November 16, 2026
Dept. 9
Probate Tentative Rulings

1.	**25PR0160**	**ESTATE OF CONSUELO R. RAMIREZ**
FINAL DISTRIBUTION HEARING		

Letters Testamentary were issued on August 4, 2025, granting Petitioner full authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

A Corrected Inventory and Appraisal was filed on September 9, 2026. At the time the inventory and appraisal was filed, the change of ownership statement with the county recorder or assessor in each county where the decedent owned real property at the time of death, as provided in section 480 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, was filed.

Waivers of Account were executed by all the heirs entitled to distributions under the estate. No Waivers of Notice were filed.

No Proof of Service of Notice of the hearing on the Petition was filed. No one has filed a request for special notice in this proceeding.

The proposed distribution of the estate includes 100% to David A. Ramirez, Trustee of the Trust of Consuelo R. Ramirez dated April 2, 1993.

Per Local Rule 10.07.12 Petitions for final distribution must include a report of the following:

1. That no federal or California estate taxes are payable or that they have been paid;
2. That income taxes and all other taxes (e.g. supplemental real property taxes or personal property taxes, if any, have been paid or otherwise provided for.

If estate taxes are payable or paid: 1) the petition shall set forth whether said taxes were prorated pursuant to Probate Code section 20100, et seq., or the provisions of the will; and 2) the petition must reflect whether or not there are non-probate assets includable in the gross estate for estate tax purposes.

Petitioner confirms that no federal or California estate taxes are payable, nor are any California or federal income or personal property taxes payable.

The Petition requests:

1. The administration of this estate be closed;
2. The first and final report on waiver of account of Petitioner be settled, allowed, and approved as filed;
3. All acts and proceedings of Petitioner as personal representative as set forth in this petition be confirmed and approved;

4. Petitioner be authorized and directed to pay themselves $10,568.30 as statutory compensation;

5. Petitioner be authorized and directed to pay Shiells and Hammer, APC $10,568.30 as statutory compensation for services rendered to Petitioner and the estate;

6. Distribution of the estate in Petitioner's hands and any other property of Decedent or the estate not now known or discovered that may belong to the estate or in which the decedent or the estate may have any interest be made to the persons entitled to it, as set forth in the petition;

7. **Upon filing of receipts and the Ex Parte Petition for Discharge, Petition may be discharged and released from all liability that may be incurred thereafter.**

TENTATIVE RULING #1:

APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT NINE.

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2.	**26PR0283**	**IN THE MATTER OF THE WENNOGENE A. ELROD LIVING TRUST DATED JUNE 15, 2000**
PETITION HEARING		

Petitioner, Matthew A. Alexius ("Petitioner"), filed a Petition to Appoint Successor Trustee to Fill Vacancy as there is currently a vacancy and the named successor trustees under the Trust have died. Petitioner is Settlor's grandson and successor trustee's son. Petitioner seeks and is willing to accept appointment as successor trustee. Petitioner is informed and believes that no person opposes his appointment. Proof of Service of Notice of the hearing was filed on October 15, 2026.

Probate Code § 15660

(a) If the trust has no trustee or if the trust instrument requires a vacancy in the office of a cotrustee to be filled, the vacancy shall be filled as provided in this section.

(b) If the trust instrument provides a practical method of appointing a trustee or names the person to fill the vacancy, the vacancy shall be filled as provided in the trust instrument.

(c) If the vacancy in the office of trustee is not filled as provided in subdivision (b), the vacancy may be filled by a trust company that has agreed to accept the trust on agreement of all adult beneficiaries who are receiving or are entitled to receive income under the trust or to receive a distribution of principal if the trust were terminated at the time the agreement is made. If a beneficiary has a conservator, the conservator may agree to the successor trustee on behalf of the conservatee without obtaining court approval. Without limiting the power of the beneficiary to agree to the successor trustee, if the beneficiary has designated an attorney in fact who has the power under the power of attorney to agree to the successor trustee, the attorney in fact may agree to the successor trustee.

(d) If the vacancy in the office of trustee is not filled as provided in subdivision (b) or (c), on petition of any interested person or any person named as trustee in the trust instrument, the court may, in its discretion, appoint a trustee to fill the vacancy. If the trust provides for more than one trustee, the court may, in its discretion, appoint the original number or any lesser number of trustees. In selecting a trustee, the court shall give consideration to any nomination by the beneficiaries who are 14 years of age or older.

TENTATIVE RULING #2:

ABSENT OBJECTION THE PETITION IS GRANTED AS REQUESTED. ANY PERSON WHO HAS AN OBJECTION MAY MAKE IT ANY TIME, EVEN ORALLY AT THE HEARING (PROBATE CODE § 1043).

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3.	**PP20210211**	**ESTATE OF DOUGLAS DEISENROTH**
FINAL DISTRIBUTION HEARING		

Letters of Administration were issued on December 8, 2021, granting Petitioner full authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

A Final Inventory and Appraisal was filed on May 3, 2022. At the time the inventory and appraisal was filed, the change of ownership statement with the county recorder or assessor in each county where the decedent owned real property at the time of death, as provided in section 480 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, was filed.

Waivers of Account were executed by all the heirs entitled to distributions under the estate.

Proof of Service of Notice of the hearing on the Petition was filed on October 16, 2026. No one has filed a request for special notice in this proceeding.

The proposed distribution of the estate includes an equal real property distribution to Heather Dawn Deisenroth and Richard Deisenroth.

Per Local Rule 10.07.12 Petitions for final distribution must include a report of the following:

1. That no federal or California estate taxes are payable or that they have been paid;
2. That income taxes and all other taxes (e.g. supplemental real property taxes or personal property taxes, if any, have been paid or otherwise provided for.

If estate taxes are payable or paid: 1) the petition shall set forth whether said taxes were prorated pursuant to Probate Code section 20100, et seq., or the provisions of the will; and 2) the petition must reflect whether or not there are non-probate assets includable in the gross estate for estate tax purposes.

Petitioner confirms that no federal or California estate taxes are payable, nor are any California or federal income or personal property taxes payable.

The Petition requests:

1. Approving this Petition and granting final distribution of the Estate as requested herein;
2. Approving the waiver of the final account and report;
3. Authorizing and directing distribution of all of Decedent's right, title, and interest in the real property located at 7620 Buzzards Gulch Road, Somerset, CA 95684, APN: 046-440-036 to Heather Dawn Deisenroth and Richard Deisenroth;

4. Approving payment of compensation and reimbursement of expenses as requested;

5. Approving distribution of bank accounts and personal property already distributed equally between Heather Dawn Deisenroth and Richard Deisenroth;

6. Discharging Petitioner as personal representative upon completion of distribution and filing of receipts; and

7. **Upon filing of receipts and the Ex Parte Petition for Discharge, Petition may be discharged and released from all liability that may be incurred thereafter.**

TENTATIVE RULING #3:

ABSENT OBJECTION THE PETITION IS GRANTED AS REQUESTED. ANY PERSON WHO HAS AN OBJECTION MAY MAKE IT ANY TIME, EVEN ORALLY AT THE HEARING (PROBATE CODE § 1043).

A STATUS OF ADMINISTRATION HEARING IS SET FOR 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2027, IN DEPARTMENT NINE BY WHICH TIME THE COURT EXPECTS RECEIPTS AND AN EX PARTE PETITION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE (JUDICIAL COUNCIL FORM DE-295) TO BE FILED WITH THE COURT. PETITIONER OR COUNSEL ARE ORDERED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR, OR FILE A STATUS UPDATE WITH THE COURT AT LEAST TWO WEEKS BEFORE THAT HEARING.

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4.	**26PR0272**	**IN THE MATTER OF THE 2008 BERNELL A. DOWSE AND FLORENCE A. DOWSE TRUST; ESTATE OF BERNELL A. DOWSE**
PETITION HEARING		

On September 28, 2026, Petitioner, Scott Dowse ("Petitioner"), filed a Petition 1) To Suspend and Remove Trustee; 2) Appoint Temporary and Successor Trustee; 3) Compel Accounting, Turnover, and Cooperation; 4) Redress Breach of Trust; 5) Instruct Regarding Trust Administration; and 6) For Attorney's Fees and Costs (the "Petition").

The Petition provides the following individuals are entitled to notice: Scott Dowse, Joyce Hilke, Arlene LeGendre, Elaine Smith, Brian Creel, and Jeffrey Schideler. No proof of service of notice of hearing has been filed.

The Court continues the Petition to December 21, 2026, to allow for proper service and notice.

TENTATIVE RULING #4:

MATTER CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 21, 2026, AT 8:30 A.M. IN DEPARTMENT NINE TO ALLOW FOR PROPER SERVICE AND NOTICE.

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5.	**25PR0143**	**ESTATE OF MATT ALAN MILLIKEN**
FINAL DISTRIBUTION HEARING		

Letters of Administration were issued on September 15, 2025, granting Petitioner full authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

A Final Inventory and Appraisal was filed on October 7, 2026. At the time the inventory and appraisal was filed, the change of ownership statement with the county recorder or assessor in each county where the decedent owned real property at the time of death, as provided in section 480 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, was filed.

Waivers of Account were executed by all heirs entitled to distributions under the estate.

Proof of Service of Notice of the hearing on the Petition was filed on October 7, 2026. No one has filed a request for special notice in this proceeding.

The proposed distribution of the estate includes the 2003 Ford Ranger truck to Lynne Goltz, by agreement of the parties, and the rest, residue, and remainder of the estate in equal shares to Lynne Goltz, Kurt Robert Milliken, and Amanda Milliken, after payment of all expenses.

Per Local Rule 10.07.12 Petitions for final distribution must include a report of the following:

1. That no federal or California estate taxes are payable or that they have been paid;
2. That income taxes and all other taxes (e.g. supplemental real property taxes or personal property taxes, if any, have been paid or otherwise provided for.

If estate taxes are payable or paid: 1) the petition shall set forth whether said taxes were prorated pursuant to Probate Code section 20100, et seq., or the provisions of the will; and 2) the petition must reflect whether or not there are non-probate assets includable in the gross estate for estate tax purposes.

Petitioner confirms that no federal or California estate taxes are payable, nor are any California or federal income or personal property taxes payable.

The Petition requests:

1. Closing the administration of this estate without an account;
2. Confirming, ratifying, and approving all the acts and proceedings of petitioner, as personal representative, as set forth in this petition;
3. Authorizing petitioner to reimburse herself the sum of $13,376.05 for expenses she personally advanced in the administration of the estate;

4. Authorizing and directing petitioner to pay herself the sum of $27,156.00 as compensation for services to the estate, which includes ordinary compensation in the total sum of $18,681.00 and extraordinary compensation in the total sum of $8,475.00;

5. Authorizing and directing petitioner to pay to attorney Laura Nelson-Becker the sum of $18,681.00 as compensation for ordinary services to petitioner and to the estate;

6. Authorizing and directing petitioner to pay Phil Goltz the total sum of $8,475.00 as compensation for services he rendered the estate;

7. Authorizing and directing petitioner to make distribution of the 2003 Ford Ranger truck to Lynne Goltz and the rest, residue and remainder of the estate in petitioner's hands, and any other property of the decedent or the estate not now known or discovered that may belong to the estate or in which the decedent of the estate may have any interest, in equal shares to Lynne Goltz, Kurt Robert Milliken, and Amanda Milliken;

8. Discharging petitioner upon the filing of receipts; and

9. **Upon filing of receipts and the Ex Parte Petition for Discharge, Petition may be discharged and released from all liability that may be incurred thereafter.**

TENTATIVE RULING #5:

ABSENT OBJECTION THE PETITION IS GRANTED AS REQUESTED. ANY PERSON WHO HAS AN OBJECTION MAY MAKE IT ANY TIME, EVEN ORALLY AT THE HEARING (PROBATE CODE § 1043).

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6.	**25PR0354**	**ESTATE OF DOROTHY I HOCKMAN**
FINAL DISTRIBUTION HEARING		

Letters Testamentary were issued on February 2, 2026, granting Petitioner full authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

A Final Inventory and Appraisal was filed on April 8, 2026, and a Supplemental Inventory and Appraisal was filed on September 22, 2026. Decedent owed no real property at the time of death and thereby no change of ownership statement was filed as provided in section 480 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

Waivers of Account were executed by all the heirs entitled to distributions under the estate.

Proof of Service of Notice of the hearing on the Petition was filed on October 12, 2026. No one has filed a request for special notice in this proceeding.

The proposed distribution of the estate includes equal shares to Glenn Alexander Hockman, Greta Lynne Hockman, Craig Lee Hockman, Edward Norman Hockman, and Karl Jacob Hockman.

Per Local Rule 10.07.12 Petitions for final distribution must include a report of the following:

1. That no federal or California estate taxes are payable or that they have been paid;
2. That income taxes and all other taxes (e.g. supplemental real property taxes or personal property taxes, if any, have been paid or otherwise provided for.

If estate taxes are payable or paid: 1) the petition shall set forth whether said taxes were prorated pursuant to Probate Code section 20100, et seq., or the provisions of the will; and 2) the petition must reflect whether or not there are non-probate assets includable in the gross estate for estate tax purposes.

Petitioner confirms that no federal or California estate taxes are payable, nor are any California or federal income or personal property taxes payable.

The Petition requests:

1. The administration of the estate be closed without an accounting;
2. All the acts and proceedings of Petitioner as executor be confirmed and approved;
3. Petitioner be authorized to pay himself the sum of $19,457.82 statutory fee for his services as executor of the estate;

4. Petitioner be authorized to pay to Sweeney Mason LLP the sum of $19,457.82 statutory fee for its services to Petitioner and reimbursement for costs of $1,040.02 for a total of $20,497.84, plus any additional costs advanced prior to distribution;

5. Petitioner be authorized to retain $20,000 in cash for closing expenses of administration;

6. All assets of the estate of the Decedent in Petitioner's hands, including all remaining assets as set forth in paragraph 19 herein, and any other property of the Decedent or the estate not now known or discovered be distributed in equal shares to Glenn Alexander Hockman, Greta Lynne Hockman, Craig Lee Hockman, Edward Norman Hockman, and Karl Jacob Hockman; and

7. **Upon filing of receipts and the Ex Parte Petition for Discharge, Petition may be discharged and released from all liability that may be incurred thereafter.**

TENTATIVE RULING #6:

ABSENT OBJECTION THE PETITION IS GRANTED AS REQUESTED. ANY PERSON WHO HAS AN OBJECTION MAY MAKE IT ANY TIME, EVEN ORALLY AT THE HEARING (PROBATE CODE § 1043).

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7.	**PP20200121**	**ESTATE OF VANCE KNOLL**
STATUS OF ADMINISTRATION		

Letters of Administration were issued on December 17, 2020.

An Inventory and Appraisal was filed on June 14, 2021. The Inventory and Appraisal is silent as to whether the requirements of Revenue and Taxation Code section 480 have been complied with.

There is no Petition for Final Distribution on file with the court.

TENTATIVE RULING #7:

APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT NINE.

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8.	**25PR0000**	**ESTATE OF PATRICIA RAYE BUCHANAN**
OSC		

At the hearing on September 28, 2026, the Court found that neither the personal representative nor their counsel have appeared or filed a status report for the hearing. An OSC hearing was set for removal or suspension of and/or sanctions on November 16, 2026.

To date, nothing further has been filed.

TENTATIVE RULING #8:

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9.	**26PR0282**	**ESTATE OF MATTHEW MATSEN**
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY		

Decedent died testate on August 29, 2026, survived by his spouse. Petitioner is decedent's spouse.

The Petition requests full authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

Petitioner was named as Executor in the Will.

The Will was lodged with the court on October 5, 2026**,** and is admitted to probate.

The Will waives bond.

A Duties/Liabilities Statement (DE 147) was filed on October 5, 2026, but there is no DE-147S form on file with the court, as required by Local Rules of El Dorado County Superior Court, Rule 10.02.10.

Proof of service of Notice of the hearing on the Petition was filed on October 29, 2026.

Proof of publication was filed on November 6, 2026.

TENTATIVE RULING #9:

CONTINGENT UPON THE FILING OF DE-147S AND ABSENT OBJECTION THE PETITION IS GRANTED AS REQUESTED. ANY PERSON WHO HAS AN OBJECTION MAY MAKE IT ANY TIME, EVEN ORALLY AT THE HEARING (PROBATE CODE § 1043).

A STATUS OF ADMINISTRATION HEARING IS SET FOR 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2027, IN DEPARTMENT NINE. PETITIONER OR COUNSEL ARE ORDERED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR, OR FILE A STATUS UPDATE WITH THE COURT AT LEAST TWO WEEKS BEFORE THAT HEARING.

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10.	**26PR0284**	**IN THE MATTER OF TAMI ELLEN MERRY**
LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION		

Decedent died intestate on May 14, 2025, survived by her spouse and children. Petitioner is decedent's spouse.

The Petition requests limited authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. Upon information and belief, Petitioner alleges the current character and estimated value of the property of decedent's estate is $0.00; however, Letters of Administration are necessary to assert and maintain a mass tort lawsuit and potentially enter into a settlement agreement.

The Petition requests bond be fixed at $0.00 until a settlement is reached in the mass tort lawsuit.

A Duties/Liabilities Statement (DE 147) was filed on October 13, 2026, but there is no DE-147s form on file with the court, as required by Local Rules of El Dorado County Superior Court, Rule 10.02.10.

Proof of service of Notice of the hearing on the Petition was filed on October 22, 2026.

Proof of publication was filed on October 30, 2026.

TENTATIVE RULING #10:

CONTINGENT UPON THE FILING OF DE-147S AND ABSENT OBJECTION THE PETITION IS GRANTED AS REQUESTED. ANY PERSON WHO HAS AN OBJECTION MAY MAKE IT ANY TIME, EVEN ORALLY AT THE HEARING (PROBATE CODE § 1043).

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11.	**26PR0276**	**ESTATE OF JOHN HENRY MURRAY**
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY		

Decedent died testate on August 19, 2026, survived by two children. Petitioner is decedent's child.

The Petition requests limited authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act; however, the proposed Order requests full authority. It is unclear to the Court which Petitioner seeks.

Petitioner asserts she is named as Executor in the Will.

The Will has not yet been lodged with the court.

The Petition states that the heirs have waived bond, but there are no waivers on file with the court.

A Duties/Liabilities statement (DE 147/DE 147s) was filed on October 5, 2026**.**

There is no proof of service of notice of the Petition on file with the court, as required by Probate Code § 8110.

There is no proof of publication on file with the court, as required by Probate Code §§ 8120, 8121.

TENTATIVE RULING #11:

APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT NINE.

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12.	**25PR0264**	**ESTATE OF KENNETH ALAN PLEINES**
FINAL DISTRIBUTION HEARING		

Letters Testamentary were issued on November 13, 2025, granting Petitioner full authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

A Final Inventory and Appraisal was filed on October 19, 2026, and a Supplemental Inventory and Appraisal was filed on the same date. At the time the inventory and appraisal was filed, the change of ownership statement with the county recorder or assessor in each county where the decedent owned real property at the time of death, as provided in section 480 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, was filed.

Waivers of Account were executed by all trust beneficiaries entitled to distributions.

Proof of Service of Notice of the hearing on the Petition was filed on October 27, 2026. No one has filed a request for special notice in this proceeding.

The proposed distribution of the estate includes 100% distribution to the Kenneth Alan Pleines Living Trust.

Per Local Rule 10.07.12 Petitions for final distribution must include a report of the following:

1. That no federal or California estate taxes are payable or that they have been paid;
2. That income taxes and all other taxes (e.g. supplemental real property taxes or personal property taxes, if any, have been paid or otherwise provided for.

If estate taxes are payable or paid: 1) the petition shall set forth whether said taxes were prorated pursuant to Probate Code section 20100, et seq., or the provisions of the will; and 2) the petition must reflect whether or not there are non-probate assets includable in the gross estate for estate tax purposes.

Petitioner confirms that no federal or California estate taxes are payable, nor are any California or federal income or personal property taxes payable.

The Petition requests:

1. The First and Final Report of Executor with waiver of account be settled, allowed and approved and all acts of Executor therein alleged be approved;

2. The Court authorize payment of statutory Executor's fees in the amount of $23,560.50 and statutory attorney fees in the amount of $23,560.50;

3. The Court approve a withhold of $2,500.00 as a reserve for estate closing costs after distribution;

4. The Court approve the final distribution of the estate to the Kenneth Alan Pleines Living Trust according to the proposed distribution; and

5. **Upon filing of receipts and the Ex Parte Petition for Discharge, Petition may be discharged and released from all liability that may be incurred thereafter.**

TENTATIVE RULING #12:

ABSENT OBJECTION THE PETITION IS GRANTED AS REQUESTED. ANY PERSON WHO HAS AN OBJECTION MAY MAKE IT ANY TIME, EVEN ORALLY AT THE HEARING (PROBATE CODE § 1043).

A STATUS OF ADMINISTRATION HEARING IS SET FOR 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2027, IN DEPARTMENT NINE BY WHICH TIME THE COURT EXPECTS RECEIPTS AND AN EX PARTE PETITION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE (JUDICIAL COUNCIL FORM DE-295) TO BE FILED WITH THE COURT. PETITIONER OR COUNSEL ARE ORDERED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR, OR FILE A STATUS UPDATE WITH THE COURT AT LEAST TWO WEEKS BEFORE THAT HEARING.

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13.	**25PR0250**	**IN THE MATTER OF GERDA W RUPPERT**
STATUS OF ADMINISTRATION		

Letters of Administration were issued on November 17, 2025.

There is no Inventory and Appraisal on file with the court. Probate Code §8800 requires that the personal representative file an Inventory and Appraisal with the Court within 4 months from the issuance of letters.

TENTATIVE RULING #13:

APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2026, IN DEPARTMENT NINE.

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14.	**26PR0274**	**ESTATE OF JON FRANKLIN ALMADA**
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY		

Decedent died testate on April 17, 2026, survived by issue of deceased parents. Petitioner is decedent's friend.

The Petition requests full authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

Petitioner was named as Executor in the Will.

The Will was lodged with the court on September 29, 2026**,** and is admitted to probate.

The Will waives bond.

A Duties/Liabilities statement (DE 147/DE 147s) was filed on September 29, 2026**.**

Proof of service of notice of the hearing on the Petition was filed on October 27, 2026.

Proof of publication was filed on October 29, 2026.

TENTATIVE RULING #14:

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