



New York City Adolescent Guardianship Lawyers Ethan Steward and Martin Mohr Discuss Adolescent Guardianship

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New York City adolescent guardianship lawyers Ethan Steward and Martin Mohr (<https://www.newyorkfamilylawgroup.com/practice-areas/adolescent-guardianship/>) release a new article explaining adolescent guardianship in the state of New York. The lawyers mention that if an individual seeks guardianship of an adolescent or a minor under 17 years of age, navigating the process can be difficult. Seeking guardianship can be complicated without the help of a skilled attorney.

A guardian or legal guardian is a person or agency that has full authority to be responsible for a child's care. These rights may be granted to a child under 18 years of age, or 18-21 years old if the young person consents. This is very similar to custody and adoption. A person petitions the court to be legally responsible for the care of their child their guardian. They have the same legal power as a parent to make decisions for the child, the article from New York City adolescent guardianship lawyers says.

Attorney Martin Mohr says that a typical guardianship ends when the child reaches the age of 18. The guardianship also ends when the child marries or if the child dies. Additionally, adult relatives, close family friends, and child protective agencies can all petition for guardianship.

Family law attorney Ethan Steward also adds that guardianship can be granted in a variety of situations. If both child's parents die, the child may need a guardian. If one or both parents are deported and the child has to remain in the U.S., a guardian may be needed for their welfare. Guardianship may also be provided if a child is being abused and/or is in an unstable living environment that is not in their "best interests."

In the article, the lawyers also say that a parent may be able to apply for a "standby guardianship" if they are sick and are not able to take care of the child. The guardianship does not take effect until the parent says that it will or if the parent becomes too ill to take care of the child.

According to the guardianship lawyer, "In a guardianship hearing, the court will determine if it's in the child's "best interests" to allow them to become their guardian. This will be based on your testimony, the evidence about the child's circumstances, the child's wishes, and all other applicable circumstances, such as the death or incapacity of one or both parents."

Lastly, the lawyer emphasizes the importance of having a skilled attorney when dealing with matters such as guardianship. A skilled lawyer may be able to help the parents understand their roles and responsibilities in the divorce and help them come to a favorable agreement.

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