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GUARDIANSHIP STUDY COMMISSION TO HOLD FIRST MEETING

ALBUQUERQUE—The New Mexico Adult Guardianship Study Commission will hold its first meeting on Friday in Albuquerque.

TIME: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

DATE: Friday, April 28

PLACE: John Milne Community Board Room
Alice and Bruce King Educational Complex
6400 Uptown Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM

The commission will hear public comment from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Members of the public also may submit written comments to the commission at the website below.

<https://cms.nmcourts.gov/Supreme-Court/new-mexico-adult-guardianship-study-commission.aspx>

Information about the commission, including meeting dates and agendas, also is available at the website.

The 16-member commission was established by the state Supreme Court earlier this month to recommend changes in court rules, state statutes, funding, administrative practices or other proposals to improve the guardianship system. Wendy York, an Albuquerque attorney and a former state district court judge, chairs the commission.

Court-appointed guardians make personal and health care decisions for individuals who are incapacitated. Conservators are appointed by a court to manage the financial and possibly the

property affairs of an incapacitated person, including those who may have dementia, traumatic brain injuries, a developmental disability or mental illness.

The commission is to submit an initial status report to the Supreme Court by Oct. 1, and continue its work until completing a final report and recommendations.

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