

APR 20 2017

PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
KEVIN STOCK, County Clerk  
BY \_\_\_\_\_ DEPUTY

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON  
IN AND FOR PIERCE COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
RUTH A. NEHER,  
Deceased.

NO. 15-4-01454-7

ORDER TO RE-OPEN PROBATE  
APPOINTING PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE WITH NO  
BOND; NON-INTERVENTION  
POWERS; OBTAINING LETTERS  
TESTAMENTARY

CLERKS ACTION REQUIRED

THE COURT, having heard and considered the *Petition to Re-Open Testate Estate* presented by Petitioner Laurie Shiratori, Attorney at Law; by and through proposed Personal Representative, Dalynne Singleton.

FINDS:

1. On August 28, 2015, this Court admitted Decedent's *Will* to probate, appointed Patricia Hickson as Personal Representative of Decedent's estate to serve without *Bond* and with Nonintervention Powers, and issued *Letters Testamentary* to Personal Representative, Patricia Hickson upon the filing of her sworn *Oath of Personal Representative*.

2. On May 3, 2016, the Personal Representative filed with this Court her *Declaration of Completion of Probate*, stating that she had completed the administration of

1 Decedent's estate and had done so without Court intervention, and that the estate was ready  
2 to be closed and its assets distributed to its heirs, which distribution has been made.

3  
4 3. Since the estate was closed, counsel for Lionel Hampton, Jr., who was  
5 injured in a motor vehicle collision most likely caused by the Decedent Ruth A. Neher,  
6 has made claims against the estate and the insurer of the decedent. A lawsuit will be  
7 filed against the defendant in Pierce County Superior Court on or before May 12, 2017.  
8  
9 The claims by Lionel Hampton, Jr., will be limited to the amount of the insurance policy  
10 pursuant to RCW 11.40.051. The estate will be reopened for the limited purpose of  
11 acceptance of service of the Summons and Complaint and rejection of a creditor's claim.  
12

13 4. No change in conditions has occurred indicating the need for the posting  
14 of *Bond* or the restriction or denial of the grant of Nonintervention Powers to Dalynne  
15 Singleton, Personal Representative.  
16

17 5. *Notice of Hearing* is required regarding the *Petition* and notice and copies  
18 of *Petition* and proposed Order were sent to last known addresses for the former attorney  
19 for the Personal Representative, the former Personal Representative, and alternative  
20 Personal Representative named in Decedent's will. No one appeared at the hearing on  
21 the *Petition* and there were no objections made.  
22

23  
24 **AND ORDERS:**

25 A. Dalynne Singleton is appointed as Decedent's Personal Representative to  
26 serve without *Bond* and with Nonintervention Powers and the estate is re-opened.  
27


28 B. The Clerk of the Court shall promptly issue *Letters Testamentary* to  
29 Dalynne Singleton.

1  
2 DONE IN OPEN COURT on this 20 day of April, 2017.

3  
4 Mark L. Gelman  
Court Commissioner

5  
6 JUDGE/COURT COMMISSIONER

7  
8 Presented by:  
9 GOURLEY LAW GROUP

10 /s/ Dalynne Singleton   
11 Dalynne Singleton, WSBA# 34096  
12 P.O. Box 1091/1002 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
13 Snohomish, WA 98291  
14 Telephone: (360) 568-5068  
15 Fax: (360) 568-8092  
16 E-mail: [dalynne@glgmail.com](mailto:dalynne@glgmail.com)

17 Approved as to Form and Content

18 /s/ Laurie Shiratori  
19 Laurie Shiratori WSBA# 18646  
20 3600 15<sup>th</sup> Ave., West, Suite 200  
Seattle, WA 98119  
21 206-777-1667  
22 Fax: 206-525-5119  
23 Email: [Laurie@Shiratorilaw.com](mailto:Laurie@Shiratorilaw.com)

24  
25  
26  
27  
28  
29  
ORDERTO RE-OPEN PROBATE APPOINTING  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE WITH NO BOND;  
NON-INTERVENTION POWERS; OBTAINING  
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY - 3

**GOURLEY LAW GROUP**  
P.O. BOX 1091/1002 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
SNOHOMISH, WA 98291  
TELEPHONE: (360) 568-5065; FAX: (360) 568-8092