



Colin Powell

Colin Powell has died of COVID-19 complications, family says

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press

Colin Powell, who served Democratic and Republican presidents in war and peace but whose sterling reputation was forever stained when he went before the U.N. and made faulty claims to justify the U.S. war in Iraq, has died of COVID-19 complications. He was 84. A veteran of the Vietnam War, Powell rose to the rank of four-star general and in 1989 became the first Black chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In that role he

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Council approves \$1.3 billion 2022 budget



The Indianapolis City-County Council approved the 2022 budget Oct. 18, 2021. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

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The Indianapolis City-County Council approved a \$1.3 billion 2022 budget Oct. 18, with the largest chunks of funding going toward public safety programs and criminal justice. The ordinance passed with a 23-1 vote, capping an annual budget process that was unique this year because it was packaged with an extra \$419 million from the federal American Rescue Plan. The city will spend that money over the next three years. Democratic councilor Ethan Evans was the lone no vote. Mayor Joe Hogsett introduced his proposed budget in August, followed by presentations from the mayor's office to each council committee, all of which returned a do-pass recommendation to the full council. The budget includes both city and county departments because of the Indianapolis-Marion County consolidation.

Budget highlights

Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department represents the largest portion of city funds at \$295 million, or 30% of all money for city departments. About \$30 million is reserved for the police pension fund. The Indianapolis Fire Department and Department of Public Works each make up about 21% of the city's budget. The Marion County Sheriff's Office has the largest chunk of funding at \$108.5 million, or 27% of all money for county departments. Marion Superior Court is set to receive 16% of county funds. The Marion County Coroner's Office, which has struggled to keep up with record homicide levels and COVID-19 deaths, will get a 32% increase in its budget. The budget includes \$163 million for roads, resurfacing, bridges, sidewalks and trails, along with \$107 million for stormwater projects. The American Rescue Plan, which offers the

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Kylah Jones (r), founder of 9 Lives Tea & Body Co., sits next to her little sister, Kynzi. (Photo provided by family)

Blacktoberfest will 'celebrate unapologetic Blackness'

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Dominic Dorsey has been dreaming of Blacktoberfest since 2016. He got the idea from when he was a counselor in an after-school program at St. Joan of Arc, which hosts an annual outdoor festival with French food, wine and live music. It's not that the event — or any other fall event for that matter — wasn't inclusive, but Dorsey had his own vision. "I want that for Black people," he said. Dorsey's dream will soon come to life with Blacktoberfest, a free outdoor event featuring dozens of Black-owned businesses, along with music, food and drinks. It's similar to the summer Black Business Block Party hosted by civil rights group DONT SLEEP, which Dorsey founded in 2015. Blacktoberfest is 4-10 p.m. Oct. 30 at 1544 Columbia Ave., across the street from The Oaks Academy Middle School. Vendors range from clothing, jewelry, beauty products, art, health and wellness, and more. There will be wine from Sip & Share Wines and beer from 18th Street Brewery, a Black-owned brewery that started in Hammond and recently opened a location in Indianapolis. It's easy to find summer events to look forward to, Dorsey said, but there should be opportunities in every season to "celebrate unapologetic Blackness."

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TINY WRISTS IN CUFFS: How police use force against children

By HELEN WIEFFERING, COLLEEN LONG and CAMILLE FASSETT
Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) — Royal Smart remembers every detail: the feeling of the handcuffs on his wrists. The panic as he was led outside into the cold March darkness, arms raised, to face a wall of police officers pointing their guns. He was 8 years old. Neither he nor anyone else at his family's home on Chicago's South Side was arrested on that night two years ago, and police wielding a warrant to look for illegal weapons found none. But even now, in nightmares and in waking moments, he is tormented by visions of officers bursting through houses and tearing rooms apart, ordering people to lie down on the floor. "I can't go to sleep," he said. "I keep thinking about the police coming." Children like Royal were not the focus after George Floyd died at the hands of police in 2020, prompting a raging debate on the disproportionate use of force by law enforcement, especially on adults of color. Kids are still an afterthought in reforms championed by lawmakers and pushed by police departments. But in case after case, an Associated Press investigation has found that children as young as 6 have been treated harshly — even brutally — by officers of the law. They've been handcuffed, felled by stun guns, taken down and pinned to the ground by officers often far larger than they were. Departments nationwide have few or no guardrails to prevent such incidents.

The AP analyzed data on approximately 3,000 instances of police use of force against children under 16 over the past 11 years. The data, provided to the AP by Accountability Now, a project of The Leadership Conference Education Fund aiming to create a comprehensive use-of-force database, includes incidents from 25 police departments in 17 states. It's a small representation of the 18,000 overall police agencies nationwide and the millions of daily encounters police have with the public. But the information gleaned is troubling. Black children made up more than 50% of those who were handled forcibly, though they are only 15% of the U.S. child population. They and other minority kids are often perceived by police as being older than they are. The most common types of force were takedowns, strikes and muscling, followed by firearms pointed at or used on children. Less often, children faced other tactics, like the use of pepper spray or police K-9s. In Minneapolis, officers pinned children with their bodyweight at least 190 times. In Indianapolis, more than 160 kids were handcuffed; in Wichita, Kansas, police officers drew or used their Tasers on kids at least 45 times. Most children in the dataset are teenagers, but the data included dozens of cases of children ages 10 or younger who were also subject to police force. Force is occasionally necessary to subdue children, some of whom are accused of serious crimes. Police reports obtained for a sample of in-

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Greetings,

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We are very excited to continue the positive vibe from prior year's conferences and hear from our keynote speaker and panel discussions. The 21st Annual Black Males Conference will again be a phenomenal event addressing issues related to employment, fatherhood, criminal justice reform and health and healing.

I would like to thank Commissioner Shanel Poole for her tireless work in planning and coordinating the conference. I also want to acknowledge Commissioner Michael Parker and his team for assisting with the printing and graphic support for the conference postcards and program. I want to thank our sponsors, Marion County Public Health Department, Anthem, Indiana Department of Correction, and others for helping to make this conference happen. Additionally, I acknowledge with gratitude our ever-faithful volunteers, who without their true dedication and hard work, this conference would not be possible.

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oversaw the U.S. invasion of Panama and later the U.S. invasion of Kuwait to oust the Iraqi army in 1991. But his legacy was forever marred when, in 2003, he went before the U.N. Security Council as secretary of state and made the case for U.S. war against Iraq. He cited faulty information claiming Saddam Hussein had secretly stashed away weapons of mass destruction. Iraq’s claims that it had no such weapons represented “a web of lies,” he told the world body. In an announcement on social media, Powell’s family said he had been fully vaccinated. “We have lost a remarkable and loving husband, father and grandfather and a great American,” the family said. Powell had been treated at Walter Reed National Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. Powell was the first American official to publicly lay the blame for the 9/11 terrorist attacks on Osama bin Laden’s al-Qaida network and made a lightening trip to Pakistan in October, 2001 to demand that then-Pakistani Presi-

dent Pervez Musharraf cooperate with the United States in going after the Afghanistan-based group, which also had a presence in Pakistan, where bin Laden was later killed. As President George W. Bush’s first secretary of state, Powell led a State Department that was dubious of the military and intelligence communities’ conviction that Saddam Hussein possessed or was developing weapons of mass destruction. And yet, despite his reservations, he presented the administration’s case that Saddam indeed posed a major regional and global threat in a speech to the UN Security Council in the run-up to the war. That speech, replete with his display of a vial of what he said could have been a biological weapon, was later derided as a low-point in Powell’s career, although he had removed some elements that he deemed to have been based on poor intelligence assessments. Bush said Oct. 18 that he and former first lady Laura Bush were “deeply saddened” by Powell’s death. “He was a great public servant” and

“widely respected at home and abroad,” Bush said. “And most important, Colin was a family man and a friend. Laura and I send Alma and their children our sincere condolences as they remember the life of a great man.” Powell rose from a childhood in a fraying New York neighborhood to become the nation’s chief diplomat. “Mine is the story of a black kid of no early promise from an immigrant family of limited means who was raised in the South Bronx,” he wrote in his 1995 autobiography “My American Journey.” At City College, Powell discovered the ROTC. When he put on his first uniform, “I liked what I saw,” he wrote. He joined the Army and in 1962 he was one of more than 16,000 “advisers” sent to South Vietnam by President John F. Kennedy. A series of promotions led to the Pentagon and assignment as a military assistant to Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger, who became his unofficial sponsor. He later became commander of the Army’s 5th Corps in Germany and later was national security assistant to President

Ronald Reagan. Powell’s appearances at the United Nations as secretary of state, including his Iraq speech, were often accompanied by fond reminiscing of his childhood in the city, where he grew up the child of Jamaican immigrants who got one of his first jobs at the Pepsi-Cola bottling plant directly across the East River from the UN headquarters. A fan of calypso music, Powell was the subject of criticism from, among others, singing legend Harry Belafonte, who likened Powell to a “house slave” for going along with the decision to invade Iraq. Powell declined to get into a public spat with Belafonte, but made it known that he was not a fan and much preferred the Trinidadian calypso star the “Mighty Sparrow.” Powell maintained, in a 2012 interview with The Associated Press, that on balance, U.S. succeeded in Iraq. “I think we had a lot of successes,” Powell said. “Iraq’s terrible dictator is gone.”

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city more money beyond its normal budget, includes \$150 million for a three-year anti-violence program. The number of peacekeepers, who work at the street level to prevent violence, will increase to 50, and the city has expanded its crime prevention grants from \$3 million to \$15 million per year. About \$33 million from the federal funds earmarked for anti-violence efforts will go to IMPD for technology and personnel. The department wants to add 100 new officers and 22 civilian public safety officers, though IMPD has struggled to meet staffing goals. The council approved funds from the American Rescue Plan in September. Expected revenue in 2022 is projected to outpace expenses by about \$97,000. A majority of revenue comes from property and income taxes.

“We should be making much larger strides and taking faster action to meeting those goals,” he said. Republicans essentially argued the opposite: that the budget doesn’t do enough for issues such as infrastructure but needed to be passed because of the investments in public safety and criminal justice. Council President Vop Osili said in a statement after the meeting the budget represents the council’s “commitment to public safety and quality of life for all Indianapolis residents.” Hogsett has made it clear the focus for the budget — along with American Rescue Plan funds — is to combat the city’s rising homicide numbers. “Tonight’s vote signals a remarkable level of bipartisan cooperation as we take on the challenges facing our city and plot a vision for a safer Indianapolis,” he said in a statement.

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One vendor, 16-year-old Kylah Jones, said Blacktoberfest represents Black excellence and shows how many entrepreneurs are out there — especially ones without brick-and-mortar shops. Jones started her business, 9 Lives Tea & Body Co., five months ago. She calls herself a habitual tea drinker and said it helped her heal mentally and spiritually after her father died in 2020. “Tea is so much more than a beverage,” Jones said. “It’s a spiritual thing.” Jones sells four tea blends, as well as tea-infused products such as body butter and salt scrubs. Learn more at shop9livesb.com. Shammey Jermison, from

Fire Fusion Boutique, said it will be refreshing to see so many minority-owned small businesses come together and support each other. “It creates a vibe like no other,” she said. “And that’s what our community needs, for its members to constantly support each other so that we can grow past our systemic limitations.” Along with clothing, the boutique sells smudging kits for the spiritually inclined, hair growth oil, wax melts and art. Learn more at firefusionboutique.com. Contact staff writer Tyler Fenwick at 317-762-7853. Follow him on Twitter @Ty_Fenwick.





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Small library aims to address big problems

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When Neline Wooley came out of high school in the early 1970s, she was surrounded by Black love and Black power, and she knew she would want to instill that sense of pride into her children.

Wooley focused on reading. Her son, Forrest Wooley III, grew up reading Sesame Street books and learned how to spell Lafayette — they lived by Lafayette Square Mall — when he was 3. Her daughter, Natalie Pipkin, went on to start a mobile bookstore in 2020. “I wanted to be sure that my children had an excellent start,” Wooley said. “Because if you have an excellent start, there’s a great chance that you’re going to have an excellent ending.”

Wooley never lost that passion for literacy. She applied earlier this year for the Go Farther Literacy Fund from The Mind Trust, an Indianapolis-based education nonprofit, and received \$3,800 to start Indy ECHO Lending Library. It operates out of Pentecostal Temple Church of God in Jesus Christ, where Forrest will soon be the pastor, and Pipkin is the library’s curator.

ECHO stands for Eastside Community Holistic Outreach.

It’s a modest setup for now; Wooley said she wants to keep growing and applied for the second round of funding, which closes Nov. 15. Learn more at themindtrust.org/gofarther.

For Wooley, it’s like being a mother to little children again. “I don’t want to see them fail,” she said.

The library operates like any other library. Wooley uses an app that creates member accounts, so families can check out books and have return dates. There are also some educational games and workbooks.

The library is open noon-3 p.m. every other Saturday outside of the church.

From Forrest’s perspective, a literacy program at his church could go a long



Neline Wooley (left), founder of Indy ECHO Lending Library, sits with her son, Forrest Wooley III, who will soon be the pastor at Pentecostal Temple Church of God in Jesus Christ. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

way in ministry, too. If children can’t read a “simple book,” he said, how can they read and understand the Bible?

What makes Indy ECHO Lending Library a little different from traditional libraries is all of the books are written by African American authors and show Black and brown children on the covers. Children may get an overwhelmingly negative perception of people who look like them based on the media they consume, Wooley said, so she wants to highlight the successes, too: people like Marcus Garvey and Charles Tindley.

Wooley, who used to volunteer with a reading program at United Way, also knows literacy rates and reading proficiency are disproportionately low for Black students. The latest state ILEARN results show only 17% of Black students in grades 3-8 tested at a proficient level in English language arts.

“We no longer want to keep asking every year why Johnny can’t read,” she said. “We want to give him the tools that can help him read.”

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GO FARTHER LITERACY FUND
The Mind Trust, an Indianapolis-based education nonprofit, opened a second round of funding for the Go Farther Literacy Fund, with awards ranging from \$150 to \$5,000. Learn more and apply at themindtrust.org/gofarther. Applications close Nov. 15.

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Indy Echo Lending Library operates like a traditional library, but all books are focused on Black and brown children and written by African American authors.

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cidents show that some kids who were stunned or restrained were armed; others were undergoing mental health crises and were at risk of harming themselves. Still other reports showed police force escalating after kids fled from police questioning. In St. Petersburg, Florida, for instance, officers chased a Black boy on suspicion of attempted car theft after he pulled the handle of a car door. He was 13 years old and 80 pounds (36 kilograms), and his flight ended with his thigh caught in a police K-9's jaw.

The AP contacted every police department detailed in this story. Some did not respond; others said they could not comment because of pending litigation. Those responding defended the conduct of their officers or noted changes to the departments after the incidents took place.

There are no laws that specifically prohibit police force against children. Some departments have policies that govern how old a child must be to be handcuffed, but very few mention age in their use-of-force policies. While some offer guidance on how to manage juveniles accused of crime or how to handle people in mental distress, the AP could find no policy that addresses these issues together.

That's by design, policing experts said, in part so that officers can make critical decisions in the moment. But that means police don't receive the training they need to deal with kids. "Adolescents are just so fundamentally different in so many respects, and the techniques that officers are accustomed to using ... it just doesn't lend itself to the interaction going well with youth," said Dylan Jackson, a criminologist at Johns Hopkins University, who is working with the Baltimore Police Department on juvenile encounters.

The trauma lasts. Kids can't sleep. They withdraw, act out. Their brains are still developing, and the encounters can have long-term impact, psychologists said.

"I think that when officers understand the basic core components of development and youth development — their social, emotional, physical, psychological development — it can really help them understand why they

might need to take a different approach," Jackson said.

Training offered by the National Association of School Resource Officers includes sessions on the adolescent brain to help officers understand why kids react and respond the way they do, executive director Mo Canady said. But not every department makes use of the training.

Canady and other policing experts cautioned against blanket policies that would bar force against younger children.

"You can't say just because a student is 12 that we're not going to use force," Canady said. "Most 12-year-olds you wouldn't. But you don't know the circumstances of everything. You could have a 12-year-old who is bigger, stronger and assaulting a teacher, and you may very well have to use some level of force."

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Royal, the boy in Chicago, was handcuffed for nearly 30 minutes in the cold, alongside his mother and other adults in the house. Then a police sergeant released him, and an aunt came to look after the children.

Royal's brother Roy, older by one year, stood by watching, not knowing what to say or do. According to a lawsuit filed by the family, police didn't handcuff him because "officers simply ran out of handcuffs." Roy thought his brother was cuffed first because he looked "intimidating": He was wearing a blue hoodie.

That spring, in another pocket of the South Side, Krystal Archie's three children were there when police — on two occasions just 11 weeks apart — kicked open her front door and tore apart the cabinets and dressers searching for drug suspects. She'd never heard of the people they were hunting.

Her oldest child, Savannah, was 14, Telia was 11 and her youngest, Jhaimarion, was 7. They were ordered to get down on the floor. Telia said the scariest moment was seeing an officer press his foot into Savannah's back.

Archie said her children "were told, demanded, to get down on the ground as if they were criminals."

"They were questioned as if they were

adults," she said.

Now Savannah's hands shake when she sees a police car coming. "I get stuck. I get scared," she said.

Both families have sued Chicago police, alleging false arrest, wanton conduct and emotional distress. Chicago police did not comment on their specific cases but said revised policies passed in May require extra planning for vulnerable people like children before search warrants are served.

But the attorney for the two families, Al Hofeld Jr., said the incidents are part of a pattern and represent a specific brand of force that falls disproportionately on poor families of color. "The number of cases that we have is just the tip of the iceberg," he said.

About 165 miles (265 kilometers) due south, in the rural hamlet of Paris, Illinois, 15-year-old Skyler Davis was riding his bike near his house when he ran afoul of a local ordinance that prohibited biking and skateboarding in the business district — a law that was rarely enforced, if ever.

But on that day, according to Skyler's father, Aaron Davis, police officers followed his mentally disabled son in their squad car and chased his bike up over a curb and across the grass.

Officers pursued Skyler into his house and threw him to the floor, handcuffing him and slamming him against a wall, his father said. Davis arrived to see police pulling Skyler — 5 feet (1.5 meters) tall and barely 80 pounds (36 kilograms), with a "pure look of terror" on his face — toward the squad car.

"He's just a happy kid, riding his bike down the road," Davis said, "And 30 to 45 seconds later, you see him basically pedaling for his life."

Video of the pursuit was captured by surveillance cameras outside the police department, and the family has filed a federal lawsuit against the police officers. Two officers received written warnings, according to attorney Jude Redwood. The Paris Police Department declined to comment.

"What they done to him was brutal," Davis said.

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Kristin Henning, director of the Juvenile Justice Clinic at Georgetown

University's law school, has represented children accused of delinquency for more than 20 years and said many encounters escalate "from zero to 100" in seconds — often because police interpret impulsive adolescent behavior as a threat.

"When you are close to the kids, you work with the kids every day, you see that they are just kids, and they're doing what every other kid does," she said. "Talking back, being themselves, experimenting, expressing their discomfort, expressing their displeasure about something — that's what kids do."

Meanwhile, attorneys like Na'Shaun Neal say police who use force on minors often depend on the perception that kids lie. Against an officer's word, Neal said, "no one typically believes the children."

Neal represents two boys — identified as R.R. and P.S. in court papers — who were involved in an altercation with police on July 4, 2019.

It was a few hours before midnight when a San Fernando, California, police officer stopped to ask if they were lighting fireworks, according to a complaint filed in federal court. The boys had been walking through a park, accompanied by an older brother and his dog.

According to the complaint, the officers followed the group and told them it was past curfew; they needed to take the boys into custody.

Police said the boys were responsible for the fracas that followed, and they charged them with assaulting an officer and resisting arrest.









But then a cellphone video, taken by R.R.'s brother Jonathan Valdivia, materialized. And as was the case in the death of Floyd — who was blamed for his own death until a video showed Minneapolis officer Derek Chauvin pinning him to the ground with his knee to Floyd's neck as Floyd cried out for help — Valdivia's video told a very different story.

The video shows an officer forcing his 14-year-old brother to the ground and handcuffing him behind his back. His 13-year-old friend struggles next to him, his neck and shoulders pinned by the officer's knees for 20 seconds. "Get off of my neck! That's too hard!"

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the 13-year-old screams.

A judge found the boys not guilty at a bench trial. Neal is suing the city and the police officer on their behalf.

The city of San Fernando has denied that officers used excessive force, maintaining that the boys physically resisted arrest.

“They were very confrontational and aggressive verbally,” the city’s attorney Dan Alderman said. “Unfortunately, the escalation occurred because of the conduct of the minors, not because of anything the officer did.”

It is worth noting that R.R. and P.S. are Latinos. Authorities say there are reasons why police officers are more likely to use force against minorities than against white children.

A 2014 study published by the American Psychological Association found that Black boys as young as 10 may not be viewed with the same “childhood innocence” as their white peers and are more likely to be perceived as guilty and face police violence. Other studies have found a similar bias against Black girls.

Tamika Harrell’s 13-year-old daughter went to a skating rink with a friend in their mostly white town outside Akron, Ohio, last summer; she was one of only a few Black teens at the crowded, mostly white rink. After a fight broke out, the girl — who was in the bathroom when the brawl began — was grabbed by an officer, roughly handcuffed and thrown into the back of a police car.

Harrell wondered why her kid — the Black kid — was singled out. Before, they had a good relationship with the police. But that’s all changed. The incident is still raw. Her daughter won’t go out anymore and is having trouble concentrating. The family has filed a lawsuit; the police chief there said he can’t comment on pending litigation.

Dr. Richard Dudley, a child psychiatrist in New York, said many officers have implicit bias that would prompt them to see Black children as older, and therefore more threatening, than they are. For instance, police are more likely to think that a Black child’s phone is a gun, he said.

It all becomes a vicious cycle, Dudley said. Police react badly to these kids, and to the people they know, so kids react badly to police, leading them to react badly to kids.

Minority children have negative everyday dealings with police and are traumatized by them. “Whatever they’ve seen police officers do in the past,” Dudley said, “all of that is the backdrop for their encounter with a police officer.”

So when that encounter occurs, they may be overreactive and hypervigilant, and it may appear that they’re not complying with police commands when, really, they’re just very scared.

The police are not thinking, “I have this panicked, frightened kid that I need to calm down,” Dudley said.

To Dudley and to Jackson, the Johns Hopkins criminologist, de-escalation training for police isn’t enough. It must include elements of implicit bias and of mental health, and it must be integrated into an officer’s everyday work.

Jackson said he’s been working very closely with Black kids in Baltimore, and the first thing he hears often is that they can’t go talk to an officer unless that officer is in plainclothes.

“There is a visceral reaction,” he said. “And that’s trauma. And some of these kids, even if they haven’t been stopped over and over again, it’s embedded in the fabric of what America has been for a really long time, and they know what that uniform represents in their community.”

Some of the cases have prompted changes. In the District of Columbia, for example, police officers now do not handcuff children under 13, except when the children are a danger to themselves or others.

The policy was revamped in 2020 after incidents in which two children were arrested: When a 10-year-old was held in a suspected robbery, authorities said that police had correctly followed protocol in handcuffing the child, but then a few weeks later police handcuffed a 9-year-old who had committed no crime.

Age-specific force policies are rare, according to Lisa Thureau, who found-

ed the group Strategies for Youth to train police departments to more safely interact with kids. She said at least 20 states have no policies setting the minimum age of arrest.

Without explicit policies, “the default assumption of an officer is, quite reasonably, that they should treat all youth like adults,” Thureau said.

The Cincinnati Police Department also changed its use-of-force policy after an officer zapped an 11-year-old Black girl with a stun gun for shoplifting. The department’s policy allowed police to shock kids as young as 7 but changed in 2019 to discourage the use of such weapons on young children.

Attorney Al Gerhardstein, who represented the girl and helped petition for policy change, said the pattern of force he found against kids of color in the city raised alarm bells for him. Records he obtained and shared with the AP show that Cincinnati police used stun guns against 48 kids age 15 or younger from 2013 to 2018. All but two of those children were Black.

But in most departments, there is little discussion around children and policing and few options available to parents aside from a lawsuit. If a settlement is reached, it’s often paid by the city instead of by the officers involved.

In Aurora, Colorado, for example, a video of police handcuffing Black children went viral. The video showed the girls, ages 6, 12, 14 and 17, face down in a parking lot. The youngest wore a pink crown and sobbed for her mother. Another begged the police, “Can I hug my sister next to me?”

Police said they couldn’t get cuffs on the youngest because her hands were too small.

Their mother, Brittney Gilliam, was taking them to the nail salon. She was stopped by police because they believed she was driving a stolen car. She was not; she had Colorado plates and a blue SUV. The stolen car had Montana plates.

Officials said the officers had made mistakes, but they remained on duty. The officers did not face any criminal charges, and there have been no significant changes to their policies when it comes to children.

The family has since filed a lawsuit.

The family of X’Zane Watts also filed a lawsuit in Charleston, West Virginia, after a 2017 incident that began when police mistakenly suspected the eighth grader of a burglary.

X’Zane said he was playing in an alley near his home with his 2-year-old cousin when three white men in plainclothes got out of their car and started running toward them with weapons drawn, shouting obscenities. They chased him into his house and put a gun to his head, slamming him to the ground.

His mother, Charissa Watts, saw it happen from the kitchen. She didn’t know they were police. Neither did X’Zane.

“The wrong flinch, they could have shot him,” she said. “The wrong words out of my mouth, they could have shot me.”

In the years since, Charleston ushered in a new mayor and a new police chief. They pointed to changes they’ve made: banning some weapons and chokeholds, requiring body cameras and offering more mental health and de-escalation training.

“Since I became chief of police, we have worked to review policies and provide our officers with the tools they need to keep all our residents and visitors safe — but together we can always do more,” Chief Tyke Hunt said.

The Watts family sued, charging that officers profiled X’Zane. They reached a settlement in 2019.

The year after the incident was difficult, X’Zane said. His elbow, injured in the altercation, kept him from playing football; he was angry and distracted. The family moved across town to escape the memories of that day.

Today, X’Zane is doing much better. He hopes to join the U.S. Air Force. And he’s been able to put the incident behind him — to a point.

“It has put a longtime fear in me,” he said.

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SPOTLIGHT

Jewish Community Center to host documentary screening about MLK mentor



Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel marches with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at the Selma to Montgomery march in 1965. (Photo provided by Jewish Community Center)

By STAFF

The Jewish Community Center will host a free virtual screening of the documentary “Spiritual Audacity: The Abraham Joshua Heschel Story” at 7 p.m. Oct. 25. The screening is part of the center’s Festival of Books & Art, which goes through Nov. 18.

Abraham Joshua Heschel was a Jewish theologian and philosopher who died in 1972. He is considered to be one of the major figures in Jewish and African American relations and was a mentor to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

At the annual Rabbinical Assembly in 1968, where King answered questions about his views on America and its future, Heschel opened by praising King, calling him “a sign that God has not forsaken the United States of America.”

“I call upon every Jew to harken to his voice, to share his vision, to follow in his way,” he said. “The whole future of America will depend upon the impact and influence of Dr. King.” The conversation came 10 days before King was killed.

Heschel joined King on the Selma to Montgomery march three years earlier and said he felt like his “legs were praying” as he marched.

Heschel was also a mentor to John Lewis and Andrew Young, who are interviewed in the documentary.

There will also be a conversation after the screening with filmmaker Martin Doblmeier, along with Heschel’s daughter, Susannah Heschel, and Eli M. Black, professor of Jewish studies at Dartmouth College. The conversation will be moderated by Rabbi Dennis Sasso.

Learn more and register at jccindy.org.

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EDITORIAL

When law enforcement traumatizes children

By OSEYE BOYD



We are failing our children. Those were the words that came to mind after reading two articles in recent weeks detailing abuse of power and trust with regard to our children and the criminal justice system. We love to spout platitudes such as “children are our greatest asset,” and “children are our future” all the while treating children, specifically Black and brown children as well as poor children, like criminals almost at birth. Children are a blind spot in the conversation about police abuse, brutality, mistreatment and misconduct. We need to rethink the way we treat children. A ProPublica article exposed the juvenile justice system in Rutherford County, Tennessee, where children are actually arrested and jailed at the whims of the juvenile court judge, police officers and juvenile detention center director. Children are actually jailed for a crime that doesn’t exist. Police officers are arresting children as young as 8 at school. And they’re arresting the wrong children at that. There are outrageous consequences for children, but none for the adults who are responsible for the madness. The judge of juvenile court, Donna Scott Davenport, elected in 2000, rules as if she’s omnipotent and omniscient. She has no qualms with locking up 8- and 9-year-olds regularly. She believes the behavior of youth and parents has gotten worse over the years. She even calls herself the “mother of the county,” believing herself to be a benevolent figure.

Talk about an inflated sense of ego. While the ProPublica article focused on one county in Tennessee, AP looked at how police force is used on children nationwide. AP reporters examined about 3,000 incidents of police force used against children 16 and under from the past 11 years. The sampling was small — 25 police departments in 17 states — but it found Black children comprised 50% of youth handled forcibly by police. Black children make up 15% of the child population. That’s a pretty clear overrepresentation. No one is going to convince me that Black children are — to use a less than eloquent and grammatically incorrect phrase — more bad than other children. Children are pinned using the officer’s body weight, Tased and had guns pointed at them. Right here in Indianapolis, 160 children were handcuffed. In an incident in San Fernando, California, the officers blamed the youth for escalating the situation. If not for video recorded by a brother of one of the victims, no one would know the truth. Sounds familiar, doesn’t it? Something is wrong here. When there’s public outcry about an incident, time and again we hear the officer followed protocol or procedure or their training. That excuse is so tired. It is abundantly clear police officers aren’t receiving the training they need when it comes to dealing with children and procedures and protocols need to change. That just-following-their-training answer is actually lazy and tired. Am I to believe that policies and

procedures can’t be revisited for improvements? Am I to believe that training has never been updated? So the training from 1932 is still applicable? I sure hope not, but that may as well be the training followed because today’s training seems just as out of date. Children are not adults in smaller bodies. It’s common knowledge today that our brains aren’t fully developed until we’re in our 20s. Children won’t react the way adults do. Heck, many adults react out of fear when interacting with the police, so why do we expect any different from children? I suspect most children, especially young children, will be confused and terrified. If you’ve ever dealt with a confused, terrified child, you know that child will shut down. Barking orders won’t make the situation better. I know someone will counter with the argument that some of these teens are as big and strong as adults and sometimes force is needed. That argument doesn’t change anything. Better training is still needed. It’s heartbreaking to think of how these children have been traumatized at the hands of adults — adults who are supposed to have their best interests in mind. Adults who are supposed to keep them safe. Folks are always talking about ways to improve this always tenuous relationship between police officers and the Black community. How does this help police-community relations? In many of these instances, the parents sued the city and the police department and won. I’m waiting for the day taxpayers will get tired of these lawsuits for rogue police behavior and demand accountability.

OPINIONS

The legacy of Colin Powell

By LARRY SMITH



I had the distinct honor of meeting Colin Powell when I was in college. He was serving as the first African American Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff — the nation’s highest military office. Prior to that role, he had become the first African American to serve as national security adviser. He would become the first to serve as secretary of state. “First African American” and “Colin Powell” are nearly synonymous. Having had the opportunity to ask him a question, I did so: “Can you give an example of when you experienced racism?” He shared a story about having recently being assigned to pick up a dignitary from the airport. The two men had not met and neither knew what the other looked like. The gentleman got off the plane and proceeded to ask several white men if they were Gen. Powell. It never occurred to him that the distinguished Black man could be Powell, who was not wearing his military uniform. At the time, I was very disappointed

in Gen. Powell’s answer. I assumed that he was going to talk about being surrounded by some group of rabid bigots. I had imagined that he had valiantly fought them off. Yet, as I matured, I began to understand the power of his answer. He had undoubtedly experienced several of the overtly racist incidents that Black people endure. Yet, in his wisdom, he wanted the students to understand that racism comes in many forms. It is insidious. It would be nearly three decades before I met him again, this time thanks to Indianapolis’ own Steward Speakers Series. Still, I would frequently watch him on various news programs or speaking at public events, dispensing his sage advice. Though he was a high-profile Republican, Powell endorsed Barack Obama during his first presidential run. Many Republicans argued that Obama was “unfit” to be president because of the oft-repeated lie that he is a Muslim. Powell responded on “Meet the Press”: “I’m also troubled by, not what Sen. McCain says, but what members of the party say. And it is permitted to be said. Such things as, ‘Well, you know that Mr. Obama is a Muslim.’ Well, the correct answer is, he is not a Muslim; he’s a Christian. He’s always been a

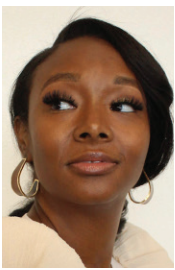
Christian. But the really right answer is, ‘What if he is?’ Is there something wrong with being a Muslim in this country? The answer’s no, that’s not America. ... Yet, I have heard senior members of my own party drop the suggestion, ‘He’s a Muslim and he might be associated (with) terrorists.’ This is not the way we should be doing it in America.” That was perhaps Powell’s finest hour — in a long list of fine hours. To make matters worse, many Republicans said then (and now) that Powell endorsed Obama only because they both are Black. This act of bigotry and hypocrisy is an example of why the GOP is roughly 90% white — in a nation that is only 60% white. Then there is Iraq. It is an understatement to assert that nearly every public figure’s legacy is complicated. Powell is no exception. His integrity, accomplishments and presence led to his being nearly universally respected — which is why his endorsement of military action in Iraq is arguably the deciding factor in justifying our invasion. Powell argued forcefully that Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction. Tragically, the intelligence on which Powell relied was faulty. His reputation was

tainted. Some people never forgave him, despite his having expressed great regret. Once upon a time, Colin Powell was lauded by Republicans and Democrats — a feat that is nearly non-existent today. What we formerly referred to as “respect on both sides of the aisle” has devolved into “yelling from one side of the isle.” Both sides have staked claims on remote political beaches. Our politics is adrift in a sea of hatred and disinformation. Powell conceivably could have become president had he desired the office. (I would have voted for him without reservation.) Despite the Iraq debacle, he was a man of integrity. A child of immigrants, Powell is the personification of the mythic “American Dream.” For me, Colin Powell represents the promise of what any American can become. All he needed was determination and people who were willing to take him under their wings. I believe that, a few days ago, Powell received his.

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Conservatively Speaking: The elephant in the room

By WHITLEY YATES



“Uncle Tom,” “sell out” and “boot-licker” are just some of the epithets that people use to describe Black Republicans. As a Black person in America, associating with the GOP — whether in principle or as a political party — is one of the quickest ways to be ostracized from family, friends and the Black community at large. That particular political identity is almost always weaponized against us; it’s as if we’re committing

treason. For example, I had the opportunity to speak in another state. When my title was read people immediately stopped seeing me for who I am; they began to see me for what they assumed my beliefs and values were. For far too long Black people have been declaring we are not monolithic and have advocated for those around us to stop treating us as such — except when it comes to our political ideology. Recently, in law school, I was met with scoffs when I was discussing opportunities within the GOP for Black students. While I won’t dwell on this ignorance for long, it is merely a demonstration of just how politically polarized we as a people have become. My request to the Black community of Indianapolis is simple: Before creating deprecatory thoughts about your Black conservative and Republican peers, please allow them the freedom to express themselves and their beliefs. While there is no doubt that some people cannot be trusted when it comes to protecting the Black community, automatically presuming that Black Republicans are your enemies due to our political philosophy is nonsensical. Of course, in recent years I have had more attacks by “woke” white liberals who literally scream that my political stances are hurtful to the Black community. My favorite tirade was when I was told by a white liberal that, because I am a conservative Republican, I “couldn’t possibly be Black” and that I “acquired

Stockholm Syndrome.” Imagine a person having the power and privilege to decide who is appropriate to represent a race that he or she is not a part of. It’s crazy to feel comfortable enough to exclude people from an entire culture with which you share few, if any, cultural ties. The depiction of Black Republicans as docile and servile is inaccurate. It’s also quite detrimental to our collective political, social and economic survival in Indianapolis and beyond. Considering the current state of our local community, it is clear that we must have representation in all political parties. The idea that our interests are best served by having a single-party system will limit our opportunities to such a time when that party is in power. Our communal interests and collective priorities should be served by all elected officials and those who are seeking our votes. We need to ensure that we have a seat at all political tables. My simple request is that, when you meet a Black Republican or conservative, please make an effort to park your bias and prejudice and be open to engaging and sharing ideas to propel our community forward. Whitley Yates the director of diversity for the Indiana Republican Party, political commentator and JD candidate at IUPUI McKinney School of Law. You can email comments to her at whitleyyates@gmail.com.

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‘Writing helped me reclaim my peace’: local author hosts book signing

By **BREANNA COOPER**
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Author Cassandra Anderson is bringing her book, “Rising from the Ashes: A Journey from Trauma to Healing” to the Indianapolis Public Library’s Eagle Branch. Starting at 2 p.m. Oct. 23, Anderson will read a chapter from her book and sign copies for audience members.

The book, published in September, focuses on Anderson’s experiences with domestic violence and sexual abuse, as well as racism and sexism in the workplace.

Anderson is far from alone in her experiences. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men will experience interpersonal violence at some point in their lives. About 1 in 3 women and roughly 1 in 6 men report being victims of sexual violence.

“I wrote this book because my story has power,” Anderson said. “And if it inspires someone else, that’s great. But I wrote this for me.”

Inspired by her therapist, Anderson began detailing her experiences with childhood sexual abuse and watching her mother experience domestic violence at the hands of her stepfather. The process wasn’t easy. Oftentimes, Anderson found herself reliving the trauma that she previously went through. Despite the difficulties, she said writing the book allowed her to take back some of her power.

“Trauma doesn’t define who I am,” Anderson said. “Writing helped me reclaim my peace.”

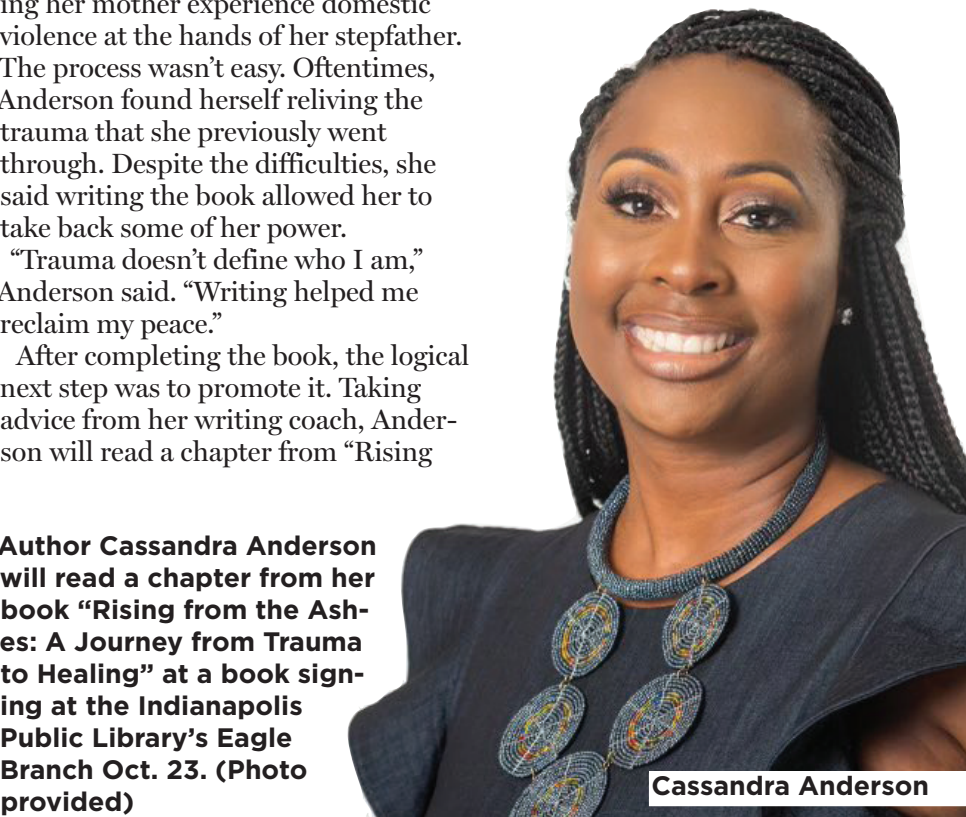
After completing the book, the logical next step was to promote it. Taking advice from her writing coach, Anderson will read a chapter from “Rising

Meet the author!
Cassandra Anderson will speak at 2 p.m. Oct. 23 at the Indianapolis Public Library Eagle Branch, 3905 Moller Road. Copies of “Rising from the Ashes: A Journey from Trauma to Healing” can be purchased on Anderson’s website, www.inpoweruindy.com.

from the Ashes” and discuss the events which inspired it before signing copies for audience members. Anderson hopes those in attendance are inspired from her vulnerability and learn something about themselves in turn.

“We tend to suffer in silence and wear this mask that we’re so strong,” Anderson said. “I want them to take away that they aren’t alone, that they can take the mask off and be free and that self-peace and self-love is the most important thing. ... Mental health is stigmatized in the Black community, but I want people to know it’s OK to seek help for the disruptions you face on your journey.”


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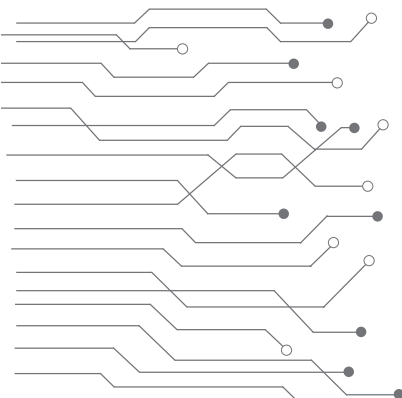
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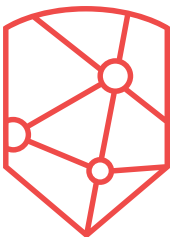
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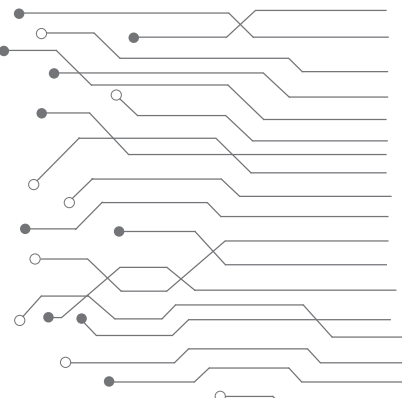



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Soul Food Project brings healthy options to Indianapolis food deserts

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In the summer months, Danielle Guerin is outside farming as soon as the sun comes up. As director of Soul Food Project, the 31-year-old is responsible for the upkeep of the organization's three Indianapolis farms.

With a slight chill in the air, recently Guerin finished planting a few rows of seeds in what she calls "an experiment" for autumn. This is her first full year farming on this site — on a plot of land her family owns in Martindale-Brightwood — and she's still learning the soil. While she's unsure how the newly planted seeds will fare, Guerin knows the hunger in her community, the hunger that inspired her to start Soul Food Project in 2017, exists year-round.

Growing up near 35th Street and Sherman Drive, Guerin is one of the estimated 208,000 Indianapolis residents living in a food desert. According to researchers at The Polis Center at IUPUI, a food desert is a neighborhood with a poverty rate of at least 20% and where one-third of residents live farther than 1 mile from a grocery store. A 2021 study from The Polis Center found more than 25% of Black Hoosiers live in a food desert.

While her family had a car, Guerin knew many of her neighbors weren't able to drive to a grocery store. Starting a garden, she said, was a way to feed those in need.

"I knew the neighborhood I grew up in was a food desert," Guerin said. "I wanted to help out my neighbors."

The impacts of food deserts go beyond hunger. Negative health outcomes including diabetes and high blood pressure as well as vitamin deficiencies can all stem from food insecurity. That's why Guerin, a former personal trainer, makes sure healthy options are available to Indianapolis residents.

At pop-up events around the city, Soul Food Project sells vegetables, fruits, eggs and herbs at prices fit for those on a budget. Guerin stresses the importance of implementing locally grown produce into your diet.

"In the African American community, we have a lot of diet-related health issues," Guerin said. "Diabetes, obesity, high cholesterol, those sorts of things. It makes getting healthier a little easier when you can take back that control of your diet, when you



Danielle Guerin, director of the Soul Food Project, tends to the greens growing at the organization's east side plot. (Photo/Breanna Cooper)

control what you're eating and where it's coming from."

The Martindale-Brightwood farm — nestled in the middle of Sheldon Street — brings in much of Soul Food Project's revenue. Here, customers can buy strawberries, peppers and collard and mustard greens, among other items. Much of the produce grown at the other two farms, one on Temple Avenue and the other in the Carriage House Apartment Complex on the city's far east side, are donated to food pantries.

Guerin started farming in 2012, when she began interning with several Hoosier farms. To inspire the next generation of urban farmers, Soul Food Project has the Urban Garden Internship Project. For six weeks every summer, five teenagers are hired to work on the farm, making \$10 an hour. In the process, they also learn about food security and food justice.

Harris Barker, 14, has been working with the Soul Food Project for almost four years. The Warren Central High School student works at the Sheldon Street and Carriage House farms and started his own garden at home his first year working with Soul Food Project. His favorite part of working with the organization is getting the chance to be outdoors, but the work has taught him valuable life lessons.

"It gives me a chance to give back to other families," Barker said. "I know if I was in that position where I couldn't provide food for myself, I would want someone to step in and help."

Soul Food Project receives a grant to support urban farms from the Indiana State Department of Agriculture. The funds help subsidize the purchase of the properties and with operating costs. Guerin said she hopes to expand the farms and grow year-round within the next five years.

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To buy produce from Soul Food Project, visit their website at soulfoodprojectindy.org.

COVID Test Program for Marion County Residents in Target ZIP Codes

The Say Yes! COVID Test At-Home Testing Challenge provides residents in target zip codes with access to free, rapid COVID-19 test kits that they can self-administer at home.

The challenge encourages residents to use the tests twice a week, regardless of symptoms, to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and keep the community healthy.

Test users who choose to use the companion digital assistant to record and share their test results and complete a survey can earn up to \$35 in gift cards.

Marion County residents in identified ZIP Codes can order free testing kits at CovidHomeTestIndy.org for home delivery. These areas were selected based on high rates of COVID-19, lower than average rates of vaccination, and concentration of essential workers: 46222, 46201, 46218, 46208, 46224, 46235, 46202, 46241, 46203, 46226, 46204, 46205, 46227, 46221, 46219, 46225, 46260, 46229, 46254, 46107, 46216, 46240, and 46268.

"While vaccination remains the strongest tool we have to combat the pandemic, free, rapid, self-administered testing will give community members one more way to help reduce the spread of COVID-19," said Dr. Virginia Caine, director and chief medical officer of the Marion County Public Health Department. "Anyone can just swab the front of their nose and perform this test in the privacy of their home to see results within 10 minutes and make more informed choices about their day."

Each test package supports home testing for a person twice a week for four weeks. Individuals who have not yet received the COVID-19 vaccine or who have the highest risk of exposure to COVID-19, such as people working or going to school outside the home, are ideal candidates for participation, but anyone over the age of 2 is welcome to participate.

The testing challenge lasts for at least a month, or until all tests are used.

Marion County residents can visit COVIDhometestindy.org to order test kits delivery. Test kits will also be available for pickup at the following health department locations:

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These COVID-19 tests are authorized for use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

A free, private and easy-to-use mobile application is available to help individuals with test taking. The maker of the tests, Quidel, is the same company that made the first rapid flu tests used by doctors' offices.

The Say Yes! COVID Test initiative is a cooperative effort from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), community partners, test manufacturer Quidel, and healthcare technology company CareEvolution.

The Marion County Public Health Department and others are helping to connect local community members with this effort. Researchers at NIH-supported academic health centers will work with CDC and NIH to use publicly available data to determine if the local testing efforts slowed the spread of COVID-19.



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In Ghana, Rastafarian high schooler fights to keep his hair

By KWASI GYAMFI ASIEDU
Associated Press

Tyrone Iras Marhguy had to make a difficult decision after being accepted to the high school of his choice: his faith or his education.

An official at the academically elite Achimota School in Ghana told the teen he would have to cut his dreadlocks before enrolling. For Marhguy, who is a Rastafarian, cutting his dreadlocks is non-negotiable so he and his family asked the courts to intervene.

"I manifest my faith through my hair," Marhguy, 17, told The Associated Press. "I assume it to be like telling a Christian not to read the Bible or go to church."

Hair is an important part of the Rastafarian faith; believers grow their hair out naturally in locks in obedience to Biblical commandments. It is a public symbol "that we have made a vow," said Tereo Kwame Marhguy, who is Tyrone's father.

Although many Rastafarians believe in the Bible, it is a distinct religion guided by unique practices including the adherence to a strict Ital vegetarian diet, the use of cannabis for spiritual purposes and the avoidance of alcohol.

Short hair is a requirement at the Achimota School, a co-ed public institution in the northern outskirts of Ghana's capital, Accra. The school did not respond to the AP's repeated requests for comment, but argued in court documents that all boys, regardless of their religion, must "keep hair low and neatly trimmed."

The school was founded nearly a century ago during British colonial rule. Among its alumni are many of Ghana's social and political elite, including four former presidents, as well as the former presidents of Zimbabwe and Gambia.

Unhappy about the school's reluctance to accommodate their son's beliefs, the Marhguys sued Achimota School and the government in March. A separate suit was filed by another Rastafarian student, Oheneba Kwaku Nkrabea, who was also denied admission to the school.

The Marhguys' ongoing case is one of many instances in which Ghana's



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public high schools, mostly started by Christian missionaries during and after European colonization, have become a battleground for the fight for religious tolerance. In a separate incident earlier this year, a Muslim student was prevented by school authorities from fasting during Ramadan, Islam's holiest month.

Ghana, a majority-Christian country, prides itself as democratic and religiously tolerant in a region plagued by interreligious conflicts. Government and faith leaders have signaled their commitment to religious harmony, including recent financial donations by top officials, who are Muslim, to church building projects.

For the Marhguys, the case highlights the discrimination Rastafarians face in Ghana, where they are a small but visible minority. They hope that with the attention the case has received, local attitudes will become more tolerant.

A high court judge ruled in May that the school's ultimatum "amounts to an

illegal and unconstitutional attempt to suspend the manifestation of the applicant's constitutionally guaranteed freedom to practice and manifest his religion," according to court documents viewed by the AP.

While the school has admitted Tyrone with his uncut hair into its science program, the school and Ghana's attorney general have commenced legal proceedings in the Court of Appeal to reverse the earlier ruling.

The attorney general and the information ministry did not respond to repeated attempts by the AP for an interview.

The legal standoff, fronted by the attorney general, has raised questions about the country's self-image as the region's most stable democracy.

"Inter-religious tolerance in Ghana is very fragile," said John Azumah, visiting professor of interfaith dialogue at Yale Divinity School and executive director of The Sanneh Institute at the University of Ghana. "It looks like reli-

gious minorities have the heavier burden to sustain inter-religious tolerance. It has to be inter-religious tolerance on the terms of the Christian majority."

Despite being offered a scholarship to study at a private school where he wouldn't be required to cut his hair, Tyrone, with the support of his family, has chosen to stay at Achimota School. Nkrabea, the other student -- who also won his suit against the school -- has however taken the scholarship.

The Marhguys believe they have been divinely chosen to keep fighting the school so no other student has to pick between their faith and their education again.

"They have done it to other people before and they just kept quiet and walked away," said Tereo Marhguy. "Jah, the Most High has given us the authority and the strength to do it."

— Associated Press writer Francis Koku-tse in Accra, Ghana contributed to this report.

Fifth Third Bank supports ROCK Initiative with \$20 million investment

By TYLER FENWICK
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Fifth Third Bank will invest \$20 million in the Arlington Woods neighborhood in the form of loans, philanthropic support, grants and other investments over a three-year period in partnership with Eastern Star Church.

The bank and church announced the investment Oct. 20 outside of the ROCK Community Hub, which includes a grocery store and apartments. The investment from Fifth Third will support the church's ROCK Initiative.

"You are investing in transforming the lives of people with great need," Executive Pastor Anthony Murdock said under a large tent in the parking lot.

Most of the money will go to JEWEL Human Services Corporation, a community arm of Eastern Star.

Arlington Woods has a poverty rate of nearly 30%, according to Indy Vitals. About 60% of residents are Black, and median household income is about \$21,000 less than all of Marion County.

The Arlington Woods neighborhood is one of nine majority-Black communities Fifth Third Bank will make investments in as part of its Neighborhood Investment Program, which totals \$2.8 billion.

About \$18 million of the money going to Arlington Woods will go toward affordable housing, mortgages and other priorities established through a series of community meetings. The other \$2 million will go toward philanthropic efforts. The money will also support small businesses and other revitalization.

The goal is to "change the trajectories of the neighborhoods we call home," said Jada Grandy-Mock, chief corporate community economic development officer at Fifth Third.

The investment feels personal to Grandy-Mock, who grew up in a housing project in Pittsburgh, where there was little access to healthy food, health care and education opportunities.

The people in Arlington Woods, just



Eastern Star Church Executive Pastor Anthony Murdock speaks at an event Oct. 20, 2021, announcing the church's partnership with Fifth Third Bank, which will invest \$20 million over three years in lending, grants and other philanthropic efforts. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

like everywhere else, have goals, she said.

"They all have dreams, and we want to be part of that," Grandy-Mock said.

The investment is part of Phase II of

the ROCK Initiative. Other projects in Phase II include a new education center, multi-family affordable housing, new two-story homes, a single-story retail space, and a public garden and

green space.

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SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

Appreciation and awareness

By RAE KARIM



The month of October is recognized for many holidays and national days, including Halloween and what is now known as Indigenous Peoples Day. It's also a month filled with days of awareness and observance. During my first pastorate, I learned October is also Clergy Appreciation Month. Here recently, it was again brought to my attention that October is Depression Awareness Month. On their own the appreciation of clergy and the awareness of depression are powerful. Yet, have you ever considered the idea of putting them together? Not in the sense of combining the names. We wouldn't want to do that, as I'm sure it would be quite confusing.

However, in the appreciation of clergy, how long has it been since you've truly acknowledged the humanity of clergy? The last two years have required much from them, whether senior or associate or young adult pastor. Regardless of the position, the number of people in the pew or on the livestream, clergy have been dealt full hands and served full plates. The beauty of it is, most have navigated these spaces with grace. This is reason to



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give God thanks.

Though the spaces have been navigated with grace, it doesn't mean the times haven't been challenging. They have been and they are. It doesn't mean clergy haven't had moments of holistic exhaustion: physical, mental, emotional and spiritual. They have had and they do have. It doesn't mean clergy haven't cried, screamed, shaken their fists or thrown up their hands. They have and they do. The weight of it all can be quite heavy. The weight of it all can feel quite isolating. You see if the clergy who play as well as possible with full hands and

do the best they can with full plates don't see or feel support, depression can become the conversation partner and companion. This is where the idea of putting the Clergy Appreciation and Depression Awareness together comes into play. Of course, it's not in the way you may have thought. But it's relevant, nonetheless. We all want to know our efforts make a difference. We all want to know we are more than what we can do. This includes clergy, who are just as much human as you.

Before Clergy Appreciation Month comes to a close, I chal-

lenge you to let your support be seen, heard and felt. Pray for a clergyperson on the spot, not because anything is wrong, but simply just because. If you can't do so in person, give them a call. Send a card, email or text message to simply say thank you. Send flowers or a food delivery gift card from Uber Eats, Door Dash, etc. If you see a clergyperson with a need or the church with a need that clergy would normally tend to, and you have the capacity or resources, fulfill it.

Now more than ever, clergy need your support. Not only clergy from your congregation,


but all clergy. Do what you can, as you can. It all helps.

I'll leave you with this: Considering that Jesus is 100% God and 100% human, what would it have been like if during his time of ministry, someone asked Jesus how he was doing or feeling?

Rae Karim, formerly chapel director at Christian Theological Seminary, is now pastor at First Christian Church of Honolulu. She can be reached at pastoraefcc@gmail.com.

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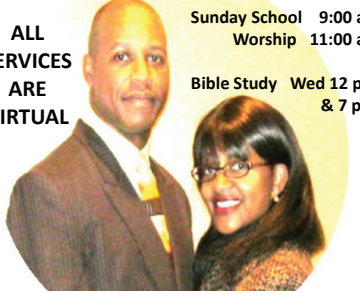
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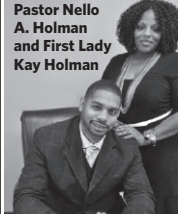


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Staying afloat during the pandemic to help women overcome barriers

By ALICIA COOLEY



Vulnerability isn't always comfortable, especially when that vulnerability is thrust upon you amidst a global pandemic. For some, vulnerability may look like courage or transformation, but for others, it may show itself in seeking help when you're silently struggling. And for the past two years, that struggle was amplified. According to CARE's Rapid Gender Analysis and the impact of the pandemic, the number of women who reported mental health impacts from COVID-19 was triple that of men. Modern Day Therapy knows this. I know this, and we're working to remind our community that help is available.

Before we realized our business' true calling, we were contracted with various school systems providing mental health treatment to children. While that work was incredibly impactful, we found that as much as we could help one child, we couldn't effectively help other family members who were still struggling and without support. It was then that Modern Day Therapy, as it exists today, was born. To help facilitate meaningful change impacting the life trajectory for children, we needed to work with the entire family unit.

This led us to pivot our work to women and children involved in the criminal justice system, specifically our partnership with Craine House. As the in-house clinical partner for Craine House, a nonprofit work release facility in Indianapolis, Modern Day Therapy provides women with their children onsite mental health therapy and substance use treatment. Craine House is the only facility of its kind in the Midwest and one of nine similar programs in the U.S., allowing women to serve their time with their young children ages five and under. Statistics show that an increased number of incarcerated women suffer from some form of mental illness and substance use disorder while simultaneously lacking access to stable housing, employment, education and social services to help transition back into society. This, combined with other societal challenges former justice-involved persons face, place women at one of the most significant disadvantages coming out of prison.

On March 11, 2020, COVID-19 was declared a global pandemic. But in January 2020, placement at Craine House was halted. The pandemic hit our business two months before others, and when you're in the business of making a difference, it's gut-wrenching to watch the community struggling while being unable to help. COVID-19 forced millions of American women to leave their jobs, and my staff was not immune to these outcomes. It's estimated that female job loss rates



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due to COVID-19 are about 1.8 times higher than male job loss rates globally. I couldn't afford to keep my staff, and they couldn't afford to wait for the work to start again.

I applied for the PPP loan through another financial institution the day the website opened. I sat there, waiting, watching, just like everybody, knowing that my people and our community needed help. I didn't hear back.

When I heard the Indy Chamber was processing PPP loans and offering a Rapid Response Loan program through the Business Ownership Initiative, I applied immediately. Within a week, I received the rapid response loan. It saved me. It saved my business. The loan I received allowed me to continue operating and helping people. In my field, there's always work. There's always a need for mental health professionals — and that includes before, during and after a global pandemic.

I'm honored to work with those in most need. I understand how hard it can be for anybody, particularly women, to overcome barriers of poverty and other interlocking systems of oppression. That's why Modern Day Therapy leads with vulnerability. We know that showing vulnerability demonstrates the courage it takes to show up and make today better. We strive to provide

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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Jaylan Lamont Sears, whose mailing address is 114 Peacock Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46236, And, if different, my residence address is: Marion County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that she/he has filed a petition in the Marion Circuit Court requesting that his/her name be changed to Jaylan Edris Sanders.

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A PART OF LOT 63 IN ARLINGTON HEIGHTS ADDITION, 3RD SECTION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 19, PAGE 20 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS TO-WIT:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 63 AND RUNNING THENCE NORTH ON AND ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 63, 125 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WEST AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 63; 133.5 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 63; THENCE SOUTH ON AND ALONG THE AFORESAID WEST LINE, 125 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 63; THENCE EAST ON AND ALONG THE AFORESAID SOUTH LINE 133.5 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Commonly known as: 5906 E 17th St., Indianapolis, IN 46218

To the following Defendants whose whereabouts are known: CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS;

To the following Defendants whose whereabouts are not known: DOROTHY SNYDER and The unknown husbands, wives, widows, widowers, surviving spouses, heirs, legatees, devisees, grantees, children, descendants, mortgagees, creditors, administrators, executors, trustees, receivers, guardians, successors, assigns, if deceased, of all persons above named, all persons, associations, partnerships, partners, trustees, assigns, representatives, successors,

corporations, or claimants, who assert any title to claim upon or interest in the real estate herein described, all women once known by any of the names or designations above stated, whose names may have been changed and the names of all the spouses of persons above named; described and designated as defendants to this action who are married and whose names are unknown to Plaintiff, In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants 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 thirty (30) days after the Third Published Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

The Name and Address of the Attorney Representing the Plaintiff is:

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HOCKER LAW LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
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Indianapolis, IN 46250
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E: Kathleen.Crebo@hock-erlaw.com

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO. 49D03-2110-FM-033930) FORUM CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

Vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF JANINE HOLMES AND STACY L. MCGUYRE, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JANINE HOLMES

Defendants.

FILE NO. 21-006822
NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the defendants named above and any other person or persons who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court named above. The nature of the suit against you is: Foreclosure of real estate mortgage on:

125 feet by parallel lines off the entire south end of Lot numbered Thirty-eight (38) in Hartman Dale, an addition to the City of Indianapolis, the plat of which is recorded in Plat Book 19, page 21 in the Office of the Recorder of Marion County, Indiana.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose whereabouts are known: STACY L. MCGUYRE AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JANINE HOLMES;

and to the following defendant whose whereabouts is unknown: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF JANINE HOLMES;

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 respond to the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the third Notice of Suit is published, and if you fail to do so, a judgment may be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

PADGETT LAW GROUP
By: /s/ Elyssa M. Meade
JENNIFER R. FITZWATER, Attorney for Plaintiff

ATTEST: /s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion Superior/Circuit Court

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO. 49D08-2109-EU-029643) IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN M. BROWN, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that, on September 2, 2021, John F. Walker was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of JOHN M. BROWN, who died on the 25th day of August, 2021.

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 September 2, 2021.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Superior Court of Marion County

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO. 49D08-2109-EU-029643) IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN M. BROWN, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

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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 September 2, 2021.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Superior Court of Marion County

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ATTORNEY: Randall R. Shouse SHOUSE & LAN- GLOIS/1593-19 9510 East Washington Street Indianapolis IN 46229 Telephone: (317) 899-3500 Facsimile: (317) 899-3526 Notice of Administration In the Marion Superior Court, Probate Division

In the matter of the Estate of Charles W. Cordell, deceased.

Cause Number 49D08-2109-EU-031493

Notice is hereby given that Laura Prado was on the 30th day of September, 2021, appointed personal representative of the Estate of Charles W. Cordell, deceased.

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 9 months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this September 30, 2021.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion Superior Court,

Probate Division
5320-929974

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION CAUSE NO. 49D08-2110-EU-033096 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT NO. 8 PROBATE DIVISION OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

Notice is hereby given that Briane M. House and Kimberly M. Young were, on the 2nd day of October, 2021, appointed local personal representatives of the Estate of John C. Beechler, deceased, who died on the 8th day of February, 2021.

All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said 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 said claim will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 2nd day of October, 2021.

Myra A. Eldridge, Marion County Clerk
Briane M. House
PRITZKE & DAVIS, LLP
728 N. State St.
Greenfield, IN 46140
(317) 462-3434
5320-929951

10/22/21,
10/29/21,
11/05/21

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION STATE OF INDIANA IN THE COURT OF MARION COUNTY) COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO.: 49D09-2105-DN-004306) JOSEPH P. REDD Plaintiff(s)

-V- CORLIS L. VARNER Defendant(s)

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: Divorce

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: Corlis L. Redd/Varner, Address Unknown.

And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Corlis L. Redd/Varner.

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 your or your attorney, on or before the 5th day of December, 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 Circuit Court
Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC
By: Caryn Beougher (23887-29)

Patricia Johnson (23332-15)

Attorneys for Plaintiff
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Voice: (630) 453-6960
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Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC is deemed to be a debt collector for its respective clients and any information obtained may be used for that purpose.

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SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO.: 49D12-2109-PL-032541) BOB TILPICK, INC. Plaintiff.

-VS- SINCLAIR REFINING COMPANY, AND FOUR CORNERS PIPELINE COMPANY, ANY AND ALL SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AND ANY AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM ANY LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE

THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACTION

Defendants.

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 is: (1) Civil Proceedings to Quiet Title to certain real estate located in Marion County, Indiana.

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

defendant would not give address.

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

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

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 the Marion Court
5320-930180

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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO. 49D11-1909-MF-040732) The Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-4 Plaintiff vs.

Jeffrey Lantz aka Jeffrey S. Lantz aka Jeffrey Shane Lantz aka Jeff Lantz II aka Jeff Lantz aka Jeffrey W. Lantz aka Jeff S. Lantz aka Jeff Shane Lantz, et al.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above names, and any other persons who may be concerned: You are notified that you have been sued on the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is a Complaint for Foreclosure of Note and Mortgage on the following described real estate:

LOT 9 IN PARKSIDE CROSSING, A SUBDIVISION IN MARION COUNTY, INDIANA, PER PLAT THEREOF, IN RECORDED AUGUST 25, 1998 AS INSTRUMENT #98-147434 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA.

More commonly known as: 11946 Titania Circle, Indianapolis, Indiana 46236

This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to the following named defendants whose whereabouts are known to me:

Jeffrey Lantz aka Jeffrey S. Lantz aka Jeffrey Shane Lantz aka Jeff Lantz II aka Jeff Lantz aka Jeffrey W. Lantz aka Jeff S. Lantz aka Jeff Shane Lantz, James Totton, Richard Daniels, American Express National Bank fka American Express Bank FSB, The Preserve at Fall Creek HOA, Inc., Discover Bank, Asset Acceptance, LLC,

Parkside Crossing Community Association, Inc., ATVMS Trust, LLC 2019, Titania Management LLC

This Summons by Publication is also specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are unknown to me:

Villas at Kensington Community Association, Carl W. Morris, Bowman & Heintz,

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 5th day of December, 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 Circuit Court
Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC
By: Caryn Beougher (23887-29)

Patricia Johnson (23332-15)

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SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO.: 49D12-2109-PL-032541) BOB TILPICK, INC. Plaintiff.

-VS- SINCLAIR REFINING COMPANY, AND FOUR CORNERS PIPELINE COMPANY, ANY AND ALL SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AND ANY AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM ANY LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE

THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACTION

Defendants.

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 is: (1) Civil Proceedings to Quiet Title to certain real estate located in Marion County, Indiana.

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

defendant would not give address.

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

In addition to the above named Defendants being served by this summons there may be other interested parties 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 Petition in writing,

thirty (30) days after the Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so, a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of Marion County
Keith L. Beall
Clark, Quinn, Moses, Scott & Grahn LLP
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Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 637-1321
Attorney for Plaintiff
5320-930181

10/22/21,
10/29/21,
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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO. 49D13-2105-MF-018296) TVC Funding IV, LLC Plaintiff vs.

Real Estate Advisors of Central Indiana LLC, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above names, and any other persons who may be concerned: You are notified that you have been sued on the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is a Complaint for Foreclosure of Note and Mortgage on the following described real estate:

LOT NUMBERED EIGHTEEN 18 IN BLOCK 11, IN S.A. FLETCHER JR. NORTH EAST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, THE PLAT OF WHICH IS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 34 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA.

More commonly known as: 1956 Columbia Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46202

This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to the following named defendants whose whereabouts are known to me:

Lamont Rascoe
Real Estate Advisors of Central Indiana LLC
Bureau of Property Safety and Maintenance
State of Indiana Department of Revenue
Brighton Park Apartments
Driver Solutions LLC
Riverside Apartments
Woodhaven Park Apartments

Woodbrook Apartments by collection assignee Cardinal National Collegiate Student Loan Trust 2004-2

Indiana Finance Financial Corp

Interim Capital Group, Inc. Heather Ridge Apartments

State of Indiana on the relation of Indiana Department of Workforce Development

Guion Creek Apartments

Notice is hereby given that Steve Eugene Zore was, on September 23, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Terry S. Zore, Deceased, who died on or about August 21, 2021.

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 September 23, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Superior Court
5320-929627

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUNTY) SS: SUPERIOR COURT)

8 COUNTY OF MARION) ESTATE DOCKET: 49D08-2110-ES-033150

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ESTATE OF PNAYA STALEY, DECEASED

NOTICE OF SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of October, 2021, Greg Luzietti was appointed personal representative of the Estate of Pnya Staley, deceased, who died on the 19th day of September, 2021.

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 4th day of October, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion County Superior Court
No. 8, Probate Division
5320-929576

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT)

(SS:PROBATE DIVISION COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NUMBER: 49D08-2110-UE-033068

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF:

WILLIE A. JOHNSON JR., Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on October 2, 2021, Phyllis Evans was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Willie A. Johnson Jr., deceased, who died on August 1, 2021.

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, IN, this October 2, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Marion Superior Court, Probate Division
5320-929712

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)

(SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49D10-0712-DC-05260

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:

MIRIAM GALLARDO, Petitioner
Vs
HOMERO MORALES, Respondent,
ALIAS ORDER TO APPEAR

The Petitioner, Petitioner, by counsel, John A. Kassiss, having heretofore filed her Verified Petitioner for Modification in the above captioned action, and the Court being duly advised in the premises, now orders as follows:

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that this matter is set for a hearing in regards to parenting time/custody on November 4, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

/s/ ReGina Tidwell
JUDGE, Marion County Superior Court

Distribution:
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Attorney at Law
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Indianapolis, IN 46227
Homero Morales
Publication service
5320-929605

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SUMMONS—SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT NO. 10)

(SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D10-2012-DN-042754

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:

REID J. MCNAMARA, Petitioner,

vs.
RACHAEL M. MCNAMARA, Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT

RACHAEL M. MCNAMARA:

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

The nature of the suit is: a civil action for DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE by the Petitioner.

Reid J. McNamara.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following Respondent whose

whereabouts are unknown: RACHAEL M. MCNAMARA.

If you wish to retain an attorney to represent you in this matter, it is advisable to do so before the date stated in the Order to Appear. If you take no action in this case after receipt of this summons, the court can make a determination regarding any of the following, including but not limited to: dissolution of marriage, distribution of marital property and/or allocation of marital debt, name change, and attorneys' fees.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Marion County Court

Respectfully submitted,

BOWEN & ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: /s/ Justin T. Bowen
Justin T. Bowen, Attorney
No. 27454-49

Attorney for Petitioner, Reid J. McNamara

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SUMMONS—SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COURT OF MARION COUNTY)

(SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49D10-2109-DN-008018

Kathleen Lewis, Plaintiff(s)

-V-
Larry Allen, Defendant(s)

ORDER

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

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

SO ORDERED this 28th day of September, 2021.

/s/ Beth L. Jansen
Judge, Marion County Superior Court

Beth L. Jansen
Magistrate D10
5320-929577

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10/22/21,
10/29/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT)

(SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D14-2004-DN-014176

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:

TODD L. COMBS, Petitioner,

vs.
TRACY E. COMBS, Respondent.

ORDER FOR FINAL HEARING

Comes now the Court, the Petitioner having filed his Motion for Final Hearing, and the Court being duly advised now FINDS and ORDERS that parties are ordered to appear via WebEx for a Final Hearing on November 23, 2021, at 8:30 A.M. The Meeting Number (access code) is 129 910 7647 and the Password is D14MAG2021. Parties may join by phone toll free at 1-844-992-4726. The Meeting Number is 1299107647 and the Password is 31462422.

IT IS ORDERED, this October 4, 2021.

Judicial Officer
Distribution: All Parties
5320-929394

10/15/21,
10/22/21,
10/29/21

SUMMONS — SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF MARION COUNTY)

SS: ROOM NO. Court 16 COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 9D16-2017-DN-0058850

Brigitte Banyon, Plaintiff(s)

-V-
Timothy L. Banyon Sr. Defendant(s)

ORDER

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

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

SO ORDERED this 30th day of September, 2021.

Judge, Marion County Superior Court

Distribution:
Plaintiff/Petitioner: Brigitte Banyon
Defendant/Respondent: Timothy L. Banyon Sr.
5320-929391

10/15/21,
10/22/21,
10/29/21

Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC)

Request for Bid (IFB) 21-09-426 IndyGo Bus Stops 2021-A Construction Project.

IPTC is seeking bids from qualified General Contractors!

Construction of ADA accessibility improvements to 29 bus stops along E 42nd Street, Post Road, and Mid-Iroquois Road, Eagle Creek Pkwy, W 46th St. and High School Road.

Solicitation Release October 5, 2021

Pre-Bid Meeting October 12, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Site location Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, 9610 East 42nd, Indianapolis, IN 46235

Questions Due October 15, 2021, by 3:00 p.m. (EST).

Answers Provided October 20, 2021 (Posted on IndyGoWebsite)

Bids Due October 29, 2021, at 2:30 p.m. (EST)/See attached Bidding documents.

Bid Opening October 29, 2021, at 2:45 p.m. (EST) Teams Public Meeting

IPTC Board Meeting December 9, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. /Public Meeting

No late Bids accepted, and proposals must be hard copies.

To access Solicitation / Bid Documents please email request to Dave Adamson at dadamson@indygo.net, at that time bidding documents will be emailed, also available on IndyGo website: <https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/>

Confirmation via Return email requested. Please provide proof of publication with invoice. 5320-929393

10/15/21,
10/22/21

Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC)

Request for Proposal RFP21-07-411 Landscaping Services

Summary: IPTC is requesting proposals for landscaping maintenance and service of eleven (11) properties. IPTC seeks a combination of expertise, delivery of quality, and price that is most advantageous to IPTC. Contractor with demonstrated effectiveness in managing and maintaining property landscapes while performing at or above industry standards for efficient and quality landscaping services.

View RFP Online at <https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/>

Procurement Schedule: 10/11/2021 Issue of RFP on IPTC Website by EOD

10/19/2021 Prebid Meeting in Person (reservations must be confirmed to promote Social Distancing and reserve Transportation) @ 1:00

This initiative is in alignment with IPTC's efforts to lessen our carbon footprint on the local environment, as well as enhance services to our community. This solicitation is for the purchase of all battery-electric buses. The requested buses are identified to support the entire Blue Line BRT corridor, including mileage distribution buses.

Request For Proposals 21-07-407 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Battery Electrical (60") Buses

Solicitation Release October 4, 2021

Pre-Bid Meeting October 11, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. (EST)

Virtual Teams Meeting / Please request hyperlink via procurement@indygo.net

Questions Due October 15, 2021 by 3:00 p.m. (EST)

Answers Posted October 22, 2021 (Posted on IndyGoWebsite)

Request for Alterations (RFA) October 29, 2021, by 3:00 p.m. (EST)

RFA Responses Posted November 5, 2021 (Posted on IndyGo Website)

Proposal Due November 15, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. (EST) / See Bidding documents.

Vendor Interviews November 19, 2021 / TBD / Teams Public Meeting.

IPTC Board Meeting December 9, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. / Public Meeting.

No late Bids accepted and proposals must be hard copies.

To access Solicitation / Bid Documents please email request to Dave Adamson at dadamson@indygo.net, at that time bidding documents will be emailed, also available on IndyGo website: <https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/>

5320-929414

10/15/21,
10/22/21,
10/29/21

Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC)

Request For Proposal RFP 21-08-413 IPTC - HVAC and Maintenance Services

Summary: Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC/IndyGo) is seeking proposals for on-site service, preventive maintenance (PM) and basic non-emergency and emergency service calls from a licensed contractor via a fixed price contract. Service is required at IPTC's main facility at 1501 West Washington Street, Carson Transit Center (CTC) at 201 East Washington Street, 9503 East 33rd Street (East Campus), 6410 North College Avenue, and 2425 West Michigan Street. Included in the fixed price is:

-- Labor for on-site technical service including all markups.

-- Labor for preventive maintenance as specified in this document including all markups.

-- Supplies, materials, and equipment stored at IndyGo for execution of services herein.

-- Non-emergency service call including the first two hours of labor.

-- Emergency service call including the first two hours of labor.

View IFB Online at <https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/>

Issue of EQ: 10/07/2021 by EOD

Pre-Bid Meeting & tour of Main offices & CTC 10/13/2021 - 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Written Questions Due: 10/18/2021 by 2:00 p.m. EST

IndyGo's Response to Written Questions: 10/22/2021 by EOD

Bid Due Date: 10/26/2021 by 2:00 p.m. EST (electronic bids only - no hard copies)

Awarded: 12/10/2021 by EOD via email 5320-929606

10/15/21,
10/22/21

Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC)

Request for Proposal RFP 21-09-427 Coach Operators Uniforms

Summary: IPTC is requesting proposals in order to select a contractor to manage IndyGo's Purchased Uniforms Program, under the purview of IndyGo's Transportation Department. IPTC seeks a combination of program management expertise, delivery of quality & material and price that is most advantageous to IPTC. Respondent must demonstrate effectiveness of program management and efficiency of service.

View RFP Online at <https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/>

Procurement Schedule: 10/18/2021 Issue of RFP on IPTC Website by EOD

10/26/2021 Prebid Meeting - Hybrid in Person (reservations must be confirmed to promote Social Distancing and reserve Transportation) @ 11:00 AM EST

11/4/2021 Questions due IPTC Procurement 10:00 AM EST

11/12/2021 IPTC Responses due by EOD

11/24/2021 Uniform Samples Due by EOD

12/1/2021 RFP Proposals due IPTC Procurement EOD

TBD Vendor Interviews (if necessary, by appointment)

01.27.2022 Special IPTC Board Meeting Session (Via Remote) 5:00 PM EST 5320-929640

10/15/21,
10/22/21,
10/29/21

Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC)

Request for Proposal RFP21-07-411 Landscaping Services

Summary: IPTC is requesting proposals for landscaping maintenance and service of eleven (11) properties. IPTC seeks a combination of expertise, delivery of quality, and price that is most advantageous to IPTC. Contractor with demonstrated effectiveness in managing and maintaining property landscapes while performing at or above industry standards for efficient and quality landscaping services.

View RFP Online at <https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/>

Procurement Schedule: 10/11/2021 Issue of RFP on IPTC Website by EOD

10/19/2021 Prebid Meeting in Person (reservations must be confirmed to promote Social Distancing and reserve Transportation) @ 1:00

PM EST

10.26.2021 Questions due IPTC Procurement 10:00 AM EST

11.15.2021 IPTC Responses due by EOD

11.19.2021 RFP Proposals due IPTC Procurement 10:00 AM EST

TBD Vendor Interviews (if necessary, by appointment)

01.27.2021 Special IPTC Board Meeting Session (Via Remote) 5:00 PM EST 5320-929618

10/15/21,
10/22/21,
10/29/21

Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC)

Request For Qualifications RFQ21-09-425 IPTC Transit Asset Management (TAM) Planning Consultant/Support Summary: Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo) is seeking a consultant to support its staff in updating its Transit Asset Management Plan (TAMP).

The current plan was completed in October 2018 and needs to be updated to comply with federal regulations.

View RFQ Online at <https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/>

Issue of RFQ: 10/11/2021 by EOD

Pre-Bid Meeting: 10/13/2021 @ 10:00 a.m. EST by remote connection - email for link

Written Questions Due: 10/18/2021 by 4:00 p.m. EST

Answers Provided and Posted: 10/22/2021

Proposal Due Date: 10/29/2021 by 3:00 p.m. EST (electronic bids only - no hard copies)

Notice of Award: 12/09/2021 @ 5:00 p.m. EST - IPTC Board Meeting - by remote connection only 5320-929639

10/15/21,
10/22/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)

COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO.: 49C01-2106-MI-019446

IN RE THE CHANGE OF NAME:

Jean N Elie
ALIAS NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Jean N Elie, as a self represented litigant, filed a Verified

Petition for Change of Name to change name from Jean N. Elie to Blezz Ludovic Elie. The Petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion Circuit Court on December 17, 2021, at 10:00

a.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. This hearing will be in the Marion County Circuit Court, 200 E. Washington Street, City Court Building, Room W506, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. This hearing will be held remotely by WebEx. A separate WebEx invitation will be sent with instructions to join the hearing. All interested parties may login mycase.

in.gov and enter the above cause number for the Webex login information.

Date
Clerk of Marion Circuit Court

So Ordered: September 28, 2021

/s/ Amber Collins-Gebrehewet, Magistrate
Marion Circuit Court
Distribution: P e t i t i o n e r
5320-929091

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10/15/21,
10/22/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)

COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49C01-2109-PL-032581

IRMA LEON-ANTONIO, Plaintiff,

-v-
EQUITY TRUST COMPANY CUSTODIAN FBO SULTAN TASKIN IRA, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, HEALTH AND HOSPITAL CORPORATION OF MARION COUNTY,

and unknown husbands, wives, widows, widowers, surviving spouses, heirs, legatees, devisees, grantees, children, descendants, mortgagees, creditors, administrators, executors, trustees, receivers, guardians, successors, assigns, if deceased, of all persons above named, all persons, associations, partnerships, partners, trustees, assigns, representatives, successors, corporations, or claimants, who assert any title to claim upon or interest in the real estate herein described, all women once known by any of the names or designations above stated, whose names may have been changed and the names of all the spouses of persons above named; described and designated as defendants to this action who are married and whose names are unknown to Plaintiffs, Defendants.

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.

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

Unknown.

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

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 21st day of November, 2021, (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgement will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Marion Court 5320-929051

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Mike Woodson trying to build Indiana's confidence in Year 1

By TYLER FENWICK
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The first thing new Indiana basketball head coach Mike Woodson told Trayce Jackson-Davis after the all-conference forward said he'd stay in Bloomington for another season: "You're a captain."

Jackson-Davis, Indiana's best player as a junior who's averaged 16 points and nearly nine rebounds in two seasons, has taken the job seriously. He texts his teammates to make sure they're on time, tells them he's someone they can talk to if they're not comfortable going to Woodson.

No one will be more valuable of an asset for Woodson as the first-year coach tries to guide a proud Indiana program back to steadier waters. The Hoosiers haven't been to an NCAA Tournament since 2016, when former coach Tom Crean took them to the Sweet 16. Archie Miller made one postseason appearance — the NIT in 2019 — during his four-year stint in Bloomington.

Woodson's first order of business is instilling confidence in a team that, as he sees it, doesn't have a superstar.

"We have a dominant player in Trayce and then a bunch of supporting cast," he said at Big Ten basketball media days Oct. 7 in Indianapolis.

If the Hoosiers can find the upside to their offense, it's a team that could



Indiana basketball head coach Mike Woodson speaks with the Big Ten Network at Big Ten media days Oct. 8, 2021, in Indianapolis. (Photo/David Dixon)

look drastically different from what fans became accustomed to under the old regime. It could be fun, fast-paced, efficient — all under the supervision of 63-year-old Woodson, the 1980 conference player of the year at Indiana who spent almost 25 years in the NBA coaching ranks.

A good measuring stick for Woodson's first season will be how well senior guard Rob Phinisee plays. Phinisee hasn't been a prolific scorer in three seasons, but Woodson wonders if the last coaching staff discouraged him from shooting.

"My problem with Rob is I just gotta get him to shoot more," Woodson said.

Phinisee could shift to being more of a sixth man off the bench this season after Indiana added transfer point guard Xavier Johnson, who was in the starting lineup for the Hoosiers' two games in the Bahamas in August. Phinisee still had 19 assists off the bench.

But even Johnson could use some confidence going into this season. He transferred from Pittsburgh, a bottom feeder in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Johnson became the first player in program history with more than 750

career points and 300 assists.

"I'm just trying to get him to be a better point guard and get his teammates involved in terms of running our offense," Woodson said.

Indiana's offense was anemic at times under Miller, never finishing in the top half of the Big Ten in efficiency. Woodson's offense is more free-flowing, according to Jackson-Davis, who has typically shouldered the weight of the Hoosiers' offense.

Another transfer, Miller Kopp from Northwestern, is a versatile scorer at 6-foot-7 who shot nearly 40% from the field, including 32% from behind the arc. The Hoosiers will also have four-star shooting guard Tamar Bates, who committed to the program shortly after Woodson was hired in March.

This team is going to run, Woodson said, maybe more than they've ever run in their lives. They're going to shoot 3's because in the pros, where Woodson developed his coaching chops, that's what almost every player can do.

"I'm trying to instill in all of these players that they have a chance to play and make a difference on our ballclub," he said. "That's the only way I think we can win at a high level."

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Colts' offense appears Taylor-made for big-play threats

By MICHAEL MAROT
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jonathan Taylor has the Indianapolis Colts' offense humming.

He's running hard, running effectively, and over the last week running, perhaps, better than any other NFL back.

In a six-day span, the second-year running back had 327 yards from scrimmage, scored four touchdowns and almost single-handedly put the Colts back in the playoff conversation thanks to an offense that looks tailor-made for his skill set.

"He is a beast back there," quarterback Carson Wentz said. "He is so good between the tackles, but when he gets out on the second level, he is so fast. Like he is a different speed, and I know he is a problem for defenses."

The game tapes show it.

On Oct. 11, at Baltimore, he took a screen pass and sprinted 76 yards to the end zone for a 7-0 lead. Two quarters later, his power and vision were on display during a 4-yard TD run that made it 22-3. He finished with 53 yards rushing and a career-high 116



Colts running back Jonathan Taylor (Photo/Walt Thomas)

yards receiving.

The encore was equally impressive. Taylor got the Colts out of a second-half hole with an 83-yard dash before being caught from behind, a play that left teammate Michael Pittman Jr. in disbelief. Three plays later, Taylor scored

again to make it 24-3. He wound up rushing for 145 yards with two scores.

"It really kind of stuns or shocks a defense and then it's up to that defense how are they going to respond?" Taylor said. "After a big play like that, you have to continue to keep your foot on the gas to not allow them to get a chance to settle back in."

For the former Wisconsin star, who nearly produced three 2,000-yard seasons in college, this is old hat. Over his last 13 games, including a playoff contest at Buffalo, Taylor has rushed for 1,291 yards and 12 touchdowns while catching 31 passes for 312 yards and two more scores. He's one of six players in franchise history to top 1,500 yards rushing and 2,000 from scrimmage in his first two seasons — and he still has 11 games to pad those numbers.

But the Colts are more concerned with counting touches to make sure Taylor has a chance to keep what had been a ho-hum offense cranking on all cylinders.

"In my mind, the perfect game he's getting at least 20 carries and having a big day," coach Frank Reich said. "In a good offensive game, we're going to have 30 carries, we should have at least

30 carries as an offense. I see 20 of those going to Jonathan."

WHAT'S WORKING

Wentz. Indy made the deal in March because it thought a change of scenery and a new supporting cast would help the once-promising quarterback regain his form. After a rough start, Wentz has strung together four solid games and has thrown only one interception this season.

WHAT NEEDS HELP

The secondary. Injuries have depleted this group. Yes, an improving pass rush should help, but what the Colts need most is healthy front-line bodies.

KEY NUMBER

174 — After running just eight times in the first half against Houston, Reich went with a heavy ground game in the second half. Indy finished with 26 carries for 174 yards, 6.7 yards per carry.

NEXT STEPS

The Colts hit the road against a hungry and rested San Francisco team that former 49ers star and 2020 All-Pro DeForest Buckner knows well. Indy must play a physical, 60-minute game to get back to .500.

Pacers rookie Chris Duarte talks with associate head coach Lloyd Pierce. (Photos/Walt Thomas)



Pacers ready for new season

Domantas Sabonis led the Pacers with 24 points and 13 rebounds in a 109-107 preseason win over the Memphis Grizzlies.



Colts QB Carson Wentz goes deep to WR T.Y. Hilton. It was Hilton's first game of the season. (Photos/David Dixon)



WR Paris Campbell had 51 yards and a TD in the Colts' 31-3 win over Houston.