of the child's	conception o
3.	Did the mother and father of the	e child marry after th	ne child's birth?	Yes N	lo
4.	Did the mother and father ever	file for divorce? Yes	N	o	

Father's Full Name	·				
Address	<u> </u>				
Street		Apt.	City	State	Zip
Telephone (Home)			(Work)		
Date of Birth		Race/Nat	ional Origin		
Place of Employment					
Sisters and brothers o				state and zip code)	
3. <u>INFORMATION RE</u>	LATING TO PAST HI	STORY THIS	MUST BE C	OMPLETED	
Has child(ren) beer	n in a foster home o	r removed f	rom parenta	al custody?	
If so, by what authority	y: (D.F.A.C.S.?		) W	hat county?	
4. IS THERE NOW OR	HAS THERE EVER E	BEEN A TEM	PORARY GL	JARDIAN APPOIN	TED FOR THE
CHILD(REN)?					
5. INFORMATION ON	COUNTY.			S GRANTED. PROBA	ATE COURT OF
Guardian's Full Name					
Date of birth					
Address					
Street County	Apt #		City	State (Work)	Zip
Place of Employment		Su	oervisor's Nam	ne	
Marital Status	Full Name of Yo	our Spouse			<del>-</del>
How are you related to this	child?				<del></del> -
For checking criminal histor	y background purposes	s only: Your So	cial Security#		
Have you ever been cor	nvicted of a felony?		If so, for wl	nat, when, and wh	ere convicted?

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	TheState of Rich				
	State of Birt			nal Origin	
Address Street		 Apt #	City	State	Zip
County	Telephone (Home)		{	/ork)	
Place of Employment _		Su	pervisor's Name _		
Marital Status	Full Name of Your Spe	ouse			
How are you related to	this child?				······
For checking criminal h	istory background purposes	s only: Your So	cial Security #		
Have you ever been	convicted of a felony?		If so, for what,	when, and wh	ere convicte
		· ""			
list the name age and	relationship to you of all ot	her minor chil	dren in vour home	<u> </u>	
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	where other than Clayton C				
LIST ALL OTHER AD	OULTS LIVING IN YOUR	HOME:			
<u>Name</u>		<u>Age</u>		<u>Relations</u>	nip to you
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or "The child just wa	nts to go to school here <u>"</u>	is not sufficie	ent reason for gu	ıardianship. Yo	ı must expla
the circumstances.					_
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ΑN	ISWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:
1.	Is the mother of this child a resident of Clayton County, Georgia? Yes No  Is the father of this child a resident of Clayton County, Georgia? Yes No
2.	Do the parents of this child realize that they are giving up their parental rights insofar as custody and control, but probably have continuing responsibility for support, maintenance, and the duty to provide necessaries for this child? Yes No
3.	Do you and the natural parents realize that all parental rights can only be severed by the Juvenile Court of proper jurisdiction upon a due process hearing for that purpose, or by the Superior Court of proper jurisdiction as an adjunct to an adoptive proceeding?  Yes No
4.	Is the home where the child has been living so deprived that the best interest of the child demands removal? Yes No
5.	Is your home, environment and circumstance a better nurturing condition for this child?  Yes No
6.	Do you contend that your guardianship is required: Indefinitely or Temporarily, only
7.	Which school will the child(ren) attend?
	Child School Complete address for school
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tak The abo	nderstand that furnishing false (untrue) information to the Court may result in criminal action being en against me.  e undersigned does consent to being investigated and appointed as temporary guardian (s) of the ove-named minor and does/do further hereby acknowledge service of the foregoing Petition.
	orn to and subscribed before me this day of 20 First Petitioner Signature
Cle	rk of Probate Court/Notary Public Print Name

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Second Petitioner Signature

Print Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

Clerk of Probate Court/Notary Public

#### **Clayton County Probate Court**

Minor	Case Number		
Temporary (	Guardianship Acknowledgment		
I,acknowledge that my Petition for Temporary Guallow such child(ren) to be enrolled in school.	_, being the petitioner for the above-named minor, hereby ardianship is being filed today, and I am receiving my letter that will		
understand that in the event my petition is dismis	ing and I fail to provide such, this petition may be dismissed. I also sed, there will not be a refund. In the event my petition is dismissed, in to have a new Petition for Temporary Guardianship should one still		
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I understand that certain information is needed to prior too	complete my petition. I understand I must provide such information r my petition will be denied.		
I must provide all information listed bel	ow:		
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provided; however, I understand I will be sent a le	e my petition regarding the above-mentioned estate case has been etter at the above address should additional information be necessary.  I understand that I must provide The Court with that information in		
Below is my contact information: Address:	Phone Numbers:		
	Cell:		
	Home:		
which I am responsible. My signature below att	, I understand that there may be further costs in my case for tests to the fact that I have been made aware that failure to pay ove my petition forward and possibly cause the dismissal of my		
This day of	, 2022.		
Signature of Petitioner	Print Name of Petitioner		
Witnessed by Clerk			

#### **Clayton County Probate Court**

Minor	Case Number		
Temporary Gua	ardianship Acknowledgment		
I,, acknowledge that my Petition for Temporary Guard allow such child(ren) to be enrolled in school.	being the petitioner for the above-named minor, hereby ianship is being filed today, and I am receiving my letter that will		
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I understand the court may set my case for a hearing link will be send to the email provided. The petition petitioner(s) move.	and notice will be provided at the home address and a zoom her shall submit a written change of address, in the event the		
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I must provide all information listed below:			
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	Home:		
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This day of	, 2022.		
Signature of Petitioner	Print Name of Petitioner		
Witnessed by Clerk			

# IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CLAYTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE			)	ESTATE NO.
	MINO	)R	)	
TO: <u>A</u>	LL IN	ZOOM HEAR <u>FERESTED PARTIES</u>	UNG FO	ORM .
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		your e-mail address below and sign coparticipate virtually in the hearing. Ple		
hear you laptop hearing Make s expected	ence. You. If you is best for at the course you ed to be	ou must have a device compatible with ou use a desktop computer, it must have for a virtual hearing. By signing below,	audio an a camer you are o hearing sure you will also	nis hearing may be held virtually by video d video features so the Judge can see and a and a microphone. A smart cell phone or consenting to receive an invitation for the to be held virtually rather than in person. I receive the invitation link. You are be expected to participate in a quiet
E-mail	addres	ss (required):		<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>
	I agree	e to this hearing being scheduled via	Zoom Vi	deo Communications.
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		30236 and a device will be provided for courthouse. You are expected to be o	I S. McI or your u n time fo ough sec	Donough Street, Annex 1, Jonesboro, GA see. Masks are required to enter the ryour in-person hearing and are advised writy timely. You must bring with you all
	I do not agree to hold an hearing being scheduled via Zoom Video Communications. I			ia Zoom Video Communications. I
	under McDo	rstand that should a hearing be requionough St, Annex 3 Jonesboro, GA 30	red, that )236 and	I will appear in person at 121 S. will be required to wear a mask.
Name:			Date:	
Mailing	Addres	SS:		Number:
			 Signat	ure

### **Probate Court of Clayton County**

Pam Ferguson, Chief Judge Atha H. Pryor, Associate Judge 121 South McDonough Street Annex Bldg. 3 Jonesboro, Georgia 30236

#### AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

I have filed a Petition for Temporary Guardianship with the Clayton County Probate Court. I understand that in order for the Court to process my petition, a background check must be performed. This check includes a criminal history search.

I hereby authorize the Court, the Clayton County Sheriff's Department, the Clayton County Police Department, and/ or their servicing agency, to conduct a check of their files for any records related to the information I have provided below. I hereby release them from any damage whatsoever for issuing such information. I also authorize the Probate Court to receive the information regarding the same, for its use in determining whether my appointment as guardian will be in the best interest of the Minor

#### Required Information

\* Disclosure of your Social Security Number is not mandatory. Per CFR § 1.32, except as otherwise provided by law, an individual shall not be denied any right, benefit or privilege provided by law because of such individual's refusal to disclose their social security number.

FULL LEGAL NAME:		
DATE OF BIRTH: / /	STATE OF BIRTH:	SS# (optional)
RACE: SEX:	_ LICENSE #:	
ADDRESS:		
HOME PHONE #:	WORK PHONE #:	CELL PHONE #:
MAIDEN NAME:		
OTHER ASSOCIATED/ PRIOR NAM	MES (if applicable)	
	I affirm that the foregoing	o the Court may result in criminal information is true and correct to
SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER	DATE	
Sworn to and subscribed before me thi day of 20	•	
Clerk of Probate Court/Notary Public	<del></del>	

Katherine Reeves, Chief Clerk
Estates Division 770-477-3299 Licensing Division 770-477-3301

<u>Katherine.Reeves @claytoncountyga.gov</u>

Fax 770-477-3306