

Superior Court of California
County of Merced
Probate Department

Probate Notes

Probate Notes for future calendars are available from the time they are created until the morning of the scheduled hearing. The Probate Examiner's Notes typically will be posted 5 days prior to the hearing. If you are filing documents to cure a technical defect, documents should be filed a minimum of 2 court days prior to the hearing. Documents filed late will not be reviewed except on the date of the hearing at the Judge's discretion and could result in a continuance of your case.

Parties intending to appear in Court regarding their hearing must notify all other parties and call (209) 725-4111 to notify the Court of such intent by 4:00 pm on the day before the hearing.

Contacting the Probate Examiner:

Probate Examiner's email address is: probate.examiner@mercedcourt.org

Emails must have the case identification information and hearing date/time in the subject line. **No attachments will be opened.** The Probate Examiner can only respond to inquiries regarding the meaning of comments in the Notes. *Please do not email to request a confirmation whether documents have been received or to request the clearing of notes.* No legal or procedural advice may be given by the Examiner in response to your email.

Questions regarding fees, forms, status of orders, Zoom links or remote appearances should be directed to the Probate Unit of the Clerk's Office at (209) 725-4111 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm. and 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Monday – Friday.

The following cases are not reflected in the Probate Notes and appearances are required unless previously excused by the Court:

- Guardianships and Conservatorships of the Person
- Minor's Compromise cases before the Probate Court for approval
- Petition for Special Immigrant Juvenile Findings

**Questions involving Guardianships (including SIJF) and Conservatorships of the Person should be directed to the Court Investigators Office at (209) 725-4190.*

***Please note no legal or procedural advice can be provided by the Court Investigator's Office. ***

Superior Court of California, County of Merced
PROBATE/CONSERVATORSHIP CALENDAR
HONORABLE: Mark Bacciarini

DATE: Monday, July 7, 2025
TIME: 8:15 AM
Courtroom 10

PROBATE CALENDAR

The following tentative rulings shall become the ruling of the court unless a party gives notice of intention to appear as follows:

1. You must call (209) 725-4240 to notify the court of your intent to appear.
2. You must give notice to all other parties before 4:00 p.m. of your intent to object.

Per California Rules of Court, rule 3.1308(a)(1), failure to do both items 1 and 2 will result in no oral argument. **Parties who contest the tentative ruling or wish to appear remotely at a hearing must contact the clerk of the Court at (209) 725-4111 to provide their contact information for the remote hearing.**

CASE#: 21PR-00417

CASE NAME: Estate of Ruby Jean McCrady

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from March 3, 2025 re: Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:

1. Distributive Receipts and an Ex Parte Petition For Final Discharge And Order (DE-295) have not been submitted. Prob Code §§11753, 12250

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The Status Review Hearing is continued to September 15, 2025 at 8:15 am.. in Courtroom 10 to allow counsel additional time to file the appropriate Distributive Receipts and Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge with the Court.

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CASE#: 23PR-00207

CASE NAME: Estate of Gary David Nunes

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from January 30, 2025 re: Status on Closing of the Estate

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:

Distributive Receipts and an Ex Parte Petition For Final Discharge And Order (DE-295) have not been submitted. Prob Code §§11753, 12250

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The Status Review Hearing is continued to September 22, 2025 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10 to allow counsel additional time to file the appropriate Distributive Receipts and Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge with the Court.

CASE#: 23PR-00396

CASE NAME: Estate of Antonio Vasquez Lopez

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from January 13, 2025 RE: Status Hearing re: Closing of the Estate

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:

1. A Petition for Final Account or Status Report has not been filed.
Prob Code §12200-12201

TENTATIVE RULING:

Appearance required. Counsel to provide the Court with a current case status.

CASE#: 24PR-00346

CASE NAME: Estate of Lisa McLean Aris

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from April 14, 2025 re: Successor Petition for Letters of Administration with Full IAEA Authority

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS WERE PREVIOUSLY NOTED:

1. Petition is missing Attachment 3e(2) Waivers of Bond signed by all heirs.
Prob Code §8481
2. Did Donald Aris die intestate/testate? Was he survived by any beneficiaries or heirs?
[*Partially addressed at the 4/14/25 hearing](#)
3. Notice and Waivers of Bond may be required for any party representing any interest in the estate on behalf of the estate of deceased spouse D. Aris. Prob Code §§8110, 8481

TENTATIVE RULING:

Appearance required.

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CASE#: 25PR-00064

CASE NAME: Estate of Delbert Keith Moss

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from June 2, 2025 re: Further Proceedings

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:

1. An Amended Petition has not been filed reflecting the proposed Co-Administrators as conveyed to the Court at the June 2, 2025.

TENTATIVE RULING:

Appearance required. Counsel to advise the Court on the current case status.

CASE#: P23049

CASE NAME: Conservatorship of Ponciano Hurtado-Arroyo

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Ninth Account and Report of Conservators and Petition for Confirmation and Approval, and Payment of Fees and Costs to Attorneys

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:

1. Bond calculation contains a minor error and should reflect bond to be posted at \$878,739.92.

TENTATIVE RULING:

Appearance required.

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(End of Tentative Rulings)