

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](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.

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: Jennifer O. Trimble

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DATE: Tuesday, April 14, 2026  
TIME: 9:00 AM & 1:30 PM  
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#:** 23PR-00128

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

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

Continued from March 17, 2026 for 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. None.

**PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

Appearance required.

**CASE#:** 25PR-00371

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Garry Kay Evans

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

Continued from October 27, 2025 for Status of Inventory and Appraisal

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

1. Clarification why Petition for Probate listed Decedent's real property valued at \$188,000, but Inventory and Appraisal shows Estate property worth \$10.00.

**PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

Appearance required.

**1:30 PM PROBATE CALENDAR**

**CASE#:** 26PR-00011

**CASE NAME:** In re Petition of Victoria Ortega

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

Continued from February 10, 2026 for Proof of Annuity Purchased for Minor.

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

Declaration of Attorney re Annuity filed on February 27, 2026.

**PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Appearance required.

(End of Probate Notes)