

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

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: James LaPorte

DATE: Thursday, June 27, 2024
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#: 21PR-00216

CASE NAME: Guardianship of Luis Mendoza Rodriguez

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Continued from May 29, 2024 re: Order to Show Cause re: Discharge of Guardian of the Estate

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

1. Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge (GC-395) has not been submitted as ordered by the Court on January 3, 2024.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Appearance required.

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CASE#: 22PR-00348

CASE NAME: Estate of Jose Luis Ochoa

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Petition on Waiver of Account and Report of Administrator, and Petition for Final Distribution

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

1. Disclaimers of Interest have not been submitted by the heirs Elizabeth Catano Waddel and Maria Jesus Catano. Prob Code §§275, 278, 11604(b)
2. Notice of the Petition and Hearing has not been provided to all heirs. Prob Code §§ 11601, 1220
3. Vehicles were transferred to the administrator prior to the expiration of the time for filing of claims. Prob Code §10520
4. The Administrator did not obtain the Court's permission to transfer all estate assets to himself as a final distribution. Prob Code §10501

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Appearance required.

CASE#: 24PR-00131

CASE NAME: In the Matter of the Grace Fountain Trust, UTD August 23, 1979

THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:

Petition for Appointment of Successor Trustee

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

1. A copy of the original trust instrument has not been provided.

PROBATE EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Appearance required.

(End of Tentative Rulings)