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## **Mercer Vicinage Seeking Guardianship Monitoring Volunteers**

The Mercer Vicinage is seeking volunteers for its Guardianship Monitoring Program, a statewide system that monitors guardians appointed to handle the affairs of incapacitated individuals.

Volunteers are needed to help verify that guardians comply with reporting requirements and to ensure that the affairs of incapacitated adults under court-authorized guardianships are being handled properly and in their best interest.

Volunteers may work flexible hours from home using their personal computers. Responsibilities include reviewing documents from guardians about the physical and/or financial well-being of the adult deemed incapacitated by the court.

Volunteers must be comfortable using computers and should have some experience or interest in reading and understanding legal or financial documents. Individuals who can detect pertinent details of filings and integrate these into the court software, and those with a background or experience in accounting, budgeting, finance, or other related areas are encouraged to apply. Detailed training is provided.

Guardianship monitoring volunteers must be at least 18 years old and must agree to comply with the Code of Conduct for Judiciary Volunteers. They are asked to commit to serve for at least one year. Candidates will be interviewed for details about their experience and background. Selected candidates will be fingerprinted and must satisfactorily pass a criminal history background check.

Interested candidates can access the volunteer application at [njcourts.gov](http://njcourts.gov). The completed application can be mailed to:

Donna Coppola  
Mercer County Superior Court  
400 S. Warren St.  
P.O. Box 8068  
Trenton, New Jersey 08650

Applications also can be emailed to [MERVolunteer.Mailbox@njcourts.gov](mailto:MERVolunteer.Mailbox@njcourts.gov). Questions about the program can also be directed to the same email address.

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