

Tentative Rulings for September 10, 2026, Probate Calendar

Judge James T. Chou
Department C

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Any interested party who wishes to appear for oral argument on the tentative ruling **must do the following no later than 4:00 PM** one Court day prior to the scheduled hearing date (MCR 6.2.D):

1. Notify all other parties entitled to notice of the underlying petition, including the attorneys for represented parties; and
2. Advise the clerk’s office by leaving a message at **(415) 444-7046, option 5.**

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9:00 Calendar

PR0000476 IN THE MATTER OF CLARA BULLOCK

First and Final Account and Report of Personal Representative and for Allowance of Statutory Fees to Personal Representation and Attorney for Personal Representative, and for Final Distribution, filed by Bishlam Bullock on 7/9/26.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to October 1, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.**, for compliance with this Court's August 13, 2026, order.

PR0000634 IN THE MATTER OF THE RICHARD L. BIEGEL REVOCABLE TRUST, DATED OCTOBER 11, 1994

Amended Petition (1) to Enforce Settlement; (2) for Breach of Fiduciary Duty; (3) for Order Compelling Disclosure of Information; and (4) for Instructions Regarding Income Distributions, filed by Ruth W. Biegel on 8/7/26.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to September 24, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.**

PR0001110 IN THE MATTER OF NEIL ALAN ESKIND

First and Final Account and Report of Administrator and Petition for Its Settlement, for Allowance of Administrator's Commission and for Extraordinary Fees Under Probate Code § 10801, for Attorney's Fees for Ordinary Services, and for Final Distribution, filed by Marin County Public Administrator on 8/13/26.

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

PR0001278 IN THE MATTER OF RUTH KATHLEEN McCREIGHT

1. Motion to Be Relieved as Counsel, filed by Amy Harrington on 4/15/26.
2. Status Conference - Filing of Report of Status of Administration or Petition for Final Distribution.

Ruling. These matters are **continued to September 17, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.**

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PR0001324 IN THE MATTER OF PAUL A. BRAININ

Report on Status of Administration of Estate of Paul A. Brainin, filed by Mary Shawn Callan on 8/25/26.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to October 8, 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.)
3. **Submit** a proposed Order to the Court. (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(C), Submission of Proposed Orders.)
4. The documents must be filed/submitted at least **five court days prior to hearing.** (Super. Ct. Marin County, Local Rules, rule 6.2(b), Filing, Hearing, and Continuance Procedures.)

PR0001677 IN THE MATTER OF ALEXANDER DABIZA

Status Report and Request to Continue Status Conference Re: Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal, filed by Mary Alex Dabiza on 9/2/26.

Ruling. Pursuant to the 9/2/26 Status Report and Request, the status hearing for the filing of the Final Inventory and Appraisal is continued to **November 5, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.** 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.)

PR0001821 IN THE MATTER OF FRANKLIN C. WILSON 2024 TRUST DATED APRIL 29, 2024

Petition for Order Confirming Trust Assets, filed by Elizabeth Wilson Peer on 5/21/26.

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

**PR0001846 IN THE MATTER OF YICK QUONG AND MILDRED FONG LIVING TRUST DATED
NOVEMBER 14, 2006**

Petition for Order Confirming Trust’s Title to Real Property, filed by Glenn Fong on 6/9/26.

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

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10:00 Calendar

PR0000429 IN THE MATTER OF LOIS A. MEREDITH

Status Conference - Filing of Report of Status of Administration or Petition for Final Distribution.

Ruling. Personal representative Bernadette Lorda, and attorney Miranda Dressler are **ordered to appear**.

PR0001625 IN THE MATTER OF EMIL A. TANAGHO

1. Status Conference - Filing of Report of Status of Administration or Petition for Final Distribution.
2. OSC – Why attorney John Wm. Bryant and Mona F. Tanagho failed to appear on 5/28/26.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to September 17, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**

**PR0001625 IN THE MATTER OF THE EMIL A. TANAGHO AND MONA F. TANAGHO FAMILY TRUST
DATED APRIL 19, 2029**

Status Conference.

Ruling. This matter is **continued to September 17, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**

PR0001409 IN THE MATTER OF KING ARTHUR HARRINGTON, JR.

Status Conference - Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal

Ruling. Pursuant to the 9/4/26 Status Conference Statement, the status hearing for the filing of the Final Inventory and Appraisal is continued to **December 3, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.** 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.)

PR0001688 IN THE MATTER OF ANTHONY ROBERT DAWSON

Status Conference - Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal

Ruling. This matter is ordered **off calendar**; the Final Inventory and Appraisal has been filed.

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PR0001710 IN THE MATTER OF PAUL KRAUS

Status Conference - Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal

Ruling. Personal representative Anne F. Smith and attorney Nancy C. Field are **ordered to appear**. The Court notes that a Partial Inventory and Appraisal has been filed.

PR0001735 IN THE MATTER OF JOHN CLARENCE HENSLEY

Status Conference - Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal

Ruling. This matter is ordered **off calendar**; the Final Inventory and Appraisal has been filed.

PR0001737 IN THE MATTER OF MARJORIE NELL KERR

Status Conference - Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal

Ruling. Personal representative William Forbes and attorney Amir S. Sarreshtehdary are **ordered to appear**.

PR0001742 IN THE MATTER OF DANIEL EDWARD CROSS

Status Conference - Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal

Ruling. This matter is ordered **off calendar**; the Final Inventory and Appraisal has been filed.

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Status Conference - Filing of Final Inventory and Appraisal

Ruling. This matter is **continued to October 8, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.** Personal representative is ordered to file a Final Inventory and Appraisal that reports the escheated assets in the manner set forth in the **Probate Referee Guide issued by the California Probate Referees' Association:**

"ASSETS WHICH HAVE ESCHATED TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

"Any assets which have escheated to the State of California should be reported on the Inventory & Appraisal on the schedule as would be appropriate before the escheatment occurred. For example, a cash bank account would have been reported on Attachment #1 before the escheatment and should be reported as an Attachment #1 asset on the Inventory. Similarly, a stock asset would have been

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reported on Attachment #2 before the escheatment and should be reported as an Attachment #2 asset on the Inventory.”

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1:30 Calendar

PR0000726 IN THE MATTER OF CAMERON CHARLES FLAHIVE AND ELLA MARGARET FLAHIVE

First Account and Report of Guardian; Petition to Approve Accounting; for Allowance of Fees to Guardian's Attorneys, filed by Valerie Flahive on 8/18/26.

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

1. Guardian's Second Account and Report for the period 12/12/25 – 12/11/27 shall be filed by **February 24, 2028.**
2. A status hearing re filing the Second Account and Report shall be set on **March 16, 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 **March 16, 2028, at 9:00 a.m.**

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