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**Request to the Official Solicitor to act as litigation friend in civil proceedings:**

The Official Solicitor's **criteria for acting as litigation friend** in civil proceedings are:

1. undisputed satisfactory evidence that the party lacks capacity to conduct the proceedings;
2. security for the costs of legal representation (
3. last resort (i.e. that there is no other person suitable and willing to act as litigation friend).

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