

**388.250 Certificate of administrator is prima facie evidence of necessity for guardian or conservator -- Guardian ad litem.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of existing law for adjudication of mental disability and appointment of a guardian or conservator upon the inquest of a jury, where a petition is filed for the appointment of a guardian or conservator for a mentally disabled beneficiary of the Veterans Administration under the provisions of this chapter, who is found within this state, whether or not a resident thereof, a certificate of the administrator of Veterans Affairs or his duly authorized representative, accompanying such petition setting forth the fact that such beneficiary has been rated incompetent by the Veterans Administration on examination in accordance with the laws and regulations governing such Veterans Administration, and that the appointment of a guardian or conservator is a condition precedent to the payment of any moneys due each beneficiary by the Veterans Administration, shall be prima facie evidence of the necessity for such appointment. Provided, however, that some member of the bar shall be appointed by the court to represent and protect the interests and rights of such mentally disabled beneficiary as provided under existing law, and further that the right of any such mentally disabled beneficiary or any person interested in such beneficiary to demand a trial by jury shall not be denied.

**Effective:** July 1, 1982

**History:** Amended 1982 Ky. Acts ch. 141, sec. 120, effective July 1, 1982. -- Created 1942 Ky. Acts ch. 25, sec. 6.

**Note.** 1980 Ky. Acts ch. 396, sec. 131 would have amended this section effective July 1, 1982. However, 1980 Ky. Acts ch. 396 was repealed by 1982 Ky. Acts ch. 141, sec. 146, also effective July 1, 1982.