

SB Solons Mull Police Chief’s Administrative Leave Over Acknowledged Drug Use

**By Mark Gutglueck**  
Mayor Helen Tran and six of seven members of the San Bernardino City Council this week found themselves under intensive pressure to place Police Chief Darren Goodman on administrative/medical leave following the assertion by Goodman’s attorney last week that the police chief is under constant and continuing medication to alleviate insomnia, de-

pression and anxiety. Joseph Richardson, an attorney with the Redlands-based law firm known as the McCune Group, publicly broached the subject of Goodman’s use of drugs in a lawsuit he filed on September 24 on behalf of Goodman. That lawsuit names the City of San Bernardino, as a public entity, and Councilwoman Treasure Ortiz as defendants, along

with 25 other potential further defendants, who are unnamed. The suit alleges Goodman is the victim of discrimination, harassment and retaliation in violation of California’s fair labor law, both Government Code § 12940(k) and Labor Code § 1102.5 and that he was subject to a hostile work environment and the intentional infliction of emotional distress at the hands of

Ortiz. The suit maintains that he had responded to and met with Ortiz in November 2023 and again in August 2024 during the run-up to and during her successful campaign for 7th Ward councilwoman in regard to her accusations that her opponent in that election, James Penman, had access to and made use of information pertaining to her contained in one

of the databases available to law enforcement agencies. It was Ortiz’s contention that entries in that database – the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System – had been accessed by a member or members of the San Bernardino Police Department and provided it to the Penman campaign, which used it in formulating electioneering material provided **See P 2**

Judge Ends  
AMR’s Hold  
On County  
Ambulance  
Franchise

In a stark reversal of a ruling he made two years ago, San Bernardino County Superior Court Judge Jay H. Robinson on Wednesday gave clearance for a consortium of local fire departments working in coordination with an Arizona-based ambulance company to assume the franchise for emergency medical treatment and transportation over a vast swath of 21,105-square mile San Bernardino County.

Judge Robinson’s decision confirms county leadership’s curious departure from a longstanding pay-to-play tradition in which business interest have gotten ahead by a show of generosity toward the board of supervisors and other high-ranking elected officials throughout the county.

The company that lost out in the competition for the ambulance service contract,

Greenwood Village, Colorado-based American Medical Response, had been the beneficiary of the county’s granting of exclusive operating zones reserved for companies with owners who have succeeded in insinuating themselves into the good graces of the region’s shot-callers. Over the last three years-and-a-half years, the company and its officials, once consummate insiders, have had to adjust to the reality of being outsiders on the verge of permanently looking in. Whereas previously that company had been a primary beneficiary of the pay-to-play ethos that pervades San Bernardino County, it now finds itself among the **See P 3**

Amidst Health & Safety Problems, GEO To Sell Adelanto Ice Prison To Government

GEO Group, the Florida-based company that runs a number of prisons for the Federal Department of Immigration and Customs Enforcement has decided to pull the plug on its 2,664-bed illegal immigrant processing center in Adelanto in the face of intensive adverse publicity about inhumane conditions and abuse of prisoners there, the *Sentinel* has learned.

Within a fortnight the prison’s ownership is to be transferred to the federal government and the guards and personnel there replaced with federal employees. GEO will sell the facility, the *Sentinel* is reliably informed, directly to the federal government for \$950 million, realizing a profit of \$875 million on the deal.

Abandoning owner-

ship of the facility, the basic footprint for which GEO first acquired in 2010 from the City of Adelanto for roughly \$28 million when it was a 650-bed correctional facility and before it was converted to house prisoners of foreign origin for the federal government, is taking place at a propitious time for the corporation, which specializes in operating pri-

vate incarceration facilities for governments and governmental agencies. The facility in Adelanto, where operations had dwindled to a marginal level toward the end of the Joseph Bident Administration to the point that the federal government was on the brink of ending its contractual arrangement with GEO for its use, saw a resurgence within four months after

Donald Trump’s second inaugural. With that upsurge in usage, however, came a plethora of problems, including at least four inmate deaths.

The circumstances of those deaths and accompanying difficulties experienced by other inmates housed there have raised questions about GEO’s compliance with a host of regulations aimed at ensur- **See P 4**

Chino PD Handled  
Pomona Police  
Sergeant Involved  
In Hit-And-Run  
With Kid Gloves

An effort by authorities to bury a particularly egregious hit-and-run incident that occurred in Chino on July 26 has generated outrage among both members of the public and at least two junior members of the Chino Police Department that is in danger of escalating into a full-blown scandal.

The matter involved no fewer than eight members of the Chino and Pomona police departments, including a watch commander and at least one other member of the Chino Police Department’s command echelon.

Details are sketchy, but this much has been disclosed to the *Sentinel*: An inebriated driver, one

whose blood alcohol level exceeded more than three-and-a-half times that of the legal limit of .08, was approaching the intersection of Monte Vista and Schaefer avenues at around 8:16 p.m. on July 26 when he slammed his Chevrolet Silverado pickup into the back of a stationary vehicle.

The driver of the Silverado then sped from the scene of the accident south on Monte Vista, careening into another vehicle, sideswiping it. That car was forced from the road and collided with a tree. The driver of the Silverado accelerated south on Monte Vista but lost control, jumped a curb, hit a fire hydrant and then came to a stop upon hitting a tree. When Chino police officers arrived at the scene at 8:19 p.m., they found the driver concussed and semi-conscious and the Silverado **See P 3**

Redlands School  
Board Wants  
Left-Leaning  
Instructional  
Materials  
Balanced With  
Wider Selection

Expressing the belief that books available in district school libraries and texts used in classroom instruction are “left leaning” a 3-to-2 majority of the Redlands school board on September 23 voted to ensure balance in the educational process in the district’s schools with regard to “controversial issues” and the books and material available to students.

The action was immediately subject to criticism and charges that the board was proceeding with action in which both its goals and the standards it was applying are ill-defined.

Led by Board Mem-

ber Candy Olson, Board President Michell Rendler and Jeannette Wilson voted along with her to amend its existing policy, which requires that educational materials be “presented in a balanced manner, addressing all sides of issues without bias or prejudice and **See P 3**

Man Masquerading  
As A Woman  
Coaching Girls’  
Volleyball Team  
At Etiwanda High  
Arrested On Child  
Porn Charge

Developments involving a volleyball coach at Etiwanda High School late last month have sent things topsy turvy at the Chaffey Community High District Office in Ontario.

The Chaffey Joint Union High School District operates 11 schools across its ser-

vice area, including Montclair High School in Montclair, Ontario High School in Ontario, Chaffey High School in Ontario, Chaffey Community Day School in Ontario, Chaffey District Online High School in Ontario, Valley View Continuation High School in Ontario, Colony High School in Ontario, Alta Loma High School in Alta Loma, Los Osos High School in Rancho Cucamonga, Rancho Cucamonga High School in Rancho Cucamonga and Etiwanda High School in Etiwanda.

In 2023, Adam Quach graduated from Rancho Cucamonga High School, where he was a member of the volleyball team.

Thereafter, Quach, who remains biologically intact as a male, began identifying as a female. Last year, the Chaffey Joint **See P 5**

**Police Chief & Police Union President Said Their Acknowledgement Of Misuse Of Department Information Access Was Recorded Without Their Consent** *from front page*

to voters in the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward which supported Penman and attacked Ortiz. It is both Goodman’s and Richardson’s contention that Ortiz made an illegal recording of her conversation with Goodman’s meeting with her at San Bernardino Police headquarters on August 29, 2024 during which they discussed how the San Bernardino Police Department detective, Steve Desrochers, who had obtained that information using one of the police department’s computer terminals, in an apparent violation of the law, which prohibits the use of information contained in such databases to which law enforcement agencies have shared access from being used for political purposes or anything other than legitimate law enforcement activity or investigations.

Two weeks prior to the August 29, 2024 meeting between Ortiz and Goodman, Ortiz had, at Goodman’s suggestion, met with Sergeant Jose Loera, the president of the San Bernardino Police Officers Association at restaurant in north San Bernardino on August 15, 2024. She recorded that conversation as well. Loera, during that conversation, acknowledged that Desrochers, one of his predecessors as union president, had run her name through one of the databases shared by law enforcement agencies.

While Goodman during the August 29, 2024 conversation with Ortiz enunciated his belief that Desrochers had overstepped his authority by accessing the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System, known by its acronym CLETS, and that the use of the information gleaned thereby

for use in support of Penman, who had been endorsed by the San Bernardino County Police Officers Association was illegal, making prosecution of Desrochers for misuse of government assets appropriate, he subsequently shifted in his opinion. Members of the police department/police union claimed that in 2020, Ortiz, then a community activist, had made statements with regard to then-Mayor John Valdivia that were deemed “threatening,” and that the department, accordingly, undertook an investigation of Ortiz, which included Desrochers, on March 12, 2020, accessing the CLETS database to look into Ortiz’s criminal history.

Meanwhile, Ortiz, who had unsuccessfully competed for appointment to the position of Third District San Bernardino County supervisor in 2018 and ran unsuccessfully for Third Ward San Bernardino Councilwoman in 2019 and failed in her run for San Bernardino mayor in 2022, prevailed in the November 2024 race for 7th Ward councilwoman in November 2024 and was sworn into office in December 2024. Ortiz was not kept abreast of the developments in the investigation. When no prosecution of Desrochers ensued, in March 2025 she filed a claim against the city alleging CLETS had been improperly accessed as part of the San Bernardino Police Officers Association support of Penman and its opposition to her candidacy.

Thereafter, Ortiz, who, despite her victory in the 2024 election, had never been on good terms with the San Bernardino political establishment, experienced a further deterioration in her relationship with her council colleagues, city staff and everyone involved with the police department. On repeated occasions, city officials dismissed the allegations in Ortiz’s claim as misrepresentations, falsehoods, inaccurate and fabrications. In May 2025 the city rejected the claim, fol-

lowing that up with further statements denying its substance and assertions. Ortiz augmented her previous social media postings that included snippets from her recordings of her conversations with Loera and Goodman in which they acknowledged that Desrochers and the police union had made use of the data extrapolated from CLETS to assist Penman in his 2024 electoral effort against Ortiz. In reaction, city officials, most pointedly the mayor and members of the city council, relied upon Goodman, his gravitas, his status, his reputation and hismmmmmm to counter Ortiz’s narrative.

Ortiz, for her part, did not relent. She had already contacted the FBI and the San Bernardino County District Attorney’s Office with regard to what she alleged was the unlawful use of the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System in Penman’s campaign against her. On August 13, 2025, she held a news conference in front of San Bernardino City Hall, at which she publicly declared that the accusations in the claim she had filed against the city were accurate and that she was being pressured by city officials to drop the matter, extending to Chief Goodman seeking to “blackmail” her by threatening to publicly release information regarding her arrest record if she proceeded with a lawsuit based on the claim. The following day, on August 14, 2025, in an effort to get the district attorney’s office to act on her previous complaint regarding Desrochers’ accessing of the CLETS data base for information regarding her, she provided copies of the recordings of her August 15, 2024 and August 29, 2024 conversations with Loera and Goodman.

In November 2025, Ortiz, represented by attorney Peter Schlueter, filed suit against the city in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, alleging a member or members

of the San Bernardino Police Department had improperly accessed the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System to obtain access to her confidential records and had engaged in a conspiracy in doing so and thereafter. The suit named the City of San Bernardino, Steve Desrochers, Darren L Goodman, Jose Loera, Former San Bernardino Police Chief Eric McBride, James F Penman and the San Bernardino Police Officers Association. It sought \$2 million in damages.

The substance of the suit was in large measure built upon the contents of the recordings Ortiz had made of her conversations with Loera and Goodman, respectively, on August 15, 2024 and August 29, 2024.

On January 21, 2026, the San Bernardino County District Attorney’s Office filed the two Section 632(a) charges against Ortiz, alleging she had not disclosed to Loera or Goodman that she was recording the August 15, 2024 and August 29, 2025 conversations she had with them nor sought their permission to make the recordings.

Also in January, Goodman and Loera lodged complaints with city administrators regarding what they said were Ortiz’s false accusations about their involvement, either actively or passively, in the abuse of the access the San Bernardino Police Department had to the law enforcement agency databases that resulted in information relating to her having been used during the 2024 electoral season and other examples of what they characterized as her harassment of each of them, retaliation against each of them and her abuse of her authority derived from her position as a council member. The following month, on February 3 and February 10, respectively Loera and Goodman filed notices of claims against the city, citing their separate but similar ordeals in having to weather the accusations that were be-

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ing leveled against them by Ortiz.

In reaction to the claims filed by Loera and Goodman, the city issued, at the direction of the city council, a cease-and-desist letter to Ortiz on February 27, 2026. Slightly more than a month later, on April 1, 2026, the city council voted 6-0 to approve a resolution of censure against Ortiz, making findings that she had “participated in a pattern of retaliatory actions against city appointees and employees... engaged in slanderous commentary targeting city employees [and] disseminated illegally recorded confidential communications.” The resolution further stated that “Many of Ortiz’s actions that created the need for censure were directed at Chief Goodman.”

The matter with regard to those two misdemeanor charges went to trial before Judge Melissa Rodriguez and a six man-six woman jury. On September 10, after a 9-day trial and two partial days of deliberations, the jury returned a mixed verdict, exonerating Ortiz on the charge of illegally recording the conversation with Loera but convicting her of illegally recording the conversation with Goodman.

With that pronouncement by the jury in the criminal trial behind them, Richardson and McCune Law Group on behalf of Goodman, filed suit against the city and Ortiz. The primary issues cited in the lawsuit stem from mostly direct

acts of commission Ortiz’s part, accompanied by indirect acts of omission on the city’s part for railing to “reign in” Ortiz. In this way, according to the lawsuit, Ortiz created a hostile work environment in which Goodman was carrying out his duty as police chief and subjected him to harassment, while elected city officials at Ortiz’s level of authority – the mayor and city council – and senior city staff had knowledge of Ortiz’s conduct but not take “timely or adequate action to investigate” her conduct. In Ortiz’s capacity as a city councilwoman, according to Richardson, Ortiz “exercised superior authority over the [police] department.”

While the lawsuit names both the city, a so-called “deep-pocket” entity which is presumably in a position to pay out a substantial amount of money to Goodman in the event of a settlement or judgment in his favor, and Ortiz, whose financial circumstance is far less solid, the language of the lawsuit has Goodman adhering to the city’s position on virtually every issue with which it has a substantial difference with Ortiz. Whereas the contents of the recording Ortiz made of the conversation she had with Goodman on August 29, 2024 show the police chief in essential lockstep with Ortiz with regard to the use of the shared law enforcement agency database by at least one member of the police department in connection with

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# 2026 City And Town Council Candidate Statements

## Chino City Council District 2 Hopeful Jimmy Alexandris, business owner

I am proud to be a Candidate for Chino City Council, District 2. Chino has been my home for over 40 years of my life. I attended El Rancho Elementary, Magnolia Junior High, and Chino High School, and I have dedicated my life to serving the community that has given me so much.

For the past eight years, I have served on the Chino Planning Commission, where I have worked to make thoughtful decisions that balance responsible growth with protecting our community’s character. As the owner of a family restaurant in Chino for 37 years, I have experienced firsthand the challenges and rewards of running a local business and understand the importance of supporting our local economy.

I have also volunteered and contributed to many

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## Chino City Council District 2 Incumbent Curtis Burton

For more than 40 years, I have proudly served the City of Chino as a police officer, Planning Commissioner, City Council Member, and currently as your Mayor Pro Tem. Serving our community has been the honor of my life, and I remain committed to protecting the values that make Chino an outstanding place to live, work, and raise a family.

As your Council Member, I have focused on delivering results through responsible leadership and sound fiscal management. During my tenure, we have maintained balanced budgets, attracted new businesses, and invested in critical infrastructure that strengthens our community. I proudly supported the passage of Measure V, helping stabilize the City's finances and ensure reliable funding for es-

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## Chino City Council District 3 Hopeful M. S. Alam, Transportation Project Manager

“Where Everything Grows” reflects Chino’s past and its future. As our community grows, our infrastructure, mobility, public safety, and city services must keep pace while preserving our quality of life.

I am a licensed Professional Civil Engineer and Caltrans Project Manager with decades of public-service experience in transportation, safety, infrastructure, and project management. I have taught engineering at California State University, Long Beach and am pursuing doctoral research in transportation engineering at UCLA. I have also served as president of a Southern California professional engineering association and in leadership roles with a Greater Los Angeles community organization.

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## Redlands School Board Majority Believes Liberal Indoctrination Of Students Begins With Slanted Selection Of Reading Fare In School Libraries *from front page*

without promoting any particular point of view,” so that teachers and librarians are prevented from ushering students toward conclusions regarding issues of social or philosophical contentions one way or the other.

Without saying so directly, Olson seemed to be suggesting that there is an inherent political

slant to the vast majority of subjects and topics covered in the educational process. Moreover, it appeared, she is accepting of the proposition that a political scale exists in which liberal constructs, concepts and values are positioned to the left and conservative designs, ideas and ideals stand to the right, such that individual texts

## Drunk Driver Rear-Ended & Side-swiped Two Cars And Took Out Two Trees And A Fire Hydrant *from front page*

disabled and badly damaged.

Shortly thereafter, the driver was identified as Richard Aguiar of Chino, a detective sergeant

## Despite Its Status And Advantage As A Major Campaign Donor, AMR Lost Ground To A Governmental Ambulance Service Provider *from front page*

legion of companies that are shut out of holding a position of commercial advantage because the county’s governmental decision-makers have been influenced by the generosity a competing interest has exhibited toward the region’s politicians.

with the Pomona Police Department.

Aguiar was taken to a local hospital for medical treatment and observation. A test of his blood revealed he had a blood alcohol level of .299.

The handling of the case was given “special care,” according to two individuals close to the matter, meaning that the accident report and incident report were not

American Medical Response, known by the acronym AMR, maintained in a legal challenge lodged more than three years ago that San Bernardino County and its board of supervisors improperly conferred a comprehensive franchise for the provision of ambulance service on the San Bernardino County Consolidated Fire Agencies, known by its acronym CONFIRE, a joint powers authority consisting of an operation combining the assets and manpower of the Apple Valley Fire Protection District, Chino

and books can be plotted with some degree of precision as to where they are positioned on that spectrum.

Olson had previously raised the issue of the district’s educational materials and books in its libraries celebrating the lives and accomplishments of individuals she characterized as liberals and progressives while slighting one who are deemed, or whom she considered, conservative icons.

As a consequence of

processed through the department’s normal channels, and communication with the Pomona Police Department with regard to Aguiar was initiated prior to his having left the hospital and before Aguiar was booked or arrested. The recording of the department’s action relating to Aguiar, which straddled the delineations of a hold, detainment and arrest,

Valley Independent Fire District, the Colton Fire Department, the Loma Linda Fire Department, the Rancho Cucamonga Fire Department, the Redlands Fire Department, the Rialto Fire Department, the San Bernardino County Fire District, the Victorville Fire Department, the Big Bear Fire Department, the Montclair Fire Department, the Running Springs Fire District and the San Manuel Fire Department. That decision by the board of supervisors, made on December 5, 2023, aced out AMR.

In that call, the board

Olson’s suggestions, the board on September 23 was presented with an amended policy regarding “controversial issues” that retained pre-existing language that “The governing [i.e., school] board recognizes that the district’s educational program may sometimes include instruction related to controversial issues that may arouse strong reactions based on personal values and beliefs, political philosophy, culture, religion, or other

was classified confidential for more than four weeks, such that the involved parties - the other motorists and passengers involved in the collisions with Aguiar - were deemed ineligible to obtain the report of the incident.

According to one individual involved in the matter, inquiries with regard to the suspension/delay of action regarding

of supervisors sided with a coalition of local fire departments over AMR.

In making his decision this, San Bernardino County Superior Court Judge Jay H. Robinson reversed himself, undoing a court order that had extended AMR as the ambulance service franchise provider throughout much of the county for two years beyond what the board of supervisors had originally intended.

“This court must defer to county defendant’s selection of, and award to, CONFIRE as a lawful exercise of its discre-

influences. Instruction concerning such topics shall be relevant to the adopted course of study and curricular goals and should be designed to develop students’ critical thinking skills, ability to discriminate between fact and opinion, respect for others, and understanding and tolerance of diverse points of view.” and “The board expects administrators and teachers to exercise professional judgment when deciding whether or not a particular issue

Aguiar were met by the explanation that there were circumstances in Aguiar’s life which made his atypical use of alcohol on July 26 understandable.

Ultimately a report on the collisions was sent to the San Bernardino County District Attorney’s Office more than a month-and-a-half after the incident, on September 15.

tion,” Judge Robinson wrote in a ruling that was released on Wednesday, September 30, when the decision was officially recorded as a part of the judicial proceedings in the matter.

For well over three decades, American Medical Response enjoyed a near monopoly on the provision of emergency medical transport service over a wide swath of San Bernardino County. AMR inherited that preeminence upon its buyout of Mercy Ambulance, which had effectuated its own monopoly on the county ambulance

is suitable for study or discussion. They shall consult with the superintendent or designee as necessary to determine the appropriateness of the subject matter, guest speakers, and/or related instructional materials or resources.”

The new policy dispensed with sections pertaining to “recognition of religious beliefs and customs... sexual health and HIV/AIDS prevention instruction... comprehensive health

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After a span of more than two months, yesterday, October 1, the district attorney’s office leveled five felony charges at Aguiar - two counts of VC23153(A)-F: driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs while causing bodily injury; two counts of VC23153(B)-F: driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of

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franchise. Mercy’s four owners – Homer Aerts, Don Reed, Steve Dickmeyer and Terry Russ – after engaging in the late 1960s and early 1970s in cutthroat competition against one another in the operation of their four independent ambulance companies, united under the Mercy logo. Employing Dennis Hansberger, who was then serving as a lobbyist between his first set of two and his final set of three terms on the board of supervisors, as their representative, Aerts, Reed, Dickmeyer and Russ used generous

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**Sudden Influx Of Hundreds Of Illegal Immigrants Per Week Overwhelmed Adelanto ICE Holding & Processing Facility from front page**

ing the health and safety of those in custody, including noncitizens. The negative publicity that ensued, while initially of seemingly little consequence to the Trump Administration in terms of domestic politics, had an impact at the international level, which the administrative deemed to be less than concerning. For GEO, however, which last year had 2.631 billion in revenue from operating prisons in the United States, Great Britain, Australia and South Africa, revelations about the abuse of inmates at any of its facilities carries with it a potentially dire implication. That the corporation could divest itself of its single asset most responsible for the damage to its reputation and do

so not at a loss but rather at a considerable profit is considered a coup by its corporate officers.

Within months of the Trump Administration significantly increasing the flow of those arrested for being in the country illegally into the Adelanto facility in late Spring 2025, in July 2025, Disability Rights California (DRC), the State of California's federally mandated non-profit agency dedicated to protecting and advocating for the rights of people with disabilities, published "They Treat Us Like Dogs in Cages," a report alleging abuse and neglect of people with disabilities at the Adelanto ICE facility. According to Disability Rights California, the number of inmates, with the advent of the second Trump Administration, jumped from 300 to 1,000 in a single week, prompting a shortage of food, safe water, clean clothing and bedding. Simultaneously, according to Disability

Rights California, there was insufficient medical and mental health care staffing to handle the influx of prisoners and no equipment or devices to deal with those with disability-related needs.

On September 23, 2025 39-year-old Ismael Ayala-Uribe, an illegal alien from Mexico who had been in custody in Adelanto for nearly five weeks, during which his health had steadily declined, died at the Victor Valley Global Medical Center in Victorville.

On October 23, 2025, Gabriel Garcia-Aviles, a Mexican national who was in the United States illegally, had arrived at the Adelanto facility on October 15, 2025 and was given a medical examination on October 17 for being in a state of medical confusion with high levels of ammonia in his blood, died at the Global Medical Center in Victorville.

Alberto Gutierrez-Reyes, a 48-year-old citizen of Mexico incarcerated in Adelanto for being in the country illegally died on February 27, 2026, at Victor Valley Global Medical Center.

Rights, Public Counsel and the law firm of Willkie Farr & Gallagher filed a federal lawsuit on behalf of former detainees at the Adelanto facility, alleging denial of essential medical and mental health care, unsanitary living conditions, inadequate food and water, prolonged solitary confinement, life-threatening neglect, including a case where a detainee with a pituitary tumor was denied treatment. Ayala-Uribe's death was cited in the lawsuit.

In considering the suit, U.S. District Judge Sunshine Sykes made a finding that the inmates at the Adelanto facility, despite their lack of citizenship, had constitutional rights and those rights were being violated. GEO was party to the federal government's illegal action, Judge Sykes ruled. The government and GEO were engaging in a detention regime that was cruel, inhumane and degrading, according to Judge Sykes.

showers and toilets of the facility. One inmate said he had used his underwear as a filter to remove the larvae and third-of-an-inch-long brown insects from the water he would drink. When samples of the insects were smuggled out of the facility by those who visited inmates there, workers with the Los Angeles County Vector Control District identified them as drain fly larvae.

According to one report, bottled water purchased from the detention facility commissary did not have the larvae.

In recent months, the *Sentinel* and at least three other publications have been provided with information indicating that drugs are available to inmates in the prison who have the means to purchase them.

After purchasing the prison for \$28 million from the City of Adelanto in 2010, GEO carried out extensive renovations to the facility to be able to enter into a

contractual relationship with the federal government to house prisoners there in 2011. GEO invested about \$70 million to complete a 650-bed expansion by the end of 2012. The company sunk another \$39.33 million into the facility to complete a 640-bed expansion in 2015. In 2020, a further expansion, entailing enlarging the capacity by another 704 beds, was finished at a cost of \$72,600,000.

All told, there are 2,644 beds at the prison, with 660 of those in the Adelanto East portion of the grounds, 1,280 beds in the Adelanto West side and 704 beds in the Desert View Annex.

GEO put up \$28 million to acquire the existing prison and its grounds, spent \$70 million, \$39.33 million and \$72.6 million on expansions and \$22 million on renovations over the years, representing an investment of \$231,930,000.

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0.08 percent or greater while causing bodily injury; and a single count of VC20001(B)(1)-F: hit and run resulting in death or injury, along with four felony VC23558-E: causing bodily injury or death sentencing enhancements. The case, under the number

FWV26003394, has been assigned to Judge Zahara Arredondo in Department R10 at the West Valley Justice Center in Rancho Cucamonga. Aguiar's first scheduled hearing on the matter is scheduled for November 12.

Both the Chino Police Department and the Pomona Police have withheld comment on the matter. Aguiar was not on duty as a police officer when the collision took place.

On March 25, 2026, Jose Guadalupe Ramos-Solano, a 52-year-old citizen of Mexico in ICE custody at Adelanto for being in the United States illegally died on March 25, 2026 at the Victor Valley Global Medical Center in Victorville.

In January 2026, Immigrant Defenders Law Center, the Coalition for Humane Immigrant

Early this summer in a set of articles completed with the assistance of the USC Center for Health published in the Los Angeles Daily News, addressed the poor water quality inside the facility. According to that article, drain fly-larvae, i.e., maggots that proliferate in the drains of the showers at the detentions center, were present in the drinking water provided to the inmates at the Adelanto facility. Not only were they present in the tap water, they proliferated in the

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the 2024 Penman campaign's strategy to keep her from being elected and that the abuse of that access constituted an illegal act, since the filing of Ortiz's claim in March 2025 Goodman has backed the city in its contention that neither the department nor any of its officers nor the police officers' union illegally or improperly accessed information pertaining to her in the

database.

Goodman's lawsuit disputes the allegations in Ortiz's federal lawsuit as well as the statements made in the August 15, 2024 Loera recording or the August 29, 2024 Goodman recording upon which her lawsuit is based indicating her file in the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System database was improperly accessed by Desrochers. Richardson instead indicates that the investigation into Desrochers' use of the database to obtain

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## County's Elected Officials, Subject To The Influence Of Hefty Donations From Franchise Holders, Determined Public Safety Considerations Dictated That Ambulance Operators Needed Monopolies - Called Exclusive Operating Zones - To Be Able To Remain In Business *from page 3*

political donations to the sheriff, district attorney, members of the board of supervisors and mayors and council members of the county's cities to obtain for Mercy Ambulance what were with only a few slight exceptions exclusive operating contracts throughout most of the county, a hold they solidified when in the 1980s they created an air ambulance wing that offered rapid service to the county's remote desert areas.

Mercy had eliminated most or all of its competition throughout the county, particularly in the Inland and Central valleys and its incorporated cities and unincorporated area, from Chino to Montclair to Ontario to Upland to Rancho Cucamonga to Fontana to Rialto to Colton to San Bernardino to Grand Terrace to Loma Linda to Redlands. Ameri-

can Medical Response turned up in San Bernardino County in the very late 1970s, seeking to establish for itself a niche in the largest geographical county in the lower 48 states. At first AMR confined itself to servicing the wide-open expanse of the Mojave Desert, a place Mercy was willing to let the company operate, given that the calls were sporadic, drives were long and the profits marginal. At a certain point, American Medical Response was given the county franchise pertaining to unincorporated areas of the county, that is, those places other than where there were established cities.

Having expended their youth in the fight against one another and their early- and middle age in perfecting their monopoly, by late middle age, Aerts, Reed, Dickmeyer and Russ

were at last ready to enjoy the fruits of their constant efforts, at which point they were persuaded to sell out to AMR.

Through close observation of how Mercy had operated or corporate takeover osmosis or both, AMR's executives, as soon as the company had established itself as San Bernardino County's largest ambulance service provider, began to emulate Mercy's formula of making hefty and consistent political donations to the county's incumbent politicians, recognizing the ease with which San Bernardino County officials can be influenced in their decision-making process through contributions to their election campaigns.

For more than three decades, AMR enjoyed primacy as San Bernardino County's main ambulance service provider, as the sheer volume of money it made through those operations advantaged it beyond all of its possible competitors so that it could make donations typically in the range of \$5,000 to the members of the county board of supervisors and \$1,000 donations to

mayors and city council members per election cycle.

Coexistent with AMR holding the upper hand among ambulance service providers was the concept of exclusive operating zones, which had come into vogue prior to American Medical Response's arrival in San Bernardino County.

Decades ago, San Bernardino County, 3,132-square mile Mono County and 10,227-square mile Inyo County, which together form a huge portion of California's massive desert outback, had banded together to create the joint powers authority ICEMA – the Inland Counties Emergency Medical Agency – which oversees emergency service provision issues in San Bernardino, Mono and Inyo counties. In a show of uncommon trust, both Mono County and Inyo County agreed to allow the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors serve as the governing board of ICEMA. ICEMA conferred upon American Medical Response favored status in San Bernardino County that would rival that

of Mercy Ambulance a generation before.

In its wisdom, the ICEMA board came to the conclusion that there should be extensive areas in San Bernardino County, Inyo County and Mono County where one ambulance company has not only primacy but a virtual monopoly in that it, and only it, is authorized and licensed to function there under normal circumstances. In San Bernardino County, Mercy and then AMR filled that role.

The ostensible rationale for granting these monopolies is that operating ambulances is an expensive proposition, not to mention one that is crucial to public health and safety. Competition between ambulance companies has the potential, or so the reasoning goes, of driving down the prices those companies charge to the point that their operations will not be profitable enough for them to remain in business. Upon these ambulance companies going out of business, the public would be put into a position where there would be insufficient emergency medical

transportation service available to ensure public safety. Thus, those arrangements – the exclusive operating zones – have been established.

In this way, San Bernardino County was divided – for purposes of ambulance service – into 26 exclusive operating zones.

Certain entities disputed that the exclusive operating zones are necessary, asserting the county's politicians were using them as a ploy by which they filled their campaign coffers through inculcating a pay-to-play ethos into the county's governmental function in which the company or companies favored with the exclusive operating zones made heavy contributions to their political benefactors in exchange for being granted that exclusive operational status. Some who criticized the existence of exclusive operating zones maintained the monopolistic system has long endangered public safety. One of those was the county's firefighters' union, known as Local 935, which as

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## Shemale Volleyball Coach Maneuvered Into Position With School District's Connivance *from front page*

Union High School District agreed to allow Quach, under the name of Alice Quach, to serve as a walk-on coach of the girl's volleyball team at Etiwanda High.

Quach was given the assignment of the freshman girls' volleyball team coach.

At least some of the players on the Etiwanda team expressed concerns about Quach to their parents and school officials. Some parents vocalized their misgivings about Quach, extending to his/her access to the girls locker room and restrooms, to Etiwanda High Athletic Director Donald Furnald, Assistant Principal of Educational Services Colby Helper and ultimately Etiwanda High School Principal

Russell Mac Wolfe. According to two of those parents, they were met first with denials and, subsequently, accusations of prejudice and homophobia.

This prompted an inquiry to the California Department of Education in Sacramento with regard to Quach. The California Department of Education cataloged the inquiry as "frivolous." Two sets of parents then contacted authorities outside of California.

According the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, "Rancho Cucamonga Station detectives received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) concerning the upload of child sexual abuse material. During the investigation, Adam Quach was identified as the suspect. Investigators located several images and videos of child sexual abuse

material in Quach's electronic devices."

The department reported, "On Thursday, September 24, 2026, at the conclusion of the investigation, Quach was arrested and booked at the West Valley Detention Center in Rancho Cucamonga for violation of PC 311.11(a) - Possession of Child Pornography."

Quach was taken into custody at Chaffey College at 11:30 a.m. on September 24. He was held in lieu of \$50,000 bail. Bond on his behalf was provided and he was released from custody at 3:53 a.m. on September 25.

Sonja Shaw, the president of the Chino Valley Unified School District Board of Trustees who has been at the forefront of the movement in California resisting both the accommodation and promotion of transsexuality in public school settings as well as opposing supporting transsexuals in

their gender transition by allowing them to assume an identity on campus that is different from those they maintain with their families and in other contexts, was instrumental in bringing the Chaffey Union High School District's dilemma with Quach to light.

Shaw was the top finisher in the June Primary in the race for California superintendent of public instruction, and is now engaged in a runoff against Richard Barrera in the upcoming November 3 election.

"This is the exact nightmare we have been warning about," Shaw said. "This is not hypothetical. This is not a political talking point."

Calling the incident and the Chaffey Union High School District's reaction to it "insane," Shaw in a social media video said, "A high school volleyball coach was just arrested for child pornography and the school's priority in

their letter to parents: protecting his pronoun. They called him 'Coach Alice.' They assured parents 'she' will not be on campus and they tried to calm everyone down by claiming law enforcement said 'the charges were unrelated to our school.' Unrelated? Etiwanda hired a 20-year-old biological male to coach 14-year-old and 15-year-old girls. They hid the fact from parents, telling everyone he was a woman named 'Alice.' Parents are coming forward, saying he was using the girls' restrooms and present in their locker rooms. Unrelated does not mean he did not have access to those girls. It does not mean he wasn't in their private facilities meant for them – young women, young girls. It absolutely does not mean parents were told the truth about an alleged predator who had access to their daughters. It is time for action. Call the district. Ask them when

they ran the background check. Ask exactly who signed off on giving a 21-year-old biological male access to high school girl while calling himself 'Coach Alice.' This is the exact predator playground that California has created. Under California's rules, a man who says he is a woman gets to have the keys to your girls' locker rooms and restrooms. This is predatory policy."

Once information about Quach's arrest went public, Etiwanda High Principal Russell Mac Wolfe in a letter to parents said, "We recently learned that Coach Alice who had just joined staff as an assistant coach for the freshman team was arrested by law enforcement. Although we don't know all the details, we have been assured by law enforcement that the charges were unrelated to our school or anyone at our school."

*-Mark Gutglueck*

## Goodman's Lawyer Maintains The Police Chief, Who Was Broadly Supported By The Balance Of The City Council, Was Driven To Professional & Personal Distraction By Ortiz *from page 4*

information about Ortiz was not completed as of August 29, 2024 and that Ortiz launched an attack on Goodman when the investigation failed to reach the preconceived conclusion that Ortiz wanted.

"Following plaintiff's [i.e., Goodman's] failure to validate Ortiz's unsubstantiated allegations, Ortiz commenced a sustained campaign of harassment, intimidation, and retaliation against plaintiff, conducted through and under the authority of her elected office."

Ortiz's vote against providing Goodman with a raise constituted retaliation, according to Richardson.

"At a public city council meeting at which the criminal charges against her were read into the record, Ortiz retaliated against plaintiff by voting against a routine executive-classification salary adjustment and publicly singling out plaintiff's compensation," according to the lawsuit.

The lawsuit further suggests that in exercising her fiduciary authority in another incidence, Ortiz's contempt for Goodman was manifest.

"Most recently, on or about August 6, 2026, plaintiff wrote city representatives about what seemed to be Ortiz's attempts to prevent the SBPD [San Bernardino Police Department] from getting approval to submit a funding request in response to a notice of funding opportunity from the Model Cities Initiative (MCI). Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Ortiz had the item removed from the agenda, and made inaccurate and misleading statements to thwart SBPD's attempts to take advantage of a significant funding opportunity. Plaintiff stated in that letter that he believed Ortiz's actions to be yet another act of the continuing retaliation

that she directed toward him, through punishing the [police] department's attempt to gain funding, and through undermining the authority plaintiff expected to normally operate in. In short, plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that even functions that SBPD, through its chief, a mutually understood matter of course were now subject to undue scrutiny by Ortiz that undermined plaintiff's attempts to do his job in obtaining badly needed funding for SBPD."

Moreover, according to Richardson, Ortiz's standing as a councilwoman imbued her personal criticisms of the police chief with a false authority.

"Throughout the conduct described above, Ortiz used city resources to attack plaintiff, including her official title and elected office, City Hall and its facilities as a backdrop, city time, and her official City-sanctioned social media accounts" to attack Goodman, the lawsuit states. "Ortiz weaponize[d] her elected office against the chief."

In making the case against Ortiz contained in the lawsuit, Richardson relied on a number of items that were contained in the resolution of censure passed by the city council as well as the language included in the cease and desist letter. Those included the city's contention that Ortiz had in April 2025 posted a video to her social media channels announcing she had filed a legal claim against the city while at the same time claiming the city has a reputation of mismanagement, corruption, and operating with disregard for the rule of law, asserting that violations are ignored and power is abused. Goodman's lawsuit utilized the city's assertions that in pushing for an investigation of the misuse of the law enforcement databases, Ortiz's

"allegations of being targeted were presented as fact, despite being unsupported by conclusive evidence." Richardson further relied on the city's assertion that the lawsuit Ortiz "initiated against the parties" and "the factual basis for [her] claims, remains unresolved and unproven."

In making accusations against Goodman that the department had failed to follow through on a thorough investigation of the use of the CLETS data for political purposes while she was serving in the capacity of a city council member, Richardson suggested, just as the city council had in its resolution of censure and cease and desist letter that Ortiz's action "constitutes conduct that can reasonably be perceived as harassing, derogatory, and damaging to the professional reputations of city employees."

Richardson repeated the city council's assertion that Ortiz in referencing alleged corruption within the city and the police department and subsequently making statements directly attacking the character, credibility and integrity of city staff, had done so after she "had been informed [her] claims were false and dishonest, rendering [her] continued repetition of those allegations based on knowing indifference to factual findings."

The lawsuit also rehashed the cease and desist letter's claim that Ortiz knew her "legal claim to be frivolous, filed in bad faith, dishonest, and an improper attempt to obtain money from the city."

Despite utilizing the city's resolution of censure and the cease and desist letter sent to Ortiz as much of the documentation of the factual basis upon which to base the lawsuit and back his own claims of wrongdoing by the councilwoman, he delaying its action against Ortiz, leaving Goodman to twist in the wind.

"The city knew of Ortiz's conduct for many months – including through Chief

Goodman's repeated complaints to the city manager and his formal February 2, 2026 written complaint of harassment, retaliation, and abuse of authority – and did nothing meaningful to protect him until it issued the belated cease-and-desist letter and censure."

The suit states, "A great deal of damage has been done by the city, through not only the actions of Ortiz, but the indifference of the city in reigning those activities in, while they were done under the cloak of city legitimacy, using the city's resources. In short, Ortiz weaponized her office – while the city watched, to undermine the credibility of Chief Goodman through thwarting the progress of SBPD. As a direct, foreseeable, and proximate result of the conduct alleged herein, plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer economic harm, including lost employment and consulting opportunities and a loss of earning capacity, and injury to his professional reputation."

Without marshaling much in the way of proof, Richardson in the lawsuit suggested that Goodman, who is African American, was being discriminated against on that basis.

"Plaintiff was subjected to discrimination, harassment, and/or discriminatory and retaliatory policies, practices and procedures based upon his race," the lawsuit states.

Near the end of the suit 23-page lawsuit, on page 22, Richardson included, as part of the sixth and last cause of action, some language that either was intentionally included to give Goodman an earlier exit from his post of police chief into retirement than was previously thought would be the case or which inadvertently is complicating the prospect that Goodman can remain as police chief in San Bernardino.

That paragraph reads, "As a direct, foreseeable, and proximate result of Ortiz's conduct, plaintiff suffered severe emotional distress, including

humiliation, anxiety, and chronic insomnia requiring prescription medication and therapy, in an amount to be proven at the time of trial. The aforementioned conduct constitutes malice, oppression, or fraud, thereby entitling plaintiff to punitive damages."

A cross section of San Bernardino residents – ones from all walks of life, ranging from those who are intense supporters of Ortiz, others who have expressed intense antipathy toward her, those who are apolitical and indifferent to developments impacting members of the city council or the contention and rivalry that exists among those members to supporters of the police department in general and the only slightly smaller subset of that group who are passionate supporters of Goodman and regard him as an almost deific figure – there was a uniform sense of shock at what Richardson had disclosed.

That put the ball squarely in the court of the mayor and city council. On Wednesday, October 7, the council is set to meet in a closed session, one from which Ortiz is virtually certain to be excluded, to discuss what action the council is to take with regard to Goodman's lawsuit. Under different circumstances, that discussion might simply confine itself as to what preparations the city should make in defending against the suit or what stance to take in seeking to come to a negotiated settlement with Goodman and Richardson to put the litigation behind the city and behind Goodman so that there can be a resolution which allow him to focus on the operation of the police department. Richardson's faux pas, if indeed it was a faux pas, in letting the cat out of the bag with regard to Goodman having to be medicated in order to show up work every day and deal with Ortiz as one of his political masters. That the police chief has to be constantly drugged just to get through the day is concept and situa-

tion so antithetical to the culture of policing and the police profession on a multitude of levels that his immediate placement on administrative appears to be the first order of the council's business on October 7 if Goodman does not take action first by voluntarily suspending his status as chief for as long as he must until his need for the pharmaceuticals can be set aside.

The *Sentinel* spoke with individuals at, and surrounding, the heart of the city's decision-making process in the aftermath of the filing of Goodman's lawsuit.

"None of this is a surprise," one said. "We haven't been properly served yet, as far as I know. I haven't seen the lawsuit. I saw the precursor – the claim – of course. We rejected that, so we knew a lawsuit was at least possible, but I think most of us hoped it wouldn't come to this."

Of Goodman, it was said, "He is a smart and very capable professional with a great record in law enforcement. He is highly skilled and educated quality guy. He just didn't want to put up with what he had to anymore. She [Ortiz] created a hostile work environment. He just didn't want to put up with what he had to anymore. In his claim, he said we didn't stop her from harassing him. I don't see where we could have done much more than what we did. There is a limitation on what you can do with someone who is elected. She was censured. I had hoped that he would see that she wasn't really a threat. It's not like she had control of the council. A majority of the council had his back. Having an enemy or two comes with working in the public sector. It would have been nice if he could have hung on. He just decided it would be better to sue."

Goodman's admission that he is on medication is problematic, the *Sentinel* was told.

"Sedated?" the official responded when the question was brought up. "That sounds strong. *Continued on Page 14*

**Board Majority Wants Relevance & Free Expression As Opposed To Political Advocacy In District’s Educational Approach**  
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education... history-social science instruction... courses of study... curriculum development and evaluation... selection and evaluation of instructional materials... supplementary instructional materials... student and family privacy rights)... freedom of speech/expression... [and] student organizations and equal access.)

The revamped policy, contained within Section 6144 of the district’s policy manual, first adopted in June of 1995 and revised in January of 2015, added this language, “The district recognizes that school libraries provide students with access to materials that support an understanding of the history, government, civic institutions, and diverse perspectives of the United States. To support a comprehensive

understanding of the nation’s history and civic life, school libraries shall provide access to age-appropriate materials and a balanced selection of library content. Such materials shall be selected and evaluated in accordance with established district policies and procedures governing library materials. For additional provisions regarding the selection, evaluation, and management of library materials, refer to Board Policy 6163.1: Library Media Centers.”

Further preserved was the previously existing portion of the district policy that stated, “When providing instruction related to a controversial issue, the following guidelines shall apply:

1. The topic shall be suitable to the age and maturity of the students.
2. Instruction shall be presented in a balanced manner, addressing all sides of the issue without bias or prejudice and without promoting any particular point of view.

3. No student’s viewpoint shall be suppressed, provided such expression is not malicious or abusive toward others.

In another venue, language in the existing policy was preserved with an adjustment. That portion of the existing language in the policy which stated, “Students shall be assured of their right to form and express an opinion without jeopardizing their relationship with the teacher or school” and the following was added to the remainder of the sentence “or grades or being subject to discrimination, retaliation, or discipline, provided the viewpoint does not constitute harassment, threats, intimidation, or bullying or is otherwise unlawful.”

Preserved was this sentence: “Students shall be informed of conduct expected during such instruction and the importance of being courteous and respectful of the opinions of others. “

Throughout California, the public education

system has reflected the attitudes and mindset of the teachers functioning as the predominant element of the schools in which 5,731,260 students from kindergarten through grade 12 are enrolled. Virtually all of them are members of local chapters of the California Teachers Association, which represents 310,000 educators across California’s public schools and colleges, including teachers, counselors, psychologists, librarians, education support professionals, school nurses, higher education faculty and staff, and retired educators. As such, it is the second largest public employee union in California, the Service Employees International Union which boasts 750,000 members. In terms of party registration, public school teachers overwhelmingly are affiliated with the Democratic Party over the Republican Party at a ratio of nearly 3-to-1. Surveys show 84 percent of California’s educators during the 2022 election

cycle supported Democrats, with 92 percent of the political contributions made by teachers supporting Democrats.

Olson, a Republican, says this affiliation has carried over into a bias in the classroom and in the selection of teaching materials.

The Redlands School District fell into line with the majority of the state’s school districts over the last three to four decades in terms of its board composition. That changed with the 2024 election, when Olson and Wilson, both Republicans, were elected. Their presence on the board, in conjunction with the centrist Michelle Rendler, broke what was commonly perceived as a liberal coalition’s vicegrip on the district, which provoked a concerted display of protest at multiple school board meetings in early 2025, which in turn pushed Rendler further into the Olson/Wilson camp. This allowed Olson and Wilson, led by the far more vocal Olson, to

push for the adoption of district policies extending to banning all flags, banners and symbols other than the United States, California, U.S. military and school flags – aimed at the homosexual pride flag in particular – from district campuses; a requirement that teachers inform parents if their children have adopted in the school/classroom setting a gender identity at odds with the one assigned them at birth and removing those books from the district’s school libraries that had overtly sexual content.

Olson and to a lesser extent Wilson and Rendler have come in for criticism over their espousing of patriotic values while simultaneously seeking to curtail the expression of viewpoints at odds with their own and their embrace of “conservative values” that blurs the distinction between constitutional conservatism, financial conservatism and social conservatism.

-Mark Gutglueck

**2026 City And Town Council Candidate Statements**

**Chino City Council District 2 Incumbent Marc Lucio**

Over the past eight years, it has been my privilege to serve the residents of Chino on the City Council. I have focused on delivering results that improve our community and protect our quality of life.

Working with our state legislative delegation, I, along with the council, helped secure legislation authorizing the City to purchase the Heman G. Stark property from the State of California and coordinated the transfer of Euclid Avenue from the State to the City, giving Chino greater local control over one of our most important corridors.

Representing The Preserve, I worked along with my colleague and the Chino Valley Unified School District to bring a second elementary school to the community, which opened in 2024. I also worked

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**Rancho Cucamonga Mayoral Hopeful Michael R. Perez, former public employee**

I am retired with experience that includes developing core pillars of proper development – sensible residential Master Planning, improving public safety, reduce city crime rate, improve school’s safety and environment for our children. Strengthening our business community through balanced development. Increase our open space/parks and work with community leaders to strengthen our core values and work ethic. Finish Central Park.

I’ll advocate for fiscal accountability to reduce financial burden of our residents – advocating to reduce the costly state mandates and outside influences.

My experience includes being part of Chino Hills master planning - premiere community. Working for

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**Rancho Cucamonga Mayoral Hopeful Lynne B. Kennedy, incumbent councilwoman**

Mayor Pro Tem / City Council

For more than 40 years, Rancho Cucamonga has been my home. I am committed to protecting what makes our city exceptional while preparing for its future.

During my 12 years on the City Council and as your current Mayor Pro Tem, I have helped keep Rancho Cucamonga one of California’s best places to live, work, and raise a family. Together, we have maintained balanced budgets and strong financial reserves, invested in public safety—helping make Rancho Cucamonga the safest city in the Inland Empire—improved infrastructure, and supported responsible economic development.

As a teacher, school superintendent, and pub-

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**Rancho Cucamonga District 2 City Council Hopeful Dejonae Marie Shaw, licensed vocational nurse**

Hi Neighbor,

I’m DeJonae Shaw, a licensed vocational nurse and union leader, running to serve you on our City Council.

I believe our part of Rancho Cucamonga deserves the same investment and opportunity as the rest:

- Housing we can afford
- Jobs that pay living wages
- Faster emergency and police response
- Potholes filled and sidewalks repaired
- More support for small businesses
- Youth programs that open doors

That’s the work I’ll do as your councilmember. I know what working families need, because I’ve

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**Rancho Cucamonga Mayoral Hopeful Oliver King, small business owner**

5th Generation Rancho Cucamonga resident; Married with Four Children;

Small Business Owner; Attorney; Active Community Volunteer;

Bachelor’s Degree; Juris Doctorate.

Goals:

- Curtailing Overdevelopment

It’s time to reclaim Rancho’s heritage – history, quality of life, and scenic living. I will prioritize neighborhood renewal and de-emphasize overdevelopment.

- Housing The Homeless

I will work with both private and public sectors to remove the homeless from our streets quickly, including the Pacific Electric Trail, and do so with

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**Rancho Cucamonga District 2 City Council Hopeful David VanGorden, retired police officer**

Homelessness. Responsible Growth. Fiscal Responsibility. Accessible Government.

These are the issues I hear about most from Rancho Cucamonga residents, and they will be my priorities on the City Council.

We must address homelessness with practical, compassionate solutions that improve public safety while helping those who genuinely want assistance. We must ensure new development keeps pace with roads, public safety, water resources, and other essential infrastructure. Growth without infrastructure is not progress.

We must be responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars. Every major expenditure should provide a clear benefit to residents and reflect our community’s high-

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The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as  
CAN DO SERVICES 223 SOUTH RIVERSIDE AVENUE RIALTO, CA 92376: TERESA D ARNETT  
Business Mailing Address: 11171 OAKWOOD DR APT G303 LOMA LINDA, CA 92354  
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on: JANUARY 08, 2017  
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/ TERESA D ARNETT, Owner  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 08/04/2026  
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 K9232  
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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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: BRUCE DOUGLAS WINTERS  
CASE NO. PROV 2600033  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of BRUCE DOUGLAS WINTERS: a petition for probate has been filed by DESTINY WINTERS in the Superior

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Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DESTINY WINTERS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.  
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A hearing on the petition will be held October 6, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at  
San Bernardino County Superior Court Victorville District  
Department V15 - 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.  
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
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SUMMONS – (CITACION JUDICIAL)  
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YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:  
(LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):  
NATIONWIDE MUTUAL INSURANCE 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 DIAS 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 corte que le de un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte 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

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abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un a un abogado, es posible que cumpia con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratu 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 poniendose 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 vaoir 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 desear el caso.  
The name of the court is: Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino San Bernardino District-Civil Division  
The address of the court: (La direccion de la corte es): 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415  
The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Michael Deal, Esquire (SBN 279480) Schneider, Hosmer & Ackert 18500 Von Karman Ave #300 Irvine, CA 92612 (949) 250-5536 DATE (Fecha): 06/02/2026 Clerk of the Court (Secretario), by Alexis Camacho, Deputy  
Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on September 11, 18 & 25 and October 2, 2026.

SUMMONS – (CITACION JUDICIAL)  
CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO) 26PSCV01357  
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:  
(AVISO DEMANDADO): BRANDON JULIAN WILSON HERNANDEZ; and DOES 1 to 10  
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:  
(LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): LORRAINE RENEE DELGADO  
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without you 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 re-

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quirements. 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 DIAS 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 corte que le de un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte 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 a un abogado, es posible que cumpia con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratu 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 poniendose 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 vaoir 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 desear el caso.  
The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y la direccion de la corte es): West Covina Courthouse 1427 West Covina Parkway West Covina, CA 91790  
The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): M&Y Personal Injury Lawyers 6300 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 807 Los Angeles, CA 90048 (877) 850-6500 DATE (Fecha): 04/14/2026 David W. Slayton Clerk of

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the Court (Secretario), by A. Gutierrez, Deputy  
STATEMENT OF DAMAGES  
(Personal Injury or Wrongful Death)  
Case Number: 26PSCV01357 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1427 W West Covina Pkwy, West Covina, CA 91790, West Covina Courthouse. Plaintiff: Lorraine Renee Delgado; Defendant: Brandon Julian Wilson Hernandez; and DOES 1 to 10. To Brandon Julian Wilson Hernandez. Plaintiff: Lorraine Renee Delgado seeks damages in the above-entitled action, as follows: 1. General Damages: a. Pain, suffering and inconvenience \$1,000,000.00; b. Emotional distress \$1,000,000.00. 2. Special Damages: a. Medical expenses (to date) \$8,218.08; b. Future medical expenses (present value) \$150,000.00. Dated: April 20, 2026. Sarah Lopez, Esq., Attorney for Plaintiff.  
Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on September 11, 18 & 25 and October 2, 2026.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME  
CASE NUMBER CIV SB 2625802  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner VAN THY THI NGO filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
VAN THY THI NGO to CYNDEE THI NOWDEN  
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: October 27, 2026 Time: 8:30 a.m. Department: S17 Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino San Bernardino District-Civil Division The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 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.  
Joseph T. Ortiz Judge of the Superior Court.  
Jocelin Acosta, Deputy Clerk of the Court  
Dated: September 10, 2026  
Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on September 11, 18 & 25 and October 2, 2026.

ABANDONMENT OF A BUSINESS NAME  
FBN20260007850  
The following entity doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as  
TOWN SQUARE FLO-RIST 4246 RIVERSIDE DRIVE CHINO, CA 91710: LYLE W. BALLARD [and] NANCY C. CHENG-BALLARD is abandoning its fictitious business name. The original FBN number was FBN20220007070. The original date of filing was 07/18/2022.  
Business Mailing Address: 4246 RIVERSIDE DRIVE CHINO, CA 91710  
The business is conducted by:

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A MARRIED COUPLE.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 07/18/2007.  
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/ LYLE W. BALLARD  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 08/25/2026  
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 I4100  
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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FBN20260008039  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as  
CONNECTION THERAPY 7162 BRENO PL RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91701: MYRIAM REIGSTAD  
Business Mailing Address: 7349 MILLIKEN AVE #140 PMB 97 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730  
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A.  
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.  
/s/ MYRIAM REIGSTAD, Owner  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 08/31/2026  
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 K7211  
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
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FBN 20260007548  
The following person is doing business as: INFINITY 27497 CAMINO VACUNA MENIFEE CA 92585;[ MAILING ADDRESS 27497 CAMINO VACUNA MENIFEE CA 92585]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO IRMA SANTAELLA  
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/ IRMA SANTAELLA, OWNER  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 08/13/2026 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 it-

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self 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 08/21/2026, 08/28/2026, 09/04/2026, 09/11/2026 CN-BB34202601MT

FBN 20260007924  
The following person is doing business as: JCNAILS 4288 HOLT BLVD UNIT #5 MONTCLAIR CA 91763;[ MAILING ADDRESS 4288 HOLT BLVD UNIT #5 MONTCLAIR CA 91763]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO JC BEAUTY UNION LLC 4288 HOLT BLVD UNIT #5 MONTCLAIR CA 91763 STATE OF ORGANIZATIONCA ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION B20260242043 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/ GUJIA LIU, MANAGING MEMBER  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 08/14/2026 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 law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel 08/21/2026, 08/28/2026, 09/04/2026, 09/11/2026 CN-BB34202602MT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given that personal property in the following units will be sold at public auction pursuant to Sections 21701-21716 of the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act. A public lien sale will be conducted by www.storage treasures.com on the 2nd day of October 2026, at or after 10:00 am. The property is stored by AAA All American Storage Fontana located at 14918 Foothill Blvd, Fontana, CA 92335. Purchases must be made in CASH ONLY. Items are sold AS IS WHERE IS and must be removed at the time of sale. AAA All American Storage Fontana reserves the right to refuse any bid or cancel auction. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: miscellaneous personal and household goods stored by the following persons:

Unit Name  
D178 Monica Westphaln  
E087 Nathan Stanley Samp Jr.  
F082 Edmond R Marrufo  
Dated: 09/14/26  
Signed: Garrett Gossett  
storage treasures.com  
Sales subject to prior cancellation in the event of settlement between Owner and obligated party.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given that personal property in the following units will be sold at public auction pursuant to Sections 21701-21716 of the Cali-

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fornia Self-Service Storage Facility Act. A public lien sale will be conducted by www.storage treasures.com on the 2nd day of October 2026, at or after 9:00 am. The property is stored by All American Storage Ontario located at 505 S. Mountain Avenue, Ontario, CA 91762. Purchases must be made in CASH ONLY. Items are sold AS IS WHERE IS and must be removed at the time of sale. All American Storage Ontario reserves the right to refuse any bid or cancel auction. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: miscellaneous personal and household goods stored by the following persons:

Unit Name  
C031 Justin A Martin  
C037 Maanami Butler  
C038 Luis Zambrano  
D032 Carlos Zaragoza  
D071 Valerie Banuelos  
D080 Juan Salvador Santos Aviles  
Dated: 09/16/2026  
Signed: Garrett Gossett  
storage treasures.com  
Sales subject to prior cancellation in the event of settlement between Owner and obligated party.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JOYCE LETHENE COOPER CASENO.PROVA2600236

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of JOYCE LETHENE COOPER: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JOHN McCOY in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JOHN McCOY 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-4 at 9:00 a.m. on November 5, 2026. San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District Department F4 – 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.

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Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for John McCov: ANTONIETTE JAU-REGUI (SBN 192624) 1894 COMMERCENTER WEST, SUITE 108 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408 Telephone No: (909) 890-2350 Fax No: (909) 890-0106 ajprobatelaw@gmail.com Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on September 18 & 25 and October 2, 2026.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: YUANZI JIN

CASE NO. PRO-VA2600710

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of YUANZI JIN: a petition for probate has been filed by YABIN WANG in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that YABIN WANG 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 October 27, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at

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.

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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.

YABIN WANG, In Pro Per

13531 WILD MAPE CT. RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739  
Phone: (206) 669-5131  
Email: yabin.wang@gmail.com

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER CIVSB2626349

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SETH CURTIS-SHANE RAKESTRAW filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

SETH CURTIS-SHANE RAKESTRAW to SETH CURTIS-SHANE TILLMAN 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: November 5, 2026  
Time: 8:30 a.m.  
Department: S28  
Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino  
San Bernardino District-Civil Division

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 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.

Joseph T. Ortiz  
Judge of the Superior Court.

Joshua Fear, Deputy Clerk of the Court  
Dated: September 16, 2026

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FBN20260008368  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

BASELINE DENTAL CARE 469 W BASELINE RD RIALTO, CA 92376: SAMIR SHAH DDS INC 469 W BASELINE RD RIALTO, CA 92376

Business Mailing Address: 469 W BASELINE RD RIALTO, CA 92376

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered

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with the State of California.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: March 08, 2010.

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/ SAMIR SHAH, President  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/10/2026

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 K9282

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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FBN20260008393  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

HUMMINGBIRD FINANCIAL SERVICES 16559 ESCALON DR FONTANA, CA 92336: MILENA MAHECHA

Business Mailing Address: 16559 ESCALON DR 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 10, 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/ MILENA MAHECHA, Owner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/10/2026

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 K6627

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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FBN20260008639  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

JR. COMMUNICATIONS 13115 14TH STREET CHINO, CA 91710: JORGE REYNAGA

Business Mailing Address: 13115 14TH STREET CHINO, CA 91710

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: September 14, 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/ JORGE REYNAGA, Owner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/18/2026

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 K9236

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from

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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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FBN20260008171  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

PROMASTER BUILDER 825 E 9TH ST UPLAND, CA 91786: ALEX CORTEZ.

Business Mailing Address: 825 E 9TH ST UPLAND, CA 91786

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

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

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

/s/ ALEX CORTEZ, Owner  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/04/2026

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

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

GOLDEN ROSE COLLECTION 13782 BEAR VALLEY ROAD SUITE D3 VICTORVILLE, CA 92395: SAMANTHA H WANG

Business Mailing Address: 13782 BEAR VALLEY ROAD SUITE D3 PMB 1009 VICTORVILLE, CA 92395

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

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

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

/s/ SAMANTHA H WANG

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/17/2026

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 J8719

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FBN 20260006313  
The following person is doing business as: A&A RESTORATION 15828 DEL OBISBO RD FONTANA CA 92337;[ MAIL-

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ING ADDRESS 15828 DEL OBISBO RD FONTANA CA 92337; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO A&A RESTORATION, LLC. 15828 DEL OBISBO RD FONTANA CA 92337 STATE OF INCORPORATION CA ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION B20260264258

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/ ABEL LOPEZ, MANAGING MEMBER  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/06/2026 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 07/17/2026, 07/24/2026, 07/31/2026, 08/07/2026 CN-BB29202603MT CORRECTION DATES 08/21/2026, 08/28/2026, 09/04/2026, 09/11/2026

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

GEORGENA LANE Case NO. PROVA2600720

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of GEORGENA LANE A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Suzanne Frederick 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 the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority., Suzanne Frederick 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

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and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in Dept. F1 at 09:00 AM on 10/19/2026 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.

Stephen P. Janis:  
10788 Civic Center Drive  
Rancho Cucamonga CA 91730  
Telephone No: 909-980-0677

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Rancho Cucamonga on:  
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10/09/2026

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: GLORIA PHYLLIS SANTOS aka GLORIA ORTIZ SANTOS

CASE NO. PRO-VA2600724

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of GLORIA PHYLLIS SANTOS aka GLORIA ORTIZ SANTOS: a petition for probate has been filed by MARK PENMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION for Probate requests that MARK PENMAN 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 November 3, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at San Bernardino County

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Superior Court Fontana District

Department F2 - 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 de-liv-ery 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 Mark Penman:

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mralden123@gmail.com  
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE  
NUMBER CIV SB 2626578,

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner HANSSEN O CHAVEZ, filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: HANSSEN OBRIEN CHAVEZ to HANSSEN OBRIEN VELAZQUEZ-CORDON

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

Notice of Hearing:  
Date: 10/29/2026, Time: 08:30 AM, Department: S33The 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 SBSC Ontario in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.  
Dated: 09/17/2026  
Judge of the Superior

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Court: JOSEPH T ORTIZ  
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Ontario on 09/24/2026,  
10/01/2026, 10/08/2026,  
10/15/2026

FBN20260008019  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as  
THELMA G SMITH FAMILY CARE 632 E MAITLAND ST ONTARIO, CA 91761: JOE ANN PAMILTON  
Business Mailing Address: 632 E MAITLAND ST ONTARIO, CA 91761  
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on: OCTOBER 31, 2016  
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/ JOE ANN PAMILTON, Owner  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 08/28/2026

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 K9232

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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FBN20260008652  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as  
EZ & FAST JUNK REMOVAL 4361 MISSION BLVD SPC 128 MONTCLAIR, CA 91763: ISIDRO LOPEZ PANTALEON  
Business Mailing Address: 4361 MISSION BLVD SPC 128 MONTCLAIR, CA 91763  
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on: JANUARY 9, 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/ ISIDRO LOPEZ PANTALEON, Owner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/18/2026

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 K9236

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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FBN20260008113  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as  
VISUAL'S BY DREW 6099 RIVERSIDE AVE RIALTO, CA 92377: RASDAR LLC 407 E FOOTHILL BLVD RIALTO, CA 923376  
Business Mailing Address: 6099 RIVERSIDE AVE RIALTO, CA 92377  
The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of

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California.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on: SEPTEMBER 02, 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/ JACQUELINE M COVARRUBIAS, Managing Member  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/02/2026

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 K9277

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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FBN20260005152  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as  
DJ MOTORS LLC 12520 RECHE CANYON COLTON, CA 92324: DJ MOTORS LLC 12520 RECHE CANYON RD COLTON, CA 92324

Business Mailing Address: 2097 E WASHINGTON ST STE 1E PMB 309

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered under the number B20260247559.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: May 26, 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/ DIEGO A MACEDO CAMACHO, CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 06/03/2026

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 K3379

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FBN 20260008053  
The following person is doing business as: RUEDA LABS 11575 CLARIDGE DRIVE RANCHO CUCAMONGA CA 91730:[ MAILING ADDRESS 11575 CLARIDGE DRIVE RANCHO CUCAMONGA CA 91730]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO JULIA M RODRIGUEZ  
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/ JULIA M RODRIGUEZ, OWNER  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/01/2026  
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original state-

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ment 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 09/04/2026, 09/11/2026, 09/18/2026, 09/25/2026 CN-BB36202601MT

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: SHIRLEY C. HESTER AKA SHIRLEY CATHERINE HESTER NO. P R O V V 2 6 0 0 3 3 1

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of SHIRLEY C. HESTER AKA SHIRLEY CATHERINE HESTER: a petition for probate has been filed by THOMAS HESTER in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that THOMAS HESTER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests full 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 November 4, 2026, at 9:00 AM in Department V15 . at Superior Court for San Bernardino County – Victorville District 14455 Civic Drive, Suite 200 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. 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

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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 Thomas Hester R. SAM PRICE SB 208603/ PRICE LAW FIRM, APC 454 Cajon Street REDLANDS, CA 92373 Phone (909) 328 7000 Fax (909) 475 9500 attorneys@pricelawfirm.com Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel October 2, 9 & 16, 2026.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE

N U M B E R CIVSB2627823

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner AUDRIE ANN CASILLAS filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

AUDRIE ANN CASILLAS to AUDRIE LAGUNAS MONTENEGRO

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: 11/04/2026, Time: 09:00 AM, Department: S24

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: 09/30/2026  
Mandy Gill, Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court  
Judge of the Superior Court: Joseph T Ortiz

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE

N U M B E R CIVSB2627818

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner KARLIE JANE CASILLAS filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

KARLIE JANE CASILLAS to KARLIE JANE LAGUNAS MONTENEGRO

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

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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: 11/04/2026, Time: 09:00 AM, Department: S23

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: 09/30/2026  
Nuvia Rivera, Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court  
Judge of the Superior Court: Joseph T Ortiz

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE

N U M B E R CIVSB2627930

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JAMES YOUNG CHOI filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

JAMES YOUNG CHOI to YOUNG WOOK CHOI

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: 11/19/2026, Time: 08:30 AM, Department: S25

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: 09/30/2026  
Mandy Gill, Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court  
Judge of the Superior Court: Joseph T Ortiz

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel October 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2026.

FBN20260008817  
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as  
ARK HOMES FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY 9645 ARROW ROUTE, BLDG 5 SUITE A RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91764: BUILDING BRIDGES FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY 2890 INLAND EMPIRE BLVD SUITE 100 ONTARIO, CA 91764  
Business Mailing Address: 9645 ARROW RTE, BLDG





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transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JUN 30, 2020 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/ JOSE Z MEDINA, GENERAL PARTNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/28/26 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 it-self 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 10/02/2026, 10/09/2026, 10/16/2026, 10/23/2026 CN-BB40202602MT

FBN 20260008806  
The following person is doing business as: SPLASHFLO POWER WASH. 5616 MA-

SON DR SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407;[ MAILING ADDRESS 5616 MASON DR SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SPLASHFLO POWER WASH LLC 2999 KENDALL DR STE 204, #1055 SAN BERNARDINO CA 92407 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION B20260418371 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/ MAXIMO MARQUEZ JR, MANAGING MEMBER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/24/26 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 it-

FBN 20260008879  
The following person is doing business as: MEJIA REPAIR. 1547 W 11TH ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92411;[ MAILING ADDRESS 1547 W 11TH ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92411]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO 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/ TOMAS MEJIA MACARIO, OWNER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/28/26 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original state-

FBN 20260008842  
The following person is doing business as: CLN DETAIL TRUCKS. 993 AUTUMN MIST LN SAN JACINTO, CA 92582;[ MAILING ADDRESS 993 AUTUMN MIST LN SAN JACINTO, CA 92582]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO YORDI D GARCIA LOPEZ 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

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The following person is doing business as: ATHLETICS MERCADO ALBAUGH. 1473 DORAL CT ONTARIO, CA 91761;[ MAILING ADDRESS 1473 DORAL CT ONTARIO, CA 91761]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO JACOB G ALBAUGH The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the

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**Lucio** *from page 7*

to resolve the chronic street flooding that once earned the neighborhood the nickname "Preserve Island" and partnered with The Lewis Group to bring a new neighborhood shopping center to serve local families.

I believe leadership is measured by results. I have worked collaboratively, listened to residents, and followed through on my commitments. I respectfully ask for your vote so I can continue serving Chino with integrity, experience, and a proven record of accomplishments.

Re-Elect "Marc Lucio" for Chino City Council

**Alexandris** *from page 3*

community causes because I believe strong communities are built through service.

My priorities are clear: Keeping our neighborhoods safe, investing in reliable infrastructure, addressing housing challenges with responsible planning, and ensuring fiscal responsibility with taxpayer dollars. Above all, I am committed to preserving the small-town character and sense of community that attracted so many families to Chino and continues

to make it a wonderful place to live.

**Kennedy** *from page 7*

lic servant, I know today's decisions shape tomorrow's opportunities. As Mayor, I will continue putting public safety first, protecting our neighborhoods, encouraging responsible growth, strengthening our local economy, and safeguarding the fiscal discipline that keeps our city strong.

I believe in listening, bringing people together, and making thoughtful decisions that preserve Rancho Cucamonga's exceptional quality of life.

I am proud to be endorsed by law enforcement and firefighters. Their support reflects my commitment to public safety and protecting the residents of Rancho Cucamonga.

I respectfully ask for your vote for Mayor.

Call me personally if you have any questions at (909) 353-0475.

www.Lynne4Mayor.com

**Burton** *from page 3*

sential services. We also completed extensive slurry seal and pavement improvement projects, preserving and improving our local streets.

My decisions have always been guided by integrity, accountability, and a commitment to public safety and fiscal responsibility. While we have accomplished much, there is more to do.

I will continue working to keep Chino financially strong, support public safety, improve our infrastructure, encourage responsible economic growth, and preserve the hometown values that define our community.

I respectfully ask for your vote so I can continue serving Chino with proven leadership, experience, and dedication.

**King** *from page 7*

dignity.

- Public Safety

We must focus on increasing safety in our neighborhoods, schools, and public areas by adding deputies, increasing patrols, and improving response times.

- Improve Traffic Congestion & Road Repair

I will prioritize infrastructure and road repairs but end daylight work to ease traffic congestion.

- Affordable housing
- It is critically important that affordable housing options are included in all future planning.
- Parks & recreation,

beautification

We must ensure new parks and recreational facilities are added to the city. I will also prioritize the beautification of our neighborhoods and public spaces so they are clean and safe.

Please contact me at [www.king4rancho.com](http://www.king4rancho.com).

Keep Rancho, Rancho!

**Alam** *from page 3*

As your Councilmember, I will focus on what matters most: ensuring infrastructure supports growth, public safety and services keep pace, taxpayers receive value, and diverse, multigenerational residents are heard.

I will advocate for safer school and quality education, safer streets, improved mobility, responsible growth, strong public safety, quality parks and services, thriving local businesses, and accessible transportation for all users.

I will work to strengthen Chino's policies and programs, responsibly oversee voter-approved measures and public funds, advance practical solutions to emerging challenges, and ensure accountability—turning residents' priorities into measurable results.

I respectfully request your vote for Chino City Council, District 3.

**Perez** *from page 7*

Sheriff's administration (budget, automation, and crime analysis). Built and modernized elementary/middle and high schools, and Special Ed schools. As a college vice president I worked in community college's, instructional staff

and community businesses. Building better schools and helping colleges with their accreditations – improving the learning experience for students and our community.

Resident for 42 years, married, three sons (sons served Navy, Army and Airforce). Born in Chino, attended Cal Poly, Pomona and obtained a bachelor of science in business administration. A strong supporter of our military service men and women.

Thank you for your support – Vote for Michael Perez as Mayor.

**Shaw** *from page 7*

overcome tough odds. When my family faced hardships, I helped raise my siblings, put myself through school, and built a career in healthcare. As the President of the Inland Empire Labor Council, I ensure working families get a real seat at the table.

I will bring these ex-

periences to advocate for you on the City Council and ensure we get our fair share from City Hall. I'll fight so Rancho Cucamonga families can afford to stay and build their futures here.

I would be honored to earn your vote. I invite you to share your priorities with me at [campaign@shawforrancho-cucamonga.com](mailto:campaign@shawforrancho-cucamonga.com) and visit:

[shawforrancho-cucamonga.com](http://shawforrancho-cucamonga.com)

**VanGorden** *from page 7*

est priorities. Just as importantly, your council member should be available before, during, and after the election. Residents deserve an elected official who answers questions, explains decisions, and remains accessible throughout their entire term not just when asking for votes.

With more than 30 years of public service, I understand that trust is earned through accountability, transparency, and keeping your word.

Together, we can protect the quality of life that has made Rancho Cucamonga one of California's best places to live while ensuring our city grows responsibly for future generations.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

## 2026 City And Town Council Candidate Statements

### Apple Valley Mayoral Hopeful David Dencker, construction safety coordinator

Hello Neighbors,

My name is David Dencker. I am 58 years old, have been happily married for 38 years. I am the father of three children, grandfather of four, and dog dad of two.

I have been a homeowner in Apple Valley for 17 years. Professionally, I work as a safety coordinator for a construction company, where accountability, planning and responsible stewardship are part of my everyday work.

My vision for Apple Valley is simple, Identify and eliminate unnecessary spending, increase transparency, and strengthen the communication between our town government and the public. Specifically, by holding monthly town halls.

Together with public input, develop a practical, long-term plan to improve our roads and keep our parks clean, safe, and well maintained.

This November, the people of Apple Valley deserve a real choice on the ballot. I would be honored to earn your trust and be that choice, a representative who is from the people for the people.

I am self-funding my campaign. I am not asking for donations. .

Thank you, and God bless Apple Valley

### Apple Valley District 3 Town Council Incumbent Kari Leon

Apple Valley has been my home for 49 years. As a former business owner, real estate broker, and your Mayor Pro Tem, I have worked to serve our community with honesty, integrity, and a commitment in doing what is right.

I am proud of what we have accomplished together:

- Strengthened Public Safety: Supported Measure P, which funded the addition of 8 new Sheriff's deputies and 1 sergeant to improve public safety in our community.
- Promoted Economic Growth: Worked to attract new businesses and jobs that create opportunities, increase investment, and strengthen our local economy.
- Protected Taxpayer Dollars: I will continue to ask tough questions, support balanced budgets, and ensure that essential services remain the town's highest priority.
- Planned for the Future: Continued advocacy for improved roads and infrastructure, responsible growth, property rights, and preserving Apple Valley's hometown values.

Serving this community has been a great honor. I would be grateful to continue working on your behalf.

### Goodman Is Already Qualified For A Very Generous Pension *from page 6*

He is apparently taking some sort of medication. A lot of people function, some at a pretty high level, under some medications. There are different types of drugs and just because you are medicated doesn't mean you are incapacitated. If he is taking something that would have a drastic impact, that is something else again.

We would need to know what medication is being administered to him and how strong it is. I am not capable of making that kind of determination. I am not a physician. I am sure it will come up during the closed session. I am not sure I or anyone will be able to talk about it, even if he is put on administrative leave."

There seemed to be a consensus that Goodman is not going to remain in San Bernardino for long. At present, Goodman has the backing of Councilman Ted Sanchez, Coun-

### Apple Valley Incumbent Mayor Scott Nassif

As an Apple Valley small business owner for 47 years, I've witnessed tremendous progress within our community, but I also believe that many opportunities lie ahead. For the past 24 years, you've trusted me to represent your values and vision on the Town Council and once again, I humbly ask for your vote this election.

I chose to raise my children with my wife, Susan, in Apple Valley because of our community's unique character, and I want to preserve that way of life. If I'm re-elected, I'm committed to:

- Strengthening Law Enforcement and Public Safety Programs in Apple Valley
- Continue Fiscal Responsibility and Transparency
- Enhancing our Roads and Infrastructure
- Expand our Community Events and Activities for Our families
- Attract More Living-Wage Jobs

I believe it is important for leadership to provide, stability, integrity, experience and listen to our residents as we make good decisions during good and bad economic times. I am happy to take on these responsibilities to continue Apple Valley's better way of life.

### Apple Valley District 4 Town Council Hopeful Matthew Rutledge, teacher

Apple Valley is our home, and our local government should reflect the values, priorities, and common sense of the residents it serves. As a local substitute teacher, I am running for Town Council to bring transparent, accessible, and practical leadership to District 4.

My priorities for Apple Valley focus on real, community-first solutions:

Practical Policies: Updating local regulations and code enforcement so they protect quality of life without creating unfair burdens on property owners.

Public Safety & Emergency Readiness: Ensuring our fire and emergency services have the support and infrastructure needed to keep neighborhoods safe and prepared.

Transparent Governance: Advocating for open decisions, fiscal accountability, and strong resident input on town spending and utility policy.

Smart Infrastructure: Improving road safety, enhancing local Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility, and preserving our high-desert lifestyle while planning responsibly for the future.

I am committed to being an independent, approachable voice who listens to residents and works tirelessly for our neighborhoods. I respectfully ask for your vote to bring balanced, common-sense representation to the Apple Valley Town Council.

cilman Juan Figueroa, Councilman Fred Shorett and Councilwoman Kim Knaus. Sanchez is on his way out, having placed third in the June primary election in the 1st Ward. Shorett is competing in the upcoming November election to remain as the representative of the 4th Ward. While Mayor Helen Tran and Goodman treat each other with a professional cordiality in public, there is tension between them. There have been persistent reports that if two or all three of those aligned

with her emerge victorious in the 1st Ward, 2nd Ward and 4th Ward elections in November, Tran, with the votes of Ortiz in the 7th Ward and that of Mario Flores in the 6th Ward, would use her influence over the council as it will then be composed to direct City Manager Eric Levitt to replace Goodman with someone of her choosing.

Goodman may not be interested in remaining in San Bernardino under any realistically foreseeable conditions. At present, he is being

### Apple Valley District 3 Town Council Hopeful Ted Bohanon

I am running for Town Council to restore financial sanity/ public trust/ and real accountability to Apple Valley.

For far too long Town Hall has increased spending while roads deteriorate, infrastructure falls behind and major projects remain unfinished. Residents should not be asked to pay more while salaries and administrative costs continue to rise. Our tax dollars must be put to work where residents can see and feel results.

I will oppose new tax increases and demand the town government live within its means. I will review department spending, eliminate waste and unnecessary administrative costs and redirect existing resources toward repairing roads/completing promised projects/modernizing infrastructure/strengthening public safety and protecting essential services.

I will require clear timelines, responsible budgets and measurable results for every major project. Residents deserve to know where their money is going, why projects are delayed, and who is accountable for delivering results.

Apple Valley belongs to its residents/ not its politicians. I will ask the tough questions, demand transparent line item budgeting, and ensure taxpayer priorities come before salary increases and government expansion. Less politics more results.

### Apple Valley District 4 Town Council Incumbent Curt Emick.

It has been an honor to serve you on the Apple Valley Town Council.

Since first being elected, we've worked together to improve our quality of life by balancing the budget, making our community safer by adding more sheriff's deputies (including eight deputies last year), preserving our parks and open spaces, and creating family events like our town's concerts in the park.

I've lived in Apple Valley with my wife Val for over 25 years. We have four children and eleven grandchildren. I have been a pharmacist for over 40 years and owned and operated my own local business for more than 20 years. My time in business and on the town council have given me the experience and knowledge to represent your interests.

If re-elected, I'm committed to:

- Continuing to support our local law enforcement.
- Maintaining our balanced budget and reserve fund.
- Attracting higher-paying jobs.
- Improving and maintaining our local streets and roads.

Apple Valley is a very special place to live. With your support, I will continue to fight to protect Apple Valley's "Better Way of Life."

paid \$376,549.46 in salary along with \$30,023 in perquisites and pay add-ons and another \$38,801 in benefits. He eclipsed his 34th year in law enforcement earlier this year and is moving toward his 35th year. Under the retirement formula used by both the California Public employees Retirement System and the San Bernardino Coutny Employees Retirement Association, both of which apply to him, he is due a pension equal to his highest salary times the number

of years he has been employed times 3 percent. Thus, he will receive an annual pension equal to his current salary or greater. Financial considerations are not likely to keep him in place as police chief.

That Goodman consented to Richardson making reference to his use of medication to deal with the stress of dealing with Ortiz into his lawsuit is widely seen as an indicator Goodman is ready to retire now.

# San Bernardino County Coroner Reports

Coroner’s Case #702605934: On Tuesday, 09/01/2026, at 12:34 a.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department responded to Bear Valley Road and Balsam Road in Victorville. Andreas Andreou, a 42-year-old resident of Victorville, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information contact San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 09/06/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605915: On Monday, 08/31/2026, at 07:11 a.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the 100 block of E. Big Bear Boulevard in Big Bear City for a traffic collision. Pedestrian Edgar Chavez, a 43-year-old resident of Riverside, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 09/06/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605909: On Sunday, 08/30/2026, at 08:14 p.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department responded to Bartlett Avenue and US Highway 395 in Adelanto. Juan Cruz Leon, a 34-year-old resident of Adelanto, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/30/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605904: On Sunday, 08/30/2026, at 04:16 p.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department responded to the 16000 block of Crater Road in Amboy. John Alexander Arpad, age 72, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 09/06/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605893: On Sunday, 08/30/2026, at 09:34 a.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department responded to the 11000 block of Peach Street in Hesperia. Cherry Ayres, a 44-year-old homeless resident of Hesperia, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 09/06/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605872: On Saturday, 08/29/2026, at 07:19 p.m., the Ontario Police Department responded to the 600 block of E. Main Street. Richard Gonzalez Soto, a 34-year-old resident of Rialto, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the Ontario Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/30/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605857: On Saturday, 08/29/2026, at 04:39 a.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the Eastbound Interstate 40 freeway east of Mile Marker 112 in Essex for a traffic collision. Driver Ashlynn Morehouse, a 24-year-old female resident of Aliso Viejo, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 09/06/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605827: On Thursday, 08/27/2026, at 10:59 a.m., the Barstow Police Department responded to the 400 block of Avenue H. Dennis Lapoint, a 48-year-old resident of Barstow was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the Barstow Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/29/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605820: On Thursday, 08/27/2026, at 07:37 a.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the Southbound Interstate 15 Freeway near Cleghorn Canyon in Phelan for a traffic collision. Motorcyclist Raymond Ramos, a 79-year-old resident of Claremont, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/29/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605818: On Thursday, 08/27/2026, at 02:21 a.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to Northbound Interstate 15 north of Cima Road in Mountain Pass for a traffic collision. Driver Jeremy Lawson, a 40-year-old resident of Las Vegas, Nevada, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/29/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605808: On Wednesday, 08/26/2026, at 01:08 p.m., the Rialto Police Department responded to the train tracks between Locust Avenue and S. Cedar Avenue, in Rialto for a traffic collision. Pedestrian Joshua Guadalupe Pardo-Penaloza, a 19-year-old resident of Rialto, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information contact the Rialto Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/29/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605805: On Wednesday, 08/26/2026, at 09:57 a.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department responded to Valley Boulevard west of Banana Avenue in Fontana. Leo Lacey, a 24-year-old resident of Blythe was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/29/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605797: On Tuesday, 08/25/2026, at 05:52 p.m. the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department responded to the 5900 block of Deep Creek Road in Apple Valley. Justin Sparks, a 47-year-old male resident of Apple Valley, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 09/06/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605782: On Tuesday, 08/25/2026, at 12:39 p.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department responded to State Highway 138 and Santa Fe Road in Hesperia. A 56-year-old male resident of San Bernardino, name withheld next of kin notification, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/29/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605767: On Monday, 08/24/2026, at 09:47 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to Southbound Interstate 15 Freeway south of Field Road in Harvard. Hsin-Ju Chuang, a 37-year-old resident of North Las Vegas, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/29/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605742: On Sunday, 08/23/2026, at approximately 06:21 p.m., the San Bernardino Police Department responded to W. 9th Street and N. Mountain Avenue in San Bernardino. A homeless male resident of San Bernardino, name withheld pending next of kin notification, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information contact San Bernardino Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/24/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605716: On Saturday, 08/22/2026, at 02:40 p.m., the Barstow Police Department responded to the 1800 block of E. Main Street. Allen Biffath, a 63-year-old male resident of Carnesville, GA, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the Barstow Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 09/06/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605710: On Saturday, 08/22/2026, at 07:20 a.m., the San Bernardino Police Department responded to the 400 block of E. 3rd Street. Anthony Armstrong, a 25-year-old resident of San Bernardino was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/24/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702605703: On Saturday, 08/22/2026, at 12:07 am, the San Bernardino Sheriff’s Department responded to Seventh Avenue and Lindero Street in Victorville for a traffic collision. Driver, Jarett Jesse James Juarez, a 23-year-old resident of Victorville, was transported to the hospital and pronounced dead at 12:51 a.m. For additional information contact the San Bernardino Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 08/24/2026)

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## Judge's Reversal Leaves AMR Out In The Cold *from page 5*

early as 2012 suggested the exclusive operating approach on occasion created shortages in the High Desert's ambulance transport system.

For years, the county's decision-makers ignored those warnings, responding that those shortages had never proven critical.

The overall situation with regard to emergency medical care in the field and emergency medical transport, however, has been gradually evolving for decades, with some of the more financially enabled jurisdictions in San Bernardino County having striven toward training their existing firefighting personnel with regard to lifesaving skills and rudimentary medical care, such that over the years fire departments, one by one, have made a practice of hiring firefighters who have taken fire science and paramedic courses at local community colleges.

The City of Ontario in the very late 1970s and early 1980s leapt ahead of virtually all of the governmental agencies in the region, with what was then its state-of-the-art emergency dispatch system. Multiple agencies on the west side of San Bernardino County contracted with Ontario to provide dispatch service, which was computer-assisted and run out of the basement of that city's fire department headquarters.

Between 2014 and 2019, the San Bernardino County Consolidated Fire Agencies – i.e., CONFIRE – put into place an even more refined and advanced dispatch system, one that had features the Ontario Fire Department dispatch system lacked. Consequently, many of the fire departments that had previously contracted with the Ontario Fire Department to handle their dispatch function allowed those contracts to elapse in favor of having CONFIRE take on that function.

In 2022, with the near monopoly that the private sector/for-profit ambulance companies had on certified/licensed paramedics in San Bernardino County in the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s having come to an end, the county entertained the concept of making two radical departures from its past practices with regard to ambulance service provision: 1) dispensing with merely “rolling over” what the county referred to as “a grandfathered process” that conferred most of the ambulance franchises on AMR by doing away with the exclusive operating zone concept entirely through opening up the bidding process and 2) considering public agencies as potential providers of ambulance service.

After seriously considering that option, the county on December 20, 2022 released a request for proposals – a solicitation of bids – inviting prospective providers to offer ground ambulance service in 11 of the county's 26 exclusive operating areas.

In what was a disappointment to many, no other private ambulance company than AMR responded to the request. Of note, however, San Bernardino County's Consolidated Fire Agencies – CONFIRE – also responded.

In its response to the solicitation for bids, AMR stated it could commit 12,889 weekly unit hours to respond to calls, had 111 ambulances available during peak system demand and stationed throughout the service area backed with 39 additional available ambulances available to meet surges. It emphasized that it was the current provider of the services with vehicle infrastructure in place and 10 managers and 18 field supervisors and a medical director familiar with the comprehensive needs of the service area. The company offered rates of \$3,958 for both basic life support and advanced life support, \$2,834 to carry out an interfacility transport, and \$4,392 for critical care transport.

In its response to the solicitation, CONFIRE said it would subcontract with Priority Ambulance, which also serves Maricopa County in Arizona and therefore could devote 10,371 weekly unit hours to respond to calls, had 93 ambulances available at peak demand, with 45 additional ambulances available to meet surges throughout the service area and that it will establish ambulance staging locations, put on-board personnel in place and acquire vehicles upon receiving the contract. It offered an assurance that it has leadership and management to meet the demands of providing the service, including nine managers and 18 operations supervisors as well as a medical director and that it controls the regional emergency services communication system. Its proposed rates for its advance life support service were \$3,547 for non-emergency and interfacility transfer, \$4,053 for emergency transport, \$2,533 for non-emergency basic life transport and \$3,167 for emergency basic life transport and CCT \$5,067 for critical care transport.

What the county referred to as an “independent review panel” made up of four evaluators individually scored each proposal on 14 key areas – system requirements, response time standards, clinical performance, deployment plans, vehicles, medical supplies and equipment, personnel, hospital and community requirements, disaster preparedness/response, quality management, electronic patient care reports, centralized emergency medical dispatch capability, financial and administrative requirements qualifications and future system enhancements – for the purpose of making a recommendation to the county for the final negotiation of contract terms. The total cumulative scores, against a standard with 1,720 points maximum, favored AMR, which registered 1,519 total points against 1,515 points for CON-

FIRE.

There was some nuance to the scoring, in that one of the evaluators favored AMR by 35 points, 419 to 384, while the other three evaluators found in favor of CONFIRE by scores of 383 to 373, 363 to 346 and 385 to 381.

With the competition having ended in a dead heat, the institutional bias within a governmental entity – the county – in favor of a consortium of governmental entities – CONFIRE – which was competing with a private sector entity was soon evident. Of no little import was that one of CONFIRE's constituent agencies was the county fire division. Nor did it hurt CONFIRE's case that when it came to handing out political donations, the union representing the firefighters with the Apple Valley Fire Protection District, the Chino Valley Independent Fire District, the Colton Fire Department, the Loma Linda Fire Department, the Rancho Cucamonga Fire Department, the Redlands Fire Department, the Rialto Fire Department, the San Bernardino County Fire District, the Victorville Fire Department, the Big Bear Fire Department, the Montclair Fire Department, the Running Springs Fire District and the San Manuel Fire Department and the firefighters themselves had proven every bit as and even more generous than AMR.

There was also, county officials said, a financial incentive in choosing CONFIRE that did not exist in allowing AMR to keep the ambulance franchise.

Assembly Bill 1705, passed in 2019, allows an ambulance service provider operated by a governmental entity such as the state, a county, a city or fire protection district to receive a supplemental Medi-Cal reimbursement when the patient being transported is a Medi-Cal recipient, this in addition to the payment the provider would otherwise receive for that service. So, by contracting with a government-operated

provider like CONFIRE, the county would be able to capture those supplemental Medi-Cal payments, whereas if the county contracted with a private sector provider such as AMR, it would not be eligible for such reimbursements. Thus, the added “value” of the arrangement involving CONFIRE dictated that the county contract with it rather than AMR, according to county officials.

On October 27, 2023, the county emailed AMR a notice of intent to recommend that it be awarded a contract extension from the time its current contract expired on March 31, 2024 from April 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024 to allow CONFIRE to get prepared to take on the contract for an initial term from October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2029.

AMR lodged a protest, alleging the county had failed to follow the selection procedures, did not adhere to requirements specified in the request for proposal, had awarded the contract to the entity which had lost in the competition and that it had otherwise violated state and/or federal law.

At the December 5 board of supervisors meeting, Supervisor Jesse Armendarez seconded by Supervisor Curt Hagman, based on County Purchasing Agent Ariel Gill's review of AMR's protest and recommendation that it should be denied, made a motion to deny the protest from American Medical Response and award the contract to Consolidated Fire Agencies and its private subcontractor Priority Ambulance. That vote passed unanimously.

AMR sued, which suspended CONFIRE's takeover of the ambulance franchise and perpetuated American Medical Response's continuing delivery of the service while the matter was being litigated.

In October 2024, Judge Robinson ruled in favor of AMR, stating that the county “By inventing a new procure-

ment process... willingly broke free from the constraints of a state-approved process.” He questioned the county's rationale for overriding the evaluation panel's 1,519 to 1,515 ranking in favor of AMR call of the evaluation panel in favor of AMR. “This decision amounted to an evidence-free policy change of ambiguous motivation,” Robinson state in granting AMR a preliminary injunction blocking the takeover.

In December 2025, the Fourth Appellate District Court of Appeals made a published finding reversing Judge Robinson, reversed his restraining order. In May 2026, an injunction preventing the county from having CONFIRE take over ambulance services was lifted by the court.

On Tuesday September 29, Judge Robinson noted that the county was jumping the gun in stating that as of midnight, October 1, CONFIRE, in conjunction with would become the county's ambulance service provider. That decision, the judge noted was set to be made on September 30. Nevertheless, he said, the public interest was served by there being no interruption in emergency services, and he refused to grant a temporary restraining order AMR had requested on September 25 that would have suspended the CONFIRE takeover beyond Thursday.

On Wednesday, September 30, Judge Robinson issued the decision that had been anticipated by the county, when he stated on the record that “The court finds it erred in its principal holding that the EMS Act and the RFP [request for proposals] imposed ministerial duties on [the] county defendants. The court further finds it erred in its secondary holding that county defendants abused their discretion in awarding CONFIRE the contract. Consequently, the court reconsiders its final order and hereby denies AMR's petition for writ of mandate.”

-Mark Gutglueck