

May 1, 2026, Probate Tentative Rulings

1. CU0002182 In the Matter of County of Nevada v. The Testate and Intestate Successors of Myrna Buettner

No appearances are required. Based on the request of Petitioner, the case management conference is continued to June 26, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., in Department 6, to be heard in conjunction with the review hearing.

2. P10-14998 In the Matter of Brigit Marie Lacorazza Maloney

No appearances are required. The conservatorship of the person shall continue. The conservatorship still appears to be warranted. The Conservators are acting in the best interests of the Conservatee regarding the Conservatee's placement and quality of care, including physical and mental treatment. The next biennial review is set for April 28, 2028, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. The court investigation fee for this biennial review is waived.

3. P14-15701 In the Matter of Anastasia R. Maloney

No appearances are required. The conservatorship of the person shall continue. The conservatorship still appears to be warranted. The Conservators are acting in the best interests of the Conservatee regarding the Conservatee's placement and quality of care, including physical and mental treatment. The next biennial review is set for April 28, 2028, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. The court investigation fee for this biennial review is waived.

4. PR0000668 In Re Sage Marie Davis Da Rosa

No appearances are required. The petition on first account and report of guardian, order authorizing minor's support and for allowance of attorney's fees is granted as prayed. A proposed order has been submitted.

5. PR0000712 In Re Zane Davis

No appearances are required. Petitioner's noticed filing of Accounting and Distribution is denied. It is unclear to the Court what Petitioner is attempting to accomplish with this filing. To the extent Petitioner believes the estate is in a condition to be closed, Petitioner shall file and notice a properly plead Petition for Final Distribution. (*See Prob. Codes 10951 and 11640*). Petitioner is respectfully referred to the Nevada County Superior Court's Self-Help Center for information if needed.

6. PR0000811 In the Matter of Alex Middleswart

No appearances are required. On the Court's motion, this petition is continued to July 31, 2026, at 09:00. Potential heirs Edwin Middleswart and Judith Middleswart have not filed a waiver of accounting. Petitioner shall obtain a waiver from these individuals or file an accounting prior to the continued court date. Additionally, there is no indication that a change of ownership statement has been filed. (*See Prob. Code 8800(d)*). Petitioner shall file the same prior to the continued court date. Finally, petitioner shall provide notice of the continued court date.

7. PR0000884 In re the Estate of Warren Henry Schlieff

No appearances are required. The petition for order confirming sale of real property is granted as prayed. A proposed order has been provided.

8. PR0000902 In the Matter of Kelly Giacomini

No appearances are required. The Court has received the signed stipulation of the parties resolving all outstanding matters. The Court has signed the stipulation and will direct it be filed. This matter is off calendar.

9. PR0000933 In the Matter of Jody McCaffree

Appearances are required. The parties shall be prepared to update the Court on the status of this litigation and the status of Trustee True's professional license. In the event an agreement has not been reached, 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.

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 Jody McCaffree and Trustee David shall meet and confer regarding selection of a mutually acceptable mediator. The Court continues this matter for review on the status of mediation to July 24, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6, and continues to reserve jurisdiction over the pending motions. 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.

10. PR0000938 In the Matter of Gary Raymond Boulерice

No appearances are required. The Court has received the signed stipulation of the parties resolving all outstanding matters. The Court has signed the stipulation and will direct it be filed. This matter is off calendar.

11. PR0000982 In the Matter of Kay F. Baker

Appearances are required. 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:

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Petitioner Kay Baker and Respondents Haven Caravelli and Isabella Holland shall meet and confer regarding selection of a mutually acceptable mediator. The Court continues this matter for review on the status of mediation to July 31, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6, and continues to reserve jurisdiction over the pending motions. 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.

12. PR0000983 In the Matter of Maria Kaestner

No appearances are required. The petition for appointment of a Practice Administrator is granted as prayed. Attorney Matthew Kaestner is appointed as Practice Administrator. Bond shall be set at \$186,000. Proof of bond shall be filed with the Court. No action may be taken by the Practice Administrator until proof of bond is provided to the Court. A review hearing is set for November 6, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. Practice Administrator shall file an update with the Court, indicating the status of the practice, no later than 2 weeks prior to the review date. A proposed order has been provided.

13. PR0000992 In Re Estate of Mark E. Lagerwey

No appearances are required. The petition to administer the estate is granted as prayed. Letters shall issue. Petitioner shall submit a proposed order.

14. PR0000993 In the Matter of Jean Arlene Dalmau

No appearances are required. The petition to administer the estate is granted as prayed.

Letters shall issue. A proposed order has been submitted.

15. PR0001014 In Re Kayla Rudolph

No appearances are required. On its own motion the Court continues this matter to July 31, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in Department 6. The Court notes deficiencies in the petition to appoint a conservator: (1) The petition fails to indicate which powers are sought by the proposed conservator. (*See* Form GC-310, section 1.d. through l.). (2) The petition requests bond not be required, but does not provide a reason. (*See* Form GC-310 section 1.c.). (3) The petition seeks Chonghui Rudolf be appointed as conservator, but also references Steve Rudolf. It is unclear to the Court if both parties are seeking appointment. (4) There is no proof of service of the citation. Additionally, the citation appears to be incorrectly filled out as it lists Petitioner's name instead of the proposed conservatee. (*See* Form GC-320.). (5) The medical capacity declaration has not been filed. (*See* form GC-335.). (6) Finally, the Court has not received the court investigator's report. Petitioner shall file and serve the outstanding items as required by law as expeditiously as possible and no later than two weeks prior to the continued court date and shall also give notice of the continued court date. In addition, Petitioner shall provide a proposed order for appointment of a court investigator. (*See* form GC-330.).

Additionally, the Court appoints Katie Lenore, Esq. as counsel for the proposed conservatee. The clerk shall provide Ms. Lenore with a copy of the minutes.