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# Colorado Office of Public Guardianship

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**Date/Time:** August 27, 2025, 10:00 AM to Noon

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You are hereby notified that the Colorado Office of Public Guardianship Commission will meet at the above-referenced date/time to discuss the below agenda items.

### **Background of the OPG Board of Directors**

Pursuant to § 13-94-104.1(1)(a) I and II, C.R.S. (2023), the Colorado General Assembly created the Office of Public Guardianship Board of Directors and Office within the Judicial Department. The Board is comprised of 7 members. Three members are appointed by the Chief Justice, all of which must be attorneys licensed to practice law in the state of Colorado. Each of these members must reside in a different congressional district, and no more than two members appointed by the Chief Justice may be from the same political party. Four non-attorney members are appointed by the Governor, three of which must have lived experience with a family member who is an at-risk adult or who have expertise and experience in advocating for the at-risk adult population, including advocacy and representation in the areas of aging, mental health, substance use disorders, homelessness, veterans issues, intellectual and developmental disabilities, healthcare, and law enforcement and criminal justice. At least one of those three members must be a person with lived experience with a family member who is an at-risk adult. The fourth non-attorney member must be an individual who has not served directly in an advocacy role for at-risk adults. Each of the members appointed by the Governor must reside in a different congressional district, and no more than three members appointed by the Governor may be from the same political party.

The Board of Directors appointed Sophia M. Alvarez as the COPG Executive Director. The Director serves at the pleasure of the COPG Board of Directors pursuant to § 13-94-104(1)(a) IIA(3)(a), C.R.S. (2023).

### **Contact**

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## Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the July 23, 2025, meeting minutes and approval of the August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 special meeting minutes.
- III. Chair Report (Chair Brandon Fields)
- IV. Deputy Director Report (Janelle Cantu)
  - a. Attachment 1. COPG Monthly Budget Summary as of 08.11.2025.
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Board Comment
- VII. Discussion and Action Regarding Retaining Employer's Counsel/ Office of Administrative Services for Independent Agencies (OASIA) for Study of Personnel Matters.
- VIII. Discussion of Critical Incident Reporting
  - a. Specifically, the matters referred to Executive Session and Discussion of Critical Incident Reporting
- IX. Legal Discussion Regarding Personnel Matters
  - a. Specifically, the matters referred to Executive Session and Discussion of Personnel Matters
- X. Adjourn

\*A portion of this meeting **is likely to be conducted in Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402a(2) and (3)**, depending upon the votes of the Board in order to protect attorney-client privileged information. Although the Board provides advance notice when an Executive Session is likely to occur, the Board members are entitled to receive attorney-client privileged advice on any matter noticed on the agenda.

## **Meeting Materials**

All documents and materials, except those subject to any applicable privileges or provisions of confidentiality under federal or state law, reviewed and considered by the Board are or will be available to the public. Copies of the materials will be available on the Colorado OPG website or thereafter upon request:

**<https://colorado-opg.org/about-us/opg-librarys>**