December 12, 2025, Probate Tentative Rulings

1. P15-15875 In the Matter of Sharon Beatty

No appearances are required. On the Court's motion, ruling is continued until December 19, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

2. PR0000334 In the Matter of Thomas Wayne Kirk

No appearances are required. The Court has received proof of personal service of Joseph LeBarre. Mr. LeBarre has not responded or appeared. Accordingly, the Court grants Petitioners' uncontested request and finds that Joseph LeBarre is not an heir of the estate pursuant to California Probate Code section 6451. Petitioner shall submit a proposed order.

3. PR0000455 In the Matter of Wade Amesbury

No appearances are required. The Public Guardian is ordered to apply for appointment as conservator of the person. *See* Probate Code section 2920(b). The Court finds this is in the best interest of the Conservatee at this time. This matter is continued for further hearing on the petition for approval of resignation of conservator and appointment of successor conservator or, in the alternative, termination of the conservatorship to January 9, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. Conservator shall prepare and submit a proposed order.

4. PR0000475 In Re Michael Bond

No appearances are required. The petition to approve the first account, to terminate Guardian Ad Litem, for payment of preferred creditors, reimbursement of costs, allowance of extraordinary fees and reduction of bond to \$80,000.00 are granted as prayed. Petitioner shall prepare and submit a proposed order.

The petition to recover estate property and for damages is continued to February 6, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6 (coinciding with the petition to sell the Dodge Truck). Petitioner shall personally serve the petition on Dalton Workman, Kelli Prochaska and North Valley Diesel prior to the continued court date. *See* Probate Code section 1202. Alternatively, if Petitioner has knowledge that one or more of these individuals/entity has received mail notice (which appears probable given the petition to sell), Petitioner may submit a declaration confirming the same. Petitioner shall provide notice of the continued court date.

5. PR0000605 In the Matter of Inesis Janis Alberts Day

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

6. PR0000783 In the Matter of Brian Bennett

No appearances are required. The Court sets a further review hearing regarding transfer of venue on February 6, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6.

7. PR0000842 In the Matter of Estate of Kirk Anthony Lokka

No appearances are required. The petition to administer filed by Deborah Lokka is granted. Petitioner Lokka is entitled to priority of appointment pursuant to Probate Code section 8461 and shall serve as administrator. Letters shall issue. The petition to administer filed by Lynn Scholten is denied. Lynn Scholten lacks priority to administer the estate.

8. PR0000900 In the Matter of Jaime Lynn Mennealy

No appearances are required. The petition to administer the estate is granted as prayed. A proposed order has been submitted.

9. PR0000901 In the Matter of Gregory James Gallup

No appearances are required. The court continues this matter to February 20, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. There are two competing requests to administer. Both petitions have a number of deficiencies.

The petition filed by the California Fair Plan has the following deficiencies: (1) there is no proof of service of the notice and petition, (2) there is no proof of publication, (3) a duties and liabilities acknowledgement has not been filed, and (4) the issue of bond is not addressed in the petition. If Petitioner wishes to pursue this petition, the above issues shall be addressed and the appropriate filings made with the Court no later than two weeks prior to the continued court date. Petitioner shall provide notice of the continued court date.

The petition filed by Joan Gallup has the following deficiencies: (1) there is no proof of service of the notice and petition and (2) there is no proof of publication. Additionally, Petitioner has requested bond not be set, suggesting it was waived in the will. However, the attached will does not appear to address bond. Petitioner shall cure the above deficiencies and submit a declaration regarding their position on the issue of bond no later than two weeks prior to the continued court date. Petitioner shall provide notice of the continued court date.