

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY:		STATE BAR NO.: 985827	FOR COURT USE ONLY	
NAME: Albert J. Nicora FIRM NAME: Nicora Law Offices, LLP STREET ADDRESS: 26385 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite 100 CITY: Carmel TELEPHONE NO.: (831) 622-2000 E-MAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (name): Heidi Blanchard, Petitioner		STATE: CA ZIP CODE: 93923 FAX NO.: (831) 622-2001		
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF MONTEREY STREET ADDRESS: 1200 Aguajito Road MAILING ADDRESS: 1200 Aguajito Road CITY AND ZIP CODE: Monterey 93940 BRANCH NAME: Monterey		ELECTRONICALLY FILED BY Superior Court of California, County of Monterey On 11/24/2025 7:00 PM By: Stephanie Mendez, Deputy		
ESTATE OF (name): Judy Brakebill Jones, also known as Judy Lee Jones, et al.		DECEDENT		
PETITION FOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate of <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lost Will and for Letters Testamentary <input type="checkbox"/> Probate of <input type="checkbox"/> Lost Will and for Letters of Administration 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: 25PR000590		
		HEARING DATE AND TIME: 01/07/2026	DEPT.:	13

1. Publication will be in (*specify name of newspaper*): Monterey Herald
 - a. Publication requested.
 - b. Publication to be arranged.
2. **Petitioner (name each):** Heidi Blanchard

requests that

- a. decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate.
 - b. (*name*): Heidi Blanchard 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) \$ 20,000.00 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*): April 4, 2025 at (*place*): Salinas, CA
 - (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*):

17742 Berta Canyon Road
Salinas, Monterey County

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

(1) Personal property:	\$ 10,500.00
(2) Annual gross income from	
(a) real property:	\$
(b) personal property:	\$
(3) Subtotal (add (1) and (2)):	\$ 10,500.00
(4) Gross fair market value of real property:	\$ 750,000.00
(5) (Less) Encumbrances:	(\$ 97,000.00)
(6) Net value of real property:	\$ 653,000.00
(7) Total (add (3) and (6)):	\$ 663,500.00

- 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: 4/8/2008 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.) *See Declaration regarding Lost Will concurrently filed with this Petition.

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

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

Continued in Attachment 3g(1)(d).

- (2) Appointment of administrator:
- Petitioner is a person entitled to Letters. (If necessary, explain priority in Attachment 3g(2)(a).)
 - Petitioner is a nominee of a person entitled to Letters. (Affix nomination as Attachment 3g(2)(b).)
 - 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):

2530 N.W. Hayes Avenue
 Corvallis, OR 97330

- (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
Shaymae Lababidi (Gretchen Angela Jones), Daughter	Adult	5 Hassan Sabry Apt. 3.2 c/o Lababidi Zamalak, Cairo, Egypt
Heidi Jones Blanchard, Daughter	Adult	2530 N.W. Hayes Avenue, Corvallis, Oregon 97330
Eric Brakebill Jones, Son and Trustee of the Trust	Adult	5634 Noelle Drive, Temple City, CA 91780
Lawrence Elliott Lasher, Spouse	Deceased	

Continued on Attachment B.

9. Number of pages attached: 11

Date: 11/24/2025

Albert J. Nicora

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME 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:

11-20-25 Heidi Blanchard

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF PETITIONER)

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Signatures of additional petitioners follow last attachment.

 /s/ Albert J. Nicora

(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY)*

 Heidi Blanchard

(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER)

(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER)

Attachment 3f(2)

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

JUDY BRAKEBILL JONES

With Pour-Over Trust, Burial & Pet Provisions

I, JUDY BRAKEBILL JONES, aka Judy Lee Brakebill Jones or Judy Brakebill Jones Lasher or Judy Lee Jones, a citizen and resident of the County of Monterey, State of California, United States of America, born on September 16, 1947, being of sound and disposing memory, do hereby make, publish and declare this instrument as my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking any and all Wills, Codicils and letters of testamentary import I formerly may have made. This Last Will and Testament is drafted pursuant to, and shall be administered under, the laws of the State of California.

I am married to Lawrence Elliot Lasher, to whom the term "spouse" refers. I am legally divorced from Gary William Jones. I have three adult children:

1. Gretchen Angela Jones, date of birth: 02/22/1975;
2. Heidi Jones Blanchard, date of birth: 07/26/1977;
3. Eric Brakebill Jones, date of birth: 08/21/1979

The term "my children" in my will refers to any children born to or adopted by me after the creation of this will. I have no deceased children.

ARTICLE I

TAXES, DEBTS AND EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION

I direct that all debts which I am legally obligated to pay at the time of my death, including my last illness and funeral expenses, taxes and costs of administration of my estate shall be paid as soon as practicable after my death.

ARTICLE II

WRITTEN MEMORANDUM OR CODICIL

From time to time I may prepare a written memorandum or codicil regarding the disposition of all or part of my tangible personal property which I might own at the time of my death. I direct that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Will, my Personal Representative distribute such tangible personal property as directed in any memorandum if such memorandum is signed by me, dated, references this Will, and is associated with a copy of this Will. If more than one such memorandum is located, only the memorandum bearing the latest date shall be valid. If no such memorandum has been located within ninety (90) days following the appointment of my Personal Representative, it shall be presumed conclusively that no such memorandum exists, even if a purported memorandum as described herein later is produced.

ARTICLE III

DISPOSITION OF RESIDUE AND POUR OVER TRUST PROVISION

I give my spouse all of our memorabilia from our trips and experiences and all of our pictures together. I give all my stocks and bonds, jewelry, clothing, household furniture and furnishings, personal automobiles, boats and trailers, books, and other tangible articles of a personal nature, not otherwise specifically disposed of in my will or in any other manner, to my three children in equal and equitable shares.

If my children do not survive me, I give all my stocks and bonds, jewelry, clothing, household furniture and furnishings, personal automobiles, boats and trailers, books, and other tangible articles of a personal nature, not otherwise specifically disposed of in my will, or in any other manner, to my spouse.

All of the real and any other personal property that I own at my death, or which shall become

payable to my estate or my personal representatives, and any real property that I have the power to dispose of under my Will, with the exception of any specific bequests of tangible personal property, shall be distributed to the Trustee of the Judy Brakebill Jones 2008 Revocable Trust to be administered and distributed as provided under that Trust.

It is neither my intention to create a separate trust by this Will, nor subject the Judy Brakebill Jones 2008 Revocable Trust nor the property added to it by this subparagraph to the jurisdiction of the probate court, and the property given by this subparagraph shall not be deemed to be held under a testamentary trust.

ARTICLE IV

DISCHARGE OF LIEN

In the event any property or interest in property passing under this Will, by operation of law or otherwise, by reason of my death, shall be encumbered by a mortgage or lien, or shall be pledged to secure any obligation (whether the property or interest in property so encumbered or pledged shall be owned by me jointly or individually), it is my intention that such indebtedness shall not be charged to or paid by my estate, but that the devisee, beneficiary, or joint owner taking by survivorship, shall take such property or interest in property subject to all encumbrances existing at the time of my death.

ARTICLE V

FIDUCIARIES

A. Personal Representatives: I appoint Eric Brakebill Jones of San Francisco, California and Heidi Jones Blanchard of ^{Chico} Santa Cruz, California as Co-Personal Representatives of this Will. In the event one should be or become unable or unwilling for any reason to serve as such Personal Representative, the other shall serve alone.

B. Waiver of Bond: I direct that no Personal Representative, Trustee or Guardian named in this Article shall be required to furnish any bond or other security in any jurisdiction for the faithful performance of his duties as such, the same being specifically waived hereby.

ARTICLE VI

POWERS OF FIDUCIARIES

In addition to and not in limitation by way of implication or otherwise of the powers and discretions elsewhere herein granted or those conferred by law, I give and grant to my Personal Representative the power and authority to do any of the following as in my Personal Representative's unrestricted judgment and discretion said Personal Representative deems advisable for the better management and preservation of my property, without resort to any person or Court for further authority:

- A. Retain Property: To retain property, not otherwise disposed of in this will, as an investment without regard to the proportion such property or property of a similar character so held may bear to the entire estate;
- B. Sell and Exchange Property: To sell property at either public or private sale for cash or on credit; to exchange property and to grant options for the purchase thereof;
- C. Invest and Reinvest: To invest and reinvest in any property, including, but not by way of limitation, bonds, notes, debentures, mortgages, certificates of deposit, common and preferred stocks, mutual funds, common trust funds, shares or beneficial interests in mortgage trusts or real estate investment trusts, real estate or any interest therein, and other property, real or personal, of every kind or nature, without being limited to the class of investment in which fiduciaries are authorized by law or any rule of Court to invest funds;
- D. Participate in Reorganization: To consent to and participate in any plan of reorganization, consolidation, merger, combination or other similar plan, and to consent to any contract, lease, mortgage, purchase, sale or other action by any corporation pursuant to such plan;
- E. Borrow: To borrow money and to pledge or mortgage any property as security therefore;
- F. Compromise Claims: To extend the time of payment of any obligation held by him, and to release, compromise, settle or submit to arbitration any claim upon such terms as may seem proper;
- G. Use of Nominee: To cause any securities or other property held to be registered and held in the name of a nominee.

H. Allocation Between Principal and Income: To appoint or allocate between principal or income any and all receipts of money or other property paid or delivered to him, any and all capital gains and losses on estate assets, and any and all expenses, including taxes, incurred by him with respect to any action taken or payments made in reliance thereon.

I. Distribution in Cash or in Kind: To satisfy any general legacy or any part thereof in kind; and in the division or distribution of my property or any part thereof, to make partition, division or distribution of property in kind; and for any such purposes, to determine the value of any property, which determination shall be conclusive and not subject to review;

J. Collect Property: To collect and receive any and all sums and any and all property of whatsoever kind or nature due and owing or belonging to him in his fiduciary capacity, and to give full discharge and acquittance therefore;

K. Insurance Policies, Premiums and Options: To retain as an asset of the estate and to pay premiums on all policies of insurance, including life insurance, held by him, and to elect any options or settlements or exercise any rights under such policies;

L. Joint Income Tax Returns and Gifts of Spouse: Without duty to give or obtain consideration therefore, to join with my spouse or my spouse's estate in filing of any Federal Income Tax Return for any year for which I have not filed such return prior to my death and to consent to gifts made by my spouse as being made half by me for the purpose of the Federal gift tax law, even though such action may result in additional liabilities for my estate; any income and gift taxes due on such returns, and any deficiencies, interest or penalties thereon shall be allocated between my estate and my spouse or my spouse's estate, or all to any of them, in such manner as my Personal Representative, in my Personal Representative's sole discretion, shall deem equitable and proper.

ARTICLE VII

DEFINITIONS

Whenever used in this Will, unless the context of any passage thereof required otherwise:

A. Singular Includes Plural: The singular includes the plural and the plural includes the

singular.

B. Personal Representative: The term "Personal Representative" shall include any and all Personal Representatives of my estate, whether in connection with the domiciliary or any ancillary administration thereof, and whether male or female, and whether one or more than one, as well as their substitutes and successors and shall be interchangeable with the terms "Executor" and "Executrix".

C. Income: The term "income" shall mean net income after the payment of all administrative expenses and taxes other than beneficiary income taxes.

D. Property: The term "property" as used herein shall include both real and personal property.

E. Death Taxes: The term "death taxes," as used in this will, shall mean all inheritance, estate, succession, and other similar taxes that are payable by any person on account of that person's interest in my estate or by reason of my death, including penalties and interest, but excluding the following:

- (1) Any addition to the federal estate tax for any "excess retirement accumulation" under Internal Revenue Code Section 4980A.
- (2) Any additional tax that may be assessed under Internal Revenue Code Section 2032A.
- (3) Any federal or state tax imposed on a "generation-skipping transfer," as that term is defined in the federal tax laws, unless the applicable tax statutes provide that the generation-skipping transfer tax on that transfer is payable directly out of the assets of my gross estate.

ARTICLE VIII

BURIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Upon my death, I wish to be buried. I direct that my remains be interred at Moss Landing Cemetery at the earliest time that my personal representative is able to fulfill this wish. If this is not possible, my personal representatives can make other arrangements as to the location of my burial. However, I do not wish to be cremated.

ARTICLE IX

DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY/PETS

Any pets that I acquire after the creation of this will shall be bequeathed to Eric Brakebill Jones, Heidi Jones Blanchard or Gretchen Angela Jones. If the pets are unable to live with any of my children, I request that my personal representatives find loving homes for said pets.

ARTICLE X

CONSTRUCTION OF WILL AND NO CONTEST CLAUSE

A. Construction: The headings and subheadings used throughout this Will are for convenience only and have no significance in the interpretation of the body of this Will, and I direct that they be disregarded in construing the provisions of this Will.

B. No-contest clause disinheriting contestant and issue: If any beneficiary under this will, or any person not named in this will, directly or indirectly, contests this will, or any of its provisions, including the validity, in any legal proceeding that is designed to thwart the Executor's wishes as expressed in this will, any share or interest in my estate or under the provisions of this will given to the contesting beneficiary or party is revoked and shall be disposed as if that contesting beneficiary or party had predeceased the Executor without issue or heirs at law.

C. Payment of Death Taxes: The Executor shall pay death taxes as follows:

- (1) Death taxes attributable to property inventoried in my probate estate shall be paid out of the residue of my estate, and none of those death taxes shall be prorated or apportioned among the persons interested in that property.
- (2) Death taxes attributable to property not inventoried in my probate estate shall be prorated and apportioned among the persons interested in that property as provided in the California Probate Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name to this my Last Will and Testament consisting of 9 pages, this included, on the margin of each of which I have placed my initials for the purpose of identification this 8th day of April, 2008.

Judy Brakebill Jones
JUDY BRAKEBILL JONES, Testatrix

In our presence, the Testatrix signed, sealed, published and declared the foregoing instrument as and for her Last Will and Testament, and at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, we hereunto subscribe our names as attesting witnesses at _____ County, California, this 8th day of April, 2008

Michael Stevenson

Witness Number One
Print Name

Michael Stevenson

Signature

27852 Crown Point Drive, Salinas, CA 93908

Address

Yvonne A. DeLoach

Witness Number Two
Print Name

Yvonne A. DeLoach

Signature

231 San Miguel Ave

Address

Witness Number Three
Print Name (Optional)

Signature

Address

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF Monterey:

Judy Brakebill Jones

Judy Brakebill Jones

We, JUDY BRAKEBILL JONES, the Testatrix,

Michael Stevenson

and Cynthia A. Delgado, (print names)

the witnesses, respectively, whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument, being first duly sworn, do declare to the undersigned officer that the Testatrix signed this instrument voluntarily as her Last Will and Testament and that each of the witnesses in the presence of the Testatrix, at her request, and in the presence of each other, signed this Last Will and Testament as a witness and that to the best of the knowledge of each witness, the Testatrix was at that time eighteen (18) or more years of age, of sound mind and under no constraint or undue influence.

Judy Brakebill Jones
JUDY BRAKEBILL JONES, Testatrix

Michael Stevenson
Witness Signature

Cynthia A. Delgado
Witness Signature

Witness Signature (Optional)

ATTACHMENT 3g(1)(d)

On April 4, 2025, the Decedent passed away. The Decedent executed the Judy Brakebill Jones 2008 Revocable Trust (“Trust”). Eric Jones is named as Trustee of the Trust but has failed to move forward with the Trust administration. The beneficiaries have requested information from Eric Jones regarding the Trust since June 2025. Instead, Eric Jones has made false accusations against the beneficiaries. Therefore, he is unqualified to act as Co-Executor as explained in more detail in the Declaration Regarding Co-Executor.