THE 22nd JUDICIAL DISTRICT: DOLORES AND MONTEZUMA COUNTIES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2014-1

CONCERNING INFORMATIONAL CLASSES FOR NEW GUARDIANS AND CONSERVATORS

Whereas persons appointed as guardians or conservators by the Court have a fiduciary duty to the protected person, and

Whereas such Guardians and conservators have certain statutorily mandated duties including preparation and filing of reports or requests to allow certain actions, and

Whereas the Court believes it would be beneficial to require each newly appointed guardian and conservator to attend a class to learn about the requirements of all guardians and conservators, and

Whereas the 22nd Judicial District employs a Protective Proceedings

Monitor who is familiar with the requirements and procedures of guardianships
and conservatorships

IT IS THEREFORE THE ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE 22ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT THAT;

Any person appointed as guardian or conservator after December 1, 2013 shall be required to attend a class for new guardians and conservators.

Said class for new guardians and conservators will be presented by the Protective Proceedings Monitor for the 22nd Judicial District. There will be no charge to attend the class.

Said classes will be held at least twice a year and will be scheduled by the protective proceedings monitor with approval of the Chief Judge.

Any person seeking to be named as a guardian or conservator will be given a copy of this order by their attorney or District Court staff, who shall then note in the file the delivery of this Order.

The person seeking appointment as a conservator or guardian will attend the next available class after their appointment.

Persons who believe they have a compelling reason to be excluded from the class for new guardians or conservators may seek an order relieving them from the provisions of this order.

Failure to complete the class as required by this order may result in the imposition of appropriate sanctions including contempt sanctions or removal of the guardian or conservator.

SO ORDERED on January 22, 2014,

Douglas S. Walker Chief Judge, 22nd Judicial District