



**SUPREME COURT OF CALIFORNIA
ORAL ARGUMENT CALENDAR
SAN FRANCISCO SESSION
FEBRUARY 2, 2022**

Due to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic and related public health directives from state and local authorities, the procedures specified by Administrative Orders Nos. [2020-03-13 \(Mar. 16, 2020\)](#), [2020-03-27 \(March 27, 2020\)](#), and [2020-08-19 \(August 19, 2020\)](#) apply. Counsel will appear remotely and courtroom seating for the press will be strictly limited to achieve appropriate distancing. The public will continue to have access to argument via live-streaming on the judicial branch website: <https://www.courts.ca.gov/>.

The following cases are placed upon the calendar of the Supreme Court for hearing at its courtroom in the Ronald M. George State Office Complex, Earl Warren Building, 350 McAllister Street, Fourth Floor, San Francisco, California, on February 2, 2022.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2022 — 9:00 A.M.

- (1) Conservatorship of the Person and Estate of Eric B., S261812
(justice pro tempore to be assigned)
- (2) In re Christopher L., S265910
(justice pro tempore to be assigned)
- (3) People v. Bloom (Robert Maurice), [Automatic Appeal], S095223
(justice pro tempore to be assigned)

CANTIL-SAKAUYE

Chief Justice

If exhibits are to be transmitted to this court, counsel must apply to the court for permission. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 8.224(c).)

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The following case summaries are issued to inform the public about cases that the California Supreme Court has scheduled for oral argument and of their general subject matter. In most instances, the descriptions set out below are reproduced from the original news release issued when review in each of these matters was granted and are provided for the convenience of the public. The descriptions do not necessarily reflect the view of the court or define the specific issues that will be addressed by the court.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2022—9:00 A.M.

(1) *Conservatorship of the Person and Estate of Eric B., S261812 (justice pro tempore to be assigned)*

#20-155 Conservatorship of the Person and Estate of Eric B., S261812. (A157280; 45 Cal.App.5th 986; Superior Court of Contra Costa County; P1801826.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed the judgment in a conservatorship proceeding. This case presents the following issue: Does equal protection require that persons subject to a conservatorship under the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (Welf. & Inst. Code, § 5350) have the same right to invoke the statutory privilege not to testify as persons subject to involuntary commitments under Penal Code section 1026.5 after a finding of not guilty by reason of insanity?

(2) *In re Christopher L., S265910 (justice pro tempore to be assigned)*

#21-71 In re Christopher L., S265910. (B305225; 56 Cal.App.5th 1172; Superior Court of Los Angeles County; 17CCJP02800.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed orders in a juvenile dependency proceeding. The court limited review to the following issue: Is it structural error, and thus reversible per se, for a juvenile court to proceed with jurisdiction and disposition hearings without an incarcerated parent's presence and without appointing the parent an attorney?

(3) *People v. Bloom (Robert Maurice), [Automatic Appeal], S095223 (justice pro tempore to be assigned)*

This matter is an automatic appeal from a judgment of death.