

**YAVAPAI COUNTY**  
**Self-Service Center**

**TEMPORARY AND/OR EMERGENCY APPOINTMENT OF  
GUARDIAN OF A MINOR**

**CHECKLIST**

**USE THE FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS in this packet only if the following factors apply to your situation:**

- ✓ You want the Court to appoint a guardian for one or more persons under the age of 18 on a temporary or emergency basis for a period of *not more than 6 months*.\*
- ✓ The minor lives in Yavapai County,
- ✓ The person who will serve as guardian is not one of the parents.
- ✓ You believe that the minor(s) needs to have a guardian temporarily and/or immediately.\*
- ✓ If you are applying for temporary or emergency guardianship for more than one child, they have the same parents.\*\*

\* If the need for the guardianship will continue for more than 6 months, you will need to petition for regular guardianship.

\*\* If there are multiple children and they do not have the same father and mother, you must file a separate case for each set of parents.

**DO NOT USE THESE FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS if the following factors apply to your situation:**

- × You want the Court to appoint a temporary/emergency guardian for an **ADULT**  
**OR**
- × The minor lives outside of Yavapai County

**IF YOU ARE NOT SURE THESE FORMS ARE RIGHT FOR YOUR SITUATION, CONTACT AN ATTORNEY FOR HELP AND ADVICE.**

**READ ME:** It is very important for you to know that when you sign a court document, you may be helping or hurting your court case. Before you sign any court document, or get involved with a court case, it is important that you see a lawyer to make sure you are doing the right thing.