

Agenda

Utah Working Interdisciplinary Network of Guardianship Stakeholders (WINGS)

June 7, 2018

12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Administrative Office of the Courts
Scott M. Matheson Courthouse
450 South State Street
Conference Room B, Suite W19

12:00 p.m.	Welcome, minutes, introductions		David Connors
12:10 p.m.	Overview of WINGS groups nationwide, American Bar Association, Commission on Law and Aging	Tab 1	Erica Wood Dari Pogach
12:40 p.m.	Administrative update "GRAMP Transition": <ul style="list-style-type: none">• State program as of July 1, 2018• GRAMP case management is primary focus• Other assignments as deemed necessary		Shane Bahr
12:45 p.m.	GRAMP/Court Visitor Program legal update: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• District and juvenile courts case coordination• MOU between GRAMP and APS		Nancy Sylvester
1:00 p.m.	1. "Uniform Guardianship, Conservatorship and Other Protective Arrangements Act" in Utah Legislative Session 2019: http://uniformlaws.org/Act.aspx?title=Guardianship,%20Conservatorship,%20and%20Other%20Protective%20Arrangements%20Act 2. Implementation of SB182		Andrew Riggle Todd Weiler

Committee webpage: <http://www.utcourts.gov/utc/wings>

2018 meeting schedule: August 2, October 4, December 6

Tab 1



National WINGS Update

2018 Utah Adult Guardianship Symposium

Erica Wood

Dari Pogach

Commission on Law and Aging

American Bar Association

June 2018

Working Interdisciplinary Networks of Guardianship Stakeholders



What is WINGS?

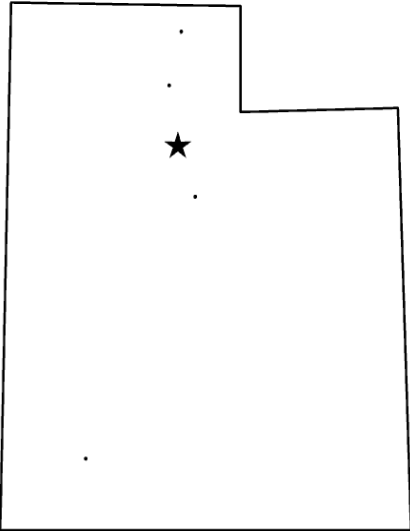
Court-
Community
Partnerships

Evaluation
of "on the
ground"
practices

Ongoing
forum

Utah WINGS

UTAH
www.50states.com



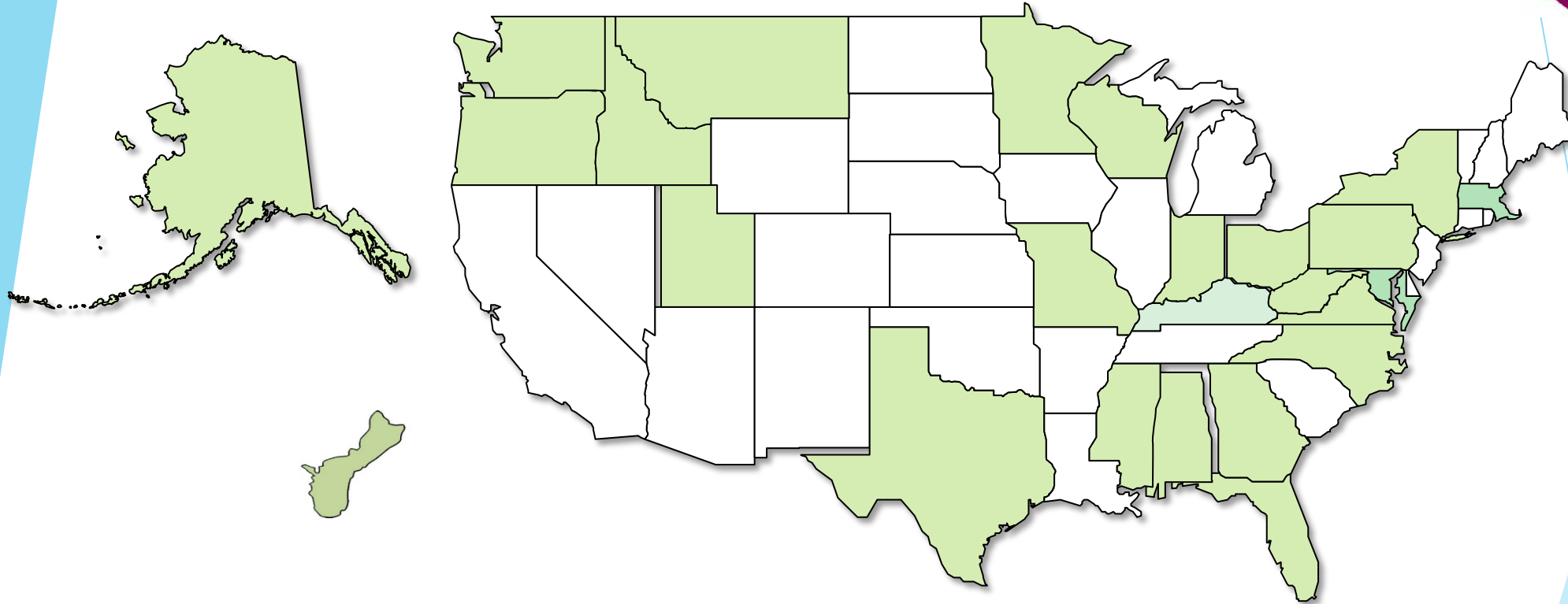
Became WINGS group 2013

One of seven states funded through ABA federal Administration for Community Living Elder Justice Innovation grants

Driving force in Utah Guardianship reform!

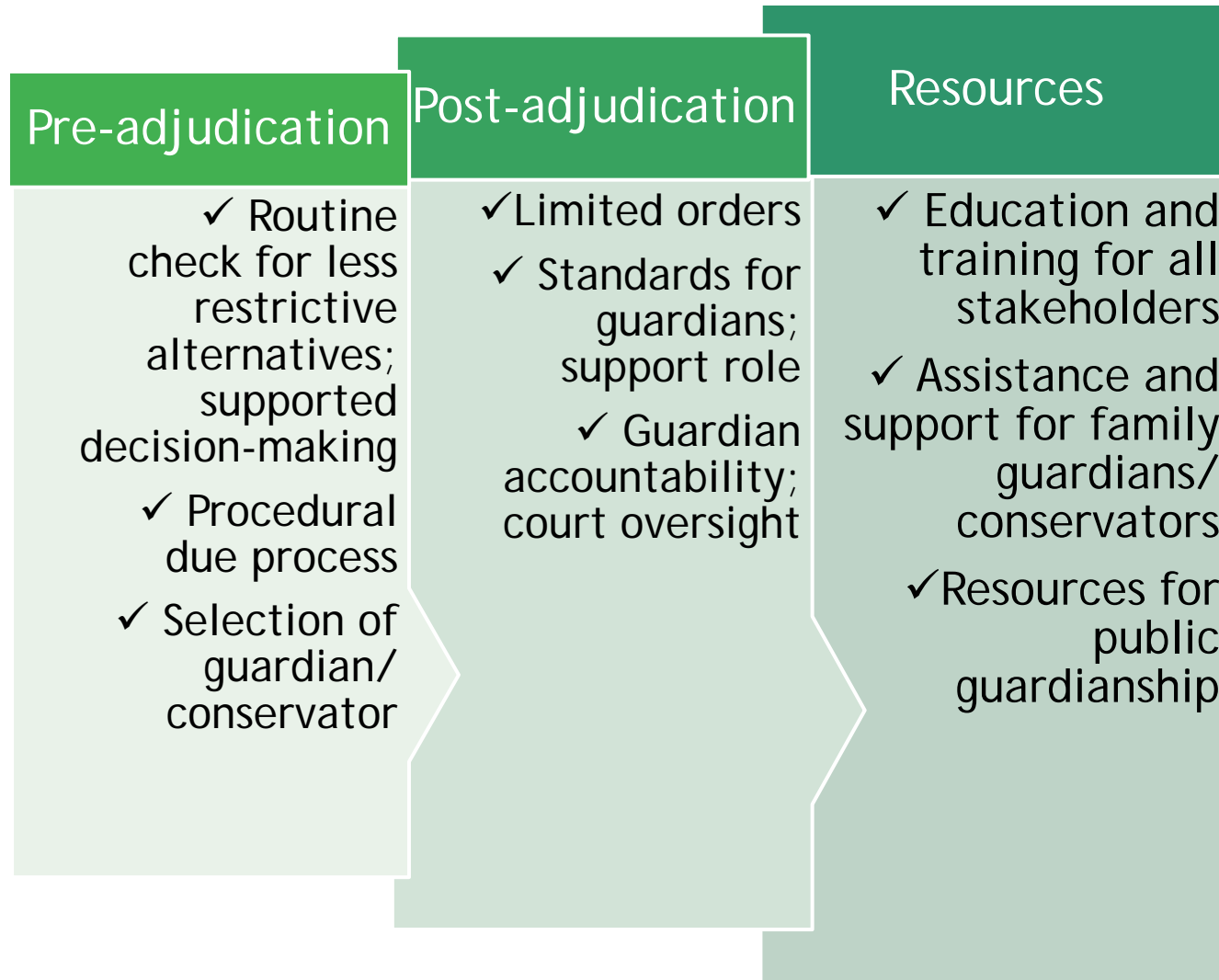
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States with WINGS/ Similar Reform Groups (26)



AL, AK, DC, FL, GA, Guam, ID, IN, KY, MA, MD, MN, MS, MO, MT,
NY, NC, OH, OR, PA, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI (March 2018)

Why Do We Need WINGS? Vision for Improvements



Challenges to Lasting Adult Guardianship Reform

Increasing Need

Diverse Practices

Complexity of Cases

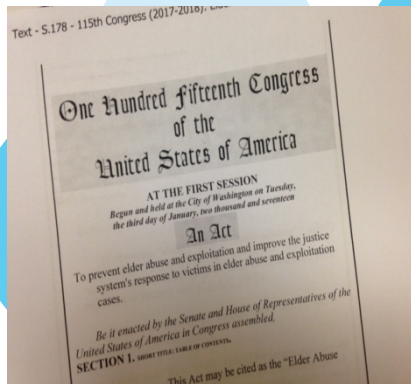
Staffing; Turnover

Stakeholder Silos

Backdrop of Fast-Moving Adult Guardianship Reform Events Nationally




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Court-Community Partners

Courts should “engage in a vigorous campaign to organize and mobilize partners . . .

-NCSC High Performance Court Framework



“Large scale social change comes from better cross-sector coordination rather than from the isolated intervention of individual organizations.”

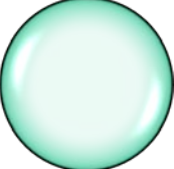
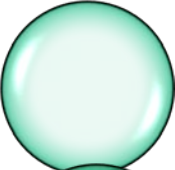
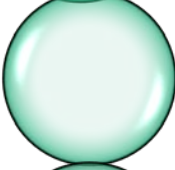


--2011 article on *Collective Impact*



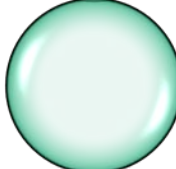
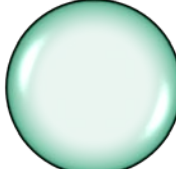

NGN 2011 Third National Guardianship Summit - National Guardianship Network - Utah University College of Law



Recommended that states create WINGS -
“Working Interdisciplinary Networks of
Guardianship Stakeholders”

Ten Hallmarks of WINGS

-  Ongoing & sustainable
-  Broad-based;
interdisciplinary
-  Problem-solving
-  Changes in practice
-  "Low hanging" fruit

-  "Mutually reinforcing"
-  Rights: person-centered
planning
-  Transparent to public
-  Data; outcome measures
-  National network

Examples of WINGS Stakeholders

- Judges; court staff
- Bar association; legal services
- State unit on aging; AARP; Alzheimer's Association
- Protection and advocacy agency; developmental disabilities council
- Mental health agencies
- Adult protective services

- State hospital representatives ; long term care providers
- State guardianship associations & Agencies
- Professional guardians; family/lay guardians
- Social Security & VA regional offices
- People with disabilities who are self-advocates

Development of State WINGS

- ▶ 2013 & 2015 Pilot WINGS - State Justice Institute
 - ▶ New York
 - ▶ Oregon
 - ▶ Texas
 - ▶ **Utah**
 - ▶ District of Columbia
 - ▶ Indiana
 - ▶ Minnesota
 - ▶ Mississippi
 - ▶ Washington
 - ▶ Guam (independent SJI grant)



National
Guardianship
Network

Legislatively Created WINGS

- ▶ **Montana** - HB 70 created WINGS 2017; originally passed appropriations, but funds were lost. WINGS underway anyway!
- ▶ **Kentucky** - HJR 33 recommended Cabinet for Hand Family Services & Administrative Office of Courts create pilot WINGS. Passed & signed by Governor April 2018
- ▶ **Oklahoma**- HB 3328 created a Commission on Prevention of Abuse of Elderly and Vulnerable Adults to make recommendations about adults at risk of guardianship abuse. Signed by Governor May 2018. May lead to WINGS.

Independently Developed WINGS

“Just Do It” State WINGS

- ▶ Georgia
- ▶ Maryland
- ▶ Missouri
- ▶ North Carolina
- ▶ Pennsylvania
- ▶ Ohio
- ▶ Virginia
- ▶ West Virginia
- ▶ Wisconsin



2015 WINGS Assessment by National Center for State Courts

- ▶ WINGS “is proving to be a *feasible and effective* means” to address problems.
- ▶ WINGS “have *weathered the formative stage* and generated meaningful recommendations, significant initial improvements, and new informational resources”
- ▶ But must now “*take steps* to prepare for the long-term effort.”
- ▶ WINGS should develop agreed-upon *vision and strategic plan*; agreed upon *measures* of performance and impact.
- ▶ Assessment set groundwork for federal grant to establish and encourage WINGS . . .

ACL Elder Justice Innovation Grant Project

- ▶ Federal ACL funds to establish, encourage & enhance WINGS
- ▶ ACL grant to ABA Commission on Law and Aging, with National Center for State Courts
- ▶ Technical assistance, strategic planning, outcome measurement, infrastructure of resources; communication across states
- ▶ <http://ambar.org/wings>



Seven States Funded 2017 by federal ACL Grant

- ▶ Alabama
- ▶ Alaska
- ▶ Florida
- ▶ Idaho
- ▶ Indiana
- ▶ Oregon
- ▶ **Utah**



Early WINGS Accomplishments

- ▶ **Public hearings** and public sessions/conferences (FL, MA, IN, WI, MN)
- ▶ Statewide guardianship **needs assessments** (OR, TX, FL, AL)
- ▶ Assessment of availability & use of less restrictive options (OR)
- ▶ Adaptation of CFPB Managing Someone Else's Money guides (TX, AL)
- ▶ **Educational brochures & tools** for guardians (OR)
- ▶ Development of improved **court rules** (MD)
- ▶ **Improved monitoring** through volunteer visitor program (UT); case management (ID), court compliance program (TX), complaint form (DC), improved report forms (AK)
- ▶ **Training** for guardians & conservators (ID, MD, OH); training for guardians ad litem (IN)
- ▶ Training for judges, attorneys (IN, ID, UT)
- ▶ Training for public on advance planning and guardianship (UT)
- ▶ **Legislation** on guardian disclosure of sanctions in any jurisdiction (OR)
- ▶ Legislation on supported decision-making agreements (TX, WI)



WINGS Collective Impact Power



- ▶ *“Connections were established between agencies that sometimes serve the same population but do not communicate with each other or provide referrals.” Utah*
- ▶ *“Without WINGS. . . [the senator] may not have made the public guardian bill one of his two bills this session . . . the momentum was here to make it a priority bill. “ Oregon*

WINGS Challenges

- ▶ Sustainability; court buy-in
- ▶ Funding
- ▶ Stakeholder engagement
- ▶ Collective impact
- ▶ Measuring success





Utah WINGS &
State WINGS
Nationally!