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Publication of Redacted Opinions Resolving Guardianship Petitions

The Court of Chancery handles guardianship cases involving adults with a disability, as well as the property of minors. To protect the privacy rights of persons with a disability subject to guardianships, guardianship proceedings are strictly confidential and judicial decisions in guardianship cases are not publicly disseminated, except in rare cases.

The Court has witnessed a steady increase of guardianship petitions. As of June 30, 2023, the court was managing 2,190 active adult guardianship cases, which represents a 5% increase in cases from the previous year.

Given the increase in guardianship petitions, to provide guidance and promote transparency on how guardianship cases are handled by the Court, the Court is making publicly available a set of recent guardianship decisions involving issues of general interest. The names of participants and other confidential information have been redacted from those decisions. The redacted decisions can be found on the Court's website.