

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY

IN THE INTEREST OF

☐ Amended

\_\_\_\_\_ a person under the age of 18

**Dispositional Order Appointing Guardian  
 (§48.977, Wis. Stats.)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

**THE COURT FINDS:**

1. A hearing on the Petition for Appointment of Guardian was held on [Date] \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The person nominated as the guardian of the child is a person with whom the child has been placed and it is likely that the child will continue to be placed with that person for an extended period of time or until the child attains the age of 18.  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_
3. An inquiry has been made on the record to each participant in this proceeding as to whether each participant knows or has reason to know that the child is an Indian child. The provisions of the Indian Child Welfare Act do not apply. **For an Indian child, use the Indian Child Welfare Act version of this Order (IW-1606).**
4. The child has been adjudged to be in need of protection or services under §\_\_\_\_\_, Wis. Stats., and has been placed, or continued in placement, outside his or her home pursuant to one or more court orders under §\_\_\_\_\_, Wis. Stats.
5. The agency primarily responsible for providing services  
☐ has made reasonable efforts to return the child to his/her home, but reunification and further reunification efforts with the child's parent(s) are unlikely or contrary to the best interests of the child.  
☐ has made reasonable efforts to prevent the child's removal, but continued placement of the child in the home would be contrary to the child's welfare.  
☐ is not required to make reasonable efforts to prevent the child's removal or to return the child to his/her home under §48.355(2d)(b)1. to 5., Wis. Stats.  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. The parent(s) is/are refusing, neglecting or unable to carry out the duties of a guardian.

7. It is not in the best interests of the child that a petition to terminate parental rights be filed with respect to the child.
8. It is likely that the person, if appointed, would be willing and able to serve as the child's guardian for an extended period of time or until the child attains the age of 18.
- ☐ 9. The determinations made under §48.623(1), Wis. Stats., that the guardian is eligible to receive monthly subsidized guardianship payments, are confirmed. The person nominated as the successor guardian (if any) of the child is:
- Name \_\_\_\_\_
- Address \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone \_\_\_\_\_
10. It ☐ is ☐ is not in the child's best interests that the person be appointed guardian with
- ☐ full powers enumerated under §48.023, Wis. Stats.
- ☐ powers limited to: \_\_\_\_\_

### THE COURT ORDERS:

The Petition is

- ☐ 1. **GRANTED** and [Name] \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed guardian with
- ☐ full powers enumerated under §48.023, Wis. Stats:
- The duty and authority to make important decisions in matters having a permanent effect on the life and development of the child and the duty to be concerned about the child's general welfare, including but not limited to:
- The authority to consent to marriage, enlistment in the U.S. armed forces, major medical, psychiatric and surgical treatment, and obtaining a motor vehicle operator's license.
  - The authority to represent the child in legal actions and make other decisions of substantial legal significance concerning the child but not the authority to deny the child the assistance of counsel as required by Chapter 48.
  - The right and duty of reasonable visitation of the child.
  - The rights and responsibilities of legal custody except when legal custody has been vested in another person or when the child is under the supervision of the department of corrections under §§938.183, 938.34 (4h), (4m), or (4n), or §938.357 (3) or (4), Wis. Stats., or the supervision of a county department under §938.34 (4d), (4m), or (4n), Wis. Stats. This includes educational decision-making authority.
- ☐ powers limited to: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ 2. **DENIED** and this matter is dismissed.
- ☐ 3. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS IS A FINAL ORDER FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPEAL.**

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