

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 25, 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#: 22PR-00081

CASE NAME: Estate of Rafael Montes Ferrel

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from February 27, 2025 re: Status on Closing of the Estate

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

1. An incomplete Distributive Receipt was filed by Brandon Rafael Ferrel which does not include the distribution of the decedent's vehicle. An Ex Parte Petition For Final Discharge And Order (DE-295) has not been submitted reflecting the transfer of the real property to the Brandon Rafael Ferrel.
Prob Code §§11753, 12250

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. The Status Review Hearing is continued to August 11, 2025 at 8:15 a.m. to allow counsel additional time to file the appropriate Distributive Receipt and Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge with the Court.

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CASE#: 22PR-00167

CASE NAME: Estate of Watson L. Marquardt

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Amended Administrator's Final Report Upon Waiver of Account and Petition for Order Approving Administrator's Actions, Directing Distribution of Estate, Exonerating and Discharging Administrator, and Settling the Estate

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

The *Amended Administrator's Final Report Upon Waiver of Account and Petition for Order Approving Administrator's Actions, Directing Distribution of Estate, Exonerating and Discharging Administrator, and Settling the Estate* is approved. A Status Hearing ensuring the closing of the estate is hereby set for October 16, 2025 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10.

CASE#: 23PR-00449

CASE NAME: Estate of Patricia A. Canepa

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from March 26, 2025: Status of 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 advise the Court on the status of Closing of the Estate.

CASE#: 24PR-00411

CASE NAME: Estate of Jose J. Andrade Calderon, Jr.

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from January 22, 2025 re: Status on Filing of an Inventory and Appraisal

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

No appearance required. An Inventory and Appraisal was filed on May 5, 2025. A Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate is hereby set for February 25, 2026 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10.

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CASE#: P25537

CASE NAME: Conservatorship of Cameron B. Johnson

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Co-Conservators' Eighth and Final Account and Report Upon Death of Conservatee Covering the Period August 1, 2019 thru September 6, 2024 and Petition for Order Approving Final Account, Directing Payment of Fees and Reimbursement of Costs to Attorney, Directing Delivery of Assets then Remaining in Conservatorship Estate to the Administrator of the Deceased Conservatee's Probate Estate, Exonerating Co-Conservators, Discharging Surety Bond, and Terminating Conservatorship

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

None.

TENTATIVE RULING:

The Co-Conservators' Eighth and Final Account and Report Upon Death of Conservatee Covering the Period August 1, 2019 thru September 6, 2024 and Petition for Order Approving Final Account, Directing Payment of Fees and Reimbursement of Costs to Attorney, Directing Delivery of Assets then Remaining in Conservatorship Estate to the Administrator of the Deceased Conservatee's Probate Estate, Exonerating Co-Conservators, Discharging Surety Bond, and Terminating Conservatorship is approved. A Status Hearing ensuring the estate is closed is set for September 15, 2025 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10.

(End of Tentative Rulings)