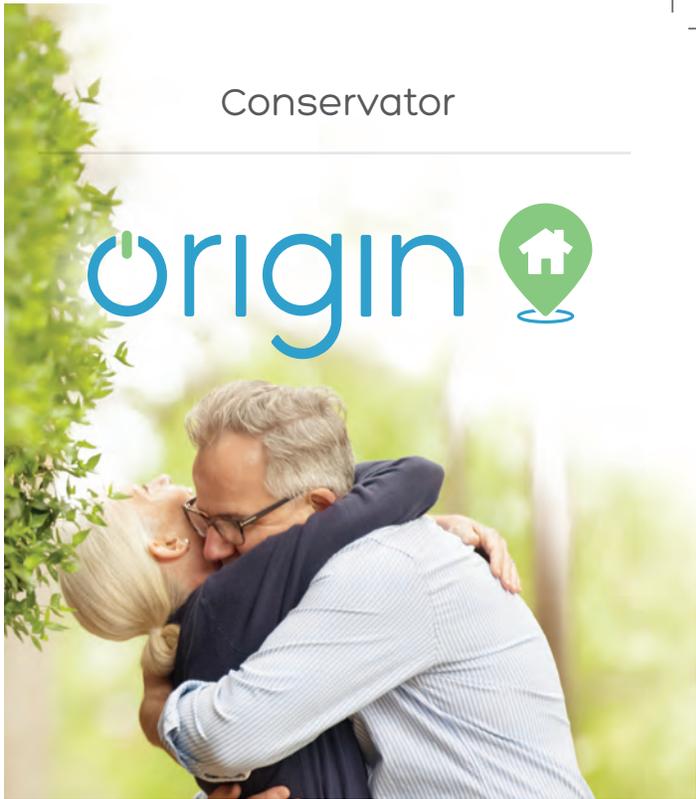


# Conservator



+ Our counselors offer compassionate expertise, secure and manage assets and everyday expenses of mentally and physically challenged individuals.

+ Family Services, Inc DBA Origin SC is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization serving South Carolina since 1888.



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Assets management to ensure needs are met



Protection from neglect, financial abuse, and isolation



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## What is a conservatorship?



A judge appoints a conservator to manage the financial affairs of an individual who is deemed incompetent to manage their own personal finances due to a mental or physical disability. We work with the courts to develop and manage the assets of the protected individual as efficiently as possible to protect the individual from exploitation AND ensure the individual's necessities are met.

## VA Fiduciary



We receive the veteran's monthly benefit and pay all bills in accordance with budget provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Clients typically struggle with mental illness and/or drug or alcohol addiction.

## Referrals



We work closely with South Carolina Probate Courts, the Dept. of Veterans Affairs, and the National Guardianship Association to provide Conservator and Trust Administration services to those in need.

## What is a trust?



A legal relationship in which one or more persons (trustee) holds legal title to property and manages it for the benefit of one or more persons (beneficiaries). Our basic responsibilities include:

- + Collection, management, and investment of trust assets
- + Accumulation and distribution of income
- + Principal pursuant to the trust.

## Our Duties



Our counselors:

- + Develop and implement a financial management plan for the client including paying bills and providing personal allowances;
- + Advocate on behalf of the client with creditors to ensure payment of debts;
- + Provide options for pre-need planning of funeral arrangements;
- + And, liquidate and/or consolidate assets such as selling a home or vehicle.

Our counselors follow the instructions of the trust, use due diligence when performing his or her duties, invest the funds of the trust in a reasonably prudent manner, and avoid conflicts of interest between us as trustee and the trust beneficiaries.

## Who is eligible?



- + An individual who needs protection from neglect, financial abuse, and isolation.
- + An individual whose relatives/friends do not have the resources to assist in caring for the individual's financial responsibilities.

