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# Regular Meeting of the PA 25-48 § 7 Conservator Compensation Working Group

Monday, November 17, 2025 2:00 p.m.

Office of the Probate Court Administrator 186 Newington Road, West Hartford, 06110

### **Minutes**

The meeting was convened at 2:01 p.m.

Members in attendance: Chair Hon. Beverly K. Streit; Attorney Matthew V. Barrett; Attorney Vincenzo Gallo; Hon. David K. Labriola; Mag Morelli; Attorney Rebecca L. Rigdon; and Hon. David C. Shepard.

Members absent: Hon. Americo Carchia.

#### Remarks by the chair

Judge Streit thanked the members for their attendance and participation. Judge Streit also took a moment to refresh the goal and purpose of the working group and the timeline for submission of the group's recommendations to the Judiciary Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly.

#### Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

Hon. David C. Shepard made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the October 20, 2025 meeting as presented. Hon. David K. Labriola seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion. The minutes of the October 20, 2025 meeting were approved.

## Discussion of issues and proposals and finalize findings and proposals for mandated report

Attorney Matthew V. Barrett, provided discussion and introduction to a proposal seeking to maximize Connecticut's reimbursement through the federal Medicaid program. In

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other words, the proposal sought to move forward with a policy, statutory, regulatory change for the purpose of achieving federal matching of funds for Medicaid application assistance and case management services provided to indigent Medicaid applicants and recipients currently paid solely with state funds. All materials provided and presented to the working group for review will be available on the Connecticut Probate Courts website, <a href="www.ctprobate.gov">www.ctprobate.gov</a>. One of the concerns discussed centered around the current and anticipated increase in the needs of Connecticut's aged and disabled population and that Connecticut will be significantly challenged and under-resourced to address those needs without such funding sources or state investment.

Hon. David Shepard proposed discussions on challenges faced by conservators in engaging with financial institutions, businesses, care providers, and similar entities on behalf of the conserved persons and the communication or access limitations with those entities. Discussions circled around the potential consumer protection and privacy issues and that these challenges are driving up the costs of conservatorships and negatively impacting recruitment and retention of conservators.

#### Schedule of future meetings

The next meeting of the Section 7 Working Group will be December 15, 2025 at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator, 186 Newington Road, West Hartford, CT 06110 at 2:00 p.m.

#### Adjournment

Attorney Matthew V. Barrett made a motion to adjourn which Mag Morelli seconded and all members voted in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:13 p.m.