

Tentative Rulings for May 14, 2026, Probate Calendar

Judge James T. Chou
Department C

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Judge James T. Chou
Department C
9:00 Calendar

PR000038 IN THE MATTER OF BRADFORD E. THOMSON

Petition for Probate of Will and for Letters Testamentary, filed by Lesley L. Bautista on 9/29/25.

Ruling. **The parties are ordered to appear.**

PR000040 IN THE MATTER OF MARY LOUISE PORTER 2006 TRUST

Verified Petition to Compel Account; for Removal and Surcharge of Trustee Dolores Johnson, filed by Kim Southwell on 7/25/23.

Ruling. **The parties are ordered to appear.**

PR0000362 IN THE MATTER OF MICHAEL LAWLOR HOGAN

First and Final Report of Administrator on Waiver of Account; Petition for Allowance of Remaining Statutory Compensation to Attorneys and for Final Distribution, filed by Molly Mason on 4/9/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing**. **Petitioner is ordered to:**

1. Submit a proposed Order to the Court, no later than five court days from the date of this hearing; and
2. Comply with the following future dates:
 - a. Final Inventory and Appraisal.
 - i. A status hearing for the filing of the Final Inventory and Appraisal shall be set on September 17, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (Prob. Code, § 8800.)
 - ii. An appearance will be required on that date if the Final Inventory and Appraisal is not filed at least five court days prior to hearing. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)
 - b. Status on Closing Estate.
 - i. Either: (1) a Petition for Final Distribution; or (2) a Report on Status of Administration shall be filed by May 13, 2027, as required by Probate Code sections 12200 and 12201.
 - ii. A status hearing re filing the Petition or Report shall be set on June 3, 2027, at 10:00 a.m.

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1. If neither document has been timely filed, an appearance will be required.
2. If the Petition or Report is timely filed, the hearing will be set on June 3, 2027, at 9:00 a.m.

PR0000431 IN THE MATTER OF LYNELL WHEELLOCK

Verified First Amended Fourth Report of Status of Administration, filed by Forbe L. Myers on 4/8/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, the Report of Status of Administration is **accepted and approved**.

Personal Representative is ordered to comply with the following future dates:

1. Status on Closing Estate.
 - a. Either: (1) a Petition for Final Distribution; or (2) a Report of Status of Administration shall be filed by June 11, 2026, as required by Probate Code sections 12200-12201.
 - b. A status hearing re filing the Petition or Report shall be set on July 2, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.
 - i. If neither document has been timely filed, an appearance will be required.
 - ii. If the Petition or Report is timely filed, the hearing will be set on July 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

PR0000451 IN THE MATTER OF JOSEPH A. ARMEL

Verified Report of Status and Petition for Additional Time for Estate Administration, filed by Joshua Armel on 3/17/26.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to June 11, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Petitioner is ordered to:**

1. Mail notice to all interested parties using the mandatory Judicial Council Form “Notice of Hearing – Decedent’s Estate or Trust” with the box checked in Item 1 stating this is a report of status of administration. (Judicial Council Forms, form DE-120.)
2. File a copy of the DE-120 that was mailed, with the Proof of Service completed on page 2 showing that all interested parties received at least fifteen days’ notice of the Report of Status of Administration. (Prob. C. § 12201(b).) The Proof of Service must be filed at least five court days prior to hearing. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)

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PR0000724 IN THE MATTER OF ALI NAZARI

Petition for First and Final Report and Account of Administrator; for Settlement Thereof; for Final Distribution; for Allowance of Ordinary Compensation to Administrator and Attorney for Administrator; and for Distribution of Minor's Share to Trust or, in the Alternative, to a Blocked Account, filed by Leah Joy Maurer Nazari on 4/16/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be granted with the minor's share to be distributed to a blocked account.

1. **Petitioner is ordered to** submit to the Court, no later than five court days from the date of this hearing, an order to establish blocked account on the mandatory Judicial Council form "Order to Deposit Funds in Blocked Account" to be signed in addition to the Order granting this Petition. (Judicial Council Forms, form MC-355.)
3. A **status hearing** to confirm filing of the mandatory Judicial Council form "Acknowledgment of Receipt of Order and Funds for Deposit in Blocked Account" is set for July 14, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (Judicial Council Forms, form MC-356.) The completed form must be filed at least five court days prior to hearing. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)

PR0000789 IN THE MATTER OF ISIDORE E. NATSIOS

Petition for Termination of Proceedings and for Discharge of Personal Representative, filed by Emmanuel Natsios on 4/16/26.

Ruling. It appearing to the Court that there is property belonging to the Estate and that such property was improperly distributed without prior Court authorization, the Petition is **denied**. (Prob. Code, § 12251.) Petitioner is **directed** to file a new petition for final distribution and request appropriate relief in light of the factual posture of the case.

PR0001000 IN THE MATTER OF ALISON ANNE VON LACKUM

Petition for: (1) Final Account and Report; (2) Waiver of Accounting; (3) Payment of Statutory Fees; (4) and Final Distribution, filed by Evan Von Lackum on 3/11/26.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to June 11, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.** to address the following issues:

1. It is not clear whether notice was provided to all interested parties pursuant to Probate Code section 9202.
2. Petitioner requests an increased statutory fee based on gains and receipts to the Estate. When an accounting is waived, the statutory fee base does not include receipts to the Estate unless the Petitioner provides detailed schedules of receipts, gains, and losses (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.550(b)(6) and 7.705(b)). The statutory fee in this Estate totals \$8,838.08 unless such schedules are provided in an Amendment to Petition.

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Petitioner is **ordered to file either:**

1. A Supplement to Petition that provides the following information:
 - a. Was Decedent the surviving spouse of a person who received the health care described in Probate Code section 9202, subd. (a)?
 - b. Was notice to the California Victim Compensation Board required pursuant to Probate Code section 9202, subd. (b)?
 - c. Was notice provided to the Franchise Tax Board as required by Probate Code section 9202, subd. (c)(1)?

OR

2. An Amendment to Petition that:
 - a. Provides all of the above information; and
 - b. Provides detailed schedules of receipts, gains, and losses.
(Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.3(4).)

If Petitioner files an Amendment to Petition, he must also file Proof of Service confirming that at least fifteen days' notice of the Amendment was provided to all interested parties on the mandatory Judicial Council Form "Notice of Hearing – Decedent's Estate or Trust." (Judicial Council Forms, form DE-120; Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.53(a).)

PR0001010 IN THE MATTER OF ELEANOR C. CRISWELL

Petition for Probate of Lost Will and for Letters Testamentary, filed by Ronald C. Stone on 4/6/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing.**

PR0001068 IN THE MATTER OF JUDITH ANNE BRISCOE

Petition for Final Distribution on Waiver of All Accounts and Report of Executor and for Allowance of Statutory Fees to Executor and for Allowance of Statutory Fees and Reimbursement of Costs Advanced to Attorney, filed by Megan Clark on 1/20/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing.**

PR0001107 IN THE MATTER OF APRIL MINXIE XIE

Report of Status of Administration of Estate, filed by John Yi Wang on 3/24/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, the Report of Status of Administration is **accepted and approved. Personal Representative is ordered to:**

1. Submit a proposed Order to the Court, no later than five court days from the date of this hearing; and
2. Comply with the following future dates:
 - a. Status on Closing Estate.

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- i. Either: (1) a Petition for Final Distribution; or (2) a Report of Status of Administration shall be filed by September 30, 2026, as required by Probate Code sections 12200-12201.
- ii. A status hearing re filing the Petition or Report shall be set on October 22, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.
 1. If neither document has been timely filed, an appearance will be required.
 2. If the Petition or Report is timely filed, the hearing will be set on October 22, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

PR0001175 IN THE MATTER OF SHERMAN RONALD KELL

Report of Co-Administrators on Status of Estate Administration Request for Extension of Time, filed by Abigail K. Sutcliffe and Oliver Kell on 5/8/26.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to June 11, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.** The Report of Status of Administration was not filed by April 23, 2026, as ordered on 4/17/25; additional time for proper notice is required. In addition, the following issues must be addressed: (1) The Report of Status was not signed by Co-Administrator Abigail Sutcliffe; and (2) the request for preliminary distribution of the boat was not included in the caption to the Petition.

Petitioners are ordered to file the following no later than five Court days prior to hearing. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)

1. A Supplement to Petition that includes Ms. Sutcliffe’s signature to the Report of Status; and
2. Proof of Service confirming that at least fifteen days’ notice of the Report of Status, including the request for preliminary distribution of the boat, was provided to all interested parties on the mandatory Judicial Council Form “Notice of Hearing – Decedent’s Estate or Trust” with the box checked in Item 1 stating this is a report of status of administration. (Judicial Council Forms, form DE-120.)

PR0001216 IN THE MATTER OF RUTH ELIZABETH WEST

First and Final Account, and Report of Executor and Petition for Statutory Compensation and for Final Distribution, filed by Kim Schwarcz on 2/10/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing.**

PR0001306 IN THE MATTER OF ARMEKA THEOPHILUS JACKSON, JR.

Petition for Final Distribution, on Waiver of Account, First and Final Report, filed by Yvonne Janine Goodrich on 3/19/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing.**

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PR0001352 IN THE MATTER OF THEODORE C. McMECHEN.

Petition for Letters of Administration, filed by Mark A. Walther on 2/24/26.

Ruling. The parties are ordered to appear.

If this Petition is granted, **Petitioner is ordered to** comply with the following future dates:

1. Final Inventory and Appraisal.
 - a. A status hearing for the filing of the Final Inventory and Appraisal shall be set on September 24, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (Prob. Code, § 8800.)
 - b. An appearance will be required on that date if the Final Inventory and Appraisal is not filed at least five court days prior to hearing. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)
2. Status on Closing Estate.
 - a. Either: (1) a Petition for Final Distribution; or (2) a Report on Status of Administration shall be filed by May 13, 2027, as required by Probate Code sections 12200 and 12201.
 - b. A status hearing re filing the Petition or Report shall be set on June 3, 2027, at 10:00 a.m.
 - i. If neither document has been timely filed, an appearance will be required.
 - ii. If the Petition or Report is timely filed, the hearing will be set on June 3, 2027, at 9:00 a.m.

PR0001404 IN THE MATTER OF JAY DEE WARK CREDIT SHELTER TRUST

Petition for (1) Construction of Trust and (2) Order Voiding Trustor's Purported Exercise of Power of Appointment, filed by Jana Wark Maloney on 8/8/25.

Ruling. The parties are ordered to appear.

PR0001421 IN THE MATTER OF JEAN M. KONTE

Petition for Final Distribution on Waiver of Account and for Allowance of Attorney Statutory Fees, filed by Joseph Konte on 2/26/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing.**

PR0001574 IN THE MATTER OF GOLDSTEIN FAMILY 2012 TRUST

Petition to Instruct, Surcharge, Remove, and Suspend Trustee Mark Goldstein; to Compel Trustee to Account; to Confirm Powers of Co-Trustee; and to Appoint Successor Trustee, filed by Jack Goldstein and Athena Goldstein on 12/2/25.

Ruling. The parties are ordered to appear.

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PR0001638 IN THE MATTER OF THERESA SHIFS

Petition for an Order Determining Inheritance Rights, filed by Rachael Clasen and Dominique Shifs Owens on 3/23/26.

Ruling. Under Probate Code section 6402.5, this Petition is denied.

PR0001682 IN THE MATTER OF ROBERT B. LEVINE LIVING TRUST

Petition to Confirm Assets to a Trust, filed by Andrew C. Levine on 2/26/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing.**

PR0001692 IN THE MATTER OF THADDEUS MCDANIEL SUPPLEMENTAL NEEDS TRUST

Petition to Approve First Account and Report of Trustee from 12/1/24 through 11/30/25, to Confirm Trustee's Fees, and to Approve Attorneys' Fees, filed by Inspire Trust Company, N.A. on 3/2/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, the First Account and Report of Trustee will be **granted without hearing. Trustee is ordered to comply with the following future dates:**

1. Trustee's Second Account and Report for the period 12/1/25 – 11/30/27 shall be filed by **March 16, 2028.**
2. A status hearing re filing the Second Account and Report shall be set on **April 27, 2028, at 10:00 a.m.**
 - a. If the Second Account and Report is not timely filed, an appearance will be required.
 - b. If the Second Account and Report is timely filed, the hearing will be set on **April 27, 2028, at 9:00 a.m.**

PR0001711 IN THE MATTER OF FREDERICK CHARLES RAVANI, JR.

Petition for Letters of Administration, filed by Sharon Lynn Ravani on 3/16/26.

Ruling. The parties are ordered to appear.

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**PR0001719 IN THE MATTER OF KENNETH A. FRANCESCHI AND BARBARA A. FRANCESCHI
REVOCABLE INTER VIVO TRUST**

Verified Petition for Modification of the Trust by Removing the Bypass Trust and Distributing All Trust Assets to the Survivor's Trust Based on (1) Consent or (2) in the Alternative, Changed Circumstances, filed by Barbara A. Franceschi on 3/13/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing**. **Petitioner is ordered to** submit a proposed Order to the Court, no later than five court days from the date of this hearing.

PR0001720 IN THE MATTER OF JOHNSON W. REYNOLDS

Petition for Letters Testamentary, filed by Danielle L. Sears on 3/16/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing**. Petitioner is **ordered to comply** with the following future dates:

1. Final Inventory and Appraisal.
 - a. A status hearing for the filing of the Final Inventory and Appraisal shall be set on September 24, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (Prob. Code, § 8800.)
 - b. An appearance will be required on that date if the Final Inventory and Appraisal is not filed at least five court days prior to hearing. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)
2. Status on Closing Estate.
 - a. Either: (1) a Petition for Final Distribution; or (2) a Report on Status of Administration shall be filed by May 13, 2027, as required by Probate Code sections 12200 and 12201.
 - b. A status hearing re filing the Petition or Report shall be set on June 3, 2027, at 10:00 a.m.
 - i. If neither document has been timely filed, an appearance will be required.
 - ii. If the Petition or Report is timely filed, the hearing will be set on June 3, 2027, at 9:00 a.m.

PR0001725 IN THE MATTER OF MARTHA PETRINI

Verified Petition for: (1) Immediate Suspension and Permanent Removal of Martino Petrini as Co-Trustee/Trustee; (2) an Order Compelling Martino Petrini to Surrender Trust Property Pending Removal; (3) an Order for Payment from Trust to Petitioner of Attorney's Fees and Costs Incurred; and, (4) Instructions that Martino Petrini Not Use Trust Funds to Advance His Personal Beneficial Interest, filed by Martha Petrini on 3/16/26.

Ruling. **The parties are ordered to appear.**

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PR0001727 IN THE MATTER OF MARTHA LAVEARN GRANT

Petition for Letters of Administration, filed by Monique S. Johnson on 3/23/26.

Ruling. Petitioner is **ordered to appear** to explain why she has not complied with this Court’s April 16, 2026, order and why her petition should not be dismissed.

PR0001731 IN THE MATTER OF CRAIG ALAN RAMINI

Petition for Letters of Administration, filed by Audrey Jameson Hitchcock on 3/24/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing**. Petitioner is **ordered to:**

1. Submit a proposed Order to the Court, no later than five court days from the date of this hearing; and
2. **Comply** with the following future dates:
 - a. Final Inventory and Appraisal.
 - i. A status hearing for the filing of the Final Inventory and Appraisal shall be set on September 24, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (Prob. Code, § 8800.)
 - ii. An appearance will be required on that date if the Final Inventory and Appraisal is not filed at least five court days prior to hearing. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)
 - b. Status on Closing Estate.
 - i. Either: (1) a Petition for Final Distribution; or (2) a Report on Status of Administration shall be filed by May 13, 2027, as required by Probate Code sections 12200 and 12201.
 - ii. A status hearing re filing the Petition or Report shall be set on June 3, 2027, at 10:00 a.m.
 1. If neither document has been timely filed, an appearance will be required.
 2. If the Petition or Report is timely filed, the hearing will be set on June 3, 2027, at 9:00 a.m.

PR0001733 IN THE MATTER OF PETER LAD TALLO

Petition for Letters of Administration, filed by Peter Saiga Tallo on 3/25/26.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to June 11, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.** Petitioner is **ordered to file** Proof of Service showing that all interested parties received at least fifteen days’ notice of the Petition on the mandatory form “Notice of Petition to Administer Estate.” (Judicial Council Forms, form DE-121; Prob. Code, § 8110.)

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PR0001761 IN THE MATTER OF CHARLES ANDREW KEPPEL

Petition for Letters of Administration, filed by Joshua Bernard Keppel on 5/14/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing**. Petitioner is **ordered to comply** with the following future dates:

1. Final Inventory and Appraisal.
 - a. A status hearing for the filing of the Final Inventory and Appraisal shall be set on September 24, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (Prob. Code, § 8800.)
 - b. An appearance will be required on that date if the Final Inventory and Appraisal is not filed at least five court days prior to hearing. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)
2. Status on Closing Estate.
 - a. Either: (1) a Petition for Final Distribution; or (2) a Report on Status of Administration shall be filed by May 13, 2027, as required by Probate Code sections 12200 and 12201.
 - b. A status hearing re filing the Petition or Report shall be set on June 3, 2027, at 10:00 a.m.
 - i. If neither document has been timely filed, an appearance will be required.
 - ii. If the Petition or Report is timely filed, the hearing will be set on June 3, 2027, at 9:00 a.m.

PRO1401401 LILYON BLANCHE TONKOFF, ESTATE OF

Fifth and Final Account and Report of Trustee of Testamentary Trust; Petition for Approval and Settlement of Fifth Account, for Allowance of Trustee's Fees and Her Attorney's Fees, for Final Distribution, for Retention of Reserve, and for Decrease of Bond, filed by Kim Schwarcz on 3/24/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing**.

PRO1702992 IN THE MATTER OF DONALD PERRY RESIDUAL TRUST

Verified Petition for Approval of the Fourth and Final Account and Final Distribution of the Donald Perry Residual Trust, filed by Joan E. Perry on 3/2/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this matter will be **continued to July 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.** pursuant to the Motion to Continue Hearing filed by Joan E. Perry on 5/7/26.

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PRO2000572 IN RE THE SIMMONS FAMILY TRUST, TRUST OF

Verified Petition for Approval of 2025 Account and Distribution for Norma H. Simmons Survivor's Trust; Allowance of Fees to Successor Trustee and Successor Trustee's Attorney; Reduction of Bond Amount; and Termination of Bond and Discharge of Successor Trustee Upon Dissolution of Trust, filed by Kim Schwarcz on 12/11/25.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing.**

PRO2003455 IN RE THE PATRICIA CORNELL TRUST DATED NOVEMBER 16, 1993, TRUST OF

Motion for an Emergency Stay, filed by Patricia M. Cornell on 12/10/25.

Ruling. Patricia Cornell's motion for Emergency Stay is **denied as moot. Additionally, the motion is denied** in light of Patricia Cornell's January 15, 2026, request to withdraw her request for emergency stay.

PRO2301317 IN THE MATTER OF KIN MING LAM, ESTATE OF

First and Final Report of Executor on Waiver of Account and Petition for Its Approval; Petition for Reimbursement of Estate Tax, Penalties, and Interest; Petition for Allowance of Statutory Compensation to Attorneys and Attorneys' Costs; Petition to Retain Reserve for Closing Costs; Petition to Reduce Bond; and Petition for Final Distribution, filed by Bing Chiu Chow on 4/24/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing.**

Judge James T. Chou

Department C 10:00 Calendar

PR000190 IN THE MATTER OF CATHERINE EBERHARD JACOBSON

Status Conference –Petition for Final Distribution or Report on Status of Administration.

Ruling. Petitioner is **ordered** to serve his declaration on all interested parties and provide them with notice of the 11/12/26 appearance. Petition is **directed** that for any future filings he must file proof of service that notice was mailed to all interested parties using the mandatory Judicial Council Form “Notice of Hearing – Decedent’s Estate or Trust” with the box checked in Item 1 stating this is a report of status of administration. (Judicial Council Forms, form DE-120.)

PR0001328 IN THE MATTER OF JEANNE C. MAHON

Status Conference – Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal.

Ruling. Personal representative and counsel are **ordered to appear**.

PR0001437 IN THE MATTER OF RICHARD ROY LOWRY

Status Conference – Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal.

Ruling. Personal representative and counsel are **ordered to appear**; the Court notes that a Partial Inventory and Appraisal has been filed.

PR0001486 IN THE MATTER OF MOHAMMAD RIZWAN

1. Status Conference – Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal.
2. Order – Show Cause – Sanctions

Ruling. In light of the declaration filed by attorney Huma J. Ellahie, the Order to Show Cause is **discharged** with no sanctions imposed. This matter is **continued to July 30, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.** for the filing of a Final Inventory and Appraisal.

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PR0001551 IN THE MATTER OF HUGH C. SCOTT

1. Status Conference – Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal.
2. Order – Show Cause – Sanctions

Ruling. In light of the filing of the Final Inventory and appraisal and the declaration of attorney Paul LaMartina, the Order to Show Cause is **discharged** with no sanctions imposed. This matter is now **confirmed for status hearing on January 14, 2027, at 10:00 a.m.** for the filing of a Petition for Final Distribution or Report on Status of Administration.

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Judge James T. Chou
Department C
1:30 Calendar

PR0001331 IN THE MATTER OF JULIE YOUNG

1. Order to Show Cause as to why Mr. Addy should not be held in contempt, and why a body attachment warrant should not issue, for Mr. Addy's failure to appear on 1/15/26 and failure to comply with the citation issued.
2. Status Conference.

Ruling. **The parties are ordered to appear.**

PR0001423 IN THE MATTER OF ELLIE BELL WALKER

- 1) Status Conference – Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal.
- 2) Order – Show Cause – Sanctions.

Ruling. The parties are **ordered to appear** to address the failure to comply with the Courts 3/26/26 order and to address the failure to appear on 4/23/26.

PR0001689 IN THE MATTER OF GIA JADE GREENBERG

Petition for Appointment of Limited Probate Conservator of the Person, filed by Sally G. Greenberg and Jay H. Greenberg on 3/4/26.

Ruling. **The parties are ordered to appear.**

If the Petition is granted, Conservator is **ordered to comply** with the following future dates:

1. Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan.
 - a. A status hearing for the filing of the mandatory Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan shall be set on **September 17, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.** (Judicial Council Forms, forms DE-355 and DE-356.)
 - b. An appearance will be required on that date if the Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan is not filed at least five court days prior to the hearing.

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PR0001690 IN THE MATER OF JOSHUA D. MURPHY-LOWE

Petition for Appointment of Limited Probate Conservator of the Person, filed by David Lowe and Steven Murphy on 5/14/26.

Ruling. The parties are ordered to appear.

If the Petition is granted, Conservator is **ordered to comply** with the following future dates:

1. Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan.
 - a. A status hearing for the filing of the mandatory Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan shall be set on **September 17, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.** (Judicial Council Forms, forms DE-355 and DE-356.)
 - b. An appearance will be required on that date if the Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan is not filed at least five court days prior to the hearing.

PR0001696 IN THE MATTER OF VIOLET MILAY WALTERS MCMANUS

Petition for Appointment of Limited Probate Conservator of the Person, filed by Julie M. Walters and Matthew B. McManus on 3/3/26.

Ruling. The parties are ordered to appear.

If the Petition is granted, Conservator is **ordered to comply** with the following future dates:

1. Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan.
 - a. A status hearing for the filing of the mandatory Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan shall be set on **September 17, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.** (Judicial Council Forms, forms DE-355 and DE-356.)
 - b. An appearance will be required on that date if the Confidential Conservatorship Care Plan is not filed at least five court days prior to the hearing.

PRO080327 IN THE MATTER OF DEVLIN MOBLEY ZIEGENHAGEN

First Account and Report of Successor Limited Conservator and Petition for Its Settlement, and for Allowance of Successor Limited Conservator's Commission, filed by Marin County Public Guardian on 4/9/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing. Conservator is **ordered to comply** with the following future dates:**

1. Second Account.
 - a. Conservator is to file the Second Account for the period 1/23/26 – 1/22/28 by March 23, 2028.
 - b. A hearing shall be set for May 4, 2028, at 1:30 for either:
 - i. Hearing on the Second Account; or
 - ii. Explanation as to why it was not timely filed.

PLEASE NOTE: Probate cases that are designated as confidential by California law will not be posted online. For tentative rulings in those matters, please contact the judicial secretary at [\(415\) 444-7260](tel:4154447260).

Third Account Current and Report of Conservator of the Estate for Period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025; and Petition for Increase in Bond, filed by Karen Hanley on 3/5/26.

Ruling. Absent objections, this Petition will be **granted without hearing**. Conservator is **ordered to comply** with the following future dates:

1. Fourth Account.
 - a. Conservator is to file the Fourth Account for the period 1/1/26 – 12/31/27 by February 17, 2028.
 - b. A hearing shall be set for March 30, 2028, at 1:30 for either:
 - i. Hearing on the Second Account; or
 - ii. Explanation as to why it was not timely filed.
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