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, November 4, 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#: 25PR-00042

CASE NAME: Estate of Eric J. Salado

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:
Continued from July 1, 2026 re: Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS WERE 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-00088

CASE NAME: Estate of Aurora Infante

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:
Continued from August 12, 2026 re:
1. Review of Case Status
2. Order to Show Cause re: Sanctions for Failing to Appear

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS WERE NOTED:
1. Distributive Receipts and an Ex Parte Petition For Final Discharge And Order (DE-295) have not been submitted. Prob Code §§11753, 12250
2. The Status Report filed on 10/21/26 identifies $4,500 in unpaid court-approved attorney fees and alleged diversion of estate funds. It is within the Court's discretion to require the Executrix to explain the unpaid court-approved attorney fees and alleged diversion of estate funds and, if grounds for removal appear, issue a citation under Probate Code §§ 8500(b) and 8502. *.*Newly noted for the 11/4/26 hearing*

TENTATIVE RULING:
Appearance required.

CASE#: 25PR-00260

CASE NAME: Estate of Kent McDaniel Taylor

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:
Continued from August 26, 2026 re: Status Hearing ensuring the Closing of the Estate

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 Statutory Compensation to Attorney and For Final Distribution currently set for hearing on February 1, 2027 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10 is hereby confirmed.

(End of Tentative Rulings)