IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Probate Division

In the Matter of	)	
	)	
	)	No.
Alleged Disabled Person	)	

STATEMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM TO RESPONDENT

TO: _____

A petition has been filed in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Lee County, Illinois, asking that you be declared a disabled person and that a guardian be appointed for you. A copy of this petition has been, or will be, served upon you and another copy is attached to this statement for your information. I have been appointed by the judge as your guardian ad litem and have been directed to interview you and advise you or your rights in this proceeding.

If a guardian is appointed, the guardian may be given the right to take control of your property and may be given the right to make personal decisions for you, including decisions such as the medical treatment you receive and the place where you live.

You have certain rights in connection with this petition. You have the right to be present at the hearing. You have the right to be represented by a lawyer. You have the right to demand a jury of six persons. You have the right present evidence and to confront and cross-examine all witnesses. You have the right to ask that the hearing be closed to the public. You have the right to ask the judge to appoint one or more independent experts to examine you.

If you have any further questions before the hearing you may contact me by mail or telephone.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
Telephone _____

I, the guardian ad litem, certify that on _____, 20 _____, I personally interviewed the respondent and informed him/her orally and in writing of the content of the petition and his/her rights under 755 ILCS 5/11a-11 of the Probate Act, as amended by reading the foregoing Statement of Guardian Ad Litem to Respondent and the attached Petition to him/her and by handing him/her a copy of said Statement and Petition.

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