

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: Wednesday, June 17, 2026
TIME: 8:15 AM
Courtroom 10

PROBATE CALENDAR

(Updated 6/8/26 at 12:30 pm)

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-00321

CASE NAME: Estate of Donald Duane Passarino

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from April 23, 2026 re: Review of Case Status

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

Appearance required. Counsel should appear and apprise the Court of the current status of the loan that was to be obtained by J.M. Flores.

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CASE#: 25PR-00121

CASE NAME: Estate of Ivy Yvonne Fey

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

First and Final Report of Administrator on Waiver of Account and Petition for Allowance of Compensation to Administrator for Ordinary Services and to Attorney for Ordinary Services and Extraordinary Services and For Final Distribution

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The *First and Final Report of Administrator on Waiver of Account and Petition for Allowance of Compensation to Administrator for Ordinary Services and to Attorney for Ordinary Services and Extraordinary Services and For Final Distribution* is approved. A Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate is hereby set for October 28, 2026 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10.

CASE#: 26PR-00191 *updated*

CASE NAME: Estate of Ruth Belcher

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Petition for will and for Letters Testamentary

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

1. Proof of Publication with the corresponding signed affidavit contains an incorrect hearing date (*reflects June 16, 2026). Prob Code §8100

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The hearing is continued hearing to August 7, 2026 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10 for correction of the publication issue.

(End of Tentative Rulings)