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Our knowledgeable attorneys handle cases both for guardians of the estates of incapacitated individuals and for guardians of the person of incapacitated individuals. A guardian of the estate is responsible for handling the financial affairs of the incapacitated person, while a guardian of the person is responsible for the day-to-day care of an incapacitated person, such as making arrangements related to living accommodations, meals, personal care, etc. We represent both individual and corporate guardians for minor children, elderly individuals and disabled individuals. In doing so, we handle all aspects of guardianship, from securing the guardianship appointment to advising the guardian in his or her fiduciary role with a practical and sensitive approach.

Our attorneys also handle cases and provide advice to family members with respect to guardians who have abused their authority. In addition, our attorneys handle issues related to voluntary and involuntary guardianships, as well as limited and comprehensive guardianships (the extent of the guardian's authority is determined by the court). In all cases, our attorneys work closely with the guardian or family member to ensure that the incapacitated person is being appropriately and effectively provided for.



Our services include:

- Preparing and filing of petition for guardianship and related court documents.
- Establishing the record and gathering the evidence required to support the need for a guardian.
- Representing clients at guardianship hearings.
- Providing attentive guidance on handling personal matters for the incapacitated person.
- Counseling on financial matters, including payment of bills, investment of assets and the purchase or sale of property.
- Preparing and filing of accountings and other required reports.
- Handling all aspects of litigation arising from the challenge of a guardianship appointment or the guardian's service.

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