

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 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.

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

**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
Los Banos Division
HONORABLE: David Moranda

DATE: Thursday, January 15, 2026
TIME: 8:30 AM
Courtroom 12

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#: 23PR-00060

CASE NAME: Estate of Andres Robledo Ybarra

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

1. Status Review Hearing.
2. Continued from October 23, 2025 for OSC re Removal of the Personal Representative.

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

1. No Status Report filed with the Court. Prob Code §12200.
2. Clarification whether a Lis pendens has been recorded on the real property.
3. Whether the Court should consider removing the personal representative based upon the allegations of the personal representative's conduct in the Complaint filed against her in her capacity as "Executor of the ESTATE OF ANDRES ROBLEDO YBARRA" in Case No. 25CV-00450. Probate Code § 8500 et seq.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Appearance required.

CASE#: 23PR-00061

CASE NAME: Estate of Virginia Tarango Olivas

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

1. Status Review Hearing.
2. Continued from October 23, 2025 for OSC re Removal of the Personal Representative.

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

1. No Status Report filed with the Court. Probate Code §12200.
2. Clarification whether a Lis pendens has been recorded on the real property.
3. Whether the Court should consider removing the personal representative based upon the allegations of the personal representative's conduct in the Complaint filed against her in her capacity as "Executor of the ESTATE OF VIRGINIA TARANGO OLIVAS" in Case No. 25CV-00450. Probate Code § 8500 et seq.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Appearance required.

CASE#: 23PR-00128

CASE NAME: Estate of Enrique Mauricio Hurtado, aka Enrique M. Hurtado, aka Enrique Hurtado.

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Amended Second And Final Account And Report Of Administrator, Petition For Allowance Of Fees To Administrator And Attorneys For Ordinary Services, Costs Advanced By Attorneys, And For Final Distribution.

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

1. Petition requests a testamentary disposition of estate moneys to the minor heirs' parent under Probate Code §3905(c), but Decedent died intestate.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Appearance required.

CASE#: 24PR-00003

CASE NAME: Estate of Bobby Eugene Hubble, a.k.a. Bobby E. Hubble

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Amended First and Final Account and Petition for Final Distribution and for Compensation for Services.

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

1. No proposed Order for Final Distribution submitted. Probate Code §11600.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Appearance required. Recommend approving the Amended Petition.

CASE#: 25PR-00054

CASE NAME: Estate of Denny C. Leon aka Denny Leon

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from September 25, 2025 for Status of Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge.

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

1. No Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge submitted. Probate Code §12250.
2. A Declaration Regarding Discharge Hearing filed on December 24, 2025.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:

No appearance required. Recommend setting a Review Hearing for the Status of Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge for Thursday, May 14, 2026 at 8:30 AM in CR12.

(End of Probate Notes)