

PROBATE NOTES: Friday, April 26, 2019

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PR11216 Estate of Helen L. Smith

Hearing types: Petition to Confirm Increase in Sale of Property
Administrator: Mary F. Gallagher
Administrator's counsel: Nini Lee

The Court has preliminarily reviewed the petition filed on March 18, 2019, and the supplement filed on April 18, 2019. Administrator did not provide legal authority for adding a newly acquired parcel to the sale confirmed by the Court on October 26, 2018, as opposed to following the usual procedures for seeking court confirmation of an additional sale of real property. Moreover, the instant petition lacks information regarding when and how the estate acquired the parcel, and the referenced Addendum No. 3 is not actually attached. Appearance required.

PR11413 Estate of Janet Lee Hamilton

Hearing type: Petition to Determine Distribution Rights
Administrator: Tuolumne County Public Administrator
Administrator's counsel: County Counsel
Petitioner: Brandenburger & Davis
Petitioner's counsel: Tracy M. Potts

The Court has read and considered the petition filed on March 27, 2019. Appearance required to address the eleven different entries of "ISSUE UNKNOWN" in the family tree attached to the petition.

PR11498 Estate of Carole S. Schneider

Hearing type: Petition for Reduction of Amount of Administrator's Bond
Administrator: Ridgeley T. Schneider
Administrator's counsel: Michael R. Germain

Prior to reviewing the instant petition, the Court reviewed the supplemental Inventory and Appraisal form filed on April 11, 2019, and questions the purpose of the filing. It appears the supplemental form reflects the proceeds from the sale of an estate asset that was included on the Inventory and Appraisal form filed on May 1, 2018. If so, the supplemental form was filed in error. Appearance of counsel required to address this matter.

The Court has read and considered the petition filed on April 11, 2019. Appearance of counsel required.

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PR11586 Estate of Delvin L. King

Hearing type: Further review re inventory and appraisal
Executor: Stacey R. Chavez
Executor's counsel: William J. Coffill

At the time of the Court's review of this case on April 23, 2019, the file still did not reflect that Executor had filed an Inventory and Appraisal form. Appearance required if it is not filed prior to the hearing.

PR11591 Estate of Wanda M. Stagnaro

Hearing types: (1) Further review re inventory and appraisal
 (2) Order to show cause issued on March 22, 2019
Administrator: Kristine McDonald
Administrator's counsel: Daniel A. Presher

The Court has reviewed the partial Inventory and Appraisal form filed on April 4, 2019. The Court also has reviewed the declaration filed on the same day requesting a continuance pending the probate referee's completion of the appraisal of the items on attachment 2. The hearings will be continued to May 24, 2019, at 8:30 a.m. Appearance not required on April 26, 2019.

PR11607 Matter of James William Brune

Hearing type: Further hearing re amended petition to determine succession to real
 and personal property
Petitioner: Joseph William Brune
Petitioner's counsel: None

As indicated in the minute order dated March 22, 2019, the Court intends to grant the amended petition that was filed on March 4, 2019. The Court has now received the revised proposed order and intends to sign it at the upcoming hearing. Appearance not required.

PR11617 Estate of Jack Ecroyd

Hearing type: Review re inventory and appraisal
Administrator: Donna Ecroyd
Administrator's counsel: Tamara M. Polley

The Court has reviewed the Inventory and Appraisal form filed on February 19, 2019. Appearance not required.

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PR11644 Estate of Aiko Hio Vucasovich

Hearing type: Further hearing re petition for probate of will and letters of administration with will annexed
Petitioner: James Vucasovich
Petitioner's counsel: William J. Coffill

As indicated in the minute order dated March 29, 2019, the Court had read and considered the petition filed on February 14, 2019, but the petition could not be granted at that time because the proof of publication filed on March 11, 2019, does not reflect compliance with the timing required by Probate Code section 8121, subdivision (a), apparently due to an error on the part of the newspaper. At the time of the Court's review of this case on April 23, 2019, the file did not reflect that Petitioner had filed proof of publication of the first amended notice filed on April 3, 2019.

PR11653 Estate of Lonnie Clinton Hipp

Hearing type: Petition for probate of will and letters testamentary
Petitioner: Jack Bettencourt
Petitioner's counsel: William J. Coffill

The Court has read and considered the petition filed on March 28, 2019, and notes the following issues:

1. Not all persons required to be included at item 8 of the petition were included.
2. Not all persons entitled to notice of the petition and hearing were included on the proof of service filed on March 28, 2019.
3. At the time of the Court's review of this case on April 23, 2019, the file did not reflect that proof of publication had been filed.

Appearance required if the above items are not resolved prior to the hearing.

PR9006 Conservatorship of Brianne M. Kohler-Crowe

Hearing type: Amended ninth account and report of trustee; petition for attorney fees
Conservator/trustee: Cheryl Kohler-Crowe
Conservator's counsel: Jennifer J. Lothert and Tamara M. Polley

The Court has read and considered the amended pleading filed on March 13, 2019. Appearance of counsel required.

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Guardianship of Patrisha Lynn Trevino, et al.

Hearing types: (1) Further review re Confidential Guardianship Status Reports
(2) Orders to show cause issued on April 3, 2019
Guardians: Randall and Rebecca Deaton
Guardians' counsel: None

Appearance of Guardians was required at the hearing on March 29, 2019, pursuant to the minute order dated March 8, 2019. Because Guardians failed to appear at the hearing, orders to show cause were issued on April 3, 2019, and appearance was required at the hearing on April 12, 2019. Guardians also failed to appear at the April 12, 2019, hearing. Because it does not appear that Guardians were notified of April 26, 2019, hearing date, appearance will not be required on April 26, 2019, and the hearings will be continued to May 10, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. The clerk's office shall mail to Guardians copies of the minute orders dated March 8, April 12, and April 26, 2019, as well as copies of the orders to show cause issued on April 3, 2019.