

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

This matter was continued from August 07, 2026, upon petitioner Cassandra Holbrook's ("petitioner" or "Ms. Holbrook") request. At that time, there was no proof of publication in the court's file (Prob. Code, § 8120) and the proof of service for the notice of hearing, filed June 25, 2026, was not signed under penalty of perjury. Counsel represented to the court that there was an issue with the bond in the previous administration of estate. To date, there is still no proof of publication and no proof of service signed under penalty of perjury in the court's file.

By way of background, on June 25, 2026, petitioner Cassandra Holbrook ("petitioner" or "Ms. Holbrook") filed the instant petition to administer estate. Ms. Holbrook's 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, Robin 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. Yorkus'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.

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

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 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 # 1: APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT FOUR.

2. GUARDIANSHIP OF ELIAN O., 23PR0299**Annual Review Hearing**

Letters of guardianship of the person were issued on May 10, 2024. To date, the guardian has not submitted the annual guardianship status report (Judicial Council form GC-251).

There were no appearances at the last three hearings (June 5 and 6, and July 24, 2026) even though appearances were required. On July 24, 2026, the court appointed the court investigator to locate the guardian and child for an update regarding the guardianship status. To date, there is no update from the court investigator in the court's file.

TENTATIVE RULING # 2: APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT FOUR.

3. GUARDIANSHIP OF LYLIAUNNA J., PP20160100

Annual Review Hearing

This matter was continued from August 21, 2026, at which time, the court granted co-guardians Brenda and Wayne Wright's unopposed petition to remove the other two co-guardians, Patrick and Yvette McGrath, as co-guardians.

The court directed the Wrights to file the annual guardianship status report (Judicial Council form GC-251) prior to the continued hearing. To date, the report is not in the court's file.

TENTATIVE RULING # 3: APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT FOUR.

4. ESTATE OF HOWARD, 25PR0070**Status of Administration**

On July 24, 2026, the court granted the petition for final distribution. On September 8, 2026, the personal representative submitted the Second Report of Status of Administration. Good cause appearing, the court continues the status of administration hearing to January 15, 2027, at which time, the court anticipates the personal representative to have filed receipts of distribution and an Ex Parte Petition for Final Discharge (Judicial Council form DE-295).

TENTATIVE RULING # 4: UPON THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE'S REQUEST, THE COURT CONTINUES THE HEARING TO 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2027, IN DEPARTMENT FOUR.

5. ESTATE OF JAMES BEATTIE, 26PR0017**Final Distribution Hearing (See Related Item No. 6)**

This is an ancillary probate consisting of an undivided one-half interest in a limited partnership known as “Pioneer Properties No. 1,” which owns a single parcel of improved commercial real estate commonly known as 3816 Pioneer Trail in South Lake Tahoe, California. The other one-half interest belongs to the decedent’s spouse.

The court notes that the inventory and appraisals filed in the related cases have different values for their respective interests. James Beattie’s one-half interest is valued at \$307,500 and Pamela Beattie’s one-half interest is valued at \$206,500. It is the court’s understanding that the different values are attributable to the respective dates of death: Pamela Beattie died on February 3, 2015, and James Beattie died on January 19, 2025. Estate assets are valued at their fair market value as of the date of death. (Prob. Code, § 8802.)

The court approves the request to award petitioner’s attorney statutory compensation in the amount of \$9,906.16.

TENTATIVE RULING # 5: ABSENT OBJECTION, PETITION GRANTED AS REQUESTED.

6. ESTATE OF PAMELA BEATTIE, 26PR0016**First and Final Account and Petition for Final Distribution (See Related Item No. 5)**

This is an ancillary probate consisting of an undivided one-half interest in a limited partnership known as “Pioneer Properties No. 1,” which owns a single parcel of improved commercial real estate commonly known as 3816 Pioneer Trail in South Lake Tahoe, California. The other one-half interest belongs to the decedent’s spouse.

The court notes that the inventory and appraisals filed in the related cases have different values for their respective interests. James Beattie’s one-half interest is valued at \$307,500 and Pamela Beattie’s one-half interest is valued at \$206,500. It is the court’s understanding that the different values are attributable to the respective dates of death: Pamela Beattie died on February 3, 2015, and James Beattie died on January 19, 2025. Estate assets are valued at their fair market value as of the date of death. (Prob. Code, § 8802.)

The court approves the request to award petitioner’s attorney statutory compensation in the amount of \$8,956.16.

TENTATIVE RULING # 6: ABSENT OBJECTION, PETITION GRANTED AS REQUESTED.

7. MATTER OF THE ELIJAH B. CLEEK TRUST, 26PR0231

Petition to Modify Trust, Issue Instructions, and Confirm Continuation of Trust

To date, there is no proof of service in the court's file.

TENTATIVE RULING # 7: DUE TO THE LACK OF SERVICE, MATTER IS DROPPED FROM THE CALENDAR.

8. ESTATE OF HAMES, 26PR0217

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TENTATIVE RULING # 8: ABSENT OBJECTION, PETITION GRANTED AS REQUESTED.

**PETITIONER IS ORDERED TO POST BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000. UPON
POSTING THE REQUIRED BOND, LETTERS SHALL ISSUE. THE COURT SETS A HEARING RE:
STATUS OF ADMINISTRATION FOR 8:30 A.M., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2027, IN
DEPARTMENT FOUR.**