

## **Latest news:**

### **LPA Forms**

We have noticed a number of common errors being made. These errors can cause delay to registration or rejection of all or part of the LPA. The three most common errors are explained below:

**Attorney date of birth** – If you do not complete the attorneys date of birth in Part A of the form we have to reject the application.

**Continuation sheet A** – Where you have not signed or dated continuation sheet A or where the date does not match the date in Part A of the main form, we have to register the LPA but reject the continuation sheet.

**Order of Execution** – If you complete the forms in the wrong order we have to reject the application. Part A must be signed before Part B, and Part B must be signed before Part C.

### **Deputy Panel Survey**

Our web survey on the future shape of the OPG's Deputy Panel is now closed. We received more than 400 responses in just over a month from customers, partners and colleagues. Thanks to everyone who completed the survey.

We are analysing the results, but some of the key messages are already clear. Respondents were overwhelmingly in favour of greater transparency in the way the panel is managed, and a more efficient and appropriate selection of deputy when the panel is used. These views will be factored into our decisions on the way the panel is run in the future. More details can be found on our website, and we will publish the full results in the New Year.

### **Important - Expiry of Deputy Orders**

Some Deputy Orders may contain a time limit after which they will expire and the deputyship will come to an end. This is significantly more likely for Deputies who were previously known as Receivers.

Deputies should check their Orders and if there is a time limit which is due to expire shortly, they should make a new application to the Court of Protection by completing forms COP1, COP1A and COP3. If the deputy order has already expired they should also complete form COP4. A fee is payable for making an application.

Deputies can find the relevant forms by clicking the link below and searching for the form by number .

<http://www.hmcourts-service.gov.uk/HMCSCourtFinder/FormFinder.do>

**Regards,**

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