

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, June 18, 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-00315

CASE NAME: Estate of Jerry Wayne David

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from December 18, 2025 re: Status Review Hearing

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The *Petition for Order to Issue Citation to Answer Interrogatories Pursuant to California Probate Code Section 8870* currently set for hearing on June 22, 2026 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10 is confirmed.

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CASE#: 25PR-00249

CASE NAME: Estate of Heriberto M. Zuniga

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

First and Final Report of Administrator on Waiver of Account and Petition for Allowance of Statutory Compensation to Attorney, and For Final Distribution

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

The *First and Final Report of Administrator on Waiver of Account and Petition for Allowance of Statutory Compensation to Attorney, and For Final Distribution* is approved. A Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate is hereby set for October 7, 2026 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10.

CASE#: 26PR-00154

CASE NAME: In the Matter of the 1999 Cole Family Trust

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Order on Petition for Order Confirming the Beneficiaries of Trust and Modifying Trust

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

Appearance required.

CASE#: 26PR-00157

CASE NAME: Estate of Lisa A. Cedillo

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Petition for Determine Succession to Primary Residence

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The Petition for Determine Succession to Primary Residence is approved.

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CASE#: 26PR-00192

CASE NAME: Estate of Gloria A. Logan

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Petition for Letters of Administration with Full IAEA Authority

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

1. This issue of Bond remains unaddressed as bond has not been waived by all beneficiaries. Prob Code §8481
2. No Proof of Publication with the corresponding signed affidavit.
Prob Code §8121, §8124
3. A proposed Order for Probate has not been lodged.
Prob Code §8006, §8400

TENTATIVE RULING:

Appearance required.

(End of Tentative Rulings)