

4A-516. Letters of guardianship.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

COUNTY OF _____

_____ JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. _____

In the Matter of _____, (a) Child(ren), (*use initials only*) and
Concerning

_____, Petitioner(s)

_____, Respondent #1,

_____, Respondent #2.

LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP

On _____, 20____ this court entered an order appointing
_____ (Petitioner(s)) as the guardian(s) of
_____ (minor
child(ren)) under Sections 40-10B-1 to -21 NMSA 1978 and Rule 1-155 NMRA.

WHEREFORE, the order appointing kinship guardian(s) suspends the rights of the Respondent(s) and vests in the guardian(s) all rights and responsibilities of a parent, except for the right to consent to adoption of the child(ren), including but not limited to:

1. Petitioner(s) is/are permitted to consent to medical, mental health, and dental services and treatment for the minor child(ren) not prohibited by other law;

2. Petitioner(s) is/are permitted to seek tribal, state, and federal benefits on behalf of the child(ren) without reference to the income of Petitioners (the benefits should be based on the parent(s)' income);

3. Petitioner(s) is/are permitted to enroll the child(ren) in school and extracurricular activities, including religious activities and ceremonies;

4. Petitioner(s) shall be considered the education decision maker or surrogate parent under Section 300.519 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

5. Petitioner(s) is/are permitted to obtain and modify vital records for the child(ren);

6. Petitioner(s) is/are permitted to _____

WITNESS, the Honorable _____, District Court Judge, and the
seal of the _____ Judicial District Court on _____.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

[SEAL]

Deputy

[Adopted by Supreme Court Order No. 22-8300-020, effective for all pleadings and
papers filed on or after December 31, 2022; as amended by Supreme Court Order No.
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