

SELF SERVICE CENTER

**PROCEDURES: HOW TO FILE AN OBJECTION
TO A PETITION about a GUARDIANSHIP and/or
CONSERVATORSHIP**

STEP 1: FILL OUT the form entitled “**OBJECTION TO PETITION**”

- Use **BLACK** ink.
- Be sure to list your name, address and telephone number at the very top of the “**Objection to Petition**” form.
- If you have no attorney, leave that space blank.
- For Number 4, tell the judge as simply as you can **WHAT** you object to, and **WHY** you object.
- **LIST** the names and addresses of the people you will mail or deliver copies of this Objection to.
- **DO NOT SIGN THE OATH** yet. (You must make photocopies of the document and take the copies to the Clerk before you sign.)

STEP 2: PHOTOCOPY the completed “**Objection to Petition**” form:

- 1 copy for the Petitioner
- 1 copy for the Petitioner’s Attorney (if the Petitioner has one)
- 1 copy for the Judge
- 1 copy for you
- (And any additional copies for persons listed in Number 5 of this Form, such as the Ward, and people the Petitioner gave notice to.)

STEP 3: FILE THE OBJECTION and at the same time **PAY THE FILING FEE** at the Clerk of The Superior Court Filing Counter located at:

Downtown Phoenix
Old Court House, 1st Floor
125 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Northeast Court Facility
Probate Filing Counter
18380 North 40th Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85032

Northwest Court Facility
14264 West Tierra Buena Lane
Surprise, Arizona 85374

Southeast Court Facility
222 East Javelina Avenue
Mesa, Arizona 85210

- You may **SIGN THE OATH and AFFIRMATION** on all of your documents when you give them to the Clerk of Court, who will verify your signature.
- The Clerk of Court keeps the ORIGINAL DOCUMENT.
- **FEE:** There is a fee for filing this Objection with the Court. Cash, VISA/MasterCard debit or credit cards, money order, or personal in-state check made payable to the “Clerk of Superior Court” are acceptable forms of payment.
- **BE SURE TO ASK THE Clerk the DATE, TIME and LOCATION** of the Court hearing.

STEP 4: MAIL OR HAND DELIVER all copies you made for the people listed above and in the OBJECTION document.

STEP 5: ATTEND THE HEARING. Come to the hearing prepared to tell the Judge:

- Your REASONS why you disagree with the Petition, and
- Answers to any questions the Judge may ask you.

The Judge decides whether to allow you to testify. The Judge will make this decision based upon your relationship with the Ward, the nature of your objections, time available and other factors.