Placer County Superior Court
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PROBATE CALENDAR NOTES
November 17, 2026, 8:30 AM, Department 2
101 Maple Street, Auburn

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NOTICE: CHANGE OF CALENDAR DAY

Beginning the week of November 2, 2026, the Probate Calendar will be heard <u>Tuesdays</u>, 8:30 a.m., in Department 2, located at the Historic Courthouse, 101 Maple Street, Auburn. Already scheduled hearings will be moved by the clerk and notices will be sent to petitioners.

These calendar notes are provided pursuant to Local Rule 80.1.4 for the probate calendar set for hearing **November 17, 2026, 8:30 AM, in Department 2**, the Hon. Glenn M. Holley, presiding.

Pursuant to Local Rule 80.1.4, these calendar notes are **<u>not</u>** a tentative ruling on the merits of any matter before the court. Remote appearances are generally available for this calendar, as provided in the Local Rules. Local Rule 10.24(G), governing remote appearances for most probate, conservatorship, and guardianship cases applies to this calendar.

Updated notes may be posted at any time and will generally be updated prior to the hearing. Staff may respond to limited questions concerning calendar notes; however, court staff may not give legal advice to parties or attorneys. Messages may be left for the Office of Legal Research at (916) 408-6119.

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1. S-PR-0011178 In Re the Estate of Kripp, June Lorraine

Missing proof of service of notice and motion to be relieved as counsel of record.

2. S-PR-0011185 In Re the Estate of Utter, Joshua Randall

Missing sufficient notice of hearing. Notice of hearing filed July 8 was for a November 16 hearing date. By order dated October 6, the court rescheduled this matter to be heard November 17. No notice was filed or served for the November 17 hearing date.

Clarification is needed as to the requested reserve amount. The requested reserve appears to be excessive in light of the property on hand, sole distributee, etc.

Clarification is needed: account shows numerous cash withdrawals without explanation as to use of funds.

Clarification is needed: account shows gym membership for several months after decedent's death, without explanation.

3. S-PR-0011427 In Re the Estate of Zernovoj, Andrew Phillip

Petition for final distribution is recommended for approval as prayed.

4. S-PR-0011607 In Re the Estate of White, Patricia Ann

Missing sufficient notice of hearing. Notice of hearing filed July 7 was for a November 16 hearing date. By order dated October 6, the court rescheduled this matter to be heard November 17. No notice was filed or served for the November 17 hearing date.

Missing sufficient notice of hearing. Notice of hearing filed July 7 omits the required address of Department 2 (Historic Courthouse, 101 Maple Street, Auburn).

Missing service of notice of hearing to Kent Meyer / Meyer Law Offices. C.R.C. 7.707.

Missing request to apportion attorney fees between current and former counsel. C.R.C. 7.707.

Missing identification of trustee(s) of devisee trust. Property cannot be distributed to a trust, but only to the trustee(s) of a trust.

Missing waiver(s) of account from any person. If executor and trustee are the same person, waiver(s) of account from trust beneficiaries are needed.

5. S-PR-0012104 In Re the Estate of Golemis, Denis

Clarification is needed: petition alleges that Rocklin creditor claim was "allowed rejected in full." Petition, Exhibit 2. A claim cannot be both allowed and rejected in full.

Missing inventory and appraisal. Inventory and appraisal has never been filed and is substantially overdue.

Clarification is needed: summary of account provided in the petition shows increase in property on hand by more than 100% during administration without explanation. Exhibits to the petition appear to show the estate holds only cash and securities; changes in market value of securities are not includable in fees calculations and are not includable in an account except as gains or losses on sale.

Clarification is needed: executor alleges that there have been no distributions (¶ 6(c)), but also that more than $141,000 was distributed from the estate (¶ 9; Schedule G). The court has not previously approved preliminary distribution of any estate assets; executor cites no authority to support any distributions. Note: pay-on-death transfers of property are non-probate transfers; any property subject to pay-on-death transfer is non-estate property and is not includable in the estate, the calculation of fees, etc.

Clarification is needed: various account statements attached to the petition appear to show assets titled in the name of trustee of decedent's trust. Trust assets are not includable in the estate, the calculation of fees, etc.

After resolution of the foregoing issues, recalculation of ordinary fees may be required.

Clarification is needed: ¶ 10 of the petition refers to marshaling trust assets, making trust gifts, distribution of the residue of a trust, etc. This is a decedent's estate proceeding, not a trust petition, report or account. The administration of the devisee trust (including its ability to make trust distributions) is not before the court. Clarification is needed as to the purpose of these allegations.

Additional allegations are needed: petitioner purports to waive account as trustee of the devisee trust. The petition also refers to USAA Federal Savings Bank as trustee. The trust does not name petitioner as a successor trustee (see Trust § 2.C). Allegations and points and authorities which establish when and how executor became successor trustee are needed.

Clarification is needed: petitioner alleges decedent died testate and the estate passes to a trust (¶¶ 1 & 19), but also that distribution is to be to "heirs at law, pursuant to the [l]aws of [i]ntestacy" (¶ 17). These allegations are in direct conflict with each other.

Missing waiver(s) of account from trust beneficiaries KVIE, National Museum of the USAF, Marina Spinos, Alexander Colemis, Spiro Spinos, Anthony Golemis, and Almaden AFS Historian. Where executor and trustee are the same person, it is recommended waivers of account be required from all trust beneficiaries.

6. S-PR-0012548 In Re the Estate of Cronin, Steven Timothy

Appearance is required for continued hearing on petition for final distribution.

Missing notice of hearing for petition for final distribution. Missing service of notice of hearing.

Clarification / revision is needed: the petition alleges an I&A was filed showing assets of $576,360. The revised I&A filed July 29, 2026, shows assets of $625,657.29, directly contrary to the allegations of the petition.

Missing waiver of estate account by personal representative of the estate of Patrick Cronin. Petitioners' LDA's declaration explaining that Patrick Cronin intended to disclaim his interest in the estate does not constitute a disclaimer; instead, it admits that Patrick Cronin did not execute a disclaimer. His beneficial interest vested upon decedent's death. Prob.C. § 7000. Waiver of account is required from a personal representative of his estate, or account is needed.

The court has previously disapproved of petitioners' unauthorized preliminary distributions. Note: no preliminary distribution was made to the estate of Patrick Cronin.

Proposed distribution (1/5 each to 5 surviving siblings) is contrary to law. Patrick Cronin's interest in the estate vest as of decedent's death and distribution to his estate or other successors is required. Prob.C. §§ 7000 & 11801 et seq. On the allegations of the petition, the estate distributes 1/6 each to decedent's surviving siblings and 1/6 to the estate of Patrick Cronin (or, if available, through disposition without administration to the successors of Patrick Cronin).

7. S-PR-0012604 In Re the 1997 William & Carolyn Ellis Rev Liv Trust

Petition re financial elder abuse, to determine invalidity of trust restatement, and for other relief

Appearance is required for continued hearing on petition re financial elder abuse, to determine invalidity of trust restatement, and for other relief.

Status hearing re discovery motions

Appearance is required for status hearing re discovery motions.

Current status is needed.

8. S-PR-0012932 In Re the Estate of Camacho, Hector Andres

Appearance is required for hearing on petition to determine estate property.

9. S-PR-0012948 In Re the Estate of McElvain, Christopher Shane

Petition for final distribution is recommended for approval as prayed.

10. S-PR-0013132 In Re the Estate of Haro, Christopher Stephen

Court determination is needed as to sufficiency of service of notice: administrator seeks to distribute portions of the estate to minor heirs, which requires they be directly served. Missing service to said heirs.

Missing sufficient report concerning each creditor claim. Administrator is required to state the resolution of each claim within the report, but has not done so. C.R.C. 7.403(5).

Court determination is needed as to request for extraordinary attorney fees. Administrator's request includes many actions that are not extraordinary in nature (preparation of the original petition and supporting documents; attending one court hearing; preparing a notice of hearing; arranging for publication of notice of hearing), but are standard and ordinary personal representative actions. Administrator's request includes unreasonable requested hours (3 hours to prepare and mail one notice of hearing; 25 hours to prepare the final report, account, and request for extraordinary fees). Administrator's request includes unnecessary work (preparation of an account where administrator alleges the final account was waived; see below). It is recommended the extraordinary fees request be reduced to $3,500.00.

Clarification is needed: administrator alleges a final account was prepared and approved by heirs and is attached to the petition, but also that "no final account . . . is presented." See Petition at ¶ 15. The petition includes an attachment entitled "Sch A Accounting of the Estate of Christopher Stephen Haro," which is not drawn in conformity with the requirements of Prob.C. § 1060–1064 and cannot be approved as presented. Administrator offers no legal points and authorities showing that Jeffrey Haro may waive an accounting for purported minor heirs.

Proposed distribution is contrary to law. Decedent is survived by 3 children, including petitioner, Elise Haro, and Jeffrey Haro. See Verified Supplement to Petition for Probate, filed February 20, 2025, ¶ 8. Each is entitled to a 1/3 distribution from the estate. Prob.C. § 6402(a). Administrator offers no points and authorities and makes no allegations supporting any distribution to a grandchild of decedent. Note that if distributions were to be ordered to minors, distribution would be required consistent with Prob.C. § 3413, such as to a guardian of the estate, a CUTMA custodian, etc.

These calendar notes are not a tentative ruling by the court on the merits of the petition. They are provided to assist the parties and the court to prepare for the hearing. Local Rule 80.1.4.

11. S-PR-0013225 In Re the Estate of Hill, Sharlyn D.

Petition for final distribution is recommended for approval as prayed.

12. S-PR-0013366 In Re the Estate of Slaughter, Christina P.

Renown Health claim was rejected July 28. Missing any statement by petitioners as to whether an action has been filed by Renown Health on the rejected claim.

Clarification is required. The petition for final distribution alleges the estate holds only $6,279.45. A later declaration by petitioners states that the estate holds $22,460.84 in cash (declaration filed September 29, 2026). The latter figure is approximately 350% of the original allegation, without explanation.

13. S-PR-0013472 In re the Estate of Tait, Michael Boyd

Clarification is needed: in the attached distribution agreement, decedent's surviving children purport to both assign their interests to petitioner (they "agree to distribution . . . of the estate" to her) and to disclaim their interests in the estate. Disclaimants cannot assign any disclaimed interest to another person. If petitioner asserts the agreement is a valid disclaimer, it is not a presumptively timely; disclaimants must show timeliness. Prob.C. § 279(a)–(b) & (f).

14. S-PR-0013670 In Re the John Lira Liv Trust

Appearance is required for hearing on petition for attorney fees and costs.

Missing notice of hearing. Missing service of notice of hearing.

The only authority cited by petitioner, Prob.C. § 15642(c), does not apply. Under that subdivision, removal of a Prob.C. § 21380 disqualified person may permit petitioner to recover attorney fees. See §§ 15642(c), 15642(b)(6) & 21380(a). However, Antovich was removed for breach of duty as trustee, not because she is a § 21380 disqualified person.

15. S-PR-0013721 In Re the Estate of Zanardelli, Virginia

Missing verification to petition for final distribution. Prob.C. § 1021.

Missing rejection or allowance of Antelope Hills Pest Control claim. After rejection (or, if claimant elects, deemed rejection), creditor is afforded 90 days to file an action on the rejected claim.

Missing any statement as to whether any action has been brought on the many rejected claims.

It is recommended the court deny approval of the unauthorized preliminary distributions. Preliminary distributions were not permissible under IAEA and no court

authorization for preliminary distributions was received. The court should not approve impermissible distributions and thus cannot approve "all acts" of personal representative. See Prayer of the final distribution petition, ¶¶ 3–4.

Clarification is needed as to why the entirety of the estate should be held in reserve until final tax returns are filed and "the IRS is paid." Administration presents no factual or legal basis for such a request.

Estate account is insufficient and cannot be approved, as follows:

The account is not drawn or presented in conformity with Prob.C. § 1060 et seq.

Account beginning property on hand must include all assets inventoried to the estate and must use the appraisal value as the carry value for each asset. Account beginning property on hand schedule conflicts substantially with the I&A without explanation. Total credits are far less than the I&A without explanation.

Clarification is needed as to each entry described as a "poorly written Cashier's Check."

Missing gain on sale schedule (report shows assets, including at least a vehicle, were sold for greater than the appraisal value).

Missing additional property received schedule or complete I&A (account shows numerous assets "found" in the home and mischaracterizes them as receipts; assets in the estate must be inventoried or scheduled as additional property received).

Missing losses on sale schedule (report shows assets, including at least real property, were sold for less than the appraisal value).

Missing separate distributions and disbursements schedules. Distributions and disbursements are separate categories of estate credits.

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16. S-PR-0013787 In Re the Estate of Hill, Alison A.

It is recommended request to waive final account be supported by waivers of account by all current trust beneficiaries where executor and trustee are the same person.

17. S-PR-0013869 In Re the Fam Trust of Don V Prisk & Sherrie N Prisk

Appearance is required for continued hearing on petition to determine trust property, for accounting, to suspend and remove trustee, and for other relief.

18. S-PR-0014072 In Re the Estate of Wong, Robert Gary

Appearance is required for continued hearing on spousal property petition. Note: remote appearances may be scheduled through the court's website; contact the Civil department for more information.

Missing notice of hearing. Missing service of notice of hearing to Christine Wong and Dennis Lee.

Missing required allegations of testacy or intestacy of decedent (¶ 4c). If decedent died testate, missing copy of decedent's will attached to the petition.

The attachments to the petition fail to be identified as required Attachments 7 and 7b (see ¶¶ 7 and 7b of the petition).

Relief in the petition is limited to requesting confirmation of the community property interest of surviving spouse. See ¶ 1b. Such relief does not include a determination of any community, quasi-community, or separate property interest of decedent passing to survivor. Compare ¶ 1a. If relief were to be granted, it would be limited to confirming survivor's 1/2 community interest in property.

The petition presents confusing allegations concerning the assets at issue in this proceeding, including the apparent allegation that funds were removed from certain IRAs, used to purchase certain annuities, and then were returned to said IRAs. The financial statements presented by petitioner do not appear to show either removal of funds from or later restoration of funds to the IRAs. Additional allegations are needed concerning all accounts described in the petition, including whether any accounts have pay-on-death beneficiaries.

19. S-PR-0014075 In re the David Edward Cocreham Jr Trust

Appearance is required for continued hearing on petition to instruct trustee and to compel trustee account.

Missing notice of hearing. Missing 30 days' service of notice of hearing. Prob.C. § 17203. Service of the petition without notice of hearing is insufficient.

Petitioner's declaration indicates no trust accounting was produced.

20. S-PR-0014297 In re the Estate of Francis Berberich

This matter was previously continued to be heard February 23, 2027, 8:30 a.m., in Department 2.

21. S-PR-0014298 In Re the Estate of Lawson, Bruce Steven

Missing sufficient notice of hearing for petition to administer estate. Notices filed November 5 both state an incorrect location for Department 2, which is located at 101 Maple Street, Auburn.

Missing publication of sufficient notice of hearing. Proof of publication filed July 31 shows publication for a November 16 hearing. By order filed October 6, the court rescheduled the hearing to be heard November 17. Proof of publication also omits the address of Department 2 (101 Maple Street, Auburn).

22. S-PR-0014302 In Re the George & Diana McKeever Fam Trust

Petition to determine trust property is recommended for approval as prayed.

23. S-PR-0014313 In Re the Robert Des Jardin & Virginia Des Jardin Rev Trust

Petition re breach of trust, to recover trust property, to remove / suspend cotrustees, to appoint successor trustee

Appearance is required for hearing re breach of trust and for other relief.
Missing sufficient notice of hearing. Notice filed September 10 is for a November 16 hearing. By order filed October 6, the court rescheduled this matter to be heard November 17. Missing service of any notice for November 17 hearing.
Current status is needed.

Status hearing re mediation

Appearance is required for status hearing re mediation.
Current status is needed.