

**Rule 663. Adoption-Appointment of a Guardian With Power to Consent**

(a) An appeal may be taken to the Appellate Court from an order of the court empowering the guardian of the person of a minor to consent to the adoption of such a minor.

(b) The caption on an appeal taken from an order of the court empowering the guardian of the person of a minor to consent to the adoption of such a minor shall not include the name of the minor. Rather, the minor shall be identified by first name and last initial or by initials only. The preferred method is by first name and last initial. The alternative method of initials only is to be used when, due to an unusual first name or spelling, the preferred method would create a substantial risk of revealing the minor's identity.

Adopted September 8, 1975, effective October 1, 1975; amended October 1, 2001, effective immediately.

**Committee Comments**

Rule 663, added in 1975, makes an order empowering a guardian of the person of a minor to consent to the minor's adoption appealable. See Rule 307(a)(6).

Paragraph (b) was added effective October 1, 2001, to help protect the identities of minors. The amendment requires that their first name and last initial, or their initials only, appear in the caption.