A Few Facts about
THE UNIFORM ADULT GUARDIANSHIP
AND PROTECTIVE PROCEEDINGS JURISDICTION ACT

PURPOSE: The Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act (UAGPPJA) helps those who care for incapacitated adults avoid unnecessary and expensive court proceedings in multiple states. The act i) provides a way to determine which state has authority to oversee a guardianship; ii) allows a guardianship transfer when the guardian moves to a new state; and iii) lets a guardian register a guardianship order with the clerk of court in another state to allow the guardian to act in the second state. The act also applies to conservators who care for a protected person’s property.

ORIGIN: Completed by the Uniform Law Commission in 2007.

ENDORSED BY: AARP, the Alzheimer’s Association, the National Guardianship Association (NGA), the Conference of Chief Justices and Conference of State Court Administrators (CCJ/COSCA), the National College of Probate Judges (NCPJ), and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA). The Council of State Governments (CSG) lists UAGPPJA as “Suggested State Legislation.”

APPROVED BY: American Bar Association; ABA Commission on Law and Aging.

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