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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN AND TRUSTEE

Over the last few months my office has received several questions regarding registrations of orders appointing guardians under the *Substitute Decisions Act* and subsequent registrations dealing with property. This memo is to clarify some of the issues that have been raised.

- If an order appointing a guardian of property under the Substitute Decisions Act is registered, no further order is required.
- A notarial copy of such an order appointing a guardian is acceptable for registration.
- If the Public Guardian and Trustee executes a document, no proof of their authority is required.
- Restrictions under section 118 of the *Land Titles Act* are acceptable for registration if the applicant is legally entitled to act on behalf of the registered owner, e.g., by a power of attorney; by an appointed statutory guardian, etc.
- Where an estate trustee is appointed by the Court, any section 118 restrictions should be deleted upon registration of a transfer by the estate trustee.
- If the guardian is someone other than the Public Guardian and Trustee and is transferring the property, a statement from them or their solicitor that the transfer conforms to the management plan is sufficient for registration purposes under the *Land Titles Act*.

This addresses most of the issues that have been raised and this information should assist you in dealing with documents registered pursuant to the *Substitute Decisions Act.* A bulletin will be circulated in the near future. If you have any questions, please call Margaret Wiseman at 314-4885.

cc Ian Veitch

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