

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY: STATE BAR NO.: 273821 NAME: Kelley A. Way FIRM NAME: Law Office of Kelley A. Way STREET ADDRESS: 150 N. Wiget Lane #210 CITY: Walnut Creek STATE: CA ZIP CODE: 94598 TELEPHONE NO.: 925-357-8845 FAX NO.: 925-357-8846 E-MAIL ADDRESS: kaway@kawaylaw.com ATTORNEY FOR (name): Mark Severance	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>  ELECTRONICALLY FILED SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO FONTANA DISTRICT  4/30/2024 5:08 PM  By: Briana Flores, DEPUTY
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF San Bernardino STREET ADDRESS: 17780 Arrow Boulevard MAILING ADDRESS: 17780 Arrow Boulevard CITY AND ZIP CODE: Fontana 92335 BRANCH NAME: Superior Court of San Bernardino	
ESTATE OF (name): Stephen Severance, a.k.a. Stephen Christian Severance <div style="text-align: right;">DECEDENT</div>	
PETITION FOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate of <input type="checkbox"/> Lost Will and for Letters Testamentary <input type="checkbox"/> Probate of <input type="checkbox"/> Lost Will and for Letters of Administration <input type="checkbox"/> with Will Annexed <input type="checkbox"/> Letters of Administration <input type="checkbox"/> Letters of Special Administration <input type="checkbox"/> with general powers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authorization to Administer Under the Independent Administration of Estates Act <input type="checkbox"/> with limited authority	CASE NUMBER: PROVA2400137  HEARING DATE AND TIME: 9/17/24 9AM  DEPT.: F1

1. Publication will be in (specify name of newspaper): City News Group

- a. ☒ Publication requested.  
 b. ☐ Publication to be arranged.

2. Petitioner (name each):  
 Mark Severance

**requests that**

- a. ☒ decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate.  
 b. (name): Mark Severance be appointed  
     (1) ☒ executor  
     (2) ☐ administrator with will annexed  
     (3) ☐ administrator  
     (4) ☐ special administrator ☐ with general powers  
     and Letters issue upon qualification.  
 c. ☒ full ☐ limited authority be granted to administer under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.  
 d. (1) ☒ bond not be required for the reasons stated in item 3e.  
     (2) ☐ \$ bond be fixed. The bond will be furnished by an admitted surety insurer or as otherwise  
     provided by law. (Specify reasons in Attachment 2 if the amount is different from the maximum required by Prob.  
     Code, § 8482.)  
     (3) ☐ \$ in deposits in a blocked account be allowed. Receipts will be filed.  
     (Specify institution and location):

3. a. Decedent died on (date): March 17, 2023 at (place): 999 San Bernardino Rd, Upland CA 91786  
     (1) ☒ a resident of the county named above.  
     (2) ☐ a nonresident of California and left an estate in the county named above located at (specify location permitting  
     publication in the newspaper named in item 1):  
  
 b. ☐ Decedent was a citizen of a country other than the United States (specify country):  
 c. Street address, city, and county of decedent's residence at time of death (specify):  
 5569 Topaz Street, Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino County

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3. d. **Character and estimated value of the property of the estate** (complete in all cases):

- (1) Personal property: \$253,002.43
- (2) Annual gross income from
- (a) real property: \$
- (b) personal property: \$
- (3) **Subtotal** (add (1) and (2)): \$ 253,002.43
- (4) Gross fair market value of real property: \$
- (5) (Less) Encumbrances: (\$ )
- (6) Net value of real property: \$
- (7) **Total** (add (3) and (6)): \$ 253,002.43

- e. (1) ☒ Will waives bond. ☐ Special administrator is the named executor, and the will waives bond.
- (2) ☐ All beneficiaries are adults and have waived bond, and the will does not require a bond. (Affix waiver as Attachment 3e(2).)
- (3) ☐ All heirs at law are adults and have waived bond. (Affix waiver as Attachment 3e(3).)
- (4) ☐ Sole personal representative is a corporate fiduciary or an exempt government agency.

- f. (1) ☐ Decedent died intestate.
- (2) ☒ Copy of decedent's will dated: 11/02/2019 ☐ codicil dated (specify for each):
- are affixed as Attachment 3f(2). (Include typed copies of handwritten documents and English translations of foreign-language documents.)
- ☒ The will and all codicils are self-proving (Prob. Code, § 8220).
- (3) ☐ The original of the will and/or codicil identified above has been lost. (Affix a copy of the lost will or codicil or a written statement of the testamentary words or their substance in Attachment 3f(3), and state reasons in that attachment why the presumption in Prob. Code, § 6124 does not apply.)

g. **Appointment of personal representative** (check all applicable boxes):

- (1) Appointment of executor or administrator with will annexed:
- (a) ☐ Proposed executor is named as executor in the will and consents to act.
- (b) ☐ No executor is named in the will.
- (c) ☐ Proposed personal representative is a nominee of a person entitled to Letters. (Affix nomination as Attachment 3g(1)(c).)
- (d) ☒ Other named executors will not act because of ☐ death ☒ declination ☐ other reasons (specify):

☐ Continued in Attachment 3g(1)(d).

- (2) Appointment of administrator:
- (a) ☐ Petitioner is a person entitled to Letters. (If necessary, explain priority in Attachment 3g(2)(a).)
- (b) ☐ Petitioner is a nominee of a person entitled to Letters. (Affix nomination as Attachment 3g(2)(b).)
- (c) ☐ Petitioner is related to the decedent as (specify):
- (3) ☐ Appointment of special administrator requested. (Specify grounds and requested powers in Attachment 3g(3).)
- (4) ☒ Proposed personal representative would be a successor personal representative.

h. Proposed personal representative is a

- (1) ☒ resident of California.
- (2) ☐ nonresident of California (specify permanent address):

- (3) ☒ resident of the United States.
- (4) ☐ nonresident of the United States.

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4. ☒ Decedent's will does not preclude administration of this estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.
5. a. Decedent was survived by (check items (1) or (2), and (3) or (4), and (5) or (6), and (7) or (8))
- (1) ☒ spouse.
  - (2) ☐ no spouse as follows:
    - (a) ☐ divorced or never married.
    - (b) ☐ spouse deceased.
  - (3) ☐ registered domestic partner.
  - (4) ☐ no registered domestic partner. (See Fam. Code, § 297.5(c); Prob. Code, §§ 37(b), 6401(c), and 6402.)
  - (5) ☒ child as follows:
    - (a) ☒ natural or adopted.
    - (b) ☐ natural adopted by a third party.
  - (6) ☐ no child.
  - (7) ☐ issue of a predeceased child.
  - (8) ☒ no issue of a predeceased child.
- b. Decedent ☐ was ☒ was not survived by a stepchild or foster child or children who would have been adopted by decedent but for a legal barrier. (See Prob. Code, § 6454.)
6. (Complete if decedent was survived by (1) a spouse or registered domestic partner but no issue (only a or b apply), or (2) no spouse, registered domestic partner, or issue. (Check the **first** box that applies):
- a. ☐ Decedent was survived by a parent or parents who are listed in item 8.
  - b. ☐ Decedent was survived by issue of deceased parents, all of whom are listed in item 8.
  - c. ☐ Decedent was survived by a grandparent or grandparents who are listed in item 8.
  - d. ☐ Decedent was survived by issue of grandparents, all of whom are listed in item 8.
  - e. ☐ Decedent was survived by issue of a predeceased spouse, all of whom are listed in item 8.
  - f. ☐ Decedent was survived by next of kin, all of whom are listed in item 8.
  - g. ☐ Decedent was survived by parents of a predeceased spouse or issue of those parents, if both are predeceased, all of whom are listed in item 8.
  - h. ☐ Decedent was survived by no known next of kin.
7. (Complete only if no spouse or issue survived decedent.)
- a. ☐ Decedent had no predeceased spouse.
  - b. ☐ Decedent had a predeceased spouse who
    - (1) ☐ died not more than 15 years before decedent and who owned an interest in **real property** that passed to decedent,
    - (2) ☐ died not more than five years before decedent and who owned **personal property** valued at \$10,000 or more that passed to decedent, (If you checked (1) or (2), check only the **first** box that applies):
      - (a) ☐ Decedent was survived by issue of a predeceased spouse, all of whom are listed in item 8.
      - (b) ☐ Decedent was survived by a parent or parents of the predeceased spouse who are listed in item 8.
      - (c) ☐ Decedent was survived by issue of a parent of the predeceased spouse, all of whom are listed in item 8.
      - (d) ☐ Decedent was survived by next of kin of the decedent, all of whom are listed in item 8.
      - (e) ☐ Decedent was survived by next of kin of the predeceased spouse, all of whom are listed in item 8.
    - (3) ☐ neither (1) nor (2) apply.
8. Listed on the next page are the names, relationships to decedent, ages, and addresses, so far as known to or reasonably ascertainable by petitioner, of (1) all persons mentioned in decedent's will or any codicil, whether living or deceased; (2) all persons named or checked in items 2, 5, 6, and 7; and (3) all beneficiaries of a trust named in decedent's will or any codicil in which the trustee and personal representative are the same person.

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8. Name and relationship to decedent Age Address  
 See Attachment 8

☒ Continued on Attachment 8.

9. Number of pages attached: 48

Date: 4/11/2024

Kelley A. Way

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF ATTORNEY)

► Kelley A. Way

(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY)

\*(Signatures of all petitioners are also required. All petitioners must sign, but the petition may be verified by any one of them (Prob. Code, §§ 1020, 1021, Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.103).)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: 4/10/2024

Mark Severance

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF PETITIONER)

► Mark Severance

(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER)

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Signatures of additional petitioners follow last attachment.