

Jet Room Dispensary Owner Paid Ex-Mayor Kerr \$35K For Project Permits

By Mark Gutglueck

David Serrano, the owner of the Jet Room marijuana dispensary that has been established in Adelanto, through his law firm paid then-Adelanto Mayor Rich Kerr \$35,000 in the days, weeks and months before and after Kerr voted to confer upon the Jet Room permits and licenses to sell marijuana

from its 17499 Adelanto Road address, including expanding the city's marijuana sales zones to include the district where the dispensary is located.

Kerr did not report the money provided to him as political donations, depositing the checks into an account he had ostensibly set up for campaign purposes

but which he used for his own personal expenses.

Serrano's Jet Room was the first marijuana retail operation permitted and up and running in Adelanto, representing a significant deviation from the city council's initial declared intent, embodied in the passage of Ordinance 539 on November 23, 2015, with regard to mar-

ijuana/cannabis-related businesses allowed to function within a specified area in the 53-square mile city's industrial zone. Initially under Ordinance 539, the city limited the type of such businesses to cultivation operations exclusively, and did not permit the sale of the product to end users within Adelanto's city limits, prohibiting

retail sales of the drug while allowing wholesaling of the crops grown in the city to dispensaries located elsewhere.

At the April 27, 2016 council meeting, Kerr first signaled that the city might allow an alteration of its policy to allow medical marijuana dispensaries to set up operations in Adelanto in the future. **See P 2**

SB Solons Insist Muscupiabe Neighborhood Welfare Office Was Properly Approved

City of San Bernardino's officials are coalescing behind City Manager Terry Ledoux's game plan to allow a county welfare building to progress to completion, occupation and operation at the periphery of the Muscupiabe residential district over a cacophony of protest.

Calculating that the anger of residents in the

Muscupiabe District have over the unwanted project in their midst will not translate into a willingness to expend enough money to wage an extended legal battle contesting the project's approval, city officials have resolved to support the well-heeled developer of the project and his prospective tenant, the County of San Bernardi-

no, in seeing the project through to completion.

City officials believe they can weather the concerted opposition to the project and stand by the much maligned secretive approval given to the project last year, while sidestepping escalating calls that the county first be required to obtain a conditional use permit before the build-

ing can be occupied by its transitional assistance department.

Simultaneously, Ledoux is angling to use a threat of legal action by the building's developer, Scott Beard, as a pretext to prevent opponents of the project from obtaining internal communications among various city officials and Beard that demonstrate the degree

to which the city violated its own protocols in arranging to have the project application analyzed and considered not by the city's planning commission but rather by a more obscure collection of city officials.

In December 2017, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors approved a recommendation from the **See P 5**

Chino Valley Fire Board Mulls Third Censure For Williams

The Chino Valley Independent Fire District Board this week voted to consider censuring board member Winn Williams for a third time in less than eight months at its upcoming October 9 meeting.

Personality conflicts have plagued the relationship between Williams, a former fire captain employed by the district, and his fellow board members from

very shortly after he assumed office late last year.

Williams previously served a two-year term on the board from 2004 to 2006 and was returned to the board by voters last November. After he retired from the district as a firefighter in 2002 following an extended leave following an injury on the job in 2000, Williams in 2008 initiated an effort, at the **See P 7**

County Gambles Display Of Generosity To Its Workers Will Spur The Local Economy

In the face of troubling local economic signs, the county board of supervisors this week made a move to boost the paychecks of county workers.

The jury is yet out on whether that move to artificially buoy the local economy will have the desired impact, or whether greater governmental commitments to employee salaries and benefits will deprive

county residents of services and assistance they need to negotiate what some prognosticators are saying will prove leaner financial times just ahead.

Alarmingly, San Bernardino County's unemployment rate, which had dipped to a near historic low of 3.3 percent this spring, in just over four months has zoomed up to 4.2 percent.

Those working, while

not exactly in the poorhouse, are doing comparatively worse than virtually all of their counterparts in the country's top 50 municipal areas. San Bernardino was next to last when it came to weekly wages before taxes and other payroll deductions - \$931 weekly. That was a mere \$4 above those in dead last at number 50 - the \$927 paid to worker in adjoining Riv- **See P 3**

Bogh Family Cycles Its Political Power To Beget Further Bogh Political Power



Atalie Bogh

Among the definitions of politics is "the wielding of power."

In the Yucaipa

Calimesa Joint Unified School District, an object lesson in how power is wielded was recently provided when a student representative on the school board was chosen for the 2019-20 academic year.

The choice - Yucaipa High School senior Atalie Bogh - boasts impressive credentials, including the 4.7 "academic weighted" grade



Rosilicie Bogh

point average she has compiled from the ninth grade through the eleventh grade, standing as

an associated student body representative, participation on the cross country and track teams as well as involvement with the school's Interact Club.

That portfolio appears to be justification enough for her appointment as the student representative on the school board, even in the face of other well-qualified candidates.



Greg Bogh

Politics is politics, and whatever those other candidates may have had to offer will **See P 3**

23 Years After The Death Of Brother, Family Files Claim

By Carlos Avalos

Lurline Davis, Alice Davis, and Rochella Edwards, the surviving family members of Jimmy Earl Burelson, have filed a claim for damages against the County of San Bernardino, the San Bernardino County Coroner's Office, the City of Fontana and the Fontana Police Department with regard to the desecration of Jimmy Earl Burelson's body that occurred in the aftermath of his death on July 6, 1994.

The claim, made more than a quarter of a century after Burelson's death, comes after what Monrow A. Mabon, the attorney representing Davis, Davis and Edwards, says suffices as a "verification" of what had occurred to Burelson was received between March 9 and March 15, 2019 by his firm, Mabon & Associates.

According to the claim, "The circumstances giving rise to this claim are as follows: On or about July 6, 1994, Jimmy Earl Burelson was in the custody of the Fontana Police Department. According to the Fontana Police Department, Jimmy Earl Burelson bailed out of their custody and approximately 30 minutes later Jimmy Earl Burelson was found murdered at the rear of the Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant located at 16931 Foothill Blvd. Fontana, CA. 92335. Claimants allege that after the murder of Jimmy Earl Burelson, members of the Fontana Police Department and [a] member of the San Bernardino coroner's office for their amusement desecrated the body of Jimmy Earl Burelson."

This, Mabon **See P 7**

As Council Considered Ordinances And Zoning Allowing Dispensaries, Serrano Wrote Kerr Checks For \$5k, \$10K, Another \$10K And A Final \$10K from front page

Present at that meeting was Manny Serrano, who was the spokesman for the High Desert Cannabis Association. Manny Serrano was also the brother of David Serrano, an attorney affiliated, variously, with the Law Offices of David Serrano and the Professional Lawyers Group, San Bernardino.

On September 22, 2016, David R. Serrano and his wife, Julia Orama-Serrano, initiated the purchase of the Jet Room property, consisting of a 2.23 acre lot and existing structure at 17499 Adelanto Road, the northeast corner of Adelanto Road and Joshua Avenue. On October 3, 2016 they entered into escrow with the owner, Dmitri Manucharyan, paying \$450,000 for the property. The transaction was completed on October 11, 2016. Serrano put out that he intended to convert the structure on it, which had formerly been a lounge doing a brisk business among airmen more than two decades previously before George Air Force Base was shuttered in 1992 but which had lain fallow ever since, into a law office.

On October 26, 2016, the Adelanto City Council gave initial approval to Ordinance 553, which allowed medical marijuana dispensaries into the City of Adelanto. Because of a series of delays, the ordinance did not come up for a second confirming vote it needed to go into effect until May 2017. Prior to that second reading of the ordinance, on November 29, 2016, the city council held a public discussion relating to the pending passage of Ordinance 553 allowing the sale of medical marijuana in Adelanto, in particular the boundaries of the city's marijuana dis-

pensary overlay zones, which were to govern where dispensaries could be located. As a result of that discussion, the council articulated the intent to expand the marijuana dispensary overlay zone to include the property at 17499 Adelanto Road. The same day, November 29, 2016, David Serrano's wife, Julia Orama-Serrano, cut Kerr a \$5,000 check drawn against the Law Offices of David Serrano Real Estate Trust Account at the Bank of America, with the designation "Adv Xmas Fund" in the memo line. On December 5, 2016, Kerr deposited the check into an account ending in the numbers 0917 which he had opened at US Bank in June 2014, and which Kerr had declared in a California Fair Political Practices filing to be the account for his 2014 mayoral campaign. Despite the Fair Political Practices filing identifying that account as one intended for his electioneering funds, Kerr had made another filing with the Fair Political Practices Commission certifying under the penalty of perjury that he had raised no money for and had spent no money on his campaign between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014, covering the year he was first elected mayor. Kerr utilized the 0917 account primarily as a personal bank account, using the funds in it for routine purchases at Home Depot, grocery stores and restaurants, drug stores, sporting goods stores and gas stations. In his campaign fund disclosure documents filed for 2016, Kerr made no disclosure of the \$5,000 he had received from the Law Offices of David Serrano Real Estate Trust Account.

On February 16, 2017, David Serrano submitted \$1,000 in fees to the City of Adelanto, in the form of a check from the Law Offices of David Serrano Real Estate Trust Fund in conjunction with a "comprehensive plan" for the Jet Room at 17499 Adelanto Road.

On February 27, 2017 a check for \$10,000 was

made out to Kerr against the Professional Lawyers Group, San Bernardino account bearing the indication "Plaintiff Advance" in the memo line. It was deposited into Kerr's US Bank 0917 account on February 28, 2017. Kerr did not disclose the \$10,000 from the Professional Lawyers Group on any of his campaign disclosure filings for 2017.

On March 31, 2017, another check drawn against the Law Offices of David Serrano Real Estate Trust Fund, this one for \$1,348, was written to the City of Adelanto with the phrase "Jet Law 17499 Adelanto Road Adelanto" in the memo line.

On May 17, 2017, a revised version of Ordinance 553 relating to allowing marijuana sales to take place in Adelanto, which updated the version of the ordinance first voted upon on October 26, 2016, was given its first reading, passing by a vote of 3-to-1, with Kerr voting in support of the ordinance. That version of the ordinance included a general plan amendment, which expanded the marijuana dispensary overlay zone to include the Jet Room property in the district where the operation of marijuana dispensaries is permitted. Kerr did not disclose having received, at that point, \$15,000 from David Serrano and his wife or the entities with which David Serrano is affiliated. Nor did he make an effort to recuse himself from the vote which had benefited David Serrano and the entities with which Serrano was affiliated.

On May 24, 2017, the second and final reading of and the vote on the revised version of Ordinance 553 took place at that evening's city council meeting, passing 3-to-1, with Councilman John Woodard abstaining and Councilman Ed Camargo voting no. That vote included the acceptance of the dispensary overlay zones in which the Jet Zone property was included. Kerr again supported the ordinance allowing the operation of marijuana

dispensaries in the city and ratifying the marijuana dispensary overlay zones, benefitting David Serrano.

At the same May 24 meeting, the city council passed Resolution 17-12 on a unanimous 5-to-0 vote, establishing the Adelanto Cannabis Dispensary Permit Committee to be charged with determining which applicants for medical marijuana dispensary permits would be granted what was then supposed to be a limit of four such permits.

On June 16, 2017, another check for \$10,000 written against the Professional Lawyers Group, San Bernardino account was made out to Kerr, bearing "Advance" in the memo line. Kerr deposited the check into his US Bank 0917 account on June 21, 2017. Kerr did not disclose the \$10,000 from the Professional Lawyers Group on any of his campaign disclosure filings for 2017.

On August 23, 2017, then-City Manager Gabriel Elliott publicly announced how the Adelanto Cannabis Dispensary Permit Committee created by the passage of Resolution 17-12 on May 24 of that year was too be fleshed out. The committee, Elliott said, would consist of the mayor and the mayor pro tem, the city planner and two members of the public to be chosen by the city manager. That same day, August 23, 2017, a check was written for \$10,000 against the Professional Lawyers Group, San Bernardino account to Kerr, bearing the memo "Advance" and was deposited into Kerr's US Bank 0917 account that day. Kerr did not disclose the \$10,000 as a campaign contribution on any of his Fair Political Practices forms for 2017.

Between March 9, 2015, and November 6, 2017, there were 30 deposits into Kerr's US Bank 0917 account, primarily cash, totaling \$21,757. In this same timeframe, Kerr's wife, Mistey, was collecting "donations" from the public for a never fully specified charitable

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cause. Much of the money provided to her during this time consisted of cash-stuffed envelopes provided to her while she was in attendance at the city council meetings her husband was presiding over. On March 17, 2017, Kerr opened another account at US Bank, with an account number ending 9895. Beginning in August 2017 and running until October 12, 2017, Kerr deposited \$32,500 in checks made out to "Re-elect Richard Kerr Mayor of Adelanto 2018" from various businesses and business owners in Adelanto into that account. On October 4, 2017, Kerr transferred \$22,580.25 from the 9895 account into a third US Bank account, which was designated as Kerr's official 2018 campaign account, otherwise known as "Richard Kerr DBA Committee to Reelect Richard Kerr," which bore an account number ending 5129. In the months of October and November 2017, which were roughly one year before the next election for Adelanto mayor, Kerr withdrew \$4,980 from his campaign account, using the money for what appears to have been non-campaign related living expenses.

Kerr, who was retired from the Marine Corps, also had a Navy Federal Credit Union Account with an account number ending 1705. This appeared to be his primary personal account into which his monthly military pension of \$1,745 was automatically and regularly deposited. At the time of his election in 2014, Kerr was em-

ployed by Motorola as a cell tower technician, both installing and upgrading antennas and signal repeaters. By 2015, his status as the mayor of a California city had upgraded his cachet in the corporate world, and he was employed at that point by SDI International. From January 2015 through the end of October 2016, SDI International was making \$2,500 weekly deposits into Kerr's Navy Credit Union 1705 account. Kerr was dropped from the SDI International payroll at the end of October 2016. Kerr by 2016 was also working for Tech USA, LLC, with weekly payments from that entity being deposited into the 1705 account. From January 2016 to May 2016 direct weekly deposits of \$2,100 from Tech USA were being made into the 1705 account. From May 2016 until January 2017, the direct weekly deposits from Tech USA into the 1705 account dropped to \$1,300 per week. Kerr's relationship with Tech USA appeared to be drawing to a close at the beginning of 2017, with what was a penultimate direct deposit of \$296.99 on January 19, 2017. Four months later, however, it appears he was temporarily reinstated with Tech USA on a short-lived assignment, when Tech USA made direct deposits totaling \$5,962.63 into the Navy Federal Credit Union 1705 account in May 2017. Those closed out the direct deposits made into that account by Tech

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SB Mayor Asserts Police Restructuring Is Changing Public Perceptions

By John Valdivia,
San Bernardino Mayor

Think about a situation where you might encounter a law enforcement officer. For most people, the situation they imagine is negative.

In San Bernardino, local police are changing that perception while making our community a safer environment to live and do business. We've restructured the force, and these efforts are already paying positive dividends for San Bernardino.

The city has partnered with the San Bernardino Police Officers Association to bring a new playground to Littlefield/Schultis Park, and we are encouraging members of the community to get involved to make this a reality, including taking part in the BBQ fundraiser hosted by the SBPOA coming up September 26 to support the project.

We want people in San Bernardino to have opportunities to interact with law enforcement in

positive settings. SBPD pop up tents are appearing regularly at spots throughout San Bernardino, and mounted patrols are distributing resources to our neighbors on horseback.

Community members are invited to attend regular "Coffee with a Cop" meetings to share their concerns or just chat. This summer, San Bernardino officers held a back-to-school block party, invited local religious leaders for a summit with clergy, and

held a banquet for future members of the force.

We're also addressing homelessness and public safety by connecting homeless individuals with resources to help them turn their lives around. San Bernardino is fortunate to have strong partnerships between city leaders, nonprofits, and law enforcement that are making our community safer and creating positive alternatives to crime. Despite budget challenges, no law enforcement officers

have been laid off and in fact we are putting more officers on the street.

Finally, we're using technology including social media and a GoRequest app, which enables people to file a report and track their report to resolution all from their mobile device.

Improved public safety is essential to turning around San Bernardino's image and attracting visitors, investment, and jobs. A safer community is one where our businesses can flourish and

our children can achieve their potential.

We also recognize such a vision is a team effort. We invite you to take part in the progress underway. Next time you see local law enforcement hosting a block party, setting up a pop up tent, or patrolling on horseback, we hope you'll say hello and thank them for their hard work for our community.

John Valdivia was elected mayor in 2018. He was previously Third Ward Councilman.

Raises For More Than Half Of County Government Employees Seen As Ploy To Boost Recently Sputtering Economy from front page

erside County south of San Bernardino County's boundary. In contrast, over the county's western border, in Los Angeles County, workers there bring down an average of \$1,282 weekly, putting the County of the Angels at number 22 among the Top 50 U.S. municipal areas. Orange County workers are faring even better with average gross wages before taxes and deductions of \$1,287 per week, making it Number 20 among the country's 50 leading municipal areas.

Meanwhile, the county's residents who rent rather than own the premises in which they live and like the rest of Americans are dealing

with a 2.6 percent inflation rate, have seen rental rates increase by 5.1 percent over the last

Bernardino grew, if not phenomenally, then very well, at 4.5 percent, the ninth-best improvement

was better than flatlining or a decrease, there were yet 65 other metropolitan areas throughout the country with economies growing more rapidly.

When it rains, it pours. The first week of September, employees of Haralambos Beverage Company learned that last month the company had informed the state's Employment Development Department that beginning October 11, it will lay off 53 workers at its Redlands facility, including 36 sales personnel, 15 employed in operations and two managers.

In an effort to make an inroad against the deteriorating financials besetting the county, the county's governmental structure announced this week that it has come to terms with Teamsters Local 1932, the collective bargaining unit for slightly more than half of the county's approximately 22,000 employ-

ees, to provide those represented employees a 2.5 percent uniform wage increase effective tomorrow, Saturday, September 14, 2019, to be augmented by a matching 2.5 percent raise as of July 18, 2020, a third 2.5 percent accretion on July 31, 2021, followed with a 3 percent across-the-board hike on July 30, 2022.

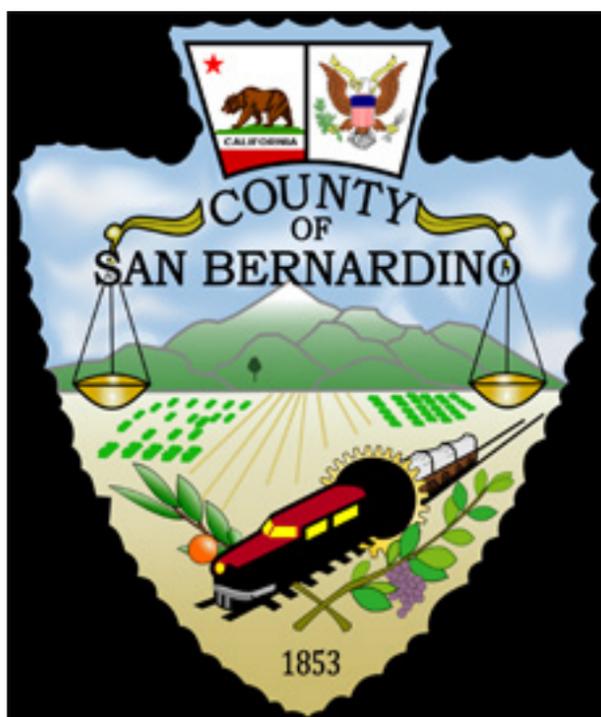
Where it can, the county will also allow those employees reaching an accumulation of a specified number of hours at a given pay grade or level to move up in remuneration, receiving what is called a "step raise" immediately upon registering the designated number of hours. Those employees in positions for which the qualifications are forbidding, thus making them difficult to fill, will see even more generous increases.

Altogether, the deal with Teamsters Local

1932 is to set taxpayers back some \$345.7 million beyond what the current projected personnel costs are to be for the county between now and June 30, 2023.

While it is hoped the extra money in the hands of slightly over half of the county's workforce, increasing that segment of the county population's disposable income, will have a "trickle-down" positive effect on the San Bernardino County economy as a whole, the diversion of that money into the pockets of the county's public employees will in some measure detract from the county's ability to provide services for its residents, including some of those whose circumstances under the challenges of the current dip and what is projected to be a more massive fiscal contraction beginning in 2020 will be most heavily impacted.

-M.G.



year. A two-room apartment now runs the average renter \$1,550 per month.

From the beginning of Spring 2017 to the very end of winter 2018, the combined economy of Riverside and San

among municipal areas nationally in that timeframe. Nevertheless, between the beginning of Spring 2018 and the end of winter earlier this year, that red hot growth had cooled to a 1.6 percent rate. Though that

Boghs Have Politics Locked Up In Yucaipa from front page

take a backseat as Atalie Bogh's selection reflects another dynamic, or set of dynamics, all of which come back to the wielding of power, the power of politics.

Atalie's mother, Rosilic Ochoa Bogh, is a member of the Yucaipa Calamesa School Board. What's more, Rosilic Ochoa Bogh is now running for California State

Senate in the 23rd Senate District. What's even more, Rosilic Ochoa Bogh is making that run with the endorsement of the incumbent in the 23rd



Russ Bogh

Senate District, Mike Morrell.

Add to that consider-

ation that Atalie's father, Greg Bogh, is currently a Yucaipa Councilman and former Yucaipa mayor. Her uncle, Russ Bogh, was initially defeated by fellow Republican Jan Leja in his run for the Assembly in the 65th Assembly District in 2000, but thereafter Leja agreed not to take the position she had been elected to in California's lower legislative house after she pleaded guilty to campaign finance violations in that race. Russ Bogh won special election to replace her. In

2002 and 2004 he was reelected to the Assembly in the 65th District, which at that time straddled both San Bernardino County and Riverside



Mike Morrell

County. The 65th District included Yucaipa.

Similarly, the Yucaipa

Calimesa School District covers a portion of both San Bernardino County and Riverside County.

Atalie's selection just happens to boost her mother's prospects in the upcoming March primary, and will likely not hurt her father's chances for reelection in another three years. Last year no one surfaced to challenge him in the Yucaipa District 2 race.

Whatever the credentials, qualifications, academic and extracurricular participation of the others competing for or

considered as the student representative on the school board, appointing the scion of Yucaipa's most powerful political family to the largely ceremonial and non-voting student representation position was the safest choice the Yucaipa High School faculty could make in terms of their career longevity and the district's inner, and the community's general, politics.



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As Adelanto Made Transition To Allowing Marijuana-Related Businesses To Flourish In The City, Checks Into Kerr's Account Increased from page 2

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By early 2017, the FBI had initiated in earnest an investigation into graft and corruption in Adelanto and the atmosphere surrounding the city's rush toward legalizing all manner of operations with regard to the cultivation, refinement, warehousing, distribution, wholesaling, retailing and the manufacturing of derivatives of marijuana. Some seven or eight months into that operation, two separate FBI agents working undercover with an informant who had access to Councilman Jermaine Wright had tripped him up. One, posing as an arsonist-for-hire, had gotten Wright to pay him \$1,500 to torch his restaurant, Fat Boyz Grill, as part of scheme to collect on Wright's \$300,000 fire insurance policy. That agent, whom Wright referred to as an "electrician," assured the councilman he could make the cause of the fire appear to be an electrical problem. The other undercover FBI agent, who was masquerading as an applicant to establish a marijuana distribution company in Adelanto, paid Wright \$10,000 cash - two stacks of 100 \$50 bills - in exchange for Wright's assurance that

he would line up votes on the city council to grant the "businessman" the permits he needed and that any code enforcement activities against the marijuana transportation business would be curtailed. When Wright was confronted by a third FBI agent with the evidence that had been accumulated against him, he agreed to cooperate in the FBI's probe going forward, maintain the confidentiality of the investigation and surreptitiously use a recording device as requested by the FBI to advance the investigation into corruption in the City of Adelanto.

That arrangement did not last long, and fell apart when Wright, who was not aware that the arsonist-for-hire was in fact an undercover FBI agent, approached the FBI informant who had introduced the arsonist-for-hire to him, identified him as a "snitch," and yet not recognizing that the informant was working with the FBI, made overtures about making arrangements to have "the electrician... go away," that is, killed. Wright further sought to fake his being assaulted in an effort to convince the FBI and federal prosecutors he was suffering from a head injury and consequent memory loss as a ploy to get out from under having to testify. The FBI at that point ceased its effort to employ Wright as an informant and arrested him.

Prior to that however, the FBI on October 17, 2017 wired Wright up with an audio-recording

device and had him engage in an in-person conversation with Kerr at Adelanto City Hall. In the course of that conversation, Kerr told Wright that he had resigned from his job and claimed he had not worked for a year-and-a-half, indicating he had no money coming in other than his pension of \$1,745 monthly from the Defense Finance and Accounting Service and roughly \$450 after taxes and withholdings, of the \$660 per month stipend he received as Adelanto's mayor. Nevertheless, during that period of time, Kerr and his wife were tooling about town in newly purchased late model luxury vehicles.

As part of its ongoing investigation into Adelanto, the FBI was scrutinizing the generosity business applicants in Adelanto were showing toward the city's elected leadership. As soon as the city council moved to legalize one form of commercial activity involving marijuana in Adelanto in late 2015, the largesse shown toward the city's elected leadership escalated.

"An analysis of checks deposited into Kerr's bank accounts in relation to the legalization of marijuana activities on November 23, 2015 indicated a significant increase," FBI Agent Kevin Boles told a federal judge in 2018. "In 2015, no checks from Adelanto business owners or marijuana developers were observed. In 2016, approximately \$25,000 in checks from Adelanto business own-

ers were deposited [into Kerr's account]. In 2017, approximately \$45,000 in checks from Adelanto businesses or business owners were deposited."

In conjunction with that element of the investigation that followed the tangent relating to Wright, the FBI obtained on October 16, 2017 a search warrant for the premises of Wright's restaurant, Fat Boyz Grill, which was served on the following day, October 17. Among the items seized during the search was Wright's city-issued cellphone. The FBI extracted the data from that phone. According to a document later submitted to a federal judge by FBI Agent Boles, "I conducted a review of the extracted data and observed text message communications between Wright and Kerr from September 4, 2017 referencing a Facebook posting concerning the Jet Room. On September 4, 2017, Wright sent Kerr a text message that read, 'This doesn't look good for the process when someone's bragging that they already got a permit and a license for something we haven't even held a hearing for.'" Accompanying the text message, Wright attached a screen shot of a Facebook posting by Freddy Sayegh dated August 25, 2017 containing a photograph that Boles presumed to be Sayegh sitting in a chair with a Jet Room poster in the background. The post announced "30 days till the Grand Opening of the Jet Room Dispensary." Sayegh is an at-

torney and the chief executive officer of Green Holdings Group, which in some fashion had become involved with David Serrano in the Jet Room.

Kerr replied to Wright's text, according to Boles, with "Your right. Pls tell these guys to stand down, they are making it really hard to do my job."

On September 22, 2017, the Adelanto Cannabis Dispensary Permit Committee met to rank the applicants for the dispensary permits. During the meeting Kerr did not disclose that he had received money from the law firms associated with David Serrano totaling \$35,000, and he did not recuse himself from voting on the matter. Five applications were considered at the meeting, with one being deemed to not meet the city's requirements due to the applicant not having title to the property where his dispensary was proposed. The committee signed off on providing permits to the remaining four applicants, who included David Serrano, whose filing related to a license for the Jet Room.

When the search warrant was served at the Fat Boyz Grill on October 17, Boles questioned Wright, who was on the premises at the time. Wright told Boles that he had originally set up the proposed zone for medical marijuana dispensaries to exclude the Jet Room property, with the dispensary zone boundary ending some 14 feet from the property line of the parcel containing

the Jet Room. According to a report subsequently written by Boles, Wright told him "The decision to expand the proposed zone to include the Jet Room was advocated by Kerr. During the same interview, Wright disclosed Manny Serrano had previously attempted to bribe Wright by asking, 'What would it take to put me in the zone?' Wright told me he never accepted money from Manny Serrano."

In addition to the application for operating the dispensary at the Jet Room, David Serrano through the Professional Lawyers Group incorporated six corporate entities with the California Secretary of State's Office on June 12, 2017, each with the general stated purpose of medical marijuana cultivation or manufacturing. Those six corporations are Beaver Farms East Inc., Beaver Extraction East Inc., Beaver Farms South Inc., Beaver Extraction South Inc., Beaver Farms North Inc. and Beaver Extraction North Inc. All six corporations used the address of Professional Lawyers Group, 1300 N. Mountain View Avenue in San Bernardino as a mailing address and used addresses at 16175 Beaver Road, 16179 Beaver Road and 16173 Beaver Road in Adelanto as their operational addresses. In actuality, officially according to the US. Post Office and the City of Adelanto, the 16173, 16175 and 16179 Beaver Street address do not exist at the loca-

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Following Mayor Davis's Defeat, Officials Rushed To Approve Welfare Office In Muscupiabe Neighborhood from front page

county's director of real estate services, Terry Thompson, and the director of the county's transitional services department, Gilbert Ramos, that the county enter into a \$14,036,184 lease agreement with 27th Street TAD, LLC, for approximately 38,150 square feet of office space to be located at the northwest corner of 27th Street and Little Mountain Drive site for occupancy by the transitional assistance department for the ten-year period beginning August 1, 2019 and running through July 31, 2029.

The county's commitment to that arrangement, however, came prior to the City of San Bernardino, the jurisdiction in which the building was to be constructed, signing off on the project. That cart had been placed before that particular horse in large measure because 27th Street TAD, LLC is a company owned and controlled by Scott Beard. Scott Beard is the scion of Gerald Beard, a politically well-connected real estate mogul who made his first fortune with the manufacturing of Doughboy Pools before enlarging his wealth as a land speculator and developer. Gerald Beard's son is no less politically well-connected than his father and is indeed even more so. For the generation he has been involved in the development and the stewardship of properties he has developed or acquired and leased to deep-pocketed occupants, including governmental entities, Beard has cultivated connections among public officialdom by generous political donations to elected officials.

Beard was particularly well wired in with then-San Bernardino

Mayor Carey Davis, and it was assumed by county officials that Beard would have no difficulty getting an entitlement to build the 38,150-square foot facility.

The historic and quaint Muscupiabe neighborhood on the city's northwest side is among some of San Bernardino's strongest and most impressive residential sections. Its entryway features large pepper trees and medium size homes, some of impressive architectural character.

The transitional assistance department, which is sometimes referred to by its acronym TAD, provides a wide array of federal and state-mandated social services and income assistance programs to the residents of San Bernardino County, particularly those whose loss of jobs or income has put them at risk of becoming, or has rendered them, homeless. In common parlance, what was being planned at the northwest corner of 27th Street and Little Mountain Drive was a welfare office. Such a use of the property, it was understood at City Hall, was very likely out of keeping with the expectations of a significant portion of those living in the Muscupiabe district. Recognizing that this put Beard on a collision course with that neighborhood sentiment which would create a firestorm of controversy and severe protest when the project came up for public review in the venue typically used for just such project approvals – the open forum of a planning commission hearing – city staff rerouted consideration away from the planning commission and instead placed it before the city's development and environmental review committee, consisting of various members of city staff, primarily department heads and those from the community and economic development department.

Though the lion's share of city committee and commission meetings, just as city council meetings, are videotaped

and televised, the timing of the meetings is a crucial consideration. Whereas planning commission meetings are typically held on Tuesdays at 6 p.m., development and environmental review committee meetings are held on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m., a time when employed adults are generally unable to attend because of their work commitments. Thus, the consideration of the TAD building at 27th Street and Little Mountain Drive was undertaken in a relatively obscure forum.

Moreover, there were other anomalies about how the project was presented and vetted, which lowered its profile and reduced the likelihood that those in the Muscupiabe neighborhood would take stock of what was coming their way.

One of those was the mislabeling of the project. While at the county no bones were made about what the project was – a building to house an office of the transitional assistance department, a division of the county's human services department – at the city level, an architect's inaccurate description line on a rendering for the building in which "resources" was substituted for "services" in the heading human services was adopted as a general description of the building along with the use of the acronym for transitional assistance department – TAD. For virtually everyone who was unfamiliar with the acronym, this changed the implication to suggest that the building was intended to house the county's human resources or personnel department.

A second misnomer was applied to the project. In internal memos to the city council relating to Beard's proposal as well as in the disclosure notifications to the residents living in proximity to the project, the structure to be built was referred to in planning profession jargon as one which would feature "office professional" uses, or as a "professional of-

office" building. Those terms carry a different connotation than the designation "commercial office," which more accurately fits the actual 27th Street TAD, LLC project. A professional office refers to a workplace where employees of a company work in a clerical and corporate environment, functioning separately in cubicles or at desks or interacting with one another or both but essentially with little or no contact with the company's clients and customers on site. This use generally involves a less substantial flow of traffic into and out from the site. In a commercial office, in addition to housing the employees of the businesses located at that location, those venues involve a daily or constant influx of customers to those businesses, entailing a much more substantial number of people and vehicles into, on and departing from the site on a constant basis during normal business hours. It thus appears that the city's representation of the 27th Street TAD, LLC project obscured not only that the building upon completion would be a welfare office but that there would be a substantial amount of traffic into and through the area around the project in terms of people and cars coming onto and leaving the site.

2018 was an election year. Prior to the election being held, in October, the move toward having the development and environmental review committee pass judgment on the project at 27th Street and Little Mountain Drive was set. On November 6, incumbent Mayor Carey Davis was defeated by challenger John Valdivia, who since 2012 had been the city's Third Ward Councilman. The election had an implication for the project proposal, as Beard was not only one of Davis's primary backers in terms of political contributions, but his de facto campaign manager.

Thus, Beard, it turned out, had bet on the wrong

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political horse. Though the election was over November 6 and the outcome in the race clear by the morning of November 7, there was yet a six-week lag until those victorious in the November 6 race would be sworn in and installed in office on December 19. For that duration, Carey Davis would remain as mayor, a lame duck, but nevertheless yet the mayor and capable of exercising the full measure of political power in that capacity.

There ensued a mad rush to have Beard's project fully approved, while City Hall was yet under the sway of Carey Davis. Thus it was that just eight days after the election, on November 14, 2018, the project at 27th Street and Little Mountain Drive was taken up by the environmental and design review committee during a hearing in which the project was identified on the agenda as "an office building" and the zoning on the site as "commercial office." The agenda further minimized the impression that the project would have a substantive impact on the area by saying it was "categorically exempt" from the requirement that an environmental impact report relating to the project be provided.

With no residents present to inveigh against the project, Beard's request that he be given entitlement to build it came off without a hitch.

It was not until after Beard's contractors fenced off the site and began grading there earlier this summer that the residents of the neighborhood took notice of what was happening. A few made inquiries, learning that a welfare office was going to go into the neighborhood.

27th Street and Little Mountain Drive lies at the confluence of the city's 2nd, 5th and 7th Wards, represented by

council members Sandra Ibarra, Henry Nickel and Bessine Richard, respectively.

By early August, the Muscupiabe neighborhood was awakened and up in arms. Ibarra, in whose Second District the project is located, and Nickel, whose Fifth District borders the project site, took up the cause for the area's residents, vectoring attention to what had occurred in November, and advocating that the city apply some remedy to the situation. At the August 7 city council meeting, after they insisted that the burgeoning crisis come up for discussion, former City Attorney James Penman advised the city "preserve the status quo and freeze the situation ... by issuing a stop work order." Penman told the council it should "stop and freeze everything in order that you can do a proper investigation to determine what happened. If you don't issue the stop work order, the developer continues to build and acquires vested rights. Later [when] the residents get a writ of mandate and make him stop, he is going to sue the city for allowing him to continue to build and spend money."

When Ibarra and Nickel sought to usher the council toward doing just as Penman was advising, taking action before Beard proceeded with actual building activity beyond the grading he had done up to that point, they encountered resistance from the remainder of their council colleagues. Deputy City Attorney Sonia Carvalho advised against imposing a stop work order on Beard after the city had given him approval to proceed with the construction of the building, telling the council the city could in the alternative seek to require that Beard's intended tenant

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Using Motorcycle Accident Lawsuit, Kerr & Serrano Law Firm Constructing Defense To Show Payments Were Settlement Advances And Not Bribes *from page 4*

tion referenced in the filings. Rather, the existing address there, at San Bernardino County Assessor's Parcel Number 3129261490000, is 16177 Beaver Road Adelanto, California. There are three buildings at the 16177 Beaver Street address. On September 26, 2016, David Serrano and Julia Orama-Serrano purchased the property located at 16177 Beaver Road in Adelanto for \$1,825,000, with the sale recorded at the San Bernardino County recorder's office on October 4, 2016. On November 20, 2017, several gift deeds were filed to reallocate ownership of the land to David Serrano and three individuals, Lisa Marie Guerro, Marcella Christine Castaneda and Jennifer Nicole Serrano. Guerro, Castaneda and Jennifer Serrano are believed to be David Serrano's daughters. Fifty percent of the ownership remained with David Serrano and 16.6666 ownership was allocated to Guerro, Castaneda and Jennifer Serrano. The six corporations created and registered with the California Secretary of State's Office on June 12, 2017 have as their incorporating agents and officers Philip Rios, who

is an attorney with the Professional Lawyers Group; Manuel Serrano; Julia Orama-Serrano, also known as Julia Serrano; Jennifer Serrano; Lisa Guerra, also known as Lisa Galvan, and also known as Lisa Serrano; Marcella Castaneda; Hector Orama; Luis Orama; and Miguel Orama.

On November 6, 2018, Kerr failed to gain reelection and was turned out of office. Just two days less than six months previously, on May 8, 2018, the FBI had obtained search warrants and served them at Adelanto City Hall, the Jet Room, the offices of the Professional Lawyers Group at 1300 North Mountain View Avenue in San Bernardino and Kerr's residence at 10679 Melody Place in Adelanto. In the sworn affidavit in support of the petition for those search warrants, FBI Agent Boles referenced the \$35,000 received by Kerr from the two law firms associated with David Serrano, and stated, "I believe the payments originating from David Serrano were, in fact, bribe payments to Kerr in return for his official acts of voting on ordinances that directly benefitted the Jet Room. I believe it is likely Kerr maintained his communication with Manny Serrano who, in turn, used David Serrano's law firm to make the bribe payments as advance payments associated with a fictitious lawsuit in which Kerr is a plaintiff."

On January 14, 2019, Kerr, represented by two attorneys from the

Professional Lawyers Group, Keith Adesko and Philip Rios, filed suit against Malcolm Smith Racing, American Motorcycle Association, Grand Prix Series, So. Cal. M.C. and Adelanto Grand Prix, alleging they were collectively and individually responsible for injuries he had sustained when he was involved in a motorcycle crash at the Adelanto Grand Prix on January 14, 2017 in which he broke his left collarbone, cracked several ribs and suffered a partially collapsed lung. Kerr, who was mayor at the time, was riding his own dirt bike outside Stater Bros. Stadium in Adelanto and was being trailed by his children and grandchildren and within the Grand Prix area when his front wheel hit a soft spot in the dirt and he was thrown from the cycle.

According to the suit, "Defendants, and each of them, plan, operate, manage and promote an annual motocross motorcycle race event at the Adelanto Stadium. As a promotional gimmick, defendants encouraged plaintiff, the then-Adelanto mayor, to partici-

pate in the event and promoted his participation. Plaintiff, though an avid and experienced motorcycle rider, at 60 years of age is not physically capable of participating in a dangerous and physically demanding activity like motocross racing. Defendants knew, or should have known, of the demanding nature of the activity and should not have allowed plaintiff to compete in a race, much less promote and exploit the plaintiff's participation for monetary gain. As a direct and proximate result of defendants' negligence in allowing plaintiff to compete in a race, plaintiff crashed during the race and suffered serious injuries, including a fractured clavicle, for which plaintiff spent 10 days in the hospital."

The suit was filed two years to the day after the crash, the last day before the statute of limitations on a civil suit in California expired. Elements of the suit clash with reports that circulated at the time of the crash, in particular one put out by the city's, and Kerr's, official spokesman at the time, Michael Stevens, who said Kerr was not

riding as part of the race.

The suit is roundly perceived as a means of offsetting the FBI's working theory that the \$35,000 in payments made to Kerr by the Law Offices of David Serrano and the Professional Lawyers Group, San Bernardino were bribes and indeed were, as the memo lines on some of those checks indicated, advances on the settlement to be obtained from Malcolm Smith Racing, American Motorcycle Association, Grand Prix Series, So. Cal. M.C. and Adelanto Grand Prix with regard to the injuries Kerr sustained in the crash.

The difficulty with that defense strategy in the face of any criminal charges pertaining to bribery that might be filed is that the first \$5,000 of the \$35,000 paid to Kerr by the Law Offices of David Serrano on November 29, 2016 came two-and-a-half months before the motorcycle accident.

As of press time, Kerr has not been charged with receiving a bribe or bribes and David Serrano has not been charged with providing bribes.

Phone calls by the

Sentinel to the Professional Lawyers Group, San Bernardino in an effort to obtain statements from David Serrano, Philip E. Rios and Keith Adesko ultimately were routed to Jim Powell, another lawyer with the firm. Asked if Serrano, Rios and Adesko would be willing to go on the record with regard to the issues pertaining to the Jet Room, the \$35,000 originating with David Serrano that was provided to Kerr through the law firms he is associated with and the actual substance of Kerr's suit over the injuries he had sustained at the 2017 Adelanto Grand Prix event, Powell said, "Probably not, but I will pass the message along to them."

The *Sentinel's* effort to make voice contact with Kerr on his cell phone was met with a text message response from Kerr that said "Please text me." Kerr did not respond to the *Sentinel's* follow-up text asking for his version of events relating to the payments he had received from David Serrano and his law firms and Kerr's votes relating to the Jet Room.

Family's Claim Takes Issue With Fontana PD's Potential Involvement In Brother's Death & How His Corpse Was Handled *from front page*

alleges in the complaint, violated "the sanctity of Jimmy Earl Burleson. Claimants allege members of the Fontana Police Department and [a] member of the San Bernardino Coroner's Office, from July 6, 1994 to the present have engaged in a conspiracy by a cover-up of the true circumstances surrounding the murder of Jimmy Earl Burleson, their desecration of Jimmy Earl Burleson's body and their failure to investigate and disclose the true circumstances of Jimmy Earl Burleson's murder."

As previously re-

ported in the *Sentinel* in February 2017, on July 6, 1994 Burelson, an African American male murder victim, was discovered behind the Kentucky Fried Chicken eatery at Sierra Avenue and Foothill Boulevard in Fontana. A police officer at the scene thought it would be funny to place a piece of chicken in Burelson's hand, to make it look like he was stealing chicken from the restaurant before he was killed. A photograph was taken and this photo was circulated around the department for years.

On June 30, 2016, David J. Moore Sr. & Andrew Anderson, represented by attorneys Bradley C. Gage and Milad Sadr, filed a lawsuit in San Bernardino Superior Court against the City of Fontana, alleging discrimination, retaliation and failure to take corrective action. In that suit, Moore,

an African-American, and Anderson, who is of mixed background but self-identifies as a Latino, alleged that the 189-member Fontana Police Department is comprised of sworn officers who are predominantly white, such that as of the date of the suit it never had more than four African American officers on the force at any given time, despite African Americans comprising more than 10 percent of the city's population, while employing fewer than thirty Latino officers – roughly 15 percent – even though Hispanics comprise nearly 70 percent of the city's population. According to the suit, the police department's administration is even more lopsidedly out of step with the city's demographics, which has perpetuated an atmosphere in which the department has condoned the mistreatment of mi-

norities, and the officers employed by it have felt free to engage in a litany of both insensitive and socially unacceptable behaviors, including referring to both African Americans and Latinos in racist and derogatory terms. Among the manifestations of unacceptable behavior by the officers with the police department, according to the suit, was the treatment accorded to Burelson's corpse.

Marshaled as evidence in support of the suit was a photograph of Burelson on a table at the coroner's office with the chicken leg clutched in his hand.

Mabon told the *Sentinel* that he considered the allegation contained in the Anderson/Moore suit insufficient in itself for the claim he was contemplating filing on behalf of Davis, Davis

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23 Years After Brother's Death, Family's Legal Exploration Of Events Surrounding It Will Face Statute Of Limitations Challenges
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and Edwards, and it was only upon interviewing former officers with the Fontana Police Department and receiving additional documents that he was ready to proceed.

On August 28, 2019 Mabon & Associates filed with San Bernardino County District Attorney Jason Anderson a complaint against the Fontana Police Department and the San Bernardino County Coroner's office. The complaint was filed on behalf of Burelson's family for violation of crimes against public justice: conspiracy under California Penal Code §§182-185, falsifying evidence under California Penal Code §§132-141, a violation of the Health and Safety Code §§7050.5-7055, a violation of the Unruh Civil Rights Act §51, another violation of the Unruh Civil Rights Act §51.7 and Title 16 U.S. Code § 242. The formal complaint alleges that the Fontana Police Department led the public to believe that Jimmy Earl Burelson bailed out of jail and thirty minutes later was found murdered, behind the Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant located at 16931 Foothill Boulevard in Fontana. The complaint alleges the Fontana Police Department in con-

junction with the San Bernardino County Coroner's office worked in unison to desecrate Mr. Burelson's body. These facts, according to the complaint, were verified and delivered to Luraline Davis and her family by a former Fontana Police Department officer on March 12, 2019.

This complaint requests that an investigation be initiated by the San Bernardino District Attorney's Office into the death of Jimmy Earl Burelson and crimes committed against public justice by the Fontana Police Department and the San Bernardino Coroner's Office.

Mabon told the *Sentinel* that he originally was apprehensive about filing a complaint with the San Bernardino District Attorney's office because that agency works with the coroner's office, creating a potential conflict of interest. For that reason, Mabon & Associates looked at filing a claim with the California Department of Justice, the California Attorney General, and the Federal Department of Justice. The California Code of Civil Procedure, however, requires that a potential litigant must exhaust all local remedies. Thus, despite the conflict potential, Mabon said, he filed a complaint with the district attorney's office as well as the City of Fontana, the Fontana Police Department and San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors in order to preserve the right to litigation, pursuant to the California Tort Claims Act.

Mabon indicated his hope that Jason Ander-

son, who displaced the former district attorney in the 2018 election, "has the potential to be non-biased and do the right thing."

Mabon & Associates is waiting for a response. If no response is forthcoming, Mabon said he will file a claim with the California Attorney General, and he intends to file and pursue a formal lawsuit on behalf of Burelson's survivors.

Mabon is asserting "There was an orchestrated and calculated cover up of the circumstances surrounding the death of Mr. Burelson." According to Mabon, "Based off of the history of the Fontana Police Department, it is very suspicious that Mr. Burelson was killed allegedly 30 minutes after he bailed out of jail; there is no certainty that Mr. Burelson actually bailed out of jail." Mabon further stated "There is the possibility that he was killed in custody and planted at the crime scene."

In the words of a former Fontana Police Department officer, "The case of Mr. Burelson has never been looked at twice, audited, or referred to a cold case investigation team."

Mabon noted that Burelson's death was "a murder case that has sit dormant for decades" and that the events leading up to it and around it had deliberately gone unexplored because of collusion between the police department and the coroner's office, furthered by a blue code of silence he likened to being "no different than the American Italian Mafia's Omerta, or gang

members not snitching or squealing on each other." Mabon said the department's handling of the matter suggested Burelson's case was not the first time officers with the Fontana Police Department had done something like this. He said the coroner's office's efforts to avoid addressing the desecration issue lent support to the conclusion that there were similar occurrences with other police agencies in San Bernardino County. Mabon, a 30-plus year law enforcement officer, told the *Sentinel* that "Law enforcement people or organizations who break the law should be treated the same, maybe even harsher than a normal civilian who breaks the law."

Mabon's advocacy on behalf of Davis, Davis and Edwards faces a critical challenge based upon the sheer amount of time that has elapsed since the incident in question. An event from twenty-five years ago falls well beyond the statute of limitations in all civil matters in California. Since 1994, there has been substantial turnover in the Fontana Police Department, with only a small minority of the officers who were working there at that time still employed by the agency. The precise identities of the officers involved in the alleged incident have not been established, and it is unknown whether they remain employed with the department.

Moreover, the coroner's office has itself undergone an administrative transformation. Brian McCormick was the San Bernardino County coroner in 1994. At that time, the coroner's office in San Bernardino County was a stand alone office. On January 9, 2005, following McCormick's retirement as the county's last independently elected coroner, the coroner's department was merged with the sheriff's department in San Bernardino County and the sheriff became the titular coroner. There has been a complete changeover

in the personnel in the coroner's division of the sheriff's department since that time.

For most criminal matters in California, the statute of limitations is three years, with some crimes carrying a four-year statute. There is no statute of limitations on murder. With regard to civil matters, a citizen pursuing a lawsuit against another member of the public has two years from the time of the act in question, or the last act in a series of acts in question, to initiate the suit against the perpetrator. When the potential defendant is a governmental entity, a prospective plaintiff seeking remedy in state court must first lodge a claim against the governmental entity within six months, giving it an opportunity to satisfy the claim or reject it. Upon rejection, the prospective plaintiff has one year to file a suit in a California court of competent jurisdiction. A plaintiff contemplating a suit against any entity, private or governmental, in federal court has two years to lodge suit, and needs not file a claim beforehand.

Mabon told the *Sentinel* that the clock on the statute of limitations does not begin running until "the point of time a person discovers a wrong or suffered an injury." In the case of Davis, Davis, and Edwards, Mabon said, "They didn't realize what was going on, or they had no knowledge that there had not been any investigation or anything of that sort until, from my discussion with

them, sometime around January or February of this year. I received information, and in some cases, I even thought the story was so outlandish because I had experience on LAPD of going down to the morgue and knew the conditions of the LA County Morgue and I was just trying to figure out how police and coroner personnel would do something like that. Eventually, David Moore sent me a photograph of it and then I read a newspaper article. So then I began making inquiries, using all the contacts I had, police personnel and so forth, and I was able to find out there had been an incident. I interviewed people and found documents. Somewhere between March 9 and March 15, at that particular point in time I said, 'Yes, we're talking about a conspiracy and an ongoing cover-up. My contention is, for arguments sake, the statute has not been tolled and the fact is that our complaint has been validly and timely filed. I think the date was August 14 for our complaint and we can see that there is no statute violation.'

Adam Claybaugh, currently a lieutenant with the Fontana Police Department, told the *Sentinel* he had no knowledge about and had never heard of the chicken bone incident involving Jimmy Burelson. He referred questions to the department's internal affairs division, Sergeant Mark Gonzales in particular. Gonzales had not responded to the *Sentinel's* inquiries by press time.

of which were ultimately unsuccessful.

Williams maintains the tense relations between him and other members of the board and the hostility of staff toward him that manifested almost immediately upon his swearing in in December 2018 is unnecessary and unjustified. He says the enmity he is subjected to is an outgrowth of his having unseated in last year's election longtime board

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age of 59, to be rehired as a firefighter, asserting he had by that point recovered from his injury. When the district declined to rehire him, he engaged in a series of three legal actions to be reinstated as a firefighter, two in state court and one in federal court, all

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FBN 20190008895
 The following entity is doing business as: JOYFUL HAIR AND BEAUTY 25955 9TH STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410 ALBA OCAMPO 25955 9TH STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410
 Business is Conducted By: AN INDIVIDUAL
 Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

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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/ Alba Ocampo
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 7/30/2019
 I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.
 Began Transacting Business: 8/05/2014
 County Clerk, deputy
 NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).
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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AT PRIVATE SALE
 Case No. PRO PS 1800922
 Superior Court of the State of California for the County of San Bernardino.
 In the matter of the Estate of ROBERT LEE COPELAND, deceased.
 Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at private sale, on or after September 16, 2019, at the office of LAW OFFICES OF ROBIN D. CHOW, 4520 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 202, Los Angeles, CA 90010, to the highest and best bidder, and subject to confirmation by said Superior Court, all right, title and interest of said deceased at time of death, and all right, title and interest in the estate has additionally acquired in and to all the certain real property situated in the City of Ontario, County of San Bernardino, State of California, described as follows:
 EXHIBIT A
 Parcel No. 1:
 Unit 81, as shown and defined on that certain condominium plan recorded July 21, 1982 as Instrument No. 82-141736, official records of San Bernardino County, California.
 Parcel No. 2:
 An undivided 1/32nd interest in and to Lot 3 of Tract No. 11728, as per plat recorded in Book 161 of Maps, Pages 3 to 5, inclusive, records of San Bernardino County, California and as amended by certificate of correction recorded February 21, 1986 as Instrument No. 86-046795, official records together with all improvements thereon; excepting therefrom condominium units 79 through 110, inclusive, located thereon.
 Parcel No. 3:
 An exclusive easement appurtenant to each unit for the use and occupancy of those portions of the restricted common area designated in the declaration of restrictions, and shown on the condominium plan for each unit.
 Parcel No. 4:
 A non-exclusive easement for use and enjoyment of the common area, as provided under the declaration of restrictions and the condominium plan.
 Assessor Parcel Number: 1050-232-30
 Commonly known as: 1650 Campus Avenue, #81, Ontario, California 91761.
 Terms of the sale are cash in lawful money of the United States on confirmation of sale, or part cash and balance upon such terms and conditions as are agreeable to the personal representative. Three percent of the amount of bid to be deposited with bid, or upon such other terms as agreed upon and approved by court. Said sale is

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to be on an "As Is" basis.
 Bids or offers to be in writing and will be received at the aforesaid office at any time after the first publication hereof and before date of sale.
 Dated: August 26, 2019
 EDWARD COPELAND, Personal Representative of the estate of said deceased
 ROBIN D CHOW ESQ
 4520 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 202
 LOS ANGELES CA 90010
 CN963719 COPELAND
 Aug 30, Sep 6, 13, 2019

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1925788
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Ramin Rivera filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Ramin Rivera to Ramiro Frank Rivera
 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: 10/11/2019
 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: August 29, 2019
 Lynn M. Poncin
 Judge of the Superior Court.
 Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 8/30/19, 9/6/19, 9/13/19, 9/20/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190009268
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Creative Element Studios, 2124 S. Grove Ave., Ontario, CA 91761, Tyler T Muckenthaler, 2124 S. Grove Ave., Ontario, CA 91761
 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/ Tyler T Muckenthaler
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/7/19
 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/DOM
 NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal,

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state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).
 8/30/19, 9/6/19, 9/13/19, 9/20/19
 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-201900010102
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Designs by Diff, 1785 Eastgate Ave, Upland, CA 91784, Stephen E Diffenbacher, 1785 Eastgate Ave, Upland, CA 91784, Karen J Diffenbacher, 1785 Eastgate Ave, Upland, CA 91784
 Business is Conducted By: A Married Couple
 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/ Stephen E Diffenbacher
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/23/19
 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/KNH
 NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).
 8/30/19, 9/6/19, 9/13/19, 9/20/19
 FBN 201900010102
 The following entity is doing business as: DESIGNS BY DIFF 1785 EASTGATE AVE UPLAND, CA 91784 STEPHEN E DIFFENBACHER 1785 EASTGATE AVE UPLAND, CA 91784 [and] KAREN J DIFFENBACHER 1785 EASTGATE AVE UPLAND, CA 91784
 Business is Conducted By: A MARRIED COUPLE
 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/ STEPHEN E DIFFENBACHER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/23/2019
 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, deputy
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FBN 20190007894
 The following entity is doing business as: CHUZE FITNESS 1011 CAMINO DEL RIO SOUTH, SUITE 350 SAN DIEGO, CA 92108 RACHAS, INC. 1011 CAMINO DEL RIO SOUTH, SUITE 350 SAN DIEGO, CA 92108
 State of Inc./Org./Reg: CA
 Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION
 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/David A. Carr
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 6/30/2019

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 Began Transacting Business: N/A
 County Clerk, deputy
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 Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 7/12, 7/19, 7/26 & 8/02, 2019
 Corrected: 8/30, 9/6, 9/13 & 9/20, 2019

FBN 20190006260
 The following persons are doing business as: INLAND COMMUNITY CAREGIVERS 1400 BARTON ROAD APT 1013 REDLANDS, CA 92374
 NICHOLE L PERRY 1155 WELLWOOD AVE BEAUMONT, CA 92223 [and] RANDOLPH E TUCKER 5870 GREEN VALLEY CIRCLE APT #102 CULVER CITY, CA 90230
 Mailing Address: 1155 WELLWOOD AVE BEAUMONT, CA 92223
 Business is Conducted By: COPARTNERS
 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/ Nichole L. Perry
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 5/22/2019
 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, Deputy
 NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).
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APN: 0227-821-13-0-000
 TS No: CA09000174-18-1
 TO No: 8746358 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED June 22, 2017. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On October 22, 2019 at 09:00 AM, North West Entrance in the Courtyard, Chino Municipal Court, 13260 Central Avenue, Chino, CA 91710, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on June 28, 2017 as Instrument No. 2017-0263318, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of San Bernardino County, California, executed by CAROL MOSSO, A WIDOW, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for PARKSIDE LENDING, LLC as Beneficiary, WILL

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SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 6574 FLAGSTONE PL, RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$305,880.97 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner

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The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call Auction.com at 800.280.2832 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address www.Auction.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA09000174-18-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: August 28, 2019 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA09000174-18-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone:949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Myron Ravelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.Auction.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Auction.com at 800.280.2832 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Order Number 63886, Pub Dates: 09/06/2019, 09/13/2019, 09/20/2019, SAN BERNARDINO SENTINEL

APN: 1077-071-22-0-000 TS No: CA05000056-18-3 TO No: 190647400-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED May 20, 2015. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On October 28, 2019 at 01:00 PM, at the main (south) entrance to the City of Chino Civic Center, 13220 Central Ave, Chino, CA 91710, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on May 27, 2015 as Instrument No. 2015-0217468, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of San Bernardino County, California, executed by JOSHUA LAIRMORE AND ESTELA LAIRMORE, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for DIRECT MORTGAGE CORP. D.B.A. DIRECT MORTGAGE WHOLESALE CORP. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is".

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The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 10329 PEPPER ST, RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$270,895.45 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether

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your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call In Source Logic at 702-659-7766 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address listed below for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA05000056-18-3. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: August 29, 2019 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA05000056-18-3 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Myron Ravelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.insourcelogic.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: In Source Logic AT 702-659-7766 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Order Number 63890, Pub Dates: 09/06/2019, 09/13/2019, 09/20/2019, SAN BERNARDINO SENTINEL

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GLEN MICHAEL SWANSON, II

Case No. PROPS1800889 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GLEN MICHAEL SWANSON, II

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CAROL LYNN SWANSON in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CAROL LYNN SWANSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's wills 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.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on October 10, 2019 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. S37 located at 247 W. Third St., San Bernardino, CA 92415.

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 decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative ap-

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pointed 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 to you of a notice 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 form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner: LAW OFFICES OF MARC GROSSMAN 100 N. EUCLID AVENUE, 2ND FLOOR UPLAND, CA 91786 (909) 606-8426 marc@wefight4you.com

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel September 6, September 13 & September 20, 2019

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1923905

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: JORDAN ANTHONY GAMEZ filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

JORDAN ANTHONY GAMEZ TO JOE YARDEN COTTON

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: 09/23/2019 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: AUGUST 12, 2019 Michael A. Sachs Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 8/23/19, 8/30/19, 9/6/19 & 9/13/19

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ALETHA JOY LORBER, CASE NO. PROPS 1900697

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of ALETHA JOY LORBER, and persons who

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may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both: A petition has been filed by ROBERT KELLY LORBER and CHARISSA BRADLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO, requesting that ROBERT KELLY LORBER and CHARISSA BRADLEY be appointed administrator to administer the estate of ALETHA JOY LORBER.

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.

The petition is set for hearing in Dept. No. S37P at SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SAN BERNARDINO DISTRICT - PROBATE DIVISION 247 W. 3rd STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415-0212 on OCTOBER 15, 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 the Petitioner: MARY M. BADER 9227 HAVEN AVENUE, SUITE 368 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 Telephone: (909) 945-2775

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 9/06, 9/13 & 9/20, 2019

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1925748

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Ernest Allen Thomson filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Ernest Allen Thomson to Ernie Thomson

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: 10/23/2019 Time: 8:30 a.m.

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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: September 04, 2019 Lynn M. Poncin Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 9/6/19, 9/13/19, 9/20/19, 9/27/19

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVDS1925961

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Alex Antonio Limon filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Alex Antonio Limon to Alex Anthony Zylman

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: 10/15/2019 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: September 3, 2019 Lynn M. Poncin Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 9/6/19, 9/13/19, 9/20/19, 9/27/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190010174

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: 365 Marketing Solutions, 12594 Nottingham Dr., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739, SFKNB Enterprises Inc, 12594 Nottingham Dr., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739

Business is Conducted By: A Corporation 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/Nathalie Bou Jaoude

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/27/2019

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/AG

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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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

9/6/2019, 9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190009602

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Alta Loma Pediatrics, 9710 19th St., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91737, Rani Elias MD Inc, 1570 Bison St, Upland, CA 91784

Business is Conducted By: A Corporation

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/Rani Elias This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/13/2019

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/BA

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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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

9/6/2019, 9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190009414

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Beauty and the Blend By Raylene, 3560 Grand Avenue, STE A, Studio 26, Chino Hills, CA 91709,

Mailing Address: 13488 Cypress Avenue, Chino, CA 91710, Raylene M Davis, 13488 Cypress Avenue, Chino, CA 91710, Scott D Davis, 13488 Cypress Avenue, Chino, CA 91710

Business is Conducted By: A Married Couple

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/Raylene M Davis

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/9/2019

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

Began Transacting Business: 12/15/2018

County Clerk, s/KNH

NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

9/6/2019, 9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190010173

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Elite Advisors Group, 12594 Nottingham Dr., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739, SFKNB Enterprises Inc, 12594 Nottingham Dr., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739

Business is Conducted By: A Corporation 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/Nathalie Bou Jaoude

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/27/2019

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/AG

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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/Nathalie Bou Jaoude
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/27/2019

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/AG
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9/6/2019, 9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190010271

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Lezz Accessories, 3091 Edenglen Ave, Ontario, CA 91761, Unlimited Unique Vending LLC, 3091 Edenglen Ave, Ontario, CA 91761

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/Leslie Brown
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/28/2019

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/DOM
NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

9/6/2019, 9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190010397

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Montage, 1083 W. Madrona St., Rialto, CA 92376, Lucia Ortiz, 1083 W. Madrona St., Rialto, CA 92376

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/Lucia Ortiz
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 9/3/2019

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/DOM
NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

9/6/2019, 9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019

FBN 20190010042
The following entity is doing business as: CREATION CHANGES 10245 JOSHUA ST OAK HILLS, CA 92344 JAZMIN J MURPHY 10245 JOSHUA ST

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92344

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/Jazmin Murphy
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/22/2019

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

Began Transacting Business: 8/21/2019

County Clerk, deputy
NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 9/06, 9/13, 9/20 & 9/27, 2019.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MILDRED CAROL HALL
Case No. PROPS1901029

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MILDRED CAROL HALL

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JASON HOWARD PAGE in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JASON HOWARD PAGE 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 on October 23, 2019 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. S-37 located at 247 W. Third St., San Bernardino, CA 92415.

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 decedent, 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 to you of a notice 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 in-

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terested 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 form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner: MICHAEL C. MADDUX, ESQUIRE

LAW OFFICES OF MICHAEL C. MADDUX
1894 COMMERCENTER W SUITE 108 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408
(909) 890-2350

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel September 13, September 20 & September 27, 2019

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PATRICIA THIBODEAUX
Case No. PROPS1900771

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of PATRICIA THIBODEAUX

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ANDREA COOK in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ANDREA COOK 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 on November 5, 2019 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. S-35 located at 247 W. Third St., San Bernardino, CA 92415.

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 decedent, 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 to you of a notice 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 form is available from the court clerk.

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Attorney for petitioner: MICHAEL C. MADDUX, ESQUIRE
1894 COMMERCENTER W SUITE 108 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408
(909) 890-2350

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

Elidia Zenteno
NO. PROPS1900729
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of Elidia Zenteno

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Victor A. Figueroa, in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Victor A. Figueroa 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 Dept. No. S37P at 8:30 a.m. on October 31, 2019 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

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 decedent, 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 to you of a notice 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 form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner Pro Per: Victor A. Figueroa
922 W. 41ST Street
San Bernardino, CA 92415
Telephone No: 909-910-7381

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-

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20190010195
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Epic Office Solutions, 31622 Inspiration Dr, Running Springs, CA 92382, Mail Address: P.O. BOX 1575, Running Springs, CA 92382, Andrea M Wolyner, 31622 Inspiration Dr, Running Springs, CA 92382

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/Andrea M. Wolyner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/27/2019

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

Began Transacting Business: 10/01/2018

County Clerk, s/DOM
NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019, 10/4/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190009694

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Satan's Henchmen, 8456 Baker Ave, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730, David A Lancaster, 8456 Baker Ave, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

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/David A Lancaster
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/14/2019

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/KNH
NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019, 10/4/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20190010558

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Wise Choice Incopay Tax Service, 12906 Canopy Ct, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739, Leopoldo V Alvarado, 12906 Canopy Ct, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739

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/Leopoldo V Alvarado
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 9/5/2019

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

Began Transacting Business: 9/11/2014

County Clerk, s/KNH
NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

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9/13/2019, 9/20/2019, 9/27/2019, 10/4/19

FBN 20190010721
The following entity is doing business as: SHOPFEMMEEXOTIQUE 6585 YOUNGSTOWN ST CHINO, CA 91710

MELANIE J ALCALA 6585 YOUNGSTOWN ST 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/ MELANIE ALCALA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/10/2019

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

Began Transacting Business: SEPTEMBER 09, 2019

County Clerk, deputy

NOTICE- This fictitious business 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 name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

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FBN 20190009344

The following person is doing business as: RENEW WITH GENESIS 14910 SUMMIT AVE FONTANA, CA 92336; GENESIS J NIGHMAN 12390 5TH ST YUCAIPA, CA 92399
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 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
s/ GENESIS J NIGHMAN, OWNER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 08/08/2019
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).
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FBN 20190009896

The following person is doing business as: MENDOZA RENEWAL FLOORING 1855 E RIVERSIDE DR. #417 ONTARIO, CA 91761; BALTAZAR MENDOZA GUTIERREZ 1855 E RIVERSIDE DR. #417ONTARIO, CA 91761
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 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
s/ BALTAZAR MENDOZA GUTIERREZ, OWNER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/20/2019
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).
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FBN 20190008650

The following person is doing business as: RONIN FIT: RONIN ATHLETICS 3097 N MAPLE AVE RIALTO, CA 92377; SHIGEO O NAKAGAWA 3097 N MAPLE AVE RIALTO, CA 92377; JESSICA NAKAGAWA 3097 N MAPLE AVE RIALTO, CA 92377
The business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE
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/ SHIGEO O NAKAGAWA, SPOUSE
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/23/2019
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).
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FBN 20190009629

The following person is doing business as: 1844 INVESTMENTS 1570 ORQUESTA CT COLTON, CA 92324; NEXT GENERATION I, LLC 1570 ORQUESTA CT COLTON, CA 92324
The 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
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/ MARCIO R. PAZ, MANAGING MEMBER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 8/13/2019
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San Bernardino County Coroner Reports

Coroner's Report #701906077 On Friday, September 6, 2019, at approximately 9:12 PM, an adult, Hispanic, female was walking outside a crosswalk on E Street north of 16th Street when she was struck by two vehicles. She was taken by ambulance to St. Bernardine Medical Center where she was pronounced dead at 9:43 PM. The name will be released once the identification is made and the family notified. The San Bernardino Police Department is investigating the incident. [09072019 0255 GB]

Coroner's Report #701906041 On Thursday, September 5, 2019, at 2:01 PM, a collision was reported near the Brentwood Elementary School in Victorville. Two vehicles collided head-on. One driver, Laura Garcia, a 48-year-old resident of Victorville, was pronounced dead at the scene. The accident is under investigation by the San Bernardino County Sheriff Major Accident Investigation Team. [09052019 2200 JK]

Coroner's Report #701906001 On September 3, 2019, at 9:28 pm, deputies with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to a pedestrian struck by a vehicle in the area of 7th Street and Lacy Street in Victorville. The pedestrian, 68-year-old Ernest Trejo, a Victorville resident was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead. The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department is investigating the collision. [09042019 0400 JK]

Coroner's Report #701905987 On September 3, 2019, at 3:15 PM a 911 call was received regarding a solo vehicle traffic collision off Palmdale Road and Pa-coima Road, in Victorville. San Bernardino Deputies responded and found the driver, John White, age 64, a resident of Adelanto, unresponsive. He was taken to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 4:08 PM. Anyone with information about White's family please contact the coroner at (909) 387-2978. The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Victorville Station Deputies investigated the incident. [09042019 0400 JK]

Coroner's Report #701905958 On September 2, 2019, at 11:37 am, deputies with the Hesperia Police Department responded to Main Street and I Avenue in the City of Hesperia for a two vehicle collision. The motorcyclist, Randy Baker Jr., a 20-year-old, resident of Victorville, was traveling east on Main St. and struck a Toyota Scion traveling west, making a left turn. Randy was transported to Desert Valley Hospital where he was pronounced dead at 12:15 pm. [09022019 2200 JK]

Coroner's Report #701905928 On Saturday, August 31, 2019, at 7:52 PM, Redlands Police Department Dispatch received a 911 call regarding a disturbance on the 1200 block of Heath Street. Paramedics responded to the residence and found Michael Lynn Roberts, age 52, a resident of Redlands dead with injuries. The Redlands Police Department is investigating the incident. [09012019 2005 GB]

Coroner's Report #701905929 On Sunday, September 1, 2019, at 12:38 AM, a 911 call was made regarding a two-vehicle traffic collision at the intersection of Bear Valley Road and Balsam Avenue, in Victorville. San Bernardino County Sheriff's deputies responded and found a male driver with multiple injuries. The driver, identified as Markell Lakeith Trinh, age 37, a resident of Hesperia, was pronounced dead at the scene at 1:04 AM. The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department is investigating the collision. [09012019 0325 GB]

Coroner's Report #701905895 On Friday, August 30, 2019, at 7:38 PM, deputies with San Bernardino County Sheriff Department were requested to conduct a check on a vehicle parked in the open desert in the town of Apple Valley. Responding deputies located Brandi Michelle Jones, age 35, a resident of Victorville unresponsive Jones was pronounced dead on scene. The San Bernardino County Sheriff Department Homicide Division is investigating. [08312019 2317 GB]

Coroner's Report #701905867 On Thursday, August 29, 2019, at 8:29 pm, deputies with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to a pedestrian struck by a vehicle in the 8200 block of Arrow Route in Rancho Cucamonga. The pedestrian, 46-year-old Jennifer Margaret Perry-Lopez of Rancho Cucamonga was pronounced dead at the scene at 8:43 pm. The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident. [08312019 2317]

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member Ed Gray, with whom he says the other members of the board had a chummy relationship.

The four other members of the board - John DeMonaco, Harvey Luth, Sarah Evinger-Ramos and Mike Kreeger - contend that Williams is obsessed with his own personal issues relating to his inability to rehire with the district, which prevents him from focusing on the district's current challenges and demands. They say that having to work with a board member who has thrice sued the district

puts them in an awkward position. His constant negativism with regard to the department's personnel, in particular Fire Chief Tim Shackelford, prevents them from having even the semblance of productive discussions with him, they contend.

The declension in the working relationship between Williams and his colleagues and key district staff was so immediate that by February, little more than two months after Williams had assumed office, he was censured by a vote of his colleagues. That censure was based on the contention that Williams was unduly harassing district employees and making use of district assets for his personal use. Williams denied the allegations.

Censures of elected officials are exceedingly rare, and usually are a

move of last or near-last resort by members of a governing board against a colleague with whom they do not get along. The February censure of Williams appears to be the most rapid application of the censure process against an elected official in San Bernardino County history. It carried with it the imposition of what can only be described as extraordinary conditions that place extensive limitations on how and under what circumstances Williams can interact with, monitor and come in contact with district employees. It also restricts Williams' access to district facilities.

Williams' contention has been that the restrictions that had been placed upon him interfered, unnecessarily and illegally, with his ability to function as an elected

representative of the voters in his capacity as a board member overseeing the district's operations.

Four months after his initial censure, in June, the board censured Williams a second time, on that occasion for his having disregarded the expectations of his comportment set out in the February censure.

There seemed to be little improvement in the relationship between Williams and the other members of the board thereafter. Indeed, from week-to-week and month-to-month, it seemed, the other four members of the board were in a competition with one another to establish which one of them had the most pointed differences with Williams.

In August, DeMonaco sought a third censure

against Williams, based on an incident that occurred after the conclusion of the fire board's July 10 meeting, which he said consisted of Williams having had physical contact with him on his back and neck as they were engaged in an intense argument. Williams insisted that DeMonaco was mischaracterizing and exaggerating a gesture that was made as he voiced a sincere appeal to see if the contretemps between him and the rest of the board could be resolved. The remainder of the board declined to join with DeMonaco in having Williams reprove publicly and officially a third time, what some interpreted as a signal that a more civil accommodation among all five board members was in the offing.

Little more than a

month later, however, Williams' contempt for Chief Shackelford was again on display with several of his comments from the board dais at the September 11 meeting.

According to Williams, Shackelford has continued to evince a level of "incompetence" which he said "has put this entire community in danger."

That proved to be too much for DeMonaco, Luth, Evinger-Ramos and Kreeger, who voted 4-to-0, with Williams abstaining, to consider the third censure of Williams at the first board meeting in October. That censure motion was not based upon Williams' comments aimed at Shackelford but rather his previous criticism of the district's clerk of the board, Sandra Heney.

County Wildlife Corner

Hall's Willowweed



Hall's willowweed, known by its scientific name, *epilobium hallianum*, is a subspecies of the genus of flowering plants in the family Onagraceae that is extant in the San Bernardino Mountains. The Onagraceae genus contains some 197 species worldwide.

Most species are known by the common name willowherbs for their willow-like leaves. Those that were once cataloged as boisduvalia are called spike-primroses or boisduvalias.

Those *epilobium* species previously placed in the *chamaenerion* group and known as fireweeds are now segregated into the genus *chamaenerion*.

Epilobium hallianum, a dicot, is a perennial herb that is native to California, and is also found outside of California, but is confined to western North America.



The leaves are opposite or rarely whorled, simple and ovate to lanceolate in shape. The flowers are actinomorphic (radially symmetrical) with four petals that may be notched. These are usually smallish and

white or bluish-purple. The fruit is a slender cylindrical capsule containing numerous seeds embedded in fine, soft silky fluff which disperses the seeds very effectively in the wind.

Willowweed only rarely exists in conjunction with shade trees, often limiting itself to more recently disturbed patches, yielding to other plants over time. Consequently, though it functions as a pioneer plant, it does not qualify as an invasive weed.

Epilobium species are used as food plants by the caterpillars of certain lepidoptera species, most often including the white-lined sphinx known scientifically as the *hyles lineata*; the black-banded carpet, known scientifically as the *antepirrhoe semiatra*

ta; the yellow-banded day sphinx, known scientifically as the *proserpinus flavofasciata*; the ornate moth, known scientifically as the *utetheisa ornatrix*; and Clark's day sphinx moth, known



scientifically as *proserpinus clarkiae*. It also attracts the grey pug, known scientifically as

eupithecia subfuscata; the mouse moth, known scientifically as the *amphipyra tragopoginis*; the small angle shades, known scientifically as *euplexia lucipara*; and the elephant hawk-moth,

a herbal supplement in the treatment of prostate, bladder, incontinence and hormone disorders. Many of the small willowherb species are nuisance weeds in gardens. Though few are regularly used as ornamental plants, the larger willowherbs may be attractive in ruderal locales.

In the late summer, its flowers yield pollen and copious nectar which give a rich spicy honey. Its young leaves, roots, and shoots are edible, if somewhat bitter, and rich in provitamin A and vitamin C. The plant's sap can be applied to wounds, as it has anti-inflammatory properties.

From Wikipedia, calflora.org and calscape.org

known scientifically as the *deilephila elpenor*.

The main use of *epilobium* by humans is as

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– the county – obtain a conditional use permit to operate a human services office at that location. The council receded from any direct action at that point, instead voting to have City Manager Teri Ledoux and city staff proceed with an investigation into the situation Ledoux said she had already initiated, and report its findings back to the city council on August 14.

By August 14, however, Beard was threatening to sue the city if it took any action whatsoever – against him, his company, or the county – that would interfere with the completion of the project. In an auger of things to come, Ledoux refused to release the investigation she had undertaken, claiming it

involved confidential information that would be improper to release while the prospect of legal action by Beard yet hung over the city. Muscupiabe District residents, who had earlier been led to believe the investigation's results would be forthcoming and that the answers to the questions they were promised would be provided grew more disconcerted than previously. One of those, Kathy Mallon, who lives in the Blair Park Neighborhood immediately adjacent to the Muscupiabe District, submitted, on August 17, a request made under the California Public Records Act that the city produce information, documents and data that many people previously assumed would have been forthcoming with Ledoux's so-called investigation.

Referencing "APN 0148-021-66, Northwest corner of Little Mountain Dr and W 27th St.," Mallon wrote, "Please provide all permit application documents filed by 27th Street TAD and ATC Design Group" and "Please provide all staff reports used in support

of the D/ERC [Design and Environmental Review Committee] evaluation" and "All email communications between staff and city administrators either internal or with the applicant/property owner. List below of known city staff and administrators to include but not limited to: R Carey Davis, Benito Barrios, Andrea Miller, Teri Ledoux, Jeff Bloom, Oliver Mujica, Brian Gumpert, Gary Akers, Hernando Cotangco, Robert Sepulveda, Robert Linberg, James Lane, Gracie Johnson, Stephanie Sanchez."

Benito Barrios was the Second Ward Councilman in 2018. Jeff Bloom was the city's acting community development director in 2018. Mujica was and is San Bernardino's planning division manager. Gumpert is with the city's building and safety division. Akers is with the city's land development division. Sepulveda is with the city's public works engineering division. Lane is with the city's environmental control division. Johnson is the city's integrated

waste division representative. Sanchez is the commission's secretary. Miller was then the city manager.

Mallon sent her public records request via email directly to City Clerk Gigi Hanna, with electronic carbon copies to Ledoux, Nickel, Mayor John Valdivia and Ibarra.

In the four weeks since, the city has utilized a series of stalling and delaying tactics to avoid having to turn over the communications Mallon requested.

This week, city officials indicated Mallon will at last be provided with the materials she requested on September 17, a full month after her request was made. Word now comes, however, that officials will renege on that commitment again. The *Sentinel* is informed that Ledoux will assert a categorical exemption to having to supply the emails, texts, memos, and instant messages on the basis that doing so would harm the city's legal position if Beard, as he has threatened, files suit against the city.

According to one well-placed city official, "There are memos and communication about this. The law allows the city to withhold information connected to pending or existing litigation and Beard has publicly stated that he will sue over this and I believe it has been discussed in closed session. In Public Records Act requests like this, it is Best Best & Krieger [the law firm the City of San Bernardino contracts with to serve as its city attorney] that reviews the request and determines what to release."

The calculation city management is making is that it has more to fear from Beard than it does from the irate citizenry in the Muscupiabe District. Five-sevenths of the current city council – First District Councilman Ted Sanchez, Third District Councilman Juan Figueroa, Fourth District Councilman Fred Shorett, Sixth District Councilman Jim Mulvihill and Seventh District Councilwoman Bessine Richard do not represent constituents directly impacted by the

project and therefore will encounter no untoward consequences for allowing Beard and the project to proceed. As members of a seven-person decision-making panel, Ibarra and Nickel have insufficient political muscle to force any action with regard to the project, such as instituting a requirement that before the county occupies the building with the transitional assistance department that it first obtain a conditional use permit, through which process conditions on that occupancy could be mandated that might mitigate the impacts upon the Muscupiabe neighborhood.

The *Sentinel* is reliably informed that Ledoux, in addition to withholding the communications Mallon requested from Mallon, is preventing the documents from being released to either Ibarra or Nickel.

Of interest and consequence in all of this is Mayor John Valdivia's stance with regard to the project. Ostensibly,

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California Style

The Power Of Leather

By Grace Bernal

Leather is hitting the streets and it's looking amazing on the bods. I don't even know what to say but that I want to jump into the power of leather. There are leather miniskirts with buckled pockets, shirt dresses,



blazers, pants, and jumpsuits. Leather is en vogue



and looks super chic and original. I'm really not



sure what other trend is going to top leather because this piece can go



a long way and into the new year. The pants are best for an evening gala or a Friday at work. Let's not forget the blazer which can be worn to the office with a turtleneck, or a fun night out over a

dress. The age category doesn't matter either because its all about how you wear the leather piece. With homecoming dance being around the corner, I know what I'd be wearing to the event if I were a girl looking for the perfect dress.



"Leather accents on pieces make it fun and spices up an outfit."
-Rachel Bilson

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With Developer, County & City Intent On Completing Welfare Office In Muscupiabe Neighborhood, Residents Only Recourse Is Legal Action

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Valdivia carries no brief, and has no love lost, for Beard, who after all was the single strongest electioneering force on behalf of his opponent in last year's election. The residents of the Muscupiabe District, those who were shortchanged by his rival, would seem to be his natural constituency, a group for whom he could now go to bat and whose support forever after would then presumably be his. Inexplicably, however,

Valdivia has not embraced the Muscupiabe District's cause. He spurned both the Muscupiabe Neighborhood Association and the nearby Blair Park Neighborhood Association early last month when they invited him to a forum at which their grievances were to be articulated to county officials including Supervisor Josie Gonzales, San Bernardino County Real Estate Department Director Terry Thompson and San Bernardino County Transitional Services Director Gilbert Ramos as well as Ledoux and current San Bernardino Community & Economic Development Director Michael Huntley, along with Beard himself. Valdivia has continued to hold the residents of the Muscupiabe District at arm's length. Instead, he has sided with Ledoux, whose strategy

appears to maintain the rectitude of the city's action in approving the project in November and simply stonewalling and outlasting the resistance the Muscupiabe District residents are putting up. Ledoux's calculation is that the members of the Muscupiabe neighborhood will neither collectively nor individually put up the money needed to hire an attorney to challenge the city's approval process in court. For the residents, this has created a Catch 22-type scenario as applies to the communications Mallon has requested. It is widely assumed among those opposed to the project that somewhere in the communications the city is hiding and refusing to hand over is a smoking gun or perhaps more than one smoking gun, a sentence or paragraph where the desirability of keeping the consid-

eration of the project from taking place in the far more open forum of a planning commission hearing as opposed to the obscure confines of the city's development and environmental review committee is explicitly stated. Considering the way in which Ledoux is intent on keeping those communications under wraps, several people have come to believe that what she is attempting to keep from surfacing is a direct order from top echelon city official to someone in the city's community development division to not have the planning commission review the project. Ledoux's reluctance to allow open access to the communications among Beard, the former mayor, the former city manager and top city planning officials is a strong indication, several people have openly indicated, that

some San Bernardino city official or officials in 2018 pulled strings to prevent the proposal for a welfare office now scheduled to be placed into the Muscupiabe residential district from being considered and vetted properly in an open process commensurate with the serious impact the project will have on its immediate environs.

Were the residents of the Muscupiabe District to obtain such a piece of evidence, any legal challenge of the project approval they pursued would almost certainly succeed.

For that reason, Mallon and other Muscupiabe District residents find it particularly galling that Ledoux is using a threat of legal action against the city by Beard, whom they suspect of colluding with the city against their interests, to prevent

them from obtaining evidence of that collusion so they can marshal proof that they are at the very least owed a chance to have the project reconsidered in an open forum where all of the impacts of the project are given a complete and unvarnished airing before they are consigned to coexist with what they consider to be a development that is incompatible with the present ambiance of their neighborhood.

At this point, the ball is now in the court of the residents of the Muscupiabe District, who face the option of accepting the city-dictated inertia of letting the project run its course through to completion or employing an attorney to legally contest the city's approval process.

-Mark Gutglueck