

ANY PERSON WHO HAS KNOWLEDGE OF A PARTY'S LEGAL DISABILITY SHALL ADVISE THE COURT OF THAT DISABILITY. THIS DUTY TO ADVISE THE COURT APPLIES PARTICULARLY TO THE COUNSEL FOR THE PARTIES.

(D) COURT'S DUTY TO PROTECT RIGHTS.

THE COURT MAY TAKE ANY ACTION AND ORDER ANY PROCEEDINGS THAT THE COURT CONSIDERS JUST AND PROPER TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF A PARTY UNDER LEGAL DISABILITY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 16, § 66E(g).

In subsection (a) of this section, the terms "committee" and "court-appointed counsel" are new language added to conform to the Maryland Rules.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former phrase "by reason of infancy, mental incapacity, or otherwise" is deleted as repetitive of the phrase "legal disability".

In subsection (b) of this section, "counsel" is substituted for the former phrase "his or her solicitor of record", for brevity.

Also in subsection (b) of this section, the phrase "as if that party were not under legal disability" is substituted for the former phrase "to the same extent as if he were sui juris", for clarity.

5-1014. WARRANT; SUMMONS; BOND.

(A) IN GENERAL.

WHEN A COMPLAINT IS FILED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, THE COURT MAY ISSUE, TO ASSURE THE APPEARANCE OF THE DEFENDANT AT TRIAL:

- (1) A SUMMONS FOR THE APPEARANCE OF THE DEFENDANT; OR
- (2) A WARRANT FOR THE ARREST OF THE DEFENDANT.

(B) SUMMONS.

(1) THE SUMMONS SHALL STATE THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE DEFENDANT TO APPEAR AT TRIAL.

(2) IF THE DEFENDANT FAILS TO APPEAR AS DIRECTED IN THE SUMMONS, THE COURT MAY ISSUE, AT ANY TIME, A WARRANT FOR THE DEFENDANT'S ARREST.

(C) WARRANT.