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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**

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**Hon. Leland Davis, III**

**May 8, 2024 - 9:00 AM**

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<b>PRO122168</b>	<b>CONSERVATORSHIP OF LYUBOV SITNIKOV</b>	
<b>Line 1</b>	Proposed Conservatee: SITNIKOV, LYUBOV Petitioner: Shev, Sergie (HALL, MERCY L) Conservatee: SITNIKOV, LYUBOV (KARLSTEN, MELISSA R.) Conservator: SHEV, SERGEI (HALL, MERCY L) Conservator: SHEV, TATYANA (HALL, MERCY L)	General Plan
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>  NO APPEARANCE  OFF CALENDAR, purpose of hearing satisfied.		

<b>17-PRO-01114</b>	<b>Estate of LORI KIM</b>	FIRST AND FINAL REPORT OF ADMINISTRATOR ON WAIVER OF ACCOUNT, AND PETITION FOR FINAL DISTRIBUTION, AND FOR ALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY AND EXTRAORDINARY COMPENSATION TO ATTORNEYS
<b>Line 2</b>	Petitioner: HENRY, JR., CHRISTOPHER (HILLMAN, M. KENDALL) Decedent: KIM, LORI Interested Party: SEIDENFELD, MARC	Petition for Final Distribution
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>  NO APPEARANCE  Petition GRANTED absent cogent objection.		



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<b>18-PRO-01423</b>	<b>Conservatorship of Cuauhtemoc Adrian Castellanos Cisneros</b>	
<b>Line 3</b>	Proposed Conservatee: Cisneros, Cuauhtemoc Adrian Castellanos (Pro Se) Petitioner: Cisneros, Cuauhtemoc Castellanos (Pro Se) Petitioner: Silva-Castellanos, Marta (Pro Se) Conservatee: Cisneros, Cuauhtemoc Adrian Castellanos (Pro Se) Conservator: Cisneros, Cuauhtemoc Castellanos (Pro Se) Conservator: Silva-Castellanos, Marta (Pro Se) Father: CISNEROS, CUAUHTEMOC CASTELLANOS Mother: Silva-Castellanos, Marta (Pro Se)	Conservatorship Review - Biennial
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>		
NO APPEARANCE		
The Conservatorship shall continue and be reviewed in two (2) years; The assessment amount of \$850 for the cost of the Court's investigation is ordered and deferred until the Court determines sufficient funds exist.		

<b>20-PRO-01620</b>	<b>Conservatorship of Jennifer Q Lin</b>	FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT AND REPORT OF CONSERVATOR, AND PETITION FOR ITS SETTLEMENT; DISCHARGE OF CONSERVATOR; AND FOR DELIVERY OF CONSERVATORSHIP ASSETS
<b>Line 4</b>	Proposed Conservatee: Lin, Jennifer Q Petitioner: Liu, Eldon (HUBER, JONATHAN P.) Proposed Conservator: Liu, Eldon (HUBER, JONATHAN P.) Conservator: Liu, Eldon (HUBER, JONATHAN P.) Conservatee: Lin, Jennifer Q Child: LIU, ALBERT Child: LIU, ASHLEE Spouse: Liu, Eldon (HUBER, JONATHAN P.)	Petition Hearing



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**Tentative Ruling:**

NO APPEARANCE

Petition GRANTED absent cogent objection.

<b>22-PRO-00062</b>	<b>Estate of Helen M. Habeeb</b>	PETITION FOR FINAL DISTRIBUTION ON APPROVAL OF ACCOUNT Probate Code 11600-11642
<b>Line 5</b>	Petitioner: Habeeb, Gary (PARE, LAURA F.) Decedent: Habeeb, Helen M. Personal Representative: HABEEB, GARY Proposed Personal Representative: HABEEB, GARY	Petition for Final Distribution

**Tentative Ruling:**

NO APPEARANCE

Petition GRANTED absent cogent objection.



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22-PRO-00231	<b>Conservatorship of Ben J. Hernandez</b>	EIGHTH ANNUAL ACCOUNTING OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE AND PETITION FOR AWARD OF FEES
Line 6	<p>Proposed Conservatee: Hernandez, Ben J. (CAVE, ALLEN)          Petitioner: SAN MATEO COUNTY PUBLIC GUARDIAN (NIBBELIN, JOHN D.)          Conservatee: Hernandez, Ben J. (CAVE, ALLEN)          Proposed Conservator: SAN MATEO COUNTY PUBLIC GUARDIAN (NIBBELIN, JOHN D.)          Conservator: SAN MATEO COUNTY PUBLIC GUARDIAN (NIBBELIN, JOHN D.)          Supplemental Petitioner: PACHECO, CHRISTINE A. (LUZAICH, STEVAN N.)          Supplemental Petitioner: PACHECO, JOE (LUZAICH, STEVAN N.)          Supplemental Petitioner: SAN MATEO COUNTY PUBLIC GUARDIAN (NIBBELIN, JOHN D.)          Mother: COCKING, CARMELITA</p>	Petition Hearing

**Tentative Ruling:**

NO APPEARANCE

The Eighth Trust Account is approved; Fees for the Public Guardian and County Counsel are granted. Future trust accounts shall be filed contingently with the review of the conservatorship.

22-PRO-01358	<b>Leone Revocable Trust, dated February 18, 2004</b>	DEMURRER BY SUSAN SOTERIOUAND JOHN SOTERIOU TO FIRST AMENDED PETITION FILED BY LESLIE C. LEONE PETITION (1) TO COMPEL REDRESS OF BREACH OF TRUST, (2) FOR BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY; (3) FOR RETURN OF TRUST PROPERTY PURSUANT TO PROBATE CODE SECTION 850; AND (4) FOR AN ACCOUNTING
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**Line 7, 8**

Petitioner: Leone, Leslie C. (MINTON, JOHN D.)  
Respondent: Soteriou, John (MCSWEENEY, BRIAN J.)  
Respondent: Soteriou, Susan (MCSWEENEY, BRIAN J.)  
Respondent: Soteriou, Nicholas

Hearing on Demurrer

Petition Hearing

**Tentative Ruling:**

APPEARANCE OPTIONAL

The Demurrer is DISMISSED as moot in light of the Notice of Settlement Agreement filed on 5/1/2024. The Petition is taken OFF CALENDAR due to the filing of the First Amended Petition. The First Amended Petition will remain on calendar pending the filing of a request for dismissal.

**23-PRO-00207**

**Estate of SANJIV GAMBHIR**

FIRST AND FINAL  
REPORT OF EXECUTOR;  
AND PETITION FOR  
CLOSE OF PROBATE  
ADMINISTRATION

**Line 9**

Petitioner: GAMBHIR, ARUNA (NEARON, DAVID A., JR)  
Decedent: GAMBHIR, SANJIV  
Personal Representative: GAMBHIR, ARUNA

Petition Hearing

**Tentative Ruling:**

APPEARANCE OPTIONAL

The Court intends to CONTINUE the matter to October 15, 2024 at 9:00 am for proof of service to the successor trustee of The Gambhir Family Trust dated June 27, 2019 to be filed.



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<b>23-PRO-01069</b>	<b>Guardianship of Samantha Ravile Wilcoxen</b>	
<b>Line 10</b>	Petitioner: Serefiddin, Ravile (HALL, MERCY L) Petitioner: Serefiddin, Talia (HALL, MERCY L) Ward: Wilcoxen, Samantha Ravile Guardian: Serefiddin, Ravile (HALL, MERCY L) Guardian: Serefiddin, Talia (HALL, MERCY L)	General Plan
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>  NO APPEARANCE  OFF CALENDAR, purpose of hearing satisfied.		

<b>23-PRO-01486</b>	<b>Guardianship of ANDY ALEXIS HERNANDEZ FRANCO</b>	
<b>Line 11, 12</b>	Petitioner: HERNANDEZ FRANCO, ANDY ALEXIS (BERHANU, TSEADA) Ward: HERNANDEZ FRANCO, ANDY ALEXIS Proposed Guardian: FRANCO JACOME, WALTER LEONEL	Appointment of Guardian for Person of the Minor  Petition for Special Immigrant Juvenile Findings
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>  APPEARANCE ORDERED (Zoom not allowed)  Petition DENIED without prejudice for 1) failure to file proof of service or consent of the guardianship petition to the minor's sisters named in the petition, and 2) failure to file a declaration by the minor indicating facts that support the allegations in the Petition for Special Immigrant Juvenile Findings as required by California Civil Procedure section 155(b)(1). If the aforementioned documents have been filed before the hearing, Counsel may appear in-person with a copy to request that the Court reconsider its tentative ruling.		



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<b>23-PRO-01488</b>	<b>IN THE MATTER OF: THE ROBERTA B. WILLIAMS FAMILY TRUST, DATED DECEMBER 31, 2010</b>	PETITION TO DETERMINE TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY
<b>Line 13</b>	Petitioner: Macias, Jeffery (DAVIS, YVETTE M.) Decedent: WILLIAMS, ROBERTA B.	Petition Hearing

**Tentative Ruling:**

APPEARANCE ORDERED (Zoom allowed)

Petition to Determine Title to Real Property is DENIED without prejudice for failure to provide why venue in San Mateo County is proper.

<b>23-PRO-01494</b>	<b>Conservatorship of Claudia L. Valverde Angulo</b>	LIMITED
<b>Line 14</b>	Proposed Conservatee: Valverde Angulo, Claudia L. (FRIEDMAN, SHERRIE S.) Petitioner: Arrellano, Elibodia Angulo (SUN, LIYING) Petitioner: Erena, Agustin Valverde (SUN, LIYING) Proposed Conservator: Arrellano, Elibodia Angulo Proposed Conservator: Erena, Agustin Valverde	Appointment of Conservator for Person

**Tentative Ruling:**

APPEARANCE ORDERED (Zoom allowed)

1. A Limited Conservatorship of the person is the least restrictive alternative to protect the conservatee and Elbodia Angulo Arellano and Agustin Valverde Erena are appointed as limited co-conservators of the person.
2. The following limited powers are granted to the limited co-conservators pursuant to Probate Code §2351.5 and the limited conservatee’s civil and legal rights are limited in the following areas:
  - To fix the residence or specific dwelling of the limited conservatee;
  - Access to the confidential records and papers of the limited conservatee;
  - The right to contract;
  - The power to give or withhold medical consent; and
  - Decisions concerning the education of the limited conservatee.
3. A nonappearance hearing on the conservator’s filing of the following documents is for August 22, 2024:
  - a) “Determination of Conservatee’s Appropriate Level of Care” (GC-355) – to be filed within 60 days of appointment





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- b) Level of Care Confidential General Plan (PR-22)
- 4. Pursuant to Probate Code Section 1830, the limited co-conservators shall file a proof of mailing of the Notice of Conservatee’s Rights within thirty (30) days of appointment.
- 5. The conservator’s requirement to attend conservator education classes and file a Proof of Completion with the Court within six (6) months of being appointed conservator is waived until the classes are offered in Spanish.
- 6. The assessment amount of \$850.00 for the cost of this investigation is ordered and deferred at this time.
- 7. The conservatorship shall be reviewed in one (1) year.
- 8. The Private Defender is discharged.

<b>24-PRO-00397</b>	<b>Estate of Tami Rae Duff</b>	
<b>Line 15</b>	Petitioner: Duff, George, SR (TANDOC, LISA D.) Decedent: Duff, Tami Rae Proposed Personal Representative: Duff, George, SR	Letters of Administration Hearing with ATA
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>		
NO APPEARANCE		
Petition GRANTED with bond set at \$1,400,000 absent cogent objection.		

<b>24-PRO-00407</b>	<b>Estate of Zenaida R. Tantoco</b>	
<b>Line 16</b>	Petitioner: Tandoc, Lisa D. (Pro Se) Decedent: Tantoco, Zenaida R. Proposed Personal Representative: Tandoc, Lisa D.	Letters of Administration Hearing with ATA
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>		
NO APPEARANCE		
Petition GRANTED absent cogent objection.		



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<b>24-PRO-00408</b>	<b>Estate of REGINA DARWISH</b>	
<b>Line 17</b>	Petitioner: Darwish, Joseph (LA, TRANG) Decedent: DARWISH, REGINA Proposed Personal Representative: Darwish, Joseph	Probate of Will and Letters Testamentary Hearing w/ ATA
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>		
NO APPEARANCE		
Petition DENIED without prejudice for 1) failure to list and serve all named alternate executors and 2) failure to list and serve beneficiaries named in the will. If the aforementioned documents have been filed before the hearing, Counsel may appear in-person with a copy to request that the Court reconsider its tentative ruling.		

<b>24-PRO-00486</b>	<b>Conservatorship of Becky Scancarello</b>	
<b>Line 18</b>	Proposed Conservatee: Scancarello, Becky Petitioner: Garzouzi, Sonya (LEE, JAMAY) Petitioner: Toulouse, Andrea (LEE, JAMAY) Proposed Conservator: Garzouzi, Sonya (LEE, JAMAY) Proposed Conservator: Toulouse, Andrea (LEE, JAMAY)	Appointment of Temporary Conservator for Person and Estate
<b>Tentative Ruling:</b>		
APPEARANCE ORDERED (Zoom allowed)		
The Court intends to make the following orders: The Petition for Temporary Conservator of the Person and Estate is DENIED for failure to allege good cause for the imposition of a temporary conservatorship. Counsel is appointed to represent the proposed conservatee.		

**Hearings Total: 18**