IN THE COURTS FOR THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Administrative Order No. 2015-41

IN RE:

GUARDIANSHIP

TEMPORARY EXTENSION FOR ANNUAL GUARDIANSHIP PLANS

ORDER

WHEREAS, changes in §744.367, Florida Statutes, effective July 1, 2015 require each guardian to file with the court an annual guardianship plan at least 60 days, but no more than 90 days, before the last day of the anniversary month that the letters of guardianship were signed, and the plan must cover the coming fiscal year ending on the last day in such anniversary month; and

WHEREAS, this change has caused a significant number of guardianship plans to fall delinquent and has created a backlog with many area physicians; it is

ORDERED that:

1. An extension for the filing of the annual guardianship plan is hereby granted until October 31, 2015 in all cases in which the annual guardianship plan is due within the period February 2, 2015 and September 30, 2015.

2. At the conclusion of the extension period, all due dates and requirements regarding annual guardianship plans pursuant to Chapter 744, *Florida Statutes*, shall be in effect.

3. Each Clerk of Court within the First Judicial Circuit is directed to post notice of the extension on the Clerk's website.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida this 1st day of October, 2015.

LINDA L. NOBLES CHIEF JUDGE

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