

# NEW MEXICO WINGS

## **WORKING INTERDISCIPLINARY NETWORK OF GUARDIANSHIP STAKEHOLDERS**

**JUDGE NANCY J. FRANCHINI**  
2nd Judicial District Court, Chair

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Quarterly Meeting**  
**Held Virtually Via Zoom**  
**August 10, 2023**  
**1pm – 4pm**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

Members answered roll call. The following Network members were present at the beginning of the meeting:

Judge Nancy J. Franchini (judiciary); Judge Bryan Biedscheid (judiciary); Judge Lee Kirksey (Judiciary); Judge Sarah Weaver (judiciary); Ms. Anastasia Martin (Aging and Long-Term Services); Ms. Andrea Salazar, State Auditor designee; Mr. Tim Gardner, (Disability Rights New Mexico); Ms. Mary Galvez (professional guardian); Ms. Veronica Chavez Neuman (family guardian); Ms. Patricia Galindo, (Administrative Office of the Courts); Ms. Alice Liu McCoy (New Mexico Developmental Disabilities Council); Mr. Adolfo Mendez, Attorney General designee; Mr. Greg Ireland, professional guardian;

Note: The following members joined the meeting after roll call: Rep. Joanne Ferrary (legislature); Dr. Christine Burns (health care provider).

Next, the Network considered the draft Minutes from the April 2022 Quarterly Meeting. Ms. Galindo moved to approve the minutes. The second was by Ms. Galvez. The draft minutes were approved on a voice vote.

The Network next heard a presentation from Ms. Salazar regarding the State Auditor's two-year review of conservatorships. Afterwards, Ms. Salazar answered questions from Network members.

Next, Mr. Joseph Turk, Legal Director for New Mexico Office of Guardianship, made a presentation on the Court Visitor Volunteer Pilot Project. On behalf of the Office of Guardianship. Mr. Turk requested that WINGS recommend continuation of the project to the N.M. Supreme Court. Several Network

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members made comments and asked questions. Judge Biedscheid moved to recommend to the Supreme Court that the Court Visitor Pilot Project be continued for another year. Rep. Ferrary seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 13 – 0, with two members abstaining.

The Network then considered a draft of a Protected Person’s Bill of Rights, which had been developed by a WINGS subcommittee. Members viewed the draft document and discussed the matter of other versions promoted by other organizations, such as the AARP and the American Bar Association. Ms. Galindo moved to table the matter to allow the subcommittee to view and compare these other versions. The second was by Ms. Galvez. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was tabled until the next quarterly meeting.

Next, the Network heard comments from Ms. Lorraine Mendiola.

Following public comment, Judge Franchini noted that members Mr. Ireland, Senator Duhigg and Judge Franchini would no longer be serving on WINGS after this meeting. Members thanked them for their service.

Mr. Ireland moved to adjourn the meeting. Judge Kirksey seconded the motion. It was approved on a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.