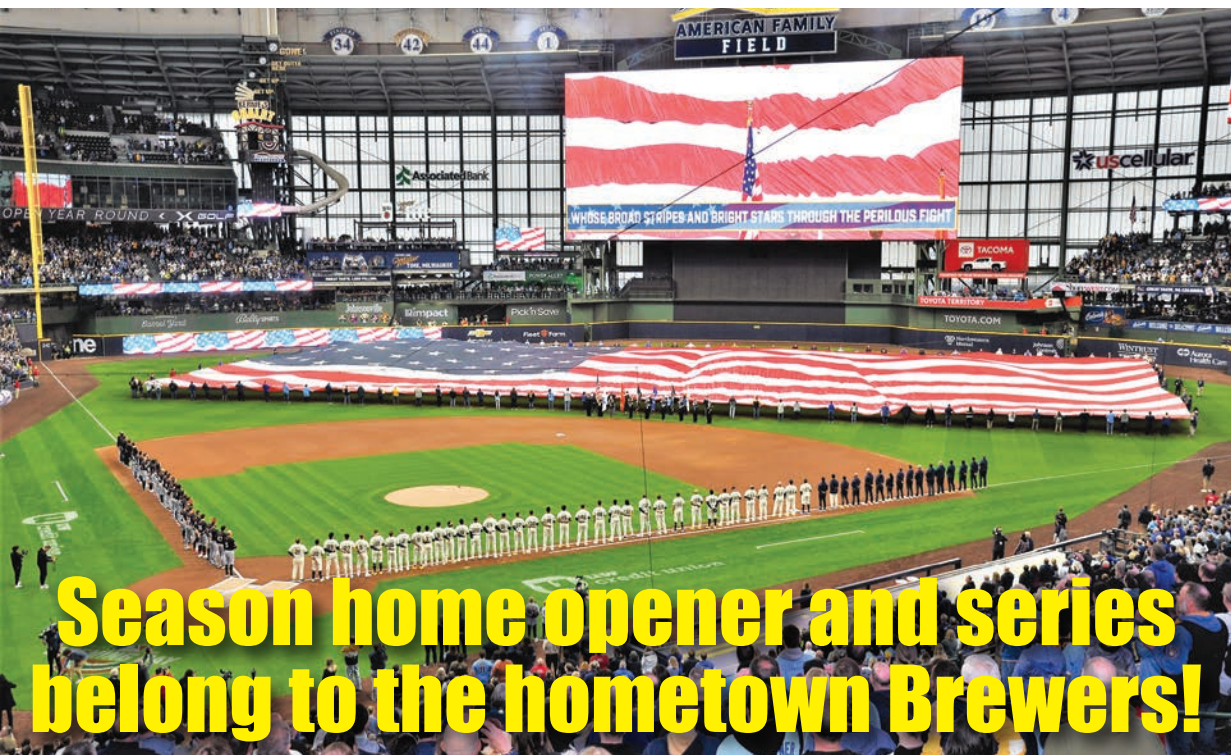




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Season home opener and series belong to the hometown Brewers!



Opening Day at American Family Field was a sell-out and an exciting day and home-stand. Four of our Milwaukee Brewers hit one or two home runs to win two out of three games against the Seattle Mariners. On Sunday (game three) the Brewers put the finishing touches on a series win over the Mariners in emphatic fashion, winning 12-4. William Conteras had four hits and two home runs and Willy Adames also went deep for the Brewers, who scored a season-high for runs. —Photos by Yvonne Kemp

Funeral services set for educator and coach Ernest Di Domizio

Funeral services will be held Saturday, April 13 at St. Catherine Catholic Church for the late educator and coach Ernest Di Domizio, who died peacefully in his sleep April 1. He was 56.

St. Catherine is located at North 51st and West Center Street. Visitation is from 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. Mass will start at 11:30 a.m.

Di Domizio taught, and was a principal for the last 20 years, at a number of private schools participating in the parental choice program.

Di Domizio was the beloved son of Jacqueline Haessly and Daniel Di Domizio, the elder brother of Randolph, Francis, and Kristyn; father of Cassie and Lillian, and foster father of Curtis.

"Ernie moved into our home and our hearts shortly after his 10th birthday and with his warm smile and generous spirit made friends quickly," recalled his mother Jacqueline.

Ernie excelled at sports, theater, music, art, and chess, and also loved academic challenges.

He participated in youth sports in the Sherman Park Community, as well as at Pius XI High School and at Marian University where he earned his Social Work degree. He served as a social worker for at risk youth in Milwaukee, and then as a curriculum specialist.

He went on to earn his BS degree in Education and his Educational Leadership Degree, both from Marian University.

Ernie enjoyed both teaching and coaching. He served as a mentor for college students and as a soccer coach for generations of youth in Milwaukee. He also coached soccer for two years at Cardinal



Ernest Di Domizio

Stritch University,

Ernie initiated the "Paul Sanchez Memorial Alumni Soccer Tournament" through Marian University in honor of a classmate and teammate who died unexpectedly.

He served as a Director for the Mulberry Garden Youth Program, and supported America Scores Milwaukee Soccer Cup.

Ernie has earned a number of awards over his many years of service, most recently the Sr. Judith Schmidt Core Values Alumni

Award at Marian University.

Ernie will be greatly missed by his family, colleagues, students and life-long friends.

Ernie had an incredible way of integrating his many groups of friends from various places and situations in his life into one cohesive and ever-expanding whole.

Those who knew or worked with Ernie, played with Ernie, and loved Ernie often used just two words to describe him: Ernie was a "gentle soul!"

Ernie spent his early life with many foster families, people whose faith traditions and practices spanned a number of religions.

Ernie's spiritual philosophy can be summed up in this simple Scriptural reading, "Choose you this day Whom ye shall serve...but as for me and my home, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24-15.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to America Scores Milwaukee and/or WI Scholastic Chess Federation, both youth mentoring and empowerment programs.



Gov. Tony Evers holds up the PRINCE Act after signing it into law. (Photo courtesy of Spectrum News 1/Abbey Taylor)

Evers signs "PRINCE Act" to expand AMBER Alert system for missing kids

Compiled by MCJ Editorial Staff

Two members of the Milwaukee Common Council praised Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers for signing the Protection and Recovery Involving Non-located Children Endangered (PRINCE) Act into law, which addresses gaps in the state's Amber Alert system.

"What happened to Prince McCree last year was a tragedy, and in the future we believe these new alerts have the potential to save lives when children are reported missing," read a joint statement by Aldermen Mark Chambers, Jr. and Khalif Rainey.

"The new system will allow an alert to be sent out if a child is under the age of 10, or for children up to the age of 18 if they are unable to return home due to a physical or mental condition or disability."

Earlier this year the city went on record in support of the legislation. "We are grateful that this was passed so quickly in the name of protecting our young people."

The law expands the criteria for issuing alerts for missing (continued on page 2)



Ald. Khalif Rainey



Ald. Mark Chambers, Jr.

Wisconsin will replace FoodShare aid when outages spoil food, but filing requests isn't easy!

Bureaucratic hurdles and a lack of awareness mean few FoodShare/SNAP recipients are reimbursed for spoiled food following power outages and other misfortunes.

By Addie Costello / Wisconsin Watch and WPR

Food doesn't last long in Leisa Winston's home, where she takes care of nine grandchildren.

"Every day after school, it's somebody (saying), 'Granny, I'm hungry. Granny, you got something sweet?'" Winston said.

The Milwaukee retiree relies on food assistance to stock her kitchen with some of her grandkids' favorites.

But feeding everyone got tougher in January



Leisa Winston (above), a retiree who raises nine grandchildren, says about \$200 worth of food in her refrigerator was spoiled in January after a winter storm knocked out her power. After learning she could apply for replacement FoodShare aid to purchase fresh food, she spent her last two dollars taking the bus to a Hunger Task Force office to sign the form by hand. Wisconsin plans to eventually allow FoodShare recipients to request replacement aid without needing to sign forms by hand. (Addie Costello / Wisconsin Watch)

when a winter storm swept across Wisconsin. It knocked out her power for roughly 24 hours, leaving about \$200 worth of food and milk in her fridge

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Governor signs “PRINCE Act” expanding AMBER Alert system

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Evers recently signed the act at the Hawley Environmental School in Milwaukee, which was attended by Prince McCree, the namesake of the bill.

It was Prince’s tragic disappearance last year, and death (along with Lily Peters in Chippewa Falls in 2022), that inspired Prince’s neighbor, state Sen. LaTonya Johnson (D-Milwaukee), to champion and pass (with the assistance of state Sen. Jesse James) Senate Bill (SB) 981 to enhance the Amber Alert sys-

tem.

The PRINCE Act ensures authorities in future missing child cases have expanded resources to issue quicker and more robust alert notices to the public, hopefully ensuring

“In moments like these, when loved ones and communities are gripped by worry and fear and every moment is vital to locate a missing child, every resource should be made available to bring that kid home.”
—Gov. Evers

kids are able to be quickly located and returned home safely in the future.

According to AMBER Alert

Wisconsin, to issue an AMBER Alert, a child must be 17 years of age or younger, in danger of serious bodily harm or death, and the initiating agency must have enough descriptive information about the child, the suspect and/or the suspect vehicle to believe an immediate broadcast alert will help locate the child.

“The idea of having your child go missing is something no parent ever wants to imagine or, heaven forbid, experience firsthand,” said Evers at

the signing ceremony.

“In moments like these, when loved ones and communities are gripped by worry and fear and every moment is



Prince McCree, 5, went missing in 2023. He was found dead one day later. (Photo courtesy of Prince McCree’s family via Spectrumnews1.com)

On Oct. 25, 2023, five-year-old Prince McCree stayed home from school because he was sick. Prince’s mother had allowed him to play video games in the basement with members of the household, which occurred regularly.

Prince’s mother later could not find him and proceeded to call the authorities to report him missing.

The Milwaukee Police Department requested an AMBER Alert; however, the request was denied.

The next day, on Oct. 26, 2023, Prince’s body was discovered.

On April 24, 2022, 10-year-old Iliana “Lily” Peters went to visit her aunt’s house, located nearly a quarter of a mile away from her home. Lily’s father later reported that she was missing at 9 p.m. after Lily had not returned home. At the time of her disappearance, the Chippewa Falls Police Department reported Lily’s case had not met the criteria for an AMBER Alert.



Lily Peters, 10, went missing in 2022. She was sexually assaulted and killed. (Photo courtesy of Chippewa Falls Police Department)

The next morning, April 25, 2022, Lily’s body was discovered.

In the wake of both disappearances, the Milwaukee and Chippewa Falls communities, with the help of friends and relatives, helped search for and spread information about the disappearances of Prince and Lily.

The outpouring of support from both these communities led to a statewide campaign to address concerns with alert notices, including AMBER Alerts.

—Source: Press release from Gov. Evers of PRINCE Act bill signing

vital to locate a missing child, every resource should be made available to bring that kid home.”

Evers noted that at the time

of the tragic cases, circumstances around Prince and Lily’s disappearances were considered to not have met the threshold statutorily to issue

an AMBER Alert.

Sources: Press statement by aldermen Chambers and Rainey; press release courtesy of the office of Gov.



Milwaukee’s corporate, community, and faith leaders to celebrate exemplary leadership of Mayor Cavalier Johnson and County Executive David Crowley

A group of Milwaukee’s foremost business and religious leaders will gather on April 12 to celebrate the outstanding leadership of Mayor Cavalier Johnson and County Executive David Crowley.

Both government leaders will be honored during a “Day of Community Prayer Breakfast” to be held at the Institute for the Preservation of African American Music and Arts (IPAAMA).

IPAAMA is a nationally acclaimed repository of multi-purpose conference center on Milwaukee’s north side, which houses hundreds of artifacts and Black artworks replicated nowhere else in Wisconsin.

IPAAMA is located at 3200 W. Hampton Ave.

The ecumenical breakfast will be the first of its kind in Milwaukee, giving corporate and civic leaders an opportunity to express a personal commitment to continuing efforts to engage all citizens and all neighborhoods.

Understanding the critical importance of a united community bound together by purposeful commitment, the prayer breakfast concept and call to action were eagerly embraced by the mayor



Mayor Johnson

and the county executive.

“Healthcare, employment, education, technology, every field, every occupation, every opportunity must be available to our community” said Milwaukee native, Bay View High School, and UW-Madison graduate Mayor Johnson.

“Self-empowerment and self-reliance often stem from enacting the principles of generosity and compassion - giving back.

“We are all biblically compelled to reach back and move forward with a spirit of cooperation and collective mindset of service to others. These invested leaders protect our future.”

“The opportunity to serve the citizens of Milwaukee brings challenge and purpose,” noted



Cnty. Exec. Crowley

Crowley, also a Bay View and UWM alum, the first African American to serve as the county’s top official and the youngest.

“The rising tide of community empowerment is lifting every segment of the population toward improvement.

“As we reassert Milwaukee County’s commitment to that objective, I am thrilled to work with these outstanding leaders in that quest. I am equally humbled.”

One of Wisconsin’s most well-respected business leaders, Gerard Randall, remarked, “Assembling Milwaukee’s key executives is a major demonstration of unity in the shared obligation to protect families and

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Jim Gaillard, vice president of Ezekiel HOPE and a master electrician (second from left) with participants in the Ezekiel Community Development Corporation skilled trades training program—Photo courtesy of Ezekiel Hope

Ezekiel Hope to host inaugural breakfast event on... “NATIONAL SKILLED TRADES DAY”

COUNTY EXECUTIVE DAVID CROWLEY AND NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL FOUNDATION TO BE HONORED

On Wednesday, May 1 at 8 a.m., “National Skilled Trades Day,” Ezekiel Community Development Corporation (“Ezekiel HOPE”) will host its first annual breakfast event at The Trade Hotel, 420 W. Juneau Avenue. During the event, County Executive David Crowley and Northwest Mutual Foundation will receive “Community Builder” and “Corporate Builder” awards, respectively, for their support of and

commitment to advocating for affordable and stabilizing neighborhoods.

Ezekiel HOPE is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization that has a three-prong goal of promoting homeownership, partnering with minority contractors to build capacity, and providing employment opportunities to unemployed and underemployed individuals by training them in the skilled trades.

“County Executive David Crowley has been a staunch advocate for affordable housing and securing funding to facilitate it. Northwestern Mutual Foundation has invested millions of dollars, particularly in the Amani neighborhood (53206) to fund home repairs and other initiatives to help stabilize neighborhoods,” said Jim Gaillard, Vice President of Ezekiel HOPE and Master Electrician.

“We purposely chose The Trade Hotel as the venue for our inaugural event because it pays homage to the tradesmen who helped build Milwaukee. With the number of people in the skilled trades dwindling due to retirement and aging out of the workforce, we want people to consider the skilled trades as a viable career option that pays family-sustaining wages,” said Gaillard.




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COMING AND PAST HAPPENINGS IN AND OUTSIDE OF YOUR COMMUNITY!

Recently, crews installed the new street signs that bear the name of Dr. Lester Carter Jr., a pioneering pharmacist who served Milwaukee's Black residents for decades.

Last year, the Common Council voted to rename N. 24th St., from W. Keefe Ave. to W. Center St., as N. Dr. Lester Carter Dr. Previously, N. 24th St. held an honorary name of N. Dr. Lester Carter Dr. as per a resolution passed unanimously by the Council in October 2017.

A longtime resident of N. 24th St., Dr. Lester Carter Jr. was a pharmacist and pillar of the Milwaukee community for over 50 years. It was on the corner of N. 24th and W. Burleigh St. where Dr. Carter lived and opened his pharmacy in 1968, a time when there were few Black residents in the neighborhood and fewer Black



New street signs arrive to honor Dr. Lester Carter

doctors in the city. Remembered fondly for sporting a bowtie and white lab coat, the late Dr. Carter was a trusted physician, herbalist, and a fixture in Milwaukee's Black Community who was perhaps best known for his holistic approach to healing and his natural remedies to

people's health challenges – remedies that often resulted in more positive health outcomes. Dr. Carter dedicated his life to the health and wellbeing of his patients and neighborhood. His legacy is a testament to a long life of service undeterred by adversity.

—Source: Edited statement of Alders Khalif Rainey, Milele Coggs, and Russell Stamper.



MATC narrows prez search to four finalists!

The Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC) District Board has recently announced it has selected finalists for the college's next president. The college noted in a press release it remains on track to have a new president in place by July 1, immediately following the retirement of President Vicki J. Martin, Ph.D. And the candidates are...

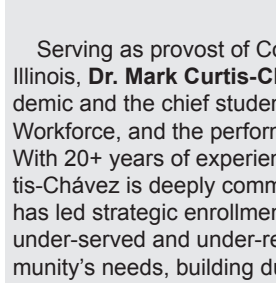


Dr. Monica Brown currently serves as the senior vice president for student affairs at Montgomery College, a multi-campus institution in the suburbs of Washington, D.C., with a diverse population of 43,000 credit and non-credit students representing more than 155 nations. Dr. Brown provides leadership and vision for the student affairs division, consisting of over 300 full-time and part-time faculty and staff across three campuses and central services. Prior to becoming the chief student affairs officer, she served in several leadership roles with direct oversight for counseling and advising, disability support services, student life, student support services, veterans services, and athletics. She is an equity-minded, student-centered, collaborative leader who strives to foster a culture of respect and collaboration. She has experience working with governance and collective bargaining.

Dr. Brown earned a doctorate in higher education administration from Morgan State University, a master's degree in counseling from Trinity College and a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University. Additionally, she is a graduate of the Aspen Rising Presidents Fellow (2021) and the Thomas Lakin Institute for Mentored Leadership (2019).



Dr. Anthony Cruz currently serves as president of the Kendall Campus of Miami Dade College. During his 28 years of higher education experience, Dr. Cruz has used his expertise to increase educational opportunities, enhance the student experience and bolster student success. He has held leadership roles such as campus president, vice chancellor, vice president and dean at several community colleges and universities. These valuable experiences have given him a profound understanding of the complexity of the higher education landscape and the opportunity to celebrate the rich diversity of the unique backgrounds and perspectives of the students, faculty and staff that he has served. He works collaboratively with community partners to build pathways and initiatives to remove barriers to student success. He is committed to creating innovative approaches to reduce the skills gap and increase the number of college graduates. Moreover, he is a firm believer in a student's first educational philosophy. Dr. Cruz has a bachelor's degree in political science from Florida International University, a Master in Public Administration from Florida State University and a doctorate in higher education from Florida International University.



Serving as provost of College of DuPage, the largest single campus community college in Illinois, Dr. Mark Curtis-Chavez oversees Academic and Student Affairs as the chief academic and the chief student affairs officer. In addition, he oversees Continuing Education, Workforce, and the performing and visual arts programs of the McAninch Arts Center. With 20+ years of experience in community colleges in teaching and leadership, Dr. Curtis-Chavez is deeply committed to its mission of open access and student success. He has led strategic enrollment management efforts in order to open doors of opportunity to under-served and under-resourced communities. He has also been responsive to the community's needs, building dual-credit programs and working with companies to create new degrees and certificates.

Dr. Curtis-Chavez has a doctorate in higher education from the University of Toledo, a master's degree in English from Northern Illinois University and a bachelor's degree in English from Indiana University.



Dr. Tina Marie Jackson serves as the assistant commissioner of workforce education at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. In this role, she works with all aspects of career and technical workforce initiatives and programs, including administration of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, Texas Reskilling & Upskilling Education (TRUE) Program, and Work Based Learning. Prior to joining the Coordinating Board in 2020, Dr. Jackson served as the district director of developmental education at Collin College. In this role, she worked districtwide on issues related to developmental education, completion and guided pathways to careers. In March 2019, Dr. Jackson's Developmental Education Program received the "2019 Promising Program Award" by the National Association of Developmental Education. In July 2018, Dr. Jackson was one of only 20 individuals across the United States selected for the American Association of Blacks in Higher Education (AABHE) Leadership and Mentoring Institute.

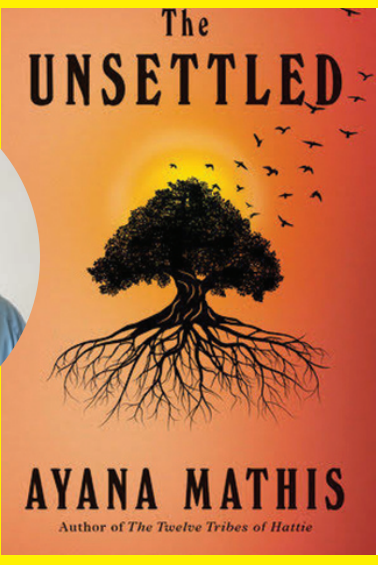
Dr. Jackson holds a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in education from the University of Minnesota and a doctorate in educational administration from The University of Texas at Austin.

Identifying the college's next president is critically important to MATC as an institution and for the future of the region. The college conducted a competitive process to identify a search firm and selected Greenwood Asher & Associates (GA&A), which brings 300 years of collective experience in executive searches for higher education and nonprofit institutions.

The firm helped us gather input from 50 students, faculty, staff, administrators and community members who attended input sessions and 90 people who completed online surveys. This input and GA&A's expertise helped us build a strong profile and promote the position strategically across the country, with an emphasis on diverse communities. We received more than 50 applications, reflecting a strong pool of highly qualified candidates from diverse backgrounds.

Critically acclaimed author and best seller Ayana Mathis serves as keynote speaker for the Delta Memorial Endowment Fund, Inc.'s LITERARY LUNCHEON

Ayana Mathis, author of the New York Times Best seller *The Twelve Tribes of Hattie*, headlines the Delta Memorial Endowment Fund Inc.'s (DMEF, Inc.) 46th Annual Literary Luncheon on Saturday, April 20, 11 a.m. at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 333 W. Kilbourn Avenue. Tickets for the luncheon can be purchased online at Eventbrite.com. Since 1978, DMEF has hosted notable authors across four decades, from Octavia Butler and Maya Angelou to Pearl Cleage and Attica Locke. Proceeds from the event fund college scholarships to local graduating high school seniors and Milwaukee-area charities, including arts-based organizations. More than \$500,000 have been awarded to date. Mathis's Milwaukee appearance comes on the heels of her 2023 release of *Unsettled*, which was named a Notable Book of 2023 by the Washington Post and New York Times and an Oprah Daily Best Book of the Year.



Local organizer Rick Banks launches campaign for 11th Assembly District

Rick Banks, a community organizer and activist, formally announced recently his candidacy for the Wisconsin State Assembly to represent the 11th District.

The seat will be open following the decision of Representative Dora Drake to run for State Senate.

Rick is the son of working class parents, his mother having worked as a housekeeper for over 30 years.

He grew up in the Franklin Heights, Lapham Park and Westlawn neighborhoods and is an alumnus of Milwaukee Public Schools, graduating from Riverside University High School in 2009.

He received a Bachelors of Arts in Political Science with a minor in Economics from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and is also a graduate of the Associates in Commercial Real Estate (ACRE) Program.

He currently works as Senior Program Manager of African-American Affairs in the Milwaukee County Office of Equity.

"I will bring bold and innovative ideas to the State Assembly that will support local businesses, make homeownership more accessible and ensure that our communities are safe," Rick said. "I look forward to connecting with my neighbors over the next few months and if they so choose, serving them in Madison."

Rick has over a decade of experience as a leader who will work in the trenches with and for the community and stand up to whatever forces necessary to get things done. In that time Rick has:

- Organized the Harambee Neighborhood Improvement District (NID) to provide home repair grants to homeowners in need of critical repairs and keep neighbors informed and in the know of what's happening in their neighborhood.
- Advocated for and won government budgets that invest in vital community services such as quality, affordable housing, youth jobs and health care.
- Served as a leader in the St. Joseph's Accountability Coalition (SJAC) advocating to keep and improve much needed healthcare services in our communities and hold multi-billion dollar corporations accountable for their actions.
- Co-founded MKE Black, a volunteer based non-profit dedicated to promoting Black-owned businesses and Black culture in the Milwaukee region.
- Gained four years of local government experience connecting small businesses to much needed financial resources and advancing racial equity.

About his decision to run Rick said, "We're living in unprecedented times that require unprecedented ideas and the challenging of conventional leadership. Our political and economic systems are not working for everyday people but instead continue to leave many of us behind. Rick and his husband, Javon, live on the northside of Milwaukee and if elected he would make history as the first out, Black LGBT+ person elected to the Wisconsin State Legislature.

A primary election for the seat will be held on August 13, 2024 and the general election will be held on November 9, 2024. To learn more about Rick and his platform visit www.RickBanksforWI.com



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Wisconsin will replace FoodShare aid when outages spoil food, but filing requests isn't easy!

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and freezer to spoil.

The family survived the next two weeks on peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, hot dogs and bologna, Winston said. She told the kids: "It might not be a steak dinner, but your little tummies are full."

She couldn't afford fresh milk or meat until she got additional funds through FoodShare, Wisconsin's food aid program for low-income people.

The federal government funds FoodShare through its Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP. It allows states to replace funds for households that lose food to misfortunes like refrigerator malfunctions, power outages or flooding.

But many aid recipients don't know that's an option, local food assistance experts say.

Those who are aware face what advocates call unnecessary hurdles. They include requirements in Wisconsin and most states that recipients hand-sign a verification of loss form. That means people like Winston who lack access to a home printer must pay for transportation to an office that has one.

That may help explain why only 6% of the estimated 127,500 SNAP households the state health department identified as potentially affected by Wisconsin's January outages applied for replacement benefits, according to state data obtained by WPR and Wisconsin Watch.

Nearly 26,000 FoodShare households in Wisconsin received \$3.1 million in replacement benefits between December 2022 and November 2023. That's far less than the up to \$34 million in food that FoodShare households potentially lost from January's storm alone, according to a state estimate.

Such barriers may grow more consequential as climate change drives more extreme weather in Wisconsin and other states. The number of weather-related power outages nationwide increased by more than 75% during 2011-2021 compared to the previous decade.

Wisconsin is gradually moving to simplify FoodShare replacement requests. It plans to join at least nine other states in allowing applicants to electronically sign replacement aid forms.

But although Oklahoma updated its process in a matter of days, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, which rolled out digital signature options for other forms a decade ago, doesn't plan to accept online signatures for FoodShare replacement until October — after the state's typical tornado season.

The delay means FoodShare recipients may still face reimbursement challenges this summer if severe storms knock out power.

Over the past decade, six of Wisconsin's seven federally declared natural disasters happened between June and September.

Challenging process for requesting FoodShare replacement funds

Winston had used FoodShare for less than a year before the January storm. She didn't learn about replacement benefits until her friend saw a news report about how Hunger Task Force was helping affected residents.

Upon calling the anti-hunger nonprofit, Winston learned she could request funds to buy fresh milk and meat before her usual monthly benefits were set to reload — a "blessing," she said.

"I never knew all these resources are here to help people. There's really, really a need," Winston said.

Determined to keep her family fed, she said she spent her last two dollars taking the bus to a Hunger Task Force office to sign the form by hand.

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services, at the time, temporarily accepted signatures over the phone, but outside groups like Hunger Task Force are not authorized to accept phone signatures.

FoodShare recipients who call the state health department after major outages often experience long hold times, a Hunger Task Force spokesperson said. Residents typically have little time to waste in seeking to replenish their food supplies. The window to request replacement funds is 10 days after the event that triggered the misfortune, unless the state requests an extension from the federal government.

That's what happened in January, giving Wisconsin residents about a month to document their food loss after the storm.

Winston filed her replacement benefit form as soon as she could, and she waited about two weeks for replacement benefits to show up on the QUEST card, which she uses to purchase food.

Feeding America, a national food bank network with multiple Wisconsin offices, recommends printing, signing and then uploading the form as the fastest way to get benefits under the current system.

How other states handle SNAP replacement requests

Had Winston lived in one of at least nine other states, she could have completed a simple online form without worrying about phone hold times or bus fares, according to a WPR and Wisconsin Watch analysis of the request process in 50 states. Seven additional states regularly accept someone's voice over the phone as a signature.

In most cases, Wisconsin offers neither.

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services says states need federal approval to change signature requirements.

The United States Department of Agriculture oversees SNAP. In 2016, it sent a memo to regional SNAP directors to clarify that, for initial applications and recertifications, "any electronic means of conducting the SNAP certification process may be suitable for electronic signatures," including over the telephone. It said "state agencies may not fully realize the methods available" to improve efficiency.

That memo, however, did not give guidance on replacement benefit forms.

A spokesperson for the Midwest Regional Office of the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service said states still need a federal waiver to roll out digital signatures on replacement benefit forms.

But Oklahoma and Tennessee's SNAP agencies told Wisconsin Watch and WPR they did not need federal permission to make their changes.

Following a major ice storm in October 2020, Oklahoma Human Services added online signature options for replacement benefits within 10 days — allowing applicants to submit required forms over their phones, a spokesperson said.

SNAP agencies in California, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, North Dakota and Tennessee also confirmed they accept electronic signatures for reimbursement forms.

Wisconsin plans to remove signature barriers for FoodShare replacement requests

Wisconsin's health department applied last September for a waiver, which USDA approved two months later.

"The current method of electronically signing for applications and renewals has been effectively used by all agencies in Wisconsin for over 10 years," the agency wrote in its request. "All workers are thoroughly familiar with and comfortable using this method of collecting signatures."

That includes within the initial FoodShare application process, where applicants can submit digital signatures to the state's website or app or sign over the phone. The health department will use similar digital signature options for the replacement benefit form.

Despite having expanded signature options for other forms, the state's target date for implementing new digital signature options for replacement forms isn't until October 2024.

"DHS understands that providing telephonic or electronic signatures is more convenient for members, which is why we continue to pursue these options while making sure that we meet federal requirements," spokesperson Jennifer Miller told WPR and Wisconsin Watch in an email. "Doing this requires changes to documents, systems, and processes."

The delay gives the health department and local SNAP agencies time to transition without disrupting recipients' benefits, Miller added.

Signature changes shouldn't make the request process any less secure, said Melissa Cundari, the Midwest regional SNAP director. Every state regularly reports replacement benefit figures to the USDA, allowing the agency to act if it notices any anomalies.

Little awareness about food aid replacement

Even with a more accessible process, many Wisconsin residents

won't know they can ask for replacement aid.

SNAP agencies nationwide struggle to draw attention to the option, Cundari said.

While local SNAP offices have information about replacement benefits on posters or pamphlets, clients are less likely to visit offices today, Cundari said.

The information gap affects more than just replacement benefits. Local agencies often struggle to get the word out about other SNAP program forms and requirements, Cundari said, adding that she's seen few solutions to the problem.

After major outages, Wisconsin's health department emails community partners about the reimbursements and posts information on its updates page, Miller said.

The reimbursement form asks recipients how and when their food was destroyed and how much it was worth. It asks for proof of the loss, such as a letter from a utility confirming the outage.

But the state already has enough information about each FoodShare household to know who likely needs assistance after major outages. Hunger Task Force CEO Sherrie Tussler said.

"They should just use (their databases) to approve and support people who are in trouble rather than putting them through some kind of unnatural gauntlet of paperwork," Tussler added.

States can get USDA approval to automatically reimburse recipients in some situations. It requires proof that more than 50% of a defined area, like a county, city or zip code, lost power for at least four hours.

Normally, states issue automatic replacements only during declared disasters, but that isn't a requirement.

At least 19 states have issued mass replacement benefits 47 times in the last five years, a WPR and Wisconsin Watch analysis found.

Wisconsin hasn't issued mass replacement benefits in at least 15 years, but only one disaster during that period potentially caused food loss, Miller said: a January 2020 storm that ravaged lakeshore communities in Kenosha, Racine and Milwaukee counties.

But the state has issued Disaster SNAP benefits to help those affected by significant events, Miller said. Under Disaster SNAP, FoodShare recipients can receive supplemental benefits.

Climate change adds urgency

Midwest SNAP agencies have not traditionally focused much on disaster preparation compared to agencies in more disaster-prone states, particularly in the South, Cundari said.

Southern states "just have this philosophy of very much like not if we have a disaster, but when, and our Midwest states are not there yet," Cundari said.

That has begun to change in the aftermath of the derecho that developed much of the Midwest in 2020. Food aid officials know severe weather is becoming more frequent in the region, and they are strategizing ahead of future disasters. Learning from policies in southern states can help, Cundari added.

"With climate change, these storms are becoming as detrimental to households as the hurricanes that you'll see in Florida."

—This story comes from a partnership of Wisconsin Watch and WPR. Addie Costello is WPR's Mike Simonson Memorial Investigative Reporting Fellow embedded in the newsroom of Wisconsin Watch. Addie Costello is WPR's 2024-2025 Mike Simonson Memorial Investigative Reporting Fellow embedded in the Wisconsin Watch newsroom. Her reporting has been published by Marketplace, USA TODAY, the Austin American-Statesman, public radio stations across Texas and several publications in her home state of Nebraska. She holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Texas at Austin.

SIDEBAR:

How to get help accessing (and replacing) FoodShare benefits

Caption for photo: A box of food from the Hunger Task Force is seen in Milwaukee on July 13, 2021. (Isaac Wasserman / Wisconsin Watch)

Need to access or replace FoodShare benefits? You can find a list of local food assistance office locations and phone numbers on Wisconsin's Department of Health Services website.

Feeding Wisconsin's FoodShare helpline (1-877-366-3635) can help you navigate the application process.

Below are additional resources around Wisconsin.
SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN: Hunger Task Force (phone: 414-777-0483, online: hungertaskforce.org) can assist in filing replacement forms at three locations across Milwaukee. It also provides kiosks with phones, printers and computers for SNAP recipients at no cost.

If you are elderly or disabled, Hunger Task Force can mail you a replacement form and upload it for you after you photograph the signed form.

Staff can also direct FoodShare recipients to nearby pantries.

Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin (phone: 414-931-7400, online: feedingamericawi.org) also provides FoodShare application assistance, mobile pantries and other food assistance programs.

MEMONINEE INDIAN TRIBE OF WISCONSIN: The Menominee Food Distribution Program offers nutritious food to eligible households. Call 715-799-5131 or visit menominee-nsn.gov for information about food distribution days.

For FoodShare assistance call the Community Resource Center at 715-799-5137.

NORTHERN WISCONSIN: Second Harvest Northland connects northwest Wisconsin residents to food resources. Call 218-727-5653 for assistance or visit secondharvestnorthland.org.

ForwardHealth Consortium (888-794-5722, or for the Great Rivers area: 888-283-0012) also offers resources.

NORTHEAST WISCONSIN: Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin provides FoodShare outreach and application help, mobile pantries and other food assistance.

Call its Appleton office at 920-202-3690 or visit feedingamericawi.org.

Bay Lake area residents can call the ForwardHealth Bay Lake Consortium at 888-794-5747.

SOUTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN: Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin (608-223-9121) provides experts to help navigate FoodShare. Find contact information for these specialists at secondharvestsw.org.

The food bank can also connect local households with nutritious food.

WEST CENTRAL WISCONSIN: Feed My People Food Bank (phone: 715-835-9415, online: fmpfoodbank.org) provides FoodShare assistance and connects people to local pantries and programs.

By Addie Costello / Wisconsin Watch and WPR



Ninety-year-old's birthday celebration with family brings back memories of an era of civility, manners, unity, and respect!

It was a temporary departure from reality--spending Sunday dinner with people who cooked with grease, knew the lyrics of 1960s R&B, greeted each other as 'brother' and 'sister,' and read books--novels, the Bible, and newspapers-- daily.

The honored guest was in her mid-90s, and having achieved that millstone was worthy of the hugs and kisses she received from each guest in turn.

It was about respecting the elderly, seniority, and wisdom--an African, and formerly African American, tradition.

That's why those of us who grew up in the shadow of Black nuclear families and Africentric culture stood up when she did.

She was an anchor of the family circle and offered a prayer for our continued blessings, the hope that none in attendance would forget where they came from, the importance of extended family, and the desire that none would step from under God's shadow.

The prayer was followed by group hugs and thanksgiving as the aroma of greens, string beans, turkey, ham, dressing, potato salad, mashed potatoes, and var-

ious desserts overwhelmed us.

It was like a scene from a Tyler Perry movie, with a guest appearance from a 'MaDear' clone complete with a flowing wig, heavy makeup, and a thunderous voice.

Every family has at least one; ours was adorned in a tight dress, boobs busting out, and eyelashes extending four or five inches to catch the rain, snow, or glaring sunlight.

She kept the young folks engaged, as the seniors were served first!

Three generations followed the seniors. Only two women wore European wigs that touched their kneecaps, and while there were fake eyelashes aplenty, none were so long as to block out Monday's solar eclipse.

Two little boys wore white shirts, both with clip-on ties. They were sharp, a reminiscence of my youth when we wore our one (Sunday) suit and Buster Brown shoes.

No 'hoochie mama' outfits, and I saw only one pierced navel or 'tramp stamp.' And that sister's hue made it impossible to figure out what the design designated. (I have yet--for the life of me--to



figure out why dark-skinned folks would be interrupted when a punk or punkette callously drove through their motorcade procession, or worse still, fired off their stolen pistols during the internship.

The world outside the family room where we gathered was much different than the world most of the diners were brought up in.

Back in the day, we prized clean, litter-free neighborhoods. And neighbors who involved them-

selves in the upbringing of the 'village children.'

Much of the discussion among the older diners was about the 'old community,' when families consisted of a father, mother, and children--a nuclear concept that has become rarer and rarer in central cities around the country.

Often a grandparent who watched the children when parents worked felt safe and could be seen sitting on the porch, occasionally chastising a child for getting too

loud or running across their manicured lawn.

It was about a community where people mowed their lawns and erected signs that said 'Keep off the grass' (the kind you grow for beautification).

Dinner conversations focused on those (not so) good ole days of segregated neighborhoods, schools, and churches. Was that man seen coming out of Helen's house at midnight a relative or a...?

It was an era when Black folks jeopardized health and welfare to cast their votes versus complaining or making excuses.

It centered around illiterate migrants from the south doing anything and everything to ensure their children did not suffer from the fate assigned to the ignorant.

I grew up in a community where there were more virgins than the other way around.

An epoch where we had 'hoes,' and 'bastards' and teen pregnancy was the exception instead of the rule.

It was a time when mothers taught their daughters the 'quarter' rule--put it between your knees and don't let it drop until you're

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LEGAL/CLASSIFIEDS

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV2488

In the matter of the name change of: JOSSUE PEREZ VILLA

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: JOSSUE PEREZ VILLA to: JOSSUE JOHN PEREZ Birth Certificate: JOSSUE PEREZ VILLA

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 30, 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: 3-26-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 246/3-27/4-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2023CV009604

In the matter of the name change of: ZOE SOPHIA DROUIN By (Petitioner) ZOE SOPHIA DROUIN

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: ZOE SOPHIA DROUIN to: JOSEPH OWEN DROUIN Birth Certificate: ZOE SOPHIA DROUIN

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 MAY 21, 2024, TIME 1:30 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: 3-25-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON Circuit Court Judge

241/3-27/4-3-10-2024 **SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV00**

In the matter of the name change of: ANTONIO CHEVEL ROBINSON By (Petitioner) ANTONIO CHEVEL ROBINSON

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: ANTONIO CHEVEL ROBINSON TO: ANTONIO CHAVEL ROSE Birth Certificate: ANTONIO CHEVEL ROBINSON

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: MAY 6, 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: 3-27-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI Circuit Court Judge 245/3-27/4-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002489

In the matter of the name change of: DENZELL MONTAVIOUS BROWN-MILLER

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: DENZELL MONTAVIOUS BROWN-MILLER to: MAYA KAY-LANNI BROWN-MILLER Birth Certificate: DENZELL MONTAVIOUS BROWN-MILLER

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. J.D.WATTS ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 23, 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: 3-26-2024 BY THE COURT:

HON. J.D.WATTS Circuit Court Judge 248/3-27/4-3-10-2024 **SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV2458**

In the matter of the name change of: TEYANNAH MARIE SOUCIE-PORTER

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: TEYANNAH MARIE SOUCIE-PORTER to: TEYANNAH MONET CARTER Birth Certificate: TEYANNAH MARIE SOUCIE-PORTER

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 MAY 6, 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: 3-25-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON Circuit Court Judge 247/3-27/4-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002344

In the matter of the name change of: ALEXANDRA CHARLENE KOERNER

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: ALEXANDRA CHARLENE KOERNER to: ALEXANDRA PATRICK-CHARLENE KOERNER Birth Certificate: ALEXANDRA CHARLENE KOERNER

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 24, 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.

sin. Dated: 3/24/2024 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 244/3-27/4-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002342

In the matter of the name change of: KAYLE ANTHONY BETANCOURT By (Petitioner) KAYLE ANTHONY BETANCOURT

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: KAYLE ANTHONY BETANCOURT to: ENZO ANTONIO LUGO Birth Certificate: KAYLE ANTHONY BETANCOURT

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 MAY 2, 2024, TIME 2:15 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: 3-20-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS Circuit Court Judge 242/3-27/4-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001990

In the matter of the name change of: GISELE GRACE ROCHA By (Petitioner) REGINALD LORENCE LESLIE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: GISELE GRACE ROCHA to: GISELE GRACE ROCHA-LESLIE Birth Certificate: GISELE GRACE ROCHA

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 1, 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 Com-

unity Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 3-21-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 243/3-27/4-3-10-2024

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Signed: Patricia O'Flynn Pattillo, President/Publisher

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV00

In the matter of the name change of: MARLA EMILY PETERSON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: MARLA EMILY PETERSON TO: MARLA EMILY EINARSON Birth Certificate: MARLA EMILY PETERSON

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE: APRIL 25, 2024, TIME 2:00 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: 3-27-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. DAVID BOROWSKI
Circuit Court Judge
249/3-27/4-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV00

In the matter of the name change of: JOHNATHON ROBERT OLSEN

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: JOHNATHON ROBERT OLSEN TO: JOHNATHON ROBERT EINARSON Birth Certificate: JOHNATHON ROBERT OLSEN

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE: APRIL 25, 2024, TIME 2:00 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: 3-27-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. DAVID BOROWSKI
Circuit Court Judge
250/3-27/4-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN DIVORCE 40101 Case No. 2024FA001137

In the matter of THE MARRIAGE OF Petitioner: VICTOR HUGO SIFUENTES GALLEGOS, 1967 S 5th ST MILWAUKEE WI 53204 and Respondent MANUELA ALANIS TORRES 1967 S 5th ST MILWAUKEE WI 53204

The State of Wisconsin, To the person named above as respondent

YOU ARE 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 the 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 court at: Clerk of Court, Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th St 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 judgment 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 en-

forced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Date: 2-28-2024
BY: VICTOR HUGO SIFUENTES GALLEGOS
251/3-27/4-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002308

In the matter of the name change of: ANALYSSE LEILANI CERVANTES MARTINEZ
By (Petitioner) LIZETTE J OLIVAS
By (Co-Petitioner) JUAN CARLOS CERVANTES

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: ANALYSSE LEILANI CERVANTES MARTINEZ TO: ANALYSSE LEILANI CERVANTES OLIVAS
Birth Certificate: ANALYSSE LEILANI CERVANTES MARTINEZ

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE: MAY 9, 2024, TIME 2:00 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: 4-2-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. DAVID BOROWSKI
Circuit Court Judge
271/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002539

In the matter of the name change of: SHERISE ANTOINETTE BIVINS
By (Petitioner) SHERISE ANTOINETTE BIVINS

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: SHERISE ANTOINETTE BIVINS to: SHERISE ANTOINETTE POE
Birth Certificate: SHERISE ANTOINETTE POE

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE MAY 15, 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: 4/2/2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. KRISTY YANG
Circuit Court J
275/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV2586

In the matter of the name change of: LASHAWN TAURSETTA-LATRICE KUYKENDALL

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LASHAWN TAURSETTA-LATRICE KUYKENDALL to: LASHAWN TAURSETTA-LATRICE HIGGINS
Birth Certificate: LASHAWN TAURSETTA-LATRICE KUYKENDALL

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE MAY 2, 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: 3-28-2024

BY THE COURT:
HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN
Circuit Court Judge
261/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024CV002237

In the matter of the name change of: RITA MARIE FLORIAL

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: RITA MARIE FLORIAL to: RITA MARIE AOKI
Birth Certificate: RITA MARIE ROLOFF

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 MAY 14, 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: 3-18-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON
Circuit Court Judge
262/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024CV002543

In the matter of the name change of: LINDA MARY BROMBEREK
By (Petitioner) LINDA MARY BROMBEREK

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LINDA MARY BROMBEREK to: LINDA MARY EWASKOWITZ
Birth Certificate: LINDA MARY EWASKOWITZ

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 MAY 21, 2024, TIME 2:00 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: 3-27-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON
Circuit Court Judge
265/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN

OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT
Office of the Milwaukee Public Schools, DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 10, 2024.
Electronic bids will be received until Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 1:30 PM on-line through A/E Graphics, Inc., pursuant to Section 119.52(3) Wisconsin Statutes in accordance with plans and specifications for the following work:
All contractor(s) and subcontractors(s) are subject to the current livable wage rate, in accordance with the City of Milwaukee Ordinance 310-13.
Please note that this project is funded by ESSER III Federal funds; therefore, it is subject to the payment of prevailing wages in accordance with the Federal Davis Bacon act.
BID GUARANTY TO ACCOMPANY BID: MPS Bid Bond, Certified or Cashier's Check: 10% of Contractor's Base Bid.
ESSER III A V UPGRADE/BID PACK 18
Various Sites, Milwaukee, WI, PS Property No. **Various**.
MPS Project No. 7905
MPS HUB, COIN and Student Employment / Participation requirements are identified on the Project Manual Cover and Bid Form and defined within the Contract Compliance Services Participation Plan Requirements in the Project Manual.
Deposit for Drawings and Specifications: \$25.00
MAILING CHARGE: \$35.00
The bidding documents may be viewed and downloaded for free from A/E Graphics On-line Plan Room, at <https://mps.aegraphics.com/>. Hard copies may be obtained 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; Monday through Friday from A/E Graphics, Inc.; 4075 North 124th Street, Brookfield, WI 53005; phone (262) 781-7744; fax (262) 781-4250. **Call A/E Graphics, Inc. for availability of bid documents for pick up.** Plans and specifications will be loaned to a prospective bidder upon receipt of the deposit listed, which deposit will be returned upon surrender of the plans and specifications in good condition. Bid documents must be returned only to A/E Graphics, Inc.
A pre-bid tour will be held on Monday, April 15, 2024 at 8:00 AM, beginning at Riverside University High School.
All questions should be submitted in writing prior to 12:00 PM on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 to DFMSProcurement@milwaukee.k12.wi.us. No questions may be answered after that date and time. No questions shall be answered verbally. No verbal information from any source is to be relied upon by any respondent in the development of their Bid. Written questions and responses will be documented by way of addenda, which will be forwarded to all bidders.
Each bid shall be for a fixed lump sum. Bids shall be submitted on-line through **A/E Graphics On-line Plan Room, at <https://mps.aegraphics.com/>** using the "Submit Bid" tab on the **ESSER III A V UPGRADE/BID PACK 18 - Various Sites** project information page from which bid documents were obtained. Submit bid forms per Instructions to Bidders, Article B-5 of the Specifications.
The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive informalities.
Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals at the bid opening through sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids.
Keith P. Posley, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
04-10-24

CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV2620

In the matter of the name change of: JOANNA MARIA FITZPATRICK

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: JOANNA MARIA FITZPATRICK to: ALYSSA JADE DeGRAZIO
Birth Certificate: JOANNA MARIA FITZPATRICK

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE MAY 15, 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: 4/1/2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. KRISTY YANG
Circuit Court Judge
263/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002633

In the matter of the name change of: MARY E SPANOS

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: MARY E SPANOS TO: MARY E RUSS
Birth Certificate: MARY E SPANOS

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE: MAY 15, 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: 4-1-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. DAVID BOROWSKI
Circuit Court Judge
267/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV2696

In the matter of the name change of: JAMIE DEMETRIUS ZIMMER

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: JAMIE DEMETRIUS ZIMMER to: JAMIE DEMETRIUS MOORE
Birth Certificate: JAMIE DEMETRIUS ZIMMER

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE MAY 9, 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: 4-2-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. KRISTY YANG
Circuit Court Judge
268/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV751

In the matter of the name change of: KAITLYNN GLORIA SZMURLO

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: KAITLYNN GLORIA SZMURLO to: LYNN GLORIA WEHR
Birth Certificate: KAITLYNN GLORIA SZMURLO

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE APRIL 24, 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: 4-2-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. KRISTY YANG
Circuit Court Judge
269/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV2661

In the matter of the name change of: LEANNE RENEE ORTA

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LEANNE RENEE ORTA to: LEANNE RENEE GRIFFITH
Birth Certificate: LEANNE RENEE GRIFFITH

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY RM 415 PLACE 901 N.

9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
DATE MAY 23, 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: 4-1-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY
Circuit Court Judge
264/4-3-10-17-2024

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT SMALL CLAIMS CLAIM FOR MONEY 31001 Case No. 24CV003199

PLAINTIFF(S) ANGELA CONLEY 3120 E NORWICH AVE #105 ST. FRANCIS WI 53235
vs
DEFENDANT/S: BRITTANY BLAKENHEIM (KLEIN) 6737 W WASHINGTON ST WEST ALLIS WI 53214

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 26, 2024,
Time: 9:30 A.M.
Place to Appear/File and Answer: Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th Street, Room 400 Milwaukee, WI 53233
Clerk/Attorney Signature:
I am the plaintiff:
Dated: 12-20-2023
BY THE PLAINTIFF:
ANGELA CONLEY
266/4-3-10-2024

THE NEWSPAPER WITH ITS FINGER ON THE PULSE OF BLACK MILWAUKEE! YOUR MILWAUKEE COMMUNITY JOURNAL!

OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT
Office of the Milwaukee Public Schools, DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 3, 2024.
Electronic bids will be received until Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 1:30 PM on-line through A/E Graphics, Inc., pursuant to Section 119.52(3) Wisconsin Statutes in accordance with plans and specifications for the following work:
All contractor(s) and subcontractors(s) are subject to the current livable wage rate, in accordance with the City of Milwaukee Ordinance 310-13.
Please note that this project is funded by ESSER III Federal funds; therefore, it is subject to the payment of prevailing wages in accordance with the Federal Davis Bacon act.
BID GUARANTY TO ACCOMPANY BID: MPS Bid Bond, Certified or Cashier's Check: 10% of Contractor's Base Bid.
ESSER III A V UPGRADE/BID PACK 17
Various Sites, Milwaukee, WI, PS Property No. **Various**.
MPS Project No. 7905
MPS HUB, COIN and Student Employment / Participation requirements are identified on the Project Manual Cover and Bid Form and defined within the Contract Compliance Services Participation Plan Requirements in the Project Manual.
Deposit for Drawings and Specifications: \$25.00
MAILING CHARGE: \$35.00
The bidding documents may be viewed and downloaded for free from A/E Graphics On-line Plan Room, at <https://mps.aegraphics.com/>. Hard copies may be obtained 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; Monday through Friday from A/E Graphics, Inc.; 4075 North 124th Street, Brookfield, WI 53005; phone (262) 781-7744; fax (262) 781-4250. **Call A/E Graphics, Inc. for availability of bid documents for pick up.** Plans and specifications will be loaned to a prospective bidder upon receipt of the deposit listed, which deposit will be returned upon surrender of the plans and specifications in good condition. Bid documents must be returned only to A/E Graphics, Inc.
A pre-bid tour will be held on Monday, April 8, 2024 at 8:00 AM, beginning where indicated in the Contract Documents.
All questions should be submitted in writing prior to 12:00 PM on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 to DFMSProcurement@milwaukee.k12.wi.us. No questions may be answered after that date and time. No questions shall be answered verbally. No verbal information from any source is to be relied upon by any respondent in the development of their Bid. Written questions and responses will be documented by way of addenda, which will be forwarded to all bidders.
Each bid shall be for a fixed lump sum. Bids shall be submitted on-line through **A/E Graphics On-line Plan Room, at <https://mps.aegraphics.com/>** using the "Submit Bid" tab on the **ESSER III A V UPGRADE/BID PACK 17 - Various Sites** project information page from which bid documents were obtained. Submit bid forms per Instructions to Bidders, Article B-5 of the Specifications.
The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive informalities.
Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals at the bid opening through sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids.
Keith P. Posley, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
04-03-24

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV1773

In the matter of the name change of: BRENDA LAVELL CHAPPEL

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: BRENDA LAVELL BENDER to: BRIYIA LA'VELLA BENDER-BERMUDEZ Birth Certificate: BRENDA LAVELL BENDER

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. J.D.WATTS ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 8, 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: 3-1-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. J.D.WATTS Circuit Court Judge 270/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV1781

In the matter of the name change of: TRULAN ANNA-MARIE BRANTLEY

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: TRULAN ANNA-MARIE BRANTLEY to: TRULAN ANNA-MARIA BERMUDEZ Birth Certificate: TRULAN ANNA-MARIE BRANTLEY

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. J.D.WATTS ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 8, 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: 3-1-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. J.D.WATTS Circuit Court Judge 272/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV1883

In the matter of the name change of: MI'YANNAH LYNN HARPER (By (Petitioner) TAMARA MICHELLE LASHLEY

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: MI'YANNAH LYNN HARPER to: MI'YANNAH MICHELLE LASHLEY Birth Certificate: MI'YANNAH LYNN HARPER

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 16, 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: 3-5-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 260/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002268

In the matter of the name change of:

MESSIAH AYVAN BROWN (By (Petitioner) SHALAYAH ROMANCE SIMON

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: MESSIAH AYVAN BROWN to: KEMAREON MESSIAH ALLEN Birth Certificate: MESSIAH AYVAN BROWN

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 25, 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: 4/2/2024 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 273/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001091

In the matter of the name change of: KIMBERLY MARIE PERRY (By (Petitioner) KIMBERLY MARIE PERRY

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: KIMBERLY MARIE PERRY to: KIMBERLY MARIE BURKS Birth Certificate: KIMBERLY MARIE BURKS

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 APRIL 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: 4-3-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS Circuit Court Judge 274/4-3-10-17-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024CV002735

In the matter of the name change of: TAYLER JAZEIRA THOMAS (By (Petitioner) ERICKA DIAMOND SMALL

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: TAYLER JAZEIRA THOMAS to: TAYLER JAZEIRA HARRISON Birth Certificate: TAYLER JAZEIRA THOMAS

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY RM 415 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 29, 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: 4-8-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY Circuit Court Judge 281/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV2022

In the matter of the name change of: AMARI'S YAMILETTE SOLER (By (Petitioner) DIANA ARROYO

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: AMARI'S YAMILETTE SOLER to: AMARIS YAMILETTE SOLER

Birth Certificate: AMARI'S YAMILETTE SOLER

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 APRIL 17, 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: 3-8-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON Circuit Court Judge 282/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV2852

In the matter of the name change of: BRANDON GREGORY HORAN

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: BRANDON GREGORY HORAN to: ASABAAL HORAN Birth Certificate: BRANDON GREGORY HORAN

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 31, 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: 4-8-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 285/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002798

In the matter of the name change of: MORGAN GAYLE DUNCAN (By (Petitioner) MORGAN GAYLE DUNCAN

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: MORGAN GAYLE DUNCAN TO: KATHARINA GLORIANA VELASQUEZ Birth Certificate: MORGAN GAYLE DUNCAN

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: MAY 21, 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: 4-8-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI Circuit Court Judge 280/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002759

In the matter of the name change of: ARMANI JAY BOLDA

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: ARMANI JAY BOLDA TO: ARMANI JAY NOLASCO-RESTO Birth Certificate: ARMANI JAY NOLASCO RESTO

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233

DATE: MAY 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: 4-4-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI Circuit Court Judge 284/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001741

In the matter of the name change of: BROSHAUN MARQUALE THOMAS

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: BROSHAUN MARQUALE THOMAS to: BROSHAUN MARQUALE COOPER Birth Certificate: BROSHAUN MARQUALE COOPER

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. J.D.WATTS ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 2, 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: 2-28-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. J.D.WATTS Circuit Court Judge 290/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE – 40101 Case No. 23FA006701

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: TY-KEISHA ANN JACKSON and LA-VONSKI DEVON JACKSON

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT: You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed a Petition for divorce or legal separation against you.

You must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Petition within 40 days from the day after the first day of publication.

The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court, Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th St Milwaukee WI 53233 and to TY-KEISHA ANN JACKSON 2402 N 39th Street Milwaukee WI 53210

It is recommended, but not required that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Petition within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Petition, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition.

A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money 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.

You are further notified that if the parties to this action have minor children, violation of 948.31 Wis. Stats., (Interference with custody by parent or others) is punishable by fines and/or imprisonment:

If you and the petitioner have minor children, documents setting forth the percentage standard for child support established by the department under 49.22(9), Wis. Stats., and the factors that a court may consider for modification of that standard under 767.511 (1m). Wis Stats. are available upon your request from the Clerk of Court.

You are notified of the availability of information from the Circuit Court Commissioner as set forth in 767.105 Wis. Stats.

767.105 Information from Circuit Court Commissioner.

the following, as appropriate to the action commenced:

1. The procedure for obtaining a judgment or order in the action.
 2. The major issues usually addressed in such an action.
 3. Community resources and family court counseling services available to assist the parties.
 4. The procedure for setting, modifying, and enforcing child support awards, or modifying and enforcing legal custody or physical placement judgments or orders.
- (b) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase, with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.

Date: 2-12-2024 BY: TYKEISHA ANN JACKSON 286/4-10-17-24-2024

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT SMALL CLAIMS CLAIM FOR MONEY \$1001 Case No. 24SC006708

PLAINTIFF(S) KEENAN CHURCHVILLE 921 ARCADIAN AVE WAUKESHA WI 53186 vs DEFENDANT/S: RASOOL ENTERPRISES LLC and AZHAR RASOOL 6210 W GREENFIELD AVE WEST ALLIS WI 53214

This form does not replace the need for an interpreter any colloquies 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. Return of property (\$10,000 or less) 31003

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: APRIL 22, 2024, Time: 8:30 A.M. Place to Appear/File and Answer: Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th Street, Room 400 Milwaukee, WI 53233

Brief Statement of dates and facts: I was an independent contractor and ran the motel as the manager. I was not a tenant, but I occupied the commercial and residential main deck and unit. I paid myself; was unable to pay \$4900 owed to me. Utility bill of \$1400 from own funds. Remaining property valued at \$3500.

Clerk/Attorney Signature: I am the plaintiff: Dated: 4-9-2024 BY THE PLAINTIFF: KEENAN CHURCHVILLE 289/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002360

In the matter of the name change of: KELSEY ELLEN BETHE (By (Petitioner) KELSEY ELLEN BETHE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: KELSEY ELLEN BETHE to: JOEY EMMETT BETHE Birth Certificate: KELSEY ELLEN BETHE

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 24, 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: 4/8/2024 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 283/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV2805

In the matter of the name change of: TAYLOR LYNN BEZROUK (By (Petitioner) TAYLOR LYNN BEZROUK

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: TAYLOR LYNN BEZROUK to: RYN ELEVIN PASSOW Birth Certificate: TAYLOR LYNN PASSOW

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. J.D.WATTS ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 15, 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: 4-5-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. J.D.WATTS Circuit Court Judge 287/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002834

In the matter of the name change of: DeAnna J O'Grady

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: DeAnna J O'Grady TO: DeAnna J Thomas Birth Certificate: DeAnna J O'Grady 31003

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: MAY 21, 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: 4-5-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI Circuit Court Judge 292/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002360

In the matter of the name change of: ALLE ROSHEL MISKINIS (By (Petitioner) ALLE ROSHEL MISKINIS

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: ALLE ROSHEL MISKINIS to: ANDER JEM MISKINIS Birth Certificate: ALLE ROSHEL MISKINIS

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 MAY 14, 2024, TIME 9:45 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: 3-21-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON Circuit Court Judge 291/4-10-17-24-2024



STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
SMALL CLAIMS
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
Case No. 24SC006637

To: ERIC MURRAY 2402 PARK AVE
#4 WEST BEND WI 53090

You are being sued by RENADA HADAWAY in the Small Claims Court for Milwaukee County, Milwaukee County Courthouse Courtroom 400, 901 N. Ninth St Milwaukee WI 53233. A hearing will be held at 8:30 A.M./1:30P.M. on MAY 13, 2024, before a Small Claims Commissioner. If you do not appear, a judgment may be given to the person suing you. A copy of the claim has been mailed to the address above.

Dated this 8th day of APRIL 2024
RENADA HADAWAY
2849 W JUNEAU AVE
MILWAUKEE WI 53208
295/4-10-2024

SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV2878

In the matter of the name change of:
RENEE LYNN PRATT

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: RENEE LYNN PRATT to:
JUNO LARS PRATT
Birth Certificate: RENEE LYNN PRATT

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 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: 4-8-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN
Circuit Court Judge
296/4-10-17-24-2024

SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV2944

In the matter of the name change of:
AMY ANN HARTUNG

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: AMY ANN HARTUNG to: AMY ANN CALANDRA MORETTI
Birth Certificate: AMY ANN HARTUNG

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 14, 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: 4-10-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY
Circuit Court Judge
293/4-10-17-24-2024

STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY

SUMMONS WITHOUT
MINOR CHILDREN
Case No. 23FA007271
Divorce: 40101

ALSHANDA Q SIMS-MILLER 3303 Marina Rd #11 South Milwaukee WI 53172, Petitioner and EARL LAWRENCE MILLER 4357 N 90th St Upper Milwaukee WI 53222, 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 13th day of December 2023
BY: ALSHANDA Q SIMS-MILLER
294/4-10-17-24-2024

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married.

It was a prehistoric period when the rare pregnant teen disappeared 'down south', and men were more fearful of shotgun weddings than machine gun drive-byes.

The Black population was small in the 1960s and 1970s, but the poverty rate was minuscule compared to today (two-parent household income was higher), as was home ownership, which was nonexistent in the suburbs because of housing covenants.

Rent parties were familiar and provided an example of a village as a cultural paradigm.

Most Black children, one generation removed from southern 'speech and custom,' spoke proper English, wrote intelligently legible script, and even learned cursive. This could be because our teachers didn't grade on intent but instead corrected bad grammar and stopped us from saying, 'I ain't got no,' using double negatives. Instead we were taught how to navigate proper subject/verb agreement.

I'm not suggesting things were better back in the day. Police were an occupying and racist army, our schools were underfunded, and the laws—from housing covenants to racial standards—would not allow Black residents to file a complaint against police if we were not property owners, which only a tiny percentage were.

'Sundown' rules applied not only to the suburbs but to middle-class neighborhoods in the city as well.

National celebrities—from Henry Aaron to Sammy Davis, Jr.—had to stay at the preacher's house because they weren't allowed to get a room at downtown hotels, or in the case of Sammy, wasn't allowed to stay at the hotel he was performing at on the lakefront.

But those racist paradigms were offset by positive, cultural, and familial paradigms—some out of necessity, or equally fruitful, out of comfort—stayed with people who appreciated them.

Legalized segregation meant Black doctors, nurses, lawyers, professional athletes, and entertainers were our neighbors. Teachers visited our homes to deliver homework, and many also served as Sunday School teachers.

We were po' versus poor, and the difference meant we learned instead and despite.

Nonetheless, we walked with shoulders high and eyes ablaze instead of cast downward. We called white men 'mister' instead of boss or sir. We were taught to be Black and proud, and 'niggeritude' was an evil expression, not a compliment.

I left the dinner with a smile and a tearful heart because I remembered the good as well as the bad. The village died sometime during the 1970s when Daddy moved out and Uncle Sam moved in. Black unity imploded when someone told us we had reached the mountaintop, only to slide back down into the swamp.

My belly was full, and my spirit rejoiced. Maybe it was those collard greens and the sweet potato casserole.

Hotep.

Corporate, community, and faith leaders to celebrate exemplary leadership of Mayor Johnson and County Exec. David Crowley

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empower communities.

The state's future prosperity runs through Milwaukee and what the Mayor and the County Executive have already accomplished in such a short time has changed the trajectory of diversity and inclusion."

"The courageous leadership we've been so desperately in need of, is game-changing," commented Attorney Walter J. Lanier, President of the African American Leadership Alliance of Milwaukee, University of Michigan alum, and Senior Pastor of Progressive Baptist Church.

"Communities are only as strong as the families we support. Mayor Johnson and County Executive Crowley are at the forefront in the battle for equity. As they represent all of us, we salute, commend, and support their efforts."

"Because I grew up in this community, what res-

onates with me, is what I know is possible." Crowley added.

"We are going to unleash possibilities for this entire community in health and education and continue to generate economic opportunities for everyone."

The event was held at the Institute for the Preservation of African American Music and Arts (IPAMA), a nationally acclaimed repository and multipurpose conference center on Milwaukee's north side, which houses hundreds of artifacts and Black artworks replicated nowhere else in Wisconsin.

Business hosts for the event included Attorney John W. Daniels, Jr., Valerie Daniels-Carter, Cory Nettles, Mike Barber, Jackie Herd-Barber, Greg Wesley, John Tribble, Daniel Jackson, Charles Harvey, and a notable array of corporate and civic leaders.

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