***How do I get a conservator appointed for a minor (person under 18)?***

*See, generally, Colorado Revised Statutes, Sections 15-14-401 through 15-14-433*

**Is a Conservator right for you?** A court may appoint a Conservator when a Minor has income, owns property or assets, or has business affairs that need management or protection that the Minor cannot provide because of his/her age and/or for reasons other than his/her age. If you need a Court order to take care of other needs of the Minor (e.g. medical, educational, where he/she lives, etc.) you may want to consider a Guardianship.

**What kind of Conservator do you need?** If you need a Conservator to be appointed to accomplish a single transaction or arrangement, you may want to ask the Court for appointment of a Special Conservator. A Court may also appoint a Special Conservator to take care of the Minor’s property or assets while the petition for Conservator is pending. Special Conservatorships are limited in scope.

**Instructions** for appointment of a Conservator for a Minor are available on the Court’s website at **JDF 860.**

**Before filing with the Court**, you will need a name-based criminal history check from the Colorado Bureau of Investigation and a current credit report for the proposed conservator. For more information on how to obtain the background check and credit report, see the Instructions at **JDF 860**.

File in the county where the Minor resides or is present. **To begin your case**, complete and file the documents listed on the Checklist—Conservator for Minor.

**If you have any questions about what forms are required or are not sure about the answers to any of the above, you can contact the 12th Judicial District Probate Registrar, Bandy Lucero, at (719) 657-3394.**

**If you need help locating or completing any of the above forms, you can contact the 12th Judicial District Self-Help Coordinator, Kim Cortez, by phone at (719) 589-7652, or by e-mail at** **12SelfHelp@judicial.state.co.us**

**If you need legal advice regarding any of the above, you should talk to an attorney.**