

## FORMS FOR USE IN MINOR'S SETTLEMENTS

These forms are intended to assist attorneys and parties in the process of securing court approval of settlements of minors and persons who could be determined to be incapacitated under RCW 11.88. The forms comply with the applicable court rules, including SPR 98.16 and KCLR 98.16. These forms should also be suitable for use in most other counties of the State of Washington; however, it is always advisable to check the local rules of each court. It is also a good idea to check with the court for any particular practices followed by that court in approving minors' settlements. For example, in King County all minor settlements are to be presented in the Ex Parte Department of the appropriate case assignment area. In some other counties, minor settlements are presented to the Presiding Judge or the judge assigned to hear the trial of the case.

This forms packet reflects all major updating completed by the Bar-Bench Committee (representatives of King County Superior Court, Washington State Trial Lawyers' Association, and the King County Bar Association Guardianship and Elder Law Section) in 1998 and again in 2000, with the format requirements ordered by the State Supreme Court, effective as of 4/1/2001.

1. Petition for Appointment of Guardian Ad Litem to Pursue Cause of Action
2. Order Appointing Guardian Ad Litem to Pursue Cause of Action
3. Petition for Appointment of Settlement Guardian Ad Litem
4. Order Appointing Settlement Guardian Ad Litem
5. Model Form Report of Settlement Guardian Ad Litem
6. Petition for Approval of Settlement
7. Order Approving Settlement and Disbursing Funds
8. Petition for Declaration and Approval of Trust
9. Order Declaring and Approving Trust
10. Receipt of Funds into Blocked Account
11. Letter to Financial Institution Regarding Receipt of Funds into Blocked Account
12. Proof of Annuity Acquisition
13. Petition to Open File
14. Petition and Order Discharging Settlement Guardian Ad Litem
15. Motion and Declaration for Order Authorizing Withdrawal from Blocked Account
16. Order Authorizing Withdrawal from Blocked Account