



Thirteenth Judicial Circuit  
**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS**

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**09/01/20 – PHYSICIANS NEEDED to conduct Guardianship Evaluations *(Flat fee paid per case appointment)***

Applications are currently being sought from licensed Florida physicians to serve as members of the Court's Guardianship Examining Committee. The Guardianship Examining Committee consists of qualified professionals and lay persons who make individual case-specific assessments in regard to alleged incapacitated persons and file written reports to the Court in assigned cases, to assist the Court in making a determination as to those persons' abilities to exercise certain legal rights. Our Committee is especially in need of additional physician members at this time.

The work product of the Examining Committee is an essential consideration of the Guardianship Court, before declaring a person to be legally incapacitated, in whole or in part, and before removing any of that person's rights and, potentially, delegating some of those rights to a legal guardian.

Appointments to the Committee are made each year by the Chief Judge or his designee. Applications are usually only accepted for a limited time annually; however, there is an immediate need for additional physicians to perform these important statutorily required and court-ordered evaluations.

A completed Application must be submitted for consideration, along with a résumé reflecting relevant experience, and a Confidential Notice of Social Security Number, so that a criminal background check can be completed electronically. Those appointed to the Committee are subject to both initial and ongoing training requirements. Assistance with satisfying the initial training will be provided.

Payment for the services of an Examining Committee Member is made in accordance with the applicable Administrative Order(s) of this Court.

**PLEASE CONSIDER this important service to our community.**

- For more detailed information about the Examining Committee, [click here](#).
- To download the Application, [click here](#).
- The applicable Administrative Orders are Nos. [S-2007-088](#) (Guardianship Examining Committee Fees) and [S-2018-021](#) (Guardianship Procedures).
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