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Third time's a charm: Continued development of no contest case law from *Key v. Tyler III*

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The exploration of California's no contest clause statute in the continuing saga of the *Key v. Tyler* litigation has another chapter, *Key v. Tyler III*, filed May 28, 2024.

In the third appellate opinion in this case, the court's interpretation of the no contest clause statute reaches the well-analyzed position that a forfeiture based on a direct contest of a protected instrument without probable cause is not limited on the scope of the forfeiture.

In *Key v. Tyler III*, the Appellate



In the Los Angeles and San Francisco Daily Journal article, "Third time's a charm: Continued development of no contest case law from *Key v. Tyler II*", published on June 19, 2024, Hoge Fenton Attorneys Denise E. Chambliss and Ariel G. Siner discuss the ongoing legal saga of the *Key v. Tyler* litigation, specifically focusing on the third appellate opinion, *Key v. Tyler III*.

The article highlights the broader implications of no contest clauses, their enforceability, and the balance between honoring the testator's intent and allowing access to the courts. The case has been remanded to consider whether Tyler lacked probable cause in contesting the trust, indicating potential future developments in this ongoing litigation.

Read the full article [here](#).

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