

Dear Mr. Darling,

Dated: June 6, 2016

Carver County Court Administration has received a document from you regarding the Estate of Prince Rogers Nelson, Court File No. 10-PR-16-46. It appears from your correspondence that you are requesting to be considered an heir of the Estate. Although we cannot provide legal advice on how you should proceed with your claim to be considered an heir of the Estate, we can inform you that if you want to receive copies of documents which are filed with the court, you will need to file a Demand for Notice form with the Court.

Enclosed you will find the Demand for Notice statute, the Demand for Notice form, and the Demand for Notice instructions for your review. In the alternative, if you are represented by legal counsel admitted for the practice of law in the State of Minnesota, your attorney may file a Certificate of Representation with the court.

**YOUR REQUEST TO BE CONSIDERED AN HEIR OF THE PRINCE ROGERS NELSON ESTATE HAS NOT BEEN FILED IN THIS ESTATE.** The request for notice will not be filed until you have provided the court with the Demand for Notice form. If we do not receive the Demand for Notice form within 60 days from the mailing of this letter, your correspondence previously mailed to the court will be returned to you and no further action will be taken with respect to your request until you have filed the Demand for Notice form.

Even if you file a Demand for Notice, you will only receive notice of the filing of documents in this Estate. The Court cannot give you legal advice and cannot provide information as to how to proceed with your claim to be considered an heir of the Estate. It is recommended that you get advice from legal counsel as to how to proceed.

**Caution: There are specific time limits and specific procedures for proceeding with a claim to be considered an heir of the Estate. Please contact a lawyer if you have further questions or need further assistance.**

You can already access documents that have been filed in this case that can be viewed by the public by going to the following website: <http://j00000scmsstg.courts.state.mn.us/www-mncourts/PrinceProbateCase.aspx>.

Helpful materials and information may be found at the Minnesota Courts Self Help Center

Website: [www.mncourts.gov/selfhelp](http://www.mncourts.gov/selfhelp)

Phone: (651) 259-3888

Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (closed on holidays)

Carver County Court Administration  
Carver County Government Center  
Justice Center Building  
604 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Chaska, MN 55318

The information contained in this document is not intended as legal advice but as a general guide to you to explain the legal process. If you do not understand any of these procedures, consult an attorney. This office cannot give legal advice.

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COURT ADMINISTRATION

**524.3-204 DEMAND FOR NOTICE OF ORDER OR FILING CONCERNING DECEDENT'S ESTATE.**

Any person desiring notice of any order or filing pertaining to a decedent's estate in which the person has a financial or property interest, may file a demand for notice with the court at any time after the death of the decedent stating the name of the decedent, the nature of the interest in the estate, and the demandant's address or that of the demandant's attorney. The court administrator shall mail a copy of the demand to the personal representative if one has been appointed. After filing of a demand, no personal representative or other person shall apply to the court for an order or filing to which the demand relates unless demandant or the demandant's attorney is given notice thereof at least 14 days before the date of such order or filing, except that this requirement shall not apply to any order entered or petition filed in any formal proceeding. Such notice shall be given by delivery of a copy thereof to the person being notified or by mailing a copy thereof by certified, registered or ordinary first class mail addressed to the person at the post office address given in the demand or at the person's office or place of residence, if known. The court for good cause shown may provide for a different method or time of giving such notice and proof thereof shall be made on or before the making or acceptance of such order or filing and filed in the proceeding. The validity of an order which is issued or filing which is accepted without compliance with this requirement shall not be affected by the error, but the petitioner receiving the order or the person making the filing may be liable for any damage caused by the absence of notice. The requirement of notice arising from a demand under this provision may be waived in writing by the demandant and shall cease upon the termination of the demandant's interest in the estate.

**History:** 1974 c 442 art 3 s 524.3-204; 1975 c 347 s 30; 1986 c 444; 1Sp1986 c 3 art 1 s 82

**State of Minnesota**

**District Court**

County
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Judicial District:	_____
Court File Number:	_____
Case Type:	_____

**In the Matter of the Estate of:**

**DEMAND FOR NOTICE**

\_\_\_\_\_,  
(Full Name) **Decedent**

Date of Death: \_\_\_\_\_

1. My name is: \_\_\_\_\_.
2. My address and telephone number are: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
3. I have a financial or property interest in the Estate of the Decedent, for the following reasons: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
4. I demand notice of all orders and filings pertaining to the Estate. Notice shall be served upon me at the address stated above.
5. Under penalties for perjury, I declare that I have read this document and I know or believe its representations are true and complete.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR DEMAND FOR NOTICE**  
**Minnesota Statutes § 524.3-204**

**USE THIS FORM AND INSTRUCTIONS ONLY IF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS APPLY TO YOUR SITUATION:**

- You have a financial or property interest in an estate and want to be notified of all orders and filings pertaining to the decedent's estate.

**If you are not sure that this form applies to your situation, see a lawyer for help.**

**WHAT TO DO AFTER YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE DEMAND FOR NOTICE:**

1. File the Demand for Notice form at the Probate Division of the Court Administrator's Office in the county where the decedent resided at the time of death.
2. If an estate file is currently on file in the Court Administrator's Office, the Demand for Notice will be filed in the estate file and the personal representative will then be notified of your Demand for Notice. They are then required to notify you of all orders and filings pertaining to the decedent's estate.  
Note: If you have a claim against the estate, you should file a Written Statement of Claim within the appropriate time limits.
3. If there is no estate file open in the Court Administrator's Office, your Demand for Notice will remain on file with the Court Administrator's Office. Once an estate proceeding has been commenced, you will then be notified of all orders and filings pertaining to the decedent's estate. (Note: If no estate file is opened within a three year period of time after the death of the decedent, your Demand for Notice will be destroyed pursuant to the record retention schedule of the court.)

Helpful materials may be found at your public county law library. For a directory, see <http://mn.gov/law-library/research-links/county-law-libraries.jsp> . For more information, contact your court administrator or call the Minnesota State Law Library at 651-296-2775.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
CARVER COUNTY

DISTRICT COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PROBATE DIVISION

In Re:

Court File No. 10-PR-16-46

Estate of Prince Rogers Nelson,  
Deceased.

**ORDER REGARDING CLAIMS  
PURSUANT TO THE PARENTAGE ACT  
AND PROBATE CODE**

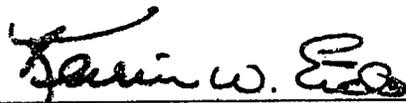
The Special Administrator requests that the Court endorse a procedure for the testing of those claiming to be heirs of the decedent. In light of Minnesota law, see, e.g., Minn. Stat. §§257.62, 524.1-201(22), 201(23) & 201(24), and 524.2-116 & 117, the Court hereby ORDERS that the following procedure govern the lodging of such claims and any subsequent genetic testing:

1. Any party claiming a genetic relationship to the decedent that may give rise to heirship must file an Affidavit with the Court setting forth the facts that establish the reasonable possibility of the existence of such a relationship. The Affidavit shall be filed with a Demand for Notice or a Certificate of Representation and payment of the appropriate filing fee, if applicable.
2. Thereafter, the Special Administrator shall develop a plan or protocol for testing, after considering the positions of the parties claiming a genetic relationship. In considering the positions of the parties claiming a genetic relationship, the Special Administrator shall consider the Affidavit, any birth records or Recognition of Parentage, or any other information that establishes a presumption of parentage or an adverse presumption. In that regard, the Special Administrator may require a party claiming a genetic relationship to the decedent to submit to and pay for blood and genetic tests in order to determine if a genetic relationship exists.

3. The Special Administrator is authorized to engage DNA Diagnostics Center to perform the blood and genetic testing required to determine if a genetic relationship to the decedent exists.

Any motions or objections that arise during the course of the Special Administrator's implementation of this Order will be heard on June 27, 2016, at 8:30 a.m., or at an earlier date to the extent justice requires. If a party wishes to have a motion or objection to genetic testing heard on June 27, 2016, they shall file and serve the motion or objection and memorandum upon the Court and the Special Administrator, respectively, on or before June 20, 2016.

BY THE COURT:



Kevin W. Eide  
Judge of District Court

Date: May 18, 2016

**Court Administration**  
Carver County Government Center  
Justice Center Building  
604 East Fourth Street  
Chaska, Minnesota 55318-2102  
  
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED WITHIN 5 DAYS

*KIM R*  
Michael Darling  
53285 Falcon Avenue North  
Rush City, MI

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NO MAIL RECEIPT  
UNABLE TO FORWARD

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