



CHAPTER 35A
ARTICLE 5 - APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCOMPETENT PERSON

N.C.G.S. § 35A-1217.

Appointment of guardian ad litem for incompetent ward.

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The clerk shall appoint a guardian ad litem to represent a ward in a proceeding under this Subchapter if the ward has been adjudicated incompetent under Subchapter I and the clerk determines that the ward's interests are not adequately represented. Appointment and discharge of the guardian ad litem shall be in accordance with rules adopted by the Office of Indigent Defense Services. The guardian ad litem shall explain the notice of rights under G.S. 35A-1117 as part of the guardian ad litem's representation of the ward in connection with all proceedings under this Subchapter. Nothing herein shall affect the ward's right to retain counsel of his or her own choice. (2009-387, s. 2; 2023-124, s. 7.11.)

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1 AUTHORITY

Authorities referenced

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REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 35A-1117		"explain the notice of rights under"

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N.C. Gen. Stat. § 35A-1217 (2026).

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