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### City won't renew contract with Child Advocates after report details issues with compliance and agreement

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The city of Indianapolis won't renew its long-standing contract with Child Advocates to provide court-appointed special advocates for children in Marion County courts after an external review found examples of the organization not complying with the agreement, though the analysis also notes the agreement needs improved for clarity.

Child Advocates CEO Cynthia Booth disputed the findings in the analysis, which includes nine total observations related to compliance and improvements that could be made to the contract or management practices.



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The S.H.E. Event returns April 10. (File photo/Curtis Guynn)

### Return of the S.H.E. Event

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The annual S.H.E. Event is returning to the Indiana State Fairgrounds.

"This one is especially important because we normally have three events every year that a majority of the vendors depend on," S.H.E. Event founder Katina Washington said. "We only had one last year [in September], so for a lot of the businesses that are coming, this is a recovery time for them."

On April 10, guests to the free event can check out local businesses, hear live music and grab a bite to eat from Indianapolis food vendors. This year, a few pandemic protocols will be put in place to keep guests and vendors safe.

Vendors will have their temperatures checked and visitors to the free event will have to wear a mask. Despite these changes, Washington said this is a big year for the S.H.E. Event. This year, there are more "kid-treprenuers" — child entrepreneurs — involved in the event, as well as male vendors, family-owned businesses and more city organizations and entities, including Martin University and the Indy Black Chamber. Local musician Briah Golder will perform, and Indiana Members Credit Union will be in attendance to speak with Black business owners about the importance of building a connection with their banks.

Derrick Slack, owner of food truck Black Leaf Vegan, will be one of the food vendors for the event. Along with his wife and three young daughters, Slack opened the food truck in 2020 after several of his family's favorite vegan restaurants had to close. The S.H.E. Event, he said, is a great way to empower woman-owned and minority-owned businesses.

"I think this was the original intent of the Indiana Black Expo, and somehow it has lost its vigor as far as being there for the most marginalized communities," Slack said. "You know, three-quarters of our business is woman-owned, so focusing on these minority-owned businesses are truly impactful. ... The S.H.E. Event is a very important tool to help local Black businesses thrive."

Outside of the S.H.E. Event, Washington created the S.H.E. Marketplace last year to help businesses connect with potential customers throughout the statewide shutdown. For those unable to or uncomfortable with traveling to the fairgrounds April 10, all vendors can be found on the online marketplace, and some of the in-person event will be livestreamed online on social media pages for the S.H.E. Event.

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For more information on the S.H.E. Event, visit S.H.E. Event Indy on Facebook.



In this image from video, the court listens as Hennepin County Judge Peter Cahill presides over pre-trial motions prior to opening statements, Monday, March 29, 2021, in the trial of former Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin, in the May 25, 2020, death of George Floyd at the Hennepin County Courthouse in Minneapolis, Minn. (Court TV via AP, Pool)

### EXPLAINER: Legion of Chauvin prosecutors, each with own role

By JIM SALTER  
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Viewers watching the trial of a former Minneapolis officer charged with murder in George Floyd's death may be struck by the array of prosecutors taking turns presenting their case. The choice of who does what is no accident.

While Derek Chauvin's attorney, Eric Nelson, works alone, the prosecution is being handled by two assistant attorneys general, Matthew Frank and Erin Eldridge, and two outside lawyers, Jerry Blackwell and Steve Schleicher. Ten more are working

behind the scenes, many for free.

Experts agree the roles played by prosecutors are based on the skill sets each brings, but appearances matter, too.

#### WHY DID BLACKWELL GIVE THE OPENING STATEMENT?

The undercurrent of racial tension — a white police officer accused of killing a Black man — can't be ignored. Blackwell is a prominent Black civil rights attorney and one of the founders of the Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers. Last year, he won a posthumous pardon for a Black man wrongly convicted of rape before the infamous Duluth

lynchings of 1920.

But law professors following the case said it's Blackwell's unique ability to translate complicated legal jargon into information jurors can understand that made him the obvious pick to lay out the prosecution's case.

"One of the things he's known for is his ability to speak English rather than 'legalese,'" said Joseph Daly, emeritus professor at Mitchell Hamline School of Law in St. Paul, Minnesota. "It's extremely important in this case just to try to explain what the elements of the crimes are that Mr. Chauvin is charged with."

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### Gonzaga falls short of coveted perfect season

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The Gonzaga Bulldogs played 1,245 minutes of perfect basketball this season. That's 31 games and one overtime period. No losses.

Standing between the Bulldogs and that coveted perfect season were the Baylor Bears, who decidedly outplayed Gonzaga in the last 40 minutes of this basketball season to win a national championship April 5 at Lucas Oil Stadium.

No doubt, Gonzaga was going for a national title first and foremost, but the lure of perfection was always there for a team that steamrolled its league opponents in the West Coast Conference and took on a few noteworthy nonconference challengers before entering the NCAA Tournament as the No.

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INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA - APRIL 05: Drew Timme #2 and Jalen Suggs #1 of the Gonzaga Bulldogs react to a play against the Baylor Bears in the first half of the National Championship game of the 2021 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament at Lucas Oil Stadium on April 05, 2021 in Indianapolis, Indiana. (Photo by Jamie Schwaberow/NCAA Photos via Getty Images)



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Disproportionate funding forces some schools to do more with less

By ALEESIA JOHNSON, et al.

As anyone with children knows, no two kids need exactly the same thing. That’s as true in schools as in families.

It’s a truth that our state also has traditionally recognized in how it allocates funding — but in this time of crisis, seems to be forgetting. If the legislature proceeds in its current direction, the ones who’ll lose the most are precisely those who can least afford it — students with special needs, and those learning English, especially in urban and rural districts throughout Indiana.

The needs aren’t hard to understand. Take this one example: Victor (not his real name) today is a thriving student in a central Indiana high school. But when he and his siblings arrived from a refugee camp, fleeing war in central Africa, they needed everything from clothes to translation help to a tablet and internet access. Because they got what they needed, Victor is now studying health sciences, and could be contributing one day as a doctor or nurse. His little sister is planning to become a teacher. But giving them that start required extra resources — more than some students require.

Students with greater needs like Victor tend to be concentrated in big cities and rural places, which is why the state has set aside special funding to address those needs. It’s called “complexity funding,” which is ironic because offering something extra to those who need it is pretty simple. What’s complex is that in a time when the pandemic has both revealed and worsened the needs of so many students and families, the legislature is preparing to make no additional investment in these vitally needed funds.

This will be devastating for districts like ours. And federal relief funds — while desperately needed and enormously welcome — are limited in ways that would still leave ongoing huge gaps if the state continues to ignore these realities.

If we believe every kid in Indiana deserves a quality education, our budget should reflect that belief. But over the past few years, the education budget proposed by the Indiana State Legislature has moved us further and further away from that stated priority.

Instead of funding schools fairly, their focus is one-size-fits-all — funding schools “equally.” That’s a big difference, with benefits for certain types of schools and districts, while systems like ours suffer. And the current approach doesn’t work: our districts have felt the impact of stagnant funding for special education, homelessness, and English Language Learners in recent years. Those cuts disproportionately impact districts from Portage to Indianapolis



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and from Hammond to Huntingburg. Rural and urban schools both have felt the blow and continue to lose more and more of our funding.

That’s why we are coming together — from wide-ranging districts all across our state — to call on our legislature to equitably fund our schools. The state education budget should consider whether our districts serve large numbers of English language learners and students who receive special education services. It should actually add dollars to complexity funding so that schools can offer the necessary supports for students we serve like Victor and his sister.

This is not about filling our schools with luxuries and niceties; it’s about meeting the needs of every student to access a high-quality education system — a system that lives up to our proclaimed values.

COVID-19 has presented a stark reminder of how important it is to care for the most vulnerable in our population. While our state continues to confront the unprecedented pandemic, the need to support those students and families is exponentially greater. The question now is will we allow those gaps to continue to widen, or will we put funding where it is most needed to close those gaps and move all students forward.

Join us in calling on our legislators and state leaders to deliver an equitable education budget, one that reflects a belief that every child in Indiana — including English language learners and those with

special needs — should have a shot. You can send an email to your legislative members by visiting <https://p2a.co/7NX0NvG>.

The schools that are asked to do more for students should not be asked to do it with less.

Signed,

- Wayne Barker, superintendent, School City of Mishawaka
- Mark Daniel, superintendent, Fort Wayne Community Schools
- Steven Hope, superintendent, Goshen Community Schools
- Aleesia Johnson, superintendent, Indianapolis Public Schools
- Joel McKinney, superintendent, Community Schools of Frankfort
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‘No. 6’ addresses tough conversations about policing, race

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Playwright T.J. Young’s work “No. 6” depicts a city being torn apart by riots after police killed an unarmed Black man in 2001. The production is set in Cincinnati, but the location is largely unimportant.

It could happen anywhere. While based on events following the shooting death of 19-year-old Timothy Thomas, an unarmed Black teen who was killed by Cincinnati Police Patrolman Stephen Roach in 2001, the play was written in response to the 2014 killing of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri. However, the story is painfully relevant today. In the final week of Indiana Repertory Theater’s run of the play, which ended April 4, former Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin’s trial began for the killing of George Floyd in May 2020.

“No. 6” showcases the personal toll police brutality and conversations about racism have on Black and white people — and civilians and police —



Playwright T.J. Young

alike. From the confines of their apartment above their dry-cleaning business, the Anderson family — mother Ella (Milicent Wright) and 24-year-old twins Felix (Jamaal McCray) and Felicia (Lakesha Lorene) — watch their neighborhood erupt in violence during

a five-day riot. Wright played the part of a protective matriarch wonderfully. The dialogue between Ella and the twins created a realistic, relatable family dynamic. McCray’s portrayal of Felix captures a protective son and brother, forced into being the man of the house after the murder of his father years earlier. Each character was filled with their own idiosyncrasies which ultimately come together to move the play along. When Felix goes out past the city-wide curfew to get food for the family, he returns dragging in an unconscious, drunk white man who Felix said tried to mug him. As the riots rage on outside their window, a riot ensues within the apartment when the man, Kelly (Michael Stewart Allen), wakes up. Kelly, hotheaded and hungover, only seems to soften when Felicia speaks to him about her theories about the end of the world. Felicia is obsessed with dinosaurs and is autistic — which Lorene portrays convincingly without being offensive — and tells Kelly the sixth

mass extinction will occur because of the actions of mankind. Through shocking revelations about Kelly’s backstory and how the Anderson’s learned to cope after the death of their husband and father, “No. 6” is a beautifully crafted story that is all-too familiar to some. At certain points, it’s difficult to watch, but that’s the point. The play leaves audiences grappling with what it means to stand with your community while empathizing with those outside of it. While it’s often a mark of pride for an artist to create a work that stands the test of time, Young is hopeful for the day his play is no longer relevant. “People across the globe take to streets and cry ‘never again,’” he wrote in the play’s program. “And then it happens again. And again. And again. ... Let’s make this play antiquated.”

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1 overall seed. The Bulldogs couldn’t do it, though. Baylor was too much, winning 86-70, and now Gonzaga has at least one more what-if than most runner-ups. “It’s weird,” Gonzaga head coach Mark Few said after the game. “I never felt like we played with that weight all year. I always felt like we were the aggressor.” Gonzaga was trying to become the eighth team in the NCAA Tournament era to go undefeated and win a national championship. The UCLA Bruins, the team Gonzaga beat in a thrilling semifinal game April 3, own four of the seven perfect college basketball seasons that resulted in a national title. The Bruins won 120 games in those four seasons under the late legendary coach John Wooden, who amassed 767 wins with UCLA and won 10 national championships, including

seven in a row from 1967 to 1973. The Indiana Hoosiers were the most recent team to go undefeated when they went 32-0 in 1976 under Bob Knight. Indiana won its first of three national championships under Knight that season. The other two undefeated championship seasons belong to San Francisco, which finished 29-0 in the 1955-56 season behind All-American Bill Russell, and North Carolina, which finished 32-0 the next season. North Carolina State went undefeated in the 1972-73 season but didn’t play in the NCAA Tournament because of NCAA infractions. Not surprisingly, Few and his team always played down the possibility of going undefeated, even as the wins (and questions) kept coming. Winning is a habit, the saying goes, and breaking the streak on the game’s biggest stage is an odd feel-

ing for players who have done as well as any athlete at making winning a routine. “You really do forget what it’s like to lose,” Bulldogs senior forward Corey Kispert said. “And every time it happens, it doesn’t feel good. And thankfully I’ve had not very many of them over my career.” Kispert’s senior class finished with a record of 127-12. “As I told the guys, you make it this far and you’re 31-0 going into the last one, the last 40 minutes of the season,” Few said. “... And they’ll look back on this season as time passes as something just amazing and incredible.” Contact staff writer Tyler Fenwick at 317-762-7853. Follow him on Twitter @Ty\_Fenwick.



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# Indianapolis recreational soccer league expands to Martindale-Brightwood



Julian Keefe (far left) and members of the Mass Ave. United Indy City Futbol team. (Photo provided by Julian Keefe)

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Since 2014, Indy City Futbol has been bringing residents of Indianapolis closer to their neighbors through the world’s game: soccer. With partnerships with Indy 11 and Big Car Col-laborative, the league pits neighbor-hood against neighborhood in weekly games.

This year — after canceling last year’s season due to COVID-19 — the recre-ational league is back with new teams in the Martindale-Brightwood and Haughville neighborhoods.

Jordan Updike, league commissioner, said organizers got the idea from a league in Detroit, and the decision to expand to Martindale-Brightwood and Haughville — along with four other new neighborhoods — just made sense.

“One of the things we’re really striving to do is to create a league that not only reflects the diversity of Indianapolis neighborhoods and engage people of all backgrounds to be more involved in their neighborhoods,” Updike said.

“We’re also trying to create lifetime relationships with people who may be our neighbors, who we wouldn’t have crossed paths with before. Soccer is the tool we use to do our small part in helping create a better Indianapolis.”

Along with added teams, the league also relocated its weekly games to Kuntz Soccer Stadium, where the stadium lights will make night games easier. This season, which begins May 19, the league hopes to recruit 100

more players than it’s had in previous years.

Julian Keefe, who has played mid-field for Mass Ave. United for three seasons, said the games are “casual and fun,” and also gave him the oppor-tunity to reconnect with his hometown after he moved back after living out of state for a few years.

“It ended up working out really great,” Keefe said. “Someone I had competed against in high school lives down the street from me, so we carpool together. It’s a good way to take an hour or two out of your week and have fun playing soccer with a diverse group of people. It’s a cool way to see what different neighborhoods are like and get a feel for the character of different areas.”

While Keefe has been playing soc-cer his whole life, no experience is necessary to join the league. While it’s definitely competitive — the league champion is awarded with a trophy during halftime of an Indy 11 game — community involvement is a key component to Indy City Futbol.

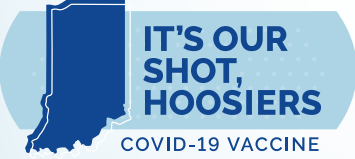
“This contest adds additional points in the standing for the number of volunteer events and taking respon-sible transit, like biking, carpooling or IndyGo,” Updike said. “... We’re inten-tional about getting people engaged in their neighborhoods and being good citizens.”

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The Office of Public Health and Safety (OPHS) has managed the contract since late 2019. Child Advocates first entered into a contract in 1982 with Marion County Superior Court to provide GAL/CASA (guardian ad litem/court-appointed special advocate) services. A CASA represents children’s interests in the legal system.

The city’s contract with Child Advocates ends at the end of April, at which point Kids’ Voice of Indiana will take over.

What the analysis says

The analysis, conducted by Crowe LLP, examined a period of 10 months in 2020 and includes three instances where it says Child Advocates did not comply with the contract.

The claims:

1. Crowe couldn’t determine if the personnel expenditures Child Advocates invoiced to the city were accurate because the organization didn’t provide evidence for its calculations.
2. Crowe couldn’t determine the “reasonableness” of Child Advocate’s direct cost allocation method because the organization applied roughly the same percentage used to calculate personnel costs as it did to calculate indirect costs and didn’t provide evidence to support that methodology.
3. Child Advocates didn’t provide “supporting documentation” with its invoices as required by the contract. That includes submitting numbered expenses and explanations for increases in expense categories.

The analysis also includes six instances where it says the contract or management practices could be improved.

The claims:

1. The compensation limit in the contract is set at \$5.4 million, or \$4 per service day, but there is no documentation to explain the reasoning for that calculation. Child Advocates also doesn’t inform the city of its planned annual expenses.
2. The contract requires Child Advocates to include definitions for each expense category in its invoices but doesn’t specify what the expense categories are.
3. Crowe found 54 of 58 expenditures it analyzed from Child Advocates didn’t include a record of payment, meaning the organization provided invoices but not documentation showing it had been paid.
4. OPHS couldn’t provide all requested documents related to monthly invoices it received from Child Advocates.
5. The contract requires monthly invoices to be submitted in a timely manner but doesn’t specify what that means.

6. Crowe examined 58 expenditures and found 20 examples where it wasn’t clear and documented how the expense was related to the services Child Advocates provided for the city.

OPHS requested the review after it took over management of the contract to determine if Child Advocates “incurred reasonable costs in providing the agreed-upon services for OPHS,” according to the report.

OPHS said in a statement the findings in the report, along with conversations with “stakeholders,” factored into its decision to not renew the contract.

Crowe interviewed Child Advocates management, OPHS personnel and the state director of the CASA program for its review.

*Read the full report at indianapolisrecorder.com.*

Child Advocates disputes findings

Booth, the organization’s CEO, said she had only seen a draft of the report when she submitted a response that is included in the final version. Booth saw the final version of the report April 6, six days after she said she learned the city wouldn’t renew the contract.

Booth said she doesn’t believe OPHS’s decision to not renew the contract was because of the report since she didn’t have the final report until after the decision was made.

The report is dated Jan. 22, 2021.

Booth’s response disputes points in all nine of Crowe’s observations. Crowe also responded to Booth, which is included in the report.

Most of Booth’s responses — categorized by each point included in the report — say Child Advocates did provide Crowe with documents and evidence that Crowe says it did not.

That includes documentation to show how the organization calculates reimbursement amounts and an Excel spreadsheet of monthly expenses that has additional tabs to list the expenses in the way Crowe suggested.

“It appears that Crowe failed to open or review the tabs,” Booth wrote.

In its response, Crowe said the spreadsheet includes three tabs, and the tab Booth apparently alluded to only includes a list of vendors with a dollar amount per vendor listed under each expense category.

Crowe recommended Child Advocates adhere to the contract by providing details about expenses related to the CHINS (child in need of services) program and including a separate numbered list of expenses for “additional services.”

Crowe responded to each of Booth’s responses, except for those related to city record keeping and

the issue about how timely Child Advocates should be with its invoices.

An uncertain future

Booth said she requested an extension through the end of the year to allow more time for a transition to Kids’ Voice of Indiana, but OPHS denied the request. She said the contract technically expired at the end of 2020, but OPHS extended it through April.

“I would say I am very concerned about what this means for children in our city,” Booth said in an interview.

Part of Booth’s concern is that Child Advocates is a majority-minority organization, she said, which helps ensure its staff and volunteers reflect the children they serve, and now its role in child welfare in Marion County is uncertain.

Child Advocates could still be involved by becoming a subcontractor for Kids’ Voice, which assumes responsibility for the county’s CASA program May 1, but it’s not clear if that will happen because Booth said she doesn’t know what the organization’s role would be as a subcontractor.

Booth said the organization is just starting to get details about a subcontract.

Lindsay Scott, president and CEO of Kids’ Voice of Indiana, said she wants Child Advocates to be involved as a subcontractor, though she also isn’t sure what that would entail because she’s waiting to get more details from the city.

Scott said OPHS approached the organization about taking over the service.

“Everyone’s shared goal is that children in Marion Country receive the services that they need in a way that they experience no interruptions,” Scott said.

Booth said another concern is Kids’ Voice doesn’t have enough staff or volunteers to manage the workload in Marion County, a factor that could be impacted by whether Child Advocates becomes a subcontractor.

Scott said she isn’t sure exactly how many staff and volunteers will be available at Kids’ Voice, which is in the process of becoming certified as a CASA provider.

“When we discussed taking this contract with the city, the priority was always and still is the children that need services in Marion County,” Scott said.

There are 4,200 GAL/CASA volunteers in 88 counties, according to the Indiana Supreme Court’s State Office of GAL/CASA. If you are interested in learning more about being a CASA, call 1800-542-0813.

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# The intersection of race and disability

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Keri Gray was 8 years old when she was diagnosed with osteosarcoma. The bone cancer resulted in Gray having her leg amputated when she was 9, an experience she said she didn't fully process until she was in college.

"At that point in time, there was just so much going on and I was so young," Gray said. "I was focused on what this means in terms of being able to make friends, being able to exist in social settings. I didn't think that being a vibrantly disabled girl would help me in that matter. ... I think at that point, I just wasn't identifying as someone with a disability."

When Gray got to college, however, she met others living with disabilities who were actively involved in the disability rights movement. After an internship with the American Association of People with Disabilities, Gray began embracing her disability, a shift she said led to a professional and personal journey.

While the Americans with Disabilities Act, which was passed in 1990, was a good starting point, there are many ways those with disabilities are forgotten.

Rep. Edward Clere, R-New Albany, tried to rectify some of the issues with House Bill 1313, which called for the creation of a database of Indiana students with disabilities to provide them with resources for training, education opportunities and employment. The bill never made it out of the House of Representatives in the 2021 session. Clere could not be reached for comment.



**Keri Gray, CEO of the Keri Gray Foundation and founder of the National Alliance of Multicultural Disabled Advocates.**

Gray started the Keri Gray Foundation and founded the National Alliance of Multicultural Disabled Advocates (NAMDA). Through the Keri Gray Foundation, Gray consults with organizations on how to approach and discuss disability access. Through NAMDA, she organizes and networks with disabled people within minority populations to "invest in their livelihood and leadership."

On a personal level, Gray realized her experiences with disability and the experiences of many Black women with disabilities were different than those of other demographics.

"I am a Black woman with disabilities," Gray said. "It's vital that I'm always bringing my own perspective into spaces, and racial justice is interdependent to disability justice and vice versa. There are many other people who identify at those intersections."

Intersectionality is a term coined by Dr. Kimberle Crenshaw to

describe "the experience of living with multiple identities (gender, race, culture, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation, immigration status, etc)." For example, Gray said the experiences of Black women differs from those of Black men and non-binary African Americans, more so if someone is also disabled.

Throughout the pandemic, disparities between Black and white Americans have been widely discussed, but people with disabilities have largely been left out of the conversation. However, Gray believes some changes made throughout the pandemic that benefitted many people — not just disabled folks — may stick around, including working from home and curbside pickup for restaurants and shops.

"The pandemic definitely changed a lot and it did a lot to impact workplace culture," Gray said. "All of a sudden, everybody has to figure out how to change the ways we work and exist with each other. I don't know if people are viewing these changes as accommodations, because right now they're benefitting everyone ... but I think it's made a lasting impression for folks."

Inequities those with disabilities face aren't just limited to accessibility, but are impacted by how individuals are perceived, as well. The National Institute of Health estimates students with disabilities are referred to juvenile justice at rates five times higher than students without disabilities. These rates are higher for Black and Latinx students. Further, 26% of Americans with disabilities live below the poverty line compared

to 11% of those without disabilities. Black and Indigenous people with disabilities have the highest rates of poverty.

Gray said the path toward equity and accessibility begins with advocating for yourself. She said she got no pushback when she started embracing her disability by wearing shorts or describing herself as disabled. It's when she started speaking out about injustice and inaccessibility that she began clashing with others. As a Black woman, she said getting spoken over isn't anything new.

"Black women, I just want to affirm your existence, affirm your leadership and affirm everything that you give that goes unrecognized," Gray said. "... I encourage Black women to love themselves to the fullest extent. ... We deserve spaces and communities that will love, cherish and support Black women."

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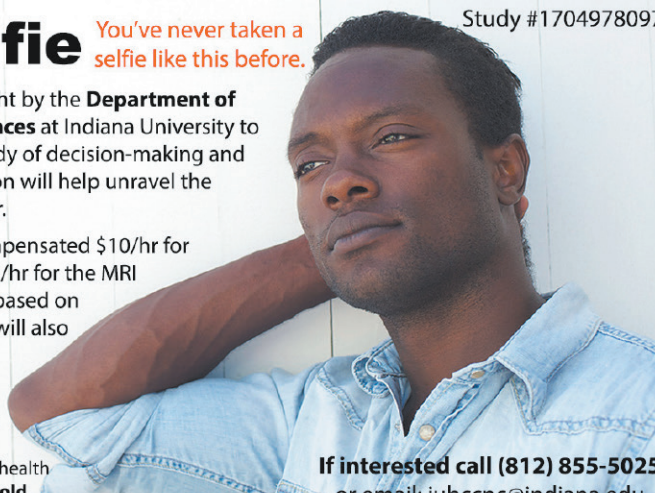
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# Black medical student named to IUPUI's Elite 50

By **FARAH YOUSRY**

Jamel Hill, a fourth-year medical student, has been recognized in the Elite 50 awards by IUPUI for his community work promoting health equity and Black representation in medicine.

Each year, IUPUI chooses graduate and professional students across all of its schools to highlight excellence in areas such as campus leadership, community engagement and scholarly work.

Hill was among 11 medical and Ph.D. students from IU's School of Medicine to be recognized.

Hill recently landed a job as a resident physician of physical medicine and rehabilitation at the University of Kentucky. Hill says he will use his passion and social awareness to serve the Black community wherever he goes.

Part of Hill's drive comes from his experience as a Black young man in Indianapolis.

"I think, for me, some of the disparities that we see today in terms of race with chronic conditions, such as ... high numbers of hypertension in African Americans or higher stroke rates, or even high numbers of diabetes, all of that stuff is in my family," Hill said. "And so it felt very familial, to want to help these people out who are suffering from these treatable chronic conditions."

Hill and his colleagues routinely helped at community clinics doing blood pressure and blood sugar checks in underserved communities in Indianapolis.

He belongs to the Student National Medical Association, the oldest group of minority medical students and physicians. He became vice president of the IU chapter, which was named chapter of the year and executive board of the year thanks to its role in the community.

"That was a very proud moment and a great honor," he said.

But being a Black man in medical school has not been easy.



**Jamel Hill**

Hill said he had a lucky and nurturing upbringing, with supportive parents who valued education. But he was also exposed to disparities in accessing health care and education at an early age.

He had to take the medical school entrance exams three times and apply twice before he was accepted. "And I felt like in some of the resources that I really could have used to sort of prepare me, I was kind of learning how to make the wheel on my own, in some sense."

Being the only Black student in many lecture halls was a "rude awakening" for him. The stress of medical school — coupled with feelings of isolation and microaggressions he faced in the hospital — led Hill to take a three-month break from school.

"I wasn't sleeping much. It was hard to concentrate," he recalled. "And I eventually end up failing two exams back to back. So, I decided to seek mental health and start seeing a therapist."

Read the full story at indianapolisrecorder.com.

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EDITORIAL

It’s time for corporate America to back up the talk

By OSEYE BOYD



All eyes are on Georgia right now. The state passed a law that in-creases voting restrictions. Several states — including Indiana — have a similar bill moving through the legislature. Coca-Cola and Delta Airlines have expressed opposition to the law. Major League Baseball pulled the All-Star Game out of Atlanta to show how serious it is in opposing this law.

Some may think this is very brave of the CEOs of these companies for using their corporate voices to make significant, needed change in this country. Some are impressed.

I’m not. I’m not impressed because I want to know where were those voices in the early stages of the process? Laws don’t just appear after one person dreams up one. Opponents and proponents of the proposed law have the opportunity to listen and debate the bill. There are usually multiple drafts of the proposed law. There are edits and revisions. The process lasts weeks if not months. Sometimes the process takes years because a bill may not pass the first time it’s introduced.

These CEOs had plenty of time to voice their concerns or opposition. The fact that they waited until after the bill was passed is telling. They only spoke up when they realized they could lose money.

Initially, Delta was on board with the law until the #BoycottDelta hashtag started trending in March. Then CEO Ed Bastian had an epiphany about Senate Bill 202. He released a statement saying, “I need to make it crystal clear that the final bill is unacceptable and does not match Delta’s values.” He went on to say, “The entire rationale for this bill was based on a lie: that there was widespread voter fraud in Georgia in the 2020 elections. This is simply not true. Unfortunately, that excuse is being used in states across the nation that are attempting to pass similar legislation to restrict voting rights.” You should’ve said all of that before the bill was passed, Ed.

Now, Republicans are angry about a “woke cancel culture,” and Sen. Mitch McConnell is saying corporations have no place in politics — unless it’s making donations. I had to laugh at that one. McConnell knows he owes a lot to corporate America, so he had to calm down a bit and make it clear he still wants the money.

Sorry, McConnell, you can’t have it both ways. Since when have corporate interests not been tied to American politics? Now that the Republicans don’t like what CEOs have to say they want to cancel the CEOs. They’re making it look as though they’re the victims here. Republican politicians have that down to a science. My beef, though, isn’t with the Republicans. They’re going to do whatever they can to always come out on top and if that means whine about how oppressed they are while actually being the oppressor, so be it. My real beef is with these CEOs.

The men and women (but mainly men, white men) who run these large corporations are the ones who really have the power to end the systems of oppression in this country. We can sing “Kumbaya,” hold hands, hug and cry together all we want, but no one really listens until the money is affected. Think about it. If it were really about morality and following the Golden Rule, the Civil Rights Movement would’ve effectively ended systemic racism, discrimination, sexism, etc. But that didn’t happen, and we’re still fighting the same issues.

If the CEOs were really serious about ending racism, instead of simply posting statements on their company’s social media pages and pledges to do better with regards to diversity, inclusion and equity, they would actually do something — with their money. They would let lawmakers know they will take their business to a less racist state. They would quit giving money to racist politicians. They would quit giving money to sexist, homophobic or trans-phobic politicians. They would recognize they have the power to end this. For once and for all.

Listening to tears only lasts for so long. We only have to look at how much sway the NRA has when it comes to gun control. Every time a mass shooting occurs the handwringing begins and so do the conversations about reigning in guns. Then the NRA shuts it all down. Then we repeat.

Money talks. Let’s see some CEOs preemptively put their money where their mouth is and effect real change not just optics.

OPINIONS

Black and blue

By LARRY SMITH



African Americans have a very long, very complicated history with law enforcement. The same is true of other racial and ethnic groups, especially the people who inhabited this land long before it became “America.”

Still, no group is associated more with police repression than are Black folks. (One need not be a psychiatrist to know what images come first to most people’s mind when they think about police brutality.)

According to historian Gary Potter, Boston created America’s first full-time, publicly funded police force in 1838. Businessmen wanted to protect — at taxpayers’ expense — the goods that flowed in and out of that famous harbor. But that’s only part of the story.

The fraught relationship between Blacks and the police is due in large part to the fact that the history of law enforcement is inextricably tied to slavery. Modern police departments have their origin in groups of (primarily) white men who were hired to capture enslaved Black people who had the

audacity to try to gain their freedom. In short, the police “force” started because white people wanted to protect their investments. In the North those investments were products. In the South they were people.

Of course, to be fair, laws and customs that protected human trafficking were not limited to the South. For example, the U.S. Congress passed fugitive slave laws in 1793 and 1850. Further, several northern colonies created laws to forcibly control enslaved Black bodies. Even after slavery was abolished, the Constitution allowed for exceptions as part of the criminal “justice” system.

Given this context — and the brutality that has continued to today — it may surprise some to learn that the vast majority of African Americans are not anti-police. Indeed, I cannot emphasize forcefully enough that being anti-brutality is not the same as being anti-police. African Americans call the police more than any other racial group. While some might argue that this is true solely due to the realities of crime, the fact remains that this would not be the case if we genuinely had a congenital aversion to law enforcement.

We recognize that blue lives are often wrapped in Black skin. Police officers

are our fathers and mothers. They are our sisters and brothers. They are our cousins and friends. We pray for their safety. We cheer their promotions. We help track down those who harm us (though we could be better at doing so). We support their charities. And we mourn their deaths.

On the rare occasions in which I have encountered Black folks who actively wish police officers harm, there is always a story. A personal one. A painful one. They and/or their family members have been targeted — unjustly in some cases. And even when extra scrutiny from law enforcement has been merited, the tactics that have been employed have often been overly aggressive.

Police officers have power that even the president of the United States doesn’t have. With few exceptions, the president has to get permission to take the life of an American citizen; police officers don’t. Most officers have the moral character and personal restraint to avoid abusing this incredible power. Too many do not.

White Americans need to understand that our concerns about the police are not parochial. (Even if they were, we would be justified given America’s history.) The fact is that the things that best serve the interests of Black

Americans are — and always have been — those that best serve the interests of all Americans. That includes police reform.

I’ve thought about all of this as I have experienced the trial of the former police officer who murdered George Floyd. Much of the witness testimony has been heart-rending. Men who I have not met — but know very well — are openly crying as they express regret at not having “done more.” Watching Floyd’s murder over and over again exacts a heavy price. But not doing so would cost even more.

Recently, my son asked me why I named him “Justin.” I told him that I did so because the root of his name is “justice.” (Besides, his mother mercilessly vetoed my attempt to name him after me.) As I endure this trial, I keep seeing my face in place of George Floyd’s. Then, unbearably, I see my son’s. Justice demands accountability. Justice demands a guilty verdict. Justice demands sending a message to America that Black lives, even those of drug-addicted and imperfect people, matter.

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Examining poverty and wealth

By LEADERSHIP INDIANAPOLIS



“Societies are built on great wealth disparities, and thus need an exploited class to develop that wealth.”

Those are the words of Dr. Chenjerai Kumanyika, a researcher, journalist and assistant professor at Rutgers University, as heard on the podcast “Seeing White” produced by Scene on Radio.

Dr. Kumanyika said this in 2017 and three years later, we are likely worse off than at that time due to many factors — one being a global pandemic that we are still living through.

But on that note about wealth disparities, the mention of an “exploited class” deserves more examination. Here, he is talking about people.

People in our families, our workplaces, neighborhoods. People who are us.

In the Indianapolis Recorder, writers Breanna Cooper and Tyler Fenwick have penned the real-

life stories of the people behind those statistics in their recent reporting. People like Chris Busbee, a young father balancing the debt of child support, rent and utilities on less than \$15 per hour and Kyerra King, a 25-year-old who put her education on the back burner to work at age 16 to help support her mother and three siblings. Chris and Kyerra represent the reality of the situation in our city and unfortunately their stories are not unique.

In Indianapolis, studies show that about 1 in 4 residents is living in concentrated poverty. Additionally, 17.2% of residents and 24.5% of children live below the federal poverty line — a figure that outpaces the national average.

How did we get here? Experts of course point to systemic oppression, discriminatory labor practices and education inequities to name a few of the usual culprits.

However, in the face of insurmountable odds, those who care are daring to make a difference.

This month Leadership Indianapolis launched our Poverty & Wealth discussion series which will feature data experts, philanthropists, entrepreneurs, community organizers and those with lived experience not only discussing the issues but also offering insight into ways civic leaders can become involved in creating more equity in our community.

Our roster of speakers include community development leaders such as Ashley Gurvitz of Alliance for Northeast Unification, Dr. Una Osili of Lilly School of Philanthropy, LaShauna Triplett of MLT Outreach, Unai Miguel Andres of SAVI and others.



In addition to the discussion series, we will also host an audio book club on “Self-Made,” the foremost autobiographical text on Madam CJ Walker and a skill workshop on the power of philanthropy with Kiahna Davis, chair of the African American Legacy Fund of Indianapolis.

It is our hope that through this programming, we will be able to examine the concerns at hand and chart a path forward centered on equity, collaboration and change.

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ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL ERIN ELDRIDGE QUESTIONED TWO OF THE YOUNGEST WITNESSES. WHY?

Eldridge joined the Minnesota attorney general’s office in 2018. Before that, she served as a special assistant U.S. attorney in Nebraska and the Northern District of Iowa.

Jonathan Simon, a professor at University of California Berkeley School of Law, noted that our culture associates women with “being more caretaking toward children, toward juveniles.”

Using Eldridge as the questioner may help to “ease the witnesses’ experience and get their testimony as effectively as possible, but also to help the jury see this in the most sympathetic light,” Simon said.

Daly said Eldridge “was particularly adept at showing empathy and kindness and a certain softness, which I think is really important when you’re questioning children.”

When an 18-year-old witness, Alyssa Funari, began to cry, Eldridge told her to take her time and offered a tissue.

“Is this difficult for you to talk about?” Eldridge asked. “Do you need a minute?”

IS THERE A DRAWBACK TO USING SO MANY DIFFERENT PROSECUTORS?

St. Louis University School of Law professor Sue McGraugh said she sought to make a personal connection with jurors when she was a prosecutor. She said she’s rarely seen a case with so many prosecutors, and that it carries some risk.

“It’s unusual because, as someone who has tried a lot of cases, you do want the jury to form some sort of attachment to someone on the legal team,” McGraugh said.

SO, WHY SO MANY?

It’s evidence of the stakes in the trial that Daly called “possibly one of the most important cases ever in the United States and possibly the world.”

Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz appointed Attorney General Keith Ellison to handle the prosecution just days after Floyd’s death, and Ellison vowed to utilize whatever resources were necessary.

Frank and Schleicher have handled the lion’s share of questioning since the trial began. Frank is a 21-year veteran of the attorney general’s office and has led the criminal division for 14 years. Daly called Frank “the most experienced and skilled lawyer in

the criminal division of the attorney general’s office.”

Schleicher is a veteran trial attorney and prosecutor who works for the law firm Maslon LLP. He spent 13 years in the U.S. attorney’s office and was a prosecutor in the case of Danny Heinrich, who confessed in 2016 that he killed 11-year-old Jacob Wetterling in 1989, and led authorities to his body.

WHAT IS THE FULL DEPTH OF THE PROSECUTION TEAM?

The prosecution team has 13 lawyers, said John Stiles, Ellison’s spokesman, and a 14th acted as a jury consultant.

Ellison, Frank and Eldridge are the only ones who work in the attorney general’s office. The team also includes Assistant Hennepin County Attorney Joshua Larson and nine outside attorneys. Stiles said the outside attorneys are all working pro bono, or without pay.

The roster behind the scenes is deep. Perhaps the best-known player is Neal Katyal, former U.S. acting solicitor general who has argued dozens of cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. Katyal led a successful effort to get a third-degree murder charge reinstated against Chauvin after the

judge initially ruled it didn’t fit the circumstances.

Stiles said in an email that about half of the outside attorneys are working full-time on the case.

WHAT ABOUT THE DEFENSE?

Nelson is the lone defense attorney, aided in court by a legal assistant who is also an attorney but who hasn’t taken part in the courtroom arguments. The defense is funded through the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association’s legal defense fund. Though Chauvin was fired soon after Floyd’s death, he has the right to representation through his years as a member of his local union.

Nelson is an attorney with the Minneapolis firm Halberg Criminal Defense and one of 12 attorneys for the MPPOA who take turn handling officer-involved cases. While Nelson is alone in court, he can consult with the other 11 attorneys, the association said.

Still, the in-court optics are hard to ignore.

Judge Peter Cahill has said Nelson “does not have the same level of support” as the prosecution.

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The Challenge of Coding: Marquese Martin-Hayes, Jr. *Advertorial*

by Kara Kavensky

Many people have no idea what they want to do for a career when they are young. For Marquese Martin-Hayes, Jr., the one thing he knew for certain is that he had a desire to build and create things.

Martin-Hayes, Jr. is originally from Lansing, Michigan. His father was a pastor, which meant moving frequently around small towns in Michigan until they moved to Portage Park outside of Chicago, where he went to high school. While Martin-Hayes, Jr. has been a Michigan football fan since birth, he leveraged his athletic football prowess to earn a finance degree and a minor in economics at Butler University.

Martin-Hayes, Jr. stayed in Indianapolis after graduating from Butler. Initially, he thought that he wanted to be a financial advisor to educate people on how to work with money. He quickly discovered that in a financial advisory role, you work with people who already had money. This discovery led Martin-Hayes, Jr. towards the logistics field. He worked with factoring logistics, which is essentially a billing company.

When the parent company of his employer was acquired, Martin-Hayes, Jr. was moved into a department that he initially created to improve customer service practices.

“Guaranteeing happier customers means more business,” says Martin-Hayes, Jr. “After the acquisition, however, my role wasn’t as exciting nor as challenging.”

With his role in business development, Martin-Hayes, Jr. saw limited opportunities to move up the corporate ladder. A friend, who was a recruiter, mentioned that a coding bootcamp might help to elevate his corporate game and find job satisfaction. With this advice, Martin-Hayes, Jr. began researching options in Indianapolis and was drawn to Eleven Fifty Academy.

“As someone who now works with Marketing Cloud,” says Martin-Hayes, Jr., currently a software developer at Salesforce. “I realize what initially drew me



to Eleven Fifty Academy: it was their clean, fast website with easy-to-understand information on their programs and partnerships. The Academy has unified messaging that is effective. At the time, I just liked what I saw. Now I understand the methodology, which is an authentic representation of the Academy.”

Martin-Hayes, Jr. also connect with Alex Volyk, Senior Admissions Advisor, who helped make things happen for him. Martin-Hayes, Jr. took a big risk leaving his full time job to enroll in the immersive software development course with Eleven Fifty Academy and Volyk helped facilitate a successful experience. To support himself, Martin-Hayes, Jr. worked nights at his job, and indicates that he had

“amazing support” to keep up with the coursework. “Most full-time Eleven Fifty students were coding after hours every day and on the weekends, as it’s [coding] tough stuff and I had never seen code before. My instructors worked with me to make sure that I had the right resources and support,” states Martin-Hayes, Jr.

Through coding, Martin-Hayes, Jr. was able to realize his desire to build things and to earn a very nice living. In business, structure is highly coveted. Coding enables creativity and experimentation of possible solutions, which appeals to Martin-Hayes, Jr.

“If someone is looking for a career change — now is the time to enroll at Eleven Fifty Academy! Take advantage of CARES Act funding and leverage this opportunity to transform your life,” says Martin-Hayes, Jr., a former Butler football player.

Martin-Hayes, Jr. shares that he chose a career in tech because “everything was turning into a computer”. He feels that coding is a safe space to be creative and have a sustainable career, adding, “Careers go beyond soft skills and business credentials — it is all about tech now.”

During the immersive bootcamp, Martin-Hayes, Jr. described failing forward in order to learn, “Cod-

ing is 100% a puzzle and the pieces fit together somehow, it’s my job [the job of developers] to solve it. Rarely did I get it right the first time.”

Martin-Hayes, Jr. liked the structure of the Eleven Fifty Academy course and the time expectations of how much to put into it. He strongly encourages people to have a positive mindset when approaching a career transition.

In addition to a positive mindset, Martin-Hayes, Jr. suggests setting a goal for what someone wants to do with their skills when the course is complete. He says, “It can be a leap of faith, but know your end game and work hard to reach it.”

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## How COVID-19 impacts substance use disorders

By STEVE SMITHERMAN

Over 81,000 fatal drug overdoses occurred in the U.S. throughout a 12-month period ending in May 2020, the highest number of overdose fatalities ever recorded in that amount of time, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). While overdose deaths were already increasing in the months preceding the 2019 novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19), the latest numbers suggest an acceleration of substance use, causing deaths during the pandemic.

CareSource, a nonprofit, nationally recognized health plan, continuously supports Hoosiers with addiction resources to provide equal access for substance use disorders (SUD). Findings from IU Addiction research have pointed out that treatment options are sparse in Indiana. In fact, some parts of the state have no treatment options at all.

CareSource works to make behavioral and addiction treatments accessible for Indiana residents who struggle with substance use disorder and behavioral health concerns. Below is more information regarding options for Hoosiers hoping to see fewer overdose deaths as we begin to emerge out of the pandemic in the coming months.

### Impacts of COVID-19 on mental health and addiction

Health concerns, financial worry due to job loss, isolation and loneliness during the pandemic have all affected our mental well-being. Although overdose deaths were already increasing the year prior to the start of the pandemic, the stress of the virus has impacted populations, contributing to the continued escalation of overdose deaths. According to the CDC, 13% of Americans reported starting or increasing substance use as a means of coping with stress related to COVID-19. Additionally, between 2019

and 2020, CareSource saw an increase of 68% of Indiana Medicaid members with a substance use-related service.

The effects of the pandemic can be seen nationally and in our own close communities. In Marion County alone, emergency medical services (EMS) calls concerning accidental overdoses increased by 43% and calls for service with naloxone, or Narcan, administration increased 61% after the stay-at-home order since March 2020, per the Journal of Urban Health. Citizens have also felt uneasy attending regular doctor visits because of the virus, leading to the popularity of telemedicine. Pre-COVID, less than 1% of behavioral health services were delivered via telemedicine, but in 2020, 63% of psychotherapy visits were delivered via telemedicine. This means close to two of every three visits performed were via telemedicine. Adequate telemedicine services were difficult to obtain due to increased demand. Accessible health services are needed to combat these dangerous statistics and to provide Indiana residents with the care and services needed to support living a life in recovery.

### Options for Treatment

CareSource knows that treatment works, and recovery is possible. An important first step includes early intervention to address the issue and to develop healthy coping skills and confidence to prevent relapse. A crucial SUD treatment, Medicated Assisted Treatment (MAT), is described as a “whole-patient” approach incorporating medication and behavioral counseling to treat addiction, according to the U.S. Department of Health. The treatment, regulated by a doctor, allows those with a substance use disorder to reduce their cravings and dependency quickly to begin their recovery. CareSource covers MAT with no barriers to access, promoting a robust continuum of care while making sure members get the right treatment when they need it.



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CareSource has a long history of working with populations to address the need for SUD treatment. CareSource works in conjunction with the state, as well as trusted partnerships with Indiana University Health, Eskenazi Health, Parkview Health and HealthLinc, to increase SUD member engagement into Care Management services, ensure timely follow-up with a provider following an emergency department (ED) visit, and to expand MAT treatments and Narcan accessibility. Narcan is an opioid antagonist designed to rapidly reverse an overdose, according to the National Institute of Drug Abuse. The medication can quickly restore normal respiration if breathing has slowed or stopped as a result of an overdose. In Indiana, Narcan is covered for Medicaid members, putting a crucial medication into the hands of those who need it most.

In addition to these services, experts advise a focus on self-care, including maintaining a consistent sleep schedule and reaching out for support when feeling isolated due to the restrictions of a pandemic. Holistic treatment is also critical, as good care is focused on more than just substance use. A quality treatment plan focuses on someone's mental and physical health as

well. Therefore, a strong combination of care coordination and focusing on a person's specific social determinants of health is critical in promoting engagement in treatment and recovery.

In a time where stress and anxiety can be unmanageable due to COVID-19, it is crucial to address the increasing statistics of overdose and provide accessible resources to our local communities. CareSource has and continues to focus on substance use treatments and behavioral health care to encourage recovery throughout the entire process.

If you know someone struggling with addiction during this time, CareSource offers Care Management for members struggling with addiction, which can be accessed at 1-855-475-3163, as well as support through our 24-hour addiction hotline. Call 1-833-674-6437 to reach a Care Advocate. And finally, consider attending support groups close to home, like Al-Anon, Nar-Anon, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, or Parents of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL) and referring to resources like bewellindiana.com and in.gov/recovery/know-the-facts/.

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### Community-based organizations invited to apply for the COVID Community Recovery Grant Program

There is no entity better qualified to lift up residents than the community-based organizations that already serve them every day. That's why Mayor Joe Hogsett and I have partnered with the nonprofit Resolve to Save Lives to provide \$1 million in grants to community organizations working to address racial inequities in COVID-19 response and recovery. This COVID Community Recovery Grant Program is part of our new efforts to address disparities in health and economic wellbeing that have resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic, including new pop-up vaccine clinics to provide greater access to this lifesaving protection for our neighbors.

Examples of projects could include but are not limited to: campaigns to increase education about COVID-19 and the available vaccines, mental health services such as counseling or community discussions, outreach activities to disseminate or gather information, and wrap-around services to support recovery from the financial or health impacts of the pandemic.

Applications are due by April 30, and will be reviewed by a diverse Advisory Committee with experts in public health, education, housing and urban development, and community engagement who are experienced working within Marion County. To apply, community-based organizations can visit [marion-health.org/communityrecovery-grant](https://marion-health.org/communityrecovery-grant) to fill out a simple online form that outlines details such as the COVID-19-related need, key



activities planned to address that need, and how the requested funds will be used. Directions for other ways to submit an application can also be found on the website. The average COVID Community Recovery Grant award is expected to be \$25,000, but mini-grants as low as \$2,500 will also be available for smaller projects.

With this grant program, we have the chance to break down barriers to health and wellbeing faced by our neighbors and improve our entire city's recovery from the pandemic. I encourage organizations serving minority communities across Marion County to visit [marionhealth.org/communityrecovery-grant](https://marionhealth.org/communityrecovery-grant) and apply.



Less than half of Americans are members of houses of worship



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By BOB SMIETANA  
Religion News Service

(RNS) — Ask Americans if they believe in God and most will say yes. But a growing number have lost faith in organized religion.

For the first time since the late 1930s, fewer than half of Americans say they belong to a church, synagogue or mosque, according to a new report from Gallup.

Forty-seven percent of Americans now say they belong to a house of worship, down from 70% in the mid-1990s and 50% in 2019. The decline is part of a continued drop in membership over the past 20 years, according to Gallup data.

The polling giant has been measuring church membership since 1937 when nearly three-quarters of the population (73%) reported membership in a house of worship. For much of that time, membership remained at about 70% but began to decline after 1999. By the late 2000s, membership had dropped to about 62% and has continued to fall.

Pollsters at Gallup looked at survey data from more than 6,000 Americans and compared data from 2018 to 2020 with two other time frames: 2008 to 2020 and 1998 to 2000.

The decline in membership coincides with the rise of the so-called “Nones” — those who claim no religious affiliation. Gallup reports about one in five Americans (21%) is a None — making them as large a group as evangelicals or Catholics. Other polls put the number at closer to 30%.

Few Nones belong to a house of worship, Gallup found.

“As would be expected, Americans without a religious preference are highly unlikely to belong to a church, synagogue or mosque, although a small proportion — 4% in the 2018-2020 (survey) — say they do,” the report from Gallup states. “That figure is down from 10% between 1998 and 2000.”

Gallup also found a decline in membership at churches, synagogues and mosques among religious Americans, who make up about 76% of the population. In the time frame from 1998 to 2000, about three-quarters (73%) of religious Americans were

members of a house of worship. That number has fallen to 60%.

Younger Americans are increasingly disconnected from organized religion, according to the report from Gallup. But the number of older Americans who are members of a house of worship has also declined in recent years.

In the time from 2008 to 2010, 73% of “traditionalists” — Gallup’s term for Americans born before 1945, were church members. That number has dropped to 66% in 2018 to 2020. Membership among Baby Boomers dropped from 63% to 58% during that same time frame, as did membership among Generation X (57% to 50%) and millennials (51% to 36%).

The gap between those who believe in a specific religion and those who participate in the life of a specific congregation is likely to prove a challenge for houses of worship. And the decline in church membership is likely to continue, according to Gallup.

“Churches are only as strong as their membership and are dependent on their members for financial support and service to keep operating,” said the report. “Because it is unlikely that people who do not have a religious preference will become church members, the challenge for church leaders is to encourage those who do affiliate with a specific faith to become formal, and active, church members.”

Measuring church membership and religious affiliation remains a challenge for researchers. From 1850 to 1950, the U.S. Census Bureau collected data on religious congregations in the United States and from 1906 to 1936 published a “Census of Religious Bodies.”

“The Census of Religious Bodies was conducted every 10 years until 1946,” Pew Research noted in a 2010 article on religion and the Census. “The 1936 Census of Religious Bodies was the last one published, however, because the U.S. Congress failed to appropriate money either to tabulate or to publish the information collected in the 1946 census. By 1956, Congress had discontinued the funding for this census altogether.”

Statisticians from more than 230 religious




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denominations and other religious bodies also compiled membership statistics for the 2010 U.S. Religion Census: Religious Congregations & Membership Study. That study, which includes county by county data, found religious organizations claimed just under half (48.7) of the United States population as adherents. Similar reports have been compiled every 10 years since 1980.

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By RAE KARIM

 Most times the question is asked: What’s next? These two words immediately bring the future to mind. These two words can also lead us to miss the present in the form of what’s now.

That’s one of the things I appreciate about Jesus. He always took time to not only consider what’s now, but He would also act in the present moment as needed. Most, if not all of the miracles that took place during Jesus’ time of ministry, happened when He or others were on their way to what’s next.

In Luke 7, after Jesus healed the centurion’s servant, He along with the disciples and a large crowd were on their way to Nain. During their trav-

els, Jesus saw a funeral procession. Yet, His eyes weren’t the only part of Him to see this. His heart did as well. Compassion fueled His next moves in this now situation, resulting in the resurrection of this mother’s only son. New life was given to this young man physically and new life by way of faith increased within the people.

There are two thoughts that follow Jesus operating in what’s now. The first is that we never hear of Jesus being bothered, annoyed or irritated by the interruption of what’s now taking priority of what’s next on His agenda. It was in these moments, these now moments we were and are afforded the opportunity to experience God who will leave the 99 for the one. It’s us. We’re the one. The beauty of it all is that while we are the one, the 99 are still cared for because of the omnipresence, omnipotence and omniscience of God.

The second thought is though not always considered the case on our finite timetable, when Jesus does pause for the sake of what’s now, He’s never late for what’s next. A very familiar story about Jesus’ friends, Mary, Martha and Lazarus in John 11, confirms this thought. Lazarus died. His sisters, Martha and Mary, were quite adamant that if Jesus had been available in the now, which was then, when Lazarus was sick, he wouldn’t have died. The divine irony of this story is what’s next and what’s now were all the same. If Jesus hadn’t waited, there would have been no need for the miracle of Lazarus’ resurrection. If Jesus hadn’t waited, there would have been no opportunity for us to see Jesus’ holiness remain as His humanity was revealed in weeping. If Jesus hadn’t waited, we wouldn’t know the possibility of hearing our name called to light and life

of what’s next in the midst of a dead, dormant and dark what’s now.

Jesus took time, consideration and action in what’s now before moving too hastily to get to what’s next. Through Him we have relevant and relatable illustrations. Even more, we are reminded in Hebrews 11 that what’s now is our faith. It was faith that moved people to reach out to Jesus for their what’s now to change what’s next. It was faith that moved Jesus to pause for their what’s now and empower their what’s next.

Are you moved by faith to pause in what’s now or fear you’ll miss out on what’s next?

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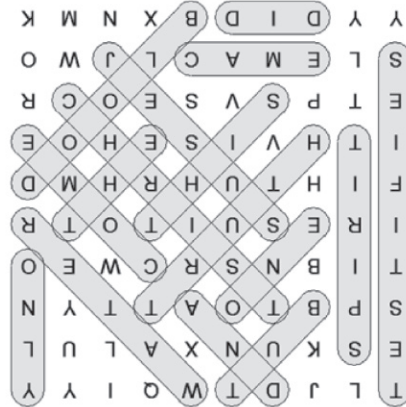
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- 3. When he had a vision, who said “Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean”? Adam, Reuben, Samson, Peter
- 4. From Acts 7, who was the first person martyred for his belief in Jesus Christ? Apollos, John the Baptist, Jehu, Stephen
- 5. When he met King Abimelech, Abraham pretended that Sarah was his ...? Mother, Neighbor, Sister, Daughter
- 6. Besides Jonah, what other prophet ministered in Nineveh? Nathan, Paul, Nahum, Philip

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) 700; 3) Peter; 4) Stephen; 5) Sister; 6) Nahum

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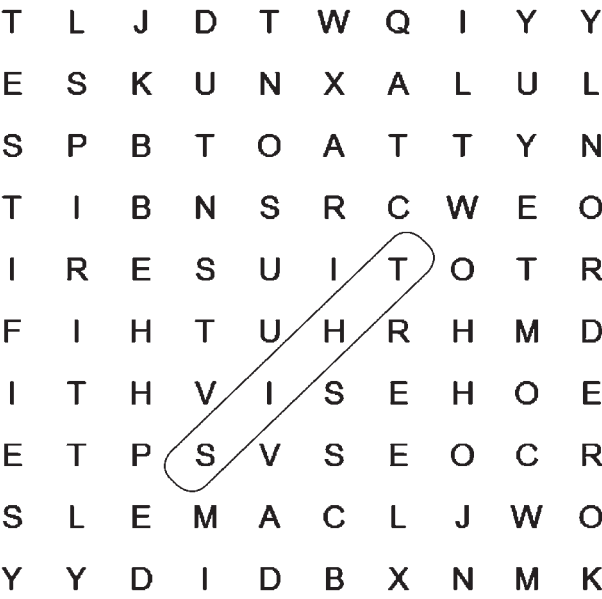


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## Biden administration makes pitch for higher business taxes

By JOSH BOAK  
Associated Press

The Biden administration is drilling down on the argument that higher corporate tax rates would ultimately help an ailing economy, saying the resulting infrastructure investments would boost growth.

Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said April 7 it was “self-defeating” for then-President Donald Trump to assume that cutting the corporate tax rate to 21% from 35% in 2017 would make the economy more competitive and unleash growth. Yellen said that competing on tax rates came at the expense of investing in workers.

“Tax reform is not a zero-sum game,” she told reporters on a call. “Win-win is an overused phrase, but we have a real win in front of us now.”

President Joe Biden last week proposed a \$2.3 trillion infrastructure plan that would largely be funded by an increase in the corporate tax rate to 28% and an expanded global minimum tax set at 21%. Yellen said the plan would double down on investing in workers’ skills and traditional infrastructure such as roads and bridges as well as modern infrastructure such as broadband. The increases would produce roughly \$2.5 trillion in revenues over 15 years, enough to cover the eight years’ worth of infrastructure investments being proposed.

The roughly \$200 billion gap between how much the taxes would raise and how much the administration wants to spend suggests there is space to address critics, such as West Virginia Sen. Joe

Manchin, a key Democratic vote, who would prefer a 25% rate. Republican lawmakers have opposed the plan because of its tax hikes and what they say is an overly broad definition of infrastructure.

Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo said businesses and lawmakers should come to the bargaining table, noting that there could be room to negotiate on the rate and timeline.

“There is room for compromise,” Raimondo said at the White House briefing. “What we cannot do, and what I am imploring the business community not to do, is to say, ‘We don’t like 28. We’re walking away. We’re not discussing.’”

Key to the Biden administration’s pitch is bringing corporate tax revenues closer to their historic levels, rather than hiking them to new highs that could make U.S. businesses less competitive globally.

Trump’s 2017 tax cuts halved corporate tax revenues to 1% of gross domestic product, which is a measure of the total income in the economy. Revenues had previously equaled 2% of GDP. That higher figure is still below the 3% average of peer nations in the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, the Treasury Department said in its summary of the plan.

Still, some say the administration’s claim is misleading.

“The administration should use statistics that directly measure the burden

on the corporate sector,” said Kyle Pomerleau, a fellow at the conservative American Enterprise Institute. “In fact, many measures

of effective tax rates show that the U.S.’s burden is pretty close to middle of the road. Biden’s plan would certain push up to the high end among our major trading partners.”

Yellen also said the 2017 tax cuts failed to deliver on Trump’s promise of an accelerating economy. Instead, the cuts encouraged other countries to

keep reducing their own tax rates in a “race-to-the-bottom” that the Biden plan believes can be halted with an enhanced minimum tax and agreements with other nations.

The infrastructure investments would increase the level of GDP in 2024 by 1.6%, according to estimates by Moody’s Analytics.

But the proposal has also drawn criticism from business groups such as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the Business Roundtable, which argue that higher taxes would hurt U.S. companies operating worldwide and the wider economy.

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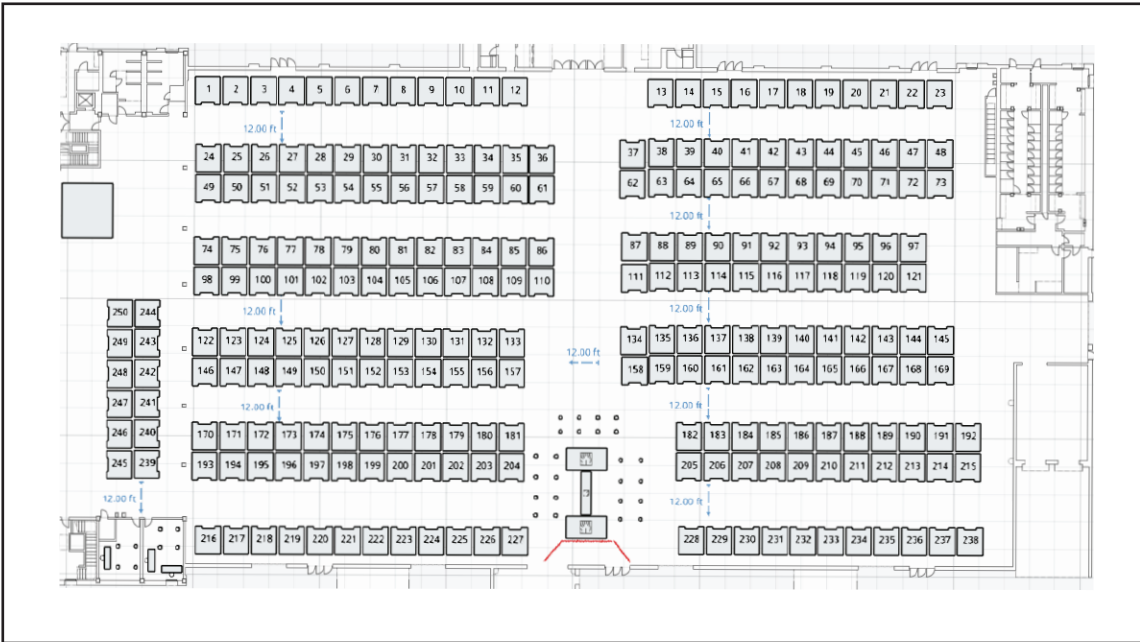
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146 Love Floats LLC  
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169 R.A.R.E COLLECTIONS BOUTIQUE  
170 RPM Financial Consulting  
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172 Majesty LLC (lip balm, organic cosmetics)  
173 Sip and Share Wines  
174 Gathering Cafe LLC

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177 TD D'Zines  
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179 Empowering Me Designs LLC  
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185 My 4 Pieces Boutique  
186 Cora Maloie, LLC  
187 Martin University  
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189 Inspired Fashion  
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192 Highly Favored Collections Inc  
193 Arched byesha  
194 DeAndra Dycus, LLC  
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201 Alexander Coleman Dance Company LIC  
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207 Agape Events & Consulting  
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209 AGAPE EVENT CONSULTING  
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211 SHE. Event Registration for Next SHE. Experience

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220 Gifts of Expressions For Women  
221 Majestyk Photography  
222 Rose Balloon Decor  
223 Uncle Dooney's Gourmet Apples  
224 Indiana Members Credit Union  
225 JusFam Photography  
226 Illicit Erotic LLC  
227 I-BE FASHION  
228 SweatBoxx Wellness Center LLC  
229 SweatBoxx Wellness Center LLC  
230 Joe's & Company  
231 Blended Beauty Total Skincare LLC  
232 Eighty One Face and Body  
233 YarnMe by Bree  
234 Ms. Murray's Naturals  
235 YUMMY!  
236 The Food Firm LLC  
237 Black Bowé Bistro & Bakery  
238 Black Bowé Bistro & Bakery  
239 The Newman Group  
240 Taste Buddies LLCup  
241 Admiration Uncensored  
242 Limited Edition Boutique  
243 A Scent of Sunshine  
244 A Queen's Closet Boutique LLC  
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246 Donna Kay Fashions  
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ADOPTION

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE JOHNSON SUPERIOR COURT )  
) SS: CIVIL DIVISION,  
COUNTY OF JOHNSON )  
CAUSE NO. 41D01-2102-AD-000010  
IN RE: THE ADOPTION OF:  
WILLIAM EMERY  
RENNAKER  
A MINOR CHILD,  
KYLER CASTRO,  
Petitioner  
NOTICE TO UNNAMED  
FATHER  
The unnamed putative father of the child born to Brittany Rennaker on March 1, 2011, or the person who claims to be the father of the child born to Brittany Rennaker on March 1, 2011, is notified that a Petition for Adoption of the child was filed in the office of the clerk of the Johnson Superior Court, 5 East Jefferson Street, Frankfort, Indiana 46131.

If the unnamed putative father seeks to contest the adoption of the child, the unnamed putative father must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with IC. 31-19-10-1 in the above-named court within thirty (30) days after the date of service of this notice. This notice may be served by publication.

If the unnamed putative father does not file a motion to contest the adoption within thirty (30) days after service of this notice, the above-named court shall hear and determine the petition for adoption. The unnamed putative father's consent is irrevocably implied, and the unnamed putative father loses the right to contest the adoption or the validity of the unnamed putative father's implied consent to the adoption. The unnamed putative father loses the right to establish paternity of the child, by affidavit or otherwise, in Indiana or any other jurisdiction. Nothing Brittany Rennaker or anyone else says to the unnamed putative father of the child relieves the unnamed putative father of his obligations under this notice.

Under Indiana law, a putative father is a person who is named as or claims that he may be the father of a child born out of wedlock but who has not yet been legally proven to be the child's father. This notice complies with IC. 31-19-4-4 but does not exhaustively set forth the unnamed putative father's legal obligations under the Indiana adoption statutes. A person being served with this notice should consult the Indiana adoption statutes.

5320-918704

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DISSOLUTION

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION  
STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT )  
) SS: CIVIL DIVISION )  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO. 49D10-2102-DC-044543  
IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:  
ASIA M. HUNT  
Petitioner.  
and  
HIAWATHIA E. HUNT, JR.  
Respondent.  
NOTICE OF SUIT  
The State of Indiana to the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is Dissolution of Marriage in the following action:

The Marriage Of Asia M. Hunt vs. Hiawathia E. Hunt, Jr.

This summons is by publication specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose last known addresses is: 624 Warren Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46221

That a hearing is scheduled for June 15, 2021, at 10:00 AM via [www.webex.com](http://www.webex.com). Instructions for hearing are [www.webex.com](http://www.webex.com): Meeting Number (access code): 179 71 4508 Password: D10mycourt321

And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Hiawathia E. Hunt Jr.

In addition to the above-named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer.

You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the 23rd day of May, 2021, (the same being thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgment may be entered against you for what the Petitioner has demanded.

3/31/2021  
Clerk of the Marion County Court

Attorney for Petitioner:  
Rachel Brunson  
HOCKER LAW  
6626 East 75th Street, Suite 410  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46250  
T: 317-578-1630  
5320-919017

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04/16/21  
04/23/21

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF MARION COUNTY

SS: COUNTY OF MARION  
CAUSE NO. 49D10-2103-DC-001955  
CROSS I. DAVIS  
3119 Lafayette Rd  
Indianapolis, IN 46222

-V-  
Malini B. Subramaiam  
Unknown

NOTICE OF SUIT  
The State of Indiana to the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is:

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are:

Malini B. Subramaiam  
Unknown

In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this suit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the 23rd day of May, 2021, (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgment will be

entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

Attorney for Plaintiff  
Attest:  
Clerk of the Marion Court,  
5320-918957

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04/16/21  
04/23/21

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF MARION COUNTY

SS: COUNTY OF MARION  
CAUSE NO. 49D14-2102-DN-000729  
Limotalai A. Awoyo  
Plaintiff(s)  
-V-  
Kazeem Awoyo  
Defendant(s)  
ORDER

The court, having considered the Plaintiff's Petition for Service by Publication in Marion County, Indiana, and being duly advised, hereby Grants said request.

Respondent may be served by Notice of these proceedings by publication in Marion County, IN.

SO ORDERED This March 23, 2021.

/s/ Tiffany Vivo  
Judge, Marion County Superior Court  
Distribution:  
Plaintiff/Petitioner:  
Limotalai A. Awoyo  
3305 O'Hara Ct., Apt. F,  
Indianapolis, IN 46224

Defendant/Respondent:  
Kazeem Awoyo  
Address Unknown  
5320-919117

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04/16/21  
04/23/21

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT )  
) SS: CIVIL DIVISION )  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO. 49D14-1901-DN-002504  
IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:  
REYNA IRAZOQUE  
PENALOZA  
Petitioner,  
and  
SUGAR IVAN URDAPILLETA  
AGUILAR  
Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT  
The State of Indiana to the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued under the above listed Cause Number.

The nature of the suit against you is:

Dissolution of Marriage

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are unknown.

And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown:

Sugar Ivan Urdapilleta Aguilar

In addition to the above-named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer.

You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the 16th day of May, 2021, (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

ATTEST:  
Clerk of Marion County  
Daniel Tucker  
Attorney for Petitioner  
TUCKER LAW, LLC  
317 S. State Ave.  
Indianapolis, IN 46201  
Office: (317) 971-2001  
5320-918905

04/02/21  
04/09/21  
04/16/21

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT )

SS: CIVIL DIVISION )  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO. 49D06-1901-DC-007165  
IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:  
ANDREA AVALOS  
Petitioner,  
and  
AARON GALLEGOS  
Respondent.

ORDER ON NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The object of the above-styled suit is for Petition to Set Aside Mother as Sole Custodial Parent and Issuance of passport to minor child Without consent of Non-Custodial Parent.

And, it appearing by Affidavit filed that Adan Gallegos, the above-named Respondent's, residence is unknown and that a diligent search has been made.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the notice be published once a week for three (3) successive weeks in a newspaper authorized by law to publish notices and published in the County of Marion, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Judge, Marion County  
March 15, 2021  
DISTRIBUTION  
Huelskamp & Associates  
1909 Prospect Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46203  
5320-918368

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04/09/21

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT )

SS: CIVIL DIVISION )  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO. 49D16-2103-DC-002039  
IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:  
Leticia Gama Aleman,  
Petitioner,  
and  
Enrique Briones Cadena,  
Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT  
To Respondent, Enrique Briones Cadena. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is:

Petitioner is seeking a Dissolution of Marriage from you and seeks to have a reasonable property settlement and seeks custody of your only child, reasonable child support, and various other matters related thereto.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named Respondent whose addresses are known:

NONE

And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Enrique Briones Cadena.

In addition to the above named Respondent being served by this summons there may be other Respondents who have an interest in this law suit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer.

You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the 23rd day of May, 2021, (the same being thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgment may be entered against you for what the Petitioner has demanded.

3/31/2021  
Clerk of the Marion County Court

Attorney for Petitioner:  
Rachel Brunson  
HOCKER LAW  
6626 East 75th Street, Suite 410  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46250  
T: 317-578-1630  
5320-919017

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04/23/21

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF MARION COUNTY

SS: COUNTY OF MARION  
CAUSE NO. 49D14-1901-DN-002504  
IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:  
REYNA IRAZOQUE  
PENALOZA  
Petitioner,  
and  
SUGAR IVAN URDAPILLETA  
AGUILAR  
Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT  
The State of Indiana to the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued under the above listed Cause Number.

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Dissolution of Marriage

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Attorney for Plaintiff  
Attest:  
Clerk of the Marion Court,  
5320-918957

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STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE MARION COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT )

SS: COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2103-MI-008914  
IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF:  
ALBURIDA HUGGINS,  
AN ADULT,  
For Change of Name.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME  
Notice is hereby given that I have filed in the Office of the Clerk of Marion County Circuit Court my Petition for change of my name from Alburida Huggins to Ida Mae Thomas and that said Petition will be heard by the Court in room W-506 on the following date and time:

June 2, 2021, at 9:00 AM or as soon thereafter as may be convenient with the Court.

Any person has the right to appear at this hearing and file an objection.

This matter will be heard remotely, and the Court will issue a WebEx/Zoom invitation for attendance at the hearing.

For change of Name, Notice of Petition for Change of Name

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For change of Name, Notice of Petition for Change of Name

Notice is hereby given that I have filed in the Office of the Clerk of Marion County Circuit Court my Petition for change of my name from Alburida Huggins to Ida Mae Thomas and that said Petition will be heard by the Court on the 4th



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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

49D08-2011-EU-039363  
David A. Retherford  
DAVID A. RETHERFORD,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW, INC.,  
8801 Southeastern Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46239  
(317) 862-5744  
NOTICE OF SUPERVISED  
ADMINISTRATION  
In the Marion Superior Court  
#8  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
Karen E. Hayes, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that  
Amy E. Hayes was on the  
5th day of November, 2020,  
appointed Personal  
Representative of the  
Estate of Karen E. Hayes,  
deceased, who died on the  
2nd day of November, 2020.  
All persons who have claims  
against this estate, whether  
or not now due, must file the  
claim in the office of the clerk  
of this court within three  
(3) months from the date of  
the first publication of this  
notice, or within nine (9)  
months after the decedent's  
death, whichever is earlier,  
or the claims will be forever  
barred.  
Dated at Indianapolis,  
Indiana, this 5th day of  
November, 2020,  
Clerk of the Marion Superior  
Court #8  
5320-918767

7748 Madison Avenue,  
Suite C  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46227  
5320-918746  
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49D08-2103-EU-008930  
David A. Retherford,  
DAVID A. RETHERFORD,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW, INC.,  
8801 Southeastern Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46239  
(317) 862-5744  
NOTICE OF SUPERVISED  
ADMINISTRATION  
In the Marion Superior Court  
#8  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
Clyde Holton, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that  
David W.C. Holton was on  
the 15th day of March, 2021,  
appointed Personal  
Representative of the Estate  
of Clyde Holton, deceased,  
who died on the 2nd day of  
February, 2021.  
All persons who have claims  
against this estate, whether  
or not now due, must file the  
claim in the office of the clerk  
of this court within three  
(3) months from the date of  
the first publication of this  
notice, or within nine (9)  
months after the decedent's  
death, whichever is earlier,  
or the claims will be forever  
barred.  
Dated at Indianapolis,  
Indiana, this 15th day of  
March, 2021,  
Clerk of the Marion Superior  
Court #8  
5320-918702

49D08-2103-EU-009439  
Lynn E. Jackson, #4858-49  
431 E. Hanna Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46227  
(317) 782-9890  
NOTICE OF  
ADMINISTRATION  
In the Superior Court of  
MARION COUNTY, Indiana.  
Notice is given that Anita  
Garba was, on March 2,  
2021, appointed personal  
representative of Joyce A.  
Eaker, deceased, who died  
on November 2, 2020, and  
is authorized to administer  
this estate without court  
supervision.  
All persons who have claims  
against this estate, whether  
or not now due, must file  
the claim in the office of the  
clerk of the Marion  
COUNTY SUPERIOR  
COURT, Probate Division  
within three (3) months from  
the date of publication of this  
notice, or within nine (9)  
months after the Decedent's  
death, whichever is earlier,  
or the claims will be forever  
barred.  
Dated at Marion County,  
Indiana, this March 2, 2021,  
CLERK OF MARION  
COUNTY SUPERIOR  
COURT,  
PROBATE DIVISION  
Shane A. Toland  
TOLAND LAW FIRM  
7748 Madison Avenue,  
Suite C  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46227  
5320-918747

STATE OF INDIANA )  
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR  
COURT  
(SS: PROBATE DIVISION  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO.  
49D08-2102-EU-006937  
IN THE MATTER OF THE  
UNSUPERVISED  
ESTATE OF MARY JANE  
ESKRIDGE, Deceased.  
NOTICE OF  
ADMINISTRATION  
Notice is hereby given that  
Brent Eskridge was on the  
day of March 17,  
2021, appointed Personal  
Representative of the Estate  
of Mary Jean Eskridge,  
deceased. All persons  
having claims against this  
estate, whether or not now  
due, must file the claim in  
the office of the clerk of  
this Court within three (3)  
months from the date of  
the first publication of this  
notice, or within nine (9)  
months after the decedent's  
death, whichever is earlier,  
or the claims will be forever  
barred.  
Dated at Indianapolis,  
Indiana, this 17th day of  
March, 2021,  
Clerk of the Marion County  
Superior Court, Probate  
Division  
G. Thomas Blankenship  
Attorney at Law #2773-49  
7050 Madison Avenue  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46227  
(317) 783-3167  
5320-918913  
04/02/21  
04/09/21

STATE OF INDIANA )  
IN THE MARION COUNTY  
SUPERIOR COURT  
(SS: PROBATE DIVISION  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO.  
49D08-2103-EU-007423  
IN THE MATTER OF THE  
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE  
OF ELI HARRIS, DECEASED  
NOTICE OF  
ADMINISTRATION  
In the Marion Superior  
Court, Probate Division,  
of Marion County, Indiana.  
Notice is hereby given that  
on March 5, 2021, Michelle  
Garba was appointed the  
Personal Representative of  
the Estate of Eli Harris,  
who died on January  
20, 2021. Said personal  
representative was  
authorized to administer  
said estate without court  
supervision.  
All person who have claims  
against the estate, whether  
or not now due, must file  
the claim in the office of the  
Clerk of this Court within  
three (3) months from the  
date of this first publication  
of this notice, or within nine  
(9) months after decedent's  
death, which is earlier, or  
the claims will be forever  
barred.  
Clerk, Marion Superior  
Court, Probate  
Date: March 5, 2021  
This instrument prepared  
by:  
Merithd Hammer, Esq.  
(Attorney #22990-49)  
404 Ruskin Pl  
Indianapolis, IN 46205  
(317) 446-8844, 800-222-  
9006 (fax)  
Merithd@TheHammerLegalGroup.com  
Attorney for Michelle Garba  
& Estate Eli Harris  
5320-918587  
04/02/21  
04/09/21

49D08-2103-EU-008554  
STATE OF INDIANA )  
IN THE MARION COUNTY  
SUPERIOR COURT  
(SS: PROBATE DIVISION  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO.:  
IN RE THE ESTATE OF:  
CATHERINE L. BLACK,  
DECEASED  
NOTICE OF  
ADMINISTRATION  
In the Superior Court of  
MARION County, Indiana  
Notice is given that Ruth  
Hurrell was, on MARCH 11,  
2021, appointed personal  
representative of Catherine  
L. Black, deceased, who  
died on February 23,  
2021, and is authorized to  
administer the estate  
without court supervision.  
All persons who have claims  
against this estate, whether  
or not now due, must file  
the claim in the office of the  
clerk of the MARION  
COUNTY SUPERIOR  
COURT, Probate Division  
within three (3) months from  
the date of publication of  
this notice, or within nine  
(9) months from the date of  
death, whichever is earlier,  
or the claims will be forever  
barred.  
Dated at Marion County,  
Indiana, this MARCH 11,  
2021,  
CLERK OF MARION  
COUNTY SUPERIOR  
COURT,  
PROBATE DIVISION  
Shane A. Toland  
TOLAND LAW FIRM

been a substantial change  
in applicable factors as to  
warrant a modification in the  
current custody order.  
The Court now ORDERS as  
follows:  
1. The current custody order  
is modified, and custody of the  
minor child(ren) shall be  
granted to Keyon Burnett.  
2. Keyuana Patton will pay  
support to Keyon Burnett  
in the amount of: \$ \_ per  
week, per the Child Support  
Guidelines Worksheets  
3. Keyuana Patton  
shall have parenting time in  
accordance with the Indiana  
Parenting Time Guidelines  
4. deviation from the Indiana  
Parenting Time Guidelines  
is warranted and parenting  
time shall be as follows: \_  
So ordered this \_  
Judicial Officer  
5320-918908  
04/02/21  
04/09/21  
04/16/21

NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
MEETING  
OF THE  
CENTRAL INDIANA  
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
AUTHORITY  
Notice is hereby given that  
the Central Indiana  
Regional Development  
Authority (RDA) will be  
meeting during the following  
dates and times via Zoom,  
an online meeting platform:  
Tuesday, June 29, 2021,  
at 2:00 p.m. The public is  
welcome to call into the  
meeting: (312) 626-6799  
Meeting ID: 824 7289 4135  
Passcode: 5720226.  
Tuesday, September 28,  
2021, at 1:00 p.m. The  
public is welcome to call  
into the meeting: (312) 626-  
6799 Meeting ID: 850 8106  
4872 Passcode: 4309436.  
Wednesday, December  
15, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. The  
public is welcome to call  
into the meeting: (312) 626-  
6799 Meeting ID: 828 7419  
9980 Passcode: 6393277.  
Questions about meeting  
accommodations for people  
with disabilities should be  
requiring further assistance  
may be made to Danielle  
Gerlach, Danielle.Gerlach@  
INDYMO.org, (317) 327-  
5135. For more information  
about the Central Indiana  
Regional Development  
Authority, visit https://  
www.indymo.org/maps-  
resources/rda.  
5320-919021  
04/09/21

NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
HEARING  
AND  
REQUEST FOR PUBLIC  
REVIEW AND COMMENT  
2022-2025 INDIANAPOLIS  
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM  
ADOPTION  
Notice is hereby given that  
the 2022-2025 Indianapolis  
Regional Transportation  
Improvement Program  
(RTIP) is now being offered  
for public review and  
comment. Public comments  
may be made by phone to  
Kristyn Sanchez at (317)  
327-5137, emailed to  
kristyn.sanchez@indymo.  
org, or mailed to 200 E.  
Washington Street, City  
County Building Suite 2322,  
Indianapolis, IN 46204.  
All comments should be  
received by April 21st.  
Notice is hereby given that  
at 8:00 AM on Wednesday,  
April 21, 2021, the  
Indianapolis Transportation  
Policy Committee will  
conduct a public hearing  
on Resolution 121-MP-  
007, approving the 2022-  
2025 Indianapolis Regional  
Transportation Improvement  
Program via Zoom.com.  
For full meeting details and  
further information, visit  
https://www.indymo.org/  
calendar. Copies of the  
items above and all plans  
and exhibits pertaining  
thereto are available on the  
Indianapolis MPO's website:  
www.indymo.org.  
The public participation  
process described above  
is used to satisfy the public  
participation process for the  
Program of Projects (POP).  
The following Federal  
Transit Administration (FTA)  
grantee: Indianapolis Public  
Transportation Corporation  
(IndyGo).  
The public participation  
process described above  
is consistent with the  
policies and procedures  
for public involvement  
that have been formally  
adopted by CRTA. The POP  
meets all applicable public  
participation requirements  
pertaining to grants  
associated with the Federal  
Highway Administration  
(FHWA) and Federal Transit  
Administration (FTA).  
For accommodation needs  
for persons with disabilities,  
please call (317) 327-5136.  
5320-918990  
04/09/21

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE  
The Indianapolis Public  
Transportation Corporation  
(dba IndyGo) will host a  
PUBLIC MEETING  
on Tuesday, April 13th,  
2021, to announce a "Call  
for Projects" for eligible  
agencies, organizations,  
and companies interested  
in submitting transportation  
projects for funding  
consideration through the  
Federal Transit  
Administration's (FTA's)  
Section 5310 grant program.  
The meeting is open to the  
public and will be held at  
10:00 a.m. EST via Zoom.  
The Section 5310 program  
will provide capital grant  
assistance for programs that  
provide "Enhanced Mobility  
for Seniors and Individuals  
with Disabilities." Eligible  
recipients of the grant funds  
include: private Indiana  
not-for-profit organizations,  
and authorized units of  
local government. All  
funding projects must  
have been derived from  
the Indianapolis area  
Coordinated Transportation  
Plan. All federally funded  
projects require local  
matching funds of 20%  
of total project cost. IPTC  
will make applications  
available to download from  
the IndyGo website (www.  
indygo.net) on April 13,  
2021. IndyGo estimates  
\$550,000 in Section 5310  
funding will be available for  
the 2021 call for projects.  
For further information  
on this grant opportunity  
please contact Ryan Wilhite  
at (317) 536-2660 or at  
rwilhite@indygo.net.  
5320-919000  
04/09/21

NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
Bowen Engineering  
Corporation (a General  
Contractor) An Equal  
Employment Opportunity  
Employer is seeking  
Certified MBE/WBE owned  
business bids for the  
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project, also known as  
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Subcontracting opportu-  
nities available  
are for stone, trucking saw  
cutting, erosion control, pipe  
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diesel fuel, asphalt paving,  
temp fencing, electrical,  
and MOT. Interested and  
Certified xBE business  
parties should send bids  
to:  
Bowen Engineering  
Corporation  
3115 E. 82nd Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46214  
(317) 536-2660  
or  
bids@boweneng.com  
Bids due by  
Friday, April 9, 2021  
at 2:00 PM EST.  
Questions  
regarding the  
project or  
bidding  
process  
should be  
directed to  
Ryan Wilhite  
at (317) 536-  
2660 or  
rwilhite@indygo.net.  
5320-919000  
04/09/21

to Rebecca Lee at rlee@  
bowenengineering.com.  
All bids and applicable  
BID documentation must  
be submitted on or before  
the bid date of April 16,  
2021, at 11:00 a.m. Plans  
are available for viewing  
at Bowen Engineering  
Corporation, at https://ebs.  
bowenengineering.com/  
planroom/ . Job Name:  
IUHealth Password: utilities.  
5320-919140  
04/09/21

Indianapolis Public  
Transportation Corporation  
(IPTC)  
Request For Proposal  
RFP 21-01-383 On-Site  
Clinic and Wellness  
Program  
Summary: Indianapolis  
Public Transportation  
Corporation (IndyGo) is  
seeking an onsite health  
and wellness clinic to  
provide health primary  
health care services and  
most importantly engage all  
full-time active employees  
in wellness activities.  
The goal of the well-ness  
program is to improve  
awareness of healthy living  
and overall well-being of  
IPTC employees. The  
program will ideally help  
employees improve their  
health, proactively treat certain  
chronic health conditions,  
boost morale, reduce  
stress, and create a culture  
of wellness. Clinicians  
View: IFB Online at  
https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/  
Issue of RFP: 03/30/2021  
at 2:00 p.m. EST  
Pre-Bid Meeting: 04/05/2021  
@ 2:00 p.m. EST by remote  
connection  
Written Questions Due:  
04/13/2021 by 2:00 p.m.  
Answers Provided and  
Posted: 04/19/2021  
Proposal Due Date:  
04/30/2021 by 2:00 p.m.  
EST (electronic bids only -  
no hard copies)  
Notice of Award: 06/24/2021  
@ 5:00 p.m. EST - IPTC  
Board Meeting - by remote  
connection only  
5320-919040  
04/09/21  
04/16/21  
04/23/21  
04/30/21

STATE OF INDIANA

Legal Notice  
STATE OF INDIANA  
DEPARTMENT OF  
ADMINISTRATION  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
ON BEHALF OF:  
Indiana Department of  
Health  
SOLICITATION FOR:  
Cancer Control Program  
Evaluation Services  
PROPOSAL DUE DATE  
May 5, 2021 by 2:00 PM  
EDT  
Detailed Information  
can be found at:  
https://fs.gmis.in.gov/  
psc/guest/SUPPLIER/  
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5320-919101  
04/09/21

SUMMONS

STATE OF INDIANA )  
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR  
COURT  
(SS: PROBATE DIVISION  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO.  
49D05-2103-CT-008634  
DORNITA JACOBS,  
INDIVIDUALLY and as parent  
and next friend of  
minors, DENIA JACOBS  
and DENYHA JACOBS,  
Plaintiffs,  
v.  
NIOUDNIV LAGUERRE and  
BELAVAL LAGUERRE,  
Defendants.  
SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY  
PUBLICATION -- NOTICE  
OF SUIT  
1. Nioudniv Laguerre and  
Belaval Laguerre have been  
sued in the Court identified  
above.  
2. This notice is being  
directed to Defendants,  
Nioudniv Laguerre and  
Belaval Laguerre, whose  
whereabouts are currently  
unknown, and any other  
individuals who may have  
an interest in the lawsuit  
captioned Dornita Jacobs,  
individually and as parent  
and next friend of minors,  
Denia Jacobs and Denyha  
Jacobs v. Nioudniv Laguerre  
and Belaval Laguerre,  
Cause No. 49D05-2103-  
CT-008634, in the Marion  
County Superior Court Civil  
Division 5.  
3. A Complaint for Damages  
was filed on March 12,  
2021, by Plaintiffs, Dornita  
Jacobs, individually and as  
parent and next friend of  
minors, Denia Jacobs and  
Denyha Jacobs, against  
Defendants, Nioudniv  
Laguerre and Belaval  
Laguerre. Defendant's  
negligence directly and  
proximately caused a  
collision that occurred on  
November 21, 2019, in  
Marion County, Indiana,  
and resulted in the Plaintiffs  
sustaining injuries of a  
personal and pecuniary  
nature.  
4. Nioudniv Laguerre and  
Belaval Laguerre, you must  
respond to the Complaint,  
in writing, within thirty (30)  
days after the last notice of  
the action is published. To  
Wit: Schiller Law Offices,  
LLC, 210 East Main Street,  
Carmel, IN 46032. If you  
fail to do so, judgment by  
default may be entered  
against you for the relief  
demanded in Plaintiff's  
Complaint for Damages.  
3/17/2020  
Dated /s/ Clerk of Marion  
County Courts  
5320-919098  
04/09/21  
04/16/21  
04/23/21

MDK # 21-001269  
STATE OF INDIANA )  
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR  
COURT #2  
(SS: PROBATE DIVISION  
COUNTY OF MARION )  
CAUSE NO.  
49D02-2102-MF-006606  
Wilmington Savings Fund  
Society, FSB, as trustee of  
Stanwich Mortgage Loan  
Trust I  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Lyle B. Webb, et al.  
Defendants.  
NOTICE OF SUIT  
BY  
PUBLICATION  
TO: The Unknown heirs,  
devisees, legatees,  
beneficiaries of Colson  
Webb and their unknown  
creditors; and, the unknown  
executor, administrator, or  
personal representative of  
the Estate of Colson  
Webb. IT IS KNOWN, that  
Wilmington Savings Fund  
Society, FSB, as trustee of  
Stanwich Mortgage Loan  
Trust I, the above-named  
Plaintiff, by its attorney, J.  
Dustin Smith, has filed in  
the office of the Clerk of  
the Marion Superior Court  
#2 its Complaint against  
Defendant The Unknown  
heirs, devisees, legatees,  
beneficiaries of Colson  
Webb and their unknown  
creditors; and, the unknown  
executor, administrator, or  
personal representative of  
the Estate of Colson

Webb, and the said Plaintiff  
having also filed in said  
Clerk's office the affidavit  
of a duly sworn person  
showing that the residence  
and whereabouts of the  
Defendant, The Unknown  
heirs, devisees, legatees,  
beneficiaries of Colson  
Webb and their unknown  
creditors; and, the unknown  
executor, administrator, or  
personal representative of  
the Estate of Colson Webb,  
upon diligent inquiry is  
unknown, that the said  
cause of action is for default  
on the promissory note and  
to foreclose a mortgage on  
the following described real  
estate in Marion County,  
State of Indiana, to wit:  
Lot Number One Hundred  
Six (106) in Brookstone at  
Twin Creeks, Section 1,  
a Subdivision in Marion  
County, Indiana, as per plat  
thereof recorded April 8,  
1993 as Instrument Number  
93-40719 in the Office of the  
Recorder of Marion County,  
Indiana.  
commonly known as  
5040 Bird Branch Drive,  
Indianapolis, IN 46268.  
NOW, THEREFORE, said  
Defendant is hereby notified  
of the filing and pendency  
of said Complaint against  
them and that unless they  
appear and answer or  
otherwise defend thereto  
within thirty (30) days after  
the last notice of this action  
is published, judgment by  
default may be entered  
against said Defendant for  
the relief demanded in the  
Complaint.  
Dated Clerk, Marion  
Superior Court #2  
J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)  
Stephanie A. Reinhart  
(25071-06)  
Sarah E. Barrgrover  
(28840-64)  
Nicholas M. Smith (31800-  
15)  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
MANLEY DEAS  
KOCIALSKI LLC  
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## Baylor completes long turnaround, wins first national championship

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Scott Drew has done the unthinkable twice in his coaching career. First, he took a job leading Baylor University's basketball program when it looked like no one in their right mind would touch it. Then he built and fortified it for 18 years, leading the Bears to their first national championship April 5 at Lucas Oil Stadium.

Baylor (28-2) brought the hammer and kept swinging in an 86-70 unraveling of Gonzaga (31-1), spoiling a perfect season from the team considered all season to be the best in the country and the No. 1 overall seed in the NCAA Tournament.

Baylor opened the game on a 9-0 run that included four offensive rebounds and four second-chance points. The Bears made their first five 3-pointers on their way to a 26-10 lead.

"Electrifying," said Baylor junior guard Jared Butler, named the most outstanding player of the Final Four with a team-high 22 points in the title game. "Especially in that type of moment, a big game. And everybody stepped up. Everybody was clicking on all cylinders. That's what it takes to win."

Later, there was sophomore guard Adam Flagler driving into the lane off of a handoff and drawing two defenders so he could lob the ball over the top to sophomore forward Jonathan 'Tchamwa Tchatchoua for an alley-oop that left the basket shaking as Gonzaga inbounded the ball early in the second half.

There was senior forward Mark Vital blocking Gonzaga senior forward Corey Kispert's layup a few minutes later, when Gonzaga was trying to get within single digits, and



INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA - APRIL 05: MaCio Teague #31 of the Baylor Bears raises the trophy after defeating the Gonzaga Bulldogs in the National Championship game of the 2021 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament at Lucas Oil Stadium on April 05, 2021 in Indianapolis, Indiana. (Photo by Jamie Schwaberow/NCAA Photos via Getty Images)

Flagler drilling a 3-pointer from the right wing to stretch Baylor's lead to 67-51.

"The more aggressive team makes more 3s," Kispert said on a night he shot 2 of 7 from behind the arc and had 12 points. "The more aggressive team gets more rebounds. And they punched us in the mouth right at the get-go. And it took a long, long time for us to recover and start playing them even again. But then it was too late."

The smaller jabs from Baylor — seven steals, 16 offensive rebounds, 16 second-chance points — are why Gonzaga, despite making 51% of its shots, hardly felt threatening after the Bears' initial surge.

The Bulldogs were slow to find their feet — they didn't get their first basket until the 15:28 mark — but once they did, it looked like the same offense that carried Gonzaga

to 31-0.

The Zags lagged behind Baylor's hot shooting from outside but still went into the locker room shooting 55% from the floor. Sophomore forward Drew Timme was the most consistent part of the Bulldogs' attack in the first 20 minutes, scoring 10 points on 4-of-5 shooting.

That's why the Bulldogs found themselves down only 10 at halftime, despite trailing by as much as 19.

Baylor's defense, led by junior Defensive Player of the Year Davion Mitchell, instead put constant pressure on Gonzaga each trip down the floor with deflected passes.

Freshman guard Jalen Suggs, who put the Zags in the title game with a buzzer-beater in the semifinal against UCLA, didn't score until he hit a layup at the 5:30 mark, but he finished the game with 22 points.

What Gonzaga didn't have — despite the record and statistics and heroics — was the ability to run and shoot with the likes of Baylor for 40 minutes in a game that should have been a rematch after the two teams had to cancel a matchup exactly four months ago, on Dec. 5, 2020, because of COVID-19.

"They were just so much more aggressive," Gonzaga head coach Mark Few said of the early deficit his team wasn't able to overcome. "We haven't played like that this year. They literally busted us out of anything we could possibly do on offense."

The Bulldogs worked the deficit down to 13 with 6:10 to play, their last gasp, but Baylor went on a 7-2 run and it was too late to reverse the inevitable.

That's when Baylor's sideline was visibly giddy, the clock ticking with a title in grasp.

"Coaching is like being a parent," Drew said. "And Christmas time, you see the kids opening up presents. You see them excited, you're excited."

No matter what, one coach was walking away from Lucas Oil Stadium with his program's first national title. Gonzaga most recently went to the championship game in 2017 but lost to North Carolina.

That it was Drew means one of college basketball's most unlikely comeback stories has reached its crest, and who knows how long it might stay there.

When Drew took the Baylor job in 2003, the Bears were under investigation from the NCAA following the murder of sophomore Patrick Dennehy by teammate Carlton Dotson. The investigation brought up many infractions and forced the resignation of head coach Dave Bliss.

The school self-imposed three years of probation and scholarship limitations, along with other penalties from the NCAA.

As the green and yellow confetti settled on the "Unity" court at Lucas Oil Stadium after Baylor's win, Drew reminisced — adrenaline and all — on what the last 18 years have been like and what it means to be on top of college basketball after dragging it there from the bottom.

He said screenwriter John Lee Hancock, a Baylor graduate, promised a movie if the Bears won a national championship.

"We're getting a movie!" Drew yelled.

Joking or not, Baylor's 18-year ride deserves more recognition than one night can offer.

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## Pacers continue to falter, fall to Bulls



Left: Pacers guard Caris LeVert is defended by Bulls guard Tomas Satoransky during Indiana's 113-97 loss to Chicago on April 6 at Bankers Life Fieldhouse. (Photos/Walt Thomas)

Above: Pacers guard Edmond Sumner goes up for a layup. He had 15 points.

## Carmel beats Lawrence North for 4A title



Carmel defeated Lawrence North, 51-46, in overtime April 3 to secure its fifth state title and fourth since 2012.



Lawrence North finished the season 28-3 and was playing for its fifth state title and first since 2006. (Photos/David Dixon)