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Dicus Confronted With Loyalty Vs. Competence Dilemma In His Promotional Priorities

By Mark Gutglueck

Allegations have surfaced in three civil filings that are progressing toward trial that the senior command within the sheriff's department has become a den of both lesser qualified, in some cases dishonest and in others criminally negligent officers who have promoted on the basis of their loyalty to Sheriff Shannon Dicus rather than innate competence or acquired skill levels.



Shannon Dicus

As significantly, it is alleged, Dicus and other high-ranking members of the department have actively networked to

prevent members of the department or its augmentation teams who have direct knowledge about the improprieties or malfeasance of his professional associates from advancing up the chain of command or to remove them from the department altogether.

Of note is that this latest round of criticism aimed at Dicus and the sheriff's department originates not with individuals who have been



Frank Bland

arrested by the department but rather with a sergeant, two lieutenants and a former federal judge who was a

longtime volunteer with its search and rescue division.

Shannon Dicus is the current and sixth of Frank Bland's successors as San Bernardino County sheriff and the political machine Bland created.

To become sheriff in 1954, Bland, who was then the police chief of Needles, had to wage a dynamic political battle to unseat his predecessor, Eugene See P 2

Upland Restores Mobile Home Rent Control Ordinance Sans Protection For New Coach Purchasers

A year after the Upland City Council in a calculated and secretive move, eradicated the their city's mobile home rent stabilization ordinance that had been in place for more than two-and-a-half decades, its members Monday night voted 3-to-2 to reestablish an altered version of the measure that will leave most future such tenants vulnerable to exorbitant price escalations and make it difficult for current residents to sell their coaches.

While many or indeed most of the city's 2,223 mobile home residents and their family members were heartened by the city council's action this week in stemming what had been the opportunity for mobile home park owners to engage in a year of unbridled lease increases, a cross section of the city's population who had benefited by the previous ordinance and are now subject to the disadvantage the re-drafted passages of the ordinance to be put in place as a consequence of Monday night's action sophisticated enough to understand the significance of the cards they have now been dealt as a result of the city's sleight-of-hand are more convinced than ever that there was and continues some order of collusion involving the mayor, at least one and perhaps two of the city council members, city management, the city attorney, the city's development services division and the city clerk with a See P 5

Gang Snagging Cargo From Railroad Cars As Train Slows At Devore Bend Interrupted

What was perhaps the chance spotting of an operation by a sophisticated gang of domestic and international criminals specializing in the theft of cargo from freight trains resulted in three members of a team consisting of some dozen-and-a-quarter thieves being taken into custody in Devore on May 5.

Around 11 a.m. on

Tuesday May 5 the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department received a call reporting that roughly 15 people had been observed riding on a Burlington Northern Santa Fe cargo train on the tracks near Glen Helen Parkway and Cajon Boulevard.

It is not known whether the report was from a citizen who by chance

spotted what appeared to be an anomaly or whether an individual hired by one of the railroad companies to keep a watch on the trains transiting that stretch of the rail line descending into San Bernardino Valley from the High Desert phoned the warning in.

Over the last eight to ten months, an intensified crackdown on rail-

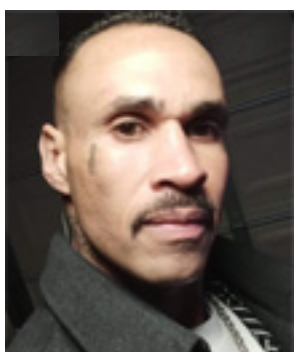
road cargo theft has been pursued by a multitude of agencies and entities, including the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Police as well as the FBI and Department of Homeland Security.

According to the Association of American Railroads, "In recent

years, organized criminal groups have increasingly targeted the nation's railroads using sophisticated tactics and technology to commit cargo theft."

In Southern California in particular, investigators have learned that the perpetrators have previously succeeded because they had inside information See P 5

Dispute Over Undisclosed Issue Led To Violence-Prone Brother Killing Older Brother In Hesperia Monday

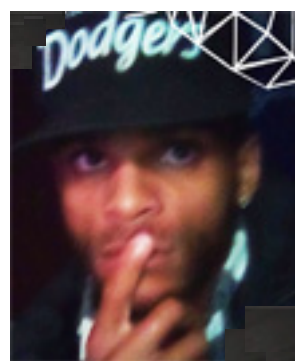


Adrian Wrice

Sheriff's Department homicide detectives have

come to the conclusion that an argument between two brothers nearly a generation apart in age resulted in fratricide Monday night in Hesperia.

While others in the 9200 block of Second Avenue in the City of Progress were experiencing a relatively quiet evening on the night of May 11 an argument be-



Talib Venegas

tween Talib Elisha Venegas, 30, and See P 3

Extent Of Layoffs In Redlands School District Still Unresolved

The Redlands school board on May 12 followed through with laying off some 14 percent of the support personnel the district had informed in January might lose their positions

No teachers were impacted by the diminution of the district's personnel. Nevertheless, the board instruct-

ed Superintendent Juan Cabral and Director of Human Resources Cynthia Quezada to prepare to give pink slips to 19 of the 135 library aides, special education instructional assistants health care staff told their heads might be on the chopping block in January.

The board See P 3

Victorville Solons Enthusiastic About NewMark Merrill Pact For Desert Sky Plaza II

Victorville city officials, including Mayor Liz Becerra, Councilman Robert Harriman, Councilwoman Tiffany Gaudin, Councilwoman Leslie Irving and Councilwoman Corrine Mora and City Manager Keith Metzler are beside themselves with pride over the entitlement they have granted to NewMark Merrill Companies, Inc.,

World Premier Investments and R.Y. Properties, Inc. to develop Desert Sky Plaza II.

Desert Sky Plaza II is intended to be the most impressive component within The Desert Plazas, an ongoing and evolving 100-acre commercial development, which already has Winco and Home Depot as anchors and will include

over 800,000 square feet of retail when fully completed. The Desert Sky portion of the project is to be a 30-acre 297,363-square-foot shopping center at the southeast corner of Roy Rogers Drive and Amargosa Road.

Groundbreaking on the project is imminent. The opening is scheduled, tentatively, for fall

2027, in time for the 2027 Christmas shopping season.

Calabasis-based NewMark Merrill Companies owns and operates 76 shopping centers or Malls around the country in four states, including the Agoura Meadows in Agoura Hills, the Alicia Town Center in Laguna Hills, the Anaheim Town Square in Anaheim, Ar-

lington Square in Riverside, Beach Talbert Village in Huntington Beach, Bel Villagio in Temecula, Bristol Warner Marketplace in Santa Ana, Carriage Square in Oxnard, Crenshaw Imperial Village in Crenshaw, Triangle Center in Longview, Washington, Pulaski Promenade in Chicago, Marketplace at Six Corners See P 3

Frank Bland, San Bernardino County's Sheriff from 1955 to 1983, Was The Most Powerful Political Entity In The Jurisdiction & He Created A Political Machine Which Holds Sway To The Present *from front page*

Mueller, who had been sheriff for a single four-year term. Mueller, likewise, in 1950 had ousted the previous sheriff, Jim Stocker, who had been in office a mere four years after defeating Emmet Shay in 1946. Despite having climbed to the top of the law enforcement heap in San Bernardino County by virtue of willingly entering the political fray and getting



Floyd Tidwell

elected, Bland thought of himself as a lawman first, and in forming his conception of himself being a politician came in a very distant second place. Upholding the law, Bland felt, and having to head out on the hustings to beg voters for votes for himself was a duty that he considered to be below the dignity of the office of sheriff. Accordingly, with the dawn of 1955 and the start of his maiden term as sheriff, he immediately embarked on the first three of his four primary goals, consisting of living up to his campaign commitments of interrupting the county's flourishing vice activity by shutting down brothels, gambling houses and pinball parlors where teenagers were spending, by his estimation, too much time instead of doing their homework. He took a more gradual approach with his fourth key goal, which entailed constructing around him, using not only members of the department but those who were the driving forces and power brokers in the various communities around the far flung 20,105-square mile county. Already

Needles' favorite son, he befriended business leaders, agricultural interests and elected officials in the cities of San Bernardino, Redlands, Ontario, Upland, Colton, Barstow, Rialto, Chino, Montclair and Fontana as well as the communities of Victorville, Lake Arrowhead, Alta Loma, Cucamonga, San Antonio Heights, Big Bear and Apple Valley. He convinced the movers and shakers in all those places that he represented both the stability and sensible order they needed to succeed, inducing them to close ranks, one and all, behind him. They pledged, when the time came, to assist in defraying the expense of any campaign he needed to wage to remain as their sheriff. This served in warding off any oth-



Dick Williams

ers who contemplated running against him in 1958. He was then at liberty to disburse from his political war chest, as much of the money that was left over to any other elected officeholders or hopefuls around the county he deemed worthy of holding office. This served to both broaden and deepen his support network. Again and again, as in 1958, no opponents against him emerged in 1962, 1966, 1970 and 1974. That lack of challenge and unbroken control of the sheriff's office bred both excess and a degree of corruption including accusations that Bland had become enmeshed in the protection of the region's prostitution trade and diversions of money entrusted to the department for vice and narcotics op-

erations to his own personal use, which led, in 1978, to three candidates challenging him. For the first time, the Bland political machine was put to the test, at which point its true strength was demonstrated. The campaign celebrating Bland as the quintessential lawman dedicated to forthrightly collaring criminals and serving justice overwhelmed press revelations about his reversal from his reformist approach in 1954 to an authority who had become associated with at least some of those he was supposed to be apprehending and the



Gary Penrod

claims of his opponents that he was no longer a righteous upholder of the law. Bland was elected to his seventh four-year term as sheriff, easily outdistancing the other three candidates with 99,820 votes to their combined 84,391.

In 1982, further scandal, such as revelations about impounded vehicles and stolen items recovered by the department being diverted into the possession of department members or ones relating to the use of the red card file to angle for control over politicians and judges, was about to break into the open. One of Bland's own people, Charles Callahan, a captain with the department, sensed blood in the water and declared his candidacy. The then-69-year-old and increasingly alcoholic Bland opted to retire, looking first to pass the torch to Floyd Jones, a one-time California Highway Patrol commander who had jumped mid-career to the sheriff's department to accede to the second-in-command position of undersheriff. Jones, however, had a heart condition that made making him sheriff inadvisable.

Bland was determined to keep the department, its reputation and its hundreds of thousands of files that included reports of calls for service, notational references to what and whom his deputies had encountered in the field, incident reports raw investigative data notes and/or transcriptions of interviews and interrogations of victims, witnesses, subjects and suspects, as well as investigation reports, documentation and assessments of evidence, physical and otherwise, under the control of someone who would held him and all he had done during his illustrious law enforcement career in high regard and would respect his legacy. Bland's second choice for his successor was another member of the department's command echelon, Floyd Tidwell, who had been with the department since the 1950s and in the 1960s had served as the department's inspector. Tidwell's work



Rod Hoops

as inspector, in which post he was provided with multiple intimate glimpses of local governmental operations at various spots around the county, was followed by stints as a sheriff's captain in multiple postings around the county and later as a deputy chief and finally as the assistant sheriff working out of the sheriff's headquarters in downtown San Bernardino. In the last two positions, he oversaw the detectives in the intelligence division and attached to the sheriff's command. Tidwell, Bland knew, understood not just how the department functioned but possessed a gravitas and reverence for the sacred mission of protecting the good people of the largest county geographically in the United States

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from the sociopaths who were preying upon them. He anointed Tidwell



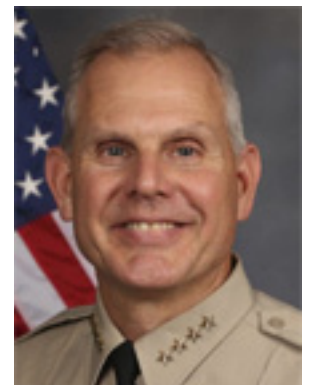
John McMahon

with the confidence that the department he had remade in his image would remain intact.

With Bland's endorsement, and the assistance of his political machine, Tidwell trounced Callahan.

A tradition was thereby established. The incumbent sheriff – at that moment in time the inheritor of the Bland Political Machine – designates his successor. As had been the case with Bland choosing Tidwell in 1982, Tidwell tapped his undersheriff, Dick Williams, to succeed him in 1990. In 1994, Williams passed the mantle along to Undersheriff Gary Penrod. In 2009, while Penrod was yet sheriff after having been reelected thrice, the succession arrangement was given another twist. With between one and two years remaining on his term, Penrod arranged to resign as sheriff, designating Rod Hoops as his chosen successor. While Penrod did not have the authority to determine or appoint his successor, Bland had a generation previously transformed the sheriff into the most powerful political position in the

county. It was up to the board of supervisors to determine who would replace any of the county elected officials who held a countywide position – sheriff, district attorney, assessor/county clerk or treasurer/auditor – by appointment. In 2009, the sitting sheriff announced his intention to leave office early and called for the board of supervisors to appoint his assistant sheriff to replace him, effectively handing



Shannon Dicus

the political machine created by Bland and which had been passed to Tidwell, then Williams and then him to Hoops, the members of the board of supervisors, all of whom were political animals themselves who might be severely damaged in their next electoral or re-electoral effort by the opposition of the latest incarnation Bland Political Machine – merely saluted and appointed Hoops. The following year, Hoops, running in the 2010 race for sheriff as an incumbent and with the backing of the sheriff's political machine, won the race going away, with 67 percent of the vote against two challengers. A little more than two years into his first elected term and with roughly two years

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Victorville Making Major Commercial Stride With Second Phase Of First The Desert Plazas *from front page*

in Chicago, Northfield Commons in Denver, Visalia Center in Visalia, Tri-City Crossroads in Oceanside, Villa La Jolla Plaza in La Jolla and the 20th & K Shopping Center in Lancaster.

The Desert Sky Plaza

is designed by Architects Orange and Kimley Horn. It is to be anchored by Target, Burlington, and several other soft goods retailers. The project is projected to generate over 6.5 million annual visits upon

opening, a perhaps optimistic assumption, given the 139,000 population of Victorville. Desert Sky Plaza is now more than 70 percent pre-committed, though Greg Giacopuzzi and Darren Bovard of NewMark Merrill, who are supervising leasing at the center, yet have availability for tenants to include junior anchor, drive-thru,

carwash, pad, and retail shop spaces ranging from 1,500 square feet to 25,000 square feet.

The city worked with the members of the NewMark Merrill team, including Sandy Sigal, chairman and chief operating officer; Susan Rorison, chief operating officer; Sandra Kist, chief financial officer; Luca Giovanardi, chief

development officer; Jim Patton, senior vice president of leasing & acquisitions; Brad Pearl, executive vice president; Greg Giacopuzzi, vice president for leasing and development; and Elaine Weiss, senior project manager for construction & development.

"This is the culmination of our partnership with the City of Victor-

ville," said Sigal. We are committed to the High Desert and are excited to bring much needed retail, restaurants, and services to this region as it continues to grow through development, investment, and property management."



Administrative Law Judge To Delay Until May 22 Decisions On Possible Teacher Layoffs In RUSD *from front page*

further instructed the district's top administrators to orchestrate the layoffs in such a way that the support staff drawdown is distributed evenly throughout the district's 25 traditional schools. This in practical terms means moving roughly 20 other support staff members from one school to another.

Under California law, school districts must issue potential layoff notices to public school

workers by March 15 if they could be laid off by the end of the school year and must deliver notice of final layoff decisions no later than May 15.

Cabral was tight-lipped about the reductions, and sought to show no emotion about what had been done.

In addition to the potential layoff warnings sent to support personnel in January, the district issued 91 layoff notices to certificated positions,

including 37 teachers, nine elementary and middle school assistant principals, three school nurses, one special services coordinator, one district athletics and student support coordinator, eight academic case carrier counselors, eight elementary school counselors, six secondary school counselors, four librarians, four program specialists and ten adult school teachers and counselors.

The board on Tuesday night did not make good on laying off any of the certificated personnel.

The elapsing of the deadline today, May 15, however, does not mean no certificated personnel will be let go this year. Certificated employees, as opposed to support personnel, under the state education code have the ability to challenge the March 15 preliminary layoff notices and also have "bumping rights," meaning they can request to take the position of a teacher with less seniority who is not being laid off. Exercising bumping rights or making challenges are up to the discretion of individ-

ual teachers.

Reversal of layoffs by challenge are not automatic, and a final decision is subject to the decision of an administrative law judge who considers each challenge on its individual merits.

While it is not known how many of the 91 certificated positions targeted for possible elimination, if any, the district intends to actuate, a good number of those certificated personnel exercised their option to make a challenge, each of which thereby involved a hearing be-

fore the administrative law judge assigned to Redlands Unified. That judge has requested and was granted an extension to May 22 by which to finalize his decisions. The school board must finalize its firing list within five days of the administrative law judge's final ruling. It is thus anticipated that the school board will publicly announce whether any teachers, principals or other certificated employees will depart at the end of the current 2025-26 school year by May 27.

Ring Members Observed And Some Caught Seeking To Steal Cargo From Passing Train In Devore *from front page*

about railroad company operations.

Railroad industry sources and law enforcement professionals report that a substantial amount of railroad cargo theft takes place as a consequence so-called "inside jobs," that is, with the assistance of those who work with the railroads themselves or as part of the rail infrastructure and support network. Individual linked to cargo

theft rings who have specific knowledge of the placing and timing of the shipment by rail of high-value goods is a common vulnerability and a major factor in the success of criminals who target rail cars for theft. Railroad police, the sheriff's department, the San Bernardino Police Department, the Colton Police Department, the Rialto Police Department and the FBI have informa-

tion that organized crime is employing individuals who assume relatively low-ranking and even temporary positions with rail companies or at rail terminals and rail yards to obtain information about what goods are being transported on which trains and in specific rail cars, together with information about when and where the trains are to remain stationary for an extended period.

Another vulnerability consists of spots where moving trains must slow considerably at curves or bends in the rail line, as

is the case at the bottom of the slope descending from the Cajon Pass near Devore. Trains are obliged to decelerate to navigate the sharp, sweeping curve there, as taking the turn at too high of a speed poses a severe tipping hazard for heavy, multi-platform freight cars. Both the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company and the Union Pacific Railroad Company enforce impose strict speed reductions for engineers driving trains at that location. This affords those on foot de-

termined to jump on to a passing train an opportunity to do so, albeit with a certain degree of difficulty and some danger. Once on the trains, the thieves can break locks and seals on individual cars to gain entry to them and liberate their contents.

The highgraded investigations have revealed a substantial international component among the perpetrators, and occasionally evidence that those involved in the rings have immediate or removed family members who have found

work with the railroad companies, rail terminals or rail yards.

As a consequence of some of the known thieves being foreign citizens, many of them in the country illegally, the FBI and the Department of Homeland Security and its subdivision, the Department of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, have become involved.

According to the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, 'The [May 5, 2026] incident location is a high *Continued on Page 7*

Older Brother With A Criminal Past Working On Going Straight Shot & Killed By His Equally Wayward Younger Brother *from front page*

his 50-year-old brother, Adrian Clay Wrice broke out. The contretemps between the two was punctuated by a gunshot at around 10:45 p.m.

A 9-1-1 call was made and when arriving sheriff's deputies reached the location, they were directed to the 9269 address when they found Wrice suffering from a

gunshot wound.

"Deputies immediately initiated lifesaving measures until medical personnel arrived, according to a sheriff's department statement. "Wrice was airlifted to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased. Hesperia deputies conducted an initial

investigation and identified the suspect as Talib Elisha Venegas, the brother of Wrice. Venegas fled the scene prior to the deputies' arrival."

Detectives with the sheriff's department's specialized investigation division's homicide detail dispatched to the scene reached a preliminary determination that confirmed the deputies findings and an arrest warrant for Venegas was obtained

In the immediate aftermath of the incident, however, the department

played what information it had close to the vest. Sheriff's department spokeswoman Jenny Smith, without naming Venegas and without mentioning the use of a firearm, in an application of understatement, said "During an argument between the suspect and victim, the victim sustained a major injury."

Smith described the victim as a man but was less specific about the suspect, leaving the impression that the department might be seeking a woman as the perpetra-

tor.

Venegas was taken into custody about 10:40 a.m. Tuesday when he returned to 9269 2nd Avenue. He was booked on suspicion of murder, along with violating the terms of felony probation stemming from a prior conviction.

He is being held without bail pending a future bail hearing.

Both brothers had criminal records and neither was unacquainted with firearms.

Adrian Wrice has a criminal history dating

back more than 25 years, which included felony convictions while he was living in Los Angeles County at 4621 Gleason Street in Los Angeles and another location in Venice. Wrice removed himself from Los Angeles County to San Bernardino County some 12 years ago, at which time he attempted to make a go of it with his trucking company, known as ACW Logistics. Over the last ten years, he was arrested on October 16, 2016 for being a felon *Continued on Page 17*

Lieutenant Dupper, Who Closely Identified With And Admired Dicus Before & After He Was Sheriff, Sought To Keep His Friend Apprised Of The Problematic Issues At Large Within The Department *from page 2*

remaining on that term, Hoops resigned, recommending Assistant Sheriff John McMahon as his replacement. Without asking for applicants or considering anyone other than McMahon, the board of supervisors designated him as sheriff. Two years later, in the June 2014 election corresponding with that year's gubernatorial primary election, McMahon, as the incumbent and supported by the successor to the Bland Political Machine, proved victorious with 63 percent of the vote against two challengers. Four years later, in the 2018 election for San Bernardino County sheriff, no one came forward to run against McMahon, just as any potential challengers had shrunk from running against Bland in from 1958 until 1974.

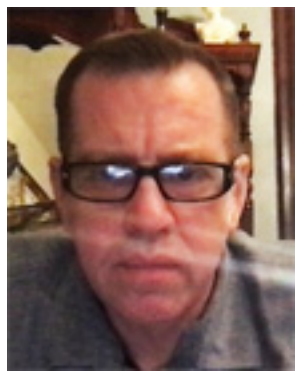
In 2021, McMahon opted to retire with a year-and-a-half of the term he had been elected to in yet remaining, recommending that the county board of supervisors choose his undersheriff, Shannon Dicus, as his replacement. The board complied, making Dicus San Bernardino County's 36th sheriff.

Since 2021 Dicus has bestrode San Bernardino County like a colossus.

Just as McMahon, Hoops, Penrod, Williams, Tidwell and Bland before him, Dicus, while required to stay within the parameters and guidelines set by the California Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training, otherwise has virtual autonomy over his department, enjoying, or at least seeming to enjoy, complete discretion in how the department is run, who is running it, who is promoted, who is kept in place, who is demoted, who is relieved of duty and even the timing of retirements.

Despite what many criminals incarcerated in the California prison

system or San Bernardino County's jails and a few of their attorneys maintain, Shannon Dicus has a strong belief in his own rectitude and that the organization he heads is involved in a no-



Randall Hansen

ble cause - enforcing the law, keeping the peace, collaring the crooked, upholding justice and protecting the community. In his view, he and the department are doing a good job fulfilling that mission. By virtue of having advanced up the chain of command in the sheriff's department, the board of supervisors having appointed him sheriff and the voters of San Bernardino County having overwhelmingly voted to keep him in place, Dicus believes he is justified in holding onto the power he commands. Having now risen to the top of a very powerful organization, Dicus has structured who mans the organization he commands in large measure on loyalty to himself and his vision for what his organization should be.

Indeed, just as was the case during the department's Bland era, under Dicus, those members of the department who evince a can-do attitude with regard to the department's enforcement priorities, acquiesce in the command's personnel promotional decisions in which Dicus's friends and personal associates are favored with high-rank, accept without question or protest the command echelon's authority and conform with the expectation that they support the sheriff

and his allies politically are the most likely to advance professionally.

Consequently, a key trait in those Dicus permits to function within the command are those who recognize his organizational goals and then get along with the program, become members of the team and demonstrate no differences or criticism of their colleagues within their colleagues within the department's management suite.

One of the first manifestations of Dicus's adherence to the principle of holding himself and his command staff to be beyond reproach consisted of the experience of Sergeant Randall Hansen. In 2021, during the last several months of John McMahon's tenure as sheriff, Hansen promoted to lieutenant. After Dicus advanced to the sheriff's position, Hansen made a hostile work environment complaint, the details of



Victor Moreno

which made their way into documentation that reached Dicus's desk. By 2023, Hansen was busted back to sergeant's rank. While promotions among the department's more than 2,000 personnel are often slow in coming, only in the rarest of circumstances are they reversed.

Hansen's experience is a cautionary tale, one not unlike what happened to Michael Gilley. As was the case with Hansen, Gilley was a sergeant, and in 2020, while working in the department's main jail, the West Valley Detention Center, he was present during a briefing at which approaching 20 department personnel, both sworn and unsworn, were present. The discussion at one point grew heated

and the commander at the jail, Captain Victor Moreno, seized Gilley's handheld radio and threw it in anger at Lieutenant Jesse Venegas, damaging the device. At that time, Dicus was the undersheriff. Several members of the department filed complaints regarding what was characterized as Moreno's unprofessional behavior and the tension



Michael Gilley

and hostile working environment it was creating. Moreno was closely affiliated and aligned with Dicus, and would emerge in 2022 as one of the members of the department most active in fundraising on behalf of Dicus's election campaign. Upon Dicus's elevation to sheriff, Moreno was widely perceived as the second most likely candidate for elevation to a deputy chief's post. Dicus considered the complaints regarding Moreno lodged by the employees at the West Valley Detention Center to be an unacceptable breach of teamwork, in which the department's officers were expected to comply with orders handed down from above them and essentially ignore the manifestations of a superior officer's idiosyncrasies. In the same timeframe during which Dicus became sheriff, Gilley departed from department.

The experience of Lieutenant Phill Dupper perhaps offers the most illustrative depiction of Dicus's disdain for criticism - be it constructive or malicious - of the institution he heads and the personnel he has chosen to manage it.

In 1996, Dupper joined the sheriff's department, five years after Dicus was hired. By virtue of their age difference and Dicus's five-

year head start in joining the department, Dupper was junior in rank to Dicus throughout their overlapping tenure with the department. Nevertheless, Dicus and Dupper grew acquainted with one another shortly after Dupper began as a deputy and grew close, given that both were on a relatively fast track of advancement and were of like mind with regard to their high regard for the department and its work. They established a routine of meeting for breakfast once or twice a month. Dupper grew accustomed to communicating to Dicus, and Dicus appeared to appreciate hearing, his concerns about issues that cropped up which he believed represented problems or challenges ongoing issues that should be redressed before they became problematic.

In January 2017, Dupper was promoted to lieutenant and assigned to the department's in-



Sarkis Ohannessian

formation services division, which includes the central records, information technology and dispatch units. In 2018, Dicus was selected as undersheriff by then-sheriff McMahon. Also in 2018, Sarkis Ohannessian was promoted to captain and assigned to oversee the information services division, thereby becoming Dupper's direct supervisor. Early on in his interaction with Ohannessian, Dupper became concerned about what he perceived as Ohannessian cutting corners and engaging in activities Dupper considered improper or unethical. Dupper challenged Ohannessian directly with regard to some of his actions and then went directly to Undersheriff Shannon

Dicus to express his concerns.

One such issue was a deal in late 2018 that Ohannessian was attempting to orchestrate with AT&T to replace Verizon as the provider of the mobile data computers used by sheriff's deputies throughout the county. Dupper and his information technology staff pushed back



Phill Dupper

on the AT&T deal directly to Ohannessian and higher executives, believing, and stating, the only reason the deal was entertained was due to AT&T's donations in support of the annual San Bernardino County Sheriff's Rodeo event.

On September 9, 2019, Ohannessian made a presentation to the command, echelon, suggesting the department adopt Motorola Vault as the department's digital evidence storage and retrieval system. The executives signed off on it without having been informed or understanding that a formal bidding process had not been utilized to arrive at that conclusion. Ohannessian took his approval to the county's bureau of administration where it was reviewed by the county purchasing division. The purchase was disallowed on the grounds that the vendor and the product in question had not been subject to a competitive bid. Undeterred, Ohannessian, yet determined to award the contract to Motorola, formed what was essentially a fraudulent committee consisting of the department's information technology employees to "evaluate" the responses to a request for proposals, instructing the committee members to select and recommend Motorola Vault, thereby bypassing

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Engaged In A Complete And Radical Undoing Of The Mobile Home Rent Control Provision In The Upland City Code, The City Council Hid What It Was Doing From The Public *from front page*

handful of the city's mobile home park owners.

Artifacts that remain from the city's action taken last year demonstrate that city officials at the senior level of management sought to hide the erasure of the rental protections that had been put into the Upland City Code some time prior to the Turn of the Millennium, and had carried it out with the connivance of City Clerk Carrie Johnson, who had to have been cognizant of the implication of the action, as was the city council, which considered the matter as a stand-alone item at its last May 2025 meeting and in a follow-on "second-reading" of the ordinance at its first June 2025 meeting.

The complete and radical undoing of the mobile home rent stabilization measure was deliberately hidden in a single legislative bundle, such that it was easily overlooked by the public at large and those most directly impacted by it. The public record shows that the agenda for the May 27, 2025 Upland City Council meeting listed as item number 13 a "business item" consisting of the "consideration of an omnibus ordinance amending various sections of the Upland Municipal Code." Upland City Council meetings are normally held on the second and fourth Monday night of the month. In this case, the meeting was held on Tuesday evening, because of that week's conflict with the three-day Memorial Day Weekend.

Nowhere in the agenda for the May 27, 2025 meeting is there a description of what those "various sections" of the city code consist of. Nevertheless, technically and legalistically, the city was in compliance with the requirement contained in the Ralph M. Brown Act that it

make public disclosure of the action ahead of the vote. The Brown Act, California's open public meeting law, requires that an agenda providing a bare-bones description of what is to be discussed and/or voted upon by a local legislative body be posted at least 72 hours in advance.

At the May 27, 2025 meeting, the discussion with regard to the omnibus ordinance was extremely abbreviated. Though the item was up for discussion during what was considered to be a public hearing, no members of the public offered a comment on the proposed changes. The council considered the item on the basis of the ordinance's title only and waived the necessity of have to read the full contents of the ordinance, which further obscured what was occurring, noting only that Ordinance No. 1997 "amending various sections of the Upland Municipal Code as specified" and was being given the first of two approvals by the council, pursuant to a vote.

Under the California Government Code, local governmental entities, such as cities or counties need to pass an ordinance with a majority vote of the government in question's elected authorizing panel – the city council or board of supervisors – in a "first reading" at an open public meeting followed by an approving vote of the majority of panel members in a "second" reading at another meeting, such that the ordinance goes into effect 30 days following the second vote.

At the May 27, 2025 meeting, on a motion by Councilman James Breitling that was seconded by Councilman Rudy Zuniga, the item making the blanket changes to the Upland Municipal Code was passed unanimously.

The matter was then scheduled for a second reading, i.e., consideration and vote, at the city council's June 9, 2025 meeting. In this way, it was the vote to take place at the June 9 meeting that provided the final determination as to whether the omnibus ordinance would go into effect.

The City of Upland in this case, through the personage of clerk Keri Johnson, had arranged, at a cost of \$522.87, for the largest circulation daily newspaper in Upland, the Inland Valley Daily Bulletin, to publish on June 3, 2025 a legal notice of the pending finalization of the adoption of the ordinance, containing a summary of the omnibus ordinance.

With the all-capital-letter caption of "Notice Of Proposed Adoption of Ordinance No. 1997," the legal advertisement stated, "Please Take Notice that on June 9, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Upland City Hall, 460 North Euclid Avenue, Upland, California, the City Council of the City of Upland shall consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 1997, entitled 'An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Upland amending various sections of the Upland Municipal Code as specified.' The aforementioned ordinance was introduced for first reading on May 27, 2025 by the City Council."

A summary of the omnibus ordinance followed, stating the city council's anticipated action would "amend and update various sections of the Upland Municipal Code as part of the City of Upland's annual review" of its codes.

"First," the summary stated, "the ordinance would amend Section 2.12.010 to remove the requirement that the city manager's appointment of the director of finance must be approved by the city council. Second, the ordinance would update Section 2.14.020(C) to permit the city clerk's designee to issue confirmation of receipt of

campaign disclosure statements required by the Political Reform Act. Third, the ordinance would amend Section 2.48.090 to provide that notices inviting bids under the city's formal bid procedure shall be posted on the city's website instead of in a newspaper of general circulation, and to remove the requirement that the city solicit bids from a bidder's list. Fourth, the ordinance would update Section 2.56.060(C) to increase the city's gift limit under its conflict of interest regulations from \$420.00 to \$630.00. Fifth, the ordinance would amend multiple sections of Chapter 3.32, "Claims Against City." The ordinance would replace Sections 3.32.020, 3.32.030 and 3.32.040 regarding facsimile signatures of warrants, payroll checks, and submitting certified manual signatures. Additionally, the ordinance would replace Section 3.32.050, regarding operation of the city's check signing machine, in its entirety. Sixth, the Ordinance would delete Chapter 5.68, "Mobilehome Rent Review" in its entirety. Finally, the Ordinance would remove remove Section 13.12.050(G) (2), defining eligibility criteria for discounted water charges under the city's water service regulations."

Of note, is that the summary was generally more forthcoming with respect to the nature of the other elements of the city code being altered than with respect to the mobile home rent increase limitations, which was made in the most cursory and indirect manner.

At the June 9 meeting, the discussion of and vote on the omnibus ordinance was not allotted a separate public hearing but rather placed on the meeting's consent calendar along with 16 other items. The consent calendar is normally reserved for items that are considered routine and noncontroversial, and which are grouped together to be collectively voted upon with a single

vote. On a motion by Councilman Breitling seconded by Councilman Zuniga, the consent calendar was unanimously approved by the mayor and council.

Subsequent to the June 9 meeting, on June 16, at cost to the city of \$537.14, the Inland Valley Daily Bulletin ran a notice of the adoption of Ordinance No. 1997, which again contained a summary of the ordinance's contents, essentially identical to that contained in the previously published notice.

The appearances of the May 27 and June 9 agendas, the action at the meetings and the legal notices garnered no citizen/resident attention.

The original Upland Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance capped annual space rent increases at \$34 per month or 7 percent, whichever was greater, specifically upon the sale/transfer of the mobile home. In terms of general year-to-year increases, the historic city code limited the maximum annual lease space increase to 3 percent. With the second vote on approving the omnibus ordinance on June 9, 2025, those limits were eliminated as of July 9, 2025.

The matter remained pretty much unremarked until February of this year, when the landlords at three of the city's five mobile home parks informed their tenants they were going to increase their lease payments by 5 percent. There were reports that the other two mobile home parks were on the verge of or had already given indication they were to seek lease increases of 10 percent. In reaction to some immediate protests to the 5 percent increase, the representative of a corporation that owns one of the city's mobile home parks said tenants should gird themselves for a 10 percent increase next year.

The Sentinel was given information in April indicating that the ownership/management of the mobile home parks

remained silent over the first eight to nine months of the mobile home rent stabilization ordinance being deleted from the Upland Municipal Code as a favor or benefit to the mayor and four members of the city council, who wanted to keep their constituents in the dark about what they had done for as long as they could for strategic reason, perhaps related to this year's upcoming election in which Second District Councilman James Breitling, Third District Councilman Carlos Garcia and Fourth District Councilman Rudy Zuniga are due to stand for reelection. The owners of the mobile home parks, collectively and singly in most cases, sincerely believed that the eradication of the Mobilehome Rent Review/Mobile Home Rent Control Ordinance was a positive development that was long past due.

From the perspective of apartment complex owners, single family rental unit owners and mobile home owners, rent control is questionable from a constitutional standpoint in that, conceptually, it can be construed as a violation of the Fifth Amendment's "takings clause" or the Fourteenth Amendment "due process" requirement and deprives landlords of their property rights through limiting the value of their land or the use thereof. In addition, there is a case to be made that rent increase limitations can deprive those who own that property of just compensation. Nevertheless, the U.S. Supreme Court has consistently upheld rent control as a valid exercise of state and local government "police powers" to protect the public welfare, adjudging that putting a ceiling on what a property owner can charge to utilize living quarters does not qualify as an unconstitutional forced "taking" of property under either the Fifth and Fourteenth amendments.

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Dicus Did Not Appreciate Dupper's Conscientiousness, Seeing The Junior Officer's Focus On The Department's Flaws As Antithetical To The Spirit Of Teamwork & Cohesiveness Necessary For Operational Continuity In A Large Law Enforcement Agency *from page 4*

or, indeed, violating the terms of the bid process the county utilizes in selecting vendors. When Dupper spoke up about this situation, Ohannessian left him off the bid evaluation committee.

Dupper had further confrontations with Ohannessian regarding the department's contacts, interactions and arrangements with other vendors and potential vendors, in particular ones that skirted county policy, state regulations and/or sound practice. In June 2020, Ohannessian forwarded an email to Dupper with a link to sheriff's department data and a product originating with the company, Agiline. Dupper responded and said although what was being offered or proposed appeared interesting, he did not recall doing anything to authorize the company to examine department data nor did he know of any official contract with them. Dupper referenced state Criminal Justice Information Services requirements that would normally be in effect during the contractual process, intimating that Ohannessian allowed a non-backgrounded, non-approved information technology vendor into the information technology unit and provided it with access data to prepare statistics. Captain Ohannessian acknowledged in an email response that he had made a mistake.

In early June 2020, complaints were made in the records division about Deputy Chief Horace Boatwright continually being present in a female records employee's office, during which time the door remained closed for extended periods. Records manager Sarah Garcez, who received the complaints from her employees and witnessed the activity herself, took the matter up with Dup-

per, who reported the complaints to Ohannessian, who said he spoke to Assistant Sheriff Lana Tomlin, Boatwright's supervisor. According to Ohannessian, Tomlin told Boatwright to stay out of the records division, as his line of responsibility within the department did not extend there. Boatwright later promoted to undersheriff upon Dicus becoming sheriff, in which position he was, along with Dicus, responsible for overseeing promotions and transfers for the entire department.

In July 2020, Ohannessian informed Dupper the department had fallen far behind in the



Horace Boatwright

required reporting of statistics to the California Department of Justice. Dupper had been having challenges with the records division employee, the employee who had been involved with Boatwright, in the production of those statistics. The employee, since the issue of her extended and improper workplace meetings with Boatwright had been broached, had been increasingly challenging for Dupper, Garcez and many others in the information services division, including Ohannessian, to manage. Shortly thereafter, Dupper met with the department's so-called "Inform Transition Team," a group of deputies and a sheriff's training specialist in this case relating to records keep, as to why the Department of Justice reporting was being delayed. The team

told him they believed the statistics reporting was being intentionally delayed by the employee in question. Dupper emailed that information to Ohannessian, who responded by telling Dupper to treat everything with "white gloves," conveying all involved needed to watch out because of the relationship between that employee and Boatwright.

During the summer of 2020, Dupper shared with Dicus his frustration with Ohannessian not disclosing everything to executives related to activity in information services division and the determination by the Inform team with regard to a newly-acquired records management system that had come on line the previous year in which difficulties with the software had manifested along with conflicts involving the information systems own requirements and internal processes, exacerbated by employee performance issues. The Inform Transition Team had been told by Ohannessian to not share the problems found with departmental higher-ups because, he told Dicus, Ohannessian did not want "bad" news getting to the executives, including both of the department's then-assistant sheriffs, Lana Tomlin and Steve Higgins. As a result, the situation relating to the records management system was growing chaotic, Dupper told Dicus.

In early June 2020, several dispatch division supervisors approached Captain Ohannessian alleging a hostile work environment created by dispatch division administrator Kim Turner. Ohannessian tasked Dupper to assist him in interviewing several dispatch supervisors and the two dispatch managers answerable to Turner. At the conclusion of the interviews, Ohannessian directed Dupper to summarize the findings, which Dupper did in an email that noted elements of concern with Turner's behavior, which were creating a liabil-

ity. Several supervisors mentioned demeaning and hostile comments, stress Turner had generated, time taken off by other employees because of her, favoritism and other specific failures in leadership. Ohannessian acknowledged Dupper's email was "on point" and said he forwarded the information up the chain of command. Despite Dupper's efforts, he later reported, the issues relating to Turner's disruptions in the dispatch division persisted. Rumors emerged that the matter was being "swept under the rug" because Turner assisted Dicus in writing his master's thesis. A few years later, after Dupper was no longer in the information services division and neither the past nor more recently emerging complaints pertaining to Turner were addressed forcing an administrative inquiry, she left the dispatch division administrator position.

Dicus, as the undersheriff, had come to perceive Dupper's repeated and continuous reference to problems and inadequate supervisorial/leadership responses to those problems as an indication that Dupper was unsuited for a leadership role in the organization or unable to fit in as a team player. In August 2020, shortly after Dupper had sent comprehensive and significant evidence of and emails regarding issues in the information services division to department administration, including Dicus, Dupper was abruptly transferred out of the information services division to shift work at the West Valley Detention Center. Dupper had made no such change-of-assignment request. Unbeknownst to him, it was Dicus who had ordered, essentially unilaterally on his authority as undersheriff pertaining to personnel utilization, that he be moved to the department's main jail. To his inquiries, Dupper was told by department executives they thought he wanted to be placed there. Dupper, who at that time was in the up-

per third among lieutenants in the department in terms of seniority, was shocked, as jail duty is normally an assignment given to deputies newly arriving to the department or recently promoted sergeants and lieutenants. Rarely are any sworn department personnel who have already worked in a specialized position detailed to the jail, unless they have engaged in action that landed them in trouble or for which they were disciplined.

Dupper was given a week to wrap up his three-and-a-half years at the information services division to report for shift work. On the same transfer list to be sent to the jail was another lieutenant whose professional conduct had placed his law enforcement career in significant jeopardy and who was facing discipline, which resulted, ultimately, in his being demoted back to deputy. Word around the department was that Dupper was being punished for speaking up.

After the transfer list was announced, Dupper was contacted by several members of the sheriff's executive staff, including Sheriff McMahon. Dupper informed McMahon that despite multiple members of his executive staff believing he wanted to be transferred to the jail, that was not the case. McMahon apologized to Dupper for the confusion, saying he was not sure of the reason Dupper was sent to the West Valley Detention Center, but did not rescind the transfer order.

From the outset of his time at the West Valley Detention Center, Dupper had a testy relationship with Captain Victor Moreno, then the commanding officer at the jail in Rancho Cucamonga. At that time, the department was under a federally-issued consent decree that it redress conditions deemed dangerous to inmates at the West Valley Detention Center. Upon Dupper showing up to his new duty station and introducing himself to his senior officer, Moreno told

him he was dismayed with Dupper being assigned to him, indicating he believed Dupper was in some kind of trouble with the department generally or the department's top command, and that the general impression those within the department's command echelon had was that Dupper lacked discretion in that he could not keep his mouth shut with regard to things those with any sense in the organization would rather keep a lid on. "We have a lot going on here and I don't need someone like you," Moreno said.

Moreno also informed Dupper that given his new assignment at the jail, he would no longer be able to serve on the Loma Linda City Council, to which he had been elected in 2014 and re-elected in 2018 and 2022, and that Dupper would further need to resign his position as an adjunct college professor. That night, Dupper emailed Moreno, giving him a description of what his off-duty activities entailed, indicating he had been engaged in them for several years while employed with the sheriff's department. Moreno's single-word email response to Dupper was "No." Dupper forwarded the email chain to Undersheriff Dicus.

While at the jail, Dupper, a lieutenant, was instructed by Moreno to report to a sergeant and two probationary lieutenants who had only recently been promoted from the rank of sergeant.

Dupper, unaware that he had been transferred to the jail on Dicus's orders because Dicus had misgivings about Dupper's propensity to explicitly inform the senior administrators in the department about the overall significance and minutiae of problems in the divisions where he worked and the shortcomings in the professionalism of his colleagues, relayed to Dicus his concerns about what he was witnessing at the jail. These extended to a multitude of issues,

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With The Way The City Council Hid The Action It Took With Regard To The Mobile Home Rent Ordinance And Its Implication Last Year, The City Manager found Himself Called Upon To Take The Blame This Year *from page 5*

some cases publicly the owners of mobile home parks in Upland have not been hesitant to assert that the expense of owning, operating and maintaining a mobile home park is not insubstantial and that there are risks involved that can render the parks unprofitable and/or marginally profitable. Ownership must deal with empty spaces in the parks that can be difficult to fill and payment delinquencies are a common experience which will ultimately entail evictions, which can prove expensive. Another issue is the rehabilitation of mobile homes on their premises abandoned by former tenants, the ownership of which has reverted or fallen to them. Dilapidated homes represent potential liability to landlords, they say. A factor to be considered is the relative frequency or ratio between what mobile home owners consider to be “good” tenants and “bad tenants.

In addition, the landlords and their advocates say, the value of real estate has escalated so precipitously in recent years and the regulations with regard to density on residential projects has been so relaxed that those who own mobile home parks stand to make a tremendous profit by simply shuttering their mobile home parks and either developing the property as single-family or multifamily homes themselves or selling the property to a development company with that intent. This justifies, they say, raising leasing or rental rates on mobile home space beyond the 3 percent increase per year.

At any rate, the mobile home park owners and their support network insist, whether rent control is constitutional or not, there is no requirement that a city engage in rent control

efforts and cities are free to let the market control what is to be paid for leasing space in a mobile home park.

Whatever financial hardships the owners of the mobile home parks are enduring pale in comparison to what those who are living in those parks, who are in large measure senior citizens living on fixed incomes of families living at or near the poverty level and therefore among the City of Gracious Living’s most vulnerable residents, there advocates say. There was no justification for the way in which the city council blindsided them by withdrawing the rent protection previous city fathers felt was called for. The fashion in which the city council acted in May and June of 2025 lacked transparency, they maintain, and was a betrayal of the mobile home residents who had counted upon city officials to not only be open about how they function but to provide everyone an opportunity to weigh in on city policy before it is formulated, altered or disregarded. There are some who went even further than that, saying they sensed in the manner in which the Mobilehome Rent Review ordinance that had been in existence at least since 1999 something venal, i.e., crooked, had taken place, that the mobile home park owners who had a lot of money riding on doing away with rent control would not be above “greasing” city officials, including the mayor and members of the city council, in other words providing them with bribes or kickbacks.

That was a compelling theory, given the secretiveness that had surrounded the action taken in May and June of 2025. As more and more mobile home residents became aware of what

had occurred this spring and city officials reacted to the growing outrage among them, the distrust of City Hall deepened and city officials found themselves best with a credibility gap.

In the face of the dismay over the elimination of the Mobilehome Rent Review ordinance, the council sought to placate the 2.81 percent of the city’s 79,040 residents who live in mobile homes by proposing to revisit the concept of the Upland City Code incorporating a mobile home rent control provision.

In placing the proposed replacement ordinance on the May 11, 2026 city council meeting agenda, City Manager Michael Blay had Development Services Director Dahlquest and Housing Manager Diane Cotto prepare a staff report with regard to a set of options of what the new ordinance should consist of as it considered resurrecting the element of the city code jettisoned last year.

In the report, Dahlquest and Cotto stated, “The proposed action supports the city’s goal of responsive and transparent governance by establishing a fair and balanced framework that protects mobilehome residents from unreasonable rent increases; ensures mobilehome park owners receive a fair and reasonable return; and establishes a clear, enforceable and workable process for rent adjustments and dispute resolution.”

Under the subject heading of “Issues and Analysis, Dahlquest and Cotto stated, “The elimination of the city’s Mo-

Three Caught While A Dozen Slip Away After Train Car Burglary Goes Awry *from page 3*

crime area for train cargo theft.”

The deputies who had been dispatched to that location arrived after the thieves had jumped from the train at a spot where it is still obliged to move at a slower speed but before they had left

the area. Moments later a vehicle moving at a high rate of speed drove past them. Two deputies in separate vehicles took off after those fleeing. The driver took evasive action and initially refused to pull over, but then stopped at the side of the 215 Freeway.

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ment.

Fernando Barrza, 19, of San Bernardino was quickly collared, and deputies also managed to overtake Rodrigo Luna Arredondo, 32, of San Bernardino. All but one of the others who had emerged from the vehicle scattered upon making it across the freeway, and were not caught.

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all of the elements of this rescinded ordinance. The elements included a provision for rent control that had been in place for 40 years. I failed to provide you with a red-lined version of this ordinance text being eliminated, so your vote back then to rescind the ordinance was based on incomplete information and that’s my fault. I’m responsible for the situation we’re in tonight and, as a result, staff has brought forth options for the city council to consider.”

While some might have been misled by what Blay said, the more astute, particularly those who recognized that the city council had taken up the matter because Mayor Velto and the council were at that point reacting to the anger of a cross section of their constituents and had purposely done nothing for close to a year to “update” the portions of the Upland Municipal Code they had altered nearly 12 months earlier, they immediately understood that the city manager was covering for the city council.

Fourteen people spoke during the public comment portion of the meeting, participated During public comment, a resident identified only as Nicholas said, “Upland made a promise to these residents of these mobile home parks. They believed that promise meant something. They believed Upland understood the unique reality of mobile home ownership. The promise was removed in a way that ordinary citizens could not reasonably

not been released, “was struck by a vehicle while running across the freeway,” according to the department. The man survived, but was taken to a hospital, where as of earlier this week he last week he yet remains.

According the department items taken from the train were in the vehicle.

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Former Federal Judge Who Served As A Volunteer Medic With Sheriff's Department's Search & Rescue Team Grew Concerned About Safety Issues With The Department's Helicopters *from page 6*

all of which represented potential liability on the part of the department and the county, including the cover-up of a Fentanyl-related inmate death, sexual harassment of female deputies, and unprofessional communication and activity on the part of management staff.

In February 2021, Dupper, yet unaware that Undersheriff Dicus was responsible for his transfer to the West Valley Detention Center or that Moreno was a Dicus ally within the sheriff's department hierarchy, met with Dicus at an off-site location, where he informed Dicus he believed he was being subjected to a hostile work environment.

Shortly thereafter, an internal affairs investigation by the department's professional standards division was initiated, one in which Dupper was interviewed. Dupper was never, however, informed of the investigation's outcome. As that investigation was commenced, around March 2021, Dupper was moved to another jail, the Glen Helen Rehabilitation Center. While at Glen Helen, Dupper was given an annual performance evaluation, in which he was scored lower than in previous years, with the notation that he was discontented about being transferred to the jail, and he was passed over for promotion.

In May 2021, it was revealed internally within the department that Sheriff McMahon intended to retire prior to the expiration of his term in 2022 and McMahon made a formal public announcement to that effect the following month. The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors opened applications for the position of Sheriff as part of the process to appoint someone to finish out McMahon's term, although indications are

that the sheriff's succession was predetermined by an understanding that the supervisors would acquiesce in selecting McMahon's recommendation. Dupper applied for the position along with Cliff Harris, a former deputy sheriff in both San Bernardino and Riverside counties. Within the application's supplemental questions, Dupper asserted one of his motivations for seeking office consisted of the department's lack of internal procedural justice and his goal or plan for how he would address it, were he to be appointed sheriff. During the board of supervisors' public meeting at which the candidates presented themselves and were subject to questions from the board, Dupper said, "The department acts like a good ol' boys club where personal relationships matter more than qualifications or efficacy. In law enforcement, sometime we are very close-minded."

Dupper said the department's personnel were "looking for guidance. They're looking for leadership and sometimes were not giving that to them, and I think we can do better. I believe our people are good people, but they need direction and we need to set clear directions and everybody needs to follow them. The chief complaint that I get from a lot of our employees is that they believe executives are held to a different standard than they are, and that breeds internal distrust of the organization. I believe that we are way lacking in our total organizational structure. I personally struggle as to whether the office of the sheriff is fully aware of how things have progressed, and I'm not sure. I think John McMahon is a good man, but I'm not sure how much of this stuff he is aware of and chose to overlook."

When then-Supervisor Janice Rutherford asked Dupper whether he was "alleging that current leadership of the sheriff lies to members of the department," he responded, "Yes."

Dupper told the supervisors, "I believe you should establish an oversight board or committee to look into the organization. As the five most powerful elected officials in the county, that unfortunately falls on your shoulders. I think its needed and I think its time. We're in a world where accountability is paramount."

On July 17, 2021, Dicus was appointed sheriff.

During Dicus's time as sheriff, Dupper's career has stalled out. Despite what he contends is his suitability for promotion to captain and beyond, he has remained in the rank of lieutenant.

On August 9, 2021, Dupper met with Dicus, Assistant Sheriff Sam Fisk and Deputy Chief Chris Fisher. In the meeting, Dupper laid out a timeline of issues from his work in the information services division, West Valley Detention Center and Glen Helen Rehabilitation Center. In his response, Dicus made clear that he considered Dupper to be "selfish" and that he was "lucky" to have been promoted as far as he had been. He further stated that Dupper could not "get along" with the captains he worked for within the information services division and at the West Valley Detention Center and that he had "made a lot of people angry" with what he had told the board of supervisors about the department. At that point, Dicus disclosed that he had intentionally reassigned Dupper to the jail.

In March 2022, Dupper was transferred to his current assignment at the Highland Sheriff's Station.

Dupper, who has been eligible to promote to Captain since January 2019, has consistently been passed over for promotion. While Dupper has been in the rank

of lieutenant, at least 57 lieutenants have been promoted to captain, most of those were made directly while Dicus has been sheriff. Of those 57, five were promoted to captain had more time on as a lieutenant than Dupper. The remaining 52 lieutenants promoted to captain during that timeframe had spent an equal or less amount of time as lieutenant than Dupper. Currently, there are 28 captain positions in the department. Several of those promoted to captain while Dupper was eligible for promotion to captain have either been promoted again or have retired from the department.

During Dicus's tenure as sheriff, the number of elevated-rank and command positions in the department have increased substantially. In 2019, under Sheriff McMahon, there was a single undersheriff, two assistant sheriffs and six deputy chiefs. In 2023, the year after Dicus, running as the incumbent, was elected sheriff with 74.27 percent of the vote, the number of deputy chief positions had jumped to eight. At present, there is still one undersheriff, assisted by three assistant sheriffs and 11 deputy chiefs.

While Dupper has remained at lieutenant rank, a number of the issues he raised – or attempted to raise – with senior administration exacerbated themselves into major problems or scandals.

In 2023, Russian mobsters, working from Eastern Europe, hacked the sheriff's department's computer system, taking control of data storage and retrieval capabilities and communications capabilities. The cyberattack utilized ransomware that could not be disinfected from the operating system without the application of an unlocking algorithm. Efforts to salvage the system were unsuccessful. The department's options were limited to either giving in to those who had hijacked the system and complying with their demands or

the complete abandonment of its computers together with their hardware and software and the substitution of another system and comprehensive replacement of the stationary and mobile computing devices used by the department's deputies, higher-ranking officers and support personnel. Ultimately, the department chose the former course, paying a \$1.1 million ransom, \$588,148 of which was covered by the county's insurance carrier. It was belatedly acknowledged that cybersecurity precautions Dupper and other members of the information services division had been advocating but which Ohannesian had countermanded would have likely prevented the interruption from occurring.

In response to mounting complaints from other department employees at the West Valley Detention Center, Captain Moreno was transferred to the coroner's division, where he was entrusted with managing operations there. While in that post, he entered into what was described as "an inappropriate extramarital relationship" with Deputy Coroner Investigator Rebecca London. That relationship apparently ended badly. London later reported that she was receiving threatening/harassing phone calls late at night from individuals acting on behalf of Captain Moreno. In late 2024, Moreno was transferred out of the coroner's division to oversee the Fontana Sheriff's Station. That transfer was made, department sources report, because senior department personnel learned of the deteriorating circumstance in the coroner's office that had come about because of the situation involving Moreno and London. Nevertheless, Moreno and others maintained that he remained in the good graces of the department's top commanders and was on track to be promoted to deputy chief upon the next vacation of an assistant sheriff position,

which would involve a deputy chief being elevated to that spot, creating a corresponding vacancy among the deputy chief roster.

On January 5, 2025, Deputy London died



Stephen Miller

by her own hand, having committed suicide, it was widely reported, as a consequence of the circumstance involving Moreno. London's death investigation was conducted by the Riverside County Sheriff's Department.

At that point, the scandal could no longer be contained, and an ad hoc internal departmental panel was formed to look into the matter. After the delivery of a report and a hearing of the panel which ended in a recommendation that Moreno be terminated, Dicus overruled that finding. Instead, Moreno voluntarily retired.

In August 2024, Dupper filed an unfair employment/whistleblower lawsuit against San Bernardino County, under California Labor Code §1102.5, alleging he was being retaliated against.

Dupper's experience is paralleled by that of Stephen Miller.

Miller is an attorney and former federal judge, who from January 1998 to February 2005 served as a part-time United States magistrate judge in the Central District of California.

Miller left the federal bench upon being appointed, in January 2005, by then-California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger to one of three regional senior assistant inspector general positions to assist the California Inspector General in monitoring federal court orders that grew out of the settlement of a lawsuit involving

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE

NUMBER CIV SB 2610536

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner NAOMI GRACE MIHAILA filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: NAOMI GRACE MIHAILA to NAOMI GRACE AVRAM

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: 06/02/2026, Time: 08:30 AM, Department: S26

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District-Civil Division, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, 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.

Filing date: April 23, 2026 Judge Joseph T. Ortiz Eric Ituralde, Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on April 24 and May 1, 8 & 15, 2026.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE

NUMBER CIV SB 2610539

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SARAH EMMA MIHAILA filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: SARAH EMMA MIHAILA to SARAH EMMA AVRAM

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.

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Filing date: April 23, 2026 Judge Joseph T. Ortiz

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Eric Ituralde, Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVSB2604252

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner TRENTON LOUIS ALLMANG filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

TRENTON LOUIS ALLMANG to TRENTON LOUIS ALLMANG-WILDER

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: July 24, 2026 Time: 8:30 AM, Department: S28

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District-Civil Division, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, 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: 2/27/2026 Judge of the Superior Court: Gilbert G. Ochoa

By Alexis Camacho, Deputy Court Clerk Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on April 24 and May 1, 8 & 15, 2026.

FBN20260002946 The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

KASH CLOUDS CBD & MORE 12975 OSAGE RD APPLE VALLEY, CA 92308: KASH CLOUDS CBD & MORE, LLC 12975 OSAGE RD APPLE VALLEY, CA 92308

Business Mailing Address: 12975 OSAGE RD APPLE VALLEY, CA 92308

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number B20260101685.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: MARCH 7, 2026.

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/ TRACY MASCORRO, President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 04/06/2026

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 K4616

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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FBN20260003423

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as DOMINO'S 8322 41234 BIG BEAR LAKE BOULEVARD BIG BEAR LAKE, CA 92315: VAZ RESTAURANTS, LLC 15198 DOWNEY AVENUE PARAMOUNT, CA 90723

Business Mailing Address: 15198 DOWNEY AVENUE PARAMOUNT, CA 90723

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: NOVEMBER 14, 2022.

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/ ARTIN AYWAZIAN, Manager

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 04/14/2026

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FBN20260003833

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as ARROW STAFFING SERVICES 499 W STATE STREET, REDLANDS, CA 92373: REDLANDS EMPLOYMENT SERVICES 499 W STATE STREET, REDLANDS, CA 92373

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Business Mailing Address: 499 W STATE STREET, REDLANDS, CA 92373

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: AUGUST 1, 1998.

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/ MATTHEW THALMAYER, President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 04/24/2026

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 K7326

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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FBN20260003835

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

ARROW STAFFING SERVICES 1600 S GROVE AVENUE, SUITE B ONTARIO, CA 91761: REDLANDS EMPLOYMENT SERVICES 499 WEST STATE STREET, REDLANDS, CA 92373

Business Mailing Address: 499 WEST STATE STREET, REDLANDS, CA 92373

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: MAY 1, 2001.

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/ MATTHEW THALMAYER, President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 04/24/2026

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FBN20260001778

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

CULICHI'S VIP MONTCLAIR 5461 HOLT BLVD SUITE G MONTCLAIR, CA 91763: MANAGEMENT GROUP INCORPORATED 5461 HOLT BLVD STE G MONTCLAIR, CA 91763

Business Mailing Address: 5461 HOLT BLVD SUITE G MONTCLAIR, CA 91763

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California.

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/ LESLIE NAVARRO, Presi-

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Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 3/05/2026

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 K6677

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ROSITA DORADO

CASE NO. PRO-VA2600309

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

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

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MANUEL PANIAGUA be appointed as personal representatives 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. F-1 at 9:00 a.m. on May 26, 2026.

San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District

Department F1 – Fontana 17780 Arrow Boulevard Fontana, CA 92335

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.

Attorney for Manuel Paniagua:

ANTONIETTE JAUREGUI (SBN 192624) 1894 COMMERCER WEST, SUITE 108 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408

Telephone No: (909) 890-

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: TERRY LEE MARCUM

CASE NO. PROV-V2600156

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of TERRY LEE MARCUM: a petition for probate has been filed by TERRY LEE MARCUM JUNIOR in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION for Probate requests that TERRY LEE MARCUM JUNIOR 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 June 9, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at

San Bernardino County Superior Court Victorville District

Department V15 – Probate Branch Victorville 14455 Civic Drive Victorville, CA 92392

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.

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Mathew Alden (California Bar Number 288429) 255 North D Street Suite 200 San Bernardino, CA 92401 (909) 414-0797 mralden123@gmail.com Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on May 1, 8 & 15, 2026.

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NOTICE TO ALEJANDRO THOMAS PEREZ; AND DOES 1 TO 10, INCLUSIVE. (AVISO DEMANDADO): YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): QUALITY ACCEPTANCE, LLC, a limited liability company

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons is served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no le protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted puede usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida si secretario de la corta que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corta le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener

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servicios legales gratis de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov), o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación da \$10,000 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corta antes de que la corta pueda desechar el caso. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y la dirección de la corte es): Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino 8303 Haven Avenue Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Keith Levey, Esq. SBN#262598 Law Offices of Keith Levey 23371 Mulholland Drive, PMB 392 Woodland Hills, CA 91364 (818) 812-4444 876-3000 DATE (Fecha): April 23, 2026 Clerk (Secretario), by Elizabeth Valdovines, Deputy (Adjunto)

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SUMMONS – (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO)
 CIVRS2503159

NOTICE TO Michael Leigh Conley (AVISO DEMANDA-DO):

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):

Marlene Escobar
****SUMMONS** (CITACION JUDICIAL)**
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:MICHAEL LEIGH CONLEY, DOES 1 to 50****

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:Marlene Escobar****

****Xander Landon Escobar****, by Guardian Ad Litem Dennis Alexander Escobar
****Mason Manolo Escobar****, by Guardian Ad Litem Dennis Alexander Escobar

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days.

You have ****30 CALENDAR DAYS**** after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff.

A letter or phone call will not protect you.
 If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
COURT INFORMATION

****Civil Division of the Rancho Cucamonga District****
 8303 Haven Avenue Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730
Case Number:

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****CIVRS2503159** (OCR may slightly distort case number)***
PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY:

****ARTURO ANGEL BURGA****
 Bar No. **281057** *(appears likely)*
 8331 Utica Ave., Suite 100 Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

NOTICE TO PERSON SERVED:

- You are served:
- 1. As an individual defendant.
- 2. As the person sued under the fictitious name of:
- 3. On behalf of:
 Under:
 * CCP 416.10 (corporation)
 * CCP 416.60 (minor)
 * CCP 416.20 (defunct corporation)
 * CCP 416.70 (conservatee)
 * CCP 416.40 (association or partnership)
 * CCP 416.90 (authorized person)
- 4. By personal delivery on (date): _____

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

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The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y la dirección de la corte es):

San Bernardino County Superior Court
 8303 Haven Ave, Rancho Cucamonga California 91730 Rancho Cucamonga

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

Arturo Burga
 8331 Utica Avenue Suite 100 Rancho Cucamonga California 91730 Telephone: 9095388320 DATE (Fecha): 05/05/2025 Clerk (Secretario), by Nancy Liemsthisak

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SUMMONS – (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO)
 CIVRS2500608

NOTICE TO Ambeyo LLC, dba Airman Flight Training (AVISO DEMANDA-DO):

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):

Raul Tuckler
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: AMBEYO LLC, a California Limited Liability Company dba AIRMAN FLIGHT TRAINING; and DOES 1–10, Inclusive.

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: RAUL TUCKLER, an Individual.

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)(http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

The name and address of the court is: Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, Rancho Cucamonga District, 8303 Haven Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730.

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney is: Joshua White, Esq., Laurel Employment Law, APC, 808 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 200, Santa Monica, CA 90401, (323) 551-9221.

Date of Summons Issuance: February 21, 2025.

/s/ Gaspar Ambriz Me-

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dina, Deputy Clerk. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

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Joshua I White, Esq. 808 Wilshire Blvd, Ste 200 Santa Monica CA 90401 Telephone: 323-551-9221 DATE (Fecha): 01/28/2025 Clerk (Secretario), by Gaspar Ambriz Medina

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SUMMONS – (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO)
 CIVRS2500512

NOTICE TO Ikigai Consulting Group, Inc. (AVISO DEMANDA-DO):

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):

The Citizens Bank
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

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The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

Michael J. Riddell
 16885 Via Del Campo Court, Suite 320 San Diego California 92127

Telephone: (619) 758-3869 DATE (Fecha): 01/23/2025 Clerk (Secretario), by Kayla Schuebel

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

JESUS DELGADO CHACON aka JESUS CHACON aka JESUS DELGADO Case NO. PROVA2600310

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of JESUS DELGADO CHACON aka JESUS CHACON aka JESUS DELGADO A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Maria Ines Chacon Estrada in the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to this petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority., Maria Ines Chacon Estrada is appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the

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A hearing on the petition will be held in Dept. F1 at 09:00 AM on 05/28/2026 at Superior Court of California, County of Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino, 17780 Arrow Boulevard, Fontana, California 92335, Fontana Division

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.

Fredrick T. Stark, Esq.:
 1461 Ford St Ste 203, Redlands, CA 92373 Redlands CA 92373

Telephone No: 909-767-3890

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FBN20260003078

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

AESTHETICSWITH LIZ 16685 SIERRA LAKES PKWY SUITE #50 FONTANA, CA 92336; LIZBETH ALVAREZ

Business Mailing Address: 16685 SIERRA LAKES PKWY SUITE #50 FONTANA, CA 92336

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: SEPTEMBER 1, 2025.

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/ LIZBETH ALVAREZ, Owner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 04/07/2026

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Notice-This fictitious name

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WHOLESALE AUTO SERVICES 562 E. BANYAN CT. ONTARIO, CA 91761: ALOZIE D UDEOGA-RANYA

Business Mailing Address: 562 E. BANYAN CT. ONTARIO, 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.

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/s/ ALOZIE D UDEOGA-RANYA, Owner

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FBN20260004281

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

BETTER NAKED STUDIO BODY WAX AND AESTHETICS 2416 S GROVE AVE UNIT 33 ONTARIO, CA 91761: JESI LOVE T BALTAZAR

Business Mailing Address: 3721 COUNTRY OAKS LOOP UNIT A ONTARIO, 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.

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/s/ JESI LOVE T BALTAZAR, Owner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 5/08/2026

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FBN20260003342

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

VICTORVILLE SENIOR SUNRISE LIVING 15628 MOCASIN CT VICTORVILLE, CA 92394: JESSIE A FLORES

Business Mailing Address: 7031 GASKIN PLACE RIVERSIDE, CA 92506

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: MARCH 10, 2026.

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/s/ JESSIE A FLORES, Administrator

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Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 4/13/2026

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FBN20260004108

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

4 RICH OR 4 POOR 8780 19TH ST #650 ALTA LOMA, CA 91701: S & M ACQUISITIONS, INC 8780 19TH ST # 650 ALTA LOMA, CA 91701

Business Mailing Address: 8780 19TH ST #650 ALTA LOMA, CA 91701

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: February 20, 2025.

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/s/ CHRISTOPHER SHAWN GRAJEDA, Secretary

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 5/05/2026

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FBN20260004205

The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

SOUR CELLARS BREWERY 9495 E 9th ST. UNITS , B,C,D RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730: WIMS LLC 6209 WINCHESTER CIRCLE EASTVALE, CA 92880

Business Mailing Address: WIMS LLC 6209 WINCHESTER CIRCLE EASTVALE, CA 92880

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number B20250174391.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: May 4, 2026.

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/s/ JOHN FLEMING, Manager

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 5/06/2026

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sions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on May 15, 22 & 29 and June 5, 2026.

FBN 20260002752

The following person is doing business as: RE/MAX TIME COMMERCIAL. 10535 FOOTHILL BLVD STE #460 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730; MAILING ADDRESS 10535 FOOTHILL BLVD STE #460 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO HOUSEKEY REAL ESTATE CORP. 10535 FOOTHILL BLVD STE 460 RANCHO CUCAMONGA CA 91730 STATE OF INCORPORATION 2955814

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

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/s/ ELVIS A ORTIZ-WAYLAND, CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 10, 2026

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FBN 20260003681

The following person is doing business as: BBQ ISLAND OUTLET 13785 PARK AVE UNIT A VICTORVILLE CA 92392; MAILING ADDRESS 17843 BOXWOOD DR RIVERSIDE, CA 92503; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

BBQ ISLAND OUTLET 13785 PARK AVE VICTORVILLE CA 92392 STATE OF INCORPORATION CA ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION B20250284954

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

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/s/ MIKE KCKELLIPS, CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 16, 2026

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FBN 20260003480

The following person is doing business as: ECS BARBER + BEAUTY 3545 HIGHLAND AVE SUITE A HIGHLAND CA 92346; MAILING ADDRESS 3545 HIGHLAND AVE SUITE A HIGHLAND CA 92346; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SERGIO A HERNANDEZ CERVANTES

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

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s/ SERGIO A. HERNANDEZ CERVANTES, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 14, 2026

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The following person is doing business as: MOMENTS DESSERTS AND CAFÉ 1515 N MOUNTAIN AVE STE C ONTARIO CA 91762; MAILING ADDRESS 3247 E BUTTERFLY LN ONTARIO CA 91762; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO MOMENTS DESSERTS AND CAFÉ, LLC.

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/ JOHN ABELLANA BRINGS, MANAGING MEMBER

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FBN 20260003798

The following person is doing business as: MNSTR AS-SOC 5179 BIRDSONG PLACE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91737; MAILING ADDRESS 5179 BIRDSONG PLACE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91737; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO POKESKULLS LLC 5179 BIRDSONG PLACE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91737 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA

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: OCT 23, 2025

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/s/ COREY KENNEDY, CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 23, 2026

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The following person is doing business as: PEAK PULSE COFFEE 22875 BRENTWOOD ST GRAND TERRACE CA 92313; MAILING ADDRESS 22875 BRENTWOOD ST GRAND TERRACE CA 92313; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO JESSE ACOSTA; ROBERTA SANTOS ACOSTA

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

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/s/ JESSE ACOSTA, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 22, 2026

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FBN 20260003754

The following person is doing business as: MDCM GROUP 3972 S ALEXANDER AVE ONTARIO CA 91761; MAILING ADDRESS 3972 S ALEXANDER AVE ONTARIO CA 91761; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO MADUSUDAN R BOGOLU; DEEPTHI R BOGOLU

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

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/s/ MADUSUDAN REDDY BOGOLU, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 21, 2026

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The following person is doing business as: EMPIRE RESTORATION & EMERGENCY RESPONSE 7950 ETIWANDA AVE #22201 RANCHO CUCAMONGA CA 91739; MAILING ADDRESS 7252 ARCHIBALD AVE #113 RANCHO CUCAMONGA CA 91739; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO D. LEE PROPERTY SOLUTIONS, INC 7950 ETIWANDA AVE #22201 RANCHO CUCAMONGA CA 91739

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION.

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

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/s/ DUANE LEE, PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 20, 2026

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FBN 20260001891

The following person is doing business as: PINONES MECHANIC 18131 VALLEY BLVD UNIT 2 BLOOMINGTON CA 92316; MAILING ADDRESS 18131 VALLEY BLVD UNIT 2 BLOOMINGTON CA 92316; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO JESUS M PINONES GUTIERREZ; SANDRAP SERRANO DE DERAS

The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP

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

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/s/ JESUS M. PINONES GUTIERREZ, GENERAL PARTNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 03/05/2026

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FBN 20260001768

The following person is doing business as: GIFT STORE PLUS 1624 W BASELINE ST SAN BERNARDINO CA 92411; MAILING ADDRESS 1624 W BASELINE ST SAN BERNARDINO CA 92411; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO RMM GENERAL LLC 1505 W 9TH ST SAN BERNARDINO CA 92411 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION 202464619590

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

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/s/ RAMZI MHANA, MANAGING MEMBER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 03/05/2026

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CAROLINA PRIETO 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 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ VICTOR PRIETO Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 28, 2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 05/01/2026, 05/08/2026, 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026 CNBB18202603MT

FBN 20260003939 The following person is doing business as: SENIOR SUPPER SERVICES. 725 W 36TH SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92405; MAILING ADDRESS 725 W 36TH STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92405-2005; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SAN BERNARDINO GILLAMBER L.L.C. 725 W 36TH ST SAN BERNARDINO CA 92405 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA 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 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ AMBER MEDINA, CFO Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 28, 2026 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

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FBN 20260004015 The following person is doing business as: A PINCH OF LOVE. 27345 CYPRESS ST HIGHLAND, CA 92346; MAILING ADDRESS 27345 CYPRESS ST HIGHLAND, CA 92346; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SAN BERNARDINO ALLYSON RAMIREZ GARAY The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ ALLYSON RAMIREZ GARAY, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 30, 2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 05/01/2026, 05/08/2026, 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026 CNBB18202607MT

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FBN 20260001115 The following person is doing business as: THE FOREVER WAY HEIRESS TAX MILLIONAIRES. 1101 S MILLIKEN AVE STE E ONTARIO, CA 91761 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SHUMPERT'S ENTERPRISE, LLC 1101 S MILLIKEN AVE STE E ONTARIO CA 91761 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION B20250086951 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 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ JEROLD LORENZO SHUMPERT JR, MANAGING MEMBER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: FEBRUARY 13, 2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 02/20/2026, 02/27/2026, 03/06/2026, 03/13/2026 CORRECTION DATES 03/27/2026, 04/03/2026,

FBN 20260001836 The following person is doing business as: PLUMBING TRADE SECRETS DESIGNS. 1720 VERONA DR REDLANDS, CA 92374; MAILING ADDRESS 1720 VERONA DR REDLANDS, CA 92374; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO AARON M PEDERSEN The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JAN 30, 2026 By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ AARON M PEDERSEN, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MARCH 06, 2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 03/27/2026, 04/03/2026, 04/10/2026, 04/17/2026 CNBB13202617MT CORRECTION DATES 05/01/2026, 05/08/2026, 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026

FBN 20260002016 The following person is doing business as: STUDIO 64 ENGRAVING AND GLASS ETCHING. 1065 N RANCHO AVE COLTON CA 92324 ; MAILING ADDRESS 311 W CIVIC CENTER DR STE B SANTA ANA, CA 92701; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO ISAAC SAGE LEONPERALTA The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

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FBN 20260001115 The following person is doing business as: THE FOREVER WAY HEIRESS TAX MILLIONAIRES. 1101 S MILLIKEN AVE STE E ONTARIO, CA 91761 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SHUMPERT'S ENTERPRISE, LLC 1101 S MILLIKEN AVE STE E ONTARIO CA 91761 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION B20250086951 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 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ JEROLD LORENZO SHUMPERT JR, MANAGING MEMBER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: FEBRUARY 13, 2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 02/20/2026, 02/27/2026, 03/06/2026, 03/13/2026 CORRECTION DATES 03/27/2026, 04/03/2026,

FBN 20260001836 The following person is doing business as: PLUMBING TRADE SECRETS DESIGNS. 1720 VERONA DR REDLANDS, CA 92374; MAILING ADDRESS 1720 VERONA DR REDLANDS, CA 92374; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO AARON M PEDERSEN The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JAN 30, 2026 By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

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FBN 20260001836 The following person is doing business as: PLUMBING TRADE SECRETS DESIGNS. 1720 VERONA DR REDLANDS, CA 92374; MAILING ADDRESS 1720 VERONA DR REDLANDS, CA 92374; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO AARON M PEDERSEN The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JAN 30, 2026 By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ AARON M PEDERSEN, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MARCH 06, 2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 03/27/2026, 04/03/2026, 04/10/2026, 04/17/2026 CNBB13202617MT CORRECTION DATES 05/01/2026, 05/08/2026, 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026

FBN 20260002016 The following person is doing business as: STUDIO 64 ENGRAVING AND GLASS ETCHING. 1065 N RANCHO AVE COLTON CA 92324 ; MAILING ADDRESS 311 W CIVIC CENTER DR STE B SANTA ANA, CA 92701; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO ISAAC SAGE LEONPERALTA The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

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FBN 20260003107 FICTICIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: YUCCA VALLEY FARMERS MARKET AT FOUNDERS PLAZA

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO LORI G HERBEL

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 03/01/2026

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

s/ LORI G HERBEL, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 08, 2026

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

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FBN 20260002911 FICTICIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: GENESIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICE. 10573 CHEVRON CT ADELANTO, CA 92301

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

GENESIS CLEANING CORPORATION 10573 CHEVRON CT FONTANA CA 92301

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION.

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.

s/ JESSICA BADILLO VAZQUEZ, CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 03, 2026

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FBN 20260002831 FICTICIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: CANNON BALL POOL SERVICE. 1736 CAPRI AVE MENTONE, CA 92359

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

RICHARD AGUILAR

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.

s/ RICHARD AGUILAR, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 02, 2026

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FBN 20260002690 FICTICIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: VEGGIE MIKE'S MEAL PREP. 13480 BETSY ROSS CT FONTANA, CA 92336

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

RICHARD L GAPKO

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.

s/ RICHARD L GAPKO, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MARCH 30, 2026

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FBN 20260002655 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTICIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: ORMAR PRODUCE. 16992 POST OAK LN FONTANA, CA 92337

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

ARTURO ORTIZ PADILLA

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 02/26/2025

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business name referred to above was filed on 02/26/2025

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.

s/ ARTURO ORTIZ PADILLA, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MARCH 30, 2026

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FBN 20260002814 FICTICIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: YESHUAH LOGISTICS. 219 E OLIVE ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

YESHUAH ALFA & OMEGA ENTERPRISES SERVICE LLC.

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.

s/ JOHANY HINOJOSA COLADO, MANAGING MEMBER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 02, 2026

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FBN 20260004228

The following person is doing business as: THE WELCOME HOUSE. 13558 DELUVINA CT VICTORVILLE, CA 92392

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

CANDICE M CALDWELL

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.

s/ CANDICE M CALDWELL, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 07, 2026

The following person is doing business as: JP JUNK REMOVAL.

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FBN 20260004249

The following person is doing business as: CLEARPATH PSYCHIC TAROT AND PALM READING. 1813 S TIPPECANOE AVE SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

KIMBERLY T LEE

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.

s/ KIMBERLY T LEE, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 07, 2026

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FBN 20260004291

The following person is doing business as: DIGONZA SOCCER. 17542 VALLEY BLVD STE B-C BLOOMINGTON, CA 92316

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

GONZALEZ SISTERS CORP

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION.

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.

s/ ROSA I. GONZALEZ, C.E.O.

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 08, 2026

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FBN 20260004502

The following person is doing business as: JP JUNK REMOVAL.

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1088 NESTHORN DR CRESTLINE, CA 92325

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

JESSE PADILLA

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.

s/ JESSE PADILLA, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 14, 2026

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FBN 20260004450

The following person is doing business as: EVOLUTION DENTAL. 941 W FOOTHILL BLVD RIALTO, CA 92376

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

EVOLUTION DENTAL, PC 941 W. FOOTHILL BLVD RIALTO CA 92376

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION.

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.

s/ RAFAEL POU, PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 13, 2026

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FBN 20260004448

The following person is doing business as: H&R GARDENING AND LANDSCAPING

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

HUGO R MORALES

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: MAR 09, 2016

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

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Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 13, 2026

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FBN 20260004479

The following person is doing business as: BELLUX BODY SCULPTING AND WELLNESS. 11083 CATAWBA AVE FONTANA, CA 92337

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

BRENDA ARIAS ALVAREZ

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JAN 15, 2026

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

s/ JERALEEN M PETERSON, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 13, 2026

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FBN 20260004402

The following person is doing business as: KINGDOMCUTZ LLC. 710 E FOOTHILL BLVD RIALTO, CA 92376

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

KINGDOMCUTZ LLC 991 WEST MARSHALL BLVD SAN BERNARDINO CA 92405

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: FEB 01, 2021

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

s/ DANIEL SALAZAR, CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 12, 2026

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

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FBN 20260004333

The following person is doing business as: V-LINK. 2542 E HARPER ST ONTARIO, CA 91762

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The following person is doing business as: THE GLOSSY CART. 2060 S MOUNTAIN AVE ONTARIO, CA 91762

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

GLORY O MBAGWU

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.

s/ GLORY O MBAGWU, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 04/28/2026

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FBN 20260004313

The following person is doing business as: WISDOM TREE COUNSELING. 10630 TOWN CENTER DR. SUITE 105 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

JERALEEN M PETERSON

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: MAR 15, 2013

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

s/ JERALEEN M PETERSON, OWNER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 05/11/2026

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FBN 20260004333

The following person is doing business as: V-LINK. 2542 E HARPER ST ONTARIO, CA 91762

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

ZHIXIN CHEN

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: MAY 11, 2026

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

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FBN 20260004264
The following person is doing business as: FORGEX TRAILERS. 917 W FLORA ST ONTARIO, CA 91762;[MAILING ADDRESS 917 W FLORA ST ONTARIO, CA 91762]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO FORGE X TRAILERS LLC 917 W FLORA ST ONTARIO CA 91762 STATE OF INCORPORATION CA 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: MAR 30, 2026

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FBN 20260004238
The following person is doing business as: TACOS EL RICHY. 14529 SAN BERNARDINO AVE FONTANA, CA 92335;[MAILING ADDRESS 29361 ST ANDREWS LAKE ELSINORE, CA 92530]; PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS SAN BERNARDINO RICARDO RUELAS; MARISOL GONZALEZ The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ RICARDO RUELAS, GENERAL PARTNERSHIP Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: MAY 07, 2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a

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correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026, 05/29/2026, 06/05/2026 CNBB20202613MT
FBN 20260003494
The following person is doing business as: CALIFORNIA MEDICAL BILLING & CONSULTING. 6560 ENCINA ST CHINO, CA 91710;[MAILING ADDRESS 6560 ENCINA ST CHINO, CA 91710]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO CORONADO SPORT SALES 6560 ENCINA ST CHINO CA 91710 STATE OF INCORPORATION CA ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION 2048505

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The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ JULIAN A. CORONADO, CEO Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 14, 2026 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

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FBN 20260002761
The following person is doing business as: ADY'S PROPERTY RENTAL #1. 25642 9TH ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410;[MAILING ADDRESS 3868 W BODEGA WAY SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO ADY'S PROPERTY RENTALS, LLC. 25642 9TH ST SAN BERNARDINO CA 92410 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA 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

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which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. s/ ALEJANDRO MANZO-OYINICK, MANAGING MEMBER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: APRIL 02, 2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 04/17/2026, 04/24/2026, 05/01/2026, 05/08/2026 CNBB16202604MT CORRECTION DATES 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026, 05/29/2026, 06/05/2026

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ing the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. The inspector general and his support network of attorneys and investigators were tasked with the primary duties of overseeing and monitoring peace officer misconduct investigations and discipline in the areas of the so-called blue code of silence, peace officer honesty and integrity, and the use of lethal force.

Miller was a volunteer member of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team.

A major feature of the search and rescue team is its access to sheriff's department aircraft, which are of tremendous utility in carrying out assignments in the varied geographical expanse of San Bernardino County, which includes 18,697 square miles of desert, the vast majority of the San Bernardino Mountains and the San Gorgonio Wilderness – including 11,503-foot elevation San Gorgonio Peak, 11,287-foot elevation Iron Mountain, 11,205-foot elevation Jepsen Peak, 11,010-foot elevation Bighorn Mountain, 10,871-foot elevation Anderson Peak, 10,821-foot elevation Charlton Peak, 10,760-foot elevation Doubletop Mountain, 10,680-

foot elevation Shields Peak 10,649-foot elevation San Bernardino Peak, 10,288-foot elevation Grinnell Mountain and 10,178-foot elevation Lake Peak, 9,954-foot elevation Sugarloaf Mountain 8,767-foot elevation Black Peak, 7,276-foot elevation Little Bear Mountain and 6,771 Big Bear Mountain and 5,737-foot elevation Pinnacles Peak near Lake Arrowhead – and the eastern portion of the San Gabriel Mountains with its 10,588-foot elevation Mt. San Antonio, 8,859-foot elevation Cucamonga Peak, 8,696-foot elevation Ontario Peak and 8,441-foot elevation Bighorn Peak.

The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Aviation Unit operates 18 aircraft, including 13 helicopters and five fixed wing planes. These include six Airbus H125 helicopters, one Eurocopter AS350 B3 helicopter, three Bell UH-1H medium helicopters, a single Bell 212 medium helicopter and two Subaru Bell 412EPX high-performance utility helicopters (added in 2022, along with two Mahindra Air Van airplanes and three Beechcraft King Air airplanes.

Miller's participation on the search and rescue team put him close

contact with the department's aviation unit. As a consequence, he became aware of multiple incidents which caused him and others concern. These included:

- Sergeant Dan Futscher, one of the department's helicopter pilots, violated federal regulations, the pilot operating handbook and station policy by failing to conduct a proper pre-flight inspection before the start-up of an Airbus H125 helicopter, whereupon, a wrench left on the rotor head was flung from the helicopter's rotor blades, the wrench was cut in half and parts of the wrench flew proximate to at least three mechanics, any of whom could have been killed.

- A sergeant within the aviation division told department personnel who were aware of what occurred during that particular Airbus H125 start-up that it was not necessary to prepare a safety report.

- A failure by Corporal Edward Leon, another department pilot, to conduct a proper pre-flight inspection, which resulted in an unlatched cowling during a flight carrying rescue team members who were engaging in airborne night hoist training. Had the unlatched cowling advanced into the rotor system during training or flight, the entire crew could have been killed or catastrophically injured.

- Leon attempted to have his subordinates remain silent and say nothing

about the unlatched cowling.

- Sergeant Jon Anderson directed Leon not to complete or file a safety report with regard to the unsecured cowling.

- The incident relating to the unlatched cowling was not logged in the aircraft flight log, and an aviation division safety officer did not learn about it and mechanics did not conduct a precautionary inspection relating to it until 30 days after the occurrence.

- When a safety officer, after being directed to do so by a lieutenant, called Sergeant Jon Anderson, who was the senior officer on call the night of the incident involving the unsecured cowling, to ask about the absence of a safety report, Anderson dressed the safety officer down, saying, "I am a sergeant and I made the decision." Shortly after this first phone conversation, Anderson called the safety officer and repeated, "I am a sergeant. You don't call me on my day off and question a sergeant."

- After the safety officer sought to conduct a review of the incident involving the unsecured cowling, Leon suggested to other personnel within the aviation division that the safety officer was being "a rat" for proceeding with the inquiry.

- Sergeant Jon Anderson told aviation division personnel it was not necessary to prepare a safety report pertaining to the unsecured cowl-

ing.

- Sergeant Anderson failed on one occasion to manage, monitor and oversee an MD500 helicopter's engine start that resulted in a "hot start" and complete destruction of the helicopter's engine at a cost of approximately \$100,000.

- No investigation of the circumstances relating to the destruction of the MD500 helicopter engine and Anderson's alleged negligence in allowing it to occur was carried out, nor any report relating to it was written.

- No discipline relating to the engine destruction was meted out.

- Sergeant Anderson was receiving flight instruction or training from a sheriff's department civilian flight instructor in a sheriff's department or Inland Regional Narcotics Enforcement Team airplane.

- A corporal assigned to the sheriff's department's aviation unit who is a helicopter pilot, airplane pilot and flight instructor refused to provide Anderson with airplane flight instruction because he believed doing so would be an inappropriate use of sheriff's department or Inland Regional Narcotics Enforcement Team aircraft.

- Sgt. Leon, having recently been promoted to sergeant, violated Emergency Operations Division Policy 3.15.0 by allowing the captain overseeing the Colorado

River Sheriff's Station and a jail deputy, neither of whom are licensed pilots, to manipulate the flight controls, i.e., fly the helicopter, while the flight officer(s) were seated in the rear of the aircraft.

- Sergeant Anderson rear-ended another vehicle while driving a sheriff's "takehome" vehicle on his day off, during which his operation/driving of the vehicle was not authorized.

- Anderson was not disciplined for his unauthorized use or damage to the vehicle as a result of the collision, in which he was found to have been at fault.

Miller learned that a rationale, at least in part, for withholding the reports of the incidents in question was so, he would subsequently suggest in a court filing, Leon, Futscher and Anderson "could have a clean record for promotion."

Miller's former role as one of three assistant senior assistant inspector generals overseeing the federal court orders relating to the monitoring of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation sensitized him to efforts by law enforcement agencies to engage in a code of silence, cover-ups, attempted cover-ups, characterizing employees as disloyal for insisting on reporting errors or misconduct by their colleagues and retaliating against them for do-

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have known about, organized around or come here to challenge before the damage done.”

Brian Bender, the general manager of El Dorado Mobile Home Park, told the city council, “For 40 years we have operated under the prior rent control ordinance, absorbing 89 percent of CPI increase while our costs outpace that cap every year. Our average space rent today is \$840. In the last 15 years, we have seen a 350 percent increase in our liability insurance costs. Our revenues have not kept pace. We are responsible for every inch of utility infrastructure within the 30 acres of the mobile home park, including 2.5 miles of streets, every electric line, water line, gas line from the master meter to each of the homes. The park was built in 1972. That infrastructure is aging. We are already at electrical capacity and cannot safely handle EV [electrical vehicle] charging or the proposed elimination of natural gas appliances from the State if California. We simply cannot afford these upgrades.”

Bender said the mobile home park operators could not abide by the city forcing them to continue to rent space at rates that does not keep up with the rate of inflation. Anticipating that the park owners would be permitted to up the rental charge on sold coaches in accordance with market rates, Bender said, the owners would still be losing money for years to come, comparative to what they could do with the property if it were used for other purposes.

“Eight percent of homes turnover [i.e., are sold] each year,” Bender said. “Even with resetting each each sold home being returned to a market rate, it will take

over ten years to reach a sustainable base.”

Janice Arcuri and a woman identified only as Cindy called upon the city council to restore the ordinance to what it had been prior to July 2025.

David Podley, who said he had an interest in El Dorado Mobile Home Park, SAID, “The ability to provide phenomenal service and phenomenal quality of life... unfortunately... has been thwarted to some extent by the rent control situation we’ve had for the last 40 years. Many of our costs in the last 15 years alone at the park have gone up by over 300 percent. In the same time period, rents have gone up total by about 42 percent. That gap of over 250 percent is being borne by the owners of the park. The challenge the park has is costs are going up.” Podley called upon the council, in framing the new ordinance, to give park owners the ability to adjust rental rates upward when residents leave.

Darlene Jackovich told the council, “I understand market values. I understand the need for profit. That is the driving force of our society. But there is something to be said for those of us whose place in life does not allow us to keep up with the market values, those who put their years in building and developing the society and are now living on a fixed income and cannot keep up with the demands of the market. Please do not disregard us. We did our part when we were younger, when we were your age. Now, we need your help and your protection. She said the withdrawal of the ordinance was having a “devastating effect. Protect the many who are in need and not just the few who want more.”

Greg O’Hagen, who represents the management of Upland Meadows Mobile Home Park, offered his view that if the city is to readopt a mobile home rent control ordinance, it needs to revise it from what it

was and give park owners absolute freedom to increase the rent on the space for sold homes far beyond the 7 percent limitation. “Managing mobile home parks is similar to running a small city,” O’Hagen said. “We must maintain all of the community’s infrastructure, all of the underground utility lines, all of the roads, all of the common areas. [Maintaining infrastructure] is costly, it’s ongoing and it is essential. I ask you: could the city maintain its own infrastructure just on 80 percent of its own revenue? That’s what the existing [i.e., previous] ordinance asks us to do. For these communities to remain viable and sustainable long term, the ordinance [them] governing must also evolve over time. The revised ordinance before you tonight achieves that balance.”

If the city imposed an ordinance that was financially onerous to the mobile home park owners, the mobile home parks will be sold to developers, leaving the residents of the parks without a place for their coaches, O’Hagen said.

During the discussion among the council members with regard to the ordinance, Second District Councilman Breitling after reflecting an understanding that the city’s current mobile home park residents wanted and needed annual limitations on their rent escalation, fixated again and again on the impact a redraft of the ordinance would have going forward, as if he were seeking from those present concern for future residents of the mobile home parks. Despite his efforts, no one articulated such a concern.

First District Councilwoman Shannon Maust evinced direct concern about the redraft option which allowed for the unlimited increase on the rent to be charged to future mobile home park residents, i.e., those who purchase a mobile home from an existing tenant or the mobile home park ownership. She noted the enthusiasm of those

in the gallery for the council’s seeming embrasure of the revamped version of the ordinance which did away with the limitation on the initial escalation of rent to be charged on purchasers of coaches. She informed them that a close reading of that version would have implications for the current mobile park residents in that it might impact their ability to sell their coaches or the price they might get for them.

Maust made a motion to simply restore the previous version of the ordinance as it pertains to mobile home parks, mobile home residency and mobile home rents. Further discussion ensued before that motion was seconded, during which Mayor Velto made a substitute motion, seconded by Fourth District Councilman Rudy Zuniga, which which under Roberts Rules of Order must be voted upon prior to a revisiting of the original motion. Velto’s substitute motion was to restore the previous ordinance with a cut-out in which the unlimited escalation of rent on incoming residents can be imposed upon them after their purchase of an existing coach or the location of a new coach into a space vacancy. The gallery, which appeared to be occupied in large measure by current mobile home park residents, was positively disposed toward the substitute motion. Before the vote took place, Maust stated that she would be voting against it because she was hopeful it would fail, at which point she could revive her motion to reinstate the ordinance as it previously existed in its entirety.

Velto’s substitute motion passed on a 3-to-2 vote, with Velto, Zuniga and Third District Councilman Carlos Garcia prevailing and Maust and Breitling dissenting.

Former Second District Councilwoman Janice Elliott, acutely conscious of the manner in which the rental protection provision was cut out of the city code last year, has filed a public

records act request with the city seeking

all written communication and phone log information spanning the time between May 1, 2023 up to May 13, 2026 pertaining to all mobile home issues or that relating to the city council’s action to rescind the mobile home ordinance in 2025 and to revive it in 2026, involving City of Upland employees, agents, attorneys, or contractors and all owners, property managers, employees, attorneys, or agents of the six mobile home parks located in

Upland.

Elliot’s request also sought any analysis by the city attorney or any city employee of the impact of the ordinance as proposed and voted upon at the May 11, 2026 meeting as well as any analysis showing a comparison of the current provisions of the proposed ordinance and the “mobilehome rent review” ordinance that was previously in place until it was suspended or ended by the council’s action in May and June 2025.

-Mark Gutglueck

Rail Cargo Theft Ring Stymied *from page 7*

dondo were booked on suspicion of possession of stolen property and criminal conspiracy.

Bail was set at a relatively low \$30,000, a

ploy to see if an effort to free the pair on bond will take place, whereupon investigators will be able to learn more about the ring.



Hesperia Brothers Lived & One Died In A Violent Milieu Partially Of Their Own Making *from page 3*

in possession of a firearm. He was arrested on September 29, 2016 on a charge of inflicting corporal injury on a spouse or cohabitant. He was arrested on April 11, 2017 for making threats of violence. On December 10, 2018, his parole officer took note of what was suspected to be a violation of his probation. On February 7, 2019, he was arrested for a probation violation. On July 12, 2019, September 12, 2019 and again on December 3, 2019, the probation department was involved in investigating or reviewing Wrice’s potential violation of probation. On October 2, 2022, he was considered to be a fugitive from justice. On March 2, 2024, he was arrested for being in possession of a controlled substance for sale.

In 2018, Wrice was convicted of being a felon in possession of a firearm and of inflicting corporal punishment on a spouse with regard to the 2016 cases.

In 2019, Wrice was convicted of a probation violation.

Wrice’s younger brother, now his suspected killer, was convicted in 2024 of buying/receiving stolen property. At the time of his arrest, he was also charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm. That charge was vacated when he pleaded guilty to the receiving stolen property charge. In 2025, he was convicted of violation of probation. In 2021, Venegas, whose full name is Talib Elijah Venegas, was convicted of possession of drugs. In 2019, he was convicted of felony violation of parole. In 2016, he was convicted of possession of metal knuckles. In 2014, he was convicted of discharge of a firearm with gross negligence.

Venegas was pursuing a career as a rapper, having composed content that typically dwelt on or celebrated a criminal lifestyle, put into a rhyming couplets and delivered in his own inimitable flow, candence and tone.



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Department & County Leaders Gave Short Shrift To Air Medic's Concerns *from page 16*

ing so, failing to conduct internal investigations or otherwise carrying out ones that were superficial, inadequate or shams, while meting out inconsistent discipli-



Dan Futscher

pline. Such inconsistent discipline was manifest, he saw, in the way in which roughly a month-and-a-half after Sergeant Futscher's life-threatening preflight inspection failure, Futscher wrote up a flight officer for a lack of attention to detail when the flight officer allowed a hangar door to contact a rotor blade that resulted in no damage.

Sergeant Mike Gilley, who had been assigned to the aviation unit, on April 20, 2021 submitted by email directly to Sheriff McMahon, Undersheriff Dicus, Assistant Sheriff Fisk, and Deputy Chief Robert O'Brine a report/complaint alleging safety procedure shortcomings.

Miller shared Gilley's concern about the several incidents relating to the department's helicopters and the failures to properly log reports pertaining to them. Moreover, Miller concurred with Gilley

that those up the chain of command should be kept abreast of what was happening within the department's divisions and it was his perception that the department's administration was being deprived of information with regard to the fashion in which lower level officers and those members of the department they directly oversaw were not being properly monitored or held accountable.

Miller knew of Gilley's report to McMahon, Dicus, Fisk, and O'Brine. When, after three months elapsed and no response or report regarding the complaint had been forthcoming, Miller went outside the chain of command by hand delivering a written complaint dated July 22, 2021 directly to the sheriff's department's internal affairs division administrative sergeant, which raised the issues in Gilley's April 22 email.

On August 9, 2021, Miller had an encounter with Anderson in which the sergeant chastised him for submitting a written safety report and sought to dissuade him from raising safety issues in written report submissions in the future.

When, after what Miller considered a decent interval, the complaint he had filed on July 22, 2021 did not result in any report, resolution or tangible reaction, Miller again went outside the

chain of command and beyond the confines of the sheriff's department and hand delivered a complaint dated December 16, 2021 directly to the office of compliance and ethics within the San Bernardino County Human Resources Department.



Edward Leon

ment. In that complaint, Miller raised the issues he had previously delved into with the sheriff's department's internal affairs division, while broadening it to include what he referenced as "failures by Sheriff Dicus and his subordinates to complete an objective, thorough and timely investigation of the July 22, 2021 misconduct complaint," extending to "a failure to interview, or even attempting to interview, the petitioner [i.e., Miller] as the complaining party" and "failing to interview witnesses and subjects of investigation."

Subsequently, when the issues he had raised in his July 22, 2021 and December 16, 2021 complaints were not dealt with in what he considered to be a timely or forthright manner, Miller on February 16, 2022 lodged a complaint with the San Bernardino County auditor-con-

troller and the office of compliance and ethics within the San Bernardino County Human Resources Department.

After the county auditor-controller's office, its fraud, waste and abuse hotline, the county human resources department and its office of compliance and ethics failed to communicate with him regarding his February 15, 2022 complaint, Miller on July 18, 2022, submitted yet another written complaint of retaliation and wasteful spending with the county auditor-controller's office and to the county human resources department and its office of compliance and ethics.

The December 16, 2021, February 15, 2022 and July 18, 2022 complaints, in addition to referencing the previously raised issues relating to hazards, lack of compliance with safety protocols and lack of accountability within the sheriff's department, extended to the failure of both the sheriff's department and the county itself to engage in a meaningful examination, or come to a resolution, of the issues raised in his previous complaints, as well as what Miller termed "retaliation," he was experiencing as a result of filing the safety reports and complaints.

By the summer of 2022, the dismay with Miller over his persistence in raising issues relating to conditions within the search and rescue/aviation division, the comportment

of department personnel and his propensity for filing compounding complaints no longer confined itself to the sheriff's department. The auditor-controller's office, its fraud, waste and abuse hotline, the county human resources



Jon Anderson

department and its office of compliance and ethics made no response to Miller with regard to his July 18, 2022 complaint, nor did any of those entities interview him as a complaining party and victim in response to that filing. Rather, according to a lawsuit Miller subsequently filed, "the decision was made to wait a short time and then terminate the petitioner [i.e., Miller] from his reserve deputy sheriff and volunteer air medic position in retaliation for making repeated complaints of misconduct, safety violations and wasteful spending."

On October 11, 2022, Miller was provided with a September 30, 2022 interoffice memo from Assistant Sheriff Sam Fisk stating there were "no findings" of any violation of county policy or misconduct after an investigation by the department's internal affairs division with re-

gard to the July 22, 2021 complaint he had filed.

The county was as noncommittal as the sheriff's department in reaction to Miller's complaints.

On February 13, 2023 Human Resources Department Employee Relations Division Chief Eric Guerra sent a letter to the auditor-controller fraud, waste and abuse hotline regarding the internal investigations the complaints Miller had filed on February 15, 2022 and July 18, 2022. Guerra's letter informed and represented to the auditor-controller that after the sheriff's department's internal affairs division investigation turned up "no findings" of any violations of county policy or misconduct.

On March 30, 2023, Miller submitted or mailed a written misconduct complaint to the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors chairman, vice chairman and the county's chief executive officer. In that complaint, Miller reiterated all of his safety concerns relating to the sheriff's aviation division. He further asserted in the complaint that Sheriff McMahon and/or Sheriff Dicus failed to properly adjudicate his July 22, 2021 complaint, that the sheriff, undersheriff, an assistant sheriff, and a deputy chief, after receiving notice of serious misconduct, failed to investigate and initiate disciplinary action and that despite whatever investigation was or was

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Coroner's Case #702602534: On Thursday, 04/09/2026, at 12:18 p.m., the San Bernardino Police Department responded to the 400 block of N. D Street in San Bernardino. A 60-year-old male resident of San Bernardino, name is withheld pending notification to the next of kin, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/12/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602513: On Wednesday, 04/08/2026, at 05:35 p.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to the 16000 block of Iwa Road in Apple Valley. William Holloway, an 87-year-old resident of Apple Valley, was pronounced dead on scene. For further information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/18/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602498: On Wednesday, 04/08/2026, at 06:25 a.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to Main Street and Balsam Avenue in Hesperia. Martin Ramirez, a 60-year-old resident of Hesperia, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/12/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602452: On Sunday, 04/05/2026, at 06:39 p.m., the Barstow Police Department responded to a bridge near the train tracks east of Yucca Avenue, in Barstow. Destiny Six, a 25-year-old homeless resident of Barstow, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the Barstow Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/12/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602448: On Sunday, 04/05/2026, at 05:20 p.m. the California Highway Patrol responded to the State Highway 138 east of Wagon Train Road, in Oak Hills. The motorcyclist, Taylor Cole, a 45-year-old resident of Crestline, was confirmed deceased on scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/12/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602431: On Saturday, 04/04/2026, at 08:35 p.m., the Barstow Police Department responded to the 1100 block of Main Street in Barstow for a traffic collision. Pedestrian James Cheesebrew, a 60-year-old resident of Barstow, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the Barstow Police Station. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/12/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602427: On Saturday, 04/04/2026, at 08:46 p.m., the San Bernardino Police Department responded to the underpass of the I-215 and W. Mill Street. A 59-year-old male homeless resident of San Bernardino, name withheld pending next-of-kin notification, was confirmed dead at the scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/12/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602413: On Friday, 04/03/2026, at 10:33 p.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to the 11000 block of Running Deer Road in Apple Valley. Chinette Anderson, a 58-year-old resident of Apple Valley was pronounced dead on scene. For further information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/04/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602323: On Tuesday, 03/31/2026, at 03:00 p.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to an open field near the 5500 block of Sycamore Avenue in Rialto. Tony Nunez, a 63-year-old resident of Rialto, was pronounced dead on scene. For further information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/18/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602300: On Monday, 03/30/2026, at 05:14 p.m., the Fontana Police Department responded to the 18000 block of Ceres Avenue in Fontana. Jose Machicado, a 74-year-old resident of Fontana was pronounced dead on scene. For further information contact the Fontana Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 04/04/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602279: On Sunday, 03/29/2026, at 11:55 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the Westbound Interstate 10, west of E. 4th Street, in the City of Ontario. Driver, Hye Kim, a 52-year-old resident of Pomona, was confirmed deceased at the scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol.

Coroner's Case #702602280: On Sunday, 03/29/2026, at 11:55 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the Westbound Interstate 10, west of E. 4th Street, in the City of Ontario. Passenger, Carlos Soto, a 26-year-old, resident of Montclair, was confirmed deceased at the scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol.

Coroner's Case #702602138: On Tuesday 03/24/2026, at 07:40 p.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to a wash in the area of Pepper Avenue and E. Highland Avenue in Rialto. Mark Keller, a 48-year-old homeless resident of Rialto, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 03/25/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602133: On Tuesday, 03/24/2026, at 04:56 p.m., the San Bernardino Police Department responded E 16th Street and Belle Street in San Bernardino. A male, name being withheld pending next of kin notification, was pronounced deceased at the scene. For further information contact the San Bernardino Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 03/25/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602077: On Sunday, 03/22/2026, at 01:37 p.m., the Rialto Police Department responded to W. Casa Grande Drive and Mango Avenue for a traffic collision. Nasario Magana, 54-year-old resident of Rialto, was transported to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center and pronounced dead. For additional information contact the Rialto Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 03/25/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602066: On Saturday, 03/21/2026, at 08:51 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to Twentynine Palms Highway and Mountain View Circle in Joshua Tree for a traffic collision. Pedestrian Susan Finn, a 42-year-old resident of Joshua Tree, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 03/25/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602031: On Friday, 03/20/2026, at 0804 hours, the California Highway Patrol responded to Valley Boulevard east of Cherry Avenue in Fontana for a traffic collision. A 67-year-old male resident of Fontana, name is withheld pending notification to next of kin, was pronounced dead on scene. For further information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 03/25/2026)

Coroner's Case #702602026: On Thursday, 03/19/2026, at 11:56 p.m., the Barstow Police Department responded to the 200 block of Yucca Street. Sheldon Davis, Jr., a 34-year-old resident of Barstow was pronounced dead on scene. For further information contact the Barstow Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 03/25/2026)

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Dicus Holds That As Sheriff He Is Entrusted By The Voters With Running His Department As He Sees Fit And He Is Entitled To Hire, Retain, Promote & Fire Those Who Man His Department Based Upn Their Adherence To The Standards He And A Litany Of Those In His Office Before Him Have Set *from page 18*

not conducted did not come to a determination that the factual allegations contained in the complaint were untrue. The complaint further alleged that Guerra's February 13, 2023 letter was a highly unethical attempt to conceal and cover up peace officer misconduct in the sheriff's department. Guerra's action was further intended, Miller contended, to conceal the failure by senior sheriff's department managers to properly adjudicate misconduct allegations in compliance with sheriff's department policies and procedures adopted pursuant to Penal Code section 832.5(a), which requires that law enforcement agencies carry out investigations of misdeeds by sworn peace officers. Miller also maintained that Guerra's action prevented the auditor-control-

ler's division committed to rooting out fraud, waste and abuse from conducting any further investigation or inquiry into misconduct, safety violations and wasteful spending at the sheriff's aviation unit and that it misled and defrauded the county's auditor-controller's office into believing there was no merit to the complaints of misconduct, safety violations, wasteful spending and retaliation."

Before Miller was terminated as a reserve sheriff's deputy and a medic volunteer with the sheriff's department's search and rescue division, during an encounter with Leon during which the subject of the unlatched cowling came up, the pilot acknowledged he should have been disciplined with regard to the incident.

Futscher was promoted to lieutenant, where-

upon he became the manager of the aviation unit.

Miller, after seeking for four years to have the department address the safety issues he first raised in 2021 and for more than three years to have county officials fully examine what he believes is the sheriff's department command's unwillingness to hold its employees accountable, on September 22, 2025 filed a petition with the San Bernardino Superior Court for a writ of mandamus in which San Bernardino County and the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors are named as respondents. In his suit, Miller is requesting that the court find that the county and the board of supervisors "failed to investigate, adjudicate, and retain [a] misconduct complaint, failed to provide [a] notice of disposition and to compel respondents to investigate, properly adjudicate and retain [a] misconduct complaint [and] provide [a] notice of disposition." The lawsuit, in which Miller is representing himself, requests that the issues and matters the suit encompassed be referred to a grand jury, the California Attorney General's Office and the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

In his filing, Miller makes clear he did not make the first complaint to sheriff's department higher-ups with regard to safety issues within the sheriff's department's aviation division, as the complaint filed by Sergeant Mike Gilley on April 21, 2021 predated all of Miller's. It is Miller's contention that complaints made against law enforcement agencies in general or law enforcement personnel cannot be resolved with a "no finding" or "no findings" pronouncement. Rather, according to Miller, an internal affairs investigation should reach a determination of, variously, either sustained, not sustained, unfounded, exonerated or frivolous.

By not adjudicating Gilley's complaint and

providing no notice of disposition with regard to it as well as by making no determination with regard to his complaint, Miller asserted in his lawsuit, Sheriffs McMahon and Dicus and their command staffs shirked their duty to get to the bottom of credible accusations of misfeasance on the part of members of the sheriff's department.

"Sheriff McMahon, Sheriff Dicus and the sheriff's department breached their nondiscretionary, ministerial and mandatory duty to conduct an investigation sufficient to determine whether misconduct allegations should be sustained, not sustained, unfounded, exonerated, or frivolous in response to an April 20, 2021 complaint involving the sheriff's department aviation unit," the lawsuit states. The sheriff's department similarly breached its duty when it failed to make a sustained, not sustained, unfounded, exonerated, or frivolous finding with regard to Miller's July 22, 2021 complaint, according to the suit. Furthermore, the county's human resources department and the office of compliance and ethics and Sheriff Dicus breached their duty when they failed to conduct investigations adequate to reach an accurate conclusion with regard to Miller's December 16, 2021, February 15, 2022, and July 18, 2022, complaints regarding the sheriff's department aviation unit. Futhermore, according to Miller, the auditor-controller's office, its fraud, waste and abuse hotline employees and Sheriff Dicus breached their duty to conduct investigations sufficient to determine the validity of misconduct allegations regarding the sheriff's department aviation unit contained in Miller's February 15, 2022 and July 18, 2022 complaints. The suit also alleges San Bernardino County and the board of supervisors breached their duty to conduct adequate investigations into the matters outlined

in Miller's March 30, 2023 complaint.

The county, the board of supervisors, the auditor-controller, the county department of human resources and the sheriff's department all undermined the California Public Records Act and the San Bernardino County's Sunshine Ordinance by denying access to records that are subject to production in response to California Public Records Act requests when Miller filed such requests relating to the investigations touching on the sheriff's department's aviation unit, according to the suit.

"The Petitioner seeks a writ of mandamus requiring San Bernardino County and the board of supervisors to complete an investigation of the March 30, 2023 complaint allegations in full and complete compliance with Penal Code section 832.5 and sheriff's department procedures adopted and published pursuant to Penal Code section 832.5(a)(1)," the lawsuit states.

Miller's suit contains 19 causes of action and runs to 137 pages.

Miller is also representing Gilley in a lawsuit he filed against San Bernardino County, the board of supervisors, the sheriff's department, the auditor-controller's office, Dicus, Auditor/Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector Ensen Mason and former San Bernardino County Chief Executive Officer Leonard Gonzalez.

In his lawsuit, Dupper is represented by Oshea Orchid and Rahul Sethi of the Val Verde-based Sethi Orchid Miner LLP law firm.

Dupper's suit alleges that despite being eligible for promotion to captain for six years, achieving consistently high-scores in the objective evaluations of his suitability for advancement to the rank of captain and the endorsements of many or most of the officers at command levels in the department, he has been passed over for promotion because, according to Orchid and Sethi, he "reported violations of

the law."

Orchid, in taking Dicus's deposition in preparation for going to trial in Dupper's case, obtained what is perhaps the most succinct response to the issues brought forth by Dupper, Gilley and Miller. He and his department are, Dicus fully believes, dedicated to upholding the law and protecting the citizens of San Bernardino County from those who would prey upon them. As such, he and the sheriffs who have served San Bernardino County before him have recruited talented and dedicated law enforcement professionals into the department, he believes, and he is empowered and is at liberty to elevate and promote those who in his judgment will best carry out their assignments in the ways that are consistent with his vision for the department and the values he personally embodies, which is his right as the elected sheriff of San Bernardino County. It is his choice to elevate those who are doers who get with the program and execute well and without reservation the orders they are given, and are willing to set aside any reservations they have, if indeed they have them, in order to be valued members of the team. He is not obliged, Dicus believes, to put up with naysayers who are unwilling or unable to get along with the other members of the team or who can't follow the lead of those who have risen to positions of authority within its command structure.

Dicus, to whom was passed the torch once gripped by Frank Bland three and four generations ago and held by a succession of five dedicated lawmen thereafter, has now become the embodiment of the law, at least within the expansive confines of San Bernardino County, and, as such, need not put up with those who question the application of authority, most particularly his own.



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