

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. Updates to the Probate Examiner's Notes typically will be posted 3 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](mailto: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 notify that documents have been filed, 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 or status of orders 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.

Superior Court of California, County of Merced  
PROBATE CALENDAR  
HONORABLE: Jennifer Trimble

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DATE: Monday, September 18, 2023  
TIME: 8:30 AM  
Courtroom 12  
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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#:** 18PR-00073

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Joann Rodrigues

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from August 17, 2023 re: Petition for First and Final Account and Final Distribution; Fee Request

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

1. Inventory and Appraisals filed on 9/18/18 do not reflect the percentage amount of the decedent's undivided interest. Court's discretion if an Amended I&A will be required. \*Corrected
2. Waivers of Accounting by the estate beneficiaries have not been filed.  
Prob Code §10954(a)(1) \*Corrected
3. Proposed Order contains an incorrect proposed distributive amount to C. Jones.  
\*newly noted deficiency for the 9/18/23 hearing

**PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommend to approve. Counsel to submit a new corrected proposed Order. A Status Hearing ensuring the closing of the estate to be set for December 18, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. No appearance necessary if the appropriate Receipts and Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge have been filed.

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**CASE#:** 22PR-00106

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Ralph F. Palazzo

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Petition for Order Confirming Assets of Probate Estate and Directing Transfer of Assets

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

1. Notice of the hearing has not been provided using mandatory Judicial Council form DE-115/GC-105 (Notice of Hearing on Petition to Determine Claim to Property). Prob Code §851

**PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

Appearance required.

(End of Tentative Rulings)