



**Notice Regarding Trust Fund**

Date of Notice: \_\_\_\_\_

Case Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Our records show funds are being held in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of financial institution)

in the name of \_\_\_\_\_ for the child's benefit. These funds cannot be released for use by the child without a valid court order. To allow us to determine your continue eligibility for assistance, you must meet the following requirements within 45 days from the date of this notice:

- (1) the legal guardian of the child's estate must file a petition in the proper court seeking release of the funds; and
- (2) you must mail or deliver to this office a copy of the petition and if a decision has been made by the court, a copy of the court order deciding the matter.

If these requirements are not met, the entire amount of the funds will be considered available to meet the needs of the child only. This may result in the child being ineligible for assistance. If the child is the only child in the assistance unit, the case may be canceled.

If you do meet the requirements within 45 days from the date of this notice, the court's ruling will determine whether any funds are available to the child being ineligible for assistance. If the child is the only child in the assistance unit, the case may be canceled.

To meet these requirements, one or more court appearance will be required, and the process may be complicated and take some time to complete. To simplify the process, you should immediately contact the lawyer that represented the minor child in the court case or obtain a lawyer.

To apply for free legal help:

In Cook County (including the City of Chicago) -  
Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago - 312-341-1070.

In other counties in northern or central Illinois with area codes (309), (630), (815) or (847)  
Prairie State Legal Services - 800-531-7057 (toll-free).

In other counties in central or southern Illinois where the area code is area code (217) or (618) -  
Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation - 877-342-7891 (toll-free)

Caseworker's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Office Stamp