November 6, 2026, Probate Tentative Rulings

1. **P03-13788 In the Matter of Anna J. E. Larsen**
   Appearances are required. Conservator Mary Larsen shall be prepared to update the Court on her desire to remain as Conservator in light of her statements made to the Court Investigator during the Biennial Review and, if not, whether there are other family members who may be available to assume these responsibilities. The Public Guardian may be requested to investigate whether it should seek appointment as Conservator if no family member is available. On the Court's motion, a status hearing will be set for February 5, 2027, in Department 6.

2. **P05-14136 In the Matter of Carolyn M. E. Larsen**
   Appearances are required. Conservator Mary Larsen shall be prepared to update the Court on her desire to remain as Conservator in light of her statements made to the Court Investigator during the Biennial Review and, if not, whether there are other family members who may be available to assume these responsibilities. The Public Guardian may be requested to investigate whether it should seek appointment as Conservator if no family member is available. On the Court's motion, a status hearing will be set for February 5, 2027, in Department 6.

3. **P05-14145 In the Matter of Jennifer Lee Arvisais**
   No appearances are required. The petition for accounting is granted as prayed. A proposed order has been submitted.

4. **P06-14278 In the Matter of Rory Nelson**
   No appearances are required. The conservatorship of the person shall continue. The conservatorship still appears to be warranted. The Conservator is acting in the best interests of the Conservatee regarding the Conservatee's placement and quality of care, including physical and mental treatment. The next review is set for November 3, 2028, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. The Court Investigator's fee is waived.

5. **P06-14433 In the Matter of Kayla Elizabeth Larsen**
   Appearances are required. Conservator Mary Larsen shall be prepared to update the Court on her desire to remain as Conservator in light of her statements made to the Court Investigator during the Biennial Review. Conservator Kelly Babitz shall be prepared to indicate whether she is willing to remain as sole conservator. If so, the Court is inclined to relieve Conservator Mary Larsen, confirm Kelly Babitz as sole Conservator, and find:

   > The conservatorship of the person and estate shall continue. The conservatorship still appears to be warranted. The Conservator is acting in the best interests of the Conservatee regarding the Conservatee's placement and quality of care, including physical and mental treatment. The next review is set for November 3, 2028, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. The Court Investigator's fee is waived.

6. **P12-15331 In the Matter of Justin Larsen**
   Appearances are required. Conservator Mary Larsen shall be prepared to update the Court on her desire to remain as Conservator in light of her statements made to the Court

Investigator during the Biennial Review. Conservator Kelly Babitz shall be prepared to indicate whether she is willing to remain as sole conservator. If so, the Court is inclined to relieve Conservator Mary Larsen, confirm Kelly Babitz as sole Conservator, and find:

> The conservatorship of the person and estate shall continue. The conservatorship still appears to be warranted. The Conservator is acting in the best interests of the Conservatee regarding the Conservatee's placement and quality of care, including physical and mental treatment. The next review is set for November 3, 2028, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. The Court Investigator's fee is waived.

7. P19-16456 In the Matter of Hazel F. Shewell

No appearances are required. The conservatorship of the person and estate shall continue. The conservatorship still appears to be warranted. The Conservator is acting in the best interests of the Conservatee regarding the Conservatee's placement and quality of care, including physical and mental treatment. The next review is set for August 11, 2028, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. It is alleged the estate has sufficient funds to pay for the investigative fee. Quest Investigations shall submit their fee request. Absent objection, the Court shall order the estate to pay the investigation fee.

8. PR0000169 In the Matter of The James J. Brick Special Needs Trust

No appearances are required. The petition for accounting is granted as prayed. A proposed order has been submitted.

9. PR0000819 In the Matter of Patricia Stone

No appearances are required. The conservatorship of the person and estate shall continue. The conservatorship still appears to be warranted. The Conservator is acting in the best interests of the Conservatee regarding the Conservatee's placement and quality of care, including physical and mental treatment. The next review is set for October 13, 2028, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. It is alleged the estate has sufficient funds to pay for the investigative fee. Quest investigations shall submit their fee request. Absent objection, the Court shall order the estate to pay the investigation fee.

Additionally, the petition for accounting is granted as prayed. A proposed order has been submitted.

10. PR0000971 In the Matter of Catherine Gerstung

Appearances are required. The parties shall update the court on the status of this matter and their respective positions.

11. PR0000983 In the Matter of Maria Kaestner

No appearances are required. On its own motion the Court continues this matter to February 5, 2027, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. California Probate Code section 9746(h) provides that "Upon conclusion of the services of the practice administrator, the practice administrator shall render an accounting and petition for its approval by the superior court making the appointment." Practice Administrator shall provide an accounting, and notice the same, prior to the continued court date.

12. PR0000994 In the Matter of Josette Garrett

Appearances are required. Before the Court is Petitioner Garrett's petition to invalidate the trust and damages. The Court is favorably inclined to order the parties to attend mediation, with costs of the same to be paid by the trust, pursuant to Probate Code section 17206 and *Breslin v. Breslin* (2021) 62 Cal. App.5th 801, 806 ("The probate court has the power to order the parties into mediation."). The parties are hereby advised:

> Mediation may result in a settlement of the matters that are the subject of this case and of any and all interested persons and parties interests therein. Settlement of the matter may result in an agreement for the distribution of assets of the above-referenced trust and of the estates of the settlors therein, however those assets may be held. Settlement of the matter may also result in an award of attorneys' fees to one or more parties under *Smith v. Szeyller* (2019) 31 Cal.App.5th 450, 242. Interested persons or parties who do not have counsel may attend the mediation and participate.
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> Non-participating persons or parties who receive notice of the date, time and place of the mediation may be bound by the terms of any agreement reached at mediation without further action by the Court or further hearing. Rights of trust beneficiaries or prospective beneficiaries may be lost or forfeited by the failure to participate in mediation. Participation in mediation is a prerequisite to an evidentiary hearing. By failing to participate in mediation, a person or party will waive their right to an evidentiary hearing.

Petitioner Josette Garrett and Respondent Michael Myrick, shall meet and confer regarding selection of a mutually acceptable mediator. The Court continues this matter for review on the status of mediation to February 5, 2027, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6, and continues to reserve jurisdiction over the pending motion. No later than two weeks prior to the continued hearing date, the parties shall submit a joint statement indicating the status regarding selection of a mediator.

13. PR0001130 In the Matter of Belinda Robbins

No appearances are required. On its own motion, the Court continues this matter to February 5, 2027, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. Petitioner appears to have mistakenly failed to include the referenced exhibits, to include a copy of the trust. Petitioner shall file a copy of the referenced exhibits no later than two weeks prior to the continued court date.

14. PR0001109 In the Matter of Juanita C. Lawyer

No appearances are required. On its own motion, the Court continues this matter to February 5, 2027, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. There is solely one defect in connection with the pending petition to administer estate: Daniel Shutts must still be appointed as Guardian Ad Litem in order to legally waive bond on behalf of his children. Such appointment shall be finalized no later than two weeks prior to the next court date. Petitioner shall give notice of the continued hearing date.