

FORM SUMMARY

Name of Form:	Dispositional Order Appointing Guardian (§ 48.977, Wis. Stats.) Indian Child Welfare Act
Form Number	IW-1606
Statutory Reference:	§§ 48.623, 48.977, Wisconsin Statutes; 25 U.S.C §1915.
Benchbook Reference:	JV 16
Purpose of Form:	Formal order granting or denying the petition to appoint a § 48.977 guardian for a person under the age of 18.
Who Completes It:	Court or party seeking the appointment.
Who Signs It:	BY THE COURT: Circuit Court Judge. THIS IS A FINAL ORDER FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPEAL.
Distribution of Form:	Court, Child – if 12 years or older, Child’s Guardian ad Litem/Adversary Counsel, Parents, Parents’ Attorney(s), Child’s Guardian/Legal Custodian, Child’s Successor Guardian, District Attorney/Corporation Counsel, Caseworker, Tribe, and Indian Custodian.
Accompanying Forms:	
New Form/Modification:	Modification; last update 10/25.
Modifications:	Added “This includes educational decision-making authority.” to the legal custody duty and authority when guardians are appointed with full powers.
Comments:	This dispositional order was designed for when a child was adjudicated (declared) in need of protection or services and has been placed, or continued in a placement, outside of their home pursuant to one or more court orders.
About this Form:	This form is the product of the Wisconsin Records Management Committee, a committee of the Director of State Court’s Office and a mandate of the Wisconsin Judicial Conference. If you have additional information that does not change the meaning of the form, attach it on a separate page. The form itself shall not be altered.