

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: Thursday, July 23, 2026
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#: 24PR-00097

CASE NAME: Estate of Mary J. Douglas

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from April 24, 2026 re: Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate

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

1. An Ex Parte Petition For Final Discharge And Order (DE-295) have not been submitted.
Prob Code §12250

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The Court on its on motion hereby continues the Status Review Hearing to November 12, 2026 at 8:15 am in Courtroom 10 to allow the Administrator additional time to file the appropriate Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge with the Court.

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CASE#: 24PR-00387

CASE NAME: Estate of Mary Navarro

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Petition for Settlement of First and Final Account

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

1. The Executor must file a Probate Code compliant standard accounting that includes the Summary of Account (GC-400(SUM)/GC-405(SUM)), all applicable GC-400/GC-405 schedules (or equivalent schedules that provide the same information and format), the schedule(s) required by Probate Code section 1063 along with any supporting documents.
2. A proposed Order has not been lodged. MSC 100 E.

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The hearing is continued to August 27, 2026 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10 for correction of the previously noted deficiencies. Any corrective pleadings are to be filed and served by the close of business on August 17, 2026.

CASE#: 25PR-00120

CASE NAME: Estate of Henry Charles Amfahr

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from May 28, 2026 re: Status Hearing ensuring the Closing the Estate

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

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

TENTATIVE RULING:

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

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CASE#: 25PR-00360

CASE NAME: Estate of Clarence Nelson Jolly, Jr.

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Report of Executor on Waiver of Account and Petition for Its Settlement, For Allowance of Statutory Compensation to Attorneys and Compensation to Attorneys for Extraordinary Legal Services for Sale of Real Property and For Final Distribution

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The *Report of Executor on Waiver of Account and Petition for Its Settlement, For Allowance of Statutory Compensation to Attorneys and Compensation to Attorneys for Extraordinary Legal Services for Sale of Real Property and For Final Distribution* is approved. The Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate currently set for November 12, 2026 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10 is confirmed.

CASE#: 25PR-00455

CASE NAME: Estate of Kenneth Earl Wright

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from May 21, 2026 re: Status Hearing ensuring the filing of an Inventory and Appraisal

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

1. An Inventory and Appraisal has not been filed. Prob Code §8800(b) [*Corrected – filed 7/7/26](#)

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. An Inventory and Appraisal was filed on July 7, 2026. A Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate is set for January 27, 2027 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10.

CASE#: 26PR-00190

CASE NAME: In the Matter of the Edward L. Borba and Lois M. Borba Revocable Trust

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Petition for Order Confirming Trust Assets

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

The Petition for Order Confirming Trust Assets and confirm the Petitioners as trustees, as set forth in the trust documents is granted.

(End of Tentative Rulings)