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, October 29, 2026
TIME: 9:00 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#: 22PR-00255

CASE NAME: Estate of George William Foxworthy, Jr.

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:
Continued from September 17, 2026 for Status of Closing the Estate.

THE CONTINUING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:
1. No Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge submitted to Court. Prob §12250.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:
Appearance required.

CASE#: 26PR-00199

CASE NAME: In Re: The Margaret Locke Living Trust Dated August 27, 2018 – Restatement dated June 14, 2022

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THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:
Continued from 09/10/26 at Trustee's Request in order to file Objection(s) and Response to Petition To Compel Trustee To Account And To Report Information; Removal Of Trustee And Appointment Of Successor Trustee; Immediate Suspension Of Trustee And Temporary Restraining Order Preserving Trust Assets; and Surcharge And Damages For Breach Of Trust.

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

1. No Objections or Response filed by Trustee.
2. Contested probate proceedings are heard only in the Court in Merced. Merced Local Rules of Court, Rule 1.H.1.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:
Appearance required. Counsel to update the Court regarding possible resolution.

End of Probate Notes