**§5-501. Authority for protective arrangements**

**1. Order protective arrangement.**  Under this Part, a court:

A. Upon receiving a petition for a guardianship for an adult may order one or more protective arrangements instead of guardianship as a less restrictive alternative to guardianship; and [PL 2017, c. 402, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 2019, c. 417, Pt. B, §14 (AFF).]

B. Upon receiving a petition for a conservatorship for an individual may order one or more protective arrangements instead of conservatorship as a less restrictive alternative to conservatorship. [PL 2017, c. 402, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 2019, c. 417, Pt. B, §14 (AFF).]

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**2. Protective arrangement instead of guardianship.**  A person interested in an adult's welfare, including the adult or a conservator for the adult, may petition under this Part for one or more protective arrangements instead of guardianship.

[PL 2017, c. 402, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 2019, c. 417, Pt. B, §14 (AFF).]

**3. Protective arrangement instead of conservatorship.**  The following persons may petition under this Part for one or more protective arrangements instead of conservatorship:

A. The individual for whom the protective arrangements are sought; [PL 2017, c. 402, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 2019, c. 417, Pt. B, §14 (AFF).]

B. A person interested in the property, financial affairs or welfare of the individual, including a person that would be adversely affected by lack of effective management of property or financial affairs of the individual; and [PL 2017, c. 402, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 2019, c. 417, Pt. B, §14 (AFF).]

C. The guardian of the individual. [PL 2017, c. 402, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 2019, c. 417, Pt. B, §14 (AFF).]

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