

Judge Lets Helendale Fire Fee Zone Gobble All Unincorporated County Land

In a written decision, San Bernardino County Superior Court Judge Donald Alvarez allowed the County of San Bernardino to move forward with its plans to exact the additional tax associated with the expansion of Fire Protection Zone Five, which was originally formed more than a decade-and-a-half ago to defray the cost of pro-

viding fire suppression and prevention service to the desert communities of Helendale and Silver Lakes, to include all unincorporated areas of San Bernardino County.

In October 2018, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors approved a resolution to expand Fire Protection Zone Five. The expansion added all 19,073

square miles of unincorporated county land to the fire zone and came with a special tax of

\$157.26 per year with a likely increase of 3 percent every year. The resulting \$26.9 million tax windfall was to cover, in part, the county fire division's projected \$29 million budget deficit.

The county's argument for imposing the

additional burden almost entirely on unincorporated residents arises from the county's contention that unincorporated areas are not paying their fair share for fire services.

Unincorporated landowners, along with citizens of Grand Terrace, Twenty Nine Palms and Yucca Valley see it differently. Since 2015 the

county fire division has gone on an acquisition spree. Via annexations approved by San Bernardino's Local Agency Formation Commission, the county fire department added a projected \$47.3 million to its budget requirements by taking additional emergency service responsibilities in the county. Ninety percent of that

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Merritt Defense Questions Victim's Brother & Lays DNA Exoneration Foundation

By Mark Gutglueck

Along separate tangents, Charles Merritt's defense team during two days of testimony this week sought so illustrate the degree to which investigators and prosecutors miscast the defendant as the perpetrator of the horrific McStay murders, either misinterpreting or neglecting to explore

evidence that supports a variant conclusion. In the course of that court action, Michael McStay, the brother/brother-in-law/uncle of the victims who served as an orienting prosecution witness in the early days of the trial, was recalled to the witness stand by the defense. Thereafter, the defense brought in an expert witness in the

arena of DNA analysis to preview evidence overlooked by the prosecution which Merritt's advocates maintain indicates the family met its gruesome fate at the hands of others who escaped apprehension.

The defense's strategy in pursuing what was sometimes an aggressive examining of Michael McStay, whose loss of his

older sibling renders him a poignantly sympathetic figure to many who have followed the case, was to convey to the jury the degree to which context and character assassination, two tactics freely indulged in throughout the trial against Merritt by the prosecution, can color the portrayal of virtually any of the individuals who were in the

orbit of those who were murdered.

Charles "Chase" Merritt, according to the prosecution, was a gambling addict whose lack of financial discipline rendered him into such a state of economic desperation that he had engaged in a series of thefts from Earth Inspired Products, the company owned and op-

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Late Activist Buckley's Mother Perishes In Needles House Fire

The mother of the late Needles political activist David Buckley was killed Tuesday evening, April 2, in a structure fire that consumed her home located on Needles' main boulevard 1.8 miles from the community's fire station.

The first report of a blaze at the single-story residence at 1202 West Broadway Street came in at 9:46 p.m., which was followed by further calls relaying that yell-

ing could be heard from within the building.

A county fire crew from the Needles Fire Station #32, located at 1113 East Broadway Street, was the first on the scene, discovering the two-bedroom house that had been augmented with add-ons was fully ablaze. According to the department, the presence of 20 mile per hour winds rapidly propelled the flames throughout the structure. See P 18

Redlands Levying Prohibitive Permit And Inspection Fees On Minor Home Repairs

By Amanda Frye

Redlands residents are calling into question their city's aggressive levying of what have been characterized as exorbitant permit fees for relatively routine home repairs.

Redlands has regulations that call for securing permits to do a host of improvements on properties in the city. While many other California cities engage in a permitting process relat-

ing to alterations made to residential properties and some of the fees Redlands has instituted are relatively consistent with those applied by municipalities or county governments elsewhere in the state, Redlands imposes permitting and inspection fees with regard to picayune maintenance or replacement efforts that are virtually off the charts.

According to Carl Baker, the City of Red-

lands' official spokesman, the city is within acceptable legal parameters in requiring the permits.

Baker said that virtually all improvement work pertaining to domiciles qualify as "items [that] require permits and have required permits for many years. Plug in equipment such as window air conditioners and heaters do not require a permit as long as new electri-

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Russian Military Reconnaissance Aircraft Overflies San Bernardino County

A Russian military surveillance jet last week overflew and did extensive videographic and electronic reconnaissance of the two significant military installations in San Bernardino County's Mojave Desert.

The Tupolev 154, equipped with sensitive electro-optical cameras capable of taking high-resolution photos using a variety of filters, anten-

nas capable of detecting an extensive range of electronic emanations across the frequency spectrum, thermal and

light refraction sensors and radio frequency and laser projectors, the beams from which upon bounceback provide a

photogrammetric profile of the area it has passed over, had clearance from the Donald Trump Administration

and the Department of Defense to engage in the flyovers.

Both Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center 29 Palms and Fort Irwin are among 58 military installations in the Continental United States where Russian Surveillance aircraft are permitted to make airborne surveys under the Treaty on Open Skies agreement

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After A Set Of False Starts, SB Solons Put City Manager Into Administrative Suspension



Andrea Travis-Miller

In the logical but somewhat delayed denouement of the November 2018 election, the San Bernardino City Council on Wednesday placed City Manager Andrea Travis-Miller on paid administrative leave.

As is typical in the handling of all governmental personnel issues, the official rationale for the move toward Travis-Miller's intended firing was not provided. What remains unclear is whether the council's current leadership, infused in the political machine that is growing around Mayor John Valdivia, will be capable of formulating a consensus or the legal council authority within the next month to effectuate that firing.

That one-month timing is significant because the council since December 19, when Valdivia and the two other members of the council elected in November were sworn into office, has stood at six-sevenths strength. As the then-current Third Ward councilman when he was chosen mayor, Valdivia had to exit his Third Ward council position, leaving it vacant. On May 7 the deadline for a mail-in election to fill the Third Ward po-

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Judge Says County Imposing Fire Protection Fees Without A Vote Is Okay *from front page*

funding was planned to fund operations in Upland and the City of San Bernardino. In consequence, staffing for the county fire department increased markedly in the valley region and for administrative functions while it decreased in the desert and mountain regions. Citizens in the unincorporated areas have questioned why they are forced to support this arrangement.

Owners of undeveloped land are particularly galled by the additional tax. Cal-Fire, a state agency, has primary firefighting responsibility on undeveloped land in the state. Owners of these remote and mostly unimproved properties question why are they required to contribute extra to the county coffers when the county fire division is not primarily responsible to fight a fire on their land. The Red Brennan Group, an organization established to further fair and efficient government, partnered with a coalition of landowners and civic organization to challenge the Fire Protection Zone-5 expansion in court. The coalition contends the county, among other illegalities, violated Article XIIC of the California's Constitution, which states, "No local government may impose, extend, or increase any special tax unless and until that tax is submitted to the electorate and approved by a two-thirds vote."

In an attempt to suspend collection of the tax, The Red Brennan Group's legal team submitted a motion for preliminary injunction with the intent to halt the tax while the lawsuit progressed. Judge Alvarez denied the motion based on a multi-part legal test.

Judge Alvarez was bound by a broad decision of California's Fourth District Court of Appeals. In *Sunset Beach v. Orange*

County Local Agency Formation Commission the court upheld a 133-acre "island annexation" of Sunset Beach into the surrounding city of Huntington Beach. The county's approach in the Fire Protection Zone-5 expansion is an extreme test of the Sunset Beach case. The county proposes using a fire zone originally established to cover 5.6 square miles around the small desert community of Helandale to "swallow" 19,073 unincorporated square miles of the county. While Judge Alvarez noted the difference is "significant" he wrote that the plaintiffs failed to "...adequately explain why Sunset Beach, with its strong and broad language ... is inapplicable here."

A second factor the judge considered is the so-called "pay first, litigate later" clause in the constitution. Essentially, this clause requires payment of the tax prior to a party bringing suit against the government organization levying that tax.

The third factor Judge Alvarez considered was, essentially, a technicality. The plaintiffs failed to complete a "reverse validation" action. In layman's terms, plaintiffs must inform the public they are suing a public agency within 60 days of the action. Missing this step, according to California Code, means the "...public agency's action is forever immune from attack 'whether it is legally valid or not.'"

Judge Alvarez did, however, state that "...it is possible for Plaintiffs to circumvent this requirement upon a showing of 'good cause.'"

In a perplexing move, Judge Alvarez brushed over the plaintiffs equal protection claim. Numerous unincorporated residents contacted The Red Brennan Group and expressed dismay over the county's so-called protest procedure. Many claimed they never received the protest notification letter while others indicated the letter so closely resembled junk mail they may have dis-

carded it. Significantly, the notification letter did not include the needed protest form. Recipients were required to locate a form either by navigating to a webpage or "Dialing 211." Although the Plaintiffs claimed this shoddy process violated the equal protection guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution, Judge Alvarez's opinion only mentioned the claim in passing.

A ruling favorable to The Red Brennan Group's request would have forced the county to table collection of the additional tax as the underlying case grinds its way through the court system. With the denial of the motion, the tax remains slated to appear on the November 2019 property tax bill of affected county residents.

Tom Murphy, spokesman for the organization, stated "This ruling is by no means the final word on Fire Protection Zone-5. While this is a

disappointing result, it is a skirmish in the larger legal battle. The heart of our coalition's concern whether the elected leadership of the county, together with the justice system, will allow the county's bureaucracy to run roughshod over the constitutional rights of its citizens? Constituents should send a clear message to the county supervisors. The board's 3-2 decision in favor of Fire Protection Zone-5 expansion was dead wrong, the people are taking note and county leadership should reverse course."

Murphy went on, "The intent of California voters via Proposition 13, 218, and 26 is crystal clear. For the past 41 years the people of this state have reiterated their right to control their own pocketbooks. The county bureaucracy clearly has something on its mind other than common-sense governance. If our household budget

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is in the red, what do we do? We tighten our belts, cut back on unnecessary items, identify effective economies. Not so at the county. County departments, particularly the county's fire division, come to the table and simply ask for more – and the elected officials hand it over. According to the State Controller's website, county property tax revenue increased 21 percent between

2010 and 2017. Why did the county fire department's budget request increase 40 percent over the same period? Rather than insisting the bureaucracy control its spending, county elected officials go along with a scheme clearly designed by a member of the apparatus to circumvent the California Constitution and the voter's expressed will."

Brother Forced To Relive Events Attending His Brother's Murder *from front page*

erated by his business associate, Joseph McStay. Through that company, Joseph was selling high end decorative water fixtures – artificial waterfalls and fountains – which Merritt designed and manufactured out of steel, glass, rock and other components based upon the specifications outlined by the company's customers and passed along to Merritt by McStay. The prosecution's theory, presented during the initial nine weeks of the trial that began on January 7, is that Merritt in early February 2010 fraudulently utilized the QuickBooks accounting system McStay had set up for the Earth Inspired Products enterprise to pilfer thousands of dollars by issuing himself a series of checks.

When he learned of what Merritt was up to, either shortly before or perhaps even on February 4, 2010, Joseph Mc-

Stay traveled to Rancho Cucamonga, where Merritt was then living, and confronted him about his larceny, threatening to alert authorities, prosecutors allege. After Joseph McStay returned to San Diego County, the prosecution's theory continues, Merritt that evening drove to the McStay residence in Fallbrook where he killed Joseph McStay, his wife Summer and their two sons, four-year-old Gianni and three-year-old Joseph, Jr.

Merritt then secreted the bodies for two days, in the meantime again fraudulently accessing Joseph McStay's QuickBooks account for Earth Inspired Products, the prosecution maintains, and on February 4, 2010, February 5, 2010 and again on February 8, 2010 issued himself checks made out to himself for a total of \$23,855. Merritt then transported the corpses up into San Bernardino County's High Desert, an area with which Merritt was familiar from having grown up in Hesperia and attended Apple Valley High

School for three years in the 1970s. It was in that spot where on February 6, 2010 he buried all four along with the hammer he had used to bludgeon his victims in shallow graves he dug in a wash off a rarely-traveled dirt road, according to the prosecution. To confuse the situation, throw authorities off his track and delay a serious investigation into the matter, the prosecution maintains Merritt then drove the McStay family's 1996 Isuzu Trooper, which yet contained the child seats for Gianni and Joseph, to San Ysidro, where he left the vehicle in a shopping center parking lot roughly a quarter of a mile from the Mexican border.

Established through Michael McStay's testimony when he was called by the prosecution during the first week of trial in January was that he had traveled to Fallbrook to meet Merritt there on Saturday February 13, 2010, and then follow him to his brother's house located at 3473 Avocado Vista Lane, to which he said he had not previously been.

Once there, Michael McStay testified, he had noted the family's dogs abandoned in an enclosure in the backyard. After finding an unlocked window into the room at the back of the house his brother used for his home business office, Michael McStay testified he removed the window's screen and slid the framed glass panel over along its glides so he could climb through the opening to gain access to the interior of the house. Inside, McStay had encountered an eerily empty domicile in which it appeared that the family had abruptly departed, with food items left out on the kitchen counter and the premises in a state of mild disarray. Still uncertain as to whether and wishfully hoping his brother and his family might have simply left town for an unannounced getaway and that they might return by the following day, Valentine's Day, Michael McStay said they departed, and that he waited until Monday, February 15, 2010 to con-

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Bloomington Activist Rocha Named 20th Senate District Woman Of The Year

Bloomington resident Kim Rocha was recognized as the 2019 "Woman of the Year" within the 20th State Senate District by California State Senator Connie M. Leyva (D-Chino) last month.

Leyva said she conferred the honor upon Rocha for her committed local activism and continued advocacy for the community of Bloomington and surrounding areas. Rocha is the co-founder of "Concerned Neighbors of Bloomington," a community based organization promoting



Kim Rocha

leadership development and community participation in local social justice issues,

"Kim Rocha is a tireless advocate and champion for the voiceless, promoting a more

sustainable quality of life, responsible land use decisions, improved public health, and environmental justice," said Leyva. "As the chair of the Legislative Women's Caucus and the senator representing the 20th State Senate District, it is my honor to recognize Kim Rocha as the 2019 'Woman of the Year' for her ongoing commitment to fighting for her community and making sure that local residents and neighborhoods are protected from harm. As we begin Women's History Month, it is truly fitting

that I have the opportunity to publicly highlight Kim's inspiring work in the community and the amazing determination she brings to fight for environmental and social justice."

Rocha became a strong advocate for environmental and social justice issues when her local community became a target of the expansive logistics industry and pollution-generating facilities began to encroach upon her residential area. She has worked to address environmental hazards, diesel

emission exposure, and elevated levels of pollution as a direct cause of chronic illness. What began as a small local fight to ensure the welfare of local residents was taken into consideration by governmental decision makers within the context of land use decisions turned into an enduring commitment to promoting environmental justice. She has walked and lobbied within the halls of the California State Capitol, advocating for more transparency and urging elected officials to invest in the most dis-

enfranchised residents and communities in California.

"It was a great honor and a very big blessing for me to received this award," said Rocha. "I also fee it is a win for my community, as well. Our concerned Neighbors of Bloomington work really hard to fight the poor land use decisions our leaders are making. This award brings light to my community and sends a message that we will continue to fight, and our voices will be heard."

Valdivia Trying To Squeeze The Trigger On Travis-Miller

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sition elapses. Running in that election are Juan Figueroa and Treasure Ortiz. It is anticipated that Figueroa will support Valdivia's coalition that has formed on the council, consisting of Councilman Theodore Sanchez and councilwomen Bessine Richard and Sandra Ibarra. Ortiz, however, is far less oriented in favor of the direction in which Valdivia

is moving. Thus, if the council has not outright fired Travis-Miller by May 7 and Ortiz prevails over Figueroa, the votes to give Travis-Miller her walking powers will not exist.

It was the troika of Ibarra, Richard and Sanchez, according to Assistant City Attorney Sonia Carvalho, who voted during the closed session on April 3, based upon a motion by Sanchez, to suspend Travis-Miller. Councilmen Jim Mulvihill, Henry Nickel and Fred Shorett opposed the motion, result-

ing in a 3-to-3 deadlock. Valdivia, who under the city charter possesses no voting authority but does have the power to veto 4-to-3 and 3-to-2 votes and can break a tie, used the latter prerogative to support Sanchez's motion.

The pinnacle of political power in San Bernardino is a melange of contradictions and paradoxes involving a mix of conflicting loyalties that defy logical description. Where events will turn next is unclear.

Miller was working in the capacity of assistant to the city manager in 2012 under then-City Manager Charles McNeely when the city had virtually reached the nadir of its downward fiscal spiral that began with the 1994 closure of Norton Air Force Base followed by decades of the city's expenditures exceeding its revenues. She and McNeely that spring and early summer formulated the strategy of the city making it's August 2012 filing for Chapter 9 bankruptcy protection. Before that filing,

however, in an effort to salvage his until that point relatively impressive municipal administrative career, McNeely resigned to avoid having his name associated with the bankruptcy. Travis-Miller stepped up and was in the position of acting city manager when the city was confronted by what was up until that time its darkest hour. Travis-Miller gamely soldiered on as acting city manager thereafter, but in 2013 left to become the executive director of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. In March 2015, she accepted the position of city manager in Covina. After she resigned as Covina city manager in May 2016, Travis-Miller made her way back to San Bernardino, where she was again installed as deputy city manager. She was in place when the city made its historic exit, after five years, from bankruptcy. When City Manager Mark Scott left in 2017, the council unanimously voted to hire her as his replacement, conferring

upon her a \$253,080 annual salary and \$93,000 in total benefits.

There was an indication at the time of the tension that would later manifest between Travis-Miller and Valdivia, who was then serving in the capacity of councilman. Noting that Travis-Miller "has already deserted our community once before," Valdivia wrung from her a commitment to remain as city manager for five years and not surrender to the temptation to move on to a more lucrative or prestigious management position elsewhere. "I would remind the council that I was here as your interim city manager previously and I did not accept the permanent appointment because I felt like I could not make that commitment given some of the dynamics," Travis-Miller responded, indicating those dynamics had changed and the "council and this community have implemented a new [municipal] charter." She said that with the city having moved beyond simply

absorbing the financial punches it was continuously sustaining and proactively taking control of its destiny, she was prepared to roll her sleeves up and root herself to the city for the long haul, committing to remaining as city manager for not just five years but for the remainder of her career. Valdivia supported her hiring.

The level of confidence the council had in Travis-Miller was grounded in not just her administrative track record but the consideration that she is also a member of the California Bar, a practicing attorney who moved out of that profession solely to take on municipal management assignments. The daughter of a municipal police chief, Travis-Miller's immersion in all phases of the elements of applying governmental and legal authority left her political masters certain she had the ability to run a city as large as San Bernardino.

Early on, however,

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Should County And Local Government Make A U-Turn?

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signed in 1992 during the George Herbert Walker Bush Administration. That protocol, which allows unarmed military planes from both countries to fly over each other's territory, grew out of

a proposal first made by President Dwight Eisenhower to Soviet Premier Nikita Krushchev at the Geneva Summit in 1955. That overture was constantly rejected by the then-Soviet Union for nearly four decades.

The Tupolev 154 that was seen over San Bernardino County was the same craft that

flew over other strategic military sites on the West Coast, including Vandenberg Air Force Base, Point Mugu, Edwards Air Force Base, Camp Pendleton, Coronado Island and Miramar, after staging from Travis Air Force Base, where U.S. observers were welcomed on board the aircraft in order to

monitor all phases of the flight, which at one point rounded eastward and included an aerial survey of the Nevada Test Site and Area 51, passing through air space where U.S. civilian flights are not permitted.

-Mark Gutglueck

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Defense Attorney Questions Whether Detective Encouraged Brother's Taking Of McStay Family Computer *from page 2*

tact the San Diego County Sheriff's Department to express his concern about his brother's family's whereabouts. It was at that point that authorities began focusing upon the matter as a multiple missing persons case.

Michael McStay and his mother, Susan Blake, had also previously testified for the prosecution about their efforts, in the late winter and spring of 2010, to keep Earth Inspired Products up and running in anticipation of Joseph's eventual return, an effort that included having Merritt complete and deliver projects that had been on order at the time of Joseph's disappearance as well as new orders that subsequently came in. Two weeks ago, in the early stage of the defense putting on its case, Blake had been called by the defense, and she was subjected to a round of questioning that delved into the amount of money she had personally withdrawn - \$17,650 - from the account she had set up for Earth Inspired Products in 2010. The defense had elicited that testimony in an intended effort to counterbalance the prosecution's suggestions that the money Merritt had realized in the immediate aftermath of the McStay family's disappearance was the

motive for the murders.

On Wednesday April 3, when the trial before the jury resumed after no testimony was heard last week because of witness scheduling issues, Merritt's defense co-counsel, Raj Maline, questioned Michael McStay about his having removed one of the McStay family's home computers and an external hard drive from the 3473 Avocado Lane premises on February 15, 2010. Michael McStay previously testified that he had wanted to use photographs of the family he could glean from those computer files to create fliers to alert the public to the family's disappearance and encourage anyone seeing anything that could be of assistance in the search to come forward. In his questioning of Michael McStay on April 3, however, Maline attempted to widen his inquiry as to whether Michael McStay had, while he was in possession of the computers, also obtained bank records or information relating to financial transactions his brother had been engaged in.

Michael McStay's removal of the computer and external hard drive during the initial stage of the missing persons investigation had previously arisen as a matter involving a minor contradiction in the trial. Michael McStay in January testified that he had taken the computer and hard drive with the assent of San Diego Sheriff's Department Homicide Detective Troy DuGal, who in Febru-

ary 2010 was heading up the missing persons investigation. DuGal in January testified that he had not granted Michael McStay permission or in any way conveyed that it would be acceptable for him to remove the computer from the home.

Michael McStay previously testified that he had failed to take the power cord for the computer his brother had used for handling his business transactions, and had not accessed the computer. He also indicated that he was instructed to return the computer and external hard drive, which he did, such that the equipment was in place back at the McStay home on February 19, 2010, when investigators with the San Diego Sheriff's Department executed a search warrant at the house. On Wednesday of this week, Maline pressed Michael McStay with regard to whether he had obtained from the computer any information about his brother's finances or those of Earth Inspired Products or their banking records. Michael McStay repeated his earlier testimony that he did not have the computer's power cord and thus could not actuate it. Maline dwelt on the matter in an effort to more fully explore issues that have come up during the trial relating to the thoroughness of the San Diego Sheriff's Department's investigation in February 2010, when the matter was yet considered a missing persons case. In hindsight, it has been suggested, evidence that

might have had a bearing on the subsequent homicide investigation was overlooked at that time. In defense of himself and his department in the face of those suggestions, DuGal in his testimony said that he and his team were constrained by constitutional limitations on a law enforcement agency's ability to act and that at the time he did not have legal authority to confiscate items or access information beyond the scope of carrying out an effort to find the family. Maline in his questioning of Michael McStay this week touched on whether DuGal had perhaps tacitly assented to having him gather information about his brother's financial activities so as to maneuver around the legal restrictions the San Diego County Sheriff's Department faced on directly accessing that information. This line of questioning appeared to be angled toward establishing that investigators had very early on probed the McStay family disappearance along a line that was misfocused upon Merritt, and that misfocus carried over into the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department's investigation after the bodies of the family were discovered more than three-and-a-half years later.

"There was a question about a computer that you took," said Maline. "Do you recall that questioning?"

"Yes," McStay responded.

"You took a computer out of the house, cor-

rect?" Maline asked.

"Yes," Michael said. "I took the computer out on the 15th [of February, 2010]. It would be a Monday, when DuGal was there, because I asked him would I be in trouble for taking it. I took the SIM card, I took the Maxtor external hard drive and I took the Emachine, of which I didn't have the power cord, so I couldn't power it up."

"Did you take more than one computer?" Maline asked.

"An external hard drive, like a disc drive you can go USB in," Michael McStay responded. "I believe I stated this already."

"Did you take a laptop?" Maline asked.

"An external hard drive is not a laptop," McStay said.

"That's not my question," said Maline. "My question is 'Did you take a laptop?'"

"I did not," Michael answered.

"You knew your brother had a laptop, correct?" Maline asked.

"Yeah," Michael McStay said. "I knew he had one or some. I don't know how many."

"Did you ever see the laptop when you were in the house on the 13th [of February, 2010]?" Maline asked.

"It might have been in his office, but I paid no attention to it," Michael said.

"And you know that when you were interviewed in 2013 and 2014, the detectives shared with you they couldn't find that laptop, Joseph's laptop..." Maline started.

"Objection, assumes facts not in evidence," Supervising Deputy District Attorney Britt Imes said.

"Sustained," Judge Michael A. Smith said.

"Did you have a discussion about a missing laptop with detectives from San Bernardino [County]?" Maline asked.

"I don't know," replied McStay.

"Did you know whether or not Joseph's laptop was missing?" Maline probed.

"I have no idea," Michael McStay said.

"Objection, assumes facts not in evidence," Imes said. "Move to strike."

"Overruled," Judge Smith said. "The answer'll remain."

"When you took the computer from your brother's house, did you, were you able to use it in any way?" Maline inquired. "I know you said you couldn't boot it up, so I'm assuming you couldn't even get it on to do anything with it."

"Without a power cord you can't power up a computer, so you can't get into the operating software, sir," McStay said.

"Well, you could have bought a power cord, right?" Maline said.

"Objection, argumentative," Imes said.

"Sustained," said Judge Smith.

"Did you make an attempt to buy a power cord to boot it up?" Maline asked.

"I did not," replied Michael McStay. "I had

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other pressing issues.”

“Well, the purpose of taking the computer was that you were going to get financial data off of it so you could give it to the detectives, correct?” Maline persisted.

“Correct,” said Michael. “That was one of my questions to them: ‘What would they first do in an investigation?’ But I did not have a power cord, and there was other things pressing so I did not get into the computer, at all.”

“But you would agree that the reason Detective DuGal suggested it was okay for you to take the computer was for you to get financial data to give to him...” Maline started.

“Objection, speculation,” Imes said.

“Sustained,” said Judge Smith.

“Detective DuGal did not have a search warrant at that time, correct?” Maline asked.

“Objection, relevance, foundation,” Imes said.

“Sustained,” Judge Smith ruled.

“Did Detective DuGal ask you to go into the computer and get that data for him?” Maline asked.

“No, he did not,” Michael McStay said.

“That was something you suggested,” Maline said.

“That was something I asked,” Michael clarified.

“And he said, ‘Yes, correct?’ Maline asked.

“I asked if I would get in any trouble, and he said, ‘No.’ So I did what any good brother would do,” McStay said.

“Because it was important to get financial data at that early stage, and you were going to do your best to help, correct?” Maline asked.

“At that point I thought it was a missing persons case, so I was doing whatever I could for my family,” Michael said.

“So that would be a ‘Yes.’ You were going to do whatever you could,

including trying to get the financial data off the computer,” Maline said.

“Absolutely,” Michael McStay said.

“So my question goes back to why didn’t you go get a power cord to boot up the computer to do that?” Maline said.

“Objection, argumentative,” Imes swooped in.

“Overruled,” Judge Smith said. “He can answer.”

“There were other pressing issues, considering an entire family was missing,” McStay responded. “So, I didn’t feel it was as urgent as other things, like getting all the pictures extracted, getting them on the website I had made and generating leads for the detectives. So, yeah, I was a little busy, and raising a family. This is all in my other testimony.”

Michael McStay’s access to his brother’s company’s financial records had been explored earlier in the defense presentation of its case on March 19, 2019 when Merritt’s defense co-counsel James McGee questioned San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Sergeant Joseph Steers, one of the investigators assigned to investigating the McStay family homicides beginning in 2013. To McGee’s inquiry, Steers acknowledged interviewing Michael McStay on September 20, 2014 and that he spoke to him about his access to Earth Inspired Products’ financial records. Steers testified that Michael McStay possessed financial information relating to the company but that Michael McStay had told Steers he did not have personal access to the company’s financial records.

When McGee attempted to pursue that matter further on March 19, prosecution objections were granted and the line of questioning was terminated.

Similarly this week, Maline, after encountering Michael McStay’s statement that he did not have the power cord to the McStay family computers, was unable

to explore to any significant degree how much information Michael McStay had with regard to Earth Inspired Product’s banking records and how much of that information, if any, he had passed along to law enforcement investigators.

Maline experienced better traction when he delved into the subject of Michael McStay’s connection to Earth Inspired Products. After asking about that connection, which initially seemed angled toward Michael’s effort after his brother’s disappearance to maintain the company as a going concern, Maline drew a bead on Michael being a principal in the company long before that, while his brother was yet around.

Referencing McStay’s testimony early in the trial, Maline said, “Mr. Imes asked you a series of questions about your involvement in Earth Inspired Products after February 2010. Do you recall him asking about that?”

“Can you be more specific?” Michael asked.

“Sure,” said Maline. “He asked you about what you did, if anything, to keep the business open after your brother disappeared.”

“Yes, I remember that,” McStay said.

“And he asked you – correct me if I’m wrong – he asked you what your involvement with EIP [Earth Inspired Products] was prior to your brother going missing,” Maline said. “You indicated you had little to do with EIP prior to your brother going missing. Is that accurate?”

“Correct,” Michael McStay said. “It was my brother’s business. I had my own business. He has his own business.”

“And you indicated your business started with your brother helping you, correct?” Maline asked.

“Yes,” said McStay.

“Was that 2006 or 2005 or...” Maline asked.

“I think my license got issued right before they got married, because when I was at the wedding, he kept saying ‘C-16, C-16,’ which is my

license classification,” Michael McStay said.

“Was that in 2006?” Maline asked.

“That was the end of 2007, I believe,” Michael said. “It got issued November 30th of 2007.”

“So in 2007, you had your own business, anyway,” said Maline. “Started your own business. Joseph had his. Prior to 2007, you didn’t have much to do with Earth Inspired Products, did you?”

“I did not,” McStay said. “My brother literally for about the last two years was asking me to learn how to weld. He wanted me to learn how to weld, but I didn’t have any involvement in his business. He wanted me to weld to replace Chase.”

Had you ever welded before?” Maline asked.

“I had not,” Michael McStay said. “We do in my industry, but you need a C-60 license and I just don’t have the experience. So I kept telling him I would need time to learn how to do that. And doing it on the weekends is not enough time to do [it] while I’m running my business and family life. It’s too difficult.”

“Did you ever make statements or represent to parties you were the owner of Earth Inspired Products?” Maline asked.

“Objection, vague as to time,” said Imes.

“Overruled,” Judge Smith said.

“Before or after?” Michael sought clarification.

“Let’s say before 2010,” Maline said.

“Before they’re missing?” McStay asked. “What are we talking about?”

“Yes, before February 2010,” said Maline.

“Before February ‘10, no,” Michael said.

“You never held out to any party, I’m the owner of Earth Inspired Products?” Maline asked.

“No,” said Michael McStay. “Absolutely not. It’s not my business.”

“Did you ever apply for a loan indicating you were the owner of Earth Inspired Products?” Maline asked.

“I don’t believe so,”

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McStay responded.

Maline then produced loan documents from February of 2007 in which Michael McStay had made that claim.

“I remember this,” said Michael McStay, at that point conceding he had taken out the loan. “That was for a home loan. I remember that.”

“Did you say you were the owner of Earth Inspired Products?” Maline asked.

“I believe that was with my brother’s approval,” Michael said.

“And that was in February of 2007,” Maline said.

“That was right before we lost the house in I believe 2008, when the payment ballooned,” McStay said. After examining the documents further, he said, “It was actually two loans, a first and second. It was ‘07.”

“So you represented you were the owner and that you had certain income as the owner of Earth Inspired Products,” Maline said.

“Correct,” Michael McStay said. He said the loan was necessitated because “the rate thing adjusted” and his payment had “quadrupled.”

“Isn’t it true that as soon as you got the loan, you made one payment and defaulted on the entire loan?” Maline asked.

“Objection, relevance,” Imes said.

“Sustained,” Judge Smith ruled.

Michael McStay said he had made the representation of being the owner of Earth Inspired Products on the loan document with his brother’s understanding that he was going to do so and with his brother’s permission.

“You said Joseph was aware of this?” Maline asked.

“I believe so,” McStay said. “I wouldn’t have signed for something unless I talked to him first. Plus his address was on the paper, as well.”

“Do you recall how you would have gotten him to do that?” Maline asked.

“I would have talked to my brother,” Michael McStay said.

“Do you remember when you did that?” Maline asked.

“Before I would have signed it, I assume,” Michael said.

“Do you have a specific recollection of telling him?” Maline asked.

“I know we talked about it, but I don’t recall, honestly,” McStay said.

“When you made that statement that you were the owner of Earth Inspired Products that was not true, was it?” Maline asked.

Michael McStay said “I am not the owner, no.”

“Were you aware when you signed the application to the bank, it was under the penalty of perjury?” Maline asked.

“Objection, argumentative,” Imes said.

“Overruled,” Judge Smith said.

“I don’t know,” Michael said. “Is it? You would know. I wouldn’t know.”

Maline had him read a specific portion of the loan document.

“I’m going to assume so,” McStay said. “It’s hard to read.”

“You knew you were making a misrepresentation to the bank, correct?” Maline pressed.

“I guess so,” said Michael McStay.

Having progressed to that point, Maline sought to escalate, using the loan Michael McStay obtained through a misrepresentation as to his ownership and control over Earth Inspired Products as the launching grounds.

“Now did something happen regarding the loan just prior to February 2010?” Maline asked.

That question, followed up with other ref-

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Defense Dwells On Brother's Possible Presence At McStay Family Home The Day Of The Murders from page 5

ferences to the bank's efforts in foreclosing upon his home in January 2010, were buried under an avalanche of objections from the prosecution that were sustained by Judge Smith. That, however, set up the succession of questions that followed, which built off of considerable previous trial testimony and the presentation of evidence relating to the so-called Mitchley video, i.e., brief footage from two security cameras, one on the porch and another on the side yard of Jennifer Mitchley's home. Mitchley lived across the street and a door-and-a-half down from the McStay family in the 3400 block of Avocado Vista Lane in February 2010. That video, taken on the evening of February 4, 2010, shows a vehicle pulling onto the street from the direction of the McStay family home's driveway which the prosecution maintains matches the characteristics of the work truck, a 2000 Chevrolet 3500 pickup truck augmented with metallic cargo and toolbox cabinets, that Merritt drove in 2010. That video establishes, the prosecution maintains, that Merritt was at the McStay home right around the time when the McStay family was last heard from in terms of telephone and computer usage, corresponding to when the prosecution theorizes the murders occurred.

After he reported to the San Diego Sheriff's Department that his brother and his brother's family were missing and had an initial interaction with then-San Diego County Sheriff's Deputy Michael Tingley, Michael McStay met with Detective Troy DuGal and Dugal's partner, Detective Suzanne Fiske to provide them with information to aid them in pursuing what was then

considered to be a multiple missing persons case.

In the course of his exchange with DuGal and Fiske as well as with Tingley, Michael McStay indicated he had driven by his brother's house on either February 4 or February 6, according to San Diego Sheriff's Department reports. Subsequently, Michael McStay indicated that the first time he had actually been to his brother's home was on February 13, 2010, and that he did not know where it was and had to meet Merritt nearby and follow him to the home because he could not have found it on his own.

Against that backdrop, Maline questioned Michael McStay about whether it was in fact his 2007 3500 Chevrolet truck, which had also been augmented with metallic tool chest cabinets, that was seen on the Mitchley video.

"Do you recall telling Deputy Tingley you drove past your brother's house on February 4th or the 6th of 2010?" Maline asked.

"I'm not sure if they [the San Diego County Sheriff's Department investigative team] got that right," responded McStay, saying he was not certain of whether his reference had been to "if it was I drove past or we had been talking about McGyver going down to do the painting during that week, so I'm really not sure."

McGyver McCarber was a friend of both Joseph McStay and Summer McStay, who had been at the McStay family's home twice the first week of February 2010 to assist Joseph and Summer with painting that the couple was engaged in as part of renovations to the home at 3473 Avocado Vista Lane, which the McStay family had moved into in November 2009.

"When you drove past your brother's house, were you going to tell him about what was just about to happen with this loan?" Maline asked.

"Objection, relevance, lacks foundation, and assumes facts not in evi-

dence," protested Imes.

"Objection sustained as lacks foundation and relevance," ruled Judge Smith.

"Did you go down to Fallbrook, your brother's home, in February 2010 and seek to talk to him about this loan?" Maline asked.

"Objection," Imes said. "Relevance, due to the court's previous rulings, lacks foundation and vague as to time."

"Overruled," said Judge Smith. "He can answer."

When Michael McStay asked Maline to repeat the question, Maline did so and Imes renewed his objection, whereupon Judge Smith sustained the objection on the grounds that it assumed facts not in evidence.

"Did you go to your brother's home at the beginning of 2010 to talk to your brother about this loan?" Maline asked.

"This loan wasn't even on the radar," Michael McStay responded. "I have no idea why you're asking this question. I didn't talk to him about this loan or anything about that or whatever you are implying."

"Did something happen regarding this loan, at the beginning of 2010?" Maline asked.

"Objection, relevance," Imes said, and requested to approach the bench. Thereupon a sidebar out of the earshot of the jury and the courtroom's observers involving Judge Smith and both the prosecutors and defense attorneys took place. Upon its conclusion, Judge Smith said, "The objection is sustained on both relevancy grounds and Evidence Code 352, and lack of foundation."

"In February of 2010, did you own a utility truck?" Maline asked.

"Yes, I did," Michael responded.

"Did you own a white utility truck in 2010?" Maline asked once more after he had shown the witness a photograph of a vehicle which McStay said was not a photo of his truck.

"Yes," said Michael McStay. "I owned a white Chevrolet 2007

3500HD."

When Maline said McStay's vehicle was "the exact same model as Chase's truck," Michael said, "No, it's not. His is a single axle. Mine is a double axle. I had a dually."

"Your truck was a 3500, correct?" Maline asked.

"Yeah, with an eleven foot bed," Michael said. "It was much bigger than Chase's."

"White?" inquired Maline.

"All white, yes, sir," said McStay.

"And it had a utility bed on it, as well," Maline said.

"A Harvard bed, yes," said Michael McStay.

"What year was it?" Maline asked.

"Mine was a 2007," Michael said. "I bought it at the end of '07."

"You know the model of Chase's truck was a 3500, correct?" asked Maline.

"I don't know what his was, no," said McStay. "I just remember it looked like an SBC truck. It appeared to be an old fleet truck with white and gray."

After Maline sought to have Michael McStay compare the taillights on his truck to those on Merritt's, sustained objections by Imes were made.

"But you had a 3500, and you knew that Chase's truck was a 3500, right?" Maline said.

"I did not," Michael said. "I don't know what his was."

"Did you see the video - the neighbor's surveillance video - it's called the Mitchley video - we watched in court here?" Maline asked.

"I did, yes," responded Michael McStay.

"Is that your truck?" Maline asked.

"Is what my truck?" McStay reacted with a question.

"On the video," said Maline.

"No," said Michael. "That's the fourth [of February, 2010]."

"You told deputy Tingley you drove by the house," Maline said.

"That's not my vehicle on the fourth," Michael

McStay said. "I was never there on the fourth. You could check my cell phone records and pings if you wanted to, to see where I was actually at. I wasn't there."

"Do you know if the detectives ever got your cell phone records?" Maline asked.

"You'd have to ask them," McStay said. "I'm not sure, sir."

"Did you give them your cell phone records?" Maline asked.

"I'm pretty sure they could get them if they wanted them," Michael responded.

"In the beginning of 2010," Maline asked, "would you agree with me if I told you there was a lot of press coverage of your brother's disappearance?"

"Oh, yeah," Michael said. "My phone would be fully charged at 7 a.m. in the morning and by 10 o'clock, from all of the phone calls, it would be dead and I'd have to recharge it."

You made several statements to the press and to media outlets, correct?" Maline asked.

"I'm pretty sure I did, yes," McStay said.

Maline then asked about a statement he made to Brittany Levine of the Orange County Register that was quoted in an article she wrote.

"Do you recall telling her on March 26, 2010, 'My fear is that I'm looking for two adult shallow graves and...my two nephews' crosses?'" Maline asked.

"Objection, leading," said Imes.

"Overruled," said Judge Smith.

"I remember saying that, yes," said Michael McStay.

"That was three years and nine months prior to your brother's family being found in Victorville, the desert there, correct?" Maline asked.

"Can you restate that?" McStay said. "I'm getting confused."

"When you made that statement to Brittany Levine in March of 2010, that was three years, eight months..." Maline began.

"Before they were found, right?" said Mi-

chael.

"Is that right?" Maline said.

"So is that your question that was my fear or did I make this?" McStay asked. "Which is the question? Because that was my fear, that I wasn't looking for a missing person's case, but rather possible homicide."

"You were very specific; two adult shallow graves and looking at these crosses," Maline said.

After requesting to read the quote and then doing so, Michael McStay said, "So, that would have been my fear. I made that statement."

For most of his questioning by Maline, Michael McStay kept any hostility he felt toward the defendant in check, generally betraying no personal animosity against Merritt that might have perhaps signaled a bias which could undercut in the mind of some of the jurors the validity of his recollections and the value and weight of his testimony in support of the prosecution. On a few occasions Michael McStay even referred to Merritt by the familiar form of his first name, Chase, which conveyed an attitude if not of friendliness, then one of cordiality in which no malice was detectable. On two notable occasions during the questioning, however, perhaps brought on by the sometimes pointed and sometimes subtle insinuations Maline was engaged in, McStay bristled, and what might be his true attitude toward the man who is accused of killing his brother showed through.

One of those came as Maline was asking the witness about his contact with his father in February 2010, just as concern over his brother's disappearance was transitioning into alarm.

"At some point in February 2010, you had contact with your father, Patrick," Maline said.

"Yes," said Michael.

"Sometime..." Maline

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End Of The Line For Travis-Miller In SB? *from page* 3

Travis-Miller engaged in a major misstep when she called upon the city council to approve her retaining, for \$100,000 per year, former San Bernardino County Chief Executive Officer/Ontario City Manager/Fontana City Manager Greg Devereaux as a management consultant. This betrayed that Travis-Miller's vaunted managerial skills were less than what they had been represented to be. She then exacerbated the miscue by outright misrepresenting the degree of assistance that Devereaux would be providing her and the city, claiming the \$100,000

was buying 20 hours worth of effort from Devereaux per week. In fact, Devereaux, through his company, Worthington Partners, had no fewer than seven other consulting arrangements with governmental entities, at least three of which were paying him more than San Bernardino. Miller's claim that Devereaux would become an intrinsic element of the city's management team was exposed as an outright fabrication, greatly undercutting her credibility. Moreover, Miller failed to utilize Devereaux in the fashion in which his skill set could provide the city with the greatest degree of benefit. Previously, Devereaux had built the City of Ontario into the most financially formidable of all of San

Bernardino County's 24 municipalities by convincing major companies to set up their corporate headquarters in Ontario, thereby ensuring that Ontario would garner point-of-sale sales tax revenues from the retailing of those companies' goods and products. In this way, Ontario under Devereaux had more than two-thirds of a billion dollars running through all of that city's various funds on an annual basis. Miller, however, refused to deploy Devereaux in this fashion, instead employing him to prepare and present the city's annual budget, squandering his talent.

Neither was Travis-Miller above allowing her own personal interests from driving the city's agenda, on occa-

sion to the community's detriment. Such was the case with Mark Persico, the city's community development director. Persico had applied for the city manager's post in 2017 when Scott's departure was imminent, making him one of Travis-Miller's rivals in the sweepstakes to become city manager. After Travis-Miller was elevated to the city manager's post, a number of controversies beset the city with regard to development issues. As development was Persico's bailiwick, those controversies, no matter their outcome, weakened him. A case in point was ACAA LP/AHD LP's proposal that was presented to the city early last year and eventually taken up by the city council in June to establish a gas station/

convenience store at the confluence of Inland Center Drive and the I-215 Freeway. That proposal included a provision that the store be able to sell hard liquor above and beyond beer and wine that is sometimes sold out of such commercial venues. Persico, as the community development director, recommended against the city approving the project with the hard liquor sales licensing component. An intrinsic element of Persico's opposition was that San Bernardino, with the 23rd highest murder rate in the country among cities with over a 100,000 population and a host of other social problems, might do well to limit the ease with which its residents and those passing through it can come by intoxicants.

That, however, clashed with the council majority's determination to enhance sales tax revenue into the city through whatever means. Additionally, ACAA LP/AHD LP were major contributors to the then-ongoing political campaigns of Valdivia, who was vying for mayor, and Councilman Henry Nickel, then running for the California Assembly. The city council, with Councilman James Mulvihill dissenting, overrode Persico's objection, 6-to-1, and allowed the project to proceed with the entitlement to sell hard liquor. Sensing that Persico at that moment was vulnerable, Travis-Miller fired him.

In this way, Travis-Miller strengthened

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Redlands Gouging Residents On Permit & Inspection Fees *from front* *page*

cal isn't installed for the unit. According to the city's building inspector, there are no exemptions in the state code for altering existing installations."

Those include replacement of everyday utility appurtenances, he said.

Baker said the city's authority to levy the permit fees stems from the California Plumbing Code, the California Electrical Code and the California Mechanical Code. Baker quoted what he said was the relevant section of the 2016 California Plumbing Code, 104.1: "It shall be unlawful for a person, firm, or corporation to make an installation, alteration, repair, replacement, or remodel a plumbing system, regulated by this code... without first obtaining a separate plumbing permit for each separate building or structure."

The relevant section of the 2016 California Electrical Code, was 89.108.4.1, which states, in part: "... a written

construction permit shall be obtained from the enforcing agency prior to erection, construction, reconstruction, installation, movement or alteration of any electrical system.

And, Baker said, the apropos section of the 2016 California Mechanical Code reads, "It shall be unlawful for a person, firm, or corporation to make an installation, alteration, repair, replacement, or remodel a mechanical system regulated by this code... without first obtaining a separate mechanical permit for each separate building or structure."

Baker said that in Redlands "A basic electrical, plumbing or mechanical permit is approximately \$250."

Redlands falls roughly within the mainstream in terms of the costs that attend certain major undertakings such as the fees the city charges for permits and inspections for erecting new buildings, masonry or walls over a certain height, pools and electrical panels. The city's levies for other home improvements, however, are perceived as being somewhat officious, as in the case of the city requiring a homeowner to obtain a permit for replacing a light fixture, toilet or a

faucet, or adding a room heater or window air conditioning unit.

In some cases, the permit/inspection charge can double or even triple the cost of what would otherwise be a periodic or conventional change-out.

The fees Redlands is imposing appear to be illegal and unconstitutional in that they are being utilized to generate revenue, which such permits and inspection fees cannot exceed the actual cost of carrying out the inspection of administrative costs related to the permit issuance.

According to Section 1.8.4.2 Fees of the 2016 California Plumbing Code 9 Division I California administration supplement blue book issued on July 1, 2018, "Subject to other provisions of law, the governing body of any city, county, or city and county may prescribe fees to defray the cost of enforcement of rules

and regulations promulgated by the Department of Housing and Community Development. The amount of the fees shall not exceed the amount reasonably necessary to administer or process permits, certificates, forms, or other documents, or to defray the costs of enforce-

ment."

Furthermore, Redlands has also applied the permitting and inspection requirements to commonplace upkeep work which is exempt from such requirements.

According to the 2016 California plumbing Code 9 Division I California administration supplement blue book issued on July 1, 2018, "Work exempt from permits as specified in Chapter 1, Administration, Division II, Section 104.2 items (1)-(2) of this code" includes "Changes, alterations, or repairs of a minor nature not affecting structural features, egress, sanitation, safety, or accessibility as determined by the enforcing agency. Exemptions from permit requirements shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of other provisions of law or this code."

It would thus seem, at least as far as minor plumbing issues extend, that Redlands is overstepping the authority vested in it as a the local enforcing agency.

Moreover, in comparison to the cost of permits and the inspection fees it levies, it is out of step with other municipal and governmental entities in

the Golden State.

The City of Fremont charges \$6.90 in permit and inspection fees for a plumbing fixture or trap or set of fixtures on one trap, including water, drainage piping and backflow protection.

The City of Fremont charges \$27.60 for a water heater and/or vent installation inspection and registration permit.

The City of Fremont charges \$69 for a private sewage disposal inspection permit.

In Ventura County re-inspections of existing building, plumbing, mechanical, or electrical systems that have been altered, modified or changed run to \$99.30.

Ventura County charges \$1.80 for inspections and permitting relating to adding or changing receptacle, switch, or lighting outlets.

Ventura County's inspection fees for a pole or platform-mounted light fixture is \$12.50.

Ventura County charges \$12.50 for a permit and inspection of an air conditioning unit, per ton.

In Ventura County, a plumbing fixture, trap or set of fixtures on one trap (including water, drainage piping, and backflow protection is permitted and expected at a fee of

\$15.30.

Ventura County charges \$19.60 to inspect and permit the installation of a water heater and/or vent.

The inspection of repair or alteration of water piping runs to \$7.50 for each fixture.

An air conditioning inspection/permits costs \$26.60 in Ventura County.

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in February that neither the federal government, states or local governments can impose excessive fees on citizens in the course of carrying out governmental regulations or in enforcing the law.

The City of Redlands charging \$250 to inspect the installation of an otherwise inexpensive \$50 faucet would push the cost of such an improvement effort to \$300, a 500 percent add on.

Moreover, the application for the permit and inspection includes language granting city workers 24 hour access to the applicant's premises at the discretion of city officials in order to carry out the inspections.

Burdening Redlands residents with excessive fees and unreasonable searches is unconstitutional.

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The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Know No Limits, 1286 North Stoddard Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92405, Mailing Address: 1286 North Stoddard Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92405, Jesus D Cuellar, 1286 North Stoddard Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92405

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Began Transacting Business: 5/12/2017

County Clerk, s/DOM

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3/15/2019, 3/22/2019, 3/29/2019, 4/5/19

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ELIZABETH J. HOOKER, CASE NO. PROPS1801152 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of ELIZABETH J. HOOKER and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both: A petition has been filed by CHARLES ALEXANDER HOOKER in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO, requesting that CHARLES ALEXANDER HOOKER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of ELIZABETH J. HOOKER. Decedent died intestate. (The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. This will avoid the need to obtain court approval for many actions taken in connection with the estate. However, before taking certain actions, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action. The petition will be granted unless good cause is shown why it should not be.) The petition is set for hearing in Dept. No. S35 at SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SAN BERNARDINO DISTRICT - PROBATE DIVISION 247 W. 3rd STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415-0212 on April 16, 2019 at 08:30 AM

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 58 of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery of the notice to you under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may request special notice of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Section 1250 of the California Probate Code.

Attorney for Petitioner: Justin D. Graham 12777 W. Jefferson Blvd., D., 3rd Floor Los Angeles, CA 90066 Telephone: 310-751-2469

3/22, 3/29 & 4/5, 2019

County Clerk, s/DOM

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3/22/2019, 3/29/2019, 4/5/19, 4/12/19

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1908560

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Madison Paige Behee filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Madison Paige Behee to Madison Paige Simpson

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing: Date: 04/30/2019

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Attorney for petitioner: Guadalupe Alatorre Ray, 9711 Greening Avenue Whittier, CA 90605 Telephone No: (562) 756-9865

Published in The San Bernardino County Sentinel 3/29/19, 4/5/19, 4/12/19

County Clerk, s/WH

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3/22, 3/29, 4/5 & 4/12, 2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190002964

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Regal Inspirational and Wellness Coaching, 12345 Mountain Ave., Ste N-184, Chino, CA 91710, Lisa A Govan, 12822 Zinnea Ave, Chino, CA 91710

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ Lisa A Govan
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/12/2019

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/JV

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3/22/2019, 3/29/2019, 4/5/19, 4/12/19

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1908560

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Madison Paige Behee to Madison Paige Simpson

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Time: 8:30 a.m.

Department: S16

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Attorney for petitioner: Guadalupe Alatorre Ray, 9711 Greening Avenue Whittier, CA 90605 Telephone No: (562) 756-9865

Published in The San Bernardino County Sentinel 3/29/19, 4/5/19, 4/12/19

County Clerk, s/WH

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3/22, 3/29, 4/5 & 4/12, 2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190002964

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Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/ Lisa A Govan
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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/JV

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3/22/2019, 3/29/2019, 4/5/19, 4/12/19

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1908560

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Madison Paige Behee filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Madison Paige Behee to Madison Paige Simpson

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Notice of Hearing: Date: 05/02/2019

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: March 20, 2019

Michael A. Sachs
Judge of the Superior Court.
Published in San Bernardino County Sentinel on 3/29/19, 4/5/19, 4/12/19

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1908560

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Juan Pablo Montes filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Juan Pablo Montes to John Paul Green

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

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Notice of Hearing: Date: 04/29/2019

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: March 20, 2019

Michael A. Sachs
Judge of the Superior Court.
Published in San Bernardino County Sentinel on 3/29/19, 4/5/19, 4/12/19

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1908817

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: YAJARA CITALI SANTANA filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: ABRAHAM RAUL SALI-

ASANTANA

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

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Notice of Hearing: Date: 05/06/2019

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: March 22, 2019

Michael A. Sachs
Judge of the Superior Court.
Published in SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL on 3/29/19, 4/05/19, 4/12/19 & 4/19/19.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190003374

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Getmore Power, 12750 Baltic Ct, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739, Creu LLC, 12750 Baltic Ct, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739

Business is Conducted By: A Limited Liability Company

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Anthony Quezada
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/19/2019

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/JV

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3/29/2019, 4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190003759

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: In His Image, 8195 Orchard Street, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701, Kimberly L Beverly, 8195 Orchard Street, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Kimberly Beverly
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/27/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/GAM

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3/29/2019, 4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190003388

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: So Cal Lien, 997 E 8th St, Upland, CA 91786, Munir Alquzah, 1442 Valley Drive, Norco, CA 92860

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Munir Alquzah
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/20/2019

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Began Transacting Business: 2/6/2019

County Clerk, s/TM

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or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).
3/29/2019, 4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20190003661

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Chocolate Blessings, 963 N. Lilac Ave, Rialto, CA 92376, Maria M Franco, 963 N. Lilac Ave, Rialto, CA 92376
Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Maria M. Franco
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/25/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/DOM
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3/29/2019, 4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20190003514

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Adriana's Boutique, 2151 W Rialto Ave SPC #13, San Bernardino, CA 92410, Adriana Ramirez, 2151 W Rialto Ave SPC #13, San Bernardino, CA 92410
Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Adriana Ramirez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/21/2019

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.
Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/GM
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3/29/2019, 4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20190002588

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Humble Hidden Treasure, 1704 Home Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92411, Cheryl L McIntyre, 1704 Home Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92411
Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Cherly McIntyre
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/1/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/AM
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3/29/2019, 4/5/2019, 4/12/2019,

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20190000959

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Nychinaren.com; Chineseinla.com; Seattlechinar.com; Chineseinsfbay.com, 1690 S Grove Ave #A, Ontario, CA 91761, Zach Technology, Inc., 1690 S Grove Ave #A, Ontario, CA 91761
Business is Conducted By: A Corporation

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s/Xiuli Li
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/24/2019

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.
Began Transacting Business: 3/03/2010

County Clerk, s/JV
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1/25/2019, 2/1/2019, 2/8/2019, 2/15/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20190000613

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Risen Bakery and Grill, 1600 W. 9th Street, Upland, CA 91786, Mailing Address: 4558 Fruit Street, La Verne, CA 91750, Gabriel J Boyadjian, 4558 Fruit Street, La Verne, CA 91750
Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Gabriel Boyadjian
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/15/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/RS
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1/25/2019, 2/1/2019, 2/8/2019, 2/15/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
201900003676

The following person is doing business as: JEIMY RAMIREZ INSURANCE SERVICES 16555 BUTANO PL. FONTANA, CA 92336 THE INSURANCE GODDESS 16555 BUTANO PL. FONTANA, CA 92336
Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION

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s/Jeimy P Ramirez Figueroa
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/26/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/SH
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FBN 20190002654

The following person is doing business as: IGNACIO CLEANING SERVICE 16594 ARROW BLVD #14 FONTANA, CA 92335 MANUELA F IGNACIO ESCALANTE 16594 ARROW BLVD #14 FONTANA, CA 92335
Business is Conducted By: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/Manuela F. Ignacio Escalante
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/04/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/SH
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FBN 20190003528

The following entity is doing business as: YOGURTLAND Franchise No. CA278 9844 SERRA AVE FONTANA, CA 92335 CHOPRA INVESTMENT GROUP 20355 VIA SAN SOVINO PORTER RANCH, CA 91326
Mailing Address 20355 VIA SAN SOVINO PORTER RANCH, CA 91326
Business is Conducted By: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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s/NITIN PAUL CHOPRA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/22/2019

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.
Began Transacting Business: 01/20/2017

County Clerk, s/SH
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FBN 20190003527

The following entity is doing business as: YOGURTLAND Franchise No. CA292 13325 MAIN ST SUITE 107 HESPERIA, CA 92345 CHOPRA INVESTMENT GROUP 20355 VIA SAN SOVINO PORTER RANCH, CA 91326
Mailing Address 20355 VIA SAN SOVINO PORTER RANCH, CA 91326
Business is Conducted By: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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s/NITIN PAUL CHOPRA
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Began Transacting Business: 01/20/2017

County Clerk, s/SH
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FBN 20190003526

The following entity is doing business as: YOGURTLAND Franchise No. CA323 12218 APPLE VALLEY ROAD SUITE 104 APPLE VALLEY, CA 92308 CHOPRA INVESTMENT GROUP 20355 VIA SAN SOVINO PORTER RANCH, CA 91326
Mailing Address 20355 VIA SAN SOVINO PORTER RANCH, CA 91326
Business is Conducted By: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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s/NITIN PAUL CHOPRA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/22/2019

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.
Began Transacting Business: 01/20/2017

County Clerk, s/SH
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The following entity is doing business as: UNITED PLUMBING 7920 TAPIA ST FONTANA 92336 UNITED PLUMBING & RESTORATION 7920 TAPIA ST FONTANA 92336
Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION

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s/TRACY LINTON
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/25/2019

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Began Transacting Business: 06/18/2018

County Clerk, s/SH
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: EMMA ARCELIA JIMENEZ CASE NO. PROPS1900301
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of EMMA ARCELIA JIMENEZ
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JOSE F. JIMENEZ in the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JOSE F. JIMENEZ be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: May 15, 2019 at 8:30 am in Dept. 537. Address of court: located at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415 - 0212, San Bernardino District - San Bernardino Justice Center.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery of the notice to you under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice

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A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: May 20, 2019 at 8:30 am in Dept. S35P. Address of court: located at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415 - 0212, San Bernardino District - San Bernardino Justice Center.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery of the notice to you under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

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Petitioner: JOSE F. JIMENEZ, Petitioner In Pro Per
5578 BANDERA ST. MONTCLAIR, CA 91763
Telephone No: (909) 525-6124
Published in The San Bernardino County Sentinel 4/5, 4/12 & 4/19, 2019.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: SUSAN RHEA ROCKHOLD CASE NO. PROPS1900298
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of SUSAN RHEA ROCKHOLD
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by BRETT ROCKHOLD in the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that BRETT ROCKHOLD be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

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Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice

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form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner: BRETT ROCKHOLD, Petitioner In Pro Per
5610 VINMAR AVE. RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91701
Telephone No: (909) 984-4813
Published in The San Bernardino County Sentinel 4/5, 4/12 & 4/19, 2019.

FBN 20190002821

The following persons are doing business as: CHERRY BLOSSOM SUBSCRIPTION 8661 BASELINE RD #249 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 ALICIA HYNSON 8661 BASELINE RD #249 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730
Business is Conducted By: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Alicia Hynson
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/07/2019

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.
Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/SH
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20190003594

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Doneli, 447 Bloomington Ave, Rialto, CA 92376, Miguel E Ramirez, 447 Bloomington Ave, Rialto, CA 92376
Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Miguel E. Ramirez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/25/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/DOM
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4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019, 4/26/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20190003855

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Readicare Home Health Services, 3200 East Guasti Rd., Ste 100, Ontario, CA 91761
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 8762, Alta Loma, CA 91701, Readicare Home Health Services LLC, 3200 East Guasti Rd., Ste 100, Ontario, CA 91761
Business is Conducted By: A Limited Liability Company

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s/Felicia Markham-Dickson
This statement was filed with

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the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/29/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/JV
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4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019, 4/26/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20190002932

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: The Mango Leaf, 7876 Wild Rye, Chino, CA 91708
Mailing Address: 7876 Wild Rye, Chino, CA 91708, Erum Khalili, 7876 Wild Rye, Chino, CA 91708
Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Erum Khalili
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/11/2019

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Began Transacting Business: 12/1/2018

County Clerk, s/TM
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4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019, 4/26/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-
20180013874

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: The Spot, 4580 Ontario Mills Pkwy, Ontario, CA 91764
Mailing Address: 9586 Hamilton Street, Alta Loma, CA 91701, Aaron Tong, 9586 Hamilton Street, Alta Loma, CA 91701
Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Aaron Tong
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/7/2018</

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the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/8/2019

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/BI
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4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019, 4/26/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190002862

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Western Janitorial Inc, 123 East 9th Street, Suite 313, Upland CA 91786, The Western Janitorial Service, 1030 No. Mountain Avenue, Unit 115, Upland, CA 91786
Business is Conducted By: A Corporation

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s/Jorge Salinas
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/8/2019

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Began Transacting Business: 3/1/2019

County Clerk, s/GM
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4/5/2019, 4/12/2019, 4/19/2019, 4/26/2019
AMENDED ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1909603

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioners VANESSA RENAE MARQUEZ [and] SAEED FLORES filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: EZEKIEL KYLE MARQUEZ to EZEKIEL KYLE FLORES

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:
Date: 05/20/2019
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in San Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: APRIL 05, 2019
Michael A. Sachs
Judge of the Superior Court.
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ORDER TO SHOW

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CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1909935

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner GLORIA WOLCOTT filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: LUIS DARYN RUIZ to DARYN PIERCE HIDALGO WOLCOTT

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:
Date: 05/16/2019
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 W Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in San Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: APRIL 04, 2019
Michael A. Sachs
Judge of the Superior Court.
Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 4/5, 4/12, 4/19 & 4/26, 2019

FBN 20190002941
The following person is doing business as: PARADIME 11465 CASA BLANCA ST. YUCAIPA, CA 92399; JOSHUA R BRAZE 11465 CASA BLANCA ST. YUCAIPA, CA 92399

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ JOSHUA R. BRAZE, OWNER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/11/2019

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FBN 20190002557
The following person is doing business as: BUCK'S STAIR TREADS 15641 BOYLE AVE FONTANA, CA 92337; MAILING ADDRESS 15641 BOYLE AVE FONTANA, CA 92337; DJ ENTERPRISE LLC 15641 BOYLE AVENUE FONTANA, CA 92337

This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ DARYL J BUCK, MANAGING MEMBER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/01/2019

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FBN 20190002558
The following person is doing business as: BLOOMINGTON SUBWAY SANDWICHES 18790 VALLEY BLVD #B BLOOMINGTON, CA 92316; MAILING ADDRESS 15641 BOYLE AVE FONTANA, CA 92337; DM FOODS LLC 18790 VALLEY BLVD #B BLOOMINGTON, CA 92316

This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ DARYL J BUCK, MANAGING MEMBER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 03/01/2019

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FBN 20190002556
The following person is doing business as: PRIMEROCAR.COM 1680 S. "E" ST. SUITE B-57 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408; MAILING ADDRESS 6789 QUAIL HILL PKWY #502 IRVINE, CA 92603; AP DISTRIBUTION INC 1680 S. "E" ST. SUITE B-57 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ REGAN HSU, CEO
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 03/01/2019

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FBN 201900002576
The following person is doing business as: THE JET BAR & NIGHT CLUB 25214 3RD ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410; ANGEL A MORENO 25214 3RD ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 11/08/2012

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ ANGEL A MORENO, OWNER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/01/2019

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FBN 201900002681
The following person is doing business as: ELITE DETAILING; ELITE COATING 452 TENNESSEE

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ST REDLANDS, CA 92373; NEIL C GLINES 452 TENNESSEE ST REDLANDS, CA 92373

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ NEIL C GLINES, OWNER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/05/2019

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FBN 201900002700
The following person is doing business as: IMAM BAY CENTER 10925 ADMIRALS BAY ST. VICTORVILLE, CA 92392; IMAM ALI SEMINARY INC 275 LAKE MARY BLVD SANFORD, FL 32773

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ SYED FARMAN ALI RIZVI, TREASURER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/05/2019

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Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 03/15; 03/22; 03/29 & 04/05/2019 CNBB111910CH

FBN 20190002633
The following person is doing business as: ELITEONE CONCRETE PUMPING 740 W BELMONT ST ONTARIO, CA 91762; EVERARD MAGALLON 740 W BELMONT ST ONTARIO, CA 91762

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ EVERARDO MAGALLON, OWNER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/04/2019

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy

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FBN 20190002634
The following person is doing business as: KC MATTRESS DISCOUNT 26122 BASELINE ST SPACE #29 HIGHLAND, CA 92346; CESAR E BUENO MORALES 26122 BASELINE ST SPACE #29 HIGHLAND, CA 92346

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ CESAR E. BUENO MORALES, OWNER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/04/2019

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FBN 201900002710
The following person is doing business as: FINE FINISH PAINTING AND RESTORATION 3694 N. TAMARRIND RIALTO, CA 92377; DAHARRION J LYONS 3694 N. TAMARRIND RIALTO, CA 92377

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ DAHARRION J LYONS
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FBN 20190002688
The following person is doing business as: SUPERSHUTTLE LA 12202 BRIDLEWOOD DRIVE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739; M&N RIDES LLC 12202 BRIDLEWOOD DRIVE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739

This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ MICHAEL SHEHATA, MANAGING MEMBER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/05/2019

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FBN 20190002623
The following person is doing business as: THE REPUBLIC BOOT CAMP 33111 YUCAIPA BLVD YUCAIPA, CA 92399; BRYAN M SULLIVAN 33111 YUCAIPA BLVD YUCAIPA, CA 92399; MIKE R MICHAELS 33111 YUCAIPA BLVD YUCAIPA, CA 92399

This business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ BRYAN M. SUVILLAN, GNERAL PARTNER
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FBN 20190003121
The following person is doing business as: OUR TIME TRANSPORTATION COMPANIONSHIP SERVICES 16971 MONTGOMERY AVE FONTANA, CA 92336; TIAIRA K PERDUE 16791 MONTGOMERY AVE FONTANA, CA 92336

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ TIAIRA K. PERDUE
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/14/2019

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FBN 20190002622
The following person is doing business as: CALDERON CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT 13264 JANUARY CT CORONA, CA 92879; TINA M CALDERON 13264 JANUARY CT CORONA, CA 92879

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ NICHOLE M JARA-RODRIGUEZ, WIFE
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/04/2019

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FBN 20190002622
The following person is doing business as: CALDERON CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT 13264 JANUARY CT CORONA, CA 92879; TINA M CALDERON 13264 JANUARY CT CORONA, CA 92879

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ NICHOLE M JARA-RODRIGUEZ, WIFE
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seq., Business and Professions Code).
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FBN 20190002653
The following person is doing business as: THE GOOD DOG 7890 HAVEN AVE SUITE 12 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730; MIGUEL A MACIAS 7890 HAVEN AVE SUITE 12 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 12/26/2018

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ TINA M. CALDERON
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FBN 20190002630

The following person is doing business as: KEEP YOUR CROWN RIGHT, HAIRCUTS ARE MEDICINE, THE GOOD HAND OIL 24557 ALESSNDRO BLVD MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553; AMANDA M CLAUSON 15326 BOLERO DR. FONTANA, CA 92337

This business is conducted by an: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ AMANDA M CLAUSON, OWNER

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FILE NO.20190003469 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: NASSER BARAKAT 2130 N. ARROWHEAD AVE #109 C-15 SAN BERNARDINO, CA, 92405 24736 OVERLAND DR WEST HILLS, CA, 91304 Full name of registrant (s) is (are) ABDULNASSER A BARAKAT 24736 OVERLAND DR WEST HILLS, CA 91304. The business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/21/2019. The registrant (s) has (have) NOT commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 at seq. Business and Professions Code). First filing 03/22/2019, 03/29/2019, 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019 SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL CNB-BI220191219631R

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: RITES OF PASSAGE COUNSELING. 9033 BASELINE RD. SUITE K RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA, 91730 Full name of registrant (s) is (are) JANA E HARBER 9033 BASELINE RD. SUITE K RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730. The business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/18/2019. The registrant (s) has (have) NOT commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time.

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(s) has (have) NOT commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 at seq. Business and Professions Code). First filing 03/22/2019, 03/29/2019, 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019 SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL CNB-BI220191219591R

CNBB1220191219581R

FILE NO.20190003047 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: BORN AGAIN TOYS. 14838 E FOOTHILL BLVD FONTANA, CA, 92335 Full name of registrant (s) is (are) EFRAIN O URIAZAR 14838 E FOOTHILL BLVD FONTANA, CA 92335. The business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/13/2019. The registrant (s) has (have) NOT commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time.

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Original Filed: 03/22/2019

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G & J'S COLLISION CENTER. 4201 STATE ST. MONTCLAIR, CA, 91763 Full name of registrant (s) is (are) ISAAC A MIKHAEL 4201 STATE ST MONTCLAIR, CA 91763. The business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/13/2019. The registrant (s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 3/13/2019. NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 at seq. Business and Professions Code). First filing 03/22/2019, 03/29/2019, 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019 SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL CNB-BI22019121955CH

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FILE NO.20190003035 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: THE FINEST WAY. 3974 QUARTZITE LANE SAN BERNARDINO, CA, 92407 Full name of registrant (s) is (are) BRIANNA S ELIE 3974 QUARTZITE LANE SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407. The business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/13/2019. The registrant (s) has (have) NOT commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time.

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tion Code). First filing 03/22/2019, 03/29/2019, 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019 SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL CNB-BI22019121952CH

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FILE NO.20190003016 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: EDGAR HERNANDEZ. 11891 AUTUMN PL FONTANA, CA, 92337 Full name of registrant (s) is (are) EDGAR HERNANDEZ 11891 AUTUMN PL FONTANA, CA 92337. The business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/12/2019. The registrant (s) has (have) NOT commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time.

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of San Bernardino on: 03/29/2019 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019, 04/19/2019, 04/26/2019 CNBB14201907CH

FBN 20190003874
The following person is doing business as: JENNA VONN PHOTOGRAPHY. 1660 KENDALL DR #145 SAN BERNARDINO, CA, 92407; JENNA Y MENDOZA 1660 KENDALL DR #145 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement

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becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ JENNA Y MEDOZA,OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 03/29/2019 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019, 04/19/2019, 04/26/2019 CNBB14201906MT

FBN 20190003860
The following person is doing business as: BREATH OF LIFE. 40946 BIG BEAR LAKE BLVD BIG BEAR LAKE, CA, 92315; MAILING ADDRESS P.O BOX 356 BIG BEAR CITY, CA, 92314; SHERYL L BELL 40946 BIG BEAR LAKE BLVD BIG BEAR CITY, CA 92315
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A
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as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ SHERYL L BELL, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 03/29/2019 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019, 04/19/2019, 04/26/2019 CNBB14201905MT

FBN 20190003872
The following person is doing business as: NEWMARK MANAGEMENT GROUP. 1030 N MOUNTAIN AVE ONTARIO, CA, 91762; INLAND ASSET HOLDINGS 12150 CASPER CT RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739
The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business

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name or names listed above on: N/A
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FBN 20190003202
The following person is doing business as: 5TH GEAR BBQ. 7143 WINDERMERE WAY FONTANA, CA, 92336; NICHOLAS I BARRICK 7143 WINDERMERE WAY FONTANA, CA 92336
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A
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FBN 20190003969
The following person is doing business as: 7 M'S ICE CREAM. 27034 LA VERNE CT HIGHLAND, CA, 92346; MARIA E RENTERIA 27034 LA VERNE CT HIGHLAND, CA 92346
The business is conducted

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ed by: AN INDIVIDUAL.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ MARIA E RENTERIA Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 04/01/2019 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019, 04/19/2019, 04/26/2019 CNBB14201902IR

FBN 20190003935
The following person is doing business as: UPPER ROOM CAFE. 222 E. 17TH ST. APT 144 SAN BERNARDINO, CA, 92404; EDWARD M HERNANDEZ 222 E. 17TH ST. APT 144

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92404
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ EDWARD M HERNANDEZ, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 04/01/2019 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 04/05/2019, 04/12/2019, 04/19/2019, 04/26/2019 CNBB14201901IR

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Valdivia's political hand. The firing of Persico and the advancement of ACAA LP/AHD LP's effort to erect what was in essence an off-the-freeway-and-back-on-the-freeway liquor store located within Valdivia's Third Ward sent a message to virtually all of the city's business license applicants that providing Valdivia with generous campaign donations would purchase a favorable outcome with the land use and project approval processes at City Hall. Valdivia, now recognized as the king of a pay-to-play ethos in the city, amassed a \$500,000 political war chest and, after finishing first among six candidates for mayor in the June 2018 primary election, he defeated incumbent Carey Davis in the general November 2018 municipal election.

Ironically, Travis-Miller had been hired as city manager in 2017 while the city was under the guidance of then-Mayor Carey Davis. In this way, Travis-Miller was not only perceived as being but was in fact a key functionary within the Davis regime. Upon his election as mayor, Valdivia applied the same ethos that Travis-Miller had applied upon her selection as city manager, gathering up the

spoils of victory. Just as Travis-Miller in solidifying her hold on the city manager's post eventually moved to eliminate her rivals for power at City Hall, Persico included, Valdivia moved to eliminate his rivals for power at City Hall, Travis-Miller included. Indeed, the very day, December 19, that Valdivia was sworn in as mayor and both Ibarra and Sanchez took their oaths as council members, Ibarra made a motion to schedule a special session to evaluate Travis-Miller's performance as city manager. Thereafter followed a multiplicity of closed sessions, at both regularly scheduled and specially scheduled meeting of the council, at which Travis-Miller's performance was to be evaluated, with "performance evaluation" being a euphemism for firing her.

San Bernardino is an overwhelmingly Democratic town. Of the city's 93,801 voters, 44,839 or 47.80226 percent are registered Democrats, while 21,106 or 22.5647 percent are registered as Republicans. Among the city's Hispanic population, the party registration numbers favoring the Democrats are even more lopsided. Both Davis and Valdivia are Republicans. Despite his Republican Party affiliation, Davis had been roundly endorsed by the Democrats in his 2013/2014 election run, when the city was func-

tioning under its original 1905 Municipal Charter, when he had been endorsed by his predecessor, Mayor Patrick Morris, a dyed-in-the-wool Democrat. During his single term as mayor, Davis had made several reforms championed by Morris in an effort to overcome the city's severe financial challenges. Those included dispensing with the 1905 Municipal Charter, which had infused in the mayor not only political power but administrative power to include authority to hire and fire city personnel and making the mayor, with the city manager, the co-regent of the city. The new charter greatly reduced the mayor's administrative authority, instead giving the elected mayor and city council policymaking primacy but entrusting to the city manager administrative and executive authority. Another change effectuated under Davis was a move championed by Morris to close out the city's fire department and annex the entirety of the city limits into a county fire service assessment zone to have the county fire department take on the responsibility of providing fire prevention, fire suppression and emergency medical response within the city. Valdivia, who was heavily backed by the firefighters union when he was first elected to the city council in 2011, opposed both the charter reform and the

shuttering of the fire department. Even before he was elected mayor, word circulating around San Bernardino was that applicants for business licenses to engage in commercial marijuana enterprises, enterprises which the city was on the verge of permitting on a major scale, were funneling money to him. This put Valdivia at odds with the Travis-Miller, given her familial law enforcement background. Complicating the issue was that marijuana availability advocates at that point were playing both sides of the street, hedging their bets because it was not known with any precision whether Valdivia or Davis would ultimately win, and cannabis money was simultaneously being filtered into the Davis campaign.

Thus, Valdivia had one foot planted in the Republican camp; another on the Democratic reservation; he was courting Hispanic voters by tacitly celebrating his ethnicity while holding himself out as a rock-ribbed conservative on social and financial issues to white voters; his appeal was to taxpayers and holding government spending in line; simultaneously he was backed by public employee unions who expected him to continue escalating their salaries and benefits; he was in Travis-Miller's corner when she took action that was in keeping with his own political interests, as

when she cashiered Persico; he saw her as the enemy, which she was, as she was silently militating for his opponent, Davis, in the back room during the election season.

When the council took the first several runs at Travis-Miller in December, January, February and March, the city manager hung on because only two solid votes, those of Ibarra and Sanchez, existed to hand her a pink slip. Valdivia, who was simultaneously militating to undue several of the restrictions placed on the mayor by the new charter and was also working to attenuate the city manager's general authority, had been counting on Councilman Henry Nickel and Councilwoman Bessine Richard swinging behind the effort. Neither was, previously, ready to sign on. This week, however, Richard finally demonstrated herself willing to take the first step, consisting of placing Travis-Miller on administrative leave with pay.

An additional irony is that the gambit to relieve Travis-Miller of command has resulted in the elevation of Assistant City Manager Teri Ledoux into the position of acting city manager. Ledoux was installed as assistant city manager by Travis-Miller in October 2017. At that time Ledoux was working in La Verne as the assistant to the city manager. Previously, Ledoux had

worked in San Bernardino, having been an assistant to the city manager for 15 years between 1995 to 2000. She had promoted to the post of administrative services director and was in that position when Travis-Miller, who had just replaced McNeely as the city's lead administrator, in July 2012 brought her back to serve as what was in effect the deputy city manager. When Travis-Miller departed San Bernardino in 2013, Ledoux left as well. What the city council's 3-to-3 vote last week capped with Valdivia's tiebreaker has bought the city is, essentially, Travis-Miller Lite in the person of Ledoux.

Both a waiting game and a race is now in earnest. All eyes are on the contest between Figueroa and Ortiz. Anthony Aguirre had also initially signed up for that contest, but then withdrew. Because of his lag in withdrawing, his name yet appears on the ballots that were mailed out. If Figueroa, a sure Valdivia ally, prevails, Travis-Miller is history. If Ortiz wins, Travis-Miller can remain in office, most likely, for another two years.

Whether, of course, Travis-Miller would want to remain in place as city manager under circumstances that include a divided city council in which a bare 4-to-3 majority is out of step with the mayor is another question. -Mark Gutglueck

Mother Of Activist Dies In House Fire 1.8 Miles From Fire Station

from front page

Firefighters attempting to gain entry to the home were unable to do so as a consequence of being pushed back by the fire engulfing the entirety of the structure.

Firefighting personnel from Arizona arrived, including crews with Fort Mojave Mesa Fire Department, Golden Shores Fire Department and Mohave Valley Fire Department, to assist in the response.

A woman identified only as one of the residents of the home who was inside when the fire broke out, made her way outside. Suffering from burns, she was transported to Colorado River Medical Center in Needles by a Baker Emergency Medical Service ambulance.

With a significant portion of the home engulfed and energized power lines down around two sides of the structure, the teams at the scene initiated a defensive attack to prevent the spread of the fire to potentially threatened nearby residences.

A series of explosions,

later determined to be heat-induced ruptures of numerous gas cylinders located inside of the residence, were heard during the fire suppression operations.

Approximately 31 minutes after the arrival of the fire crew from Station #32, the major portion of the fire was quelled, and the spread of the conflagration beyond the structure was averted. Thereafter, when firefighters were able to enter the building, they found Jean Buckley inside, deceased.

Buckley's son, David, was a figure active in politics and community

activism in Needles over the last two decades. His efforts had earned him the resentment of a cross section of the city's political leadership. He and his mother, who was wheelchair-bound, often attended city council meetings. Regularly, Jean Buckley would have with her one of several large looseleaf notebooks, each of which was a compendium of documents relating to legal or procedural transgressions governmental officials had engaged in. She would provide her son with the relevant material from that notebook to assist him in his

presentations before the council.

The city at one point turned the firepower of its authority David Buckley's way, utilizing agency-to-agency privilege to induce adult protective services to launch an investigation into whether Jean Buckley was being neglected or subjected to a dangerous living environment. Though that effort failed to achieve the effect desired by several city leaders, the city was able to get even with their nemesis in other ways. When the Buckleys sought to obtain a city business license to operate a home-

style restaurant featuring slow-cooked and barbecue beef and pork from their premises, the city refused to grant their request.

In 2017, David Buckley began to lose the power of speech. In early 2018, he was diagnosed with having Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis. In April 2018 he succumbed to the disease.

It is believed the notebooks that contained the documentation David Buckley used in his presentations was lost in the fire with Jean Buckley.

-Mark Gutglueck

Merritt May Have Helped In Distributing Missing Family Fliers, McStay Brother Concedes

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began.

"Sometime the week of the ninth," McStay said.

"Now, regarding your father, after you had contact with him, did you remain in contact with your father for the next, I would say, month regarding Joseph's disappearance?" Maline inquired.

"Objection, relevance," Imes interjected.

"Overruled," Judge Smith said. "He can answer."

"I'm pretty sure I did," Michael said.

"Your father was in Texas at that time," said Maline. "Is that correct?"

"My dad lives in Spring, yes," Michael McStay said.

"Do you know if your father Patrick ever came to help you guys pass around fliers and that kind of stuff?" Maline asked.

"Objection, relevance," Imes said.

"Sustained," said Judge Smith.

"Did your father..." Maline began in seeking to reformulate the question, but was interrupted by Michael, who said, "Neither did Chase [deliver fliers]."

"I'm not asking about

Chase," said Maline.

"Oh, sorry," said Michael McStay. "That was impertinent."

At another point, when Maline was asking about how well acquainted he was with Merritt, Michael McStay offered, "When he refers to me as 'Mikey,' it's because he talked to my brother. But he should really refer to me as 'Michael,' because he doesn't know me."

Having absorbed that sally against his client, Maline from that point sought to replicate what he had done with both Michael and Joseph McStay's mother, Susan Blake, during her testimony two weeks previously, in wringing from her an admission that she had held Merritt in relatively high regard prior to his having been arrested and charged with her son's murder, and that the negative light in which the defendant had been cast during both Blake and Michael McStay's testimony under direct examination by the prosecution in the first week of the trial was a function more of their effort to assist the prosecution in obtaining a conviction of the accused than the far more favorable opinions they held of Merritt and which they expressed to investigators before they were influenced by the identification of Merritt as the defendant as well as the prosecution of the case against him.

"So, if he didn't know

you, would it be fair to say that [in] your talking about Chase and your describing Chase to the detectives, that the knowledge you had of Chase had come from your brother or mainly from your brother?" Maline asked.

"Yeah, probably from our conversations, my brother and my conversations," Michael said.

"And do you recall telling Detective DuGal," Maline asked, reading from DuGal's report, "that 'What I hear with Chase, because Chase seems like a very sweet individual, I trust that they've gotten really close...'"

"Objection," Imes interrupted. "Leading. Assumes facts not in evidence. This is not cross examination."

Thereafter Maline was thwarted by Imes' objections, which were sustained by Judge Smith, from being able to read Michael McStay's charitable characterizations of Merritt made to investigators with the San Diego Sheriff's Department in the early stages of the investigation.

In bringing up the effort that was made to distribute fliers relating to the missing McStay family, Maline endeavored to get onto the record that Merritt had participated in doing so, which contradicted McStay's assertion to the contrary. Maline asked where those fliers had

been distributed.

"At San Ysidro, where the vehicle was found," Michael McStay said.

"And other places, as well," said Maline. "What about Fallbrook?"

"I believe, yeah, we did, San Ysidro and Fallbrook," McStay said. "I don't know if it was the same day or... I believe we did. We canvassed Fallbrook. We split up and went to different places, and we did San Ysidro, yes. I just don't remember whether it was the same day, or whatever."

"Do you recall at that time that Chase was given about 2,000 fliers to pass out?" Maline asked.

"Do I recall that?" Michael asked in return. "I don't."

"Do you know who was in charge of getting the fliers to people to pass out?" Maline asked.

"I did, because I had them donated from my printing company," said McStay. "My printing company donated all of the fliers, all of the time, and I had boxes of them, and then we doled them out to, you know, people."

"If somebody wanted to get fliers, would they come pick them up, or would you actually have to give them to them?" Maline asked.

"I think both," said Michael. "I believe at different times Chase might have been given some. I really don't recall."

Maline again sought

to return to Michael McStay having once held the defendant in positive regard.

"Do you know how you described Chase to the detectives?" Maline asked.

"Objection, relevance," said Imes. "Lacks foundation."

"Sustained as lack of foundation," ruled Judge Smith. "Calls for hearsay."

In response to several of Maline's questions, Michael McStay acknowledged having a strained relationship with Summer McStay because "she made a comment to my wife at the time about my children. Every family has squabbles," he said.

After being alerted to his brother's absence on either February 9 or 10, 2010, Michael testified, "I called and left messages on my brother's phone until it stopped taking them."

Maline's efforts to ascertain Michael McStay's whereabouts on February 4, 2010 based on having him look at his cell phone records proved ineffective because the witness was unable to interpret the data contained therein relating to the tower locations that were in contact with his cellphone while it was in use.

During Imes' cross examination, he invited the victim's brother to hold forth on what he was quoted as having said to the press.

"The media never gets anything straight," McStay lamented. "They made so many mistakes through this thing it's ridiculous. To be misquoted - it happens all the time."

Sensing an opportunity, Imes focused on the specifics in Michael McStay's quote that appeared in the article Brittany Levin had penned which ran in the *Orange County Register* in March 2010, specifically his reference to his fear that the bodies of his brother and sister-in-law were interred in, with what turned out to be remarkable precision, two shallow graves. Imes asked, "Isn't the worst fear that they died a humiliating death and were buried in shallow graves in the middle of nowhere six miles from the defendant's sister's house?" When that brought an objection from Merritt's co-counsel James McGee that was sustained by Judge Smith, Imes pointedly asked, once more, "Would that be a fear that they were found six miles from the defendant's sister's house?"

The question was again objected to and Judge Smith sustained the objection.

Imes took up the issue of Michael McStay having indicated that he had driven by the McStay family's Fallbrook home on February 4 or 6, 2010.

"What was your state of mind on the 15th [of

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February, 2010] when you talked to Deputy Tingley?" Imes inquired.

"I was concerned that was the drop dead date," said Michael. "I met Chase on the 13th. It was urgent enough for me to leave my job in Huntington Beach and go straight there and do whatever needed to be done."

"Were you able to remember every single date and every single step you took up to that point?" Imes asked.

"No, sir," said McStay. "I'm just going off my best recollection."

"You tried to be as accurate with dates as possible but your memory in the emotion of it was not as accurate as it could have been," said Imes.

"Yes, sir," Michael said. "I did the best I could."

"So if you had told Deputy Tingley that you had been by on the fourth or the sixth, what is your recollection of that sitting here today?" Imes asked.

"I'm not sure if... I think that... I didn't go... I must not have went by, but I had known that McGyver... I remember that McGyver [McCarber, a friend of Joseph and Summer] was going by

to paint that week, so I don't know if it was mis-conveyed or what, but as I remember, the first day I was there was that Saturday."

"Saturday the 13th [of February, 2010]," said Imes in clarification.

"Yes, sir," said Michael McStay.

"Well, why don't we point out the elephant in the room," said Imes. "Did you kill your brother?"

"Absolutely not," McStay responded. "No way."

"Were you insulted with that implication of questioning?" Imes asked.

"Objection, Your Honor, argumentative," said McGee

"Overruled," said Judge Smith.

"There's an implication that we said he killed his brother," McGee persisted. "This is now attacking counsel. It's improper questioning."

"The objection's overruled," Smith said.

"Yes I was," Michael said. "It's just more mud-slinging by the defense."

"You were the one who called the police to report your brother missing, correct?" asked Imes.

"I believe so," Michael McStay said. "Yes, sir."

"Are you aware of the defendant ever calling the police to report your brother missing?" Imes asked.

"Objection, foundation," intoned McGee.

"Sustained," Judge Smith said.

"You were the one sitting in front of the house being interviewed," said Imes. "Did they have to look for you to do that interview?"

"No, sir," McStay said. "I voluntarily went there. I voluntarily gave DNA. I voluntarily took polygraph tests. I did whatever I could do."

"Did you write any checks to yourself and backdate them to February 4th and deposit them into your personal account?" Imes asked.

"Your Honor, objection, argumentative and outside the scope now," said McGee.

"Overruled," Judge Smith said.

"No, sir," answered Michael. "I did not."

"Were you in the High Desert on February 6?" Imes asked.

"No, sir," said Michael McStay.

After court concluded that day, Maline told the *Sentinel* his rough cross examination of Michael McStay was not intended to seriously suggest that Michael McStay had murdered his brother and his brother's family, but rather to illustrate to the jury that circumstances can be twisted to make outrageous suggestions as to guilt and culpability, as was being done by the prosecution to his client.

Testifying on Wednesday as well was San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Sergeant Ryan Smith, the last case officer assigned to the McStay family homicides investigation and the current liaison to the district attorney's office during the trial. Smith has testified at several junctures previously during the trial as a prosecution witness.

Merritt's defense co-counsel James McGee called Sergeant Smith to the stand, querying as to whether Smith had engaged in the investigation of vehicle thefts at an earlier point in his career before he moved into the homicide division.

Smith acknowledged that he had.

McGee then asked about the methodologies employed by car thieves against vehicles' ignition systems to effectuate those thefts. Smith related that more recent model vehicles feature security systems that present a greater challenge for a thief to defeat but that in older vehicles shaved keys or even screw drivers can be used to actuate the ignition or that the key mechanism can be bypassed altogether through hot-wiring, and that steering wheel locking mechanisms in older vehicles can be overcome as well.

"There are many ways to drive a vehicle without a key," Sergeant Smith said. Such manipulations, Smith indicated, result in significant damage to the features of the ignition and steering wheel or steering column that are easily obvious or detectable.

McGee then asked about the key to the McStay family's 1996 Isuzu Trooper found among the keys in the pocket of the pants Joseph McStay was clad in when his body was unearthed from the shallow grave in the desert north of Victorville.

To McGee's inquiry, Sergeant Smith indicated that after the trial was underway earlier this year, he had checked that key out from the department's evidence locker, signing for it himself, and then used it to determine that it fit the vehicle and would activate the car's ignition.

The Isuzu Trooper's ignition and steering column was intact, Sergeant Smith testified under McGee's questioning, an indication the car had not been hot-wired, but that rather a key had been used to start the vehicle when it was driven to the mall parking lot and abandoned near the border in San Ysidro.

McGee's purpose in questioning Sergeant Smith on this topic was to establish that there is a possibility or even a likelihood that the Isuzu Trooper was driven to San Ysidro not by Mer-

ritt but by Joseph McStay.

Testifying on Thursday was Suzanna Ryan, a forensic DNA consultant, who has multiple certifications with regard to DNA forensic analysis and serology. Ryan previously worked as a forensic technician and criminalist in crime laboratories with several law enforcement agencies, then subsequently as a crime laboratory and forensic laboratory manager, including with Bode Cellmark Forensics, Inc., Bode Technologies, Cybergenetics, Pure Gold, and her own company and laboratory, Ryan Consulting. Her work has included identifying bodies extracted from the rubble of the September 11, 2001 attack on the World Trade Center in New York City and from mass graves in Bosnia using DNA analysis, as well as both obtaining and maintaining accreditation and licensing for laboratories.

Ryan testified about the methods utilized for the harvesting of DNA from objects. A primary traditional approach, she said, involves sterilized cotton swabs that are either moistened with sterilized water or left dry and then utilized to wipe the surfaces of objects that might contain metabolic matter to effect collection. Another method, she said, entailed cutting a piece of fabric or clothing that may have come into contact with an individual's skin or bodily fluids.

She then gave a demonstration of a more up-to-date technology for DNA collection, consisting of what is referred to as an M-Vac. An M-Vac entails what is essentially a vacuum unit augmented with a hose, a line, a vacuum head, a containing unit and a filter. To prevent contamination the hose, line, vacuum head, containing unit and filter, all of which are sterile, all are changed out with each use, she said. The line is used to spray sterile water onto the item from which the DNA collection effort is being made, she said, explain-

ing that the water serves as a buffer that will assist in liberating the DNA-containing material. That wet solution is then vacuumed into the container which features the filter that will allow water molecules to pass through it but which is fine enough to collect the DNA. Upon drying, the filter is then subject to DNA analysis.

Ryan testified that traditional swabbing is relatively effective when it is applied to smooth surfaces, but much less efficient in terms of the useful yield of DNA-bearing material when it is applied to porous materials. She said that in such cases the M-Vac has been demonstrated to provide "20 times to 200 times more DNA than is collected by a swab."

Ryan testified that she had utilized the M-Vac on several items contained within the two graves the McStay family had been buried in. Previously, a criminalist employed by San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, Donald Jones, who had testified as a prosecution witness, said that it was his opinion that DNA material adequate for forensic analysis that would assist the investigation would not remain intact over the three-and-a-half year period that the items lay buried in the grave before the bodies were discovered in November 2013. He testified that the tests he conducted on those items yielded no useful results.

Ryan testified that she used the M-Vac on a pair of panties found in the grave containing the remains of Summer McStay and Gianni McStay, a half of a bra found in the grave containing Summer McStay's and Gianni McStay's corpses, the other half of that bra found outside the graves, an electrical cord that was used to bind Joseph McStay in the separate grave in which his body was interred with that of Joseph, Jr. and a red strap found in the grave containing Joseph Sr.'s and Joseph Jr.'s

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California Style Skirting

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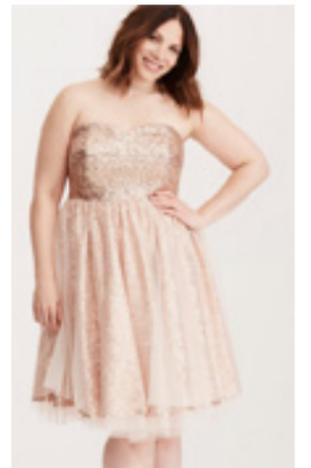
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corpuses. In the case of each item, Ryan testified that she had employed the M-Vac and then, after allowing the filter utilized in each case to dry, cut out a portion of the filters, packaged them separately, and sent them off to the Bode Cellmark laboratory on March 9, 2018 for analysis. Ryan said that Bode Cellmark found partial DNA profiles on four of the items, including both halves of the bra, the electrical cord and the red strap. "And you learned from the results that some of the items, just from Bode, had DNA

markers on them," McGee said. "Right," Ryan said. "Some of the samples that Bode tested, they were able to report a partial profile or mixture. There was some DNA types that did reach their analytical threshold." Of significance is that the DNA analysis indicates that three individuals – all males – contributed the DNA that was found on the items in the graves and the half bra found outside the graves. Those DNA profiles do not match Joseph McStay, Gianni McStay, Joseph McStay, Jr. or Charles Merritt. It is anticipated that the prosecution might suggest that the DNA found on those items could have been contributed by three of the sheriff's department personnel who were involved in the excavation of the graves. This, however, is controverted by the consideration that

there is some crossover with regard to the DNA found on items from both graves, and that in processing the graves, the sheriff's department assigned different personnel to carry out the excavation of each grave, and kept those personnel separate throughout the processing such that only those individuals assigned to each grave, all of whom were wearing gloves, had contact with the contents of their particularly assigned grave. Additionally, the degradation of the DNA that was found is consistent with having been buried in the earth or exposed to the elements for three-and-a-half years. DNA that would have originated with the excavation team would not have been subject to that level of degradation. The defense maintains that the DNA found on the four items is connected to the actual killers of the McStay family.

Under direct examination by McGee, Ryan testified with regard to the DNA found in the Isuzu Trooper. Ryan testified that the consideration that Joseph McStay was the major contributor of the DNA found on the steering wheel and gear shift of the vehicle and that Charles Merritt was a trace DNA contributor on the same items, with Merritt's DNA being present in a far greater quantity on the vehicle's passenger side interior door handle, was an indication that Merritt was a passenger in the Isuzu and not the driver. She said it was unlikely that Merritt had driven the vehicle from the McStay home in Fallbrook and left it at the parking lot in San Ysidro, where it was impounded on February 8, 2010. "If someone drove a car for 90 minutes, the expectation would be that they would be the

major contributor," Ryan said. She referenced experiments indicating that the last individual to handle nonporous items such as a pen and a steering wheel are likely to displace the normal user of those items as the primary or major contributor of the DNA found on those items once they are subjected to an analysis. She also testified that trace amounts of DNA can be transferred to items the contributor of that DNA has not actually handled as a consequence of the person who directly handled the item in question having touched or been in contact with the trace DNA contributor. Ryan testified that the presence of Merritt's DNA in the Isuzu Trooper in minute quantities could reasonably be considered an instance of DNA transfer throughout the vehicle. After McGee's direct

examination of Ryan ended, Supervising Deputy District Attorney Sean Daugherty began his cross examination of the witness, a session which lasted for less than 20 minutes and which is to be continued on Monday April 8. One of the issues Daugherty latched onto was how Ryan, in one of her reports on the analysis of the forensic examination of the McStay family's Isuzu Trooper, had conflated the San Diego County Sheriff's Department forensic analyst who had gathered evidence from the vehicle, Denys Williams, with the forensic analyst from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department's crime lab, Heatherly Rateleff, who had gathered evidence from the vehicle as part of her department's investigation more than three-and-a-half years later.