

In the Iowa Supreme Court

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In the Matter of Amendments to) Code of Iowa Chapters 232D and) 633 regarding Guardianships and) Conservatorships)	Supervisory Order
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On May 1, 2019, Governor Kim Reynolds signed into law House File 591, an act providing for juvenile court jurisdiction over minor guardianship proceedings, and House File 610, an act relating to the opening of guardianships for adults and conservatorships for adults and minors and the administration of guardianships and conservatorships. House File 591 adds chapter 232D to the Iowa Code. House File 610 substantially amends a number of sections in Iowa Code chapter 633 dealing with guardianships and conservatorships. Both acts are to take effect on January 1, 2020, and apply retroactively to existing guardianships and conservatorships.

The acts, as originally passed, are silent with respect to the starting date of existing guardianships and conservatorships, causing uncertainty with respect to when initial plans and annual reports must be filed as well as when existing guardian and conservator powers become limited by the terms of the new acts. In anticipation of the implementation of legislation to address these issues, the supreme court hereby orders:

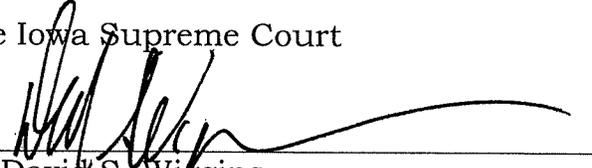
1. For all guardianship cases wherein the guardianship was established and the guardian was appointed prior to January 1, 2020, the initial care plan required by Iowa Code section 232D.501(1)(a), for minors, or section 633.669(1)(a), for adults, must be filed with the previously scheduled annual report. The annual report must comply with the requirements set forth in Iowa Code section 232D.501(1)(b), for minors, or section 633.669(1)(b), for adults. Guardians appointed prior to January 1, 2020, have continuing authority to perform acts concerning

- the protected person that were authorized prior to January 1, 2020 through the date of the guardian's previously scheduled annual report.
2. For all conservatorship cases wherein the conservatorship was established and the conservator was appointed prior to January 1, 2020, the initial plan required by Iowa Code section 633.670(1)(a) and inventory required by section 633.670(2) must be filed with the previously scheduled annual report. The annual report must comply with the requirements set forth in Iowa Code section 633.669(3)(a). Conservators appointed prior to January 1, 2020, have continuing authority to perform acts concerning the protected person that were authorized prior to January 1, 2020, through the date of the conservator's previously scheduled annual report.

The provisions above are effective immediately.

Dated this 21st day of November, 2019.

The Iowa Supreme Court

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