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# Colorado Office of Public Guardianship

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## NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF MEETING

**Date/Time:** November 25, 2020

You are hereby notified that the Colorado Office of Public Guardianship Commission will NOT meet at the above-referenced date due to combining the November and December meetings due to the upcoming holidays.

The next Colorado Office of Public Guardianship Commission is scheduled for **December 15, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to noon**. More information will be forthcoming.

### Background of the OPG Commission

Pursuant to § 13-94-104(1), C.R.S. (2017), the Colorado General Assembly created the Office of Public Guardianship Commission and Office within the Judicial Department. The Commission is comprised of 5 members. Three of the members are appointed by the Colorado Supreme Court, of which two must be attorneys admitted to practice law in Colorado and one must be a resident of Colorado not admitted to practice law. The remaining two members are appointed by the Governor, one who must be an attorney admitted to practice law in this state and one who must be a resident of Colorado not admitted to practice law.

Pursuant to HB 19-1045, signed into law on May 30, 2019 and which shall take effect on July 1, 2019, the Commission is charged with appointing the Director for the Office of Public Guardianship. The Commission appointed Sophia M. Alvarez to be the Office's first Director. Ms. Alvarez assumed her duties on October 21, 2019. Ms. Alvarez serves at the pleasure of the Commission pursuant to § 13-94-104(3), C.R.S. (2019). The OPG Office/Commission is a pilot program initially operating in the Second Judicial District and subsequently the Seventh and Sixteenth Judicial Districts conditional upon securing additional funding effective until June 30, 2023,

at which time the agency will either continue, discontinue, or be expanded by the General Assembly pursuant to § 13-94-111, C.R.S. (2019).

**Contact**

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