

Membership Application

Name: _____

Title: _____

Company/Agency: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

County: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone #: _____

Mobile Phone #: _____

Fax #: _____

E-mail: _____

I/My agency serves the following population (s):

(check all that apply)

18+ 60+ Mentally Ill TBI

DD Alcohol/Substance Abusers

Other: _____

I/My agency offer (s) the following services:

Guardian of the Person

Guardian of the Estate

Case Coordination/Management

Conservator of the Person

Conservator of the Estate

Representative Payee

Other (please specify) _____

ABOUT US

The Ohio Guardianship Association is a **membership organization** comprised of people who are concerned about the care of adults who lack capacity and/or who provide guardianship service in Ohio. Membership is open to guardians, attorneys, representative payees, advocates, judges, magistrates, physicians, social workers, case managers, APS workers, educators, staff from hospitals, nursing homes and group homes, and anyone else dedicated to Improving the lives of Ohio residents who are deemed incompetent/incapacitated.

The Ohio Guardianship Association invites you to join this growing network of leaders from across Ohio who are concerned about individuals who are in need of guardianship and other protective services.

*OGA is an affiliate of the
National Guardianship Association*

For detailed information go to:

www.guardianshipohio.org



OHIO GUARDIANSHIP ASSOCIATION

*Strengthening Guardianship
through Education, Networking
and Advocacy*

*Promoting
the Highest
Quality of
Ethical
Services*

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The Ohio Guardianship Association (OGA)

is a non-profit organization which aspires to strengthen guardianship and related services through networking, continuing education, training and other programs and services. OGA provides education, training and networking opportunities for guardians and other individuals concerned about those deemed incompetent by the Probate Court. OGA promotes the highest level of guardianship standards and ethics. OGA members adhere to the Standards of Practice of the National Guardianship Association.

OGA Mission

OGA promotes the highest quality of ethical service by guardians and guardianship programs through education, networking & advocacy.

OGA Vision

We are a leader in educating and supporting individuals and programs to promote these guardianship services.



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DEFINITION

Adult Guardianship is a legal relationship between a court-appointed individual or program (the “guardian”) and individual who has been found by the court to have diminished capacity due to dementia, brain injury, alcohol or drug abuse, mental illness, intellectual disability, or other causes.

NETWORKING



EDUCATION



ADVOCACY



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OGA...

- **Advocates that guardianship should only be used as a last resort**, and that less restrictive alternatives should be used whenever possible.
- **Provides affordable education and training** featuring topics of immediate concern to practitioners through speakers, round table discussions and networking. These sessions bring together multiple disciplines interested in upgrading their skills and knowledge.
- **Provides support** for those acting as guardians in Ohio. This diverse group provides a forum for the exchange of information and ideas.
- **Upholds the Standards of Practice and Model Code of Ethics** of the National Guardianship Association.
- **Promotes public policies and legislation** that advances the highest standards of guardianship practice.
- **Being a member of OGA provides opportunities** for networking and communication with services in other areas of the state.
- **Is governed by a board of directors** who carry out its mission.

Membership Application (con't)

This is a: New Application Renewal Application

I apply to have a voting membership as defined below: (\$40.00)

Voting members must be doing guardianship work, or be affiliated with an agency that does guardianship work.

- Professional Member** (those who **are personally named** as guardian for unrelated individuals). This category includes both paid staff and volunteer guardians.
- Non-Professional Member** (those who provide guardianship services to related individuals). This category is for family members.
- Administrative Member** (those who are administering, or employed by a guardianship program, but are **not personally named** as guardian e.g. APSI).
- Affiliate/Individual Member** (those who have an interest in guardianship services, but whose employment may present a conflict of interest or those who are not affiliated with a guardianship program, who choose to support the purposes of OGA through their membership and expertise).

My check is enclosed for \$ _____

(Please make checks payable to Ohio Guardianship Association)

All applications for membership must be approved by an affirmative vote of the General Membership.

PLEASE RETURN TO: Ohio Guardianship Association
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