

***The Institute for Guardianship and Conservatorship affiliated with the University of Iowa College of Law and Drake University law school have developed and made available 4 You Tube videos about the Iowa guardianship and conservatorship system. The videos were made possible by funding from the Iowa legislature.***

There are nearly 23,000 Iowans, who lack decision-making capacity, and for whom the court has appointed a guardian or a conservator. The Institute videos provide information about:

- The criteria and procedures for court appointment of guardian for an adult to make personal care decisions for the adult,
- court monitoring of guardianships, guardian's reporting requirements and powers of guardians,
- the criteria and procedures for court appointment of a conservator for an adult to make financial decisions for the adult, and
- court monitoring of conservatorships, conservator's reporting requirements and powers of conservators.

The videos reflect the provision of guardianship and conservatorship legislation enacted in 2019 and legislation enacted in 2024.

The videos are specifically designed to be a resource for lay persons.

There are several audiences for the videos:

- guardians and conservators, particularly newly appointed guardians and conservators,
- providers of services to and advocates for persons under guardianship and conservatorship, including persons with intellectual disabilities, older persons with Alzheimer's and other dementias, persons with mental illnesses and persons with traumatic brain injuries,
- persons considering whether to seek the establishment of a guardianship, a conservatorship, or both, and
- persons considering whether to become a guardian, conservator, or both, and
- members of the general public seeking information about guardianships and conservatorships for other reasons.

The videos have been posted on the You Tube Channel of the People's Law Library of Iowa.

The link to it is: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC11APimH9giYB4N6wxtR8lw>

The website of the People's Law Library contains modules providing more detailed information about the Iowa guardianship and conservatorship system.

The link to the website is: <https://www.peopleslawiowa.org/>