ATTENTION

Probate cases on this calendar are currently under review by the probate examiners. Review of some probate cases may not be completed and therefore have not been posted.

If your probate case has not been posted please check back again later.

Thank you for your patience.

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

1A Ruben Rangel Jr. (Guard/P) Case No. 06CEPR00628

Atty Casarez, Vanessa M. (Pro Per – Mother – Petitioner)
Atty Zavala, Gilbert (for Raul and Juana Rangel, Paternal Grandparents – Guardians)

Petition for Visitation

Age: 5		
DOB: 6-5-06		
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VANESSA M. CASAREZ, Mother, is Petitioner.

RAUL and JUANA RANGEL, Paternal Grandparents, were appointed Co-Guardians on 8-21-06.

Petitioner filed a Petition for Termination of Guardianship that is set for hearing on 4-3-12 and concurrently filed this Petition for Visitation to pave the way to terminating the guardianship in a manner that will have the least amount of emotional distress to Ruben Jr.

Petitioner states when Ruben Jr., was born in 2006, she consented to guardianship with the understanding that it was temporary until she could care for him on her own. She was instructed by the guardians not to mention during visits that she was his mother because he believes Juana is his mother. To be respectful of their wishes, and afraid that she would be denied visitation otherwise, she allowed herself to be referred to as "the girl" or "la muchacha." The guardians would use guilt and intimidation to maintain control of the visits, such as discussing Petitioner's addiction, and telling her they shouldn't allow her to visit, etc. This made Petitioner fearful that they could stop the visits at any time, so Petitioner was very careful to respect every limit that was placed.

On Ruben Jr.'s 4th birthday (June 2010), Petitioner was informed what type of gifts to purchase because he wasn't allowed certain things, but when she arrived to visit, was informed that he wasn't home; he was at his father's house (Ruben Rangel, Sr.). This concerned Petitioner because the current agreement has the father named as a person not allowed to have unsupervised contact with Ruben Jr.

At this point, Petitioner realized that he was 4 years old and didn't even know she was his mother. As he gets older, how long can he be expected to welcome this "la muchacha" into his life? It's too confusing.

This was a wakeup call for Petitioner and she made the decision to take care of her business. She had some criminal issues – all minor offenses that had she been responsible at the time would have been easily cleared up and dropped. However, due to her addiction, they were now more serious issues. Since then, Petitioner has reconnected with her immediate family and her father has been in contact with the guardians and has visited Ruben Jr., with her. Her father is a musician, and Ruben Jr., also has a natural talent and loves music. It has been discussed to allow Ruben Jr., to visit their home, but Petitioner is fearful that with the continued deception this will never take place. She has asked if Ruben Jr., can visit at her family's home, and the guardians have said that when he is 13 he can decide what he wants to do. When she asked when they will tell him she is his mother, they answered later. **SEE PAGE 2**

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Minute Order 3-6-12: Raul Rangel is assisted by a Spanish language interpreter. The Court continues the matter to 4-3-12 and orders that no party indicate to the minor what their respective roles are or speak ill of his mother. The Court indicates for the record that it is not making any visitation orders between now and the next hearing on 4-3-12. The Court orders that a court investigator conduct an investigation of the mother and the paternal grandparents. Matter continued to 4-3-12.

Note: Page 1B is Mother's Petition for Termination of Guardianship. If this Petition for Visitation goes forward, the following issue remains:

1. **Notice of Hearing filed 3-2-12 reflects personal service of Raul Rangel (Co-Guardian) only. The Court may require service on:**
   - **Juana Rangel (Co-Guardian)**
   - **Ruben Rangel, Sr. (Father)**

Reviewed by: skc

Reviewed on: 3-26-12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 1A - Rangel

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

SUMMARY (Continued) (Page 2 of 3):

Petitioner does not want Ruben Jr., to have trust issues or feel betrayed. Petitioner tries to bring family members to visit so that he can get to know his other family, but the dishonesty is very difficult.

Petitioner states she has also recently become aware that Juana has some serious medical issues, and worry that should something happen to her, the big changes would be detrimental to Ruben Jr. It is imperative that she be integrated into his life to help Ruben Jr., deal with emotional issues and stress of seeing his grandmother ill.

Petitioner states the guardians are still closely supervising her interaction with Ruben Jr., and are still using guilt and intimidation to ensure that she doesn't forget they are in control. Petitioner states her visits have always been positive, and Ruben Jr., is always excited to see her and cried when she leaves; however, during a recent visit, she noticed a change in his treatment of her. She states he asked why she's there, why she calls, what she wants to talk to him about. Also, the guardians now allow him to play violent video games and other toys/characters that were against rules previously imposed (Spiderman, etc.) because the father allows it.

Petitioner states that on Jan 25th she scheduled a visit for the 28th with Co-Guardian Juan Rangel. That day, they did not answer the phone, so she called an aunt who has been a point of contact. When reached, the guardians agreed to call Petitioner when they returned home, but they did not call that day. The next day, Petitioner called and was told that she could continue to try to visit, but if they're not home, they're not home.

Petitioner would like consistent visits with Ruben Jr., and requests a visitation schedule of Friday evenings 6pm to Saturday mornings 12pm with exchanges to take place at McDonalds on Jensen/99. Weekends not scheduled for overnight visit, Petitioner would like a 4 hour visit as mutually agreed upon by the parties. Petitioner requests a graduated visitation schedule to ease Ruben Jr., into feeling comfortable with her.

Petitioner also filed a declaration from her sister, Barbara Jaurique, in support of her request for unsupervised visits. The declaration details Petitioner's progress in becoming drug-free, attending meetings voluntarily, and attending church regularly. Ms. Jaurique's declaration states that she was also concerned about Ruben Jr.'s care after attending a visit and noticing that the guardians were not home, but had left Ruben Jr., with an uncle who was "obviously stoned."

The declaration also states Ruben Jr., started Kindergarten this year, but that he had previously been disqualified from attending a paid preschool because an aunt and uncle were using him as a deduction on their taxes so he did not qualify. Ms. Jaurique does not think this is appropriate. She feels Petitioner is fully capable of handling scheduled unsupervised visits with her son, and is being held back from developing a relationship with him and is being alienated from making progress. She has made mistakes in the past, but they are not beyond repair. Ruben Jr., deserves to know his whole family without limits. Scheduled visits are necessary so that the guardians cannot cancel, deny or dominate the visits.

Guardians Raul and Juana Rangel filed a Responsive Declaration on 2-27-12 and request the Petition be denied:

- When the child was born, he was delivered to the guardians by the Department of Children and Family Services. He was premature and positive for methamphetamine.
- The guardians did not see Petitioner until she showed up on 6-5-08. She left again and returned to visit the child twice between 2008 and 2010.
- Petitioner returned again on 6-5-11 and visited with the child.
- After September, 2011, Petitioner returned one more time to visit, and after that she has not come to visit at all, according to Petitioner, because her father has three jobs and no time to bring her to visit.
- On at least four occasions, she has called to visit, but never showed up.
- Contrary to Barbara Jaurique's declaration, visitation has not been on a regular basis. Visiting whenever she wants is not "a regular basis." A child is not a commodity to be used and disposed of whenever Petitioner chooses. The love and affection of a child of tender years requires more attention than every two months or so.
- Petitioner had two other children who were removed by law enforcement due to her drug use, and to the guardians' knowledge, those two children were adopted by the foster parents.
- It is alleged that at the time, Petitioner had absconded with one of those children and was not apprehended until a year later.

SEE PAGE 3

SUMMARY (Continued) (Page 3 of 3):

- Petitioner has made little or no effort to improve her own life or stay informed about the child's home life, school, or otherwise. In other words, she has never cared for or about the child.
- It appears Petitioner has been unable to provide for herself. She resides with her father along with her father's three children, ages 9, 11, and 12, and another sister, Barbara Jaurique. The limited housing condition where she now lives is not suitable for another person.
- Since the child's birth, Petitioner has made no efforts to establish any type of relationship with the child, and when she has visited, it was for about 20-30 minutes, never more than an hour, and is never left alone with him.
- The child does not know who Petitioner is to him, and has not been told to protect him.
- Petitioner has not done anything to improve her relationship with the child.
- At the beginning of the guardianship, the guardians offered to take Petitioner into their home to rehabilitate herself and establish a relationship with the child, but she left two days later and didn't return until two years later.
- At this point in the child's life, it would not be in his best interest to establish any type of relationship; it would cause emotional and psychological damage.
- Allowing any contact with Petitioner would be detrimental to his emotional and psychological well-being.
- In addition, the child could be at risk based on Petitioner's prior history of absconding with her other child.
- At present, the child is well cared for, well nourished, there are no issues between the guardians and the child that merit any type of intervention by any agency, and things should remain as they are: sole legal and physical custody to the guardians.
- Contrary to any allegation of drug or alcohol use, no one at this home engages in that type of conduct. Barbara Jaurique's allegation, "was quite obviously high on some substance," is a total and complete lie.

Joanna Rangel, Paternal Aunt, also filed a Responsive Declaration on 2-27-12. The declaration addresses the allegation of drug use by an uncle in the petition and states that the uncle does not do drugs. On the day in question, she and her husband were in charge of the child, and was present during the visit, which lasted 20 minutes. The declaration states Petitioner visits maybe once every six weeks and comments on the duration. Ms. Rangel was very surprised at the petition itself and the unfounded allegations. The child is close to the guardians and being away from them will be difficult for him. Petitioner is a stranger to the child. The requested visitation should not be granted.

Ms. Rangel states Petitioner has never been denied any contact with the child and it is disturbing that she would make these allegations. It is unclear why she is doing any of this, but her request should be denied.

1B Ruben Rangel Jr. (Guard/P) **Case No. 06CEPR00628**

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Atty Zavala, Gilbert (for Raul and Juana Rangel, Paternal Grandparents – Guardians)

Petition for Termination of Guardianship

Age: 5		
DOB: 6-5-06		
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VANESSA M. CASAREZ, Mother, is Petitioner.

RAUL and JUANA RANGEL, Paternal Grandparents, were appointed Co-Guardians on 8-21-06.

Father: **RUBEN RANGEL, SR.**

Maternal Grandfather: Hijinio Casarez
Maternal Grandmother: Rosie Gabaldon

The Petition does not state a reason for termination.

Opposition filed by Guardians on 3-21-12 states Petitioner has been for the most part absent from the child's life, has filed nothing in the past to establish any type of bonding with the child, and the child is still in need of guardianship. Guardians state he is doing well in school and the fact that they are not well-versed in English is of no impediment to his education (school records attached). Guardians have raised Ruben, Jr., and consider him a son. They love him and have now filed for adoption (legal standards discussed).

Guardians state that in ruling upon a termination of guardianship, the Courts must look to all the circumstances bearing upon the best overall interest of the child, including the stated interest of the child, the age of the child, and the parent-child relationship between the child and Guardians. Furthermore, the Court should look at the psychological and emotional well-being of the child, including the child's need for continuity and stability of care and of relationships. See Guardianship of Kaylee J (1997) 55 Cal. App. 4th 1425.

Guardians are concerned that Petitioner cannot and will not provide a loving, safe and stable environment. Nothing has been demonstrated that she could, has or will do so. Guardians have been and will continue to provide the adequate environment envisioned by Family Code 3040 and Probate Code 1514. Petitioner voluntarily relinquished the child to them and absented herself for over five years. Only recently did she recognize the importance of her actions. Petitioner was allowed to visit her son, but seldom did. The child is thriving in Guardians' nurturing environment. Although Petitioner claims to be drug-free and is turning her life around, Ruben has bonded with his grandparents and a major change in his life would be emotionally stressful.

Opposition discusses termination of parental rights and termination of guardianship and states that the "best interest" of the child standard allows the court to appropriately balance all the relevant factors arising from a child's family relationships.

Court Investigator Julie Negrete filed a report on 3-8-12.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/ COMMENTS:

Note: Guardians' Opposition indicates that they have filed for adoption.

1. **Need Notice of Hearing.**
2. **Need proof of service of Notice of Hearing with a copy of the Petition at least 15 days prior to the hearing on *all relatives* pursuant to Probate Code §1460(b)(5) or consent and waiver of notice or declaration of due diligence on:**
   - Raul Rangel (Guardian and Paternal Grandfather)
   - Juana Rangel (Guardian and Paternal Grandmother)
   - Ruben Rangel, Sr. (Father)
   - Hijinio Casarez (Maternal Grandfather)
   - Rosie Gabaldon (Maternal `Grandmother)

Reviewed by: skc

Reviewed on: 3-27-12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 1B - Rangel

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

2A **Jesse Felix Castro (CONS/PE)** **Case No. 06CEPR01119**

Atty **Perez, Holley H. (for Jessica Burnett and Barbara Castro – Conservators)**

Probate Status Hearing Re: Filing of the Next Account

Age: 59 Years	
DOB: 4/26/1952	
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JESSICA BURNETT and **BARBARA CASTRO (formerly ROMERO)**, daughters, were appointed Co-Conservators of the Person and Estate on 1-19-07 with bond of $15,000.00.

First Amended First Account for the account period of 10-30-06 through 1-30-10 was settled on 5-24-11.

On 11-1-11, JESSICA BURNETT was removed as to the estate only, but remains as Co-Conservator of the Person.

On 1-17-12, at this continued status hearing, the Court waived Jessica's appearance because she was attending a funeral, but ordered her to be present at the next hearing, and further ordered the accounting to be completed through 12-31-11.

On 3-19-12, the Second Account was filed and is set for hearing on 4-25-12.

Minute Order 3-20-12 states:

- The Court requests that Mr. Matlak remain in the courtroom while this matter is called on the record.
- The Court notes for the record that neither Ms. Perez nor her clients are present.
- The Court sets the matter for an Order to Show Cause on 4-3-12 regarding the proposed sanctions in the amount of $500.00.
- The Court orders Ms. Perez, Jessica Burnett, and Barbara Romero to be present on 4-3-12.
- Matter continued to 4-3-12. Set on 4-3-12 for Order to Show Cause Re: Proposed Sanctions in the Amount of $500.00.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Note: The Second Account for the period 2-1-10 through 12-30-11 filed 3-19-12 is set for hearing on 4-25-12.

Note: Page 2B is the OSC Re Proposed Sanctions in the amount of $500.00

Reviewed by: NRN/skc

Reviewed on: 3-27-12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 2A - Castro

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

2B Jesse Felix Castro (CONS/PE) **Case No. 06CEPR01119**

Atty Perez, Holley H. (for Jessica Burnett and Barbara Castro – Conservators)

Order to Show Cause Re: Proposed Sanctions in the amount of $500

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At hearing on 3-20-12, the minute order states: The Court requests that Mr. Matlak remain in the courtroom while this matter is called on the record. The Court notes for the record that neither Ms. Perez or her clients are present. The Court sets the matter for an Order to Show Cause on 4-3-12 regarding the proposed sanctions in the amount of $500.00. The Court orders Ms. Perez, Jessica Burnett, and Barbara Romero to be present on 4-3-12. Matter continued to 4-3-12. Set on 4/3/12 for Order to Show Cause Re: Proposed Sanctions in the Amount of $500.00.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

<u>Note</u>: Second Account for period 2-1-10 through 12-30-11 filed 3-19-12 is set for hearing on 4-25-12.

Reviewed by: skc

Reviewed on: 3-27-12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 2B - Castro

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

3A **Jonathan A. Stevens (GUARD/PE)** **Case No. 08CEPR00124**

Atty **Flanigan, Philip M. (for Diane Stevens – Guardian)**

Probate Status Hearing Re: Filing of the Next Account

Age: 18		
DOB: 2-28-1993		
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DIANE STEVENS was appointed Guardian of the Person and Estate of **JONATHAN A. STEVENS** on 3-24-08 without bond with all funds and property to be placed in blocked accounts.

Final Inventory and Appraisal filed 7-21-08 reflected a total estate value of $55,400.02, of which $400.02 was cash and the remainder was the value of a mobile home and personal property located in a mini storage.

The second account settled on 10-5-10 reflected $1,864.05 cash and the items referenced above.

On that date, the Court set this status hearing for the filing of the next account.

The minor turned 18 on 2-28-11.

Minute Order 2-7-12: Counsel requests a continuance.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

<u>Minute Order 2-7-12</u>: Counsel requests a continuance.

<u>Minute Order 3-20-12</u>: The Court notes for the record that neither Mr. Flanigan or his client is present. The Court sets the matter for an Order to Show Cause on 4/3/12 regarding failure to appear; failure to file an accounting, and the proposed sanctions in the amount of $500.00. The Court orders Mr. Flanigan and Diane Stevens to be present on 4/3/12.

<u>As of 3-26-12, nothing further has been filed. See Page 3B</u>.

1. **Need final account pursuant to Probate Code §2630.**

Reviewed by: skc	
Reviewed on: 3-26-12	
Updates:	
Recommendation:	
File 3A - Stevens	

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

3B **Jonathan A. Stevens (GUARD/PE)** **Case No. 08CEPR00124**

Atty **Flanigan, Philip M. (for Diane Stevens – Guardian)**

Order to Show Cause Re: Failure to Appear; Failure to File an Accounting; Proposed Sanctions in the Amount of $500

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On 10-5-10, the second account was settled on 10-5-10 and the Court set a status hearing for the filing of the final account on 2-7-12.

The minor turned 18 on 2-28-11.

On 2-7-12, Attorney Philip Flanigan appeared and requested a continuance. The matter was continued to 3-20-12.

On 3-20-12, there was no appearance and the Court set this Order to Show Cause hearing.

Minute Order 3-20-12: The Court notes for the record that neither Mr. Flanigan nor his client is present. The Court sets the matter for an Order to Show Cause on 4/3/12 regarding failure to appear; failure to file an accounting, and the proposed sanctions in the amount of $500.00. The Court orders Mr. Flanigan and Diane Stevens to be present on 4/3/12.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Reviewed by: skc

Reviewed on: 3-26-12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 3B - Stevens

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

5 Thomas Dominic Greco (Estate) Case No. 12CEPR00194

Atty **Barrus, John E. (for Beverly Edlund – daughter/Petitioner)**

Petition for Probate of Will and for Letters Testamentary; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD: 02/07/12		
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	Citation	
	FTB Notice	

BEVERLY EDLUND, daughter/named Executor without bond, is Petitioner.

Full IAEA – OK

Will dated 04/06/87

Residence: Fresno
Publication: The Business Journal

Estimated Value of the Estate:

Personal property	-	$ 500.00
Real property	-	55,000.00
Total	-	**$55,500.00**

Probate Referee: **STEVEN DIEBERT**

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Reviewed by: JF
Reviewed on: 03/27/12
Updates:
Recommendation: SUBMITTED
File 5 - Greco

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

6 **Bonnie M. Jones (Estate)** **Case No. 12CEPR00195**

Atty **Roberts, Gregory J. (for Clyde James Jones – son/Petitioner)**

Petition for Probate of Will and for Letters Testamentary; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD: 02/11/12		
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CLYDE JAMES JONES,
son/named Executor without bond, is Petitioner.

Full IAEA – OK

Will dated 08/09/2000

Residence: Fresno
Publication: The Business Journal

Estimated Value of the Estate:

Personal property	-	$ 19,000.00
Real property	-	300,000.00
Total	**-**	**$319,000.00**

Probate Referee: **RICK SMITH**

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Reviewed by: JF
Reviewed on: 03/27/12
Updates:
Recommendation: SUBMITTED
File 6 - Jones

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

7 **Tom H. Mukai (Estate)** **Case No. 03CEPR00769**

Atty **Renge, Lawson K. (for Executor Arthur Mihara)**

Probate Status Hearing Re: Filing First Account or Petition for Final Distribution

DOD: 7/25/2000	**ARTHUR MIHARA** was appointed Executor without bond on 7/15/03 and Letters issued.	**NEEDS/PROBLEMS/ COMMENTS:**
	Corrected I & A - $265,145.80 filed 3/19/12.	
Cont. from: 081710, 113010, 032911, 062811, 082311, 101111, 112911, 021412	**Status Report of Attorney Lawson Renge filed on 8/17/11** states since the last status conference, the Unclaimed Property Division, California State Controller's Office has sent the Safeamerica Credit Union claim for $7,257.11 to the Executor leaving only the Riversource Securities claim (5,570,581 Shares) outstanding.	**Continued from 2/14/12** **1. Need current status report.**
Aff.Sub.Wit.	Pursuant to instructions received from the Unclaimed Property Division, brokerage information was mailed to said Division on 7/2/11, confirming that brokerage accounts had been open with Chase Investment Services.	
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Aff.Mail	Mr. Renge states he telephoned the Unclaimed Property Division on several occasions to ascertain the status of the securities transfer to the Estate's brokerage account. Despite leaving messages, to date no return call has been received.	
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Letters	**Status Report filed on 11/22/11 states** on 11/21/11 the Unclaimed Property Division, California State Controller's Office was again contacted concerning transfer of 5,570.581 shares of Riversource Investment Company. Mr. Renge states he was informed by the Controller's Office that said securities (now known as Columbia Balanced Fund) has been cleared/approved for transfer to the estate account tin approximately two weeks. Once received a supplemental inventory will be prepared so that the estate can be closed.	
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Status Rpt		**Reviewed on: 3/26/12**
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Citation		**Recommendation:**
FTB Notice		**File 7 - Mukai**

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

8 **Quirina U. Diaz (Estate)** **Case No. 07CEPR00578**

Atty **Coleman, William H (for Administrator Juanita Harlan)**

Probate Status Hearing Re: Filing of First Account or Petition for Final Distribution

DOD: 12/23/06		
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JUANITA HARLAN, daughter, was appointed Administrator with full IAEA without bond on 8/28/07 and Letters issued on 11/21/07.

Inventory and Appraisal filed 11/2/07 valued the property at $225,000.00 as of 12/23/06.

On 4/27/11, the court set a status hearing for failure to file a first account or petition for final distribution.

Status Report filed 7/21/11 states the Administrator executed a new listing agreement for sale of the sole asset of the estate, real property located in Coalinga. The listing price is $120,000.00 and the agreement is effective from July 15, 2011, through January 31, 2012. The Administrator is not yet in a position to file a petition for final distribution. The Administrator estimates that it will take approximately six months to sell the property and close the estate.

Status Report filed on 9/29/11 states the original appraisal value of the property was $225,000.00. The property has been listed for sale at $120,000.00. An offer to purchase the property at $50,000.00 was made on 8/29/11. This offer is $70,000.00 below the listing price. The Administrator's cousin has expressed an interest in purchasing the property for $70,000.00. Administrator is in discussions with her cousin for this purpose. Administrator estimates that it will take approximately an additional 6 months to sell the property and close the estate.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Continued from 10/3/11.

1. **Need current status report or first account or petition for final distribution.**

Reviewed by: KT
Reviewed on: 3/26/12
Updates:
Recommendation:
File 8 - Diaz

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

10 **Marguerite Amelia Nabors (Estate)** **Case No. 09CEPR01054**

Atty **Sanoian, Joanne (for Administrator April C. Roberts)**

Status Hearing Re: Filing of Proof of Funds in Blocked Account or Increased Bond

DOD: 9/21/2006	**APRIL C. ROBERTS** was appointed as Administrator on 5/11/11. On 2/14/12 the Court confirmed the sale of real property and ordered the proceeds into a blocked account. **Minute Order dated 2/14/12** set this status hearing for the filing of a receipt for blocked account.	**NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:** 1. **Need receipt for blocked account or current status report.**
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Status Rpt		**Reviewed on: 3/27/12**
UCCJEA		**Updates:**
Citation		**Recommendation:**
FTB Notice		**File 10 - Nabors**

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

12 Augustine J Pedemonte Trust (Trust) Case No. 11CEPR00192

Atty Matlak, Steven M. (for Petitioner Joseph Pedemonte)

Status Hearing Re: Filing of the Bond

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JOSEPH PEDEMONTE, income beneficiary, filed a Petition for Appointment of a Successor Trustee.

By Order Appointing Successor Trustee filed on 2/14/12 the Court Appointed Bruce Bickel as the Successor Trustee and Ordered bond set at $3,496,544.24. This status hearing was set for the filing of the bond.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

1. **Need Bond of $3,496,544.24 or current status report.**

Reviewed by: KT

Reviewed on: 3/26/12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 12 - Pedemonte

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

13 **Susan Pedemonte Trust (Trust)** **Case No. 11CEPR00193**

Atty **Matlak, Steven M. (for Petitioner Joseph Pedemonte)**

Status Hearing Re: Filing of the Bond

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NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

1. **Need Bond of $3,496,544.24 or current status report.**

Reviewed by: KT

Reviewed on: 3/26/12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 13 - Pedemonte

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

14 Dorothy C. McClure (CONS/PE) **Case No. 12CEPR00191**

Atty Franco, Paul C. (for Petitioner Lynda Dunn)

Atty Helon, Marvin T (court appointed for Conservatee)

Petition for Appointment of Probate Conservator of the Person and Estate (Prob. C 1820, 1821, 2680-2682)

Age: 94 years DOB: 5/28/1917		
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✓	Conf. Screen	
	Letters	X
✓	Duties/Supp	
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	Order	X
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TEMPORARY EXPIRES 4/3/12

LYNDA DUNN, daughter, is petitioner and requests appointment as conservator of the person with medical consent and dementia powers for the administration of dementia medications and secured perimeter placement and of the estate without bond.

Declaration of ATS Sidhu, M.D., filed on 2/27/12

Estimated value of the estate:

Personal property- $ 1,120.00
Social Security- $13,416.00
Total - $14,536.00

Voting Rights Affected.

Petitioner states the proposed conservatee has been diagnosed with dementia. She is not capable of providing for her basic health or household needs such as nourishment, bathing or maintaining her home.

Court Investigator Charlotte Bien's Report filed on 3/22/12.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Court Investigator Advised Rights on 3/21/12.

Voting Rights Affected need Minute Order.

1. **Petition requests that bond not be required. Probate Code §2320 states except as otherwise provided by statute, every person appointed as conservator shall, before letters are issued, give a bond approved by the court. If bond is required it should be set at $16,100.00.**
2. **Need Orders**
3. **Need Letters**

Reviewed by: KT
Reviewed on: 3/27/12
Updates:
Recommendation:
File 14 - McClure

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

15 Haelee Saenz, Joel Saenz and Jaylon Saenz (GUARD)

Case No. 03CEPR01547

Atty Saenz, Christa (pro per Petitioner/Maternal aunt)
Atty Saenz, Grace (pro per Petitioner/Maternal grandmother)

Petition for Appointment of Guardian of the Person (Prob. C. 1510)

Haelee age: 10 years
DOB: 2/15/2002

Joel age: 6 years
DOB: 4/25/2005

Jaylon age: 9 mo.
DOB 6/11/11

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	Pers.Serv.	X
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THERE IS NO TEMPORARY
Temporary was denied on 2/14/12.

GRACE SAENZ and CHRISTA SAENZ, Maternal grandmother and aunt, are Petitioners.

Father (Haelee): **MICHAEL D. FELICIANO**
- Not listed on Petition; however, Court records indicate a child support (paternity) judgment against Michael D. Feliciano for Haelee.

Father (Joel): **NOT LISTED**

Father (Jaylon): **CARLOS HERNANEZ**

Mother: **DOROTHY SAENZ**

Paternal Grandfather: Not listed
Paternal Grandmother: Not listed
Maternal Grandfather: Not listed

Petitioners state that Mother is currently in Fresno County Jail on child abuse charges and the children need to be in a safe environment. Petitioners state an emergency 300 hold was placed on the children but it was determined that no petition would be filed and Petitioners are the safest environment for the children.

Court Investigator Charlotte Bien's Report filed on 3/19/12

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

1. **Need *Notice of Hearing.***
2. **Need proof of personal service of the *Notice of Hearing* along with a copy of the Petition or *Consent and Waiver of Notice* or *Declaration of Due Diligence* on:**
   a. **Dorothy Saenz (mother)**
   b. **Juan Carlos Hernandez (Jaylon's father)**
   c. **Michael D. Feliciano (Haelee's father)**
   d. **Unknown father of Joel**
3. **Need proof of service of the *Notice of Hearing* along with a copy of the Petition or *Consent and Waiver of Notice* or *Declaration of Due Diligence* on:**
   a. **Paternal grandparents of Haelee**
   b. **Paternal grandparents of Joel**
   c. **Paternal grandparents of Jaylon**
   d. **Maternal grandfather**
4. **UCCJEA is incomplete. It does not include the dates of residency for the minors for the past 5 years.**
5. **Confidential Guardian screening form for both Petitioners is incomplete. Gracie's form does not include any identifying information at #1 such as name, date of birth, social security number etc. She also did not answer questions 14, 15 and 16. Christa's form is not answered at questions 5 and 12.**

Reviewed by: KT
Reviewed on: 3/28/12
Updates:
Recommendation:
File 15 - Saenz

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

16 Armanii Tucker, K'anii Tucker & Kayla Tucker (GUARD/P)

Case No. 12CEPR00107

Atty Gardner, Denise (pro per Petitioner/paternal grandmother)

Petition for Appointment of Guardian of the Person (Prob. C. 1510)

Armanii age: 15 years DOB: 3/7/1997		
K'anii age: 7 years DOB: 4/9/07		
Kayla age: 2 years DOB: 2/26/10		
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	Notice of Hrg	X
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TEMPORARY EXPIRES 4/3/2012

DENISE GARDINER, paternal grandmother, is petitioner.

Father: **TARIK TUCKER** – *consents and waives notice.*

Mother: **SHAMPALE YOUNG** – *personally served on 2/15/12.*

Paternal grandfather: *deceased.*
Maternal grandfather: not listed
Maternal grandmother: *deceased.*

Minor: Armanii – *consents and waives notice.*

Petitioner states all the children need to be in a place in a home where stability and nurturing can be fostered. The children need to attend school regularly and have meals prepared for them every day. They should not be subjected to the abuse by their mother.

Court Investigator Jennifer Daniel's Report filed on 3/27/12.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

1. **Need *Notice of Hearing.* <u>Note</u>:** *Proof of service filed on 2/15/12 indicates the mother was personally served with the Notice of Hearing and a copy of the petition however the Notice of Hearing has not been filed.*

2. **Need proof of service of the Notice of Hearing along with a copy of the Petition or Consent and Waiver of Notice or Declaration of Due Diligence on:**
   a. **Maternal grandfather (not listed in petition).**

3. **UCCJEA is incomplete. Need dates for the period of residence for the past 5 years.**

Reviewed by: KT
Reviewed on: 3/27/12
Updates:
Recommendation:
File 16 - Tucker

17 Juanita Morales Ramos (Det Succ) **Case No. 12CEPR00188**

Atty Ramos, Baldemar V. (pro per – relationship not stated/Petitioner)

Petition to Determine Succession to Real Property (Prob. C. 13151)

DOD: 03/19/02			**BALDEMAR V. RAMOS,** is Petitioner.
			40 days since DOD.
Cont. from			
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		No other proceedings.
	Verified	x	
	Inventory		I & A - $65,000.00
	PTC		
	Not.Cred.		Decedent died intestate.
✓	**Notice of Hrg**		Petitioner requests ????
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NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

1. **The Petition is not signed/verified by Petitioner.**
2. **Petition is incomplete at item 4 regarding whether decedent was a resident of this county at the time of death or not a resident of this county, but left property in this county. <u>Note</u>: The property listed in the Inventory & Appraisal is located in Kings County.**
3. **Item 9 of the Petition indicates that the decedent was survived by a spouse, child(ren), and issue of a predeceased child. Petitioner does not state his relationship to the decedent, nor is he listed in item 14. Further, the relationships to decedent of the people listed in item 14 are not listed. Need relationship of Petitioner to decedent as well as the relationship of each person listed in item 14 to the decedent.**
4. **The Petition is missing attachment 11, which is to list the legal description of the property, APN and decedent's interest in the real property seeking to be passed with this Petition. *<u>It is noted that the APN and decedent's percentage of ownership interest is not stated on the Inventory & Appraisal either.</u>***
5. **Proof of service of Notice of Hearing indicates that the Notice was mailed on 03/21/12 – 13 days before the hearing. Pursuant to Probate Code §1220 (a)(1) Notice shall be mailed at least 15 days before the hearing.**

Reviewed by: JF

Reviewed on: 03/28/12

Updates:

Recommendation: copy of notes in file

File 17 - Ramos

Dept. 303, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012