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**Dexter Scott King**  
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**King family pre-Bernice.**  
Dexter is sitting on his mother, Coretta's lap as Dr. King straightens son Martin Jr.'s tie. Yolanda is to the far right.

## Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s youngest son Dexter dead at 62

By Olivia LaBorde and Zoe Sottile  
Article courtesy of CNN

Dexter Scott King, the youngest son of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., died Monday after a battle with prostate cancer, according to a statement from his family and the King Center. He was 62.

The third child of Dr. and Mrs. Coretta Scott King was married to Leah Weber King since 2013.

Weber King said in a statement from the King Center, "He transitioned peacefully in his sleep

at home with me in Malibu." She added, "He gave it everything and battled this terrible disease until the end. As with all the challenges in his life, he faced this hurdle with bravery and might."

Dexter's older brother Martin Luther King III said in a statement, "I am deeply saddened to share that my brother, Dexter Scott King, has passed away."

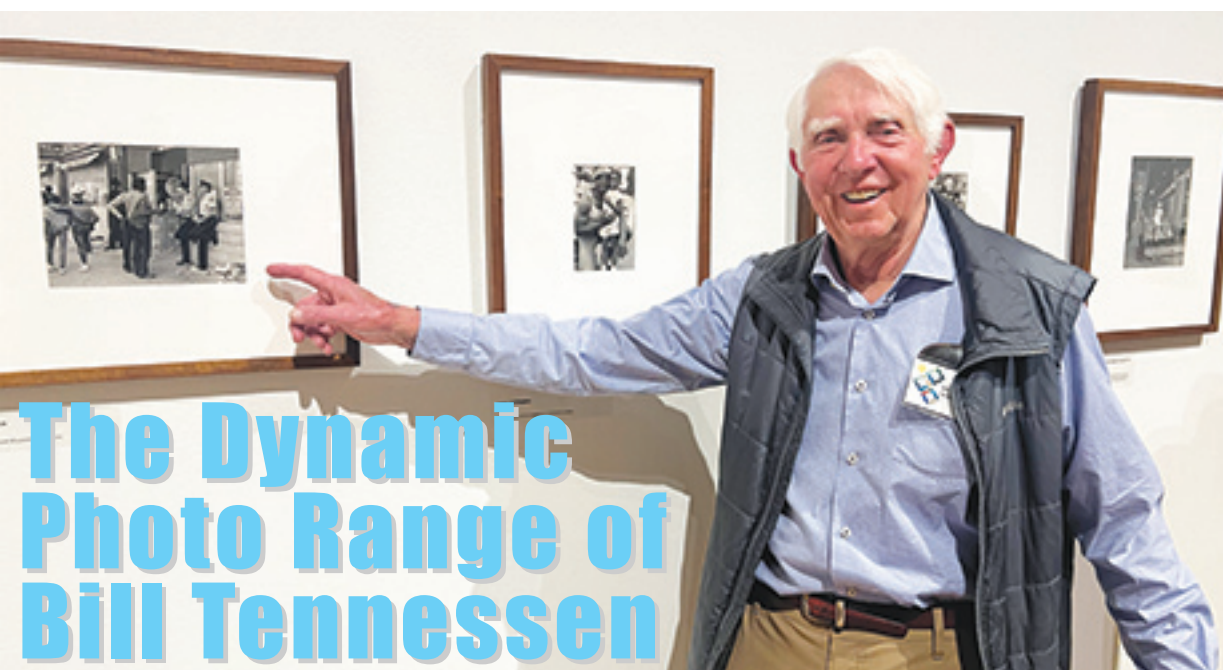
The sudden shock is devastating. It is hard to have the right words at a moment like this. Please keep the entire King family in your prayers, and in particular Dexter's wife, Leah Weber."

The Rev. Al Sharpton said he was "heartbroken to hear that Dexter King left us this morning, but I was comforted by the knowledge he is reunited with his parents and sister."

Dexter's mother, Coretta Scott King, died in 2006. His sister Yolanda Denise King died in 2007.

Atlanta Mayor Andre Dickens also expressed his condolences to Dexter's family. "His profound and unwavering love for his family posi-

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## The Dynamic Photo Range of Bill Tennesen

Bill Tennesen, a long-time contributing photographer for the Milwaukee Community Journal, is getting his just due with a photo exhibition of his photography documenting the city's Black community from the 1980s to the early 2000s.

Called, "Dynamic Range," the exhibition includes 48 photographs by Tennesen highlighting such community events such as the Ernest Lacy demonstrations, Juneteenth Day celebrations, activities of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee and the Ko-Thi Dance Company. He also covered other cultural and political personalities of our time. He's shown here in these three photos at the opening night reception for the exhibit, which is at the Haggerty Museum of Art on the campus of Marquette University, downtown. He is shown with his family and two fans of his work. A self-taught photographer, Bill, who is a Marquette alum, started taking photos for the MCJ in 1981.

—Photos by Kim Robinson



Ebony Donald stands in front of the Community Within the Corridor, a mixed-use affordable housing complex at the former Briggs and Stratton site on Milwaukee's North Side, on June 5, 2023. Donald lived there with her children for about a month after receiving her Section 8 voucher, but they were among more than 150 residents evacuated following the detection of high levels of cancer-causing trichloroethylene. The family lived in a hotel during a second challenging search for a landlord who would accept the voucher. (Jonmaesha Beltran / Wisconsin Watch)



## MILWAUKEE COUNTY BANNED SECTION 8 HOUSING VOUCHER DISCRIMINATION, BUT LANDLORDS STILL DO IT!

**A 2018 ordinance to protect voucher recipients hasn't stopped landlords from categorically rejecting them. County officials question whether they can enforce the provision.**

By Jonmaesha Beltran / Wisconsin Watch

Jasmine Varela forgot she applied for a housing choice voucher until a letter arrived in 2023.

After languishing on a waitlist for 14 years, she learned the city of Milwaukee's housing authority would finally issue her a Section 8 voucher. She thought the rent subsidy would help her provide a better life to her four children.

"I was excited because I thought I was going to get a nice house, more rooms for my kids and a better neighborhood," she recalled.

The news only kicked off a new challenge: trying to find a landlord who would accept the voucher before it expired in 120 days.

The 36-year-old Walgreens employee found few willing landlords and few resources to help her pay upfront fees, such as the first month's rent and security deposit. She went on to submit 50 rental applications, spending \$1,275.

Feeling desperate about 90 days into her quest, she put aside her pride and asked family for help.

She hoped to find a house closer to her children's South Side Milwaukee school, but eventually found just one landlord, across town in Old North Milwaukee, who

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I realized there was something special about Messmer High School minutes into Brother Bob Smith's 8th-grade commencement speech during Harambee Community School's eighth-grade graduation ceremony in 1992.

It was not merely his enthusiastic presentation about the school's unique and varied academic programs at the Catholic school, located less than a mile from the Community Journal offices on King Drive.

Instead, it was his seemingly simplistic formula for student success:

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Committed teachers, a college preparatory curriculum, and, most impressively, high expectations for each student.

In other words, no excuses and no exceptions.

The cherry on the top was mandatory parental involvement.

Parents who did not see themselves as full participants in the educational pro-

cess need not apply, as space was limited, and the school's urban mission was to produce what W.E.B. Dubois called the 'Talented Tenth.'

I enrolled my son Malik in the next freshmen class, followed by his two brothers.

Time has proven I made the right decision, not only because Messmer provided them an excellent education



but also because they were part of a unique fraternity-role models who understood the importance of values and

cultural mores.

Soon after Malik's admission, Messmer became the

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Coretta Scott King (L), widow of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., passes the Olympic Flame to her son Dexter Scott King on July 19, 1996, in Atlanta.

—Michel Gangne/AFP/Getty Images, via cnn.com

## Dexter King, youngest son of Martin Luther and Coretta Scott King, dies

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tioned him as a guardian of his father and mother’s legacies,” the mayor said of Dexter in a news release.

“Dexter held various titles—Morehouse Man, humanitarian, Civil Rights activist, and even actor. However, above all, he was a devoted family man,” he said.

“It was a very chaotic and traumatic period,” he said.

Dexter previously told CNN bearing his revolutionary father’s name could be both a blessing and a curse.

After his father’s killing, some people would tell young Dexter they expected him to follow his father’s path, he said in 2003.

“People would say, ‘I want you to be just like your father,’ or ‘You should be a minister,’” he said.

Dexter’s career has intertwined with his father’s legacy, cowriting a book, “Growing Up King: An Intimate Memoir,” and even acting as his father in a 2002 film, “The Rosa Parks

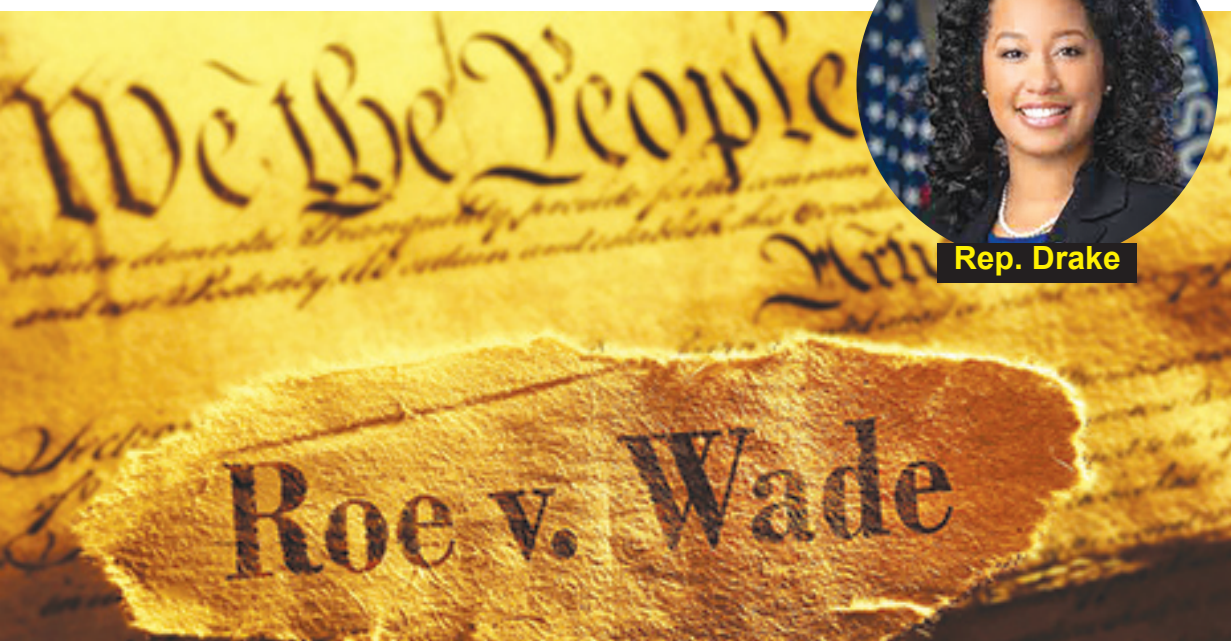
**“Dexter held various titles—Morehouse Man, humanitarian, civil rights activist, and even actor. However, above all, he was a devoted family man...”**

**—Atlanta Mayor Andre Dickson about Dexter King Story.”**

In addition to continuing his father’s civil rights work, Dexter was a vocal vegan and advocate for animal rights throughout his life.

In a 1995 interview with The Vegetarian Times, he said his diet was an extension of his nonviolent beliefs. “There is a connection between how you live life and how you treat others,” he told the magazine. “It starts with the individual.”

## OP-ED: State Representative Dora Drake reflects on anniversary of the Supreme Court’s historic 1973 Roe v. Wade decision!



Rep. Drake

Coretta Scott King told us “freedom is never really won, you earn it and win it in every generation.” That quote rings especially true this week as we reflect on the anniversary of Roe v. Wade.

On January 22nd, 1973, the Supreme Court issued the landmark decision that protected abortion as a constitutional right. Women across the country celebrated, as the movement for women’s rights entered a new era.

But recent history proves progress can be destroyed, oftentimes quicker than it was made. In just one term, Donald Trump committed the greatest assault on reproductive rights of any president in modern history. The justices Trump appointed to the Supreme Court perfectly carried out his extremist anti-abortion agenda, casting the deciding votes to overturn Roe v. Wade after it was the law of the land for nearly 50 years.

From his own mouth, Trump takes credit for being the one to “get rid of” and “kill” Roe. He’s spoken about wanting to punish women and doctors. He’s even gone as far to endorse a national abortion ban and promised to “lead the way” on enacting one should he be elected again.

We simply cannot let that happen. Women in Wisconsin not only deserve but are entitled to the right to make our own health care decisions.

When women are disempowered from making our own health care decisions, that has ramifications on our families, in our communities, and beyond.

Every woman must have the ability to make her own choices and those choices must be respected. Donald Trump believes he and his MAGA Republican allies should be the decision makers. We can’t stand for that.

I’m proud to be supporting Joe Biden and Kamala Harris because they understand reproductive freedom is an essential right in this country. Since taking office, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris have been focused leaders on this issue. Joe Biden has called on Congress to codify Roe into federal law so that we can put back in place the sacred rights Donald Trump took away from us.

Kamala Harris is bringing the fight directly to Wisconsin, going on a nationwide Reproductive Freedom tour that’s kicking off here in Milwaukee. Just as women 51 years ago fought for the right to choose, we must do the same by rejecting Trump at the ballot box once again and sending President Biden and Vice President Harris back to the White House this November.

## SPECTRUM REACH SEEKING 250 UNDERSERVED BUSINESSES FOR 2024 ‘PAY IT FORWARD’ PROGRAM

**Initiative will Provide Eligible Small Businesses Access to a Free Ad Campaign Worth \$15,000, Plus Marketing and Creative Support, and Educational Resources**

NEW YORK, NY – Spectrum Reach, the advertising sales business of Charter Communications, Inc., today announced it will offer 250 underserved small business owners nationwide access to its expert advertising and marketing resources through its 2024 “Pay It Forward” initiative, which is now accepting applications for this year’s program.

Local entrepreneurs selected to participate will receive a live and streaming TV campaign worth up to \$15,000 along with a custom produced 30-second commercial, marketing consultation services, mentoring and educational resources, and networking opportunities.

“Small underserved businesses are critical to the local economies of the cities and towns we serve, and they often need help connecting their message to their potential customers,” said Michael Guth, Senior Vice President of Marketing for Spectrum Reach. “Our focus is on supporting local businesses, and with ‘Pay It Forward’ we are providing them with the tools, resources and marketing expertise so they can continue to grow and thrive in their communities.”

### Spectrum Reach Has Helped 2,000 Businesses and Counting

Since launching “Pay It Forward” in 2021, Spectrum Reach has invested more than \$50 million in advertising and resources and helped more than 2,000 underserved businesses in 36 states across its footprint, from coffee shops and childcare facilities to restaurants and law firms.

Among the 2023 “Pay It Forward” participants was GreaterHealth Pharmacy and Wellness in St. Louis, Missouri, which used Spectrum Reach’s complimentary resources and advertising to introduce itself to potential customers after launching in late 2022.



“As a Black-owned, full-service pharmacy, our goal is to close the culture and trust gap in communities of color to help improve the health of the residents who live there,” said Marcus

Howard, founder of GreaterHealth. “Through ‘Pay It Forward’ Spectrum Reach helped us introduce our brand to the St. Louis community with a three-month TV advertising campaign and free commercial that was shown on a wide range of channels, including during an NBA playoff game.

Having our commercial on major network channels built instant credibility; we saw a 23% increase in calls inquiring about transferring prescriptions, and customers started coming into the pharmacy saying they saw us on TV and were excited to try us out.”

### ‘Pay It Forward’ Participants Enjoy Free Advertising, Mentoring, Marketing Support

With this year’s “Pay It Forward” program, Spectrum Reach will offer each participating business access to a range of high-value services, including:

**Free advertising.** Local businesses selected to participate will receive access to Spectrum Reach’s award-winning, in-house creative agency Kernel; a 30-second original commercial; and a complimentary linear and streaming TV advertising campaign that will run throughout April, May and June.

**Expert mentoring.** “Pay It Forward” will provide businesses with support and advice from other entrepreneurs, business owners and previous participants in the program, to help them navigate the challenges of owning a business and identify opportunities for growth.

**Resources.** In addition to dedicated support from Spectrum Reach’s local marketing experts, businesses will receive a free laptop and for the duration of the program will have access to a members-only “Pay It Forward” website featuring educational resources, webinars, news and business insights to help them build and grow a successful brand.

Spectrum Reach also will host local and virtual events throughout the year for entrepreneurs and business owners to share ideas and build community. Reach has partnered with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Black Chamber of Commerce, Asian American Chamber of Commerce, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and other organizations in regional markets to host events throughout the year.

To apply for Spectrum Reach’s 2024 “Pay It Forward” program, underserved businesses must be legally registered to operate within a designated market area served by Spectrum Reach. The deadline for applications is February 25 and this year’s participants will be announced in late March. More information is available here.



Pay it Forward Alumni Donny Harper of GO(O)D Company. — Photo courtesy of Spectrum Reach

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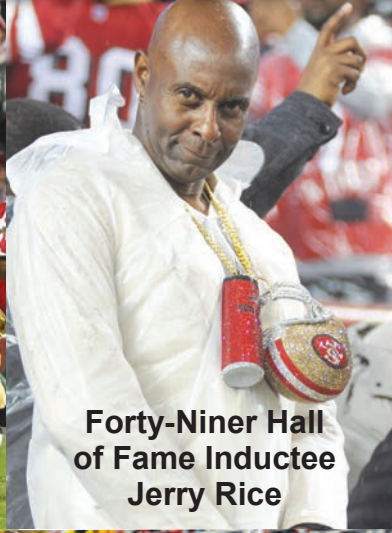
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# THE CINDERELLA RIDE COMES TO AN END! PACK LOSE TO NINERS, 24 TO 21!



Forty-Niner Hall of Fame Inductee Jerry Rice

Well, it was fun while it lasted! And the cinderella moment would have lasted a little longer than it did if only the Green Bay Packers could have capitalized on several moments in the game where it looked as if the San Francisco 49ers had turned the ball over, only to have the Pack snatch opportunity from the jaws of Niner mistakes. But look at the positive side of the 24 to 21 loss: The Pack went further than football prognosticators thought they would, especially for being the youngest team in the NFL this past season. Jordan Love is 'the man' as it relates to the quarterback position. He will only get better, and the offense will too. Now we have to straighten out the defense with a couple of star free agents (and maybe a new placekicker) and the Pack will be back and blowin' up the league next season. Super Bowl, we're comin'!  
—All photos by Kim Robinson



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# Legendary Messmer High prepares to redeploy its educational excellence to produce a new crop of the Talented Tenth!

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catalyst for expanding the Milwaukee Parental School Choice Program (MPCP) to sectarian schools.

A sectarian school—or institution—is, according to what ever dictionary you subscribe to, any entity that belongs to a particular sect or party, especially in religion ('religious sectarianism').

Though it met all of the MPCP requirements, Messmer was denied admission when a state official (at the behest of the teachers' union, which continues to oppose educational options for poor Black children) noticed a 'cross' on one of the school's walls.

Yes, a cross, which signified to the faithless liberal gatekeepers that Messmer's students were 'victims of prayer' versus being 'preyed upon' in some failing government schools.

Brother Bob and the school choice coalition took the case to court, eventually leading to a U.S. Supreme Court ruling that parents could use 'their' tax dollars to attend denominational schools.

As a result, Messmer became one of the country's most watched and assessed schools.

That prism was soon shared when Messmer took on the challenge to run two elementary schools at the behest of the Milwaukee Archdiocese---St. Mary's in 1999 and St. Rose in 2007.

Academically and culturally, the additions represented a sound communal decision.

Economically, their inclusion came with a financial burden that taxed administrators.

Few observers understood the struggles that accompanied schools participating in the MPCP, receiving less than half the funding for the Milwaukee Public School (MPS) system.

That reality necessitated ongoing fundraising and careful selection of teachers---committed instructors willing to absorb smaller salaries and benefits in exchange for teaching in a safe environment where students were committed to the 'Messmer Vision.'

It didn't help that many elementary school students enrolling in the schools were two to three years behind. The elementary schools accepted the challenge, but it came at a cost.

It's a reality board members--including myself--accepted as both a challenge and an opportunity to break the chains of 'educational apartheid' in Milwaukee.

The fact that the elementary schools continue to have waiting lists is a testament to the vision and execution of goals despite budgets that paled in comparison to MPS' budgets.



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Those contrasting realities were considered when the Messmer board decided two weeks ago to shift the administration of the elementary schools back to the Catholic Archdiocese and focus all of its energies and resources on Messmer High.

It was not a decision made in haste or myopically.

In fact, it was made with the knowledge that the Archdiocese is committed to urban education and the success of its relatively new academic umbrella, Seton Schools.

To be honest, I was initially taken aback—a step or two--when Messmer president Jim Piatt introduced the idea to me.

Over two decades of energy and effort have been put into St. Rose and St. Mary. Sacrifices were made, and resources were allocated. They were part of the family, a launching pad for Messmer High School.

What would happen to the staff? How

would parents view the decision? How would the community look upon this decision?

My mind floated back two and half decades ago to the board's vote to introduce uniforms. I was the only opposing vote, stating my fear that the students would be 'further' stigmatized.

My rationale was rooted in the sad and disingenuous reality that many Black students had suffered the indignation of being ostracized by brainwashed and misguided community youth who, out of jealousy and ignorance (actually stupidity), felt Messmer students were 'elite'---above them.

Carrying books home and taking pride in their student status somehow made them 'up-pity.'

Already victimized by that disingenuous mindset, I feared uniforms would further set our students apart and make them victims of the stupidity associated with the redundant

and morally corrupt paradigm that personal academic achievement, high moral standards, and even acceptance of religious tenets are 'acting white.'

But I regress.

Just as my lone vote was eventually proven to be misplaced, it didn't take more than a few seconds for me to realize the new focus of Messmer would be a windfall for our community.

Milwaukee has many excellent elementary schools within and outside the government school paradigm. But we still need a significant number of top-tier high schools. The closing of Hope School because of economic strains added to that problem.

Messmer is near the top of the pool. But its lack of resources has hindered it from taking anyone for more.

The two elementary schools will be absorbed by Seton schools and, as such, will prosper under that model. In fact, little will change other than the name on the checks.

Moreover, concentrating all its resources on the high school will result in a stronger Messmer.

Not only will it mean more competitive salaries and benefits for staff, but new visionary programming, additional support staff, and a more substantial presence in our community as the premiere sectarian academic anchor in the Black community.

As Piatt explained in a letter to the Messmer family last week, "Our fundamental mission at Messmer High School has always been to place a strong focus on preparing our graduates for college, careers, and community contributions through a rigorous academic curriculum and diverse student programs."

"As Messmer High School prepares for our 100th year in 2025, with a goal of expanding enrollment to 600 students, we are recommitting to our mission of delivering exceptional Catholic high school education."

It is no coincidence that among the graduates of my late son's class have actualized DuBois' vision---they include lawyers, entrepreneurs, and two alderpersons.

This is not to say the succeeding classes were not noteworthy, but there was something special about being the center of the Messmer family at that time.

The redeployed high school will introduce a new level of educational excellence and a new corps of the Talented Tenth. And Eleventh and Twelfth.

**Hotep.**



## Israel-Palestine protests grow louder as Biden, Harris celebrate New Hampshire victory

The Biden-Harris campaign is taking thanks a bit of a victory lap after President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris pulled off a symbolic win in the New Hampshire primary election.

Despite not being on the ballot due to a Democratic primary dispute over the president's plan to prioritize Black voters in South Carolina this election cycle, Biden and Harris bested Democratic challengers U.S. Rep. Dean Phillips, D-Minn., and

Marianne Williamson in the primary thanks to a grassroots write-in campaign.

The bright spot for team Biden-Harris also comes as the outcry against the White House's support of Israel in its war in Gaza grows louder on the campaign trail.

While New Hampshire voters cast their ballots on Tuesday, Biden and Harris held their first joint campaign rally in Virginia to condemn the wave of Republican-led abortion bans after

the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade in 2022.

But as the president began his remarks, he was interrupted at least 10 times by pro-Palestine protesters who chanted, "Stop funding genocide" and "Genocide Joe has got to go."

Criticisms of the Biden-Harris administration's support of Israel in its war against Hamas in Gaza are particularly coming from Arab Americans, Black Americans, and young Americans -- all key voting blocs of Biden's 2020 victory coalition. A New York Times/Siena College poll in December found that a majority of Black, young, and Democratic voters sympathize more with

U.S. President Joe Biden and U.S. Vice President Kamala Harris stand onstage and wave to the crowd at a "Reproductive Freedom Campaign Rally" at George Mason University on Jan. 23, in Manassas, Virginia. Pictured at left: Lots Igwebuika, 32, joins protesters at a rally on Jan. 13, at Freedom Plaza in Washington, D.C., to support a ceasefire in Gaza in the war with Israel.

Palestinians than Israel in the months-long conflict that has led to the deaths of more than 25,000 Palestinians.

"It's clearly an issue for the president. It's going to be an issue for the White House because of the unique nature of this conflict," said Markus Batchelor, national political director at People For the American Way.

Batchelor told theGrio that while he doesn't believe foreign affairs will significantly impact the 2024 presidential election, it could chip away

at Biden's base of voters he will need in crucial battleground states.

"When you think about the population of Michigan, for instance, being 3% Arab American. What does that do for the Democratic base when trying to gain ground [there]?" he asked rhetorically.

"The administration has signaled that they're getting closer in terms of holding Israel more accountable, but they still have a little bit more work to do with the base."

Joel Payne, a Democratic strategist who worked on Hillary Clinton's 2016 presidential campaign, told theGrio that he doesn't believe the White House is "underestimating how important their handling of the situation in Gaza is to their coalition."

During an election year, he said it's important that the Biden-Harris campaign draw a clear contrast between a Biden-Harris approach to the conflict in the Middle East and that of a potential second Trump administration.

"You can hold Joe Biden accountable, and you can persuade Joe Biden. You can't persuade Donald Trump," Payne argued. "Donald Trump is talking about banning groups of refugees. He's pouring gasoline on a tense situation."

On a Biden-Harris campaign press call reacting to Tuesday's New Hampshire win, the very first question posed to staff was about the Israel-Hamas war and the protest at the president's rally in Virginia.

Biden-Harris campaign communications director Michael Tyler said



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Keys are seen inside a cabinet at the office of S2 Real Estate in Milwaukee on Jan. 9, 2024. Sam Stair owns the real estate company and has since 2006 rented properties to people who rely on Section 8 vouchers. (Sara Stathas for Wisconsin Watch)

would accept the voucher and work with her credit history. Her mother worried about safety in the neighborhood, but Varela felt she had no choice but to sign the lease before her voucher would expire on Jan. 28.

South Side Milwaukee landlords she encountered weren’t willing to accept voucher aid, Varela said, adding that several doubted they would pass inspections required by the program.

Section 8, the federal government’s largest low-income housing subsidy program, serves 2.3 million households nationwide, including more than 16,500 people in Milwaukee County in 2022, according to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

It aims to broaden housing access for participants, but renters and housing advocates say landlords outside of historically disinvested neighborhoods rarely rent to people with vouchers — one of many factors limiting opportunities in Milwaukee and nationwide, particularly people of color.

Milwaukee County in 2018 banned landlords from categorically rejecting recipients of housing assistance. More than five years later the county’s Office of Corporation Counsel, which is supposed to enforce the protections, says it has yet to receive a verified complaint of such discrimination.

That’s not for a lack of discrimination, a Wisconsin Watch investigation found.

Some landlords continue to explicitly reject Section 8 applicants — even saying so in public listings. Four Section 8 renters told Wisconsin Watch no one informed them about the protections or how to file a complaint.

Milwaukee County and the city of Milwaukee operate separate housing agencies that distribute Section 8 vouchers, with the majority coming through the city. Only the county’s authority mentions the 2018 protections in information packets meant to help renters navigate the program. Neither packet says how to report income-based discrimination to the county.

“If families with vouchers don’t know that they have protections, it is the responsibility of the housing authority to tell them,” said Philip Tegeler, executive director of the Poverty and Race Research Action Council, a civil rights law and policy organization based in Washington, D.C.

West Allis operates the only additional housing authority in Milwaukee County that distributes Section 8 vouchers. Its information packet notes protections against income-based discrimination, but it instructs renters to file complaints to a city agency rather than with the county. The city in 2022 received just three housing discrimination complaints — none of which prompted enforcement, its officials said.

Milwaukee County Chief Corporation Counsel Margaret Daun told Wisconsin Watch her office questions whether the county has legal authority to enforce the ordinance.

“Our office remains concerned that individual Section 8 discrimination enforcement actions rarely result in the immediate help that is needed by the person seeking housing,” she said in an email.

Wisconsin Watch also found:

- A 120-day federal deadline for voucher recipients to find housing may further discourage discrimination reporting due to the unlikelyhood of resolving complaints swiftly. But the city of Milwaukee this year is expanding possibilities for deadline extensions.

- From 2019 to mid-2023 at least 1,395 vouchers issued within Milwaukee County — mostly through the city of Milwaukee — expired because the recipients didn’t secure permanent housing in time, according to records from the three voucher-issuing agencies.

“Some people are in situations where they’re like, ‘I don’t have time to file a complaint. I’m in this hamster wheel right now trying to find a place,’” said Kori Schneider Peragine, former senior administrator for the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council.

#### A chaotic Section 8 journey

Ebony Donald applied for a voucher after moving to Milwaukee from Danville, Illinois, in August 2022. She secured it within two months through the



Milwaukee County Chief Corporation Counsel Margaret Daun says her office questions whether the county has legal authority to enforce a 2018 ordinance that bans landlords from categorically rejecting recipients of housing assistance. She is shown in an online screenshot of a Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors meeting on July 27, 2023.

city’s lottery system.

The 39-year-old attended an orientation where she received a briefing packet and a list of landlords known to accept vouchers. She wanted to live on the city’s South Side, which she considered quieter and with more opportunities to rent a house.

But Donald found her voucher carried a stigma: the perception of Section 8 recipients as “messy” and irresponsible renters, she said.

Donald said she didn’t try to hide her income status. It was one of the first things she told landlords about herself. In some cases landlords explicitly told her they didn’t like dealing with Section 8, she said.

“The next thing you know, it goes down the drain,” she said. “Once I tell them that I have Section 8, I don’t even get a response back.”

She never thought to file a discrimination complaint because no one told her about county protections, she told Wisconsin Watch.

Once she received her voucher she and her five children applied for an apartment at the renovated Community Within the Corridor, a mixed-use affordable housing complex at the former Briggs and Stratton industrial site on Milwaukee’s North Side. She moved in when it opened in February 2023.

But a month later she and her children were among more than 150 residents evacuated following the detection of high levels of trichloroethylene, a cancer-causing chemical. Donald’s family spent two months living in a hotel as she looked for another landlord who would accept her voucher.

When Donald did find willing landlords, virtually all options sat in high-poverty areas of town — like the Black-majority North Side or west of Holton Street, where she finally settled.

# MKE COUNTY BANNED SECTION 8 HOUSING VOUCHER DISCRIMINATION, BUT LANDLORDS STILL DO IT!

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Limited voucher acceptance maintains segregation

Voucher recipients of color are more likely to live in “minority-concentrated” neighborhoods than other low-income renters of color and less likely to live in “high-opportunity” neighborhoods, according to a 2019 Center on Budget and Policy Priorities analysis of the country’s 50 largest metro areas.

Throughout the Milwaukee metro area, 85% of families of color holding vouchers lived in minority-concentrated neighborhoods — areas where just 38% of rental units were considered voucher-affordable, the analysis found.

Latasha Sills said she spent two and a half years waiting on a voucher the city of Milwaukee issued in fall 2022. But while searching for a rental for herself and two children, she felt her options were limited.

She could search only within the city. Renting elsewhere in Milwaukee County would have required transferring a voucher to the county housing division — or to West Allis’ authority, if she sought to live there.

Nearly 20 Milwaukee landlords refused to accept her voucher, particularly on the East Side, Sills said.

“It’s really, really hard to get into with a housing voucher,” she said. “That’s where the majority of the landlords were telling me no.”

But she accomplished her goal before the year ended, finding a three-bedroom rental near a bus stop on Milwaukee’s North Side.

#### Fewer landlords accepting vouchers

Congress established Section 8 of the 1974 Housing and Community Development Act to help people who make little money afford rentals outside of traditional public housing. Renter participants pay 30% of their monthly income to a landlord, leaving the program to pay the difference.

Half a century later, voucher recipients are routinely locked out of middle-income and upper-income neighborhoods.

That reality has been called a “mask for racial discrimination,” considering that the majority of U.S. voucher recipients are people of color, including in Milwaukee County, where most people with vouchers are Black.

Landlord participation in Section 8 has dipped nationwide due to financial constraints, bureaucratic issues and stigma, HUD found in 2018.

Landlords may avoid participating in Section 8 due to “a few bad apples” with vouchers and a high demand for scarce housing that makes it easier to reject voucher recipients in favor of someone else, said Sam Stair, owner of S2 Real Estate, where he owns 620 apartment units and manages 200 units in primarily low-income Milwaukee neighborhoods.

Stair, who has rented to voucher recipients since 2006, holds a place on the Milwaukee Autonomous Tenants Union’s “Wall of Shame.” The advocacy group calls him a slumlord with dilapidated properties. He acknowledges the title, saying it’s due to his status as a large landlord who has evicted tenants who don’t pay.

#### Gaps in renter anti-discrimination protections

The federal Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination against potential buyers or renters along a range of characteristics — including race, national origin, religion, sex, familial status and disability. It does not ban income-based discrimination, but laws in Wisconsin and 21 other states do to various degrees.

However, income-based protections in Wisconsin’s Open Housing Act still allow landlords to refuse vouchers, the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in 1995.

Section 8 subsidies do not count as a protected “lawful source of income,” the court ruled after a Dane County woman sued a landlord who refused to accept her voucher. Considering vouchers as a source of income would require landlords to participate in a federal program meant to be voluntary, the court wrote.

The ruling left local governments, including Milwaukee and Dane counties and the city of Madison, to enact protections for voucher recipients.

Housing discrimination complaints submitted to Madison’s Department of Civil Rights have increased in the past three years, said Byron Bishop, the department’s equal opportunities division manager. Many complaints have involved Section 8, he said, but the department did not have a breakdown of

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that data.

#### Origin of Milwaukee County ordinance

Marina Dimitrijevic spearheaded Milwaukee County’s 2018 effort to protect recipients of “rental or housing assistance” status under its fair housing law.

“It’s not okay to place in an ad — or even in a conversation with someone — that if your source of income for your family has public assistance attached to it that I can’t rent to you or you need not apply,” Dimitrijevic, a county supervisor at the time, said during a 2018 meeting.

Dimitrijevic, now on Milwaukee’s Common Council, declined an interview request.

The Rental Property Association of Wisconsin did not oppose the ordinance, but it didn’t see a need for it, the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reported in 2018. Some landlords complained Section 8 participation came with limitations, like requirements to enter into one-year leases rather than renting month-to-month. They also shared perceptions that voucher recipients weren’t held accountable for damaging property.

Dimitrijevic said Section 8 could benefit landlords by guaranteeing government payments.

“The government generally has a good record of paying their bills. It’s not perfect, but it’s a backed-up source of income that otherwise might not be there,” she said in 2018.

Housing agencies in Milwaukee County say they tell clients to report discrimination. While reporting this story, however, Wisconsin Watch did not come across a participating renter who knew about county voucher protections.

Sills figured landlords who refused her voucher must have a reason. Maybe they were slumlords or scammers, she recalled thinking.

“If they don’t accept it, well, then that’s not the place for us,” Sills said she told herself.



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#### Housing advocates: Awareness alone won’t fix problem

Increased awareness alone might not lead to a flood of discrimination complaints, advocates say.

Filing a complaint does little to help someone find housing during a stressful and time-limited process, said Tegeler of the Poverty and Race Research Action Council. Proactive testing of landlord policies — with people posing as prospective renters — would more likely spark compliance, he added.

The Rental Property Association of Wisconsin informs private landlords that writing “no Section 8” in rental ads violates fair housing laws. The association also holds meetings where housing authority officials explain the benefits of participating, said Dawn Anastasi, an association board member.

But Wisconsin Watch found Craigslist ads saying owners would not accept Section 8.

Regina Garrett said she didn’t know about Milwaukee County’s protections while searching for voucher-friendly housing on the website Tenant Screening Plus LLC, which promises to help first-time renters and people with poor credit or past evictions find homes in Greater Milwaukee.

Many website listings discouraged Section 8 renters from applying.

Tenant Screening Plus LLC representatives didn’t respond to Wisconsin Watch’s requests for comment.

Garrett and her three children couldn’t find a landlord who would rent to her within 120 days and lost her city of Milwaukee voucher in September. She moved back in with her mother and plans to reapply.

City Section 8 participants starting this year can ask for a 130-day lease-signing deadline extension with no questions asked, said Kenneth Barbeau, chief operating officer for the city housing authority. An additional 30-day extension is available under certain circumstances.

#### Can Milwaukee County enforce its ordinance?

Daun, the county chief corporation counsel, told Wisconsin Watch her office is assessing its power to enforce the income discrimination ban.

Daun told county officials in July she previously advised that enforcement actions — such as levying fines or suing landlords — appeared “dubious” under state law. That’s because home rule legislative authority in Wisconsin doesn’t extend to counties as it does to cities.

The lingering uncertainty surrounding the ordinance surprised Tristan Pettit, a landlord-tenant law attorney.

“You’d think they would have figured that out before the ordinance was enacted,” he said.

#### Milwaukee County agencies seek solutions

Milwaukee County officials are evaluating ways to increase landlord participation in Section 8. Its supervisors on Wednesday are expected to review a Housing Division report that will make recommendations and answer questions surrounding enforcement authority.

Any plans to add investigators and attorneys to beef up enforcement could prove challenging, said Supervisor Shawn Rolland, who was among those who ordered the report.

“We will see what we can pull off knowing the financial constraints that the county faces as well,” he said.

The report will focus solely on the county Housing Division and won’t consider programs in the city of Milwaukee or West Allis, said Connor Goggans, the division’s senior real estate project manager.

Each housing authority across the county operates differently — with unique constraints on resources. That makes it difficult to create shared strategies for expanding voucher options across the county, Goggans said.

West Allis, for instance, offers landlords a \$300 incentive to lease with new voucher participants. The county housing authority last November received \$1.8 million from HUD to assist voucher participants with first-month rent, moving costs and security deposits.



Tenant Screening Plus LLC promises to help first-time renters and people with poor credit or past evictions find homes in Greater Milwaukee. Many of its online listings discourage Section 8 renters from applying, as seen in this screenshot.

“If there was more funding available for us to add more housing navigation and more landlord engagement services to our teams, we would see a much different world, and our participants would see much better access to units,” said Damir Djidic, director of supportive housing for Milwaukee County.

The city of Milwaukee lacks funds for landlord incentives, Barbeau said. But the city recently hired a coordinator to educate new landlords on the benefits of accepting vouchers and created “opportunity neighborhoods” where they increased voucher payment amounts in certain locations.

The Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council coordinated a pilot project called Opportunity MKE to understand how families with vouchers can attain housing in higher-income areas. Increased financial assistance helped 28 of 148 participating families lease in high-opportunity neighborhoods.

Milwaukee housing advocates generally support incentivizing landlords to participate in Section 8, but they say incentives alone won’t get people housed. They also worry about the messages incentives send about renters who rely on vouchers.

“We don’t incentivize housing providers renting to any other protected class of people,” said Erika Sanders, president and CEO of the fair housing council. “What I hope incentives do not do is somehow perpetuate the myth that voucher holders are troublesome tenants.”

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**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV99**

In the matter of the name change of: BRITTANY NOELLE CURRAN

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: BRITTANY NOELLE CURRAN to: BRITTANY NOELLE FLORENCE  
Birth Certificate: BRITTANY NOELLE CURRAN

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 16, 2024, TIME 11:00 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-5-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON  
Circuit Court Judge  
1118/1-10-17-24-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000080**

In the matter of the name change of: TERESO BAUDILIO ANZUETO JR

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: TERESO BAUDILIO ANZUETO JR to: TERRY BAUDILIO ANZUETO JR  
Birth Certificate: TERESO BAUDILIO ANZUETO JR

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BBR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 6, 2024, TIME 3:00 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-8-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. KRISTY YANG  
Circuit Court Judge  
1014/1-10-17-24-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000155**

In the matter of the name change of: LILA JAY LUNA  
By (Petitioner) LILA JAY LUNA

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: LILA JAY LUNA to: LEVI JAY LUNA  
Birth Certificate: LILA JAY LUNA

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY BR. 44 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBUARY 21, 2024, TIME 9:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-8-2023  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY  
Circuit Court Judge  
1115/1-10-17-24-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000113**

In the matter of the name change of: AMIYA MIRACLE MARIE THORN  
By (Petitioner) CINNAMON JOY BLOCKMON

By (Co-Petitioner) ORLANDO JERMAINE BLOCKMON  
NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: AMIYA MIRACLE MARIE THORN to: AMIYA MIRACLE MARIE BLOCKMON  
Birth Certificate: AMIYA MIRACLE MARIE THORN

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 23, 2024, TIME 10:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-5-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY  
Circuit Court Judge  
116/1-10-17-24-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000049**

In the matter of the name change of: AARON MICHAEL PRINZ  
By (Petitioner) AARON MICHAEL PRINZ

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: AARON MICHAEL PRINZ to: AARON MICHAEL LUSTY  
Birth Certificate: AARON MICHAEL PRINZ

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 21, 2024, TIME 1:30 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-3-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY  
Circuit Court Judge  
121/1-10-17-24-2024

**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUMMONS WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN Case No. 23FA006464 Divorce: 40101**

CECILIA M RICHMOND 3119 S 14th Street Milwaukee WI 53215, Petitioner and MOHAMMAD AKBAR ALI 832 W Greenfield Ave MILWAUKEE WI 53204, Respondent

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, to the person named above as a respondent

You are hereby notified that your spouse has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Petitioner, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action. Within 20 days of receiving this Summons, you must provide a written response, as that term is used in Ch. 802, Wis. Stats., to the Petition. The Court may reject or disregard a response that does not follow the requirements of the statutes.

The response must be sent or delivered to the following government office: Clerk of Court Milwaukee County 901 N 9th St. Rm 104 Milwaukee WI 53233.

The response must also be mailed or delivered within 20 days to the petitioner at the address above. It is recommended, but not required, that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper response within 20 days, the court may grant judgment against you, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition.

A judgement may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated in Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 31st day of October 2023  
BY: CECILIA M RICHMOND  
117/1-10-17-24-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000064**

In the matter of the name change of: ADDISON ELEANORE JANKE  
By (Petitioner) ADDISON ELEANORE JANKE

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: ADDISON ELEANORE JANKE to: ASHTON VICTOR JANKE  
Birth Certificate: ADDISON ELEANORE JANKE

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 22, 2024, TIME 2:30 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-4-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS  
Circuit Court Judge  
119/1-10-17-24-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008566**

In the matter of the name change of: AGUSTIN CUEVAS  
By (Petitioner) AGUSTIN CUEVAS

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: AGUSTIN CUEVAS to: AGUSTIN LEI HWANG SHI-WOO KKA-MAGWI  
Birth Certificate: AGUSTIN CUEVAS

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JANUARY 24, 2024, TIME 10:15 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 11-10-2023  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON  
Circuit Court Judge  
671/11-29/12-6-13-2023

**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT SMALL CLAIMS CLAIM FOR MONEY 31001 Case No. 23SC021858**

PLAINTIFF(S) TENSHA JARRELL 2210 N 52nd ST. MILWAUKEE WI 53208  
vs  
DEFENDANT/S: OWNER BRYAN HUDSON/KUSASI AUTO SALES 5905 W North Ave Milwaukee WI 53208

This form does not replace the need for an interpreter any colloques mandated by law, or the responsibility of court and counsel to ensure that persons with limited English proficiency fully comprehend their rights and obligations. This form must be completed in the English language.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 414-278-5712 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Claim for money (\$10,000 or less) 31001

TO THE DEFENDANT(S):  
You are being sued as described below. If you wish to dispute this matter: You must appear at the time and place stated. If you do not appear or answer, the plaintiff(s) may win this case and a judgment entered for what the plaintiff is asking.

When to Appear /File an Answer  
Date: FEBRUARY 1, 2024, Time: 8:30 A.M.  
Place to Appear/File and Answer: Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th

Street, Room 400 Milwaukee, WI 53233  
Clerk/Attorney Signature:  
Plaintiff's Demand: The plaintiff states the following claim against the defendant(s):  
1. Plaintiff demands judgment for: Claim for EVICTION/CLAIM FOR MONEY: \$5000.00 Return of Earnest Money

Brief statement of dates and facts:  
Owner doesn't want to return money for purchase of a car  
I am the plaintiff:  
Dated: 8-16-2023  
BY THE PLAINTIFF:  
TENSHA JARRELL  
117/1-10-17-24-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009224**

In the matter of the name change of: BRANDY ROCHELLE CROSTON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: BRANDY ROCHELLE CROSTON to: LYDIA ANNA-ROSE CROSTON  
Birth Certificate: BRANDY ROCHELLE CROSTON

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 28, 2024, TIME 10:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 12-12-2023  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS  
Circuit Court Judge  
132/1-17-24-31-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000049**

In the matter of the name change of: AARON MICHAEL PRINZ  
By (Petitioner) AARON MICHAEL PRINZ

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: AARON MICHAEL PRINZ to: AARON MICHAEL LUSTY  
Birth Certificate: AARON MICHAEL PRINZ

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 21, 2024, TIME 1:30 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-3-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY  
Circuit Court Judge  
121/1-10-17-24-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000232**

In the matter of the name change of: Shawn Matthew McGreger

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Shawn Matthew McGreger to: Riley McGreger  
Birth Certificate: Shawn Matthew McGreger

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY BR. 44 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MARCH 8, 2024, TIME 1:30 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Dated: 1-10-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY  
Circuit Court Judge  
124/1-17-24-31-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV9609**

In the matter of the name change of: Luke Earl Krauser

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Luke Earl Krauser to: Luke Earl Lemke  
Birth Certificate: Luke Earl Krauser

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY BR. 44 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MARCH 1, 2024, TIME 1:30 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-2-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY  
Circuit Court Judge  
125/1-17-24-31-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000077**

In the matter of the name change of: Marianna Lizette Valadez  
By (Petitioner) Marianna Lizette Valadez

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Marianna Lizette Valadez to: Marianna Angela Maisonet  
Birth Certificate: Marianna Lizette Valadez

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 23, 2024, TIME 9:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-4-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY  
Circuit Court Judge  
123/1-17-24-31-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000045**

In the matter of the name change of: Tina Langdok Romenesko  
By (Petitioner) Tina Langdok Romenesko

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Tina Langdok Romenesko to: Tina Jayne Langdok  
Birth Certificate: Tina Jayne Langdok

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MARCH 8, 2024, TIME 9:00 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-3-2024  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY

Circuit Court Judge  
126/1-17-24-31-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009277**

In the matter of the name change of: OSWIN EVELYN WOLFF  
By (Petitioner) HILLIARY KATE WOLFF  
By (Co-Petitioner) STEVEN CHESTER WOLFF

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: OSWIN EVELYN WOLFF to: OSWIN EVELYN KATE RUSSO  
Birth Certificate: OSWIN EVELYN WOLFF

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 12, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 12-14-2023  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON  
Circuit Court Judge  
127/1-17-24-31-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009279**

In the matter of the name change of: STEVEN CHESTER WOLFF

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: STEVEN CHESTER WOLFF to: STEVEN CHESTER RUSSO  
Birth Certificate: STEVEN CHESTER WOLFF

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
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HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON  
Circuit Court Judge  
128/1-17-24-31-2024

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009275**

In the matter of the name change of: HENRY JAMES WOLFF  
By (Petitioner) HILLIARY KATE WOLFF  
By (Co-Petitioner) STEVEN CHESTER WOLFF

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: HENRY JAMES WOLFF to: HENRY JAMES RUSSO  
Birth Certificate: HENRY JAMES WOLFF

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 12, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.M.

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Dated: 12-14-2023  
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HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON  
Circuit Court Judge  
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