

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
PR - MARTINEZ-WAKEFIELD TAYLOR COURTHOUSE
COURT CALENDAR FOR JUNE 24, 2025
DEPARTMENT 38
JUDICIAL OFFICER: BARBARA C. HINTON

PROBATE EXAMINER NOTES-SUBJECT TO REVISION AFTER REVIEW BY
THE JUDGE

**Unless the Court directs otherwise, appearances by counsel and parties in
Department 38 may be made as follows:**

- **In Person**
- **Remotely through Zoom Videoconferencing**

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<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1615175497?pwd=aXQ0em5MT0VGdG5rZ0dHSFFjN1ZRZz09>

IF YOU HAVE MATTERS IN BOTH
DEPARTMENT 30 AND DEPARTMENT 38,
PLEASE NOTIFY THE BAILIFFS
THE MORNING OF YOUR APPEARANCE.

THANK YOU.

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1. 9:00 AM	MSP19-01517 RE: THE AMANDA ROMAN TRUST HEARING IN RE: PETITION FOR APPROVE THIRD ACCOUNT AND REPORT OF TRUSTEE FROM 12/1/2022 THROUGH 11/30/2024, TO APPROVE TRANSFER OF VENUE, AND TO APPROVE TRUSTEE'S AND ATTORNEY'S FEES FILED ON 2/4/2025 BY KIM T. SCHWARCZ Need: Appearances
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2A.
9:00 AM

P23-00930 MATTER OF: THE TEHEZEEB NIAAZI ALI FIRST PARTY SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST
HEARING IN RE: INJURY OF MINOR AND TENANTS FILED ON 07/16/24 BY ERFANA S. BANO

Petitioner still must do the following:

1. Appear at the hearing
2. Verify petition under penalty of perjury.
3. File a verified declaration by petitioner to state names, current addresses and relationships of all persons entitled to receive notice. LR 7.112
4. Have a Judicial Council Form Notice of Hearing and copy of petition mailed to all persons entitled to receive notice, and file a Proof of Service with court.
5. Submit a proposed Order

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2B.

9:00 AM

P23-00930

MATTER OF: THE TEHEZEEB NIAAZI ALI FIRST PARTY SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST

HEARING IN RE: PETITION RE: DAMAGES, PERSONNEL INJURY, DEATH OF SUBSIDIES, LOSS OF INCOME, HOMELESSNESS, PHYSICAL SUBSIDIES FILED BY ERFANA S BANO ON 2/7/25 SUBSEQUENT PETITION FILED

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4A.

P23-01804

ESTATE OF: PATRICA CANSON

9:00 AM

HEARING IN RE: FOR PROBATE OF WILL FILED ON 10/10/23 BY STEVEN SMITH

-- See also Line # 7, 10 and 13 --

Need appearances to report status, including mediation

Notes:

- a) Will Contest filed by Aurin Canson 2-29-2024
- b) Respondent Steven A. Smith's Answer filed 10/01/24.
- c) Status Report filed by Steven A. Smith 10-10-2024.
- d) Per 10-31-2024 minute order, court stayed all Demurrers.

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4B.

9:00 AM

P23-01804

ESTATE OF: PATRICA CANSON

HEARING IN RE: NOTICE OF HEARING; DEMURRER TO AURIN CANSON'S WILL CONTEST AND
GROUNDS OF OPPOSITION TO PROBATE OF PURPORTED WILL; MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND
AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT THEREOF FILED ON 9/17/2024 BY STEVEN A. SMITH

Need:

1. Appearances to report status, including mediation
2. Proof of mailing Judicial Council Form Notice of Hearing to all persons entitled to receive notice
3. Proposed Order

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6. **P23-02207** **ESTATE OF: RITA CHARLES**
9:00 AM HEARING IN RE: FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNTING AND PETITION FOR FINAL DISTRIBUTION;
ALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY ADMINISTRATOR COMMISSIONS; STATUTORY ATTORNEY FEES FILED ON
2/4/2025 BY EVAN CHARLES

Need:

1. Verified declaration by petitioner to specify whether all charges for, bond premiums, and costs of administration have been paid. LR 7.317
2. Verified declaration by petitioner to specify plan of distribution, including approximate amount of cash and which personal property items to be distributed to each heir. LR 7.307(a)
3. Proposed Order to include list of assets on hand available for distribution and plan of distribution including approximate amount of cash, and which personal property items to be distributed to each heir. LR 7.307(a); 7.101

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7A.

9:00 AM

P24-00346

MATTER OF: PATRICIA BYRD CANSON LIVING TRUST, DATED AUGUST 13, 2023

HEARING IN RE: NOTICE OF HEARING ON DEMURRER; DEMURRER TO AURIN CANSON'S PETITION TO INVALIDATE TRUST BASED UPON UNDUE INFLUENCE, OPPRESSION AND FRAUD; MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT THEREOF FILED ON 9/17/2024 BY STEVEN A. SMITH

-- See also Line # 4, 10 and 13 --

Need:

1. Appearances to report status, including mediation
2. Proof of mailing Judicial Council Form Notice of Hearing to all persons entitled to receive notice. PrC § 17203
3. Proposed Order

Note: Per 10/31/2024 minute order, court stayed all Demurrers.

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7B. **P24-00346** **MATTER OF: PATRICIA BYRD CANSON LIVING TRUST, DATED AUGUST 13, 2023**
9:00 AM HEARING IN RE: TO INVALIDATE TRUST BASED UPON UNDUE INFLUENCE, OPRESSION AND FRAUD
FILED ON 02/29/2024 BY AURIN M.K. CANSON

Need:

1. Appearances to report status, including mediation
2. Verified declaration to include the names, addresses and relationships of all persons entitled to notice
3. Proof of mailing to anyone added by verified declaration, not already served
4. Proposed Order

Note: Response filed by Steven A. Smith 10/02/24.

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9. **P24-00770** **ESTATE OF JOSEPH ALBERT LORANGER**
9:00 AM HEARING IN RE: REPORT OF SALE AND PETITION FOR ORDER CONFIRMING SALE OF REAL PROPERTY
FILED ON 04/17/25 BY DIANE SHELBY

Need:

1. Evidence of anticipated net proceeds so court can confirm bond.
2. Bond in the amount determined (plus overbid, if any) before order can be signed.
3. Deposit of 10% of the purchase price or evidence that committed loan proceeds exceed 90% of the purchase price. LR 7.251(a)
4. Counsel to appear. CRC § 7.452.

Notes:

- A. Real property is located at 303 Brokaw Road, Santa Clara, CA
 - B. Sale price is \$1,600,000.00.
 - C. Overbid price is \$1,680,500.00.
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- a. Objection filed by Ariane Dart and Joseph Albert Loranger III 05/19/2025
 - b. Motion to quash subpoena filed 03/08/25 by Joseph Albert Loranger III set 07/15/25
 - c. Motion for Protective Order filed 04/03/25 by Joseph Albert Loranger III set 08/21/25
 - d. Spousal Property Petition filed 08/15/25 by Diane Shelby set 09/16/25
 - e. Petition for Letters of Administration filed 06/05/24 by Joseph Loranger III and Ariane Dart set 09/16/25
 - f. Petition for Probate of Will filed 05/06/24 by Diane Shelby set 09/16/25
 - g. Motion to compel deposition filed 05/07/25 by Diane Shelby set 09/30/25
 - h. Petition for relief from breach of fiduciary duty filed 05/14/25 by Ariane Dart and Joseph Albert Loranger III set 10/02/25
 - i. Motion to compel further discovery responses filed 05/19/25 by Diane Shelby set 10/07/25
 - j. Motion to Quash Subpoena to Morrill Law filed 05/30/25 by Diane Shelby set 10/21/25
 - k. Motion to quash filed 06/09/25 by Diane Shelby set 10/28/25

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10A. **P24-00990** **MATTER OF: PATRICIA BYRD CANSON LIVING TRUST, DATED AUGUST 13, 2023**
9:00 AM HEARING IN RE: FOR ORDER CONFIRMING TRUST AND TRUST ASSETS FILED BY STEVEN A. SMITH ON
6/7/24

-- See also Line # 4, 7 and 13 --

Need:

1. Appearances
2. Verified declaration by petitioner to state current addresses of all persons entitled to receive notice. LR 7.112

Notes:

- a. Objection filed by Trustee Donald Iwuchukwu 10-29-2024.
- b. Per 10-31-2024 minute order, court stayed all Demurrers.
- c. Motion to Quash Deposition Subpoena for Production of Business Records from Citibank filed 05/21/25 by Donald Iwuchukwu set 10/09/25
- d. Motino to quash deposition subpoena for production of business records from Ghidotti Berger filed 05/28/25 by Donald Iwuchukwu set 10/16/25
- e. Motion to quash deposition subpoena for production of business records from McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLP filed 05/28/25 by Donald Iwuchukwu set 10/16/25
- f. Motion to quash deposition subpoena for production of business records from trustee corps filed 05/28/25 by Donald Iwuchukwu set 10/16/25
- g. Motion to quash deposition subpoena for production of business records from ZBS Law LLP filed 05/28/25 by Donald Iwuchukwu set 10/16/25

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10B. **P24-00990** **MATTER OF: PATRICIA BYRD CANSON LIVING TRUST, DATED AUGUST 13, 2023**
9:00 AM HEARING IN RE: DEMURRER TO AURIN M.K. CANSON'S OBJECTION TO PETITION FOR ORDER
CONFIRMING TRUST AND TRUST ASSETS FILED ON 10/29/24 BY STEVEN A. SMITH

Need:

1. Appearances
2. Proof of mailing Judicial Council Form Notice of Hearing to all persons entitled to receive notice. PrC § 17203
3. Proposed Order

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10C. **P24-00990** **MATTER OF: PATRICIA BYRD CANSON LIVING TRUST, DATED AUGUST 13, 2023**
9:00 AM HEARING IN RE: DEMURRER TO DONALD IWUCHUKWU'S OBJECTION TO PETITION FOR ORDER
CONFIRMING TRUST AND TRUST ASSETS

Need:

1. Appearances
2. Proof of mailing Judicial Council Form Notice of Hearing to all persons entitled to receive notice. PrC § 17203
3. Proposed Order

JUDICIAL OFFICER: BARBARA C. HINTON

CANSON, DATED FEBRUARY 28, 2017

HEARING IN RE: DEMURRER TO DONALD IWUCHUKWU PETITION TO INVALIDATE TRUST BASED UPON UNDUE INFLUENCE, OPPRESSION AND FRAUD (FILED 2/22/24); AND MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT THEREOF FILED ON 12/17/24 BY STEVEN A. SMITH

Need:

1. Appearances
2. Proof of mailing Judicial Council Form Notice of Hearing to all persons entitled to receive notice. PrC § 17203
3. Proposed Order

Notes:

- a. Objection to Demurrer filed by Donald Iwuchukwu.
- b. Per 10-31-2024 minute order in related cases, court stayed all Demurrers.

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13B.	P24-02188	MATTER OF: CALIFORNIA REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST OF PATRICIA BYRD CANSON, DATED FEBRUARY 28, 2017
9:00 AM	HEARING IN RE: PETITION TO INVALIDATE TRUST BASED UPON INFLUENCE, OPPRESSION AND FRAUD FILED <u>ON 12/12/24</u> BY DONALD IWUCHUKWU SUBSEQUENT PETITION FILED	
Need:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Appearances2. Proof of mailing Judicial Council Form Notice of Hearing to all persons entitled to receive notice. PrC § 172033. Proposed Order		
Notes:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Trustee Steven A. Smith's Answer/Opposition to Donald Iwuchukwu's Petition to Invalidate filed 12-17-2024.		