

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
ORPHANS' COURT DIVISION**

IN RE: _____, an Alleged Incapacitated Person

No. : 15__ - ____

**PETITION FOR ADJUDICATION OF INCAPACITY AND APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN**

PRELIMINARY DECREE

AND NOW, this ____ day of _____, 20____, upon consideration of the attached petition and on the motion of _____, Esquire, Counsel for the Petitioner, it is **ORDERED** and **DECREED** that a Citation be awarded, returnable forthwith, to, _____, (“Respondent”), the alleged incapacitated person to show cause why a guardian of (her/his) (estate/person) should not be appointed.

A hearing on the Petition for appointment of (limited/plenary) guardian of the (estate and/or person) of the alleged incapacitated person shall be held at ____:____ am/pm on the ____ day of _____, 20____, in Courtroom ____ of the Chester County Justice Center, West Chester, Pennsylvania, before the Honorable _____.

At least twenty (20) days’ written notice of the hearing on the appointment of the guardian shall be given to the alleged incapacitated person by serving (her/him) personally with the Citation with Notice and this Order of Court and a copy of the petition; and at least twenty (20) days’ written notice of the petition and hearing on the appointment of the guardian shall also be given to the next of kin and presumptive heirs, service providers, and to such other persons and/or entities required by statute or rule to be notified of these proceedings as well as any other interested party. Such service shall be personal service or by registered or certified mail.

BY THE COURT:

J.