

2 Cases Citing Aggressive Sheriff’s Resistant Subject Tactics Net Plaintiffs \$57 M

The San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department’s policy of permitting or even encouraging its deputies to deal aggressively with both suspects and subjects they encounter in the field is growing to be even more expensive than it already was. In the last two months, the deaths of two men at the hands of four deputies in separate incidents in 2023 and 2024 has resulted in ten-

tative settlements of \$57 million after the families of the deceased sued the deputies, the sheriff’s department and the county over what they contended were wrongful deaths. In both cases, each of the deceased men were themselves carrying on in a way that arguably constituted a potential public threat. Despite that being a factor in the fatal outcomes of the encounters in ques-

tion, the escalation in the deputies’ reaction to the circumstance in one of the cases that went before a jury was deemed to be an entirely out-of-proportion over-reaction to what was only a mildly hazardous situation. In the other case, which was settled short of a jury trial, the county’s legal team was convinced a jury was likely to take a dim view of the fatal use of force

given the entire context of what occurred. Settled prior to trial was the lawsuit brought against the department and the county in the death of Keith Vinyard. On March 23, 2004 at roughly 9:50 p.m. in Hesperia, Keith Vinyard was shot and killed after leading sheriff’s deputies on a pursuit. The pursuit evolved out of a traffic stop, during which deputies sought to take

Vinyard into custody on domestic violence arrest warrant. In fleeing, according to the department, Vinyard drove recklessly. The pursuit ended within the vicinity of the 15400 block of Halinor Street, at which point Vinyard refused to comply with commands made by a deputy, according to the department. During that exchange, according to the department, See P 4

Jeannette
Vagnozzi
1964-2026

Jeannette Vagnozzi, the native journeywoman local governmental administrator whose eventual capture of the managerial brass ring was ultimately compromised by the political concessions she had to engage in to snag it, has died.

Her loyalty to those in political and managerial levels above her was sometimes reciprocated and sometimes not, delaying and cutting short her ascension to positions of authority she had aspired to and which a number of her professional colleagues believed her to be eminently qualified to assume.

Born on October 11, 1964 in Upland where she spent her childhood, Vagnozzi returned to that city toward the end of her time as a public official, acceding to the position of city manager, the highest professional position she attained and the crowning achievement of her career. Upland would also prove the setting of her most intense challenges, as she wrestled with various types of personalities who had commandeered their portion of control over the city.

One of five daughters in a Catholic family, Vagnozzi attended and graduated from Pomona High School in 1982. She then attended the University of La Verne where she obtained a bachelor of science degree in business administration and went on to get a graduate degree in leadership and management there.

In 1991, she obtained a position as an intern with the City of La Verne. The following year, she was hired as a staff employee by then- See P 3

After Four Years, SB Mayor Tran On The Brink Of, If Not Control, Some Influence

Nearly four years into her tenure as San Bernardino mayor, Helen Tran has at last gotten to the place where she and many of those in her support network thought she would be at the time she was installed into the post a little more than a month after her maiden election.

Tran embodies a mixture of attributes, a combination of features that

Yucaipa Council
Hopeful Franklin
Responds To
Challenge Over
His Tenure As
City’s Top Fiscal
Officer in 2019

Greg Franklin’s effort more than six years after his retirement to move into elective politics heading the same municipal organization he was employed by for more than two decades was met with resistance earlier this election season.

Franklin is seeking election to the 1st District city council position in Yucaipa, which post is held at present by Bob Miller.

To some, the 1st District post, which was formed and voted upon in 2018 after Yucaipa converted from at-large city council elections to district election in 2016, appears to be cursed. In

are both highly advantageous to a politician and decidedly negative in terms of sustaining herself in office. For starters on the positive side, her Asian heritage has captured the imagination of the identity politics-oriented Democratic Party, of which she is a member. She is the daughter of Vietnamese immigrants who fled to the United States as refugees.

2022, longtime council member David Avila opted out of running for re-election. Four hopefuls vied for the position, including Mark Taylor, Erik Sahakian, Sheryllyn Lon and Matt Garner. Garner prevailed. At what would be his second council meeting after being installed on the panel, Garner joined with then-Mayor Justin Beaver and then-Councilman Bobby Duncan to outright See P 3

SBCUSD Teacher
Making Electoral
Challenge Of 3
Board Members

Lorna Di Davide, who has worked as a substitute teacher in the San Bernardino City Unified School District, has emerged as the sole challenger to three of the school board members who are her ultimate bosses in the November

election. Tran’s physical attractiveness, impeccable dress and articulateness have brought her to her current juncture and promise to be of service to her propelling her further politically going forward.

A further double advantage has accrued to Tran by virtue of the location of her political base within the In-

land Valley of Southern California. She represents the county seat and largest city within the heavily Democratic San Bernardino/Colton/Rialto/Fontana swath of 20,105-square mile San Bernardino County.

The Democrats have already obtained success with Asian female candidates in Northern California and Los Angeles County. She fits perfectly within the party’s appeal-broadening scheme of acclimating the electorate in the Inland Empire, which is accepting of and receptive to African American, Latino and Latina candidates, to being represented by an Asian woman.

For three generations San Bernardino County has been dominated by the Republican Party. Accordingly, See P 2

with the Los Angeles Unified School District in 1996. He remained with that district for 17 years, becoming the Dean of Students with the district in 2004, a position he held until 2008, when he move on to become the assistant principal at Stevenson High School, where he remained only six months before heading to Garfield High School to become the assistant principal there. In July 2012, he was made the certificated performance evaluation support coordinator. A year later, he left the Los Angeles Unified School District to take the position of principal of of Azusa High School in the Azusa Unified School District. In 2018, he was hired by the Victor Union High School District as the assistant superintendent for Human Resources. In 2022 he became the See P 3

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Rubalcava Hired
To Succeed
Inbody As FUSD
Superintendent

The Fontana Unified School District has settled on hiring Ramiro Rubalcaba to replace Miki Inbody as superintendent when the current 2026-27 school year ends in June.

Ramiro Rubalcaba, who is currently serving the superintendent as the Los Nietos School District in Whittier, has been an educator for 30 years.

While the school board has determined Rubalcaba will lead the district going forward, the terms of his hiring, including his salary and benefits, are now subject to negotiation.

Inbody has been superintendent in Fontana Unified since 2023.

Rubalcaba began working as a teacher

The Democratic Party In California Heavily Invested In Tran Without Considering All Of Her Qualities And Her Liabilities As A Politician *from front page*

the Democrats are intensely interested in flipping the county. Because she has established herself as one of the more important members of the political class within the predominantly blue-collar confines of San Bernardino, Colton, Rialto and Fontana, Democrat Party leaders in Sacramento perceive her as being a potential catalyst in ending San Bernardino County's status as one of five bastions of the Republican Party in California. At present, 146,851 or 45.94 percent of the 319,640 registered voters in San Bernardino, Colton, Rialto and Fontana are Democrats, while 69,919 or 21.87 percent affiliate with the GOP. The remaining 32.19 percent have no association with an organized political party or are registered as American Independent, Green, Libertarian or Peace & Freedom party members. Within the City of San Bernardino, specifically, 48,868 of the city's 108,960 voters or 44.8 percent are Democrats, more than twice as many as the 24,189 or 22.2 percent who are Republicans.

In this regard, Tran, in 2022, impressively dethroned her predecessor, Mayor John Valdivia, and made short work of Valdivia's one-time mentor, Jim Penman, who qualified for the run-off contest against her after doing so.

In the 42-month run-up to his 2022 reelection campaign, Valdivia collected an impressive \$854,626.21 into his political war chest. Tran collected \$236,135.88 to run against him and defeated him handily in the June 2022 primary race. Penman had been San Bernardino's city attorney for more than two decades, and more than

ten years previously had assisted Valdivia in his first successful run for public office in the 2011 race for city council in San Bernardino's Third Ward. Penman had broken with Valdivia over the years and was among six candidates, including Tran, challenging Valdivia in 2022. After Tran came in first place but did not capture more than 50 percent in the June 2022 primary, she collected another 368,288.37 to vie against Penman in the November 2022 general election and defeated him.

But just as the contents of her portfolio and persona provide grounds for optimism with respect to her future political viability in terms of what might prove popular with Democratic voters, there are elements of Tran's personality that undercut and compromise her ability to function adequately in the halls of governance now that she is in office.

One of her shortcomings, particularly with regard to being mayor of San Bernardino, was her learning curve with regard to the extent of the reach and the limitations of the office she holds. In the City of San Bernardino's charter which was first put into place in 1905, the mayor had greatly attenuated direct political power but extensive administrative authority under what was referred to as a strong mayor model of government. On most issues the city council dealt with, excluding the ratification of hirings and firings of employees and appointments of commissioners and the replacement of deceased or departed council members, the mayor normally had no vote. The mayor was empowered to vote in order to break a tie. Also, the mayor had veto power over votes that ended in a 4-to-3 or 3-to-2 decision. Most significantly, the mayor, under the terms of the 1905 charter, was given substantial power as an administrator at City Hall, with a direct say, equal to the influence of the city manager, in the hiring and termination of city depart-

ment heads. This made the mayor, if he or she so chose, in a very real way, a type of co-regent of the city, along with the city manager, over whose hiring and firing the mayor had considerable say. Many of San Bernardino's mayor did not fully exercise the administrative power entrusted to them, instead deferring, for the most part, to the judgment of the city manager. Nevertheless, San Bernardino's mayors historically made use of the potential to exercise that power to enhance their overall status in the political realm by horsetrading with regard to the actual or threatened implementation of policies in the city's operations to engage in consensus building among the city's leadership and to form or hold together a ruling council coalition.

In 2016, in the midst of the administration of then-Mayor Carey Davis, the city formed a charter review committee which reconsidered the 1905 Charter and then suggested several changes in the city's governance model which were submitted to the voters, who passed them. Those changes included eliminating the elected city attorney, city clerk and city treasurer posts and stripping the mayoral position of its administrative authority. In so doing, the charter did nothing to enhance the mayor's political reach. It left intact that portion of the 1905 Charter by which the mayor was empowered to vote only to ratify hirings, firings, appointments and replacements and to break a tie. The mayor retained veto power on votes where the passage came by a single vote. Still, the mayor was not eligible to vote on any other routine issues.

John Valdivia, who succeeded Davis as mayor in 2018, initially did not understand the degree to which the 2016 Charter limited the mayor's power, though he soon found himself having to come to terms with it. His efforts to work around those limitations contributed not wholly

but partially to the problems that plagued his administration and led to his demise in 2022.

While the 2016 Charter change did not transition the San Bernardino mayor into a figurehead, it did greatly attenuate the position's control. Left in place was the mayor's official status as the head of the city, with the ability to place items on the council agenda for discussion, debate and a vote, the ability, as the presiding officer during city council meetings, to control the ebb and flow of that discussion and debate while controlling who had the floor during public hearings. Remaining as a tool in the mayor's armoire was veto power.

With the charter change, demanded of Davis, then Valdivia and now Tran and every succeeding San Bernardino Mayor is the ability to network with, if not all of the members of the city council, a majority of them in a way to engage in consensus building and political horsetrading to work toward setting policies that are of tangible benefit to the city's residents, both collectively and in terms of meeting the special or unique needs of the residents in specific wards, thereby making it possible for the council members to prove responsive to their constituents. This requires of a mayor intelligence, insight, engagement, sensitivity, general understanding and understanding of nuance, patience, time, charm, willingness to compromise, a high threshold for frustration and a myriad of other skills and talents.

Much like her predecessor Valdivia, Tran was lacking across a wide spectrum in these critical areas. Perhaps most shockingly apparent was her seeming distaste in having to deal with or tolerate other politicians.

She did well enough within the context of the bimonthly formal meetings of the city council, where in the capacity of the presiding officer she wielded the gavel and was, ostensibly, in con-

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trol of the proceedings. Outside that context, however, her engagement was not even halfhearted.

As mayor, like the members of the city council, she was given adjunct governmental assignments, ones that were both internal and external to the city. Those include being appointed as a member of a council subcommittee as well as appointments to serve as the city's representative on a number of regional governmental and joint powers authority boards, such as those for the League of California Cities, Southern California Associated Governments, the San Bernardino County Transportation Agency, Omnitrans, the Inland Valley Development Agency and the San Bernardino International Airport Authority. Normally, politicians treasure such assignments, as they provide them with an opportunity to not only become intimately acquainted with issues of meaning and import to their constituents but to meet, work with, network with and form friendships or alliances with other politicians, who in the future can be called upon for advice, assistance or support, be that political in the form of endorsements or practical in the form of votes on issues of consequence to the politician's city or constituents in the context of those regional board assignments. Tran, however, is not gregarious or socially-oriented. At best, she is superficially glib in a crowd but only

in short bursts. Rather than utilizing the opportunity her presence at regional board meetings presented her to interact with other elected officials and key government employees, she was frequently observed engaged with her cellphone, either on calls or reading information available on the internet. She would often remain at such meetings until after roll was taken and media photographers left, at which point she would quietly duck out. She seemed curiously uninterested in the minutiae of governance. San Bernardino provides two directors for the board of the San Bernardino International Airport Authority and an alternate director. Since the authority's creation in reaction to the closure of Norton Air Force Base in the 1990s, its board, until Tran became mayor, included San Bernardino's mayor. Tran is not interested in participating in shaping the future of what many believe should become the major international gateway into the city. The Inland Valley Development Agency has existed since the 1990s as an intergovernmental entity intended to promote economic growth, job creation, and community revitalization in the region surrounding the former Norton Air Force Base. It has three representatives/directors from San Bernardino on its board and an alternate representative/director from San Bernardino. Tran, unlike the mayors

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Superintendent From School District In Whittier To Head FUSD *from front page*

superintendent of the Los Nietos School District. Rubalcaba has a doc-

torate in educational leadership from USC, a master of education degree in educational administration and a bachelor of arts in Spanish literature from Cal State Los Angeles. In what was for many a shocking acknowledgment of ethnic/race-

based favoritism in the evaluation and hiring process, Fontana Unified Board President Angel Ramirez noted Rubalcaba as “would become the second Latino superintendent in the district’s history. We recognize the importance of leadership that reflects the

community we serve, and with approximately 86% of our students identifying as Hispanic or Latino, representation matters. It helps foster a sense of belonging, cultural pride and the belief that our students can envision themselves as leaders and achieve their

fullest potential. We are proud to continue this legacy while selecting a leader whose experience, vision and commitment to student success will help guide Fontana Unified into the future. The Board is excited to advance his candidacy as our finalist.”

In a statement, Fontana school board President Angel Ramirez said Rubalcaba’s “approachable style and proven track record made him a standout candidate.”



Teacher Making Bid To Serve On San Bernaity Unified School District Board *from front page*

political office. I would encourage civic literacy, and the importance of engaging in issues affecting the community." Di Davide said, “I’ve worked directly with teachers and administrators throughout the

district,” Di Davide said. “Academic proficiency in reading and math: scores are still too low, and well below the California average scores. It’s time for an infusion of new energy, and new ideas and someone who has worked successfully with students, parents and administrators throughout the district. I know the challenges...” Di Davide called for the school district, its administrators and

teachers as well as the older generation in general to harken back to the natural curiosity and inquisitiveness of youth and remember the enthusiasm they themselves had for whatever it was that captured their imagination when they were young. What the educational system needs to do, she said, is allow the enthusiasm individual students have for those things they have a natural organic interest in to fuel their further ex-

ploration of that subject matter. By tapping into their youthful passion for ideas and topics of their choosing, she suggested, the students can be motivated toward mastery of any of dozens or scores of academic specialties. “We should be urning visions into action.,” she said. The idea is to “encourage students to love learning. Our job is to empower them with the tools, the knowledge and the skills to succeed and

guide them on the path they wish to follow. The first priority is to make sure that every student has the basic skills of reading, math & science language proficiency in order to thrive in areas they wish to pursue and on whatever path they choose to follow.” It is imperative that teachers engage with parents, Di Davide said. Di Davide has lived in Spain and speaks Spanish . “As a member of the

School Board, I would pay close attention to the importance of technology and artificial intelligence in education, and how these tools can be used to enhance education and prepare students for the future,” Di Davide said.



Yucaipa Political Contretemps *from front page*

terminate City Attorney David Snow and deliver, during a closed session, an ultimatum to City Manager Ray Casey, who had been city manager since 2008, that he resign or face termination himself. Upon being offered an assurance that his contract, which was to run through June 2024 would be honored, Casey complied. Beaver, Duncan and Garner accompanied what was essentially Casey’s sacking with the hiring of Chris Mann, who at that time was the city manager of Canyon Lake but whose primary

claim to fame was that he was a developer and the representative of development companies. Mann was able to get the city council to go along with hiring Steven Graham Pacifico, who was the city attorney in Canyon Lake, as the city attorney to replace Snow in Yucaipa. Similarly, he succeeded in bringing Ana Sauseda, who had been the city clerk in Canyon Lake, to Yucaipa to serve as city clerk. And Mann scored a trifecta, installing his choice of Joe Pradetto as Yucaipa’s director of government relations/city spokesperson. Yucaipa residents became convinced that Beaver, a law enforce-

ment professional, and Duncan, a real estate agent, and Garner, who was employed by a company that sold over \$3 billion worth of construction materials per year were involved in some order of a scheme to step up the pace of development of existing partially completed and new neighborhoods in the 28.3-square mile city of 54,989 population by doubling, tripling and quadrupling the permitted density in the city’s residential zones, thereby transforming Yucaipa into wall-to-wall houses similar to many communities in Los Angeles and Orange counties and elsewhere in San Bernardino County. The

trio were, a handful and then later dozens, scores, hundreds and thousands of Yucaipa residents maintained, seeking to boost the profits of the landowners on whose property the homes were to be built and negatively impinging on the quality of life of the city’s residents. A fair cross section of Yucaipa residents undertook vigorous protests of Casey’s firing and began gathering signatures to qualify ballot measures to recall Beaver, Duncan and Garner from office. Mann quarterbacked resistance to the recall. Through a variety of strategies that utilizing Graham-Pacifico, Sauseda and Pradetto in

key rules, he managed to keep those pushing to have Beaver, Duncan and Garner removed from office engaged with overcoming legal, procedural and reputational obstacles, and stymied the recall effort. Those community activists upset over the substitution of Mann for Casey were not dissuaded, and they redoubled their efforts, resolving to relaunch the recall campaigns. In reaction to the citizen backlash, Mann through There were delays, which resulted in the animated Yucaipa activists, functioning under the name of Coalition to Save Yucaipa, made a command decision to time the recall

vote against Garner for the 2024 election, when Beaver and Duncan were scheduled to run for reelection, By taking this approach, the Coalition to Save Yucaipa was able to focus on an effort to keep Beaver and Duncan from being re-elected rather than gathering signatures to qualify the recall efforts against them for the ballot. Simultaneously, the Coalition to Save Yucaipa intensified its targeting of Garner. Duncan, faced with the prospect of his District 3 constituents being convinced by the Coalition to Save Yucaipa’s arguments that he had sought to make huge *Continued on Page 14*

Vagnozzi *from front page*

City Manager Martin Lomeli. She steadily advanced as a key member of Lomeli’s staff, from a junior administrative analyst to analyst to senior analyst, then administrative services officer and assistant to the city manager. When Lomeli retired in 2010 and was succeeded by Bob Russi as city manager, Vagnozzi was promoted to assistant city manager. In 2015, then-Upland

City Manager Rod Butler persuaded the Upland City Council to allow him to hire her away from La Verne as deputy city manager in Upland. Butler’s move had defied a standard city officials had set for Upland more than a decade-and-a-half previously. In 1998, the Upland City Council as it was then composed, reasoning that the assistant city manager’s position and its expense were not justified in a city of 68,000, did away with the po-

sition of assistant city manager, essentially putting then-assistant city manager Mike Matlock out of work. In 2005, then-Upland Mayor John Pomierski, seeking to solidify his hold on the reins of power in the City of Gracious Living, got rid of then-City Manager Mike Milhiser and convinced the remainder of the city council to allow him to install Robb Quincey, who was amenable to his direction, as city manager. The difficulty

was that Quincey, despite having bachelor’s and master’s degrees and a doctorate in public administration, was not long on municipal managerial experience. His only time in that role had been in the slightly more than four years he had put in as Hesperia city manager. In Hesperia, Quincey enjoyed the title of city manager but it was assistant city manager Rod Foster, who had far more municipal management experience than Quincey, who actu-

ally ran the City of Progress. Within two weeks of his arrival in Upland, Quincey convinced Pomierski to lure Foster away from Hesperia to serve as city manager in Upland. In essence, over the next five years, Foster ran the city with regard to day-in, day-out operations, while Quincey assisted Pomierski in a host of depredations which ultimately resulted in Pomierski in 2010 being indicted by a federal grand jury on political corruption

charges. During those same five years, Pomierski conferred seven pay raises on Quincey. Foster left Upland to become city manager in Colton. Quincey was himself arrested and charged with three governmental corruption counts and removed as city manager. The experience with Pomierski and Quincey convinced the differently-composed post-2010 Upland City Council of the wisdom have having the city function *Continued on Page 5*

In Separate Incidents, Two Men Surrounded And Outgunned By Deputies Were Gunned Down from front page

Vinyard threatened to shoot the deputy. It was subsequently determined that Vinyard was not in possession of a gun. Vinyard did, however, according to the department, arm himself with a “large metal object” as other deputies arrived on scene. As that was taking place, according to one of the deputies, a second deputy and a third deputy opened fire on Vinyard after a first deputy discharged his service gun, even though one of those deputies did not consider Vinyard at that moment represented a threat, yet considered it necessary for the deputies on the scene to act in unison because the threshold of a use of deadly force was occurring. On April 4, 2024, the California Attorney General’s Office had initiated a review of Vinyard’s shooting under California Government Code Section 12525.3, which requires that the California Department of Justice serve as an independent agency to investigate statewide police officer shootings resulting in the death of an unarmed civilian. While the sheriff’s department maintained that Vinyard was in possession of a deadly weapon – the large metal object it was claimed Vinyard was holding – witnesses at the scene as well as at least one of the deputies said Vinyard did not have anything in his hands and was yet inside his car when he was felled in a hail of gunfire.

Vinyard’s wife, Tiffany Shernaman-Vinyard, and Keith Vinyard’s four sons and one daughter filed a lawsuit in July 2024 in the aftermath of the 52-year-old Vinyard’s death.

Attorney Brad Gage, representing the family, alleged in the suit that Vinyard made no threats and had no gun during the incident and was

subjected to deadly force without provocation. The lawsuit further alleged the deputies failed to provide Vinyard with prompt medical assistance after the shooting. It was never clearly determined what the object in Vinyard’s hand was.

On September 25, Gage and attorneys for the county entered into a stipulation in which the county acknowledged no liability but agreed to a \$5.2 million settlement to end the litigation.

Shernaman-Vinyard received a gross settlement of \$2.6 million over the death of her husband. All five of the children received a separate \$520,000 settlement, payable upon their reaching the age of 18.

More recently, a verdict was reached in federal court after a trial was held to adjudicate a lawsuit brought over the death of Antonio Garza Jr, 44, on February 5, 2023.

Deputies had come to the scene of a burning truck northeast of Yucca Valley roughly five miles from Joshua Tree, where they reached a tentative conclusion that the conflagration was an arson fire. One of the deputies spotted Garza not too distant from the truck. Suspecting that he was responsible for the fire, the deputies made an effort to contact him, at which point he fled in a vehicle. The pursuit went southeast on Highway 62 through Yucca Valley and then south on Highway 62 through Morongo across the Riverside County line and onto the 10 Freeway. At the Whitewater Cutoff, Garza attempted to leave the freeway, whereupon his car was unable to progress further in the sand. Garza abandoned the vehicle and ran, clutching a golf wedge. Four deputies, including Bill Abernathy and Nicholas Kridner, pursued him. There were verbal exchanges between the deputies and Garza. None of the deputies were outfitted with bodyworn video cameras. A citizen who was driving on the 10 Freeway and pulled over to use a cellphone camera to videorecord a por-

tion of the confrontation captured moving images of the confrontation, during which Garza is moving away from the deputies and repeatedly turning to face them. During an audible portion of the video recording, Kridner is heard repeatedly ordering Garza to get on the ground. In response, at one point, Garza who is facing the deputies, prophetically retorts “No. You’re fucking going to shoot me, bro.”

One of the deputies other than Kridner and Abernathy fired non-lethal beanbags at Garza, hitting him twice.

It was when Garza ceased moving away from the deputies and began moving toward them that the deputies began firing, discharging their weapons 21 times.

According to their testimony, Kridner and Abernathy fired only after Garza raised the golf club to swing it at them.

Fourteen shots were fired at Garza while he was still standing. Seven additional shots were fired after Garza had fallen to the ground. He was hit by 12 of those 21 shots. An autopsy determined that Garza was struck twice in the back while he was yet standing and twice while on the ground.

According to David Washington and Rebecca Brown with the law firm of Hadsell Stormer Renick & Dai, which represented Garza’s mother, Matilde Garza, in the suit she brought against the county, the department and both Abernathy and Kridner,

Anthony Garza was in the throws of a mental health crisis on February 5, 2023, according to Matilde Garza’s attorneys, and on that day the deputies failed to make a proper allowance for that. Moreover according to Hadsell Stormer Renick & Dai, the sheriff’s department had previous contact with Anthony Garza and its employees should have recognized they were dealing with a mentally ill subject.

Matilde Garza’s suit contends that in addition to failure’s by the sheriff’s department, other

branches of San Bernardino County government failed her son.

Anthony Garza’s family members contacted the sheriff’s department two years to the day before his death on February 5, 2021, in response to his erratic behavior. Responding deputies arrested him in the midst of a full-blown psychotic episode, one in which he made verbal threats and threatening gestures, and, while driving a vehicle, veered toward the deputies. On that basis, he was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon. Thereafter, his family sought assistance from the courts, initiating a conservatorship petition which did not reach fruition, and calling for intervention by the San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health.

Over the next two years, there were further manifestations of psychosis and paranoia, according to testimony at trial. In some case, according to testimony, Garza was not accepted into certain mental health programs because he was not will to voluntarily submit to their requirements and protocols and there was no court order to force him to participate.

In 2022, Garza, who was being prosecuted for assault with a deadly weapon with regard to the February 2021 incident, was ruled mentally incompetent to stand trial. He was accordingly ordered into custody in a county jail facility equipped to house him until a state mental health facility could accommodate him. An attorney representing him petitioned for his release, and on January 24, 2023 he was released from custody in the county jail, conditional upon his taking part in a state-licensed mental health program within 48 hours. His efforts to comply with the order was thwarted when he was informed there was a six-month wait list for acceptance into such a program.

At trial, the county marshaled evidence and testimony to show that

Garza was a heavy methamphetamine user, and that he had a substantial dosage of methamphetamine in his system at the time of his death. The county legal team also attempted to demonstrate that Garza had swung the golf wedge at Kridner just before he and Abernathy opened fire.

Matilde Garza was provided with \$10 million for loss of love and companionship, and was given \$8 million for emotional pain and suffering, \$8 million for future loss of enjoyment, \$6 million for physical pain, \$2 million for mental pain, \$2.8 million in lost earnings and \$5 million for the violations of her son’s civil rights. Jurors set aside another \$8 million to Antonio Garza’s estate for loss of enjoyment of life. In addition, the jury found the two deputies acted with reckless disregard and awarded \$10 million in punitive damages.

Brown and Washington said the jury considered the action by Kridner and Abernathy unconscionable, and was sending the sheriff’s department a message that the aggressive responses of its deputies would no longer be tolerated.

According to the jury, Kridner was 38 percent liable for what occurred, Abernathy 30 percent liable, the county 17 percent liable and Garza 15 percent liable. According to lawyers familiar with the apportionment of financial responsibility in such cases, this likely means that the \$51.8 million award will be reduced to \$44,030,000.

The \$51.8 million awarded to Matilde Garza surpasses the largest amount, \$33.5 million, previously awarded in a wrongful death case involving a San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department shooting death, one made to the family of another San Bernardino County man, Nathaniel Pickett Jr, who was killed by an officer utilizing excessive force when he responded to a spurious report that Pickett was engaged in illegal activity at the Barstow hotel/motel he

was legitimately checked into as a guest. Indeed, the \$51.8 award appears to be the largest settlement of a wrongful death lawsuit involving a law enforcement agency in California history.

One San Bernardino County resident told the *Sentinel* that the amount of money realized by Matilde Garza and Tiffany Shernaman-Vinyard from the deaths of their family members was “ridiculous” and “in no way justifiable.” He pointed out that in both cases, the family members who are now the recipients of multi-millions of dollars had contacted the sheriff’s department when the deceased were yet living and had requested the officers’ assistance in dealing with both violence-prone individuals. In the case of Anthony Garza, San Bernardino County and its taxpayers are being, he said, victimized by a federal jury with “a vendetta against law enforcement,” which he said was supported by the jury’s faulty “irrational reasoning.” He said the verdict reflected “no sense of proportion. How could they figure that this guy was going to earn \$2.8 million over the rest of his life? Give me a break.”

The jury put no value on the lives of the officers, he said, which were put at risk by Garza’s poor choices and actions. “If it had gone the other way, and he had killed one of those deputies, how much would the deputy’s wife be due? If someone whose lawyer keeps him confined to the nuthouse to keep him out of jail and then lit everything he saw on fire as soon as he got out is worth \$52 million, how much does the family of someone who never got arrested, never spent an hour in jail, supports his family, wakes up at 5:30 a.m. five days a week so he can show up for work on time and carries a gun and a badge get? \$520 million? What’s the value of a decent person? How much do you pay a family that loses someone like that? This whole thing is out of whack, way out of whack.”

-Mark Gutglueck

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under the guidance of a city manager who was held to constant account by the city council and without the assistance of an assistant city manager, deputy city manager or any type of secondary city manager. Thus, the city council acceding to hiring Vagnozzi as deputy city manager represented a significant turnaround for Upland.

On July 26, 2016, the Upland City Council abruptly, on a sharply divided 2-to-2 vote, fired Butler. When the council did so, Vagnozzi, in a show of selflessness, sought to dissuade the council from taking that action. Thereafter, the council, at least in part because Vagnozzi had resisted the sacking of Butler, did not elevate her into the interim or acting city manager's post, instead bringing in former Police Chief Martin Thouvenell to serve as interim city manager.

Though it was expected that Thouvenell

would remain in that position for a relatively short direction while a decision on who the next full-fledged city manager would be, he spent an extended period of 18 months. The City council, which was looking for direction from Thouvenell on making a city manager selection, bypassed choosing Vagnozzi at that point because Thouvenell was not favorably disposed toward her. Despite that, Vagnozzi, who had far more municipal administrative experience and expertise than Thouvenell, was, during Thouvenell's watch, in large measure functioning as Upland's de facto city manager. The city council instead hired Roemead City Manager Bill Manis, who began with Upland in January 2018. Nine months later, Manis abruptly resigned.

The city council elevated Vagnozzi to the interim city manager's post following Manis's departure. Less than two months later, as a consequence of the November 2018 municipal election in which then-City

Councilman Sid Robinson had opted out of running and incumbent Councilman Gino Filippi and incumbent Councilwoman Carol Timm lost, three of the council members were to depart from their posts in December 2018. Despite the fact that they were lame ducks, Filippi, Robinson and Timm, who participated remotely from North Carolina where she was celebrating the Thanksgiving holiday with her parents, at the last council meeting during which they were yet voting members the final week of November 2018, joined with then-Mayor Debbie Stone to hire Vagnozzi as city manager. They did so pursuant to a three-year contract that under no circumstances could be terminated any earlier than March 2019 and which conferred upon her a conditional severance guarantee of roughly \$155,500 if any future council elected to terminate her before the contract's scheduled expiration of January 1, 2022.

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mer LaVerne Mayor Jon Blickenstaff and then current LaVerne Mayor Don Kendrick were present at the meeting to encourage the council to hire Vagnozzi, there was a sizeable contingent of Upland residents who went on record asking the council to defer her hiring until after the newly-composed council, with Robinson's, Timm's and Filippi's replacements were installed and could participate in the decision with regard to who would serve as city manager.

The following month, Filippi, Timm and Robinson were no longer on the council, and were ultimately replaced by Rudy Zuniga, Ricky Felix and Bill Velto.

There ensued some discontent among the recomposed council on the parts of Zuniga, Felix Velto and then Councilwoman Janice Elliott, not as much with Vagnozzi's performance as city manager but her presumption in accepting the appointment to the city manager's post by what she knew was a lame duck city coun-

cil and not respecting the wishes of the newly-elected members of the council. Vagnozzi's relationship with Zuniga, Felix, Velto and Elliott never jelled. It is unknown whether, if she had in November voluntarily deferred to a decision by the subsequent council as to the hiring of the next city manager whether she would have gotten the job. Many interpreted what had occurred in November 2018 as an act of political revenge by Upland's lame duck city council less than a month after two of those members had been voted out of office.

As it turned out, in May 2019, the Upland City Council, with Mayor Debbie Stone dissenting, voted to hand Vagnozzi her walking papers.

She nevertheless had the satisfaction, however brief, of being the supreme municipal employee in her hometown and teaching classes in municipal management and public administration at the University of La Verne, where she had

been an undergraduate and postgraduate student herself.

For years and with quiet dignity, Vagnozzi had been battling cancer. She at last succumbed, On October 11, 2026, her 62nd birthday.

Vagnozzi was predeceased by her parents, Joseph and Anna Vagnozzi and her sister, Sister Julianna Vagnozzi. She is survived by her sisters Joanne Vagnozzi, Janice and Joseph Celio, and Joyce Vagnozzi; nephews John Celio and Sarah Jones, Christopher and Theresa Celio, and Mark and Kristin Celio; her cherished great nephews and nieces Anthony, Christina, Vincent, Gianna, Jason, Francesca, Dominic, Luigi, Michael, Rafaela, and Mariana; and cousin Linda Biscardi.

Tran's Apparent Distaste For Personal Interacting With Other Officewholders Has Rendered Her Ill-Suited For The Dealmaking That Is Indispensable To Political Success *from page 2*

before her, did not participate as an Inland Valley Development Agency board member.

Even before she was out of the starting gate as mayor, Tran stumbled.

Valdivia, like Tran and likely all future mayors, was wrestling with the loss of mayoral authority. His strategy in facing that was to seek to establish through a relationship with the city manager a connection to, if not an outright replication of, the administrative authority that had been the mayor's in the 1905 Charter. For Valdivia, doing that with the city manager, Andrea Travis-Miller, he had inherited from Davis was a nonstarter. Accordingly, he utilized the dominance of the city council he had in the early going of his tenure as mayor but which he later lost to sack Travis-Miller. He then elevated Travis-Miller's assistant, Terri Ledoux into the acting city manager role and then installed her as the full-fledged city manager, doing so in a way in which he calculated he would place Ledoux under his thumb, and that she would do his bidding, or at the very least much of his bidding, as city manager, such that Valdivia would be calling most of the shots, including the most important ones, pertaining to city governance.

Ledoux, however, was less than fully accommodating of the mayor, particularly as those to whom she was by the letter of the charter answerable, the city council, one by one had falling outs with Valdivia, giving him less and less control over how the city's official policy was being shaped through official votes taken in the course of council meetings. In one of his last meaningful acts of control, Valdivia in 2020 was able to hire a city manager essentially of his choosing when

Ledoux retired. The city council had deferred to Valdivia in letting him conduct a recruitment and interviewing process for the next city manager. He settled on Robert Field, who had been the economic development director for Riverside County. The city council endorsed Valdivia's choice and ratified the hiring of Field, who thus came to San Bernardino under the impression that Valdivia was in a far more dominant position within the context of city governance and in relation to the city council than he actually was. Moreover, because Field had never worked in the capacity of a municipal manager previously and was not steeped in the ins and outs of San Bernardino's changeover from the 1905 Charter to the 2016 Charter, he was not fully cognizant or appreciative of the requirement that city policy had to be ratified first by a vote of the city council and that it could not simply be dictated by the mayor. In this way, believing, despite his presence within closed session meetings of the mayor and council, that Valdivia had majority support on the council, Field took out action in his capacity as city manager that was often dictated to him by Valdivia. It would not be until relatively late in his tenure as city manager when events such as the city council censuring Valdivia brought home to Field the degree to which the San Bernardino scepter had slipped from Valdivia's grip. Field in the popular perception thus became closely associated with Valdivia and was seen by many as his lapdog.

After Tran's victory over Penman in November 2022 but before she was sworn in the following month, Field, fearing he would be unable to work well with Tran given the widespread

perception that he was merely a creature of Valdivia administration, resigned.

In this way, Tran began as San Bernardino mayor without having any semblance of clear administrative and managerial authority within city government. An attempt to remedy that was made by bringing in former San Bernardino City Manager Charles McNeely to serve as interim city manager while an effort to find a city manager to fill the role on an more permanent basis was carried out. At that point, however, Tran's seeming inability to work toward assembling a consensus and working collectively without rancor toward a shared goal created problems that perpetuated the lack of cohesiveness. Differences on the council developed over whether to dispense with the city manager search and simply settle on McNeely filling the managerial role. Then the city council misplayed an opportunity to hire Harry Black, the former Cincinnati city manager who at that time was the Stockton city manager and is now the Vallejo city manager. Thereafter, it botched the hiring of Salinas City Manager Steve Carigan, who accepted the San Bernardino job and then declined it, later suing San Bernardino and obtaining a \$800,000 settlement from San Bernardino despite not serving as city manager for a single day. The city then hired Charles Montoya, the city manager of Avondale, Arizona, the former city manager of Watsonville in California and the town manager of Florence, Arizona as city manager in October 2023. By May of 2024, however, virtually the entire city council had grown disenchanted with Montoya, and he was let go. Replacing him on an interim basis was Rochelle Clayton, whom Montoya had hired the previous month as deputy city manager. Over the next four months, Tran and the

seeming entirety of the city council grew appreciative of Clayton's skills and performance, to the point that in October 2024, there was what appeared to be unanimity on the council and mayor's part in conferring the position of city manager on her. Just prior to that occurring, however, it emerged that during the summer Clayton had turned down an offer of a \$17 million Homekey program grant from the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development to cover the city's cost in constructing a homeless services facility and did not inform the council, calculating that too many strings were attached to the grant offer. This compromised the willingness of Councilmen Ted Sanchez, Councilman Fred Shorett, Councilwoman Kim Knaus and then-Councilman Damon Alexander to support Clayton, while giving Councilwoman Sandra Ibarra and Councilman Juan Figueroa pause. Tran and both Councilman Ben Reynoso and Councilwoman Kim Calvin remained supportive of Clayton. A battle royale ensued, in which Tran was unable to obtain a crucial fifth vote to hire Clayton. Ultimately, Clayton took an offer from Barstow to become city manager there and San Bernardino in February 2025 filled the city manager's post on a temporary basis with then-recently retired Brea City Manager Fred Gallardo.

It was not until June 2025 – two years and 6 months after Tran was sworn in as mayor, that San Bernardino reached a state of managerial stability by arranging for Eric Levitt, then the city manager of Fullerton, to become city manager effective on August 4, 2025. Levitt has now been in place for approaching 15 months.

San Bernardino's lack of managerial expertise or even reliable managerial presence for the better part of the first three years of Tran's time in office made for a general

lack of accomplishment throughout that time as well.

Similarly, Tran was unable at any point to assemble something approaching a ruling coalition among the seven member's of the council. There was, shortly after she came into office in late 2022 and early 2023, something of a honeymoon while there was a spirit of bonhomie among the council members, virtually all of whom had been at odds with Valdivia and were interested in getting behind Tran as the city struggled to move forward. Differences between Tran and all seven of the council members manifested at one time or another, though Ibarra, Figueroa, Reynoso and Calvin on certain issues came together occasionally to support the mayor. The closest to a coalition forming, though it was not sufficient to prevail, was Tran, Reynoso and Calvin in the effort to install Clayton as city manager.

Tran, in a politically tone deaf move, sought to assist a group of residents who were working toward the recall of both Sanchez and Shorett. Tran was unable to keep her support of the move confidential. The recall efforts did not succeed and Tran's poorly hidden connivance in them earned her Sanchez's and Shorett's enmity.

In the 2024 election, Figueroa was maintained in office but Reynoso was replaced by Kim Knaus, Calvin was upended by Mario Flores and Alexander was ousted in favor of Treasure Ortiz.

Tran was closely affiliated with Flores and gained a council ally through his presence on the panel, but what seemed promising opportunities to form ruling partnerships or affinities with Knaus and Ortiz failed. Had Tran accomplished making meaningful and lasting connections with Knaus and Ortiz, she would have had a reasonable chance at establishing a ruling coalition, perhaps with the addition of Figueroa and, some-

what less likely, Ibarra. Nothing like that even remotely occurred, however.

This year, after eight years in office, both Sanchez and Ibarra were convincingly defeated in the June primary in elections featuring three candidates each, such that neither qualified for the November runoff and will leave the council in December. Shorett managed a second place finish in a four-competitor race, meaning he is standing for re-election for the fourth time since his initial election in 2009. His opponent, Joe Salas, is being supported by Tran. In the 1st Ward, former Councilwoman Virginia Marquez, based on the June results, appears headed for victory in November. Tran is supporting Marquez in the runoff against Ron Alvarado.

In the Second Ward, Tran has actively supported Benito Barrios, including canvassing with him and transferring funds from her political campaign account to assist his election effort. Barrios is opposed by Christian Shaughnessy. Whether Barrios can prevail against Shaughnessy is an open question. Barrios shares Tran's governmental philosophy and he is in favor of a strong-mayor form of government, closely aligning with Tran's political agenda and administration goals during her second term. If he makes it into office, there is a possibility that the city will revisit the charter structure, a move which might strengthen Tran's resume in years going forward.

Tran was handily re-elected in this year's June primary, receiving 54.65 percent of the vote to avoid a runoff against any of the five candidates who opposed her, including Valdivia, who finished last with 6.06 percent.

Her victory is seen by some, anyway, as a vindication of the Democrats commitment to her as a standard bearer for their party, a future candidate for the county

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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 MONTE-NEGRO

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 the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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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

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Business Mailing Address: 9645 ARROW RTE, BLDG 5 SUITE A RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California under the number 2909989.

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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.storagetreasures.com on the 30th 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
B031	William Luna
C062	Ibragim Zaur Sali
Suleyman	
C097	Ibragim Zaur Sali
Suleyman	
C098	Ibragim Zaur Sali
Suleyman	
D108	Robert T Pete
E040	Ruth Altovise
Williams	

Dated: 10/14/2026
Signed: Garrett Gossett storagetreasures.com
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Business Mailing Address: 1775 ROSEWOOD WAY UPLAND, CA 91784-1766

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

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name 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/SOPHIA ANTILLON, Secretary

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

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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

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Business Mailing Address: 549 S K ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CAROL ANN BELL

CASE NO. PROVA 2600747

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of CAROL ANN BELL: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DOUGLAS ANDREW BELL in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DOUGLAS ANDREW BELL be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests that 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 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 OCTOBER 26, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District Department F1 – Fontana 17780 Arrow Boulevard Fontana, CA 92335 Filed: SEPTEMBER 28, 2026 Alexis Radeleff, Deputy Court Clerk.

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

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either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Douglas Andrew Bell: Jennifer M. Daniel 220 Nordina St. Redlands, CA 92373 Telephone No: (909) 792-9244 Fax No: (909) 235-4733 Email address: eservice@lawofficeofjenniferdaniel.com Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on October 9, 16 & 23, 2026.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: DIANE LYNN SHARITS

CASE NO. PROVA2600234

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of DIANE LYNN SHARITS: a petition for probate has been filed by KEVIN ALAN SHARITS in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION for Probate requests that KEVIN ALAN SHARITS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

A hearing on the petition will be held December 2, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at

San Bernardino County 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 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

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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. Kevin Alan Sharits, In Pro Per 7682 Condalia Ave. Yucca Valley, CA 92284 (760) 541-6390 sharits8@gmail.com Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on October 16, 23 & 30, 2026.

SUMMONS – (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO) 26T RCV01037

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO DEMANDADO): CHARLES R. MOORE, an individual; LA VONNE MOORE, an individual; and DOES 1 through 20, inclusive YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): TH MSR HOLDINGS LLC 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.lawhelp-california.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 de-

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sea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulano que usted puede usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informaci3n 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 presentaci3n, pida si secretario de la corta que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corta le podr3 quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conace 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 recuperaci3n da \$10,000 o mas de vaoir recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesi3n de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corta antes de que la corta pueda desechar el caso. The name of the court is: (El nombre de la corte es): Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles Torrance Courthouse

The address of the court:
825 Maple Avenue
Torrance, CA 90503
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): William G. Malcolm, Esquire (SBN #129271)

Nicolas Matayron,
Esquire (SBN #304097)
Malcolm Cisneros, a Law Corporation
4 Venture, Suite 395
Irvine, California 92618
(949) 252-9400
DATE (Fecha): 03/17/2026
Clerk of the Court (Secretario), by C. Nava, Deputy for David W. Slayton, Executive Officer/Clerk of the Court
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FBN20260009371
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
EVERA FAMILY SOLUTIONS 10211-B TRADEMARK ST RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730: JW CONSULTING ENTERPRISE, INC 10406 ENTERPRISE ST RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730
Business Mailing Address: 10211-B TRADEMARK ST RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name 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/ JULEE X SUN, CEO
Statement filed with the

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County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/09/2026
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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FBN20260009130
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
IN VISION MORTGAGE 9165 ALTA LOMA DR. RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91701: CHARLES J TANNER
Business Mailing Address: 9165 ALTA LOMA DR. RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91701
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: OCTOBER 5, 2018.
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ CHARLES J TANNER, Owner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/05/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K9236
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FBN20260009234
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
KELLER WILLIAMS COLLEGE PARK [and] KW COLLEGE PARK [and] KELLER WILLIAMS UPLAND [and] KW UPLAND [and] KW PARTNERS [and] MOVEMENT REAL ESTATE [and] MOVEMENT HOMES [and] TITAN ESCROW A NON-INDEPENDENT BROKER OWNED ESCROW [and] HOMEVANTA REAL ESTATE GROUP [and] HOMEVANTA GROUP 1945 W 9TH ST UPLAND, CA 91786: H&N REALTY ENTERPRISES INC 1945 W 9TH ST UPLAND, CA 91786
Business Mailing Address: 1945 W 9TH ST UPLAND, CA 91786

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California under the number 5188466.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on: OCTOBER 28, 2022
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 17913). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ HEINER ESCOBAR, CEO
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/07/2026

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 K8168
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious

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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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FBN20260009161
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
JAVO 12248 BLACKSTONE DR RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739-8907: LA ASIAN-PACIFIC ART GALLERY INC. 12248 BLACKSTONE DR RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739
Business Mailing Address: 12248 BLACKSTONE DR RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739-8907

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California under the number 3741711.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name 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/ YI AN, CEO
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/06/2026

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 K3379
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 20260008105
The following person is doing business as: SIX SIX SEVEN FOOD. 7470 PALO VERDE AVE FONTANA, CA 92336:[MAILING ADDRESS 311 W CIVIC CENTER DR STE B SANTA ANA, CA 92701:] COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO GUILLERMO MILLAN-ROCHA
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/ GUILLERMO MILLAN-ROCHA, OWNER
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 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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ESTATE OF: MIRTA CLARA GOMEZ aka MIRTA C. GOMEZ
CASE NO. PROVA 2600780
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of MIRTA CLARA GOMEZ aka MIRTA C. GOMEZ: a petition for probate has been filed by MARIETTA MERCEDES REIMER in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARIETTA MERCEDES REIMER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent’s wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests 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 24, 2026, at 9:00 AM in Department F1 at Superior Court of California, County of Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino Fontana Division, San Bernardino, 17780 Arrow Boulevard, Fontana, California 92335, IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Marietta Mercedes Reimer 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
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MIRTA MARIA GOMEZ aka MIRTHA MARIA GOMEZ aka MIRTHA MARGOMEZ-DON
CASE NO. PROVA 2600771
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of MIRTA MARIA GOMEZ aka MIRTHA MARIA GOMEZ aka MIRTHA MARGOMEZ-DON: a petition for probate has been filed by MARIETTA MERCEDES REIMER in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARIETTA MERCEDES REIMER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

A hearing on the petition will be held November 10, 2026, at 9:00 AM in Department F2 at Superior Court of California, County of Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino Fontana Division, San Bernardino, 17780 Arrow Boulevard, Fontana, California 92335, IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Marietta Mercedes Reimer 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 16, 23 & 30, 2026.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LENA MAE THOMPSON
Case No. PROVA2600730
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of LENA

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MAE THOMPSON A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by LaKesha Jones in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LaKesha Jones be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent’s will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on Nov. 4, 2026 at 9:00 AM in Dept. No. F1 located at 17780 ARROW BLVD, FONTANA CA 92335. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for petitioner: J BENJAMIN SELTERS III ESQ SBN 082786 SELTERS & SELTERS 399 W MISSION BLVD STE K POMONA CA 91766 CN131104 THOMPSON Oct 16,23,30, 2026

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVSB2627870,
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: ,Heriberto Esparza, Jr., filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Heriberto Esparza Jr. to Robert Samir Bisharat, 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

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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: S32
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 SBCS Ontario in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.
Dated: 09/29/2026
Judge of the Superior Court: Joseph T. Ortiz
Published in the SBCS Ontario on 10/15/2026, 10/22/2026, 10/29/2026, 11/05/2026

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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FBN20260009507
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
RAYAS GALS 1060 VISTA GRANDE RD SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410: BARBARA A RAYAS
Business Mailing Address: 1060 VISTA GRANDE RD SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on: APRIL 1, 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/ BARBARA A RAYAS, Owner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/15/2026
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K6677
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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FBN20260008630
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
STUDIO 55 ESTHETICS
14465 MAIN ST HESPERIA, CA 92345; SOFIA GUILLEN
Business Mailing Address: 16381 LARCH ST HESPERIA, CA 92345

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name 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/ SOFIA GUILLEN, Owner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 9/17/2026

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 K4624

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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FBN20260009006
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
EYEBROW IMAGE 5427 MORENO ST UNIT F MONTCLAIR, CA 91763; AARJAN INC 13698 APPLE MOSS CT EASTVALE, CA 92880

Business Mailing Address: 5427 MORENO ST UNIT F MONTCLAIR, CA 91763

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

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on: APRIL 1, 2021

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/ RAJU MAINALI, CEO
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 9/30/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K4616

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN 20260008565
The following person is doing business as: GOLDEN HAMMER BATH AND MORE. 11155 CRAM LN LOMA LINDA, CA 92354; MAILING ADDRESS 11155 CRAM

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LN LOMA LINDA, CA 92354; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO 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/ DAVID CARRERA, MANAGING MEMBER Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/16/2026 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 09/25/2026, 10/02/2026, 10/09/2026, 10/16/2026 CNBB39202601MT

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF NANCY JEAN LINDEN aka NANCY J. LINDEN aka NANCY LINDEN

Case No. PROVA2600779

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of NANCY JEAN LINDEN aka NANCY J. LINDEN aka NANCY LINDEN A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by James Linden in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that James Linden be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on Nov. 23, 2026 at 9:00 AM in Dept. No. F1 located at 17780 ARROW BLVD, 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

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a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for petitioner: JUDITH M HILLS ESQ SBN 279582 LAW OFFICE OF JM HILLS PC 24307 MAGIC MOUNTAIN PRKWY STE 237 VALENCIA CA 91355-3402 CN131575 LINDEN

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ADRIEL JOE GUITRON

CASE NO. PROVA2600792 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of ADRIEL JOE GUITRON: a petition for probate has been filed by THERESA FAYE GUITRON in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that THERESA FAYE GUITRON 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 on December 10, 2026 at 9:00 AM in Dept. F2 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, Fontana District, 17780 Arrow Boulevard, Fontana, CA 92335.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Theresa Faye Guitron: R. SAM PRICE SB 208603/PRICE LAW FIRM, APC 454 Cajon Street REDLANDS, CA 92373 Phone (909) 328 7000 Fax (909) 475 9500

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attorneys@pricelawfirm.com Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel October 23 & 30 and November 6, 2026.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: FRANK CHARLES PFEFFER

CASE NO. PROVA 2600800 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of FRANK CHARLES PFEFFER: a petition for probate has been filed by RICHARD F. PFEFFER in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that RICHARD F. PFEFFER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests 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 December 15, 2026 at 9:00 AM in Department F1 at Superior Court of California, County of Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino Fontana Division, San Bernardino, 17780 Arrow Boulevard, Fontana, California 92335, IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Richard F. Pfeffer: R. SAM PRICE SB 208603/PRICE LAW FIRM, APC

Attorney for Jennifer Fejzic:

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LAURA ELIZABETH JOHNSON aka LAURA ELIZABETH FRANCIS aka LAURA ELIZABETH JENSEN

CASE NO. PROV V 2600363 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of LAURA ELIZABETH JOHNSON aka LAURA ELIZABETH FRANCIS aka LAURA ELIZABETH JENSEN: a petition for probate has been filed by CAROLE LEE SELIGMANN in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CAROLE LEE SELIGMANN 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 December 2, 2026 at 9:00 am in Dept. 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 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 Car-

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ole Lee Seligmann: 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.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CAROL NEHLSON

CASE NO. PROVA 2600781 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of CAROL NEHLSON:

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JENNIFER FEJZIC In the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JENNIFER FEJZIC 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 DECEMBER 2, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District Department F2 – Fontana 17780 Arrow Boulevard Fontana, CA 92335 Filed: SEPTEMBER 28, 2026 Laura Cahuantzi, Deputy Court Clerk. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Jennifer Fejzic:

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Jennifer M. Daniel 220 Nordina St. Redlands, CA 92373 Telephone No: (909) 792-9244 Fax No: (909) 235-4733 Email address: eservice@lawofficeofjenniferdaniel.com Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on October 23 & 30 and November 6, 2026.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER CIVSB2628008

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner KARMELLO TERRELL BOATWRIGHT filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

KARMELLO TERRELL BOATWRIGHT to KARMELLO TERRELL MOSS BOATWRIGHT 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: December 1, 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.

Aryanna Sheeche, Deputy Clerk of the Court

Dated: October 12, 2026

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The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
NEWMANS CARPET TILE AND UPHOLSTERY CLEANING [and] NEWMANS RESTORATION 10944 PIPELINE AVE D POMONA, CA 91766: NEWMANS CLEANING LLC 10944 PIPELINE AVE D POMONA, CA 91766

Business Mailing Address: PO BOX 8614 LA VERNE CA 91750

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number B20260032123.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: January 18, 2026.

By signing, I declare that all information in this state-

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/s/ JEREMY JAMES, Managing Member

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 K3379

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

YOGIYO 1945 N CAMPUS AVE STE D UPLAND, CA 91784: HYUNGBIN&JUN, LLC 1945 N CAMPUS AVE STE D UPLAND, CA 91784

Business Mailing Address: 1945 N CAMPUS AVE STE D UPLAND, CA 91784

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number 202617010112.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: October 11, 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/ KEVIN LIM, Managing Member

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/15/2026

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is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy K9676

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

THE SOLAR CREW 7979 SURREY LANE ALTA LOMA, CA 91701: SARRAZIN ENTERPRISE INC. 12212 6TH ST RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

Business Mailing Address: 7979 SURREY LANE ALTA LOMA, CA 91701

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

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: July 17, 2012.

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

/s/ MICHAEL SARRAZIN, President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/07/2026

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 K8168

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The following entity is doing business primarily in San Ber-

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nardino County as

QUINTESS FUNDING 1501 W 9TH ST SUITE B UPLAND, CA 91786: NEWGEN GROUP LLC 1501 W 9TH ST SUITE B UPLAND, CA 91786

Business Mailing Address: 1501 W 9TH ST SUITE B UPLAND, CA 91786

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number B20260073413.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: February 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/ MAURA P FIGUEROA GONZALEZ, Managing Member

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/06/2026

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 K8168

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

J&E TRANSPORT 8990 19TH ST #326 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91701: ELENA CALDERON-RIVERS

Business Mailing Address: 8990 19TH ST #326 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91701

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

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

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/s/ ELENA CALDERON-RIVERS, Managing Member

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 9/16/2026

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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A B A N D O N M E N T OF A BUSINESS NAME F B N 2 0 2 6 0 0 0 9 6 2 7

The following entity doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as AZTEC TRANSPORT LLC 18218 LAGUNA PL FONTANA, CA 92336: AZTEC TRANSPORT LLC 7487 EDDY AVE RIVERSIDE, CA 92509 abandoning its fictitious business name. The original FBN number was FBN20210010721. The original date of filing was 10/22/2021.

Business Mailing Address: 4246 RIVERSIDE DRIVE CHINO, CA 91710

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number |202005210408.

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/ LUISDIAN CRISTERNA MOLINA

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 10/19/2026

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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 20260008948

The following person is doing business as: WRC REALTY. 650 S. E ST SUITE #D SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408;[MAILING ADDRESS 650 S. E ST SUITE #D SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO WACHUKU REALTY CORP 650 S. E ST SUITE #D SAN BERNARDINO CA 92408 STATE OF INCORPORATION CA ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: APR 08, 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 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ KAY WACHUKU, CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/29/2026

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s/ YAN JIANG MULLER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/30/26

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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 INFINITY FINANCE, LLC 27497 CAMINO VACUNA MENIFEE CA 92585 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION B20260394729

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.

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

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s/ IRMA SANTAELLA, MANAGING MEMBER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 09/29/26

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The following person is doing business as: OPERATION PATROL SERVICES. 1960 W LINCOLN AVE SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92411;[MAILING ADDRESS 1960 W LINCOLN AVE SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92411]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO JOSE Z MEDINA N/A; JUAN M MEDINA

The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP.

The registrant commenced to 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

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Franklin Disperses Accusation That Past Senior Yucaipa Staff Enabled Avalos Embezzlements
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giveaways to developers to gain for himself profits as a real estate agent through more commissions on home sales by getting rid of Casey and hiring Mann, opted out of running for reelection. Beaver rolled the dice and ran for reelection.

In the 2024 election Judy Woolsey was elected to the 3rd District city council post. Beaver was reelected. Garner was recalled from office.

The city council in December 2024 decided against holding an election to fill the gap on the council created by Garner’s removal. Instead, they considered individuals living within the 1st District whom they might appoint to that post. They settled on Bob Miller, a member of the Yucaipa-Calimesa School Board. Miller, a retired law enforcement professional who had spent most of his career with the Colton Police Department and had risen to police chief there, was favorably looked upon by Beaver, who had previously worked as a sheriff’s deputy with the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department and is now employed by the Azusa Police Department, and Councilman Jon Thorp, a deputy with the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department.

With Duncan and Garner no longer on the city council, an arrangement was arrived at by February 2025 for Mann to leave as city manager. Joe Pradetto also departed soon thereafter as the city spokesman and government relations manager. Sauseda remained as city clerk and Graham-Pacifico stayed as city attorney.

Garner was resentful of his removal from the council. He continued to monitor ongoing actions at City Hall after he was forced out of his elected post. He took note of votes made by the city

council over the course of the first eight months that Miller was serving in his appointed capacity as a councilman. Some of those votes related to \$46,000 in payments made to Miller’s wife Kathleen for her work as a consultant to the city’s after-school S.T.A.R.S. program, an acronym variously credited as standing for Science, Technology, Arts, Recreation for Success or Students Taking Action and Responsibility for Success, which was technically disbursed while Miller was serving as a member of the city council. The city had committed to the program and Kathleen Miller’s involvement in it, based upon her status as a former principal with the Yucaipa-Calimesa Joint Unified School District, prior to Bob Miller becoming a member of the city council. In voting to approve the 2025-2026 Yucaipa budget, he had signed off on a line item relating to the city’s sponsorship of S.T.A.R.S.

Garner accused Miller of having withheld disclosure of his wife’s contract with S.T.A.R.S. when he applied to be considered for the council position appointment and asserted Miller’s vote to approve the city budget constituted a violation of California Government Code Section 1090, insofar as the city’s provision of money to his wife constituted a criminal conflict of interest.

Garner’s accusations drove a wedge between Miller and the members of the city council, with whom he previously had positive relationships. The council took the position that Miller should resign, which he refused to do. A complaint routed to the San Bernardino County District Attorney’s Office over the matter was consolidated with a similar complaint to the California Fair Political Practices Commission, which declined to initiate a full investigation into the matter after it was demonstrated a) the members of the city council were fully cognizant of the

city’s subsidization of the S.T.A.R.S. program and that b) the city’s financial subsidization of the S.T.A.R.S. program had begun prior to Miller’s presence on the city council.

Miller had been submitted to obloquy nonetheless and the incident did much to damage his formerly cordial relations with his council colleagues.

Miller resolved to not run for election this year, and thus will not remain as Yucaipa’s 1st District councilman after December.

Running for city council in the 1st District to succeed him are District 1 residents Chelsea Ramirez and Greg Franklin.

Franklin was employed by the City of Yucaipa from 1991 until 2019 in various administrative roles, including finance director and assistant city manager. His campaign celebrated his experience in that capacity as attributes which qualified him for a position on the city council.

As the election season was warming up earlier this month, Franklin was made the subject of a minute-and-a-half visual and audio presentation by a videographer identified only by the moniker “Glass Gavel.”

In the video, a narrator notes Franklin is using the slogan “fix our finances” in his election bid.

“But what if the man stepping up to save the city’s money was the very same official who oversaw its financial collapse?” the narrator asks before offering a synopsis of scandal Martha Amarylis Avalos scandal that rocked Yucaipa in 2019, when an administrative employee was found to have waltzed off with a substantial amount of money from municipal coffers and accounts.

“Let’s rewind to late 2019,” the narrator intones. “Greg Franklin abruptly retires from overseeing City Hall administrative finances just weeks after an office assistant of eight years is arrested for embezzling

over \$300,000 of taxpayer money. Greg didn’t catch the theft. The outside auditors did. An independent audit covering the 2019 Fiscal Year exposed massive internal failures under his watch. Auditors discovered that the city had not completed a single bank reconciliation for almost an entire year, stretching from June 2018 all the way to May 2019. This failure increased the risk of unreliable accounting records. Auditors revealed incoming mail was funneled to a single location without payments ever being logged or recorded before distribution. That meant a single employee could intercept envelopes packed with city checks and cash with zero oversight, leaving the door wide open for over \$300,000 to vanish undetected. The employee who stole the \$300,000? She walked away with just two years of probation. Meanwhile, Greg walked away into a comfortable early retirement. Now, he’s back. His campaign signs promise to fix the city’s budget. The public record shows what happened the last time he oversaw it. Can we really trust the architect of the disaster to be our savior?”

When contacted by the *Sentinel*, Franklin offered a 12-point dispute of the video’s contents and defense of his performance as city finance director and assistant city manager.

“A video surfaced last weekend on social media that casts a significant shadow on my personal credibility and my ability to lead and serve,” Franklin said. “It attempts to influence voters by making me out to be responsible for an embezzlement that occurred prior to my retirement, in an effort to discredit me. With some unflattering pictures, twisted truths and dialog narrated by an AI [artificial intelligence] voice, it is serving its purpose well. Yet, no one is taking responsibility. This is an example of a political hit piece, that had been rumored for a couple of weeks, to smear my rep-

utation as a candidate.”

Franklin said, “To clarify, there was an embezzlement at City Hall. It occurred between 2016 and 2019. Without inappropriately getting into the human resources elements of the issue, I want to make the following statements:

“1. The video was posted by an anonymous source who has twisted any truth and fabricated statements.

“2. I have never been accused of embezzlement of any type. I enjoyed a lengthy career with the City of Yucaipa and developed a very healthy reputation as an honest and responsible manager, finance director and assistant city manager.

“3. When I was made aware of the theft issue, I dealt with it immediately and turned it over to law enforcement, as appropriate. The employee was terminated and the case was handled by the appropriate law enforcement authorities.

“4. The employee did not work for the finance department, nor did she report to me. She reported to a different department director, in a different division of the city.

“5. Each department was responsible to receive payments for their services rendered and prepare them for deposit to the finance department, which would then deposit them to the bank.

“6. The employee was intercepting checks written to the city, to the department in which she worked, and depositing them in her personal bank account and not to the finance department. The finance department would not have a record of this type of irregular payments, for that department, until they were given to the finance department for deposit, similar to other departments. That particular revenue stream was inconsistent in that each payment would have been for fines unique to certain properties and the timing of each would vary depending upon circumstances surrounding each property’s

violations. If the Finance Department did not receive the payments, we would have no record of them.

“7. The finance department would be able to monitor the revenue account in the general ledger system and track it against the budget for reference. But, there were not large variances in the general ledger account that would have otherwise raised suspicions.

“8. The video makes the statement that it was the auditors, not me, who identified the problem. That too is false. The city’s bank contacted a member of my staff to report the unusual activity. We then informed our auditors, for the record.

“9. There is no good, or appropriate time, for an embezzlement. It is also unfortunate that it came as I was preparing for retirement. It definitely put a blemish on my retirement. But, my retirement was already in process to occur at the end of 2019, by the time this issue was exposed.

“10. My retirement was not the result of the issue, nor was it impacted by it, as some have suggested. I did not abruptly retire as the video alleges.

“11. The video indicates “massive failures under his watch”. This is just not true. There was a finding about bank reconciliations and that is one of very few “findings” in 30 years. Most of the management letters over decades had zero findings of internal control weaknesses. This is an unfair and uninformed allegation. It further implies the risk of accounting errors increased. That is false.

“12. I saw to it that the city had appropriate insurance for dishonest actions by city officials, and to the best of my understanding, the city was made whole financially.”

While Not Yet Having Constructed A Ruling Coalition, Tran Has A Shot At Doing So, Depending On The Election’s Outcome
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board of supervisors, or California Assembly, the State Senate or perhaps Congress.

It appears that Tran will, at the least, begin her second term in office under the condition she should have started her first term in office, with a city manager and staff hierarchy in place. In the best case scenario from Tran’s standpoint, with Marquez, Barrios and Salas emerging victorious in November, she will have at least four of the seven council members – Marquez, Barrios, Salas and Flores – most definitely in her corner and the potential that both Figueroa and Knaus will, out of practical political necessity, support her agenda in a bid to get support for the items they are championing.

This week, almost two weeks prior to the November 3 election and nearly two months before the next city council will be installed with the December swearing-in ceremonies, came one of the first tangible indications that Mayor Tran has acceded to control of the council which has eluded her for nearly four years.

Before she was mayor, Helen Tran was the human resources director of West Covina, where she was provided with a \$139,122 in base salary, \$13,547 in perquisites and pay add-ons, and \$128,053 in overall benefits for a total annual compensation of \$280,722.

To take on the San Bernardino mayoral assignment, she left the post she had in West Covina.

In San Bernardino County, as in most of California, elected municipal officials are, for the most part, not provided with salaries, but rather stipends, as their political duties are not considered full time jobs.

There are some exceptions among larger cities, such as Los Angeles or San Francisco. In the years just prior to Tran becoming mayor, within San Bernardino County, the municipal elected official receiving the largest stipend was her predecessor, Valdivia, who in addition to a stipend of \$116,788 was provided with perquisites and add-ons of \$9,019 and benefits of \$25,090 for a total annual compensation of \$150,897. In January 2022, however, as the relationship between five of the seven members of the council and Valdivia was deteriorating, the council moved to reduce the mayor’s salary at the beginning of the mayor’s next electoral cycle, in December 2022, to \$50,000. With benefits and pay add-ons, that put the mayor’s total annual compensation at around \$93,000.

Thus, in taking on the mayor’s job, Tran saw her total annual compensation drop from the roughly \$280,000 she was making in West Covina to roughly one third

of that.

In recent years, Tran has herself suggested she is a bit on the undercompensated side.

At present, Tran is being provided with a \$48,654 stipend, another 8,769 in pay add-ons and perquisites, mostly for attending adjunct governmental board meetings and \$37,695 in benefits for a total annual compensation in her role as mayor of \$95,118.

This summer, the San Bernardino Elected Official Compensation Advisory Commission took up the issue of potentially raising the mayor’s salary and on September 29 offered the suggestion that the mayor’s salary to 50 percent of the \$244,000 paid to a San Bernardino County Superior Court judge.

Looking ahead to the political scenario in the county seat that is likely to come about after the current election, the city council on Wednesday took up the matter of the mayor’s compensation.

Councilman Juan Figueroa said in calculating a salary for the

mayor that would be fair, the city should start with San Bernardino’s median household income of \$67,415 and add to that three percent of a judge’s salary times 7, which is equal to the number of council members. Thus, \$67,415 plus \$51,240 would make for a mayoral base salary/stipend of \$118,655. Added to that would have been add-ons of roughly \$9,000 and benefits of around \$25,000 for a total annual compensation of \$152,655. Figueroa also suggest that the individual council members should get half of the median household income of San Bernardino residents – \$33,707.50 – because they are part time legislators and that they get an addition 3 percent of the amount a superior court judge is paid, \$7,320, for a stipend of \$41,027.50.

Tran reiterated her belief that subjecting her to the pay reduction the position was given because of the former city council’s beef with Valdivia was “unjust.”

Some residents,

while not disputing that Tran was indeed not being fairly compensated, complained that \$122,000 was an overcompensation in which 225,000 population San Bernardino County was being compared to 990,000-population San Jose and San Diego with its 1.4 million inhabitants. The mayor of 345,000 Anaheim received a mere \$18,000, making the \$122,000 suggested for Tran seem unreasonable, some said.

At one point, Shorett indicated that \$50,000, equal to the stipend paid to comparatively-sized Fontana was closer to what he envisaged.

Councilman Ted Sanchez proposed a compromise of doubling the \$43,000 paid to members of the city council, such that the mayor would receive a base stipend of \$86,000.

On a 6-to-1 vote, with Councilwoman Ortiz dissenting, the full council agreed to set the mayor’s annual base salary as of December at \$86,500, an increase of more than 70 percent from the cur-

rent \$48,654. In addition, the council threw in a \$725 car allowance. In total, with salary and pay add-ons/perquisites together at around \$95,000 and benefits of \$38,000, she is receiving just about \$133,000 in total compensation.

The change gives Tran staying power to remain as mayor for another four years and use her status as the first and only woman of Vietnamese extraction to serve as the mayor of a major American city as a major plank in her platform to seek even higher office.

Winning an election and actually governing are two different things, of course, and it is now incumbent upon the incumbent mayor to accrue a record of actual accomplishment to complement the faith her party and the people of San Bernardino have shown in her.