

1 **4A-503. Notice of pendency of action.<sup>1</sup>**

2  
3 STATE OF NEW MEXICO

4 COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

5 \_\_\_\_\_ JUDICIAL DISTRICT

6 \_\_\_\_\_, Petitioner(s)

7  
8 No. \_\_\_\_\_

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10 IN THE MATTER OF THE KINSHIP GUARDIANSHIP OF

11 \_\_\_\_\_,<sup>2</sup> (a) Child(ren) (*use initials only*), and concerning

12 [\_\_\_\_\_, Respondent(s).]

13 \_\_\_\_\_, Respondent #1,

14 \_\_\_\_\_, Respondent #2.

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16 **NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION**

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18 STATE OF NEW MEXICO to \_\_\_\_\_,<sup>3</sup> Respondent(s).

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20 Greetings:

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22 You are hereby notified that \_\_\_\_\_,<sup>4</sup> Petitioner(s), filed a  
23 Petition to Appoint Kinship Guardian(s) for \_\_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup> against you in  
24 the above entitled court and cause.

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26 Unless you enter your appearance and written response in this cause on or before thirty  
27 (30) days after the last date of publication, a judgment by default will be entered against you.

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29 *Name and address of Petitioner or Petitioner's attorney:*

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34 **USE NOTES**

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36 1. This form must be filled out and attached to Form 4A-502 NMRA, Motion for  
37 Service by Publication.

38 2. Enter initials of each child listed in the Petition to Appoint Kinship Guardian.

39 3. Enter name of the respondent. If there is more than one respondent and all  
40 respondents are located in the same area (*i.e.*, will be notified by the same newspaper), you may  
41 list all of the respondents' names. If the respondents are in different areas (*e.g.*, New Mexico and  
42 Texas), then you must fill out a separate Notice of Pendency of Action for each respondent.

43 4. Enter names of all petitioners.

44 5. Enter the initials and year of birth for each minor child that is named in the petition.

1 [Adopted by Supreme Court Order No. 16-8300-020, effective for all pleadings and papers filed  
2 on or after December 31, 2016; as amended by Supreme Court Order No. 22-8300-020, effective  
3 for all pleadings and papers filed on or after December 31, 2022; as amended by Supreme Court  
4 Order No. S-1-RCR-2023-00052, effective for all cases pending or filed on or after December 31,  
5 2024.]