



# Limited Conservatorship

(Applicable to San Diego Regional Center Consumers)

## What is a Limited Conservatorship?

Limited conservatorships are for **adults with developmental disabilities**. Developmental disability refers to a severe and chronic disability due to a mental or physical impairment that started before age 18. Limited conservatorships are set up to assist developmentally disabled adults who are unable to provide for all their personal or financial needs.

A judge gives a responsible person (called a “**conservator**”) certain rights to care for another adult who has a developmental disability (called a “**conservatee**”). The judge decides which responsibilities the conservatee will keep, which ones the conservator will have, and decides who will be the conservator.

## There are two types of limited conservatorships:

- A **limited conservatorship of the person** is a court arrangement where a conservator cares for, protects and provides for the conservatee’s needs associated with daily life.
- A **limited conservatorship of the estate** is a court arrangement where a conservator handles the conservatee’s financial matters — like paying bills and collecting the conservatee’s income if the conservatee has an estate.

## Resources

To learn more about limited conservatorship, or other types of conservatorship and whether it is right for you, please utilize the resources below:

1. San Diego Regional Center (SDRC) Tel: 858-576-2996, [www.sdrc.org](http://www.sdrc.org)  
\*\*\* Consumers of SDRC contact your Service Coordinator
2. San Diego Court Home Page [www.sdcourt.ca.gov](http://www.sdcourt.ca.gov) (click on probate)
3. California Courts Self-Help <http://www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp-conservatorship.htm>
4. Probate Court is located at 1100 Union Street, Room 541 San Diego, CA 92101
5. Legal Aid Society Tel: 877-534-2524, [www.lassd.org](http://www.lassd.org)  
\*\*\* **Conservatorship Clinic:** [www.lassd.org/area/conservatorship](http://www.lassd.org/area/conservatorship)



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**CONSERVATORSHIP  
CLINIC**

**MONDAY AFTERNOONS**  
**11:30 AM - 3 PM**

**TUESDAY and THURSDAY MORNINGS**  
**8:30 AM - 12:00 NOON**

**Fifth Floor, Room 541**  
**Central Courthouse**  
**1100 Union Street, San Diego, CA 92101**  
**For more information, call (877) 534-2524**

This free clinic is open to members of the public who need assistance in a Conservatorship of the Person action or information about alternatives to Conservatorship. A Legal Aid representative will provide community education to clinic participants individually on a first come, first served basis.

***\*\*\* Please note that by helping you, we are NOT acting as  
your attorney and are NOT representing you at your hearing  
or trial!\*\*\****