

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](mailto: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

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DATE: Monday, September 22, 2025  
TIME: 8:15 AM  
Courtroom 10  
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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#:** 25PR-00133

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Sandra Yvette Anaya

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from August 29, 2025 re: Trial Setting Conference

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

None.

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Appearance required.

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**CASE#:** 25PR-00289

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Sandra Yvette Anaya

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from August 29, 2025 re: Trial Setting Conference

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

1. No Proof of Publication with the corresponding signed affidavit.  
Prob Code §8121, §8124 *\*Remains deficient for the 9/22/25 hrg*
2. Proposed Letters and Order for Probate has not been lodged.  
Prob Code §8006, §8400 *\*Remains deficient for the 9/22/25 hrg*
3. Competing Petition filed in case #25PR-00289. An Objection filed on 9/11/25 by Robert Pimentel Cervantes has not been served on opposing counsel as required by Probate Code §1214 and California Rule of Court 7.51(b). *\*Newly noted for the 9/22/25 hrg*

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Appearance required.

**CASE#:** 25PR-00225

**CASE NAME:** In the Matter of the Coelho Living Trust Dated October 21, 1993

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from August 6, 2025 re:

1. Petition for Order Confirming Trust Assets and Directing Transfer/Return of Assets (850 Petition)
2. Petition for a Report of the Trust and Its Administration, For an Accounting, for Suspension of Trustee and for Removal of Trustee

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

1. Notice *Petition for Order Confirming Trust Assets and Directing Transfer/Return of Assets (850 Petition)* has not been provided utilizing mandatory Judicial Council form *Notice of Hearing on Petition to Determine Claim to Property* (DE-115). Prob Code §851
2. Objection filed by Respondent Alan Coelho on June 30, 2025
3. No notice of the *Petition for a Report of the Trust and Its Administration, For an Accounting, for Suspension of Trustee and for Removal of Trustee*. Prob Code §§17100, 17203, 1220 *\*Corrected*
4. Venue appears to be improper as the day-to-day activity of the trust appears to be carried out by the trustee who resides out of county. Prob Code §§17002, 17005

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Appearance required.

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**CASE#:** P13392

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Frank Souza

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from September 23, 2024 re: Status Review

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

None.

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

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

(End of Tentative Rulings)