

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN JUVENILE COURT

COUNTY OF _____

_____ JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE INTEREST OF _____, DOB _____, A CHILD.

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 _____) Case No. _____
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**NOTICE OF HEARING FOR
 APPOINTMENT OF AN EMERGENCY GUARDIAN**

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED CHILD (IF FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER), THE PERSON(S) HAVING THE CHILD'S CARE, CUSTODY, OR CONTROL, AND THE CHILD'S PARENTS OR LEGAL CUSTODIANS (IF ANY):

1. The Petitioner has started a case in Juvenile Court asking the Court to appoint an Emergency Guardian for the child listed above.

2. A Juvenile Court hearing is scheduled:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Location: _____

Before the Honorable _____, Juvenile Court

Judge/ Referee. You **MUST** appear at the hearing.

The child is required to appear at the hearing.

The child **is not** required to appear at the hearing.

3. The court has appointed the following guardian ad litem to advocate for the best interests of the child:

Full name of guardian ad litem: _____

Address: _____

City, County, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone number(s): _____

Email address: _____

4. The petition for appointment of an emergency guardian is attached and explains why appointment of an emergency guardian has been requested by the Petitioner.

5. At the hearing, the Juvenile Court will determine if appointment of an emergency guardian for the above-named child is appropriate. Appointment of an emergency guardian can last for no more than sixty days from the date of the hearing, unless the Juvenile Court extends the emergency order for up to six months.

6. You MUST appear at the hearing and prepared to participate and present evidence of what you want. You may ask questions of the Petitioner's witnesses and call your own witnesses.

7. If you DO NOT appear at the hearing, or if you DO NOT have a good reason why you cannot do so, the Juvenile Court may:

- Appoint an emergency guardian for the child without hearing your side (also called a default judgment);
- Make other orders related to the child without hearing your side; and
- Make orders against you that the Court believes are appropriate.

RIGHT TO HEARING BEFORE JUDGE

8. If a Judicial Referee will hear this Petition, you are entitled to have the Petition heard by a Judge of the Juvenile Court, instead of a Referee, by filing a written request for a Judge with the Clerk of this Court within seven (7) days after receiving this Summons.

RIGHT TO COUNSEL

9. A biological or legally adoptive parent has the right to be represented by legal counsel at this hearing and throughout this proceeding; if you wish to be represented by counsel and are indigent, legal counsel will be appointed for you. Contact the Juvenile Court, phone (701) _____, to request an application for indigent defense services.

Dated _____.

Signature

Printed Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Telephone Number