

1 **1-144. Guardianship and conservatorship proceedings; mandatory viewing of New Mexico**
2 **Courts' Guardian and Conservator Orientation Program videos.**

3 A. **Scope.** This rule establishes the requirement that any proposed guardian or
4 conservator of an alleged incapacitated person must view the New Mexico Courts' Guardian and
5 Conservator Orientation Program videos prior to being appointed guardian or conservator.

6 B. **Applicability.** This rule applies to proposed guardians and conservators and to
7 proposed professional guardians or conservators.

8 C. **Definitions.** For the purpose of this rule, a "professional guardian or conservator"
9 means an individual or entity that serves as guardian or conservator for more than two individuals
10 who are not related to the guardian or conservator by marriage, adoption, or third degree of blood
11 or affinity.

12 D. **Required videos for proposed guardian.** Prior to the Court appointing a guardian,
13 the proposed guardian must view the following videos of the New Mexico Courts' Guardian and
14 Conservator Orientation Program:

- 15 (1) Introduction;
16 (2) Guardian Orientation;
17 (3) How to Complete the Guardian's Report;
18 (4) Guide to Filing and Distributing Guardian and Conservator's Reports;
19 (5) Abuse and Neglect; and
20 (6) How to File a Grievance.

21 E. **Required videos for proposed conservator.** Prior to the Court appointing a
22 conservator, the proposed conservator must view the following videos of the New Mexico Courts'
23 Guardian and Conservator Orientation Program:

- 1 (1) Introduction;
- 2 (2) Conservator Orientation;
- 3 (3) Overview of Conservator’s Report and Bonding Requirements;
- 4 (4) How to Complete the Conservator’s Inventory;
- 5 (5) How to Complete the Conservator’s Report;
- 6 (6) Guide to Filing and Distributing Guardian and Conservator’s Reports;
- 7 (7) Abuse and Neglect; and
- 8 (8) How to File a Grievance.

9 F. **Proof of viewing.** No later than five (5) calendar days before the hearing on a
10 petition to appoint a guardian or conservator, the proposed guardian or conservator shall file a
11 certificate with the court stating that the required videos have been viewed.

12 [Adopted by Supreme Court Order No. 21-8300-001, effective for cases filed on or after February
13 1, 2021.]