PETITION FOR THE APPOINTMENT		IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF A CONSERVATOR PURSUANT	*	FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY
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TO RULE 19-734 FOR THE	*	Case No.: C-03-CV-23-000384
LAW PRACTICE OF PETER G. ANGELOS	*	
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## **ORDER**

WHEREAS, Peter G. Angelos is an incapacitated Maryland attorney and sole owner of the Law Offices of Peter G. Angelos, P.C. (the "Law Firm), located at 100 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201;

WHEREAS, the Law Firm has open client matters and maintains bank accounts at Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., including operating accounts, payroll accounts, and at least seven attorney trust accounts.

WHEREAS, there is no known partner or other individual who is legally authorized to conduct Mr. Angelos' and the Firm's client affairs;

WHEREAS, the Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland filed a Petition for the Appointment of a Conservator Pursuant to Rule 19-734 for the Law Practice of Peter G. Angelos;

WHEREAS, Georgia K. Angelos, Mr. Angelos' wife, attorney-in-fact under a general power of attorney, and agent under a financial power of attorney, consents to the appointment of a Conservator pursuant to Rule 19-734;

WHEREAS, this Court, pursuant to Maryland Code, Estates & Trusts Article § 14.5-305, appointed Benjamin Rosenberg, Esquire to represent Mr. Angelos in Louis F. Angelos v. John P. Angelos, et al., consolidated Case No. C-03-CV-22-002265;

WHEREAS, Mr. Rosenberg consents to the appointment of a Conservator pursuant to Rule 19-734;

WHEREAS, this Court finds that unless a Conservator is appointed, immediate, substantial, and irreparable harm may result to Mr. Angelos' and the Firm's clients;

NOW THEREFORE, it is this 31st day of January 2023, by the Circuit Court for Baltimore County:

ORDERED; that the Petition for the Appointment of a Conservator Pursuant to Rule 19-734 for the Law Practice of Peter G. Angelos be and hereby is GRANTED; and it is further

ORDERED, that William J. Murphy, Esquire, 100 East Pratt Street, Suite 2440, Baltimore, Maryland 21202, is appointed Conservator with all of the powers and authority set forth in Maryland Rule 19-734, including but not limited to the power to:

- Access the Law Firm located at 100 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202 and any satellite office or storage authority and take possession of and inventory client files;
- b. Take control of and execute new signature cards for all Law Firm bank accounts including, but not limited to, operating accounts, payroll accounts, and attorney trust accounts, which would allow the Conservator to take all actions necessary to transact bank business for the law firm such as sending wires, writing and negotiating checks, making deposits, transferring funds, and opening and closing accounts;
- c. Take possession of all client matter records, including but not limited to, individual and firm ledgers, settlement sheets, and electronic and hard-copy files, for the purpose of reconciling all accounts and/or refunding any unearned fees;
- d. With the consent of the client(s) or the approval of the court, assist the client(s) in finding a new attorney, assume responsibility for specific matters, or refer the open matters to attorneys willing to handle them;
- e. With the approval of the court, and based solely on the Conservator's judgment, sell the attorney's law practice in accordance with Rule 19-301.17 of the Maryland Rules of Professional Conduct:
- f. Delegate tasks to attorneys, paralegals, and support staff employed by either the Conservator's law firm or the Law Firm;
- g. Employ Certified Public Accountants, appraisers, bookkeepers, attorneys, experts, and other advisors and professionals as the Conservator, in his sole discretion, determines is necessary to either sell the Law Firm or wind down the business and

compensate those professionals at reasonable rates from assets of the Law Firm; and

h. Petition for attorneys' fees and reimbursement for expenditures reasonably

incurred in carrying out the order of appointment.

ORDERED, that Mr. Murphy and other attorneys and staff at Zuckerman Spaeder who

perform work on this matter shall charge rates not exceeding those outlined in the Petition; and it

is further

ORDERED, that, effective 10 days following Mr. Murphy's execution of signature cards

for the Wells Fargo deposit and IOLTA accounts titled in the name of and relating to The Law

Firm of Peter Angelos, P.C., the authority granted by Order entered October 28, 2022 in Louis F.

Angelos v. John P. Angelos, et al., consolidated Case No. C-03-CV-22-002262, to transact

business with respect to the Wells Fargo deposit and IOLTA accounts titled in the name of and

relating to The Law Firm of Peter Angelos, P.C. is REVOKED; thereafter, all signatory authority

relating to these accounts shall be vested in Mr. Murphy; and it is further

Judge Keith R. Truffer

Circuit Court for Baltimore County

Entered: Clerk, Circuit Court for

Baltimore County, MD

January 31, 2023

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