633B.108 Nomination of conservator or guardian — relation of agent to court-appointed fiduciary.

1. Under a power of attorney, a principal may nominate a conservator of the principal's estate or guardian of the principal's person for consideration by the court if proceedings for the principal's estate or person are begun after the principal executes the power of attorney. Except for good cause shown or disqualification, the court shall make its appointment in accordance with the principal's most recent nomination. This section does not prohibit an individual from executing a petition for the voluntary appointment of a guardian or conservator on a standby basis pursuant to sections 633.568 and 633.591.

2. If, after a principal executes a power of attorney, a court appoints a conservator of the principal's estate or other fiduciary charged with the management of some or all of the principal's property, the power of attorney is suspended unless the power of attorney provides otherwise or unless the court appointing the conservator decides the power of attorney should continue. If the power of attorney continues, the agent is accountable to the fiduciary as well as to the principal. The power of attorney shall be reinstated upon termination of the conservatorship as a result of the principal regaining capacity.

2014 Acts, ch 1078, §10; 2019 Acts, ch 57, §40, 43, 44

2019 amendment to subsection 1 takes effect January 1, 2020, and applies to guardianships and guardianship proceedings for adults and conservatorships and conservatorship proceedings for adults and minors established or pending before, on, or after that date; 2019 Acts, ch 57, §43, 44

Subsection 1 amended