

1. ESTATE OF AMUNDSON, 26PR0195

Petition to Administer Estate

To date, there is no notice of hearing and no proof of publication in the court's file.

(Prob. Code, §§ 8003, subd. (b), 8120.)

**TENTATIVE RULING # 1: APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY,
AUGUST 7, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT FOUR.**

2. ESTATE OF HOLBROOK, 26PR0191**Petition to Administer Estate**

On June 25, 2026, petitioner Cassandra Holbrook (“petitioner” or “Ms. Holbrook”) filed a petition to administer estate. To date, there is no proof of publication in the court’s file. (Prob. Code, § 8120.) Additionally, the proof of service for the notice of hearing, filed June 25, 2026, is not signed under penalty of perjury.

The instant petition makes no mention of the related case, *Estate of Holbrook* (El Dorado Super. Ct., Case No. 23PR0048). In that case, on March 14, 2023, Robert Yorkus¹ petitioned the court to administer the estate. Ms. Holbrook objected to Ms. Yorkus’s appointment and, on April 19, 2023, filed a competing petition to administer estate. On July 14, 2023, the court denied Ms. Holbrook’s petition and granted Ms. Holbrook’s petition. However, on October 21, 2024, without letters of administration ever formally being issued, Ms. Yorkus agreed to step down as personal representative of the estate; and Ms. Holbrook indicated she would step in and complete the probate of the estate. On November 8, 2024, the court formally relieved Ms. Yorkus as the personal representative of the estate (ordering Ms. Yorkus to relinquish any and all financial documents related to the estate to Ms. Holbrook’s attorney) and appointed the public administrator to handle the affairs of the estate. Ms. Holbrook waived any further notice of hearings in the related case.

Ultimately, the public administrator did not accept appointment due to the lack of any real assets in the estate.

On February 21, 2025, Ms. Yorkus provided Ms. Holbrook’s attorney the requested financial documents in open court.

On May 23, 2025, Ms. Holbrook’s attorney represented to the court that Ms. Holbrook received funds in the amount of \$100,000 from Ms. Yorkus on behalf of the

¹ Ms. Holbrook and Ms. Yorkus are both daughters of the decedent.

estate. Counsel indicated Ms. Holbrook would attempt to complete an accounting and file a new petition to appoint Ms. Holbrook as personal administrator of the estate. On November 21, 2025, counsel requested the court to appoint Ms. Holbrook as personal administrator without further filings. The court stated that counsel's request was only available if it was a successor petition. Counsel indicated he would re-file a petition for appointment of Ms. Holbrook as administrator.

TENTATIVE RULING # 2: APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT FOUR.

3. MATTER OF MARY R. SHIRLEY REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST, 26PR0197**Petition to Confirm Successor Trustees and Trust Assets**

On June 15, 2026, pursuant to Probate Code section 850, petitioner Bruce Chen (“petitioner”) filed the instant petition requesting the court to: (1) confirm the existence of the Mary R. Shirley Revocable Living Trust dated January 3, 2005 (the “Trust”), including Schedule A; (2) confirm petitioner as the successor trustee; and (3) confirm that the real property, commonly known as 1657 Venice Drive, South Lake Tahoe, California, is Trust property.

Proof of service filed July 20, 2026, shows that the petition was served upon the Trust beneficiaries via mail on July 15, 2026. However, 30 days’ notice is required. (Prob. Code, § 851, subd. (a).) The court may not shorten the time for giving notice under Probate Code section 851. (Prob. Code, § 851, subd. (d).)

The court, on its own motion and in the interest of judicial economy, continues the hearing to September 25, 2026, and directs the petitioner to serve timely notice of the petition upon all parties entitled to notice.

TENTATIVE RULING # 3: THE COURT, ON ITS OWN MOTION AND IN THE INTEREST OF JUDICIAL ECONOMY, CONTINUES THE HEARING TO 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT FOUR AND DIRECTS THE PETITIONER TO SERVE TIMELY NOTICE OF THE PETITION UPON ALL PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE.

4. CONSERVATORSHIP OF PAMELA B.L., 25PR0350**Petition for Instructions Re: Temporary Out-of-State Relocation of Conservatee**

On July 28, 2026, the Public Guardian filed an ex parte application to shorten time on its petition for instructions (also filed July 28, 2026) authorizing it to temporarily relocate the conservatee to an out-of-state psychiatric facility in Sparks, Nevada for a behavior and medical evaluation, as well as stabilization, for a period not to exceed four months. The petition indicates that, once the conservatee is stabilized, she will be returned to her current facility in South Lake Tahoe, California — Barton Skilled Nursing Facility.

The court granted the ex parte application and set the instant hearing on the petition for August 7, 2026. Proof of service attached to the petition shows it was electronically served upon the public defender on July 28, 2026. To date, no objection or opposition has been filed.

Absent objection, the court grants the petition.

TENTATIVE RULING # 4: ABSENT OBJECTION, PETITION IS GRANTED AS REQUESTED.

5. ESTATE OF CAMPAU, 24PR0341**Accounting and Final Distribution Hearing**

Before the court is the “Amended First and Final Account, Petition for Settlement of Final Account, and Final Distribution” filed July 15, 2026. On July 28, 2026, petitioner submitted a signed waiver of account from Page Roxanne Campau, the sole beneficiary under the terms of the decedent’s will and codicil.

The court notes that, in petitioner’s original petition for final distribution (filed May 28, 2026), before hiring counsel in this matter, petitioner requested the court to approve her request for final distribution “with a note payable to [petitioner] in the amount of \$464,160 for probate expenses.” The amended petition omits this request for reimbursement. The court deems the request withdrawn.

Lastly, the petitioner indicates she is waiving her right to statutory compensation for administering the estate; and, although counsel for petitioner is entitled to statutory compensation in the amount of \$16,190.00, the parties have agreed that petitioner shall pay counsel for their services at the rate of \$400 per hour, plus any administrative costs that are incurred, the total amount of which is estimated not to exceed \$10,000. The court approves counsel’s requested compensation.

TENTATIVE RULING # 5: ABSENT OBJECTION, PETITION IS GRANTED.

6. MATTER OF REVOCABLE TRUST OF KATHLEEN F. KARCHER, 25PR0157

Petition for Settlement of Account, Sale of Real Property, and Instructions

**TENTATIVE RULING # 6: APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY,
AUGUST 7, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT FOUR.**