

# CONFIDENTIAL INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA - SAN JOAQUIN Probate Division 180 E. Weber Avenue, Suite 416 Stockton, CA 95202 (209) 992-5696		FOR COURT USE ONLY <b>Electronically Filed</b> Superior Court of California County of San Joaquin 1:40 pm, Nov 14, 2022 Gregoria Ramirez <i>Gregoria Ramirez</i>	
Conservatorship of <b>KARIN T. MEYER</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estate <input type="checkbox"/> Limited <input type="checkbox"/> Successor			
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		HEARING DATE: November 15, 2022	

## SECOND (2<sup>ND</sup>) REPORT TO THE COURT ON THE PETITION FOR TEMPORARY CONSERVATORSHIP REPORT TO THE COURT ON THE INITIAL PETITION FOR CONSERVATORSHIP

DATE OF TEMPORARY HEARING: November 15, 2022

DATE OF GENREAL HEARING: December 6, 2022

LETTERS REQUESTED: PERSON & ESTATE

SPECIAL CONCERNS: A restraining order may be appropriate in this case protecting the proposed conservatee from the petitioner and any further loss as well from any other predatory third parties.

### EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is strongly recommended that the San Joaquin County Public Conservator's Office be appointed as both temporary and general conservator of the person and estate of the proposed conservatee.

INVESTIGATOR RECOMMENDS: DENIED as to the Petitioner – APPROVED as to the Public Conservator

1851.5 ASSESSMENT: ☒ YES ☐ NO

### PROPOSED CONSERVATEE INFORMATION:

Name: Karin Theresa Meyer (DOB: November 29, 1926)

Age: 95

Address: 16825 Austin Road

Manteca, CA 95207 (Type of Placement): Currently housed at Doctor's Hospital of Manteca

Telephone Number (209) 823-3826 (209) 933-1284

### PROPOSED CONSERVATEE'S ATTORNEY INFORMATION:

Name: Adam Grace, San Joaquin County Public Defender

Address: 102 S. San Joaquin Street, Room 1

Stockton, CA 95202

Telephone Number: (209) 468-2730

(Appointed 10/18/22 via Ex-Parte Order)

### PROPOSED CONSERVATOR INFORMATION:

Name: Jaime Burciaga Relationship to Proposed Conservatee: Non-Relative ☒ CPS/APS History

Address: 622 Hartland Drive, Manteca, CA 95337

Telephone Number: (209) 430-4595

### PROPOSED CONSERVATOR'S ATTORNEY INFORMATION:

Name: Nini Lee, CSB # 199109 - Law Office of Nini Lee, Inc.

Address: 835 W. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Merced, CA 95340

Telephone Number: (209) 726-0777



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### SUMMARY:

The proposed conservatee, Karin M. Meyer, for protective purposes is being housed at Doctor's Hospital of Manteca; she was transferred to her current location from another hospital. The proposed conservatee is of advanced age; she is currently ninety-five (95) years of age but will be ninety-six (96) in a matter of weeks. The proposed conservatee is widowed, her husband, Edward Meyer was reported to have passed away some time ago. It was previously reported that the proposed conservatee only had one child, Sylvia Meyer, who passed away in 2020; however, during the interview the proposed conservatee repeatedly stated that she had three daughters and one son. The proposed conservatee could not recall the names of her children; she also identified one living sibling, a brother, who according to her records, lives in Germany, although at one point the proposed conservatee reported that her brother lived "here" in Manteca; however she was also found to be confused about that as well. Throughout the interview the proposed conservatee's thoughts proved to be scattered, inaccurate, lacking and at times contradicting; for her own protection it appears that a conservatorship of the person and estate is necessary and appropriate.

### ESTATE:

The proposed conservatee has a large portfolio of rental properties, a number of bank accounts with large deposits and a recently changed trust. There is concern that some of her properties may have been transferred and that there may have been attempts to get the proposed conservatee to sell some of her properties. According to hospital staff amongst the list of people seeking out the proposed conservatee while she is in confidential care was a realtor.

The state of the proposed conservatee's assets and properties are at risk of sustaining substantial losses; there are current allegations that the rents are not being paid or similarly rents are not being accounted for. There is an ongoing investigation by the San Joaquin County Sheriff's office wherein the person of interest is the petitioner.

During the interview the proposed conservatee was repeatedly asked about the recent changes to her trust, which she repeatedly denied and called "forgery." The proposed conservatee recalls going to her attorney's office and recalled being mad that each time she went to "her office, she charged me \$2,000.00," but she could not recall what she went to the attorney's office for nor could she recall the name of that attorney; she could only recall that it was a female. Per the proposed conservatee's reply she did not recall having a male attorney at the same office. Not only could not recall the name of the female attorney but she also denied having an attorney by the name of Mike Gianelli; she also did not recognize the name, Amy Jeffries. The proposed conservatee indicated that she has three attorney's (none of whose names she can remember,) but reportedly one attorney was in Manteca, another in Modesto and another "further down from Modesto," but again denied contracting counsel by the names of Mike Gianelli or Amy Jeffries. The proposed conservatee indicated that she remembered "Kimo" being the one to drive her to the attorney's office in Modesto for one of those \$2,000 visits and when queried she reported that she was told she "had" to sign paperwork presented to her so that Kimo can make big purchases for the properties, but even then she reported that she didn't sign the paperwork because she wanted to see (for herself) what purchases he made, especially if they were "big purchases" and would accompany him for everything because she wanted to see everything that was bought with "my own eyes," until she was hospitalized. The proposed conservatee when further queried indicated she had signed a lot of paperwork recently, which was placed before her by the petitioner and his wife, but according to her recollection they were "for the rentals, for the evictions." Again, she reported that she did not change her trust recently and she denied signing a Power of Attorney for HealthCare purposes and also called the paperwork a "forgery" when she was shown a copy. Additionally, when the proposed conservatee was shown a copy of the "Power of Attorney", she attempted to read through it and scoffed that she would need hours to read that, stating that she would not sign it without reading all of it and she questioned repeatedly who the petitioner (listed on the power of attorney,) Jaime Burciaga, was, because she reportedly did not know anyone by that name. The proposed conservatee only recalled that Buricaga was Paula's last name (her business' bookkeeper) and connected that it "must be" Paula's relative (at one point she realized it was Paula's husband) but she did not seem to connect or realize that the petitioner, Jaimie Burciaga and Kimo were one and the same. It should be noted that when the proposed conservatee was initially advised of the pending petition, by Mr. Burciaga, the proposed conservatee did not recognize the name and would ask "who is that?" and "I don't know that person!" she initially referred to the listed name as a "she." The proposed conservatee had no idea who the petitioner was when advised of the pending petition or when the petitioner was referred to as Jaime or Mr. Burciaga.

Throughout the two hour interview the proposed conservatee was noted to have significant memory deficits and could not remember names of recent encounters; instead she would pull out cards and papers with people's names, one of which included the name of the petitioner as "Kimo" with his phone number. However after a minute of referring to his



name she had on the piece of paper the proposed conservatee would go into rants about how Kimo stole from her and how he is suing her for five million dollars because she fired him and how displeased she was with him; clearly, she was not in her good graces; therefore, the petitioner should not be appointed as conservator of her estate.

#### INTERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED CONSERVATEE:

The proposed conservatee is currently in "confidential care" at Doctor's Hospital of Manteca, where she was interviewed on November 9, 2022. Throughout the lengthy interview the proposed conservatee exhibited both short and long-term memory problems and demonstrated significant cognitive deficits. The proposed conservatee is not oriented to time and place, she indicated that she was aware that it was near the holiday season, but was unaware as to which month or decade it was and responded that she needed to reference her calendars at her office; on two occasions she believed it was the year 2000. Throughout the duration of the interview some of the same questions were asked repeatedly to see if there were deviations in her responses; on one occasion she indicated that she believed that it was the month of October, but did not want to provide a guess when asked the year. The proposed conservatee was also asked her age and birthdate; during one of those instances when she was asked for her birthdate, the proposed conservatee had the wherewithal to look for her driver's license, which she proudly proclaimed is still valid. Even though the proposed conservatee eventually was able to pull out her license it still took her 9 more minutes to find the date of birth listed on the driver's license, because she was so easily distracted and pursued other unrelated topics of conversation. The proposed conservatee continually needed to be continually refocused in order to finally provide her date of birth; however after she noted her date of birth and reported it to the undersigned, she went through the motions of doing the math in her head in order to answer the question of her age and even after a lengthy period of doing the math in her head and out loud she came to the conclusion that she was "74" years old. The proposed conservatee was unable to verify to the undersigned that her license was still valid; it does not expire until 2023, but she did not have the ability to remember that her address, (which she couldn't recall) was also on her license. The proposed conservatee, after being asked for her office address, could only accurately recall it once; as for her home address she was unable to provide her home address on any of the occasions she was asked for it; instead she would ask for a map so that she could point it out and repeatedly stated that she keeps maps at her office because that is how she "get(s) around" and remembers; throughout the interview she repeatedly asked the undersigned for a map so she could demonstrate what she was talking about, i.e. the two houses she "gave away" or which tenants she was referring to.

More concerning than the fact that she could not remember her own home address was the fact that she could not remember if she was still operating a vehicle; the proposed conservatee would vacillate on such. The proposed conservatee repeatedly indicated she had three cars and a truck, when asked for specific information about her vehicles she could not recall the makes; then stated that her workers use the truck, but later said she still uses the truck to drive to the dump when needed. When she was asked which car she drives she indicated that she did not recall and instead searched through her purse for her keys. With the key in hand she was asked what kind of car she has, but could not recall nor did she look to her key for reference; the proposed conservatee pulled out a Cadillac key attached to a hot wheels car as a key holder. When asked which of her cars is her favorite car to drive, only then did she respond that she doesn't drive anymore that she is chauffeured around. When asked who chauffeured her around, she could not provide any names, but later recalled that Paula chauffeured her around to collect rents. When asked if she drove to her office, she reported at times that she "drives" to "work" and other times reported that her long-time chauffer "he drove me to work," adding I've had chauffeurs for a while. When the proposed conservatee was asked how long she had been chauffeured to work, she replied "a couple of years now."

The proposed conservatee's confusion also extended to her recent hospital stay. The proposed conservatee repeatedly indicated that "this whole ordeal" her hospital transfers and stay at the hospital has lasted over two years; she believes she's been hospitalized for two years because she broke her ankle; however according to hospitals staff she did not break her ankle; it was her hip that initiated her hospitalizations. The proposed conservatee had also reported she has broken every bone in her body but then later stated she hasn't needed medical care in decades because she is healthy and only eats fruits and vegetables, it was her "broken ankle" reportedly that forced her to seek medical care. When asked who her primary doctor was, the proposed conservatee could not recall "his" name and asked for a map to show the undersigned the doctor's location, but then when asked again later the proposed conservatee indicated her primary physician was a female, but also could not recall her name. When the proposed conservatee was asked about living relatives, when it came to her mother, she reported that her mother was allegedly living "here" in the United States and worked for the U.S. Postal Service. When asked about her brother, she was ultimately able to pull out a piece of paper with a contact number of # 011-49-8846-9320, for Hans-Heinz Krause, Seestr #4, Uffing Deutschland, 82449, with a



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number of (209) 239-1374 written next to it; however when asked about contacting him the proposed conservatee reported that she hasn't contacted him in over 2 years, because he is mad at her, not on speaking terms and then went on to recount that her brother reportedly told her not to call him because she (the proposed conservatee) was wanted in Germany for killing someone, which brought her to tears, just recounting the story.

The petitioner also reported that she owned commercial property then later indicated that she sold it when she closed her jewelry store, because one of her employee's was "stealing the good diamonds;" reportedly she ran out of inventory and ended up closing her jewelry store which she reported was located next to her property management office.

The proposed conservatee while rifling through her belongings in her purse would occasionally discover hidden cash; she had a number of checkbooks and deposit slips with her. In one red check book cover she found what she reported was \$500.00, at which time she offered the undersigned money to go buy her some clothes; she was upset that she had spent "2 years" in a backless hospital gown, "naked" in "penny underwear" as she referred to it. The proposed conservatee found more hidden money in her wallet. When the proposed conservatee demonstrated the recent deposit slips she was asked who deposits the money, to which she originally reported that she does, but when challenged about not driving she then changed her answer and indicated that Paula handles the deposits, because she is the person that helps her with the "collections and the evictions" adding that "Paula does all the income," then went on a tangent stating that some of the income was missing and she kept staring at the deposit slips and notes on a long pink post it of "what should have been deposited." The proposed conservatee was questioning missing rents as opposed to what is listed on the recent bank deposit slips and indicated she was "missing checks." The proposed conservatee was asked about payroll as that was also an issue/concern reported; however the proposed conservatee could not recall who does her payroll, initially she stated she signs all her checks, then she reported that someone else in her building does payroll for her business and again asked the undersigned for a map to point out the location of the person that does her payroll. The proposed conservatee repeatedly stated throughout the interview that she had millions of dollars in bank accounts, when asked which banks she had accounts with she referred to the deposit slips from Bank of Stockton, but reported that she also banked with Bank of America and had millions in other banks too, but that she had also recently closed out an account with one of those banks. The latter attempt of the proposed conservatee to close a bank account at a bank was previously referenced in a prior APS referral, wherein a decline in the proposed conservatee's mental capacity was initially questioned.

Needless to say the proposed conservatee throughout the interview demonstrated she has significant memory deficits; she believes she has been in the hospital(s) for 2 years now. The proposed conservatee believes she had 4 children, none of which she could name; however during unrelated conversations she recalled that her oldest daughter's name was "Sylvia" while denying angrily having made changes to her trust. The proposed conservatee recalled the name of her alleged "son" when discussing her parents as "Bibsy" Furmets - Furmets being the last name, but Bibsy, being the equivalent of what she referred to as "baby boy," and not his formal first name, which again she could not recall.

The proposed conservatee was shown the Advance Health Care Directive (Attachment A) which proved to be very upsetting to the proposed conservatee who adamantly denied signing the document she was presented. Further she questioned (again) the name, Jaime Burciaga, because she does not recognize that name. When the petitioner's name was substituted with Kimo, the proposed conservatee flat out denied having signed any Medical Power of attorney for "Kimo." She also adamantly denied that she added "Kimo" to her trust. The proposed conservatee verbally deduced that she must have signed that paper inadvertently when she "broke her ankle" because Kimo needed to make "big" purchases for the property, but explained that she would never sign such a document because she did not need anything of the sort, because she was in excellent health, with the exception of her "broken ankle." Subsequently after that discussion the proposed conservatee reported feeling further deceived by the petitioner (and his wife as she connected the two by the last name,) and did not want to see "Kimo." As far as she was concerned he no longer worked for her (she fired him because he stole from her, according to her reports) and wanted nothing to do with him; the proposed conservatee made that statement towards the beginning of the interview and again at the end of the interview when she reviewed the attachments submitted with the petition. The proposed conservatee indicated again that two years ago "Kimo sued her for five million dollars when she fired him, which is not the case as their business relationship may only have lasted a year (or less in duration) however; she is also of the opinion that she has been in the hospital for two years now from which she hasn't been released, which also is untrue.



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The proposed conservatee is in definite need of a conservatorship, both temporary and general; therefore it is recommended that the Public Conservator's Office be appointed immediately.

## COLLATERAL INFORMATION:

The undersigned contacted the social worker at Doctor's Hospital of Manteca, Erica, who shared concerns for the proposed conservatee and confirmed that there were two open investigations; one with Adult Protective Services and the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office pertaining to the petitioner, Jaime Burciaga. It was reported that the petitioner continues to be inappropriate, aggressive and continues to try and get access to the proposed conservatee. It was also reported that the attorneys Mike Gianelli and Amy Jeffries, also attempted to access the proposed conservatee despite the on-going open investigations and have been aggressive in their attempts to get access to the proposed conservatee while in the hospital. Attorney Jeffries in particular was described as being "highly inappropriate" in her attempts to access the proposed conservatee (knowing she is in confidential care,) sneaking past security and "making it to the second floor" peeping in the different rooms for the proposed conservatee without announcing herself to hospital staff under the guise that she is bringing someone "ensure," which as noted by hospital staff, is always on hand at a hospital IF needed. Given those reports it appears that a restraining order would be in order protecting the proposed conservatee from unwarranted or unwanted visitors.

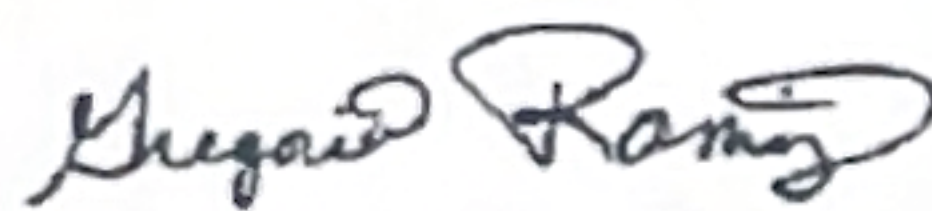
It should be noted that during the interview the proposed conservatee did not once communicate to the undersigned that she wanted a visit from the petitioner nor those attorneys referenced beforehand trying to get access to her. The proposed conservatee did express she wanted normal clothing, shoes and to get out of the hospital, but none of those requests were tied to the petitioner. The petitioner also appeared to appreciate the undersigned's visit and wanted visitors, but not once did she indicate that wanted a specific person to visit, but was instead visibly happy when she was engaged in a conversation even by the attending nursing staff. The proposed conservatee's moods do fluctuate; she was reported to also have "her moments" when she is quite testy; earlier that day she was accusing staff of taking her purse. It was also reported that a realtor had made an attempt to visit the proposed conservatee at the hospital; further causing concern given the proposed conservatee's numerous real properties.

The undersigned contacted, county counsel, Lisa S. Ribeiro, who reported that they will be filing a petition for conservatorship.

## EVALUATION & RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed conservatee is in need of protection and more suitable placement; a conservatorship of the person and estate is necessary and appropriate. The petitioner, Jaime Burciaga, lacks a substantial relationship with the proposed conservatee and has/had what appears to be only a business relationship with the proposed conservatee spanning a year or less; not only does he lack a personal relationship with the proposed conservatee but the proposed conservatee is accusing him of forgery, theft and does not recognize him by his given name; therefore, it is recommended that the Public Conservator be appointed temporary conservator and general conservator instead.

I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING  
STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.



Dated: November 14, 2022

Gregoria Ramirez, Investigator

cc: Lisa S. Ribeiro, Deputy County Counsel  
Adam Grace, Public Defender