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Moms take part in 3rd annual pre-Mother's Day fitness event along city's lakefront!

Before the big day for mom's in Milwaukee (and across the U.S.) last Sunday, the third annual Mommy & Me Pre-Mother's Day Fitness Walk was held Saturday at Veterans Park along the city's picturesque lakefront.

Sponsored by the Wisconsin Black Chamber of Commerce, the event celebrated family and community with fitness classes that prioritize health while celebrating motherhood.

Led by experienced fitness instructors, attendees embarked on either a one mile walk or two mile run, with workout stations strategically placed every quarter of a mile along the route. The stations catered to participants of all fitness levels, offering exercises at beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels.

"The Mommy & Pre-Mother's Day Fitness Walk is more than just a walk or run; it's a celebration of health, family, and community," said event creator Ruben Hopkins, CEO of the Wisconsin Black Chamber of Commerce.

"We're thrilled to bring this event back for its third year, offering an opportunity to come together, get active, and have fun," Hopkins added. —Photos by Yvonne Kemp



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Gov. Evers sues state GOP lawmakers for blocking \$200M to fight PFAS, improve kids' literacy, and more!

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers is suing the Wisconsin State Legislature over its refusal to release a critical investment aimed at improving K-12 student literacy, one of many investments intended to respond to pressing challenges facing Wisconsin.

The move comes as Republican lawmakers on the Republican-controlled state budget committee—the Joint Committee on Finance—are refusing to release nearly \$200 million in already-approved investments, including \$125 million to fight PFAS contaminants statewide, nearly \$50 million to help improve K-12 student reading outcomes, and \$15 million in crisis response resources to respond to hospital closures in Western Wisconsin.

Republican legislators concluded legislative business for the 2024 calendar year in March.

As of today, May 13, 2024, Republican lawmakers have refused to release:

- \$125 million to fight PFAS contaminants statewide for 313 days;
- \$15 million to respond to hospital closures in Western Wisconsin for 75 days;
- Nearly \$50 million to help improve reading outcomes and literacy in K-12 schools across Wisconsin for 67 days.

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Services set for May 24 for Kenneth 'Mookie' Mitchell

Mitchell will be remembered as a gifted chef who displayed his culinary talents for a number of popular eating establishments around Milwaukee and at home (especially during the holidays) with family and friends whom he loved dearly.

He was famous within family circles for his meatloaf, chili, and gumbo dishes.

He often described his cooking style as a fusion between southwest and southern (Cajun) cuisine.

Born and raised in Milwaukee, Mitchell is a graduate of James Madison

High School.

He received an associate degree in the culinary arts (class of 1984) from Milwaukee Area Technical College.

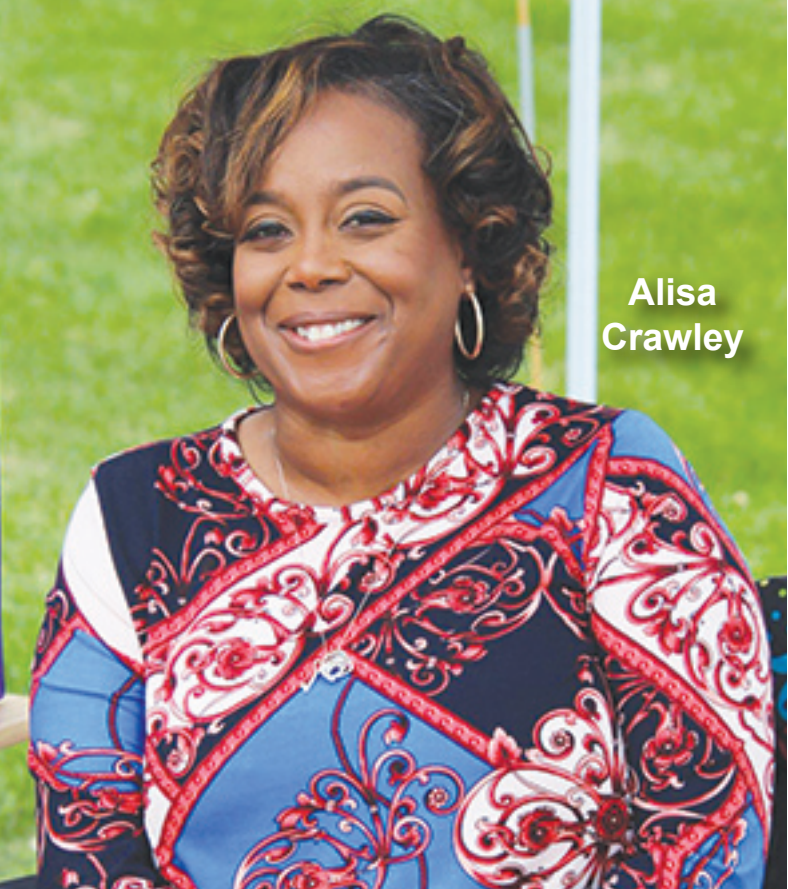
He is preceded in death by parents Thomas and Christine Mitchell, Sr.; and an aunt, Ernestine Edwards.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory sister, Rev. Carla Mitchell; his brother, Thomas Mitchell, Jr.; a cousin, Myra Edwards-Hadnot; cousin-nephew, Evan Hadnot; and cousin Jerri Edwards-Smith, as well as a host of relatives and friends in Milwaukee and around the country.



Funeral services will be held Friday, May 24, for Kenneth 'Mookie' Mitchell, who unexpectedly passed away last Saturday at home in his sleep. He was 61.

ALISA CRAWLEY: Connecting With Kids In The Kitchen!



Alisa Crawley



By Kathy Gaillard
While working as a speech pathologist at Milwaukee College Preparatory School, Alisa Crawley stumbled upon another interesting opportunity to make a difference, connect with youth, and learn about other cultures.

She now works with kids to hone their cooking skills and pass down family recipes.

This undertaking has led to intergenerational socialization and a greater understanding of diversity and cultural communities.

Born out of a desire to help children and families engage socially during the COVID-19 pandemic, Kids in the Kitchen, a grassroots initiative, has exploded into something bigger and better than Alisa ever imagined.

"During the pandemic, I wanted to find a way to keep youth, family, church and the school community socially connected and engaged, so I started hosting virtual meetings with family members.

"We taught our young people to cook, bake, and learn from relatives and others. It was a way for us to connect and, at the same time, pass down family recipes.

"A few participants told a few more friends, and today some 25 children participate in Kids in the Kitchen," said Alisa.

It's not surprising that Alisa would launch a viable means of staying connected and keeping people engaged, especially since her vocation involves communication.

Alisa's father, Dr. Odie H. Tolbert, had hearing loss. Her mother, Maganolia, enrolled in school and taught sign language.

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WHO, WHAT WHERE, WHEN

COMING AND PAST HAPPENINGS IN AND OUTSIDE OF YOUR COMMUNITY!



Devona Coggs-Jones (aka: "BabyBoss") was showered with love from family, friends, community leaders and elected officials during her recent birthday celebration at the Bronzeville Kitchen & Lounge, one of the newest contemporary hot spots in the community. Devona is the daughter of former Milwaukee County Supervisor Elizabeth Coggs and Wendell Jones, sister to County Supervisor Priscilla, and Chloe Coggs-Jones. She is also the granddaughter of the late state lawmakers Marcia and Issac Coggs, and Molly Jones and Raymond Weaver. Devona is a resident of the Harambee neighborhood. She is vice-president of King Advisory Inc., at King Park, Coggs Kitchen's sous chef, where she executes community and local events; coordinator for the Juneteenth Parade/Festival, and Freedom Ball. —Photo by Yvonne Kemp

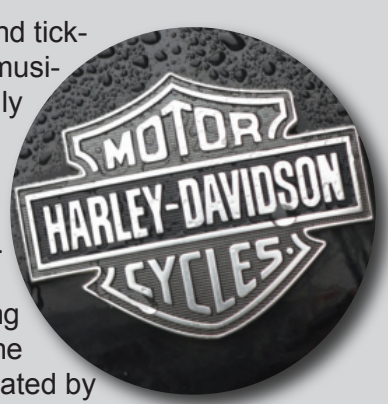


Downtown Dining Week is back for its 18th year! The weeklong event coordinated by Milwaukee Downtown, BID #21 returns Thursday, May 30 – Thursday, June 6 and features more than 30 downtown restaurants. Just like years past, the event will offer residents and visitors a chance to enjoy multi-course menus for \$15 or \$25 for lunch and \$35, \$45 or \$55 for dinner. The featured restaurants include steakhouses, bistros and ethnic eateries in and around the heart of downtown Milwaukee. This year's participants include: ARIA, Avli, Bacchus, Benihana, Blue Bat Kitchen & Tequilaria, Café at the Pfister, The Capital Grille, Carbon Steak, Carson's Prime Steaks & Famous BBQ, Central Standard Crafthouse and Kitchen, DOC'S Commerce Smokehouse, The Edison, Experts Only, Flourchild Pizza, The Knick, Lucky Clover Irish Pub, Mader's Restaurant, Mason Street Grill, Milwaukee ChopHouse, MOTORTM Bar & Restaurant, Oak Barrel Public House, On Tap, Onesto, Rodizio Grill, Smoke Shack, The Social American Tavern, SportClub, Third Coast Provisions, Third Street Tavern, Tre Rivali, Ward's House of Prime and Who's On Third.

Downtown Dining Week returns May 30 – June 6

2024 HARLEY-DAVIDSON HOMECOMING FESTIVAL KICKS OFF IN 100 DAYS

The countdown has started. In just 100 days, Milwaukee will host the music and mototainment event of the season when the annual Harley-Davidson Homecoming™ Festival kicks off its four-day run. A complete schedule of free and ticketed family-friendly events and musical performances planned for July 25-28 at venues across the Milwaukee area is posted and advance Veterans Park tickets are on sale at HDHomecoming.com. The big weekend revs up at 4:30 p.m. on July 25 with opening ceremonies at Davidson Park, the new outdoor community hub created by the Harley-Davidson Foundation at Harley-Davidson Headquarters on Juneau Avenue in Milwaukee. Complete details on all Harley-Davidson Homecoming™ Festival ticketing options, venues, entertainment, scheduled events, Harley-Davidson factory tours, FAQ and lodging are available at HDHomecoming.com, where visitors can also sign up to receive Homecoming updates.



27th annual Mayor's Design Awards winners to be honored at ceremony

Milwaukee Mayor Cavalier Johnson will present the 27th annual Mayor's Design Awards at the UW-Milwaukee School of Architecture and Urban Planning building on Friday, May 17 at 3:45 p.m. (CT). The Mayor's Design Awards recognize design excellence throughout the City of Milwaukee. Recipients of the award are honored for adding value to their neighborhoods by restoring, constructing, or enhancing their properties in a way that respects the urban fabric and contributes to the character of their surroundings. Awardees range from large iconic buildings to small business storefronts and community-led public art installations.

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(continued from front page) guage at church, prompting Alisa to learn sign language at an early age. Her father's hearing loss is also the reason she studied to become a speech pathologist. "My dad had to lip read everything. Prior to joining the military he had received a choir scholarship to Morehouse College. "After the military, gunshots from the artillery caused him to have hearing loss, ending his singing career. "Thankfully, my sister inherited his 'singing genes' and she is a gospel artist," said Alisa. In addition to her interest in communications, Alisa also sees herself as a connector. Kids in the Kitchen has brought some holiday cheer to community elders with 'Cookies & Cocoa Caravan' held at the Milwaukee College Prep's (MCP) Lloyd Street Campus. Some 30 scholars at MCP packaged cookies that Kids in the Kitchen members delivered to over 50 local seniors while building community connectedness. Some members of Kids in the Kitchen have also set up booths at various vendor fairs and community events. "Kids in the Kitchen has taken on a life of its own. In fact, have hosted friendly competitions that have become so popular that two media outlets asked to partner with us. "In addition to cooking foods, participants learn about different cultures. For example, we had a young gentlemen from India teach the kids to make curried potatoes and someone else taught them how to make Puerto Rican rice. The kids can watch the food preparation and ask questions. "A few of the young people have started their own businesses and some make TikTok cooking videos," said Alisa. In April, Kids in the Kitchen held its first in-person session at Milwaukee College Prep. It is not run as an afterschool program/club with stu-

dents from Milwaukee College Prep. Alisa said that youth from across the community, teachers and other businesses want to be part of this initiative and she is exploring ways to offer the program throughout the United States. It has become a connector, bringing seniors, parents, and grandmas to the table and passing down recipes so family legacies continue. "My parents were definitely pillars in and outside of the home. Our house was always a home full of hospitality. Both are deceased now, but I feel that I'm called to continue their legacy and keep it alive. I'm better because they crossed my way and poured into me," Alisa said. As if working as a speech pathologist and coordinating Kids in the Kitchen weren't enough, Alisa also assists her husband, Dr. Vernon Crawley, who is Senior Pastor of Bethel Temple Church. "I try to take care of myself so that I can be there to take care of others. Health and wealth are intertwined. God wants us healthy, as is stated in 3 John 1:2, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou may prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospers". I have a mantra that I share and I encourage every child to have a mission statement. Mine is 'make life better for someone else and life will be better for you.'"

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Dems have their work cut out for them convincing Black folks to give Joe Biden another term!

I thought I was making headway in convincing one of my bloodline males to vote this November.

Like far too many Black males, he was less than enthusiastic about his choice between Sleepy Joe Biden and Caesar (aka Donald Trumpster).

To his credit, he voted—after prodding—in 2020 and has kept his nose pointed toward the courthouse and city hall elections.

He even distinguishes himself among the 234 concerned Black parents who voted in the school board elections.

But that enthusiasm evaporated when it came to this year's encore, which involved a choice between old and younger, dementia and demented, out of touch and touched.

Even still, I was one slogan away from getting his commitment—if only because another



Marchers chant during the Black Voters Matter's 57th Selma to Montgomery march on March 09, 2022 in Selma, Alabama. People gathered alongside organizations: Black Voters Matter, Rainbow PUSH Coalition, and the Transformative Justice Network to march the 11-mile original route that the late U.S. Rep. John Lewis and other civil rights leaders marched on March 7, 1965. In 1965, the march began at the Edmund Pettus Bridge and was met with brutal beatings of civil rights marchers at the hands of law enforcement. The march would later become known as "Bloody Sunday". The televised attacks were seen all over the nation, prompting public support for the civil rights activists in Selma and for the voting rights campaign. (Photo by Brandon Bell/Getty Images)

term of the Trumpster would mean a national tsunami of division and hatred.

But then the Democrats mistakenly sent a national survey to potential voters last week. Voters were asked to prioritize a series of issues (an actual ploy to convince potential voters they care beyond their usual rhetoric).

My survey remains unmarked and cast in the junk file

for shredding.

The youngblood's is at the city dump. He didn't have a number one pencil, not merely because there were no questions addressing the myriad issues impacting the Black community.

Nothing on jobs, institutional racism, housing segregation, or our nation-leading poverty rate.

Sure, we are concerned

about environmental issues and the Chinese threat to democracy (if that's a real issue).

A woman's control of her body is significant, but limiting that concern to abortion is not a priority for most Black men.

It is, apparently, for the sisters, but following the revelation that Black women lost 180,000 jobs in March may put a damper on the Democratic Party's hold on mothers and

mothers-to-be.

In short, simply telling Black folks they are not 'Black' (I assume it's ok to be brown) if they don't vote for Biden isn't going to cut it this time around.

And even if most people of color-or colored-have disdain for the antichrist, Trump (he reads the Bible upside down) nearly doubled his Black vote total from 2016.

Most of those were probably protest votes against the Dems, not because the former president, who is on trial for multiple alleged crimes, becomes the next John Brown.

Before the last Democratic Convention, I questioned Democratic leaders about whether they would look through the prisms of Black Milwaukeeans and would be willing to address any of the issues that plague what is considered the worst city for African Americans: MKE.

I didn't get a response, which opened the door for my criticism of the party, which opposes any and all programs that empower Black folks,

starting with educational options.

Those concerns have echoed throughout the Black community since then.

Even though I consider the local school board elections more important than the presidential elections, there is too much at stake to turn our backs on Biden in November.

The problem is Black apathy is growing, and the majority of Americans of all hues are under-enthused about Biden.

My wayward blood views national politics in the same light as organized religion. In his opinion, this means that it is corrupt, hypocritical, and out of touch.

I don't share that view and suggest that even if you're more spiritual than religious, you still have to pay the piper, and thank God you can do so.

The Democratic Party needs to pull off a spiritual miracle or two to prove it exists beyond the campaign ads and surveys that don't mention us.

Hotep.

An Appleton police detective pleaded guilty to forging official signatures on search warrants used in a drug investigation. He was fined \$500, far short of the maximum penalty of \$10,000 and 3 1/2 years in prison.

During sentencing April 30 in Outagamie County Circuit Court, the judge noted that former Appleton Police Sgt. Jeremy Haney's dishonesty "may impugn any number of cases on which he has been involved."

But whether prosecutors in Outagamie County track dishonesty among law enforcement officers isn't clear.

Unlike the majority of counties that disclosed who committed what are known as Brady violations, Outagamie was among 17 offices that either denied a Wisconsin Watch records request or said it didn't keep track.

Prosecutors must tell defense attorneys about such violations whenever those officers are called upon to testify in a criminal case.

A Wisconsin Watch investigation seeking Brady files from all 72 counties found more than 360 examples in 31 counties of current and former Wisconsin law enforcement officers who prosecutors have flagged for dishonesty or breaking the law in ways that could undermine their credibility in court.

That's a small fraction of the state's 15,000 sworn law enforcement officers.

But it's also an incomplete number because of the inconsistency among district attorneys in tracking the information.

The lists include a Vernon County police chief who instructed a subordinate who fell asleep at the wheel and crashed his squad car to say he swerved to miss a dog.

Prosecutors in two counties have said they won't charge cases involving the still sitting Ontario police chief due to his history of dishonesty.

Also included was a Fond du Lac detective who was investigated by state agents and ultimately pushed out of the department following a pattern of sending demeaning text messages, racially profiling innocent people, mishandling evidence and attempting a cover-up.



'IT SHOULDN'T BE THE WILD WEST': Wisconsin lacks clear system for tracking police caught lying

Prosecutors across the country maintain 'Brady lists' of officers with a credibility problem. But there's little guidance on maintaining the lists, which in Wisconsin contain at least 360 names.

by Jacob Resneck / Wisconsin Watch

Criminal charges were never brought, but the DA declared the detective's "credibility will be attacked in any testimony he is asked to provide and may present significant hurdles."

Another 23 district attorneys said they had no names on file, though some said in response to Wisconsin Watch's inquiry that they would reach out to local agencies to update their list.

Milwaukee County released a list of 150 former officers who had been prosecuted and in all but two cases convicted of crimes over the past 20 years.

But it withheld its list of officers who had been investigated for dishonesty and other issues but never charged with a crime, citing case law that exempts prosecutorial files from public disclosure.

The lack of legal clarity has vexed defense lawyers and law enforcement officers — natural adver-

saries in the criminal justice system — who both say the current system can be confusing to navigate.

"It shouldn't be the wild west," said Jim Palmer, executive director of the Wisconsin Professional Police Association, the largest police union in the state.

"Some DAs may keep a list, some may not. ... And whatever the procedure that a DA currently in office may utilize doesn't mean that any of their successors are going to do it the same way."

Defense attorneys say efforts to obtain information about past lying by police officers are in some instances stymied by lax record keeping or resistance to sharing information, although not in all cases.

"We may have a unified court system, but we really are 72 different criminal legal systems," said Adam Plotkin, legislative liaison in the State Public

Defender's Office. "How it's handled county by county can vary pretty dramatically."

Prosecutors have a constitutional duty to turn over exculpatory evidence — including evidence of anything that calls into question an officer's honesty — but there's little oversight to ensure that always happens.

So far only one state, Colorado, has attempted to create a uniform system, though law enforcement lobbyists have been working behind the scenes to change Wisconsin law to make it easier for police to be removed from Brady lists.

Varying methods and levels of transparency

Named for the landmark 1963 U.S. Supreme Court decision *Brady v. Maryland*, the Brady doctrine began in what became a series of federal and state precedents requiring the government to disclose exculpatory evidence — material that could be favorable to the defense — even if it might weaken the prosecution's case.

Over the years, courts have expanded that principle to include any evidence that could impeach the credibility of the prosecution's witnesses — including police officers — who were involved and helped build the case.

A Wisconsin Watch analysis found the way district attorneys collect and manage Brady information — if that happens at all — is up to individual officeholders, and the methods and transparency vary.

Only Iron County didn't respond months after the initial request and despite multiple follow-up requests.

"I suspect you're going to run into different practices depending on the size of the county," wrote Ozaukee County District Attorney Adam Gerol.

Gerol provided his most recent example of disclosure — a 2020 letter to a criminal defendant outlining three instances of apparent dishonesty involving a former police sergeant involved in the case who had apparently lied about legal advice he received from the DA's office.

There are no active officers in Ozaukee County subject to Brady disclosure, so there isn't a current list, Gerol said.

He relies on agencies to disclose if an officer giving testimony has ever been dishonest, but he has "never had a need to periodically request this information because I'm the one either discovering it or learning about it from the police in real time."

In Green County, District Attorney Craig Nolen regularly sends out a three-page memo to law enforcement detailing the legal importance of full disclosure.

"We understand that disclosure of findings of dishonesty may have significant consequences as to the effectiveness of officers and employees in their



Memorial service held for late firefighter Everett Cocroft

A memorial service was held recently for Everett Cocroft (inset photo at left), a retired lieutenant with the Milwaukee Fire Department who died last January. He would have been 56 in June. Cocroft had moved with his wife, Mia to Las Vegas after retirement. Cocroft was a servant leader who shared his expertise as a firefighter with many organizations: the International Association of Black Professional Firefighters, International Association of Firefighters-Local 215, president of the Milwaukee Association of Black Professional Firefighters, city of Milwaukee Election Commission, the Milwaukee Fire and Police Commission, PSSI background investigator for the police and fire departments. Members of the Brotherhood of Professional Firefighters Milwaukee Chapter took a photo with Mia and his brother. —Photo by Kim A. Robinson



Joyce White
A celebration of life will be held Saturday, May 25 for Joyce White, the wife of the

Celebration of Life service set for Joyce White, wife of late Radio personality O.C. White

late WAWA radio legend and community leader O.C. White. Though not as flamboyant as her late husband, Mrs. White was a trailblazer, leader, and community icon in her own right, quietly working behind the scenes. She was the director of the O.C. White Soul Club, which provided thousands of jobs and training for thousands of community residents. Mrs. White was also a fashion model, NAACP Board Member and NAACP Membership Committee Chair, hair & fashion show director, a chef, and the first African American Woman to be on the Milwaukee Summerfest Board of Directors. She was also noted for coaching and mentoring many women. The memorial service will be held at Cannan Baptist Church, 2975 N. 11th St. Rev. Dr. Fred E. Jones will be the officiant. Visitation will start at 10 a.m. followed by the celebration of life at 11 a.m.



Join the Discover Wellness Walk on May 18

This family-friendly community event supports mental wellness

In honor of Mental Health Awareness Month, Milwaukee County-based organizations are inviting community members to the Discover Wellness Walk, a family-friendly event that will take place from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, May 18, in Cathedral Square Park, 520 E. Wells St., Milwaukee.

The Discover Wellness Walk aims to connect the community in conversations about mental health, accessible forms of self-care, and coping skills, in addition to connecting folks to local resources related to mental wellness and behavioral health. A mindful movement class will also be taught at 11 a.m. on the park lawn.

Partners include: Escucha Tus Emociones, Froedtert & Medical College of Wisconsin, I Am Chronically Resilient, Milwaukee County Parks, RISE Drug Free MKE, The Village, Wauwatosa Health Department, and Community Advocates Public Policy Institute.

“As Milwaukee residents ourselves, we have noticed that there is a lot of healing in being in community with one another and talking about the struggles of stress, anxiety, and depression, among other mental health challenges, but more importantly, sharing stories and resources about what helps overcome these challenges,” said Cecilia Tenorio, Community Advocates Public Policy Institute’s Mental Health and Wellness Coordinator. “Too many conversations around mental health are happening behind closed doors, in whispered voices or not at all, and we want to lend our voices to open, positive conversations in more public spaces around the city.”

All are welcome to attend this free community event, which is part of a series of Milwaukee County-based events and activities designed to highlight the importance of caring for one’s mental health. Get the full list of events at this link.

Mental Health Awareness Month aims to increase awareness about the vital role mental health plays in our overall health and well-being and provides resources and information to support individuals and communities who may need mental health support.

To learn more, go to ppi.communityadvocates.net.

Congresswoman Gwen Moore and Senator Tammy Baldwin among five lawmakers to introduce Mental Health and MAMA Act!

U.S. Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-WI), U.S. Senators Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) were two of five Congress women to introduce the Mental Health and Making Access More Affordable (MAMA) Act recently, which would require commercial and governmental health insurance plans that offer services related to mental health and substance use disorders to offer these, with no co-pay from the onset of regular pregnancy care through one-year postpartum.

The other lawmakers were: Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Congresswomen Lucy McBath (D-GA) and Ann McLane Kuster (D-NH) “Making substance use treatment and mental care more accessible and affordable is critical to tackling the maternal health crisis and protecting the health of mothers and their children. With this legislation, we can help remove cost as a barrier that prevents too many mothers from seeking the care and treatment they need. I am thrilled to partner with my colleagues on this much-needed legislation,” said Congresswoman Moore.

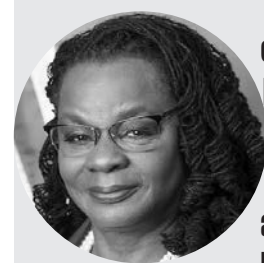
“Wisconsin is in a maternal mortality crisis, and we need to do more to support new and expecting mothers and their babies,” said Senator Baldwin. “I’m proud to lead this effort to help more new mothers get the mental health support and substance use disorder treatment they need to stay healthy and set themselves and their babies up for success down the road.”

“Our country is facing a maternal mental health crisis, and all too often, the mental health needs of pregnant women and new moms fall to the wayside as they adapt to life with a newborn. We can do more to ensure they have the support they need, which is why I’m proud to work with Senator Baldwin to introduce this bill that would allow more women to access mental health and substance use disorder services,” said Senator Shaheen.

“Through my own journey of starting my family, I struggled to get pregnant. I often wondered if I was ever meant to be a mother, and that weighed heavily on me and on my family. It is imperative that we address our country’s maternal health crisis in every way that we can,” said Rep. McBath. “For the many Americans who experience mental health

challenges or struggle with substance use before, during, and after pregnancy, I am proud to join my colleagues in introducing this legislation. This marks an important step in keeping America’s families healthy and whole.”

“Pregnancy and childbirth are significant, life-changing events that can be both exciting and joyful but also challenging and overwhelming,” said Congresswoman Kuster, founder and co-chair of the Bipartisan Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Task Force. “I’m proud to help introduce legislation to expand access to no-cost mental health and substance use disorder services for pregnant and postpartum individuals, ensuring moms, parents, and their children have the support



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they need to thrive.”

The lack of access to affordable mental and behavioral health care is a debilitating barrier for too many mothers and families,” said Jocelyn Frye, President of the National Partnership for Women & Families. “We also know that going without mental health care exacerbates existing inequities among women with the lowest incomes and women of color. “It’s time to recognize that maternal mental health support is not a luxury, but an essential human right. I congratulate Rep. Moore on the introduction of the Mental Health and MAMA Act and her commitment to adequately addressing mental health care for pregnant and postpartum people.”

Background
America continues to face an ongoing maternal health crisis, and more than 80 percent of pregnancy-related deaths are preventable.[1] Connecting more pregnant and postpartum women with mental health care conditions and substance use disorders to treatment is critical to saving lives and

protecting the wellbeing of mothers and their children. Despite an estimated 1 in 5 pregnant and postpartum women experiencing depression, only a fraction of them receive treatment. This gap in care can have consequences for both mothers and their children, but connecting a mother to the care they need can benefit both mothers and their children. For example, mental health treatment can improve a mothers’ wellbeing and support strong bonding interactions between mothers and their baby.[2] Access to treatment for substance use during one’s pregnancy is proven to lower health risks for both the mother and their fetus, which is critical given that overdose deaths skyrocketed during the pandemic and continue to play a significant role in

high national maternal mortality rates.[3]

Right now, there are several barriers to pregnant women accessing mental health care and substance use treatment they need, including cost of care. In addition to removing the co-pay requirement for pregnant and postpartum seeking these services in commercial and governmental plans, the MAMA and Mental Health Act also adds a continuity of care requirement where a patient’s treating provider’s or health care facility’s plan network status changes.

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\$377 million in loans to support small businesses with revenues of \$5 million or less, loans less than \$5 million in LMI communities and communities of color, and all Small Business Ad-



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ministration (SBA) loans. \$600 million in community development loans and investments to support affordable housing development, small business growth and lending to nonprofits that support LMI communities. \$8 million in Community

Reinvestment Act (CRA)-qualified grants and/or in-kind donations. “Our renewed community commitment of \$2 billion demonstrates how we help all of our communities grow and thrive,” said Andy Harmoning, President and CEO,

and communities of color have access to financial resources that will help them grow and prosper.” Each year, through the CCP, Associated Bank and the Associated Bank Foundation donate millions of dollars in charitable grants to local nonprofit organizations with the majority of that total supporting community development programs. Areas of focus for funding include:

- Affordable housing
- Small business development
- Workforce development
- Sustainability

Wisconsin lacks clear system for tracking police caught lying

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chosen careers,” Nolen wrote in a letter to law enforcement in 2023. “However, I am sure that such a finding in a disciplinary proceeding was not made lightly nor without due process.

“It is neither fair nor reasonable to expect prosecutors to risk their law licenses to hide another employee’s intentional negative conduct.”

Nevertheless, Nolen refused to publicly release the names of the officers he has on file, citing case law that often places a prosecutor’s files beyond the reach of open records requests.

In Waukesha County, District Attorney Sue Opper initially denied Wisconsin Watch’s records request for a Brady list saying “no records exist.” But upon follow-up she admitted the office does have Brady letters for several individual officers on file and produced 11 letters after deadline and shortly before publication of this story.

The lack of consistency and transparency on Brady information has long frustrated watchdog groups seeking to hold police agencies accountable for officer misconduct. Defense attorneys are also wary of prosecutors leaving it up to law enforcement agencies to self-report.

“Some prosecutors are more diligent about tracking it than others,” Plotkin said.

‘You can’t fart without somebody catching it’

The circumstances that could land an officer on a list vary, but all come down to an incident involving dishonesty.

For example, in 2019 Village of Ontario Police Chief David Rynes advised a part-time officer who had crashed his patrol car to make up a story about swerving to miss a dog after he fell asleep at the wheel in a neighboring county.

Monroe County sheriff’s deputies recommended criminal charges against both the officer — who is no longer in law enforcement — and the police chief

for their dishonesty, though neither ultimately was charged.

Rynes continues in his role even though he’s on Brady lists in multiple counties. Monroe and Vernon county prosecutors maintain they won’t bring cases to court that would rely on Rynes’ testimony.

Monroe County District Attorney Kevin Croninger told Wisconsin Watch his office doesn’t maintain a formal Brady list.

His office enters names in a statewide database called Protect used by prosecutors across jurisdictions at their own discretion.

Prosecutors in other sparsely populated counties described a more informal approach to flagging dishonest officers but insisted they take oversight seriously in communities where people know each other.

“In Buffalo County you can’t fart without somebody catching it,” District Attorney Tom Bilski said.

He said in years past he witnessed instances of flagrant dishonesty among law enforcement that prompted jurors to acquit defendants.

“There were sheriff’s deputies that perjured themselves on the stand on a regular basis,” Bilski said. “None of those officers are still around.”

He said the roughly 20 officers in his county are part of a new generation of police who he believes are more ethical.

He said he and his assistant read every police report that accompanies a criminal complaint looking for inconsistencies or evidence of dishonesty.

“If I have any inclination that an officer’s gonna perjure themselves on the stand, I will immediately put them on a list, and they’ll know that and I’ll dismiss the case,” he said.

“It’s a big issue for me,” he added. “I just don’t have anybody to put on the list.”

So-called “wandering officers” — police who are fired or forced

to resign over misconduct and then land jobs with other agencies — may be on one county’s list but not another depending on the level of record keeping.

Only decertified officers are prevented from being rehired. Recently the investigative nonprofit The Badger Project uncovered evidence of more than 300 examples of wandering officers in Wisconsin, a trend it found has increased over the past three years.

Walworth County District Attorney Zeke Wiedenfeld told Wisconsin Watch his office relies on a traditional paper file with letters for about 20 current and former officers who have documented instances of dishonesty.

“We don’t compile a list,” he said in an interview.

His approach is to release any names he receives from law enforcement to defense attorneys and then leave it up to them to request records from the police department.

One officer in his file is Patrol Officer Casey Apker, who was suspended multiple times and ultimately fired from the Kenosha Police Department in 2014 over allegations he harassed a female colleague, aggressively confronted a citizen over an off-duty parking dispute and responded to calls outside of his assignment area.

“A Wisconsin Watch investigation seeking Brady files from all 72 counties found more than 360 examples in 31 counties of current and former Wisconsin law enforcement officers who prosecutors have flagged for dishonesty or breaking the law in ways that could undermine their credibility in court.”

Apker, who has worked as a police officer since 2021 in the village of Sharon in Walworth County, is among 15 former and current officers included on a Brady list provided by the Kenosha County DA.

“He was fired in front of the public,” Kenosha Police Department spokesperson Lt. Joshua Hecker said. “If any police department ever did a background check, they should be able to find that fairly easily.”

He was nevertheless hired in Walworth County in 2016 but resigned in lieu of termination from the Town of Geneva department less than a year later for dishonesty. He worked for nearly two years for the Town of Burlington Police Department in Racine County and then was hired by the Village of Sharon Police Department, where he has worked full-time since 2021.

“He’s been a good officer for us — great work,” Sharon Police Chief Brad Buchholz told Wisconsin Watch.

Wiedenfeld knew Apker’s name from the 20 or so current and past officers he keeps in his paper file.

“I agree everybody does it a little bit different,” Wiedenfeld said.

Longtime Kenosha County District Attorney Mike Graveley said the old practice was not to keep a list but rather a voluminous paper file for any documented dishonesty self-reported by police officers who were asked to complete a questionnaire.

“We did no analysis,” Graveley said. “We just simply collated that information and collected it. And then if somebody sent us an open records request, we sent out all of the names.”

But several months ago his office began scrutinizing each name and making its own call on whether missteps should rise to the level of disclosure to defense counsel.

“Any individual that we felt did not meet the standard of something we would need to disclose to defense counsel as exculpatory evidence,” Graveley said, “that person is no longer included in any list.”

Other district attorneys either didn’t track dishonest officers or were unwilling to share names with the public.

Outagamie, Waupaca, Door, Manitowoc, Pierce, Polk and Rusk counties all rejected the records request with responses that used the exact same wording.

Polk County District Attorney Jeffrey Kemp said he worried about unspecified harm from releasing his office’s Brady list to the media.

“My concern is that such information will potentially be abused by entities that may have an agenda that is, perhaps, not foreseen by your organization,” he wrote in response to Wisconsin Watch’s records request.

Rusk County District Attorney Ellen Anderson, who was appointed by Gov. Tony Evers in 2022, reversed her initial denial after being contacted by Wisconsin Watch and affirmed her office has no current Brady listed officers or policies or procedures in place.

Some jurisdictions more diligent than others

The Dane County district attorney

he resigned only after Wisconsin Watch and the Sheboygan Press reported details of his misconduct.

In Brown County, prosecutors in Green Bay released a list with 16 names but with no context on why they were included or whether they were still employed.

“For more specific information about each, I would refer you to the respective agency where the officer is or was employed,” Brown County District Attorney David Lasee wrote.

The list included no dates or corresponding agencies.

Colorado law creates statewide standard

Legal experts say Wisconsin’s example of uneven transparency standards is common nationwide.

“It’s completely and sadly normal,” said Rachel Moran, an associate law professor at University of St. Thomas School of Law in Minneapolis, who has criticized systemic failures to enforce Brady rules.

Only Colorado has a law requiring the maintenance of Brady lists and explaining what those lists should look like, she noted.

The law established a six-member oversight committee that includes a majority appointed by police groups and prosecutors who are empowered to decertify officers for “untruthfulness.” It also mandated that officers flagged for dishonesty be tracked in the public-facing database.

Colorado’s system also enshrines a notification requirement for officers before they’re placed on a list and lays out a process for them to petition removal.

A mechanism that would allow officers to challenge and be removed from a Brady list has been a priority for Wisconsin law enforcement groups, which records show have been quietly lobbying on the issue since last July.

“It’s just a conversation that we’ve been having with the state Legislature,” Badger State Sheriffs’ Association President and Dodge County Sheriff Dale Schmidt said, adding it’s something they’ll be discussing again next session.

“I have come across incidents where individuals have been wrongly accused of things,” he said. “They never had the opportunity to have that due process to at least share both sides of the story.”

Hecker, the Kenosha Police spokesperson, recounted how he had lied to his captain in 2006 about pursuing a suspect as a cover story for allowing a trainee to get a squad car stuck in the mud.

He was written up for dishonesty and placed in the DA’s Brady file, which prompted extra scrutiny from prosecutors whenever he would be called to testify.

“This was an isolated incident that happened out of fear, and it was stupid, and I readily and immediately admitted my wrongdoing,” Hecker told Wisconsin Watch. “And then for the next 20 years in my career it labeled me — which isn’t fair.”

The incident didn’t hinder either of the officers’ careers.

“The guy that I was training is our chief of police and I’m in internal affairs,” Hecker added.

Defense attorneys are skeptical of how an officer flagged for dishonesty could later be delisted without running afoul of the constitutional principle that a person’s past dishonesty should be disclosed.

“The mere passage of time doesn’t change the fact that it’s still exculpatory,” said Dean Strang, a veteran Madison defense attorney who also teaches at Loyola University Chicago School of Law.

If it was indeed a minor thing or there’s evidence it was blown out of proportion, the prosecutor always has the ability to argue that it’s admissible, and if the judge

agrees the defense can raise it in court.

“Whether it comes in at trial is an entirely different question,” he added.

Wisconsin Watch inquiry sparks conversations

District attorney vacancies are filled by governor’s appointees who report being tasked with running prosecutions with little formal guidance. Evers’ office referred questions to DOJ.

DOJ officials didn’t respond to a request for comment. The agency said it doesn’t have a statewide Brady list.

The Wisconsin Office of Open Government released materials prepared by local district attorneys that cover Brady doctrine that were apparently used to train prosecutors in other counties. The only policy document was a decade-old memo reminding prosecutors in the state attorney general’s office of their responsibilities.

“Prosecutors have a duty to make reasonable efforts to obtain exculpatory information from law enforcement agencies,” the four-page memo from 2013 states.

But Wisconsin Watch could not find any evidence of uniform guidance to local prosecutors. In one 2014 document the agency acknowledged offices in different-sized counties will handle it differently.

Several district attorneys told Wisconsin Watch they were unaware of the existence of state guidance. Some reported they only reached out to law enforcement agencies for a list of dishonest officers after Wisconsin Watch asked for their list.

There’s integrity in enforcing some integrity

Palmer, the police union head, said the Colorado model is better than Wisconsin’s nonexistent standard. Law enforcement wouldn’t necessarily object to having the lists be made public, he added.

“The public does absolutely have the right to know what officers are on Brady lists, but they also ought to have some confidence that those determinations are made appropriately,” he said.

The Public Defender’s Office would like to see a consistent standard but Plotkin, its legislative liaison, said it would need to see the proposal.

“Uniformity is helpful if it lands on the side of providing the information, making it available,” Plotkin said. “Uniformity would not be helpful if it essentially provides a shield from accessing that information.”

He also criticized Colorado’s model for having a six-person oversight committee composed of police and prosecutor appointees who ultimately decide whether a police officer’s past misconduct would be made public.

“The council that governs how this all works is headed by the people that it’s intended to track,” he added. “So you want to make sure that there’s integrity in enforcing some integrity.”

The lack of statewide standards or oversight from DOJ leaves prosecutors to make judgment calls that have life-changing ramifications based on one person’s word against another.

“Law enforcement officers get an enhanced presumption of credibility — it’s just the way of the world,” Plotkin said. “And so when you have that heightened presumption of credibility, there should be heightened scrutiny.”

Editor’s note: This story was updated after publication with a response from Waukesha County. It also updates a quote from Ozaukee County District Attorney Adam Gerol that was missing a contextual part of his statement.

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Case No. 2023LM000072
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 DEFENDANT: NATIONWIDE BOX TRUCK SALES, INC
 1901 SOUTH COLONY AVE, UNION GROVE, WI 53182

TO the Defendant:
 You are being sued by the Plaintiff Pugh. A copy of the complaint and summons has been sent to the Defendant's registered agent by email and text message. If you wish to dispute this matter:

You must file a written answer and provide a copy to the plaintiff's attorney on or before the date below.

If you do not appear or answer, the Plaintiff may win this case a judgement entered for what the plaintiff is asking.

When to Appear/File an Answer, on or before:

Date: May 13, 2024, Time: 9:00 A.M.
 Where: Will County Courthouse 100 W Jefferson St
 Joliet IL 60432
 Phone: (815) 727-8592

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 2024CV002444

In the matter of the name change of: TAMARR JOY LAWAN DEDRICK

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

From: TAMARR JOY LAWAN DEDRICK to: TAMARR JOY LAWAN CARTER
 Birth Certificate: TAMARR JOY LAWAN CARTER

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 11:00 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

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Dated: 3-25-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY
 Circuit Court Judge
 338/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 2024CV003335

In the matter of the name change of: KONG VILAYSACK
 By (Petitioner) KONG VILAYSACK

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: KONG VILAYSACK to: MISCHA SAVANH SYVIENGCHAN
 Birth Certificate: KONG VILAYSACK

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 JUNE 11, 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: 4-23-2024
 BY THE COURT:
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 Circuit Court Judge
 341/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 2024CV003345

In the matter of the name change of: CRYSTAL DENISE BELL

By (Petitioner) CRYSTAL DENISE BELL
 NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: CRYSTAL DENISE BELL to: CRYSTAL DENISE TUCKER
 Birth Certificate: CRYSTAL DENISE TUCKER

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 JUNE 11, 2024, TIME 1:45 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

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Dated: 4-24-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON
 Circuit Court Judge
 340/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE - 40101
Case No. 23FA7240

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: JESUS FERREIRA JR and ESTELLA PEREZ

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 Room 104 Milwaukee WI 53233 and to JESUS FERREIRA JR 920 W Lapham Bld Milwaukee WI 53204

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.

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(2) Upon the request of a party to an action affecting the family, including a revision of judgment or order under sec. 767.59 or 767.451:
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 2. The major issues usually addressed in such an action.
 3. Community resources and family court counseling services available to assist the parties.
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 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: 4-29-2024

BY: JESUS FERREIRA JR
 342/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV002584

In the matter of the name change of: MILEON NAZIR RUIZ
 By (Petitioner) JAZMIN MARIE RIVAS

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

From: MILEON NAZIR RUIZ to: MILEON NAZIR RIVAS
 Birth Certificate: MILEON NAZIR RUIZ

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 JUNE 11, 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. J.D.WATTS
 Circuit Court Judge
 339/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV001541

In the matter of the name change of: SHRITA LASELL LOVE SEWELL

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

From: SHRITA LASELL LOVE SEWELL to: SAPPHIRE STAR
 Birth Certificate: SHRITA LASELL LOVE-SEWELL

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 MAY 22, 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: 4-5-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO
 Circuit Court Judge
 344/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV003500

In the matter of the name change of: PA ZONG XIONG

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: PA ZONG XIONG to: PAIGE PAZONG YANG
 Birth Certificate: PA ZONG XIONG

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 JUNE 17, 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: 4-30-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. KRISTY YANG
 Circuit Court Judge
 346/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV003523

In the matter of the name change of:

REMIEL SARA ANN O'BRIEN
 By (Petitioner) MARTINN KINTA DUBRIEL JR
 NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: REMIEL SARA ANN O'BRIEN to: REMIEL SARA ANN DUBRIEL
 Birth Certificate: REMIEL SARA ANN O'BRIEN

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 JUNE 5, 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: 5-1-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO
 Circuit Court Judge
 347/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV003825

In the matter of the name change of: JEROME AVERY SR
 By (Petitioner) JEROME AVERY

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: JEROME KNOX to: JEROME AVERY SR
 Birth Certificate: JEROME KNOX

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 JUNE 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: 5-1-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY
 Circuit Court Judge
 349/5-1-8-15-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV003208

In the matter of the name change of: VEDA ANN RUMPEL
 By (Petitioner) VEDA ANN RUMPEL

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: VEDA ANN RUMPEL to: AN-DREW ORION RUMPEL
 Birth Certificate: VEDA ANN RUMPEL

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 28, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

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Dated: 4-15-2024
 BY THE COURT:
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 Circuit Court Judge
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Case No. 24CV003610

In the matter of the name change of: FATIMAH ELIYAH ABDUL-WAHID
 By (Petitioner) FATIMAH ELIYAH ABDUL-WAHID

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 FROM: FATIMAH ELIYAH ABDUL-WAHID TO: FATIMAH ELIYAH MUNESY
 Birth Certificate: FATIMAH ELIYAH ABDUL-WAHID

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 JUNE 6, 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: 5-6-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. DAVID BOROWSKI
 Circuit Court Judge
 355/5-8-15-22-2024

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Case No. 24CV003610

In the matter of the name change of: MARYAM GLORIA ABDUL-WAHID
 By (Petitioner) MARYAM GLORIA ABDUL-WAHID

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 FROM: MARYAM GLORIA ABDUL-WAHID TO: MARYAM GLORIA MUNESY
 Birth Certificate: MARYAM GLORIA ABDUL-WAHID

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 31, 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: 5-6-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. DAVID BOROWSKI
 Circuit Court Judge
 354/5-8-15-22-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 24CV003645

In the matter of the name change of: AHMED YASER DARWEESH
 By (Petitioner) YASER A ABUJARADEH

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: AHMED YASER DARWEESH to: AHMED YASER ABUJARADEH
 Birth Certificate: AHMED YASER DARWEESH

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 JUNE 6, 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: 5-6-2024
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO
 Circuit Court Judge
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Signed: Patricia O'Flynn Pattillo, President/Publisher



Roger Fortson was unjustly killed by police. You cannot reform this!

OPINION: Roger Fortson is yet another Black life lost because the alleged “trained professional” police officer shot and killed him within seconds of encountering him.

By **MONIQUE JUDGE-Courtesy of theygrio.com**

Editor’s note: The following article is an op-ed, and the views expressed are the author’s own.

Roger Fortson should still be alive today.

The 23-year-old Black man from Atlanta was living his dream, serving his country as a senior airman in the U.S. Air Force stationed at Hurlburt Field in Florida.

He was the veritable “patriot” that fake patriots think they are. He had already been awarded a valor medal after he addressed an in-flight emergency, enabling his team to continue the mission they were on.

He wanted to buy his mother a house, and on May 1, he called home to find out what his 10-year-old sister wanted for her birthday.

By all accounts, he was doing everything he could to improve the circumstances of himself and his family.

That all came to an end Friday, May 3, when an Okaloosa County Sheriff’s deputy shot and killed him within two seconds of encountering Roger at the front door of his own home.

Deputies were originally dispatched to the apartment complex for a “disturbance” call, and they were directed to Fortson’s apartment by a neighbor who wasn’t ac-

tually sure where the noise was coming from.

In its official statement, the sheriff’s department said the officer responded to a “disturbance in progress” and encountered an armed man. “The deputy shot the man, who later succumbed to his injuries.”

As usual, the body camera footage released on May 10, tells a different story.

The deputy is shown speaking to a woman who tells him she heard a disturbance two weeks ago and that there was another one that same day. She directs him to Fortson’s apartment.

The officer arrives at Fortson’s door and stands there for about 20 seconds before knocking. He does not identify himself when he knocks. He then walks a few feet away from the door and stands alongside the wall, facing the door.

After waiting about 30 seconds and getting no answer, he knocks again, this time announcing that he’s with the sheriff’s department. He knocks a third time, again announcing he’s with the sheriff’s department.

Fortson opens the door, and the deputy tells him, “Step back,” before immediately opening fire on him, shooting at least five times.

It is not until Fortson is already on the ground bleeding to death that

the deputy yells, “Drop the gun!” twice.

Fortson tells him twice that he doesn’t have the gun.

In an interview with Democracy Now, the family’s attorney, Benjamin Crump, said Fortson was on a FaceTime call with his girlfriend, who has not been identified, when he heard a loud knock at his door.

He asked who it was but did not hear anything in response. According to his girlfriend, Fortson went to look out of the peephole and didn’t see anyone, so he went to grab his gun before answering, thinking it could possibly be an intruder.

From the deputy’s body camera footage, we can see that when Fortson opened the door, he had the gun at his side and pointed down at the ground — not at the officer.

The only command the deputy uttered was “step back,” and considering he opened fire immediately after saying it, he didn’t even allow enough time for Fortson to hear, comprehend and respond to the command.

He shot him and killed him, showing little regard for anyone’s safety or human life in general.

He definitely didn’t care about the life of a Black man who was minding his own business and not bothering anyone.

There is no excuse for this. You cannot reform this.

Fortson’s family as well as Crump claim the deputy was at the wrong door, and there was no disturbance in Roger’s home; he lived alone.

It’s also worth reiterating that the deputy was there responding to a disturbance call of people yelling.

Not gunshots. Not glass breaking. People yelling.

The way police respond to otherwise innocuous situations and actively escalate them on their own should be a psychological and sociological study in real time.

What is the pathology behind taking every opportunity to exert your presumed “authority” over people and to use violence to “enforce” said “authority”?

What is the psychology behind not even doing the minimum amount of investigation or verification before acting on the presumption that the Black person is obviously wrong, doing something bad and posing a threat — and using that to execute (pun fully intended) extrajudicial justice?

How many more Rogert Fortsons and Botham Jeans and Breonna Taylors are we going to have before we can get anyone besides the Black people repeatedly crying and calling out these names to admit that there is something systemically and endemically wrong with law

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV003472

In the matter of the name change of: PAULA LAUREANO By (Petitioner) SANDY QUINTANA

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: PAULA LAUREANO to: PAULA QUINTANA UGALDE Birth Certificate: PAULA LAUREANO

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 JUNE 12, 2024, TIME 2:45 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: 5-6-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS Circuit Court Judge 353/5-8-15-22-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV003566

In the matter of the name change of: GENEVIEVE FLORENCE LIPP-KACHELSKI By (Petitioner) ASHLEY J SHUTER By (Co-Petitioner) ANTHONY W SHUTER

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: GENEVIEVE FLORENCE LIPP-KACHELSKI to: GENEVIEVE FLORENCE SHUTER Birth Certificate: GENEVIEVE FLORENCE LIPP-KACHELSKI

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 JUNE 4, 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: 5/6/2024 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 352/5-8-15-22-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING

Case No. 24CV2499 In the matter of the name change of: BENJAMIN OCTAVIUS COCHRAN By (Petitioner) NICOLE IANN COCHRAN

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: BENJAMIN OCTAVIUS COCHRAN to: NICKO’LAI OCTAVIUS BENJAMIN COCHRAN Birth Certificate: BENJAMIN OCTAVIUS COCHRAN

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 JUNE 11, 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: 5/6/2024 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 351/5-8-15-22-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002724

In the matter of the name change of: KAIYAH NICOLE CHAPMAN-BROWN By (Petitioner) KAIYAH NICOLE CHAPMAN-BROWN

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: KAIYAH NICOLE CHAPMAN-BROWN to: KAIYAH NICOLE BROWN Birth Certificate: KAIYAH NICOLE CHAPMAN-BROWN

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 JUNE 10, 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: 3-8-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 350/5-8-15-22-2024

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY (SMALL CLAIMS) PUBLICATION SUMMONS AND NOTICE Case No. 24SC1305

Plaintiff(s) AUTOMAX FINANCIAL LLC, W133 N8569 EXECUTIVE WAY MENOMONEE FALLS WI 53051 vs JALEN MALIK PEELER 2929 N MAYFAIR ROAD, #468 MILWAU-

KEE WI 53222 Publication Summons and Notice of Filing TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S) You are being sued by the person(s) as named above Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.

The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: Milwaukee County Courthouse Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 262-896-8410 Courtroom/ Room Number C167 Address: 515 W Moreland Blvd. Waukesha WI Zip 53188 on the following date and time: Date: JUNE 3, 2024, Time: 1:00 P.M

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgement may be enforced as provided by law. A judgement awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment of seizure of property.

You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.

Date: 5/7/2024 Plaintiff/Attorney AMY M BENTLEY Attorney’s State Bar Number 1025449 SALBERG TUFFNELL, S, C 933 N Mayfair Road, Suite 325B Milwaukee, WI 53226 262-353-9556 357/5-8-15-22-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV003468

In the matter of the name change of: JOAN RUTH SPRECHER BY (Petitioner) JOAN RUTH SPRECHER

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: JOAN RUTH SPRECHER to: JOANNE RUTH SPRECHER Birth Certificate: JOAN RUTH SPRECHER

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 JULY 1, 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: 4-29-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY Circuit Court Judge 359/5-8-15-22-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024CV003485

In the matter of the name change of: NATALIE CONCEPCION ROSAS By (Petitioner) NATALIE CONCEPCION ROSAS

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: NATALIE CONCEPCION ROSAS to: NESTOR ROSAS Birth Certificate: NATALIE CONCEPCION ROSAS

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. BRITTANY C GRAYSON ROOM 402 BR 16 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JUNE 11, 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: 4-30-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 363/5-15-22-29-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV003738

In the matter of the name change of: CATHERINE ANNE WALLBERG

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: CATHERINE ANNE WALLBERG to: CATHERINE PENKALA WALLBERG Birth Certificate: CATHERINE ANNE PENKALA

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 JUNE 27, 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: 5-8-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 360/5-15-22-29--2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE – 40101 Case No. 24FA001961 In Re: The marriage of Petitioner:

KARINA G RONZON and NOEL VARGAS PEREZ

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 KARINA G RONZON 3748 W Dorothy PL Milwaukee WI 53215

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.

(2) Upon the request of a party to an action affecting the family, including a revision of judgment or order under sec. 767.59 or 767.451:

(a) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall, with or without charge, provide the party with written information on 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: 5-13-2024 BY: KARINA G RONZON

362/5-15-22-29-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV003606

In the matter of the name change of: NICOLAS SEBASTIAN HERNANDEZ By (Petitioner) BRIANA DESIREE HERNANDEZ By (Co-Petitioner) PALDO GARCIA CONTRERAS

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: NICOLAS SEBASTIAN HERNANDEZ TO: NICOLAS SEBASTIAN GARCIA HERNANDEZ Birth Certificate: NICOLAS SEBASTIAN HERNANDEZ

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: JUNE 20, 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: 5-3-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI Circuit Court Judge 361/5-15-22-29-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV003922

In the matter of the name change of: JUANANTONIO SANDOVAL

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: JUANANTONIO SANDOVAL AMAYA Birth Certificate: JUANANTONIO SANDOVAL

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 JUNE 17, 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: 5-15-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 364/5-15-22-29-2024

Angela Alsobrooks wins Maryland Democratic primary, continuing her bid to become the 4th Black woman to serve in U.S. Senate



Angela Alsobrooks, a Democrat running for U.S. Senate, speaks after the race was called in her favor at a Maryland primary election night party Tuesday in Greenbelt, Maryland. (Photo: Eric Thompson/The Baltimore Banner via AP)

Former Gov. Larry Hogan claimed the Republican nomination in what will be a marquee race in Maryland against Alsobrooks, the top official in Prince George's County. Article courtesy of the Associated Press

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — Republican voters advanced strong Senate contenders in Maryland and West Virginia on Tuesday, giving the GOP a big boost in its push to claim control of Congress' upper chamber.

Former Gov. Larry Hogan claimed the Republican nomination in what will be a marquee race in Maryland against Angela Alsobrooks, a

top local official who could become the fourth Black woman in U.S. history to serve in the Senate.

Meanwhile, another popular Republican, Gov. Jim Justice, won the Senate nomination in deep-red West Virginia, becoming the overwhelming favorite in the race that represents the GOP's best pickup opportunity in the nation.

In both states, which share a border but feature antithetical politics, the Republican nominees represent a serious challenge for Democrats in the general election as they cling to a 51-49 Senate majority and defend seats in other states that former President Donald Trump won four years ago.

At the same time, Trump and Democratic President

Joe Biden sought to project strength in low-stakes presidential primaries. And further down the ballot, two people who were on opposite sides of the Jan. 6 insurrection lost their U.S. House bids — a former Capitol Police officer running in Maryland and a former West Virginia state lawmaker who participated in the riot.

In all, three states hosted statewide primary elections Tuesday — Maryland, Nebraska and West Virginia — as Republicans and Democrats picked their nominees for a slate of November elections that will decide the

presidency and control of Congress.

In Maryland, Hogan gives Republicans a legitimate chance at picking up a Senate seat in the deep-blue state for the first time in more than four decades.

Hogan overcame his years-long criticism of Trump, a position that put him at odds with many Republican primary voters but will undoubtedly help him in the general election this fall.

Maryland voters gave Biden a 33-point victory over Trump four years ago.

On the other side in the Senate contest, Democratic

voters nominated Alsobrooks, the top official in Prince George's County outside of Washington.

The 53-year-old African American county executive had been endorsed by many of the state's top officials, including Gov. Wes Moore, Sen. Chris Van Hollen and U.S. Rep. Steny Hoyer.

Alsobrooks prevailed after a contentious and expensive primary against U.S. Rep. David Trone, a liquor store magnate who had invested more than \$61 million into his unsuccessful bid.

Race was an issue in the Democratic primary and may

be in the general election in the months ahead. Alsobrooks is trying to become the first Black senator from a state in which roughly one in three residents identifies as African American.

On the social media site X, Hogan congratulated Alsobrooks and said, "Voters have a clear and stark choice: more of the dysfunctional partisan status quo or real independent and bipartisan leadership."

Alsobrooks, also posting on X, promised to "defeat Larry Hogan, keep Maryland blue, and keep our Senate under Democratic control."

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enforcement in America?

And while I told Fortson's personal story at the beginning of this column, we shouldn't have to offer up Black people as so-called "perfect victims" in order for their humanity to be validated and recognized.

Fortson was in his home, and he was well within his rights to answer his door with a firearm — especially in Florida, the "Stand Your Ground" capital of America.

Remember, Florida is where George Zimmerman famously got away with killing Trayvon Martin — even after he was told not to follow or pursue Martin — because it was determined that he was within his right to have a gun and shoot Martin under the "Stand Your Ground" law.

Still, as I write this, I know there are going to be people responding and saying what Fortson should have done to stay alive because when it comes to Black victims, it's always their fault and not the fault of the trigger-happy, overly aggressive supposed "trained professionals" who think everyone else should remain extremely calm under pressure while they — law enforcement — act scared of every little noise, sound, glint of light, and acorn.

Yes, this is the same sheriff's department from which a deputy got into a shootout with an acorn, endangering the life of yet another Black man.

You cannot reform this.

You cannot reform this.

You cannot reform this.

I could repeat that a million times, and it still wouldn't be enough.

There's an N.W.A. song that's applicable here.

I'mma leave it at that.

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