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Who made it onto the 2024 All-Cov News girls basketball team?

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## Rivian to suspend construction in Stanton Springs project

EVAN NEWTON | NEWS EDITOR

GEORGIA – In an unexpected development, Rivian has announced its plans to suspend construction on the \$5 billion Stanton Springs project that was set to begin construction this year.

On March 7, Rivian announced the launch of two new vehicles, the R2 and the R3.

But while production of the R2 vehicles was expected to take place primarily in Stanton Springs, the electric vehicle company announced its plans to relocate the initial R2 production location to Normal, Illinois.

"To enable R2 to be launched earlier and with a considerable reduction in the capital required for its launch, Rivian plans to start production of R2 in its existing Normal, Illinois manufacturing facility," a Rivian press release stated. "Beyond significantly reducing the amount of capital needed to bring R2 to market, the company believes this approach considerably reduces risk to the launch and associated ramp; efficiently leverages its exist-

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Phillip B. Hubbard  
The Covington News



PHILLIP B. HUBBARD  
MANAGING EDITOR

Dr. Shannon Buff had the red carpet rolled out to her Tuesday in a surprise gathering at Newton High School. When she walked into the school's gymnasium at approximately 11:25 a.m., Buff was greeted by the entire Ram student body and local community members with celebration.

The reason for the gathering

## Buff announced as Principal of the Year

was to officially announce Buff as the 2024 Secondary Principal of the Year by the Georgia Association of Secondary School Principals (GASSP).

Buff's first word when taking the microphone after the announcement was, "Wow." Afterward, she described the day in three words — Overwhelmed, humbled and surprised.

In the moments following the ceremony, Buff could not believe what had just transpired.

"I think I'm still in shock right now," Buff said. "I am honored, I am humbled. To me, this award is not about me. It's about Newton High School. I think there are a lot of times when schools like Newton get overlooked and passed over for things they shouldn't. Because we have an amazing group of students, an amazing group of faculty and staff and they deserve to be lauded for things like this."

BUFF  
CONT. ON A2

EVAN NEWTON | NEWS EDITOR

## Man picks fight with Zaxby's sign

COVINGTON, Ga. – The Covington Police Department (CPD) is looking for a man who punched down a sign at a local Zaxby's.

A video released from the CPD Facebook page on Monday shows an unidentified male approaching the drive-thru sign at the Turner Lake Zaxby's location. The male would then go on to punch the

sign down, causing it to tear apart.

According to the CPD video, the incident happened on Feb. 8.

Anyone with information regarding the subject's identity is urged to contact Det. Jack Treadwell by phone at 770-385-2196 or by email at jack.treadwell@covingtonpolice.com. Additionally, you can contact Lt. Daniel Digby by phone at 770-385-2126 or by email at daniel.digby@covingtonpolice.com.

## Latest Covington meeting ends on contentious note

EVAN NEWTON | NEWS EDITOR

COVINGTON, Ga. – An argument between members of the Covington city council saw one council member walk out of the meeting entirely before ending on a contentious note.

During the mayor's comments portion of the meeting, mayor Fleeta Baggett spoke at length on a number of topics, before reminding the council about the retreat that was taking place on Tuesday.

When bringing up the idea of a "healthy breakfast" to councilman Anthony Henderson, Henderson stated that he would not be in attendance. Councilwoman Chari-ka Davis told the council she also

would not be in attendance, too, saying that she was "ready to adjourn."

Baggett then served a reminder to the council about expectations.

"This is a job you're elected to do, that you're paid to do and is your responsibility to be well-informed," Baggett said. "And the way you're well-informed is to participate in work sessions and retreats. And if you can't do that, you need not hold office."

Davis did not take too kindly to Baggett's comments.

"And I've already told you once, Fleeta, I don't work for you," Davis said.

While Henderson and Baggett went

CONTENTIOUS  
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## Mansfield man arrested in Walmart indecent assault incident

EVAN NEWTON  
NEWS EDITOR

COVINGTON, Ga. – Days after a BOLO was released by the Covington Police Department (CPD), officers have identified and arrested the person responsible for an indecent assault incident at a local Walmart.

Ronald Dean Smith of Mansfield has been arrested and charged with sexual battery, a misdemeanor, after he allegedly groped a female juvenile.

The incident first occurred on March 3 at approximately 8:35 p.m. when Smith approached an unidentified female juvenile in the bicycle aisle of the



RONALD DEAN SMITH

store. Surveillance video shows Smith performing the sexual act before running down another aisle and out of the store.

An incident report from the CPD stated that the security officer saw Smith run out of the store and into the wooded area on Hwy 142.

A BOLO was first shared on CPD's social media platforms on March 5.

An arrest booking showed that he was arrested on March 6 at 11:45 a.m. by the CPD. He was then taken into custody at the Newton County jail, where he had a required bond of \$6,000.

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**CONTENTIOUS** back-and- forth on attendance at meetings, Davis picked up her belongings and proceeded to walk out of the meeting entirely.

As Davis exited the meeting, Henderson explained why he could not attend the retreat.

"I'm gonna have to work. I work eight-to-five. That's how I make my living," Henderson said. "Unfortunately, I don't have your standard. I can't just sit at home and make money. That's not my life. I work for mine."

Council member Travis Moore then attempted to mediate the situation.

"We're getting nowhere. We need to be mindful, we need to be respectful," Moore said.

Henderson then interrupted by saying the mayor was not respectful to him.

Baggett said that the date for the retreat had been picked in advance and that the date should have been communicated for everybody.

After some more minor back-and-forth between the two, Baggett promptly adjourned the meeting without a vote.

While not proper etiquette, Robert Rules of Order states that there

are three instances in which an adjournment without a vote is considered OK. One of those instances is when the agenda is completed in totality. Because mayor and council comments were the last listed item on the agenda, the agenda was technically completed.

While the back-and-forth dialogue primarily centered around retreat attendance, all council members were aware of the March 5 retreat date.

An open records request showed that council members had originally planned for the retreat to be in February. However, council member Davis and mayor pro-tem Susie Keck both said they could not attend.

The retreat was pushed back to March 5, to which everyone but Davis confirmed their attendance.

This includes Henderson, who did not attend the retreat meeting despite agreeing to do so on Jan. 16.

"I'm ok with the Retreat on March 5th & fine with having a work session before the meeting for the homeless shelter situation," Henderson said via an email. "Also, ok with the Impact fees discussion before the February 5th meeting. Thank you!"

Furthermore, all council members were reminded of the retreat date in multiple instances by city manager Tres Thomas.

While the meeting ended on a sour note, council members were still able to conduct a number of business items earlier in the meeting without contention.

One of those items involved renaming a common street in Covington, with a portion of Usher St. NW being renamed to Bethlehem Way NW.

The renaming was done to honor Bethlehem Baptist Church and its 175-year legacy.

Newton County sheriff and member of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Ezell Brown, spoke following the resolution.

"I was astonished when I got the call that it occurred," Brown said. "So, that tells me that y'all are about the work of the business, of the people of this community, and I thank you so much."

Pastor Ronnie Thomas also thanked the council while shouting out the hundreds in attendance from Bethlehem Baptist Church that were there in support of the renaming.

"We just wanna say thank all of y'all for having the heart, as we are able to move forward and do ministry and allowing us to further enhance our influence in this community," Thomas said.

Baggett shared that the church was "near and dear" to her heart and that she was happy to see the renaming occur.

A number of business items voted on and approved are as follows:

- Minutes from Feb. 19 meeting (6-0).
- A final reading of the open-container ordinance that will allow city approved stickers to be used as substitutes for city approved cups (6-0).
- A final reading of an annexation of land from Newton County to the city of Covington (6-0).
- The initiation of a text amendment in regards to regulations for food trucks (6-0).
- The initiation of a text amendment in regards to parking and loading language in residential areas (5-1; Henderson opposing).
- The approval of a final plat for Wildwood Subdivision Phase 2 (6-0).
- The awardance of a sole bid from the Arts Association of Newton County to partner with the city of Covington for the Annual Concert Series (6-0).
- The approval to purchase a new right-of-way chipper truck (6-0).
- An agreement to the statewide mutual aid and assistance agreement (6-0).
- The appointment of deputy city manager John King to represent the city of Covington at the Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission Members (GOSAC) and Regional Advisory Council (RAC) members (6-0).



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***I ask for your Vote and Support in 2024***



## BUFF CONT. FROM A1 GASSP's announcement

Wanda Law, GASSP's associate director and Kerensa Wing, chair in charge of events and recognition were on-hand for the special announcement.

Law shared that GASSP recognizes middle and high school principals throughout the state each year. The principal will fill out an application once they are nominated. From there, a committee views all applications and they bring it down to final candidates.

This was the second year Buff was a finalist, too, and was the only female finalist this year.

Then, the interview process takes place with the committee. Once the interview process is concluded, GASSP announces the winner.

Michael Santoro of Creekview High School and Brett Savage of Brookwood High School were the additional high school principal finalists, per a Newton County School System (NCSS) press release.

Wing stated what separated Buff throughout the process.

"Dr. Buff has stood out tremendously. She has a true love of her students and community," Wing said. "She really represents the school's culture and leading learning in a way that we want to see across the state. So, we're truly impressed by the work she's done with her staff to empower others and provide some collaborative and shared leadership as well as lifting up student voice."

## Board chair and vice chair's remarks

Board chair Abigail Coggin was present and delivered remarks about Buff on the special occasion.

"Today marks a tremendous occasion for the Newton County School System," Coggin said. "Dr. Buff, your exceptional leadership and dedication have not only affected Newton High

but also set a remarkable example for our entire educational community."

Vice chair and District 3 representative Shakila Henderson-Baker spoke, too, in addition to giving comments after the celebration's conclusion.

Henderson-Baker said it was "over-the-top excitement" for both Buff and the entire NCSS.

"It means a lot for us to have Dr. Buff, and especially Newton High School, the principal of Newton High School, be the principal of the year for high schools," Henderson-Baker said. "And here is why. I remember at one point Newton High School used to get a lot of negative attention. And what does that say now? It is evident that they have some great things going on."

Henderson-Baker continued sharing her excitement for, not only Buff's individual honor, but the future of Newton High School as a whole.

"See, we remember the bad news, but most people don't talk about the good news. And this is good news. And good news always overshadows that bad news. So, under her leadership, I expect to continue to see more great things come from it with this title. I expect to see her gain relationships with people from legislators to people from across the state. Newton High School will be recognized for what it is. Go Rams."

## Notable attendees

Buff's parents and brother showed up as well to help celebrate along with her husband, Bart Buff.

District 1 representative Trey Bailey and District 4 representative Anderson Bailey attended the celebration, too. School district employees such as chief operations officer Dr. Michael Barr and student services director Dr. Ashante Everett attended. Former NCSS superintendent, Samantha Fuhrey came, too, as well as current superintendent Dr. Duke Bradley III.

Bradley relayed that he first heard of Buff receiving this honor a week and a

half before the Tuesday celebration.

"It's been very difficult to keep it under wraps," Bradley said. "But, in collaboration with the school administrative team, we've been able to do that."

Afterward, Bradley said that the whole celebration went "better than expected."

Buff concurred that it was, in fact, unknown to her prior to her arriving at the gym.

"The admin team did an unbelievable job of surprising me," Buff said. "I had no idea. When I walked in and saw everyone I knew something, but it took me a minute...it jarred me just a little bit to figure out what was going on. Of course, when I saw my husband, and my mom and dad, my brother and I knew at that point what it was. The amount of effort that went into surprising me is phenomenal."

Other notable community figures were in attendance as well: Newton County Board of Commissioners chairman Marcello Banes, county manager Harold Cooper, Newton County Chamber of Commerce president Debbie Harper and the executive director of the Newton County Industrial Development Authority Serra Hall among others.

Banes shared his thoughts during the ceremony as well.

"We're so thankful for you and all that you do here in this community," Banes said. "You are putting Newton County on the map."

## Buff's love for Newton High

Since July 1, 2017, Buff has been at the helm of Newton High serving as the school's principal. Prior to that, she was a teacher and assistant principal at the school before becoming the Director of Secondary Education.

Buff told *The Covington News* that she was also a student teacher at Newton High.

"I've always loved Newton High School. When I went to the county office and then had the opportunity to

come back, it's just been amazing. The kids are what draws you to this place. I know I keep saying they're phenomenal, they're amazing, but that's because they are," Buff said. "And this community is great. We have a community that really loves our schools. So, to have that, is really an amazing thing."

Seeing the stands filled with all of the Newton High student body "meant the world" to Buff.

"I can't imagine receiving an award like this without them. The faculty and staff, the kids. Newton is a very special place," Buff said. "I know people say that about their schools all the time. But Newton is an incredibly special place and I truly love these students. I love the faculty and staff. My administration team...second to none."

## What's the next step in the process?

Law and Wing told *The News* of the upcoming steps in the process to represent Georgia on the national level.

First, Buff will complete a national application that is due in May. She will have to get a student, a parent, a community member, one of her leadership team members and one of her teachers write letters of recommendation.

Wing stressed that there's much more work ahead for Buff to compete on the national stage for National Principal of the Year.

Nevertheless, Buff expressed her eagerness for the chance ahead.

"At a time when public education seems to be attacked from all fronts, given the opportunity to have a platform to speak about what is actually done in schools — the work that goes on each and every day, the staff members that love kids and literally take the shirts off their back to give to the students," Buff said. "I'm excited about being able to advocate and to represent the state of Georgia at the national level."

*News editor Evan Newton contributed to this story.*

## RIVIAN CONT. FROM A1 ing manufacturing and operations teams; and expands the total capacity for the site to 215,000 units per year."

According to the press release, the total expected savings are estimated to be over \$2.25 billion by relocating the first line away from Georgia.

Additionally, the relocation has also moved R2 production up to the first half of 2026.

Despite the relocation, Rivian said that it remains committed to continuing the Georgia plant in the future.

"Rivian's Georgia plant remains an extremely important part of its strategy to scale production of R2 and R3," a press release stated. "The timing for resuming construction is expected to be later to focus its teams on the capital-efficient launch of R2 in Normal, Illinois."

Rivian has already made two PILOT payments to the Joint Development Authority


(JDA) of Jasper, Morgan, Newton and Walton counties in the amount of \$3 million, with the most recent transaction taking place on March 1. The bond transaction has since closed and Rivian has assumed responsibility for the site location.

An agreement with the Georgia Department of Economic Development states that Rivian requires it to meet 80 percent of the \$5 billion and 7,500 job commitment investments by Dec. 31, 2030 through 2049.

A joint statement from the Economic Development and the JDA provided optimism on the future of the project.

"Rivian has restated its commitment to Georgia, and the State and JDA are in steady communication with Rivian regarding its manufacturing plans at Stanton Springs North," read a joint press release.


*This is an ongoing story and The News will update this story as more information is available.*



### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INTRODUCE LOCAL LEGISLATION

Notice is given that there will be introduced at the 2024 regular session of the General Assembly of Georgia a bill to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Oxford, approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4195), as amended; and for other purposes.

Marcia Brooks  
City Clerk/Treasurer – City of Oxford



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# Just how much more of this are we going to put up with?



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**PATRICK GRAHAM**  
Publisher & Proprietor

I can't say it any better myself. Our esteemed state Rep. Bruce Williamson perfectly summed up how I feel and likely how just about everyone locally, and nationally for that matter, feels about the tragic murder of nursing student Laken Riley: heart-breaking and infuriating.

Heartbreaking because the 22-year-old Riley was cut down in the prime of her life as she pursued an education and career that would enable her to care for and help countless others.

Infuriating because it was wholly preventable. Blaming Riley's death on the president's failed immigration policies implies he has policies promoting legal immigration that just aren't working. Biden and his administration actually whole heartedly endorse and sanction illegal immigration, for reasons that seem clear to me but I'll allow you to speculate, and his policies are working exactly as intended, having now trickled down to some state and local levels.

With dire, and in this case deadly, consequences.

Like a lot of you, I thought little Walton County might be insulated from the invasion taking place on the nation's southern border. Hyperbole? Enemies of our country are sending

thousands of fighting age men across the border every single day, every single week. It's been happening from day one of the Biden presidency, when he made all of President Trump's border policies go away with a stroke of his executive order pen. There are now millions of illegal immigrants dispersed throughout our country, equal to the population of Atlanta and more by some estimates.

Why is that? To what end?

Then came the revelation city leaders in Atlanta and Athens have declared their municipalities sanctuary cities, which I didn't know until Riley's murder, putting our little community in the crosshairs of this illegal immigration insanity. Again, hyperbole? How do you think illegals get back and forth between the two cities, which we are equidistant from? Pretty sure Hwy. 78 and Hwy. 138 are their routes of choice.

Once these national issues touch you close to home, like this one has, all of a sudden they become very much local issues instead.

Especially when Riley's murder took place at the University of Georgia, less than 30 minutes from downtown Monroe. Especially when so many of our friends and neighbors are alumni of UGA, and like to go back to Athens all the time. Especially, and this is what's most important, when so many of our friends and neighbors have daughters, and

**GRAHAM**  
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# Let's Get Physical



**DAVID CARROLL**  
Syndicated Columnist

Both leading presidential candidates recently underwent physical examinations. These were immediately followed by gushing press releases, assuring us that these two codgers are in peak form, seemingly ready to compete in the Summer Olympics.

Of course we see and hear these guys on a daily basis, and we know better. We see their awkward gaits, and we hear their frequent flubs at each campaign rally. We watch as their aides then rush to the microphone to tell us what Joe and Donald really meant to say. We are asked to excuse their sarcasm, their jokes, and their mix-

ups. After all, do most Americans know the difference between Ulf Kristersson and Kris Kristofferson? One is the Prime Minister of Sweden, and the other wrote "Me and Bobby McGee." Do you think our two candidates could answer that correctly? Want to put money on it? Didn't think so.

On the positive side, I'm impressed with the energy of the 77-year-old Trump, who can campaign for days on end with no apparent fatigue. If I make two 30-minute speeches in a single day, I feel like I've been laying railroad ties in the desert.

And yes, Biden is 81, and he will occasionally slip up. But unlike me, he still rides a bike, and says he works out every day. My daily walks basically ended when the remote control was invented.

Trump doesn't

**CARROLL**  
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# There's nothing 'normal' about 2024 presidential election



**GENE LYONS**  
Syndicated Columnist

Does anybody really believe the United States is going to have a "normal" presidential election in 2024, with Joe Biden and Donald Trump as the nominees and a peaceful resolution? Or will chaos and disorder take the nation to the brink, as MAGA supporters appear to wish?

Among several possibilities I can imagine, "normal" seems the least likely.

If Biden had paid attention to me — absurd, I know, but bear with me for the sake of argument — the Democrats wouldn't be in this mess. It's possible to agree with the president that special counsel Robert Hur's editorializing about his mental acuity amounted to an unfounded partisan smear without thinking that Biden's in the clear politically.

Will Democrats never quit falling for these fakers? Why must all "independ-

ent" investigations be conducted by GOP apparatchiks? For sheer fake sanctimony, Hur resembled that psalm-singing hypocrite Kenneth Starr. Bringing the president's dead son into it was, as Biden said, an outrage. Also, I think, a craven lie.

Nothing in his 330-page report supports Hur's characterization. That said, the most appalling thing about the president's ill-advised press conference following the report's release was the conduct of the White House press corps, who screamed at Biden like a troop of baboons.

I noticed that CNN, when it rebroadcast the exchange, muted the sound. As my old friend James Fallows noted almost 30 years ago in his book "Breaking the News," the White House press corps often acts "with a discourtesy and rancor that represent the public's views much less than they reflect the modern journalist's belief that being independent boils down to acting hostile."

But last week's per-

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# Obituary: Jack Franklin Wheeler

Jack Franklin Wheeler, aged 86, of Covington, Georgia, passed away peacefully on March 3, 2024. Born in Rockdale County, Georgia, on May 19, 1937, to Ira and Ruthie Daniel Wheeler, Jack lived a life marked by devotion, hard work, and an unwavering love for his family and the great outdoors.

Jack's early years were spent in Newton County schools, after which he served with distinction in the United States Air Force for twenty years. Following his service, he embarked on a long and successful career as a self-employed electrician. Jack's work ethic and dedication to his craft were matched only by his generosity and willingness to lend a helping hand to those in need. Jack always had a smile, joke, or story at the ready. He was a man of few words, but when he spoke, you knew to listen.

A true partner in every sense of the word, Jack shared nearly 40 years of marriage with his beloved wife, Miriam. Together, they cultivated a life on their cherished farm in Covington, where Jack could often be found on his tractor, tending to the land and animals he loved, with Miriam by his side. His love for the outdoors and eagerness to share his knowledge and resources were a testament to his character. Jack had a special love for his grandchildren, and they always knew their Papa would make time for them, whether

it was to talk about something serious or nothing much at all. There were many problems solved and hearts mended over the years with long walks around the farm.

Jack was a longtime member of the First Presbyterian Church and the Covington Elks Lodge, where he served as a Past Exalted Ruler and the Northeast Georgia District Vice President. He dedicated many years, countless hours and his big heart to the Covington Elks Lodge and oh what a legacy he has left! Jack was an avid Atlanta Braves fan and loved his Georgia Bulldogs and his country too. He happily listened to a Braves game the day before he passed, and what a wonderful gift that his beloved Braves won!

He is survived by his loving wife, Miriam Gardner Wheeler; his children, Scott Wheeler (Birgit), Tamra Crews (Mike), Miriam Witherspoon-Wheeler, and Elizabeth Harwell (Bill); and his cherished grandchildren, Stephen Pope, Morgan Wheeler, Ashley Wheeler, Will Gregory, Jim Gregory, Luke Gregory, and Sarah Gregory, along with step-grandchildren Sally Harwell and William Harwell. He also leaves behind his sister, Betty Harvey; brother, Bill Wheeler; brothers and sisters-in-law, Norman and Pat Wheeler, Bob and Anne Wheeler; and many beloved nieces and nephews. Jack's legacy of kindness, strength, and

love for his family will forever be remembered by those who knew him.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents, Ira and Ruthie Daniel Wheeler; his brothers, Ed Wheeler, John Wheeler and Jerry Wheeler; and his sister, Annie Lee Parish. His departure leaves a void in the hearts of those who loved him, but his spirit will continue to inspire and guide us.

Funeral services for Mr. Wheeler will be held at 11 o'clock Friday, March 7, 2024 at the Chapel of J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home with Reverend Neely Rentz-Lane and Reverend Erin Morgan officiating. Interment will follow at Covington City Cemetery. The pallbearers will be Will Gregory, Jim Gregory, Luke Gregory, Stephen Pope, James Harvey, and Ken Wheeler. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Thursday, March 6, 2024.

A luncheon celebrating Jack's life will follow the committal service at the Covington Elks Lodge, 135 Crowell Road North, Covington, GA 30016 from 12:30 PM until 2:00 PM family and friends alike are invited.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to First Presbyterian Church of Covington or Elks Aidmore, honoring Jack's spirit of generosity and love for his community.

# Obituary Billie Reese McGehee

Billie Reese McGehee (86) passed Christmas Day after a stay in hospital and rehab. She was married to Edward McGehee for 69 years before he passed in 2019.

She was the mother of Sharron and Eddie. He passed in 2012.

She also had many friends as a hair dresser for many decades with a shop at the house.

To the end Billie cleaned her house, drove to Publix and loved feeding the birds with seed off the carport. She was delighted about that and often told us that "they love me."

She was a gentle caring soul who loved beauty, spring flowers, a nicely mowed lawn and reading her Bible. She was a good mom.

Her respect for the Scriptures was clearly demonstrated in her marriage, her parenting and all other relationships. Proverbs 31:10 "A good woman is worth more than jewels, and her value is far above rubies."

**LYONS** formance was over the top. You won't see sports journalists treating NFL players the way the White House baboons treated Biden, because, well, they wouldn't dare.

That said, everybody knew what the president meant when he identified the president of Egypt as the leader of Mexico. The whole exchange took place in the context of an otherwise important (and overdue) warning to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu that the United States is losing patience with Israeli brutality toward Palestinian civilians in Gaza.

Biden, a lifelong stutterer, had simply transposed two words. He knew what he meant, and so did everybody else. So what?

Politically speaking, however, the timing could hardly have been worse. The baboons were screaming because they sensed weakness, and everybody in the troop wants to be in on the kill.

The political reality is that upwards of 62 percent of voters told a recent NBC News poll it's a "major concern" that Biden might not have the "mental and physical health" for a second term as president. He has aged visibly during his term.

That's the political reality the president appears reluctant to confront even now. I'm guessing he'll have to sometime between now and the Democratic National Convention in August. As things now stand, he's gone from being the only name-brand Democrat who could defeat Trump to maybe the only one who can't. Always a political realist, I suspect Biden will come to see that.

Meanwhile, only 34 percent expressed similar concerns about Trump, an obese 77-year-old who wears orange pancake makeup but who does appear comparatively vigorous on stage regardless of what stimulants he inhales or what poisonous nonsense he emits.

Such as this treasonous nonsense only last week:

"One of the presidents of a big country stood up and said, 'Well, sir, if we don't pay and we're attacked by Russia, will you protect us?'" Trump said at a rally at Coastal Carolina University. "I said, 'You didn't pay. You're delinquent.' He said, 'Yes, let's say that happened.' No, I would not protect you. In fact, I would encourage them to do whatever the hell they want."

Never mind his cowering before Russian dictator Vladimir Putin, nor his envisioning NATO — maybe the most successful military alliance in world history — as a protection racket.

Trump's "Sir" stories are always brazen lies. Does ANYBODY believe this conversation actually took place? If so, it would be easy to document. But nobody will so much as try, because the reporters having such a big time picking on Biden's verbal miscues are too intimidated. Or because they

think nobody believes him.

Nobody but the most far-gone MAGA idolators, that is.

However, barring a bizarre and constitutionally absurd intervention by the U.S. Supreme Court in the coming days, Trump and his right-wing media allies' ability to control the national political conversation will come to an abrupt end on the first day of his trial for inciting the Jan. 6, 2021, insurrection.

His conviction, highly likely in view of the voluminous evidence against him, would be the end of Donald John Trump politically. Then comes the Mar-a-Lago classified documents case, where the documentary evidence is even stronger.

So no, nothing's apt to be "normal" about the 2024 election.

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**GRAHAM** sons, who are currently Bulldogs.  
**CONT. FROM A4** All Riley did was go out for a morning jog, like so many of those sons and daughters likely do. Wrong place, wrong time, wrong person. Just heartbreaking.

Riley's alleged murderer, Jose Antonio Ibarra, reportedly illegally entered the country in 2022. Since then he has been arrested twice, one of those arrests coming in Athens in October of last year, when he was accused of shoplifting at a local Walmart.

Due to his status as an illegal in a sanctuary city, he was released both times. I mean, why is he still here? Just infuriating.

Thank the good Lord our elected officials locally don't support these illegal immigration policies and are doing everything they can to mitigate their impact

**CARROLL**  
CONT. FROM A4

release a lot of information about his physicals. Last fall his doctor described his condition as “excellent,” and wrote “he will continue to enjoy a healthy lifestyle for years to come.” This despite the fact that Trump posts numerous photos of himself enjoying hamburgers and fried chicken, and former aides report he washes it all down with several Diet Cokes each day.

When he was booked at the Fulton County Jail in September, he self-reported his height and weight as 6-foot-3 and 215 pounds, about the size of a college football wide receiver. You can have your Trump steaks and Trump wine. I want the Trump scale!

Meanwhile, the doctor who gave Biden the once-over assured us that we can’t believe our eyes. He said the president is “fit for duty” and there are “no new concerns.” I want this doctor to appraise my car. I’ve had it for 8 years, and I’ve put a lot of miles on it. Believe me, there are some

new concerns.

All of this has made me wonder. Has there been a doctor who has issued a statement like “I am Candice,” a physician, and if so, you, I barely know him when he stands in my office. I should have said something when he called me, and asked me to see a movie would be a good idea. The cognitive impairment he identified a giraffe and his body was the same as mine at the 7-11. I don’t buy any more, and to get his name. In summary, if he could handle the president, he would not let me use my phone, because I don’t mine and tried to kill it.”

I’m glad my physician is honest. I’ve been on fast food for years, he says I don’t have blood in my k

on their constituents. And thank the good Lord we have members of local law enforcement like Sheriff Joe Chapman (we're going to miss that guy come next January) who will do whatever is necessary to keep the residents of Walton County safe from all criminal activity foreign or domestic.

My deepest condolences go out to the family of Laken Riley. The kind of elected leadership and law enforcement we have in Walton County is what she deserved. Not what she got in Athens and Clarke County.

How much more of this are we, as a country, going to put up with?

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He told me my weight is perfect, if I can somehow manage to grow four inches taller.

He insists that I undergo cognitive tests, and unlike those of our presidential candidates, I am confident enough in my sanity to reveal the results publicly. That doesn't mean I actually believe the findings. The doctor said I'm getting to the point that I frequently repeat myself. That's a bunch of bull! He also said I'm getting to the point that I frequently repeat myself.

But I'm not one of the guys asking you to entrust me with the nuclear codes for the next four years. If you believe their doctors, no matter which one you elect, those codes will be in the hands of someone who is in excellent condition and fit for duty.

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or create your own calendar event at [CovNews.com/Calendar](http://CovNews.com/Calendar)

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<div><div>Friday, March 15</div><div>Georgia 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest 8 p.m.</div><div>Additional Dates Sat, Mar 16, 2024, 8 p.m. Sun, Mar 17, 2024, 8 p.m.</div><div>Location Covington, GA</div><div>Description 4-H and FFA event</div></div>	<div><div>Saturday, April 20</div><div>Tchaikovsky &amp; Friends performed by the Columbus Symphony Orchestra</div><div>Tchaikovsky's triumphant symphony and Borodin's evocative tone poem bookend the masterful Third Piano Concerto by Prokofiev performed by Canadian pianist Katherine Chi. With her energy, character, and spunk, her previous performances have been described as "... the most sensational but, better, the most unfailingly cogent and compelling Prokofiev's Third I have heard in years."</div><div>Bill Heard Theatre RiverCenter For The Performing Arts 900 Broadway Columbus GA 31901</div></div>	<div><div>Friday, May 10</div><div>4-5 p.m.</div><div>Additional Dates Fri, Feb 09, 2024, 4:00pm-5:00pm Fri, Mar 08, 2024, 4:00pm-5:00pm Fri, Apr 12, 2024, 4:00pm-5:00pm Fri, Jun 14, 2024, 4:00pm-5:00pm Fri, Jul 12, 2024, 4:00pm-5:00pm Fri, Aug 09, 2024, 4:00pm-5:00pm Fri, Sep 13, 2024, 4:00pm-5:00pm Fri, Oct 11, 2024, 4:00pm-5:00pm</div><div>Location O'Kelly Memorial Library 363 Conyers Rd Loganville, GA 30052</div><div>School Age; ages 6-12</div><div>Join us for a family-friendly game night featuring board games such as "The Game of Life" and "Uno".</div><div>Please feel free to bring your favorite board game to share!</div><div>Children must be accompanied by their parent/guardian.</div></div>
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# High School students named semifinalists for 2024 Governor's Honors program

STAFF REPORT  
THE NEWS

Twelve Newton County School System (NCSS) high school students have been named semi-finalists for the 2024 Governor's Honors Program (GHP). The Georgia Governor's Honors Program (GHP) is a residential summer program for gifted and talented high school students who will be rising juniors and seniors during the program. The program offers instruction that is significantly different from the typical high school classroom. It is designed to provide students with academic, cultural, and social enrichment necessary to become the next generation of global critical thinkers, innovators and leaders.

GHP is held in mid-summer (mid-June to mid-July) as a residential educational experience on a college or university campus. This year's program will be hosted by Georgia Southern University from June 16 through July 13, 2024. Students will attend classes in the mornings and afternoons in specific areas of study, and then participate in a wide variety of social and instructional opportunities every evening. Meals and rooms are provided by the program.

Students interested in attending must participate in a series of interviews and should be able to speak eloquently and in great detail about the

subject they choose. They are students who desire to work with their subject outside of school and go above and beyond. Students may be nominated in Communicative Arts (ELA), all the foreign languages, math, science, social studies, dance, music, theater, visual arts, engineering and agriscience.

According to Shundreia Neely, NCSS Director of Secondary Schools, NCSS has a GHP committee comprised of a representative from each school and a GHP coordinator, Eric Adams.

"The school representative informs teachers about the program and asks teachers to nominate students who are highly talented and qualified to meet the criteria of the program," Neely said. "After the teachers provide the student names, the representative meets with students to provide them with an overview of GHP and how the nomination process works. Additionally, the school-level GHP representative checks to ensure students meet the criteria. If the student meets the criteria, the school level representative works with the teacher and student to collect information for GHP nomination.

"Students' names are submitted to the Governor's Office of Student Achievement (GOSA). The students are next contacted by GOSA to complete a state application in efforts to be selected for state interviews. If selected, students become semi-finalists and then



Photo courtesy of NCSS

compete in state interviews. Students selected as finalists from state interviews will have the opportunity to participate in the GHP summer program."

Dr. Duke Bradley III, NCSS' superintendent, commended the students on this accomplishments.

"Congratulations to our students for their well-deserved recognition as semi-finalists in the 2024 Georgia Governor's Honors Program," Bradley said. "These students have put in substantial effort to refine their applications and essays for the semi-finalist round.

Their dedication is evident in their selection across a range of subject areas, such as Engineering, Mathematics, World Languages, Communicative Arts, Social Studies, Visual Arts and more.

"Their commitment to advancing their knowledge and skills is commendable. I appreciate the hard work put forth by each student, and I wish them success in the next phase of the Governor's Honors Program. Their achievements bring pride to the Newton County School System."

## Piedmont Academy holds Leap Day celebration



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THE NEWS

Toni White's first grade class had a delightful Leap Day celebration at Piedmont Academy.

Students learned about the reason behind Leap Day and the concept of leap years is a valuable lesson for young students.

To commemorate the occasion, students played games like leapfrog, created leap yearbooks and

finished out the day by enjoying donuts which was a delightful treat to mark a special day.

"Mrs. White's class enjoyed the Leap Day celebration and they are looking forward to the next one in four years," a press release stated. "Leap Day truly is a unique and exciting occurrence that comes around only once every four years, making it a special event to celebrate and learn about."

## FULL LIST OF SEMIFINALISTS

Governor's Honors Semifinalists			
NAME	SCHOOL	GRADE	SUBJECT AREA
Sara Anderson	Alcovy High	10	Agricultural Research, Biotechnology and Science
Francisco Alvarado	Alcovy High & NCCA STEM Institute	11	Engineering with a concentration in programming
Aoqi Xu	Alcovy High & NCCA	10	Mathematics
Cassandra Schneider	Eastside High & NCCA STEM Institute	11	Engineering with a concentration in design
Ian White	Eastside High & NCCA STEM Institute	11	Mathematics
Tallis Howard	Eastside High	10	World languages with a concentration in Latin
Nicol Vives	Newton High & NCCA	11	Agricultural Research, Biotechnology, and Science
Denise Vale	Newton High & NCCA STEM Institute	10	Communicative Arts
Patricia Phillips	Newton High	11	Communicative Arts
Bailey Stover	Newton High	10	Social Studies
Jaylen Stanley	Newton High	11	Visual Arts
Jayden Bailey	Newton High	11	World languages with a concentration in Spanish

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# Oak Hill Animal Hospital goes 'the extra mile' for their clients

PHILLIP B. HUBBARD  
MANAGING EDITOR

One of Oak Hill Animal Hospital's core values is "going the extra mile." It is a value that Dr. Elizabeth McElhenny and her staff have embodied since the practice opened in April 2009.

Dr. McElhenny, the veterinarian and practice owner, with 35 years in the field, shared that she and her staff have heard about the difference in their practice.

"We've been told it feels different here. One of our mottos is, 'An educated client is a loyal client,'" Dr. McElhenny or Dr Mac as she is often called, said. "So, we're very focused on giving people enough information to make an educated decision for their pet. I really like to teach. So, teaching about best care and about best options for disease care is probably our big focus."

Because that education is so important, Ashley Watkins, the practice manager, told The Covington News that the practice will send home an article with the pet owner concerning each disease process that

Dr. McElhenny diagnoses. The animal hospital also has a monthly blog that is shared through the practice's official website and posts pet tips on Facebook regularly.

Mrs. Watkins explained why Oak Hill Animal Hospital offers those things.

"We want them to understand. Owners have come to us and said: 'Yeah, I spent \$250 on it and I don't even know what he had.' We don't want them to not understand," Watkins said. "Because, for a lot of people, I know especially my age range right now, these 20-30-year olds, a lot of them chose to not have kids. So, these four legged fur babies are their kids."

Per the practice's official website, the list of services offered by Oak Hill Animal Hospital include preventative health, vaccinations, allergies and dermatology, exotic pet care, cold laser therapy, general surgery and much more. Dr. McElhenny tries to take a holistic approach and look at the big picture when making a care plan for patients.

While client education is



a big part of Oak Hill's core values, Dr. Mac shared examples of her and her staff exemplifying that in additional ways.

"I know our receptionist has run medicine to somebody's house on her way home when they forgot it. It was somebody that had to get somebody to bring her [to the clinic] and they walked out without it," Dr. McElhenny said. "We have gone to [the] homes of local clients during times of stress or grief. We had a client call us...she thought her dog was dying. We rushed out there to see if there was anything we could do. It was like a 130-pound dog. It wasn't anything the owner could move."

Oak Hill's drive to go the extra mile isn't just about the client. Their education focus extends to teaching owners and staff how to make a visit "fear free" for the patient. By using calming agents and fear free tactics, Oak Hill tries to make the experience as positive as possible for the pet.

"That's one of the things I've always respected about her [Dr. McElhenny] — even working at other practices myself — it's just different," Mrs. Watkins said. "Caring about the patients and not forcing them past that breaking point to where, now they have to be sedated every time they come into the

"It's really nice to have people sense that they are a priority to us, which is what we want."

clinic. We just take more time to work with them."

Another aspect of Oak Hill Animal Hospital's core values is community involvement.

Dr. McElhenny told of an instance where the practice was involved with the passing of a retired police dog. "That was pretty special for us. He was well honored as an officer"

Additionally, she has had interns come through the clinic who are considering pursuing careers in veterinary medicine. Two are in veterinary college right now and two are actively practicing veterinary medicine.

Mrs. Watkins said that Oak Hill has been a part of Rockdale and Newton school systems' work based learning programs as well.

Dr. McElhenny stated that her business is all about "building relationships." Mrs. Watkins relayed that forming bonds carries over to the clients.

So much so that, Watkins said it is like their clients are second family members.

"That's one of the things I pride myself on with our front desk staff — the fact that they recognize every-

body that comes in and they ask him, 'How's your son doing? When's his move?'" Ashley said. "They make that personal relationship, so it's about the client and the pet and not just the dollar signs of the veterinary medicine."

Oak Hill Animal Hospital is located at 5274 GA Hwy 20 in Covington. They are open Mondays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Their office number is 770-728-9976.

Dr. McElhenny and her staff pride themselves on the quality of care they provide to their clients. An added bonus for her is that the clients can feel it, too.

"It's really nice to have people sense that they are a priority to us, which is what we want," Dr. McElhenny said "I don't want to be a cookie cutter, move them in and out kind of practice. We're here to build relationships. Not only with the pets, but with the owners."







## ALL-COV NEWS GIRLS BASKETBALL

### SANAA TRIPP — MOST VALUABLE PLAYER



14.3 PPG

7.2 RPG

3.2 APG

5.4 SPG

Newton senior Sanaa Tripp is the All-Cov News Most Valuable Player of the Year for the 2023-24 season. In her return to the Lady Rams, Tripp played a big role in turning a team

that went 3-22 a year ago, into a 19-13 team that made it to the second round of the Class AAAAAAA playoffs. Tripp led the Lady Rams in points per game, rebounds per game, assists per game and steals

per game. Tripp ended the year with First Team All-Region honors for Region 4-AAAAAAA and was named to the All-Region Defensive Team.

### KENDALL BANKS — SHARPSHOOTER OF THE YEAR



12.6 PPG

5.5 RPG

4.5 APG

63 3PM

Alcovy junior Kendall Banks is the All-Cov News Sharpshooter of the Year. Banks' shooting propelled the Lady Tigers to their highest win total since the 2012-13 season. The ju-

nior finished second on the team in points per game. Banks led the entire Region 3-AAAAAA in three pointers made with 63, while ranking No. 4 among all Class AAAAAA players in the same category.

On the season, Banks held a 32 percent field-goal percentage while shooting 31 percent from beyond the arc. Banks ended the season with All-Region honors.

### MYA PERRY — BREAKOUT PLAYER OF THE YEAR



8.3 PPG

2.3 RPG

2.4 APG

3.1 SPG

Newton freshman Mya Perry is the All-Cov News Breakout Player of the Year. In just her first season with the Lady Rams, Perry

made a big impact in the Lady Rams' hunt for the playoffs in Class AAAAAAA. Perry was second on the team in points per game and steals per game. Per-

ry ended her first full season with Honorable Mention honors for Region 4-AAAAAAA.

### SHAMARIAH GIBBS — BIG OF THE YEAR



8.9 PPG

11 RPG

2.2 SPG

1.5 BPG

Alcovy junior Shamariah Gibbs is the All-Cov News Big of the Year. By season's end, Gibbs held the team lead with an average of 11 rebounds per game. Gibbs'

11 rebounds per game ranked No. 1 among every player in Region 3-AAAAAA. In the entirety of Class AAAAAA, Gibbs ranked No. 5. To go along with the rebounding, Gibbs had

an average of 8.9 points per game. Gibbs ended the season with All-Region honors.

### JAWAN BAILEY — COACH OF THE YEAR



Newton Lady Rams : 19-13

2nd in Region 4-AAAAAAA

2nd Round Class AAAAAAA Playoff Berth

Newton Lady Rams head coach Jawan Bailey is the All-Cov News Coach of the Year. Following a 3-22 record in his first season as Newton's head coach in 2022, Bailey

delivered a bounce back year. The bounce back year placed the Lady Rams as the runners up in Region 4-AAAAAAA. Bailey led the Lady Rams to the second round of the Class AAAAAA

playoffs against North Paulding. The 2023-24 season under Bailey marks the team's highest win total since the 2017-18 season.



# FIRST TEAM

Janae HutchersonALCOVY TIGERS

13.2 PPG

5.5 RPG

4.5 APG

4.2 SPG

Jada HymanSOCIAL CIRCLE REDSKINS

12.3 PPG

7 RPG

2.6 APG

3.1 SPG

Imari HumphreyNEWTON RAMS

7.4 PPG

4.5 RPG

1.2 APG

0.6 SPG

Jailyn WilliamsEASTSIDE EAGLES

11.4 PPG

3.4 RPG

0.8 APG

1.1 SPG

Morgan SandemaEASTSIDE EAGLES

9.2 PPG

7.4 RPG

0.5 APG

1.1 SPG



# SECOND TEAM

EASTSIDE EAGLES Aysia Spivey

9.4 PPG

3.5 RPG

0.3 APG

1.8 SPG

EASTSIDE EAGLES Donee Morain

7.5 PPG

5.4 RPG

0.8 APG

1.9 SPG

SOCIAL CIRCLE REDSKINS Brielle Price

5.2 PPG

2.5 RPG

0.8 APG

1 SPG

NEWTON RAMS Alissa Sandifer

11.4 PPG

3.4 RPG

0.8 APG

1.1 SPG

SOCIAL CIRCLE REDSKINS Kara Lee Taylor

3.7 PPG

8 RPG

1 APG

1.7 SPG



# HONORABLE MENTION

Kelis ReidSOCIAL CIRCLE REDSKINS

Abigail PollettALCOVY TIGERS

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2006 NISSAN QUEST  
5N1BV28U66N112368

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**3/3, 3/10**

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1995 FORD F150 1FTEF15N3S-NA74369  
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**Public Notice #700136**  
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**Public Notice #700144**  
**Run Dates 3/3, 10**

## Bids

The City of Covington is accepting proposals for the replacement of sixty-four (64) 400W high-pressure sodium, 277-volt high-mast lighting fixtures.

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**Public notice #700130**  
**3/3, 10**

## Citations

CITATION

TO: All Interested Parties

**Angela Bogan** has filed for Permanent Letters of Guardianship of the Person(s) **Amiri Bogan** minor(s). All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before April 3, 2024 , at ten o'clock, a.m.

Melanie M. Bell, Judge  
By: Marcia Wynne  
Clerk, Probate Court  
Newton County, Georgia

**Public Notice #700170**  
**3/10,17**

CITATION

TO: All Interested Parties

**Angela Bogan** has filed for Permanent Letters of Guardianship of the Person(s) **Cartier Bogan** minor(s). All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before April 3, 2024 , at ten o'clock, a.m.

Melanie M. Bell, Judge  
By: Marcia Wynne  
Clerk, Probate Court  
Newton County, Georgia

Public Notice #700172  
3/10,17

## CITATION

**Alfred Jerome Wise** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Henry A. Wise** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700147**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

## CITATION

**Anishaia Andretta Smith** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Byron S. Welch** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should

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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700146**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

## CITATION

**GLYNDA MARIE JOHNSEN** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **GARY ALAN PECK** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700072**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

## CITATION

**JAMARIO OCTAVIUS PARKS** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **ARETHA JEVON-DA BENTON** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700110**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

## CITATION

**MICHAEL DALE JOHNSTON** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **VICKIE LYNN JOHNSTON** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700030**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

## CITATION

**MICHAEL JACOB HARRISON** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **MARY ANN HARRISON**



deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700029**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**CITATION**

**PEGGY KATHY KING HILL** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **GWENDOLYN KING** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700073**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**CITATION**

**RACHEAL OMOBOLADE SOWOLE** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **OLUSOLA JOSHUA SOWOLE** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700112**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**CITATION**

**SHEQUILE HENRY** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **ORRIN HENRY** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700071**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**CITATION**

**Susan O. Owens** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Ozley, Sr.** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700149**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**CITATION**

The Petition of **DEIDRE COOK LEVERETT** spouse of **HENRY SHAWN LEVERETT** deceased, for Twelve Month's Support for having been duly filed, all interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objection must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1, 2024 at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDE  
by MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK Probate Court  
Newton County, Georgia

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-RM 148  
COVINGTON GA 30014-2435

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700114**  
**3/3,10,17,25**

**CITATION**

**THOMAS FLOYD WALDROP** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **THOMAS ALBERT WALDROP JR** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE

COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700111**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**CITATION**

**Thomas M. Kamplain, Jr.** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **Kevin Sterling Brown** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700148**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**CITATION**

TO: All Interested Parties

**Angela Bogan** has filed for Permanent Letters of Guardianship of the Person(s) **Aubree Bogan** minor(s). All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before April 3, 2024 , at ten o'clock, a.m.

Melanie M. Bell, Judge  
By: Marcia Wynne  
Clerk, Probate Court  
Newton County, Georgia

**Public Notice #700171**  
**3/10,17**

**CITATION**

**TO: All Interested Parties**

**Angela Bogan** has filed for Permanent Letters of Guardianship of the Person(s) **Joshua Bogan** minor(s). All objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before April 3, 2024 , at ten o'clock, a.m.

Melanie M. Bell, Judge  
By: Marcia Wynne  
Clerk, Probate Court  
Newton County, Georgia

**Public Notice #700169**  
**3/10,17**

**CITATION**

**VERONICA ANN WILLIAMS** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **BETTY SUE JOHNSON** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before APRIL 1 2024 next, at ten o'clock a.m.

MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE  
MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
1132 USHER STREET-148  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700031**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **EMMA T. HORNE** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 29TH day of February , 2024

CELESTINE JONE  
8919 ELINA ROSE  
DOUGLASVILLE, GA 30134

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700176**  
**3/10,17,24,31**

**Corporations**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO VOLUNTARILY DISSOLVE A CORPORATION**

Notice is given that a notice of intent to dissolve Window Concepts Shutters & Blinds, Inc., a Georgia corporation with its registered office at 4148 Elizabeth ST SE, Covington, GA, 30014, has been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Business Corporation Code

**Public Notice #700156**  
**Run Dates: 3/3,10**

**Debtors Creditors**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **BESSIE L. FRANKLIN** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 8TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

RICKY HUGH GILSTRAP  
165 MOSS RD  
COIVGTON, GA 30016

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700074**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **CAROL BROWN** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate

representative according to law.  
This the 29TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

MONICA SANDERS  
620 PEBBLE BLVD  
COVINGTON, GA 30016

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700173**  
**3/10,17,24,21**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **CHARLES PEIRSON GRAY** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 9TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

CAROL LYNN WYRICK  
742 CREEK BOTTOM RD  
LOGANVILLE, GA 30052

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700081**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **CLARA FAYE SHARPE** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 15TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

ALAN THOMAS FREEMAN  
10 NORTHWOOD SPRINGS DR  
OXFORD GA 30054

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700115**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **DONALD EUGENE KENNEY** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 8TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

JASON KENNEY  
10925 WELLINGTON DR  
COVINGTON GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700077**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **ELEANOR O. WISE** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 8TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

ALFRED JEROME WISE  
85 HARVILLE RD  
COVINGTON GA 30016

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700075**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **ESTHER BELL HOWE** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 15TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

JIMMY HOWE  
225 SMITH STORE ROAD  
COVINGTON GA 30016

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700117**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **GERALDINE B. CARGILE** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 9TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

ZACK DEMONTY CARGILE  
160 HOLLY CIRCLE  
COVINGTON GA 30016

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700080**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **JEFFREY J. TUTTLE** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 5TH day of MARCH , 2024

TANYA TUTTLE RAK  
2329 CHADBURY LANE  
MT. PLEASENT, SC 29466

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700174**  
**3/10,17,24,31**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **KATHRYN ELIZABETH HONEY** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 21ST day of FEBRUARY , 2024

WILLIAM ERNEST HONEY  
1095 MILL POND RD  
NEWBORN, GA 30056

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700118**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **LINNELL THOMAS** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 13TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

EARNESTINE THOMAS  
4257 ROBINSON ST  
COVINGTON GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700079**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **MARY JANE OSBORN** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 15TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

BARBARA PETTERS  
2970 DAVIS ACADEMY RD  
RUTLEDGE, GA 30663

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700119**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **NATASHA BILLINGS** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 8TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

BRENDA JONES  
5722 WIND GATE LN  
LITHONIA, GA 3058

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700078**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **ORVILLE P. MCGUNIGAL** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 8TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

CHERYL BONE MCGUNIGAL  
114B BEAR CREEK RD  
EATONTON, GA 31024

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700082**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **PAMELA R. MACK** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 5TH day of MARCH , 2024

MICHAEL L. MACK, SR  
335 JT WALLACE RD  
COVINGTON, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700175**  
**3/10,17,24,31**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **SANDRA CRUMP BRISCOE** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 29TH day of February , 2024

DONALD KEITH BRISCOE  
170 ROSEWOOD CIR.  
COVINGTON, GA 300177

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700176**  
**3/10,17,24,31**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **Sarah Charline Cooper** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 26th day of FEBRUARY , 2024.

PETER STONE BIBBINS  
115 KAY CIR.  
Covington, Ga 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700118**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **VIRGINIA MILDRED KURSAITIS** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 8TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

VIRGINIA DARLENE FLETCHER  
6005 LAKE OAK LANDING  
CUMMING GA 30040

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700076**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **WILLIAM SHAPIRO** Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
This the 9TH day of FEBRUARY , 2024

JACOB LOGAN SHAPIRO  
5521 ANNUNCIATION ST  
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70115

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700116**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

TO: All creditors of the Estate of **Pamela R. Mack**, late of Newton County, Georgia, deceased, are hereby notified to render their demands and claims to **Michael L. Mack, Sr.**, the Executor of the Estate of **Pamela R. Mack**, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

**Michael L. Mack, Sr.**, Executor  
Estate of Pamela R. Mack  
335 JT Wallace Rd.  
Covington, GA 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700167**  
**3/10,17, 24, 31**

**Notice to Debtors and Creditors**

All creditors of the estate of **Kathryn Elizabeth Honey** late of Newton County, deceased, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

This 12th day of February, 2024  
Name: William Ernest Honey  
Title: Executor  
Address: c/o Carey Law, LLC, 1 Concourse Parkway, Suite 800, Atlanta, GA 30328

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700059**  
**2/25-3/3,10,17**

**Divorces**

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

RONNIE MARSHALL  
Plaintiff,  
v  
TOBIAS JOHNSON,  
Defendant,

ACTION NO.  
2024-CV-231-2

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO Tobias Johnson  
20 Lake Pines Ct  
Covington Ga 30014

By order of the Court for service by publication dated February12, 2024, you are hereby notified that on 1/29/2024 (date of filing),RONNIE MARSHALL (plaintiff) filed suited against you for DIVORCE. You are required to file with the clerk of the Superior Court, and answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for publication with the clerk of the sSuperior Court of Newton County and to serve a copy of the anser upon the plaintiff (if pro se) or upon the plaintiff's attorney (if represented). Witness, the Honorable G. Ken Morris, judge of the Superior Court of Newton County

This the 26th day of January , 2024  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #700165**  
**3/10,17,24,31**

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

YOLONDA WALKER BROWN  
Plaintiff,  
v  
PRENTICE C. BROWN, JR  
Defendant,

ACTION NO.  
2023-CV-2765-5

**NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**

TO PRENTICE C. BROWN, JR  
302 GRACE ST  
DUBLIN, GA 31021

By order of the Court for service by publication dated FEB 2 2024, you are hereby notified that on NOV 30, 2023 (date of filing), YOLONDA WALKER BROWN (plaintiff) filed suited against you for DIVORCE. You are required to file with the clerk of the Superior Court, and answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for publication with the clerk of the sSuperior Court of Newton County and to serve a copy of the anser upon the plaintiff (if pro se) or upon the plaintiff's attorney (if represented). Witness, the Honorable W. Kendall Wynne Jr, judge of the Superior Court of Newton County

This the 6th day of February , 2024

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700049**  
**2/18,25-3/3,10**

**Foreclosures**

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF NEWTON  
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

Because of a default under the terms of the Security Deed executed by **Christopher Davenport** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation dated October 11, 2018, and recorded in Deed Book 3760, Page 8, Newton County Records, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, securing a Note in the original principal amount of \$137,464.00, the holder thereof pursuant to said Deed and Note thereby secured has declared the entire amount of said indebtedness due and payable and, pursuant to the power of sale contained in said Deed, will on the first Tuesday, April 2, 2024, during the legal hours of sale, before the Courthouse door in said County, sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, the property described in said Deed, to-wit:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 96 of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia. being Lot 62, of Hunters Ridge Subdivision, Unit Two, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 39, Pages 19-23, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description.

Said property is known as **45 Hunters Ridge Ct, Covington, GA 30014**, together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any.

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether



matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

The proceeds of said sale will be applied to the payment of said indebtedness and all expenses of said sale as provided in said Deed, and the balance, if any, will be distributed as provided by law.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the secured creditor.

The property is or may be in the possession of The Representative of the Estate of Christopher Davenport and Christopher Davenport, successor in interest or tenant(s).

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC as Attorney-in-Fact for Christopher Davenport  
File no. 24-081463  
LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP\*  
Attorneys and Counselors at Law  
211 Perimeter Center Parkway, N.E., Suite 130  
Atlanta, GA 30346  
(770) 220-2535  
https://www.logs.com/  
\*THE LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700124**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF  
NEWTON COUNTY  
STATE OF GEORGIA**

H. EUGENE RENNO, in his capacity as EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF RALPH LEWIS WITHROW, Petitioner, v.

IN RE:  
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING KNOWN AS 6 DAISY STREET (TAX PARCEL ID P001000000030000); Respondent(s).

CIVIL ACTION  
FILE NO. SUCV2023000126

**NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**

To: (1) Eva Mae Rogers and/or Her Known or Unknown Heirs at Law; (2) Lena Mae Griggs; (3) William Rogers and/or His Known or Unknown Heirs at Law; and (4) Any and All Unknown Parties Who Have or Claim Any Possessory or Adverse Right, Title or Interest in the Property Located at 6 DAISY STREET, and Known as Tax Parcel ID P001000000030000  
You are hereby notified pursuant to Order of Superior Court of Newton County Judge, dated February 2, 2024, that a Petition to Quiet Title with the above-referenced style was filed on January 18, 2023, in the Superior Court of Newton County by H. Eugene Renno, in his capacity as Executor of the Estate of Ralph Lewis Withrow (Petitioner). The Petition, if granted, will extinguish any interest you have in that certain tract or parcel of land located in Newton County, Georgia, and fully described at Exhibit A to the Petition. You are hereby given notice of this action and directed that you may file any pleading you desire in response to the Petition to Quiet Title within sixty (60) days of the date of the Order Directing Service by Publication, or by April 2, 2024, with the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, 1132 Usher St., NW, #338, Covington, Georgia 30014, and serve a copy of your Answer on Petitioner's attorney, D. Andrew Folkner, Weissman, PC, One Alliance Center, 4th Floor, 3500 Lenox Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30326 and the Special Master appointed by the Court, David Dickinson, Esq., 338 North Broad Street, Monroe, Georgia 30655.  
Witness, the Judge of Newton County Superior Court.  
This \_\_\_\_\_ day of February 2024.

BY:  
Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County,  
Georgia  
Prepared by:

D. Andrew Folkner  
Georgia State Bar No: 695599  
andrew@weissman.law  
Attorney for Petitioner

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700041**  
**2/18,25-3/3,10**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE  
UNDER POWER**

**NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA**

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **P M Crosby** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as mortgagee, as nominee for Home America Mortgage, Inc. dated October 30, 2006 and recorded on October 31, 2006 in Deed Book 2308, Page 51, Newton County, Georgia Records, and later assigned to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the LB-Cabana Series IV Trust by Assignment of Security Deed recorded on August 10, 2021 in Deed Book 4245, Page 759, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of One Hundred Two Thousand Three Hundred And 00/100 Dollars (\$102,300.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on April 2, 2024 the following described property:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 359 of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia, containing 1.000 acres (more or less) according to survey for Tammy L. Coltharp by Robert W. Voniter, Georgia registered land surveyor No. 2251, dated April 20, 1992, and recorded in Plat Book 26, Page 35, Newton County records, which plat is by reference incorporated herein and made

a part hereof.

Tax ID #: 0058000000049 000

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

Your mortgage servicer, SN Servicing Corporation, as servicer for U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the LB-Cabana Series IV Trust, can be contacted at 800-603-0836 or by writing to 323 5th Street, Eureka, CA 95501 to discuss possible alternatives to avoid foreclosure.

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the parties in possession of the property are P.M. Crosby or tenant(s); and said property is more commonly known as 145 Ellis Road, Oxford, GA 30054.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the LB-Cabana Series IV Trust as Attorney in Fact for P M Crosby  
McMichael Taylor Gray, LLC  
3550 Engineering Drive, Suite 260  
Peachtree Corners, GA 30092  
404-474-7149  
MTG File No.: GA2024-00126

**Public Notice #700133**  
**Run Dates, 3/3, 10, 17, 24**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE  
UNDER POWER  
NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA**

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Janaee T. Heard and Jada Heard** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., As Grantee, As Nominee For Americahomekey, Inc., dated March 2, 2009, and recorded in Deed Book 2698, Page 278, Newton County, Georgia Records, subsequently modified by a Loan Modification Agreement recorded August 3, 2016 in Book 3463, Page 527 in the amount of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Seven and 34/100 (\$225,457.34) Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust by assignment recorded on December 18, 2014 in Book 3286 Page 551 in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of One Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Two and 0/100 dollars (\$157,102.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on April 2, 2024, the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 106 AND 119 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 177, LEGENDS OF ELLINGTON SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 42, PAGE 80-95, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH RECORDED PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY THIS REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION, SUBJECT TO ANY EASEMENTS OR RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD.

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: Selene Finance they can be contacted at (877) 735-3637 for Loss Mitigation Dept, or by writing to 3501 Olympus Boulevard, 5 th Floor, Suite 500, Coppell, Texas 75019, to discuss possible alternatives to avoid foreclosure.

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Janaee T. Heard and Jada Heard or tenant(s); and said property is more commonly known as **55 Harrison Cir, Covington, GA 30016**.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed and (3) any right of redemption or other lien not extinguished by foreclosure.

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust as Attorney in Fact for Janaee T. Heard and Jada Heard.

Brock & Scott, PLLC  
4360 Chamblee Dunwoody Road  
Suite 310  
Atlanta, GA 30341  
404-789-2661

B&S file no.: 20-04926

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700089**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER  
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

By virtue of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **CECIL LAMAR WALTON** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS A NOMINEE FOR RYLAND MORTGAGE COMPANY, dated August 26, 2004, recorded September 29, 2004, in Deed Book 1762, Page 87, Newton County, Georgia Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of Two Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Six and 00/100 dollars (\$222,596.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE COWALT, INC., ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2004-33, MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-33, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Newton County Courthouse, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 231, 9TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 82, THE SOUTHLINKS AT COVINGTON, PHASE II-A, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 39, PAGES 89 - 96, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS HEREBY REFERRED TO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY DESCRIPTION.

Said legal description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as **250 FAIRWAY TRAIL, COVINGTON, GA 30014**.

The indebtedness secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of default under the terms of said Security Deed. The indebtedness remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same, all expenses of the sale, including attorneys' fees (notice to collect same having been given) and all other payments provided for under the terms of the Security Deed.

Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The sale will also be subject to the following items which may affect the title: any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable); the right of redemption of any taxing authority; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; all zoning ordinances; assessments; liens; encumbrances; restrictions; covenants, and any other matters of record superior to said Security Deed.

To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is CECIL LAMAR WALTON, or tenants(s).

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP, Loss Mitigation Dept., 7105 Corporate Drive, Plano, TX 75024, Telephone Number: 800-846-2222. Nothing in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require a secured creditor to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage instrument.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE COWALT, INC., ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2004-33, MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-33

as Attorney in Fact for  
CECIL LAMAR WALTON  
THE BELOW LAW FIRM MAY BE HELD TO BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, UNDER FEDERAL LAW. IF SO, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
Attorney Contact: Ruben Lublin, LLC  
3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071  
Telephone Number: (877) 813-0992  
Case No. BAC-11-14510-27  
Ad Run Dates 03/03/2024, 03/10/2024, 03/17/2024, 03/24/2024  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700086**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER  
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

By virtue of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **LARRY WALLACE** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. AS GRANTEE, AS NOMINEE FOR ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC, FKA QUICKEN LOANS, LLC, dated October 18, 2022, recorded October 31, 2022, in Deed Book 4449, Page 397-411, Newton County, Georgia Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of One Hundred Twelve Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$112,000.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Newton County Courthouse, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described property:

LAND SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF NEWTON IN THE STATE OF GA: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 89 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA BEING LOT 66, COUNTRY WOODS SUBDIVISION, PHASE III, AS PER PLAT THEREOF

RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 24, PAGE 135-136, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH RECORDED PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION.

Said legal description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as **120 WOODCREST DR, COVINGTON, GA 30016**.

The indebtedness secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of default under the terms of said Security Deed. The indebtedness remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same, all expenses of the sale, including attorneys' fees (notice to collect same having been given) and all other payments provided for under the terms of the Security Deed.

Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The sale will also be subject to the following items which may affect the title: any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable); the right of redemption of any taxing authority; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; all zoning ordinances; assessments; liens; encumbrances; restrictions; covenants, and any other matters of record superior to said Security Deed.

To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is LARRY WALLACE, or tenants(s).

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC, Loss Mitigation Dept., 635 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48226, Telephone Number: (800) 508-0944. Nothing in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require a secured creditor to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage instrument.

ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC  
as Attorney in Fact for  
LARRY WALLACE  
THE BELOW LAW FIRM MAY BE HELD TO BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, UNDER FEDERAL LAW. IF SO, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
Attorney Contact: Ruben Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071  
Telephone Number: (877) 813-0992  
Case No. QKN-24-00175-1  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700045**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER  
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

By virtue of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **MARY L. ALVAREZ AKA MARY B. MARKS** to FINANCIAL FREEDOM SENIOR FUNDING CORPORATION, dated January 26, 2004, recorded February 4, 2004, in Deed Book 1610, Page 419-428, Newton County, Georgia Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of One Hundred Eight Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$108,000.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC F/K/A REVERSE MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, INC., there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Newton County Courthouse, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN THE WYATT DISTRICT, 463RD G.M.D. OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A PIN LOCATED IN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF HENDERSON DRIVE WITH FLAT ROCK ROAD (JERSEY ROAD), THENCE, RUNNING SOUTH ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF HENDERSON DRIVE 225 FEET TO A PIN; THENCE, IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION 220 FEET TO A PIN; THENCE, IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION, 250 FEET TO AN IRON PIN LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF FLAT ROCK ROAD, (JERSEY ROAD), THENCE RUNNING EAST ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF FLAT ROCK ROAD (JERSEY ROAD) 115 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SAID PROPERTY IS BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: NORTH BY FLAT ROCK ROAD (JERSEY ROAD), EAST BY HENDERSON DRIVE, SOUTH BY PROPERTY OF MALHAM JACKSON AND WEST BY OTHER PROPERTY OF RALPH BAKER.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 144 FLAT ROCK ROAD, COVINGTON, GA 30015

Said legal description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as **144 FLAT ROCK ROAD, OXFORD, GA 30054**.

The indebtedness secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of default under the terms of said Security Deed. The indebtedness remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same, all expenses of the sale, including attorneys' fees (notice to collect same having been given) and all other payments provided for under the terms of the Security Deed.

Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The sale will also be subject to the following items which may affect the title: any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable); the right of redemption of any taxing authority; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; all zoning ordinances; assessments; liens; encumbrances; restrictions; covenants, and any other matters of record superior to said Security Deed.

To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is MARY L. ALVAREZ AKA MARY B.

MARKS, ESTATE AND/OR HEIRS AT LAW OF MARY L. ALVAREZ , or tenants(s).

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: PHH Mortgage Corporation, Loss Mitigation Dept., 1661 Worthington Road Ste 100, West Palm Beach, FL 33409, Telephone Number: 866-503-5559. Nothing in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require a secured creditor to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage instrument.

MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC F/K/A REVERSE MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, INC.  
as Attorney in Fact for  
MARY L. ALVAREZ AKA MARY B. MARKS

THE BELOW LAW FIRM MAY BE HELD TO BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, UNDER FEDERAL LAW. IF SO, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
Attorney Contact: Ruben Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071  
Telephone Number: (877) 813-0992  
Case No. RMU-23-06443-1  
Ad Run Dates 03/03/2024, 03/10/2024, 03/17/2024, 03/24/2024  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700123**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER  
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

By virtue of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **STACEY W. MOORE** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. AS GRANTEE, AS NOMINEE FOR REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE NETWORK, INC., dated May 26, 2009, recorded June 24, 2009, in Deed Book 2729, Page 599, Newton County, Georgia Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of One Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Three and 00/100 dollars (\$147,283.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to NewRez LLC f/k/a New Penn Financial LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Newton County Courthouse, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described property:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 33 of the 10th District and Land Lot 197 of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia, containing 3.912 acres, more or less, designated as Lot 34, Block A, River Shoals Run Subdivision, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 25, Page(s) 40, Newton County records, which plat is incorporated herein by reference.

The improvements thereon being known as **70 River Shoals Court, Covington, Georgia - 30016**.

Said legal description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as 70 RIVER SHOALS CO, COVINGTON, GA 30016.

The indebtedness secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of default under the terms of said Security Deed. The indebtedness remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same, all expenses of the sale, including attorneys' fees (notice to collect same having been given) and all other payments provided for under the terms of the Security Deed.

Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The sale will also be subject to the following items which may affect the title: any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable); the right of redemption of any taxing authority; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; all zoning ordinances; assessments; liens; encumbrances; restrictions; covenants, and any other matters of record superior to said Security Deed.

To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is STACEY W. MOORE, or tenants(s).

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: NewRez LLC, F/K/A New Penn Financial, LLC, D/B/A Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, Loss Mitigation Dept., 75 Beattie Place Ste. 300, Greenville, SC 29601, Telephone Number: 800-365-7107. Nothing in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require a secured creditor to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage instrument.

NEWREZ LLC F/K/A NEW PENN FINANCIAL LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING

as Attorney in Fact for  
STACEY W. MOORE

THE BELOW LAW FIRM MAY BE HELD TO BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, UNDER FEDERAL LAW. IF SO, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
Attorney Contact: Ruben Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071  
Telephone Number: (877) 813-0992  
Case No. SHP-23-06421-2  
Ad Run Dates 02/18/2024, 03/03/2024, 03/10/2024, 03/17/2024, 03/24/2024  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE #600979**  
**2/18,3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER  
GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Brandon Steele** to Mortgage



Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Homequest Capital Funding, its successors and assigns, dated May 23, 2005, recorded in Deed Book 1932, Page 180, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank, N.A., successor trustee to LaSalle Bank National Association, on behalf of the Holders of Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities I Trust 2005-HE8, Asset-Backed Certificates Series 2005-HE8 by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3755, Page 413, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$132,900.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-1-11 having been given).

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to the Security Deed first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the abovenamed or the undersigned.

U.S. Bank, N.A., successor trustee to LaSalle Bank National Association, on behalf of the holders of Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities I Trust 2005-HE8, Asset-Backed Certificates Series 2005-HE8 is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc., 3217 S. Decker Lake Dr., Salt Lake City, UT 84119, 888-818-6032.

Note, however, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Brandon Steele and Delores Steele or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **65 Rockwood Ct, Covington, Georgia 30016**. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

U.S. Bank, N.A., successor trustee to LaSalle Bank National Association, on behalf of the holders of Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities I Trust 2005-HE8, Asset-Backed Certificates Series 2005-HE8

as Attorney in Fact for  
Brandon Steele  
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC  
1544 Old Alabama Road  
Roswell, GA 30076  
www.foreclosurehotline.net  
EXHIBIT "A"

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 168 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 191 of Overlook Pass, Unit Two, as per plat recorded in Plat book 32, page 35, Newton County Georgia Records, to which plat reference is made for a more detailed description.

MR/kri 4/2/24  
Our file no. 51948807 - FT1

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #700107 3/3,10,17,24

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Chanel Blanton** to Navy Federal Credit Union, dated August 1, 2019, recorded in Deed Book 3876, Page 442, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$371,387.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-1-11 having been given).

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those

superior to the Security Deed first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the abovenamed or the undersigned.

Navy Federal Credit Union is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Navy Federal Credit Union, 820 Follin Lane, Vienna, VA 22180, (800)258-5948.

Note, however, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Chanel Blanton or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **70 Alcovy Reserve Way, Covington, Georgia 30014**. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Navy Federal Credit Union  
as Attorney in Fact for  
Chanel Blanton  
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC  
1544 Old Alabama Road  
Roswell, GA 30076  
www.foreclosurehotline.net  
EXHIBIT "A"

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, lying and being in Land Lots 202 and 203 of the 9th District of Newton County, Georgia being known and designated as Lot 50 of Sautee Bluff aka The Reserve at the Alcovy, aka River Ridge Estates, prepared by Louie D. Patrick, Georgia RLS #1757, as shown on plat of survey dated September 1, 2005, and recorded at Plat Book 44, pages 41-46, revised at Plat Book 44, pages 172-177, Public Records of Newton County, Georgia, which plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. Said property being known as 70 Alcovy Reserve Way according to the present system of numbering Newton County, Georgia.

MR/ca 4/2/24  
Our file no. 24-14029GA - FT8

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #700122 3/3,10,17,24

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Jonathan C Adkins** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Guild Mortgage Company, a California Corporation, its successors and assigns, dated April 29, 2016, recorded in Deed Book 3430, Page 615, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Guild Mortgage Company, a California Corporation by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3534, Page 254, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND FORTY-TWO AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$263,042.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-1-11 having been given).

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to the Security Deed first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the abovenamed or the undersigned.

Guild Mortgage Company LLC is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Guild Mortgage Company LLC, PO BOX 85304, San Diego, CA 92186, 800-365-4441.

Note, however, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Jonathan C Adkins and Sherina Larice Smith or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **185 Regency Place, Covington, Georgia 30016**. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Guild Mortgage Company LLC  
as Attorney in Fact for  
Jonathan C Adkins  
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC  
1544 Old Alabama Road  
Roswell, GA 30076  
www.foreclosurehotline.net  
EXHIBIT "A"

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 104 and 105 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia being Lot 118, Westminster (FKA Garden View), Phase II, as shown on plat re-

corded in Plat Book 50, Pages 232-233, Newton County, Georgia Records, which plat is incorporated by this reference and made a part of this description.

MR/kam 4/2/24  
Our file no. 5362417 - FT17

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #700125 3/3,10,17,24

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Linus White and Ivy Nicole Bryant** to HomeBanc Mortgage Corporation, dated June 29, 2006, recorded in Deed Book 2240, Page 86, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 4410, Page 767, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$128,800.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-1-11 having been given).

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to the Security Deed first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the abovenamed or the undersigned.

Nationstar Mortgage LLC is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, 8950 Cypress Waters Blvd, Coppell, TX 75019, (888) 480-2432.

Note, however, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Linus White, Estate of Linus White and Ivy Nicole Bryant or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **115 Dove Point, Covington, Georgia 30016**. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Nationstar Mortgage LLC  
as Attorney in Fact for  
Linus White and Ivy Nicole Bryant  
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC  
1544 Old Alabama Road  
Roswell, GA 30076  
www.foreclosurehotline.net  
EXHIBIT "A"

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 72 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 9, BLOCK B, COVE POINT SUB-DIVISION, UNIT THREE, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 27, PAGE 133, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA DEED RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE FOR A MORE COMPLETE AND ACCURATE DESCRIPTION, BEING PROPERTY KNOWN AS 115 DOVE POINT ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF NUMBERING PROPERTY IN NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA.

MR/kri 4/2/24  
Our file no. 24-13686GA - FT2

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #700104 3/3,10,17,24

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Ronald Cochran, Jr** to Bayrock Mortgage Corp., a Georgia Corporation, dated September 30, 2003, recorded in Deed Book 1549, Page 519, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association, as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Certificateholders of Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities, Inc. Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2003-HE1 by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3173, Page 437, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$122,000.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible

events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-1-11 having been given).

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to the Security Deed first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the abovenamed or the undersigned.

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee, as successor-in-interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities Trust 2003-HE1, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-HE1 is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc., 3217 S. Decker Lake Dr., Salt Lake City, UT 84119, 888-818-6032.

Note, however, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Ronald Cochran, Jr or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **385 Branchwood Drive, Covington, Georgia 30016**. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee, as successor-in-interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities Trust 2003-HE1, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-HE1  
as Attorney in Fact for  
Ronald Cochran, Jr  
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC  
1544 Old Alabama Road  
Roswell, GA 30076  
www.foreclosurehotline.net  
EXHIBIT "A"

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 72 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 21, Unit Five, Dove Point, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 29, Page 80, Newton County Records. Reference to said plat is hereby made for a complete description of the property herein described. Said property is improved property known as 385 Branchwood Drive, according to the present system of numbering property in Newton County, Georgia.

Map/Parcel#: 00150 600  
MR/ca 4/2/24  
Our file no. 5354315 - FT1

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #700099 3/3,10,17,24

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF NEWTON

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **CHARLES R DAVIS** to Newton Federal Bank dated July 27, 2012 and recorded on July 31, 2012 in Deed Book 3029, Page 571, of the Newton County, Georgia records, as last assigned to U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF THE IGLOO SERIES IV TRUST (the "Secured Creditor"), by assignment, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$50,000.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash in Newton County, before the Courthouse door, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternate, and within the legal hours of sale on April 02, 2024, being the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 102, 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, PER PLAT OF SURVEY FOR SIDNEY E. BAILEY BY ROBERT M. BUHLER, L.S. #1403, DATED DECEMBER 22, 1981, SAID PLAT BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART

HEREOF BY REFERENCE, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A NAIL AND CAP SET IN PAVEMENT, SAID NAIL AND CAP BEING NORTH 01 DEGREE 30 MINUTES EAST 895 FEET ALONG THE EAST PAVED EDGE OF MCGIBONEY ROAD EXTENDED STRAIGHT TO THE CENTER OF SALEM ROAD (80' RIGHT-OF-WAY); THENCE FROM SAID NAIL AND CAP, NORTH 03 DEGREES 56 MINUTES EAST 70.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 84 DEGREES 30 MINUTES EAST 23 FEET TO A ½" IRON ROD SET; THENCE NORTH 84 DEGREES 30 MINUTES EAST 175.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN FOUND; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 56 MINUTES WEST 70.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN FOUND; THENCE SOUTH 84 DEGREES 30 MINUTES WEST 175.00 FEET TO A ½" IRON ROD SET; THENCE SOUTH 84 DEGREES 30 MINUTES WEST 23.0 FEET TO THE NAIL AND CAP WHICH IS THE SAID POINT OF BEGINNING.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY DEEDED TO SIDNEY E. BAILEY BY DEED RECORDED AT DEED BOOK 161, PAGE 603, NEWTON COUNTY RECORDS.

SUBJECT TO THE BOUNDARY LINE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BARRY LEE WATTS AND KENDRES R. WATTS AND NANNIE SUE CHAMBLEE DATED JULY 9, 1991, AND RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 402, PAGE 81, NEWTON COUNTY RECORDS.

Property Address: **88 McGiboney Rd, Covington, GA 30016 (the "Property")**.

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

Secured Creditor is the current assignee of the Security Deed to the Property. SN Servicing Corporation, acting on behalf of and, as necessary, in consultation with Secured Creditor (the current investor on the loan), is the entity with the full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, SN Servicing Corporation may be contacted at: 323 5th Street, Eureka, CA 95501 or (800) 603-0836. Please note that the Secured Creditor is not required by law to amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/parties in possession of the Property is/are: CHARLES R DAVIS and/or tenant/tenants.

Said Property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable); (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the Property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record; (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority; (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the Property; and (e) all matters of record superior to the Security Deed set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc.

The sale will be conducted subject to: (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph.

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF THE IGLOO SERIES IV TRUST

as Attorney in Fact for  
CHARLES R DAVIS  
THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
HOWARD LAW  
4755 Technology Way, Suite 104  
Boca Raton, FL 33431  
Telephone: (954) 893-7874  
Facsimile: (888) 235-0017  
24-000046

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #700067 3/3,10,17,24

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY

Pursuant to the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Crystal R Lewis** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Van Dyk Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns dated 9/1/2022 and recorded in Deed Book 4433 Page 505 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$441,849.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on April 2, 2024 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the Town of Mansfield, Newton County, Georgia, and formerly known as the A.B. Barber house and lot and being part of Block "P", according to map of Mansfield, Georgia, and also being that same property conveyed by C.A. Crawley to Mrs. L. Carl Harwell by Warranty Deed dated March 17, 1944 and recorded in Deed Book 32, Page 434, Clerk's Office, Newton Superior Court, with the exception of that property previously conveyed cut of said property from Mrs. L. Carl Harwell to Lucius Lee Harwell, and being more particularly described as follows: Lying on the southwestern side of Main Street and being at a point where Main Street intersects with Fourth Avenue; thence running southwest along the southern side of Fourth Avenue a distance of 256 feet to Pine Street; thence running southeast along the northern side of Pine Street a distance of 100 feet to a point; thence running northeast distance of 256 feet to the southwestern side of Main Street; thence running northwest along the southwest side of Main Street a distance of 100 feet to Fourth Avenue and the point of beginning.

Parcel ID-M0020 00000 026 000

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

Said property is commonly known as **2996 Highway 11 S, Mansfield, GA 30055** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Crystal Lewis or tenant or tenants.

Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, 1600 South Douglass Road Suite 200-A



Anaheim, CA 92806 (800) 561-4567

Note, however, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

Said property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC as agent and Attorney in Fact for Crystal R Lewis

Aldridge Pite, LLP, Six Piedmont Center, 3525 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 700, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7400.

2191-2970A

THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 2191-2970A

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700088**  
**2/25-3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY**

Pursuant to the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Jeffery Logan** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for American Financial Network, Inc. DBA: Orion Lending, its successors and assigns dated 5/3/2019 and recorded in Deed Book 3837 Page 286 and modified at Deed Book 4399 Page 486 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$238,598.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on April 2, 2024 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 42 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 74, HERITAGE POINTE F/K/A HERITAGE AT WATERSIDE, PHASE THREE, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 47, PAGES 83-85, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

Said property is commonly known as 200 Lances Ln, Covington, GA 30016 together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Jeffery Logan or tenant or tenants.

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC Loss Mitigation 3043 Townsgate Road #200, Westlake Village, CA 91361 1-866-549-3583

Note, however, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

Said property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a

lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC as agent and Attorney in Fact for Jeffery Logan

Aldridge Pite, LLP, Six Piedmont Center, 3525 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 700, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7400.

1120-3314A

THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION

OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1120-3314A

**Public Notice #700155**  
**Run Dates 3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY**

Pursuant to the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Jennifer Williams** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Home Funds Direct, its successors and assigns dated 6/24/2005 and recorded in Deed Book 1947 Page 316 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee, as successor-in-interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Securities Corporation, Home Equity Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-AHL1, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$88,800.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on April 2, 2024 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND IN NEWTON COUNTY, STATE OF Georgia, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN BOOK 942, PAGE 355, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 72 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING SHOWN AS LOT 36, COUNTRYWOODS, PHASE TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT OF SAME RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 23, PAGE 81, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH PLAT IS SPECIFICALLY INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR A MORE PARTICULAR AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION. A.P.N. 0015-198

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

Said property is commonly known as 590 Cowan Road, Covington, GA 30016 together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Jennifer M. Williams or tenant or tenants.

PHH Mortgage Corporation is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PHH Mortgage Corporation 1661 Worthington Rd

Suite 100 West Palm Beach, FL 33409 (800) 750-2518

Note, however, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

Said property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee, as successor-in-interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Securities Corporation, Home Equity Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-AHL1 as agent and Attorney in Fact for Jennifer Williams

Aldridge Pite, LLP, Six Piedmont Center, 3525 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 700, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7400.

1017-6346A

THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1017-6346A

**Public Notice #700141**  
**Run Dates 3/3, 10, 17, 24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY**

Pursuant to the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Jeromette Belcher** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for George Mason Mortgage, LLC., its successors and assigns dated 5/19/2022 and recorded in Deed Book 4390 Page 355 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$230,584.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other

area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on April 2, 2024 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 361 of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 3, Block B of Stoneleigh Subdivision, per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 106, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat R Incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description.

Map parcel number  
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The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

Said property is commonly known as **1515 Stone Lea Drive, Oxford, GA 30054** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Jeromette Belcher or tenant or tenants.

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC Loss Mitigation 3043 Townsgate Road #200, Westlake Village, CA 91361 1-866-549-3583

Note, however, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

Said property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a

lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC as agent and Attorney in Fact for Jeromette Belcher

Aldridge Pite, LLP, Six Piedmont Center, 3525 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 700, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7400.

1120-24230A

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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700101**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY**

Pursuant to the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Kathlyn George and Eric George** to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. dated 10/30/2006 and recorded in Deed Book 2321 Page 432 and modified at Deed Book 2835 Page 478 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$174,185.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on April 2, 2024 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 125 of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 349, Unit Ten of Trelawney Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 42, Pages 209-211, Newton County, Georgia records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description.

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

Said property is commonly known as **115 Havenwood Lane, Covington, GA 30016** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Eric George and Kathlyn George or tenant or tenants.

Wells Fargo Bank, NA is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

Wells Fargo Bank, NA Loss Mitigation 3476 Stateview Boulevard Fort Mill, SC 29715 1-800-678-7986

Note, however, that such entity or individual is not required by law to nego-

tiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

Said property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be

disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as agent and Attorney in Fact for Kathlyn George and Eric George

Aldridge Pite, LLP, Six Piedmont Center, 3525 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 700, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7400.

1000-19157A

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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700103**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY**

Pursuant to the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Matthew Alexander Roe and Kristen L. Ziegler** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for PRIMELENDING, A PLAIN-SCAPITAL COMPANY, its successors and assigns dated 9/22/2015 and recorded in Deed Book 3366 Page 458 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by PHH Mortgage Corporation, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$101,035.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia (or such other area as designated by Order of the Superior Court of said county), within the legal hours of sale on April 2, 2024 (being the first Tuesday of said month unless said date falls on a Federal Holiday, in which case being the first Wednesday of said month), the following described property:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 123 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 11 of Pine View Subdivision as shown on plat of Pine View Subdivision as same is recorded in Plat Book 14, page 228A, Newton County, Georgia Record. The description of said property as contained on said plat is hereby incorporated herein and made an essential part hereof by reference.

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

Said property is commonly known as **55 McGiboney Ct, Covington, GA 30016** together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, if any. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Matthew Alexander Roe and Kristen L. Ziegler or tenant or tenants.

PHH Mortgage Corporation is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.

PHH Mortgage Corporation 1661 Worthington Rd Suite 100 West Palm Beach, FL 33409 (800) 750-2518

Note, however, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

Said property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a

lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.

PHH Mortgage Corporation as agent and Attorney in Fact for Matthew Alexander Roe and Kristen L. Ziegler

Aldridge Pite, LLP, Six Piedmont Center, 3525 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 700, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7400.

1017-6723A

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**PUBLIC NOTICE #700100**  
**3/3,10,17,24**

**Notice of Sale Under Power. State of Georgia, County of NEWTON.**

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by **GREGORY WINDS** to WACHOVIA MORTGAGE CORPORATION, dated 01/29/2003, and Recorded on 03/19/2003 as Book No. 1389, and Page No. 61 69, AS AFFECTED BY SCRIVENER'S AFFIDAVIT BOOK 2707, PAGE 3 4, NEWTON County, Georgia records, as last assigned to WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF QUERCUS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST (the Secured Creditor), by assignment, conveying the after described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$117,150.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the NEWTON County Courthouse within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in April, 2024, the following described property: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 19 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 93, THE FALLS AT BUTLER BRIDGE, PHASE FIVE, ON A PLAT F SURVEY OF SAME RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 34, PAGES 224 227, PUBLIC RECORDS OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS WHICH PLAT IS BY REFERENCE THERETO INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR A MORE PARTICULAR AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION.

SAID PROPERTY IS KNOWN AS 125 BUTLER BRIDGE CIRCLE, COVINGTON, GA 30016, TOGETHER WITH ALL FIXTURES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY ATTACHED TO AND CONSTITUTING A PART OF SAID PROPERTY, IF ANY. The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Deed to Secure Debt. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF QUERCUS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST holds the duly endorsed Note and is the current assignee of the Security Deed to the property. CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC, acting on behalf of and, as necessary, in consultation with WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF QUERCUS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST (the current investor on the loan), is the entity with the full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC may be contacted at: CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC, 1600 SOUTH DOUGLASS ROAD, SUITE 200 A, ANAHEIM, CA 92806, 800 561 4567. Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44 14 162.2, the secured creditor is not required to amend or modify the terms of the loan. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/parties in possession of the subject property known as **125 BUTLER BRIDGE CIRCLE, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016** is/are: GREGORY WINDS or tenant/tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc.

The sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9 13 172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph. WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF QUERCUS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST as Attorney in Fact for GREGORY WINDS. THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. To obtain options and alternatives to foreclosure please contact Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC directly, toll free by the following telephone number: (800 561 4567). 00000010022374 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TURNER & ENGEL, LLP 4004 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 Addison, Texas 75001 Telephone: (972) 341 5398.

**PUBLIC NOTICE #700127**  
**3/10,17,24,31**

**STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**COUNTY OF NEWTON**

Pursuant to a power of sale contained in a certain Deed to Secure Debt with Power of Sale, dated December 16, 2021, executed by **Lewis Williams**, hereinafter referred to as "Grantor", with the singular including the plural, recorded in Deed Book 4314, Pages 354-372, the deed records of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia in favor of Federal Savings Bank, hereinafter "Lender", having been given to secure a debt evidenced by a Promissory Note in the original principal amount of \$146,691.93 with interest at the rate stated in said Promissory Note, and by virtue of a default in the payment of the debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt, the undersigned attorney-in-fact for the aforesaid Grantor (which attorney-in-fact is The Federal Savings Bank, the present holder of said Deed to Secure Debt and debt secured thereby) will sell before the door of the courthouse in Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale, for cash, to the highest bidder on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, the property which, as of the time of the execution of said Deed to Secure Debt, was described as follows:

All that tract and parcel of land being in Land Lot 102, of the 10th Land District







Garrett Pitts  
The Covington News

## Presley makes it official with Campbellsville signing

GARRETT PITTS  
SPORTS EDITOR

Newton senior Anjavien Presley signed to Campbellsville University on National Signing Day on Feb. 7.

The offensive lineman signed his national letter of intent inside of Newton's auditorium alongside 12 other Rams who did the same.

Following the signing, Presley spoke about what it meant to him to see it finalized.

"It felt great to put in all that work and to see it finally pay off," Presley said.

For Presley, education and being able to make plays on Saturdays were the main factors when assessing schools.

"While looking at colleges, it really came down to somewhere I can really further my education and be able to come in and make an impact on my team," Presley said.

Inside of the football program, Presley noted the atmosphere and how it made

the choice simple.

"I felt they really believed in me as a player and what I can do on and off the field," Presley said. "They made me feel at home like I belong, so when it came down to the choice it was pretty [easy]."

Presley ended his senior season with nominations to the Second Team All-Region for Region 4-AAAAAAA. The senior was also named to the 2023 All-Cov News Offensive Team.

Being part of the first Newton team to ever defeat region rival Grayson tops the list for Presley's favorite moment in a Rams uniform.

"While at Newton, I would have to say my most favorite time was [the] Grayson game," Presley said. "Because all the past seniors that I saw fell short of beating them. I felt I had to go in and get redemption and being able to rush their logo after [beating them for] the first time in Newton history just felt great."



Contributed Photo

## Smith signs to Kentucky State after one year with Eagles

DJ MOORE  
CORRESPONDENT

After just one year in the Eagles program, senior Christian Smith signed his national letter of intent (NLI) to play at Kentucky State University.

The signing took place on Wednesday, Feb. 7 as Smith took the stage in front of family, friends, teammates and coaches at Eastside's National Signing Day ceremony.

Smith signed his NLI alongside teammate Jacorey Jackson, who signed on the same day.

With the 2023-2024 football season being Smith's first year at Eastside, he knows what it feels like to be an Eastside Eagle.

"To be an Eastside Eagle football

player, you have to work hard on the field and in the classroom," Smith said. "It felt like a family here at Eastside High School."

Smith finished his lone season at Eastside with 42 total tackles. He also accounted for two sacks, two fumble recoveries and one blocked punt.

Looking ahead, he knows now is not the time to be complacent when he gets to school in Frankfort, Kentucky.

"My coaches don't have to worry about me working hard and doing what is being asked of me," Smith said. "Just because I got here now, I got to show the coaches why they wanted me as a player."

Phillip B. Hubbard  
The Covington News

## Wilson signs to Savannah State on National Signing Day

GARRETT PITTS  
SPORTS EDITOR

On Wednesday, Feb. 7, Alcovy senior Giovanni Wilson signed his national letter of intent in the Tigers auditorium.

Wilson signed to continue his football career at Savannah State University.

Following the signing, Wilson spoke about his emotions and what Wednesday's National Signing Day meant to him.

"It feels great, feels like a burden off my chest. I feel like I have grown as a player through the thick and thin, through the hard times," Wilson said. "Although there are some goals we didn't achieve, we certainly made the program better."

For Wilson, two factors weighed heavily in his decision to go play for the Tigers in Savannah.

"Location and potential in the program," Wilson said. "They are right by the sea. I am a Florida native as well so it is not too far from home. A lot of the games they lost last year were close

games, and all they need is a little bit of edge. I feel I can provide that edge next year."

Reflecting on his time as an Alcovy Tiger, Wilson expressed his pride to play for Alcovy for four years and what he will remember most about his time there.

"The family," Wilson said. "There are a lot of places in Newton County you can go, and a lot of things that are said about Alcovy. But it's the loyalty of these guys, a lot of them are four year Tigers with me."

At the conclusion of his senior season, Wilson was named as an honorable mention for Region 3-AAAAAAA.

Wilson made an effort to give thanks to his parents, who paved the way for him to get to Alcovy and play football.

"I want to give thanks to my parents, just for all the sacrifices they made," Wilson said. "Two immigrants, one from Jamaica and one from Saint Vincent [and the Grenadines]. All the sacrifices they made to get me to the country and to help me play the game of football."

Managing Editor Philip B. Hubbard contributed to this article

## Joyner achieves dream, signs to Shorter University

PHILLIP B. HUBBARD  
MANAGING EDITOR

Piedmont Academy held a ceremony on Feb. 7 for National Signing Day.

One of the signings celebrated was Wyatt Joyner. He penned his national letter of intent to play football at Shorter University.

Joyner described the moment it became official.

"It felt amazing to be able to sign and accomplish a goal that most athletes have, but few actually get the chance to achieve," Joyner said.

Joyner has played football since he was 4 years old. At the next level, he plans to play offensive lineman for the Hawks beginning this upcoming fall.

Joyner shared with *The News* when he began dreaming of one day playing college football.

"While I was playing football in middle school is when I started to think about college ball," Joyner

said. "Then when I got to high school I knew I didn't want to give up the sport after I graduated."

And, Joyner is grateful he can live out his dream as part of the Shorter University football program.

"I love the atmosphere on campus with the coaches and players. I also like how close the coaches are with the players and the player's development," Joyner said. "Coach Morrison and coach Curd are also great coaches who I feel like I can learn a lot from."

Though he only spent one year at Piedmont Academy, Joyner is grateful for his time at the school and on the Cougars football team.

"This is my first year at Piedmont," Joyner said. "I came there during summer this year, and I got accepted into their family very fast and it made the whole process of coming into a new school very easy on me and I'm beyond thankful for that."





## Fuller signs with LaGrange to continue football career

PHILLIP B. HUBBARD  
MANAGING EDITOR

National Signing Day was celebrated at Piedmont Academy on Feb. 7. One of the signings recognized was Adarius Fuller's when he penned his national letter of intent to LaGrange College.

Fuller highlighted what made the day special for him.

"It felt great signing Feb. 7 and will be something I never forget — walking out and hearing everyone cheering for me and [my] family," Fuller said. "It felt like all the hard work paid off."

After Fuller graduates from Piedmont Academy in May, he will become a LaGrange Panther.

He shared why signing with LaGrange College was the right fit.

"I felt LaGrange was the right choice for me because of the environment of the school and how much the coaching staff and facility workers showed they cared," Fuller said. "The students seemed to enjoy being there and loved the school."

Fuller plans to play defensive back and

said he can play either cornerback or safety. He intends to major in business for sport management with career aspirations of being a sports agent to "stay in the sports world."

Fuller recognized how he has developed as a player during his time at Piedmont Academy.

"As a player I felt my growth at Piedmont grew because of Coach Wise pushing me and help[ing] fix the little things and helping me focus on one thing at a time," Fuller said. "Also my teammate Keith [made] practice feel like game speed everyday when we used to go head-to-head."

Now, with the next chapter of his football career coming up in the fall, Fuller relayed his enthusiasm for playing at the next level.

"What excites me most is being able to inspire the younger generation like I was inspired watching the college athletes in my area," Fuller said. "Help the game of football grow as a whole and be the reason why someone fell in love with the game."



## Fowler signs NLI to Brevard College

GARRETT PITTS  
SPORTS EDITOR

On Wednesday, Feb. 7, Alcovy's Oz Fowler made it official, signing to Brevard College to play football.

Fowler's signing was part of Alcovy's National Signing Day ceremony inside the Tiger's auditorium.

Following the ceremony, Fowler expressed gratitude to those who have been by his side during his football career.

"It feels amazing," Fowler said. "It is a true honor to be able to play at this level. I am very thankful for the people I had around me and to the people that I had to support me and motivate me. Life is very short, and I am glad I get to enjoy it well."

For Fowler, the reason why he chose Brevard relied heavily on one factor.

"Location, location, location," Fowler said. "They have really good sports. I love the campus, the location and the sports. What's not to love?"

During his football career, Fowler spent time at multiple positions. In his time with the Tigers, Fowler lined up on the defensive line for the majority of his snaps.

When reflecting on his time at Alcovy, Fowler spoke about how big of roles the coaching staff played in advancing his career.

"I appreciate how much they cared, and how many hours they spent growing us in the weight room and turning us into men," I wouldn't have been able to do it without them."

Looking ahead to his time with the Tornados, Fowler is excited to get on the field and play the sport he loves.

"I get to go out there and I get to hit somebody, that's what excites me the most about my career," Fowler said. "It gives me the opportunity to further my life with an education and gives me the opportunity to have fun while doing it."

Managing Editor Philip B. Hubbard contributed to this article



## Harrell pens commitment to Hutchinson Community College

GARRETT PITTS  
SPORTS EDITOR

Maurice Harrell penned his national letter of intent (NLI) at Newton's National Signing Day on Wednesday, Feb. 7.

Harrell's signing made his move to Hutchinson Community College official.

Though he went through some nerves prior to the signing, Harrell spoke about how the signing went and what emotions he had.

"At the start I was a little nervous, because I have never done this before," Harrell said. "But as I got up there and calmed down, I just let everything out about how I felt. It felt good."

Harrell was joined on stage by family as he inked his NLI to join a program that won the NJCAA National Championship in the 2020-2021 season.

The recruiting process for Harrell was

not always clear cut, but a push from the Hutchinson coaching staff sealed the deal for the senior.

"The coaches were the main thing. I was nervous because I did not know if I was going to commit there," Harrell said. "I was going to wait until later, but they showed love to me and they really wanted me. They told me how they were going to use me and I thought that was the right home to go to."

At the conclusion of his final season with the Rams, Harrell was named as a defensive back on Second Team All-Region for Region 4-AAAAAAA.

As he looks ahead to his career with the Blue Dragons, Harrell spoke about what kind of player Hutchinson will be getting in the fall.

"A great player," Harrell said. "A ball-player, an athlete. They are going to get a baller."



## Davis set to continue football career at Georgia Southern

GARRETT PITTS  
SPORTS EDITOR

Newton's Keon Davis will line up for Georgia Southern after signing his national letter of intent (NLI) on Wednesday, Feb. 7.

Davis penned his NLI during the Rams' National Signing Day ceremony in Newton's auditorium.

After making it official, Davis spoke about his emotions on the day.

"I am just glad. I know that my mom up above is looking at me proud," Davis said. "I am ready to start working. True freshman of the year."

Part of his decision to go with the Eagles was due to their offensive scheme, which Davis felt can

highlight a receiver like himself.

"I took Georgia Southern, it is close," Davis said. "They throw the ball a lot and I am a receiver. That is what led me to Georgia Southern."

After his senior year, Davis was named to the First Team All-Region for Region 4-AAAAAAA. Davis was also named to the 2023-24 All-Cov News Offensive Team.

Looking ahead to his inaugural season with Georgia Southern, Davis feels he can do anything that the Eagles need him to do out wide.

"They will be getting a fully energized, crazy man," Davis said. "[Someone who] catches deep balls anytime, 50-50 balls, slants and bubbles. I am just an all-around player."





# Wright signs to play football at Wingate University

GARRETT PITTS  
SPORTS EDITOR

Ephraim Wright made his Wingate signing official during Newton's National Signing Day ceremony.

Wright was one of many Newton defensive backs who signed national letters of intent to play college football on Feb. 7. Wright signed alongside defensive backs Maurice Harrell, Jonathan Dormevil, Jamarcus Presley and Jay Ford.

After a season that ended with Wright being named to the First Team All-Region for Region 4-AAAAAAA, the senior defensive back felt like the signing was seeing a culmination of all his hard work pay off.

"Today, it felt like everything finally paid off — the last four years of what we have been doing," Wright said. "I know I still have a long way to go, but this is just a stepping stone."

Following the season, Wright was

named to the 2023 All-Cov News Defensive Team.

When Wright was evaluating colleges, the academics of the school played as much of a factor as the football program did.

"I value academics a lot," Wright said. "At Wingate, I felt like academics was really a big part of it — just being able to get an education while also playing football."

When referencing his favorite moment with the Rams, Wright took it back to his first bit of playing time during his sophomore season.

Wright touted this game as the beginning of his journey to playing college football.

"A moment that I feel was good for me was in my sophomore year," Wright said. "I didn't play the whole season, but I got in the last game of the season against South Gwinnett. We lost the game, but I was able to get in. I made a couple plays, stepped up big."



# Ford set to play college football at Alabama A&M

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Newton defensive back Jay Ford signed his national letter of intent on Feb. 7's National Signing Day.

Ford's signing cemented his move to Alabama A&M (AAMU) in the fall to play college football.

Following the signing, Ford discussed his emotions and his outlook on the day.

"It feels really good to know that my work has paid off throughout all these years and to be signing — it's just a blessing," Ford said.

With ties to the state of Alabama, the decision to go that route was an easy one for the senior.

"I'm originally from Alabama so going back home after high school was already on my mind," Ford said. "Getting the AAMU offer was a no brainer so it made it easy to decide."

The thought of going to a HBCU, such as Alabama A&M, is something Ford has been thinking about long before he

stepped into Newton High School.

"I've always wanted to go to an HBCU," Ford said. "Since I was in middle school, I've been looking forward to going [to] AAMU, it was just a blessing to get the offer."

With parents living in Georgia and Alabama, Ford referenced how the move to Huntsville, Alabama allows him the opportunity to be much closer to family.

Ford spent most of his time on the Newton football team at defensive back. Along with his work on the gridiron, Ford also plays for Newton's baseball team.

Looking back on his Newton career, being the first Rams team to ever beat Grayson tops the list of Ford's favorite moments.

"My favorite moment at Newton has to be the Grayson game 1,000 percent," Ford said. "The way we came back as a team was just outstanding. That game will most definitely be talked about for a couple years from now for sure."



# Robinson signs to play football at Central Georgia Technical College

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After serving as a big piece in Newton's defense during his senior season, Jehden Robinson made his signing to Central Georgia Technical College official.

Robinson put pen to paper inside of Newton's auditorium during the Rams' National Signing Day ceremony. The senior signed his national letter of intent in front of friends, family, coaches and teammates.

Following the ceremony, Robinson put his feelings into words on the day he signed to play college football.

"It is a very emotional day for me," Robinson said. "Like coach said, I have not played football since my freshman year [with] battling injuries. It was about just coming back and doing it one last time with my guys."

Robinson's Newton career was impacted by injuries along the way, but that did not stop the senior from having a strong final season.

At the conclusion of his final year with the Rams, Robinson was named to the Second Team All-Region for Region 4-AAAAAAA. Robinson was also named to the 2023 All-Cov News Defensive Team.

Robinson will join the Titans alongside another member of Newton's front seven, Tony Clark.

The connection between himself and the Central Georgia staff was one of the bigger reasons Robinson chose to play for the Titans.

"They showed a lot of love, they stayed connected with me through the whole process," Robinson said. "I love the culture there. Coach Miller is a great guy."

The senior described himself as someone who plans to give it all next year for Central Georgia.

"They are getting an all-around dog. For the next six months to a year, I am going over there to give it my all and hopefully be in Division I next year," Robinson said.



# Clark pens NLI to Central Georgia Technical College

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Newton's Tony Clark signed his national letter of intent to play college football at Central Georgia Technical College (CGTC) on Feb. 7.

The signing was part of the Rams' National Signing Day ceremony.

After the event, the senior linebacker spoke about his feelings on the day.

"When I signed it was an amazing feeling," Clark said. "It felt like I was taking the next big step in life."

Being able to feel at home at his new destination was a key factor in Clark's decision.

"When looking at colleges, I value what they can offer and the comfort [level]," Clark said. "[Asking myself], 'Can I feel like home here?'"

In the end, Central Georgia was the place where Clark felt he can

go to take his game to the next level.

"CGTC felt like home and I feel like I can develop and become a better player there," Clark said.

He will not be going alone. Newton teammate Jehden Robinson also signed to play college football for the Titans.

Reminiscing on his time with the Newton football program, Clark spoke about the Rams' practices and battles during the week as his favorite times with the team. However, Clark singled out Newton's game against Westlake in his junior year as his favorite game of his career.

In the contest, Clark came away with an interception.

"When I look back at my time at my favorite moment here, [It] was practice and all the dog days and competition made me who I am today," Clark said. "But if I had to pick a game to call my favorite, I would probably pick the Westlake





# Hubbard makes it official, signs to the Georgia Knights

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Newton's Aaron Hubbard signed to the Georgia Knights Prep Academy during the Rams' National Signing Day ceremony.

The Rams' senior signed his national letter of intent inside of Newton's auditorium, surrounded by friends, family, teammates and coaches.

Hubbard lined up out wide for the Rams during his career. With his high school career behind him, Hubbard will now join the Knights alongside teammate Jonathan Dormevil.

For Hubbard, the family-like feel of the program was one of the main factors that led him to sign there.

"[It was] really just the support of everyone and how family oriented we are," Hubbard said.

Outside of the football field, Hubbard also noted the school's academic opportunities as another factor.

"They showed a lot of academics, and I loved that about the school," Hubbard said. "They showed a lot of love and family and they showed me a lot of support."

Though there were many memorable moments during his career, Hubbard noted an upset win early in the 2023 season as his personal favorite.

"When we beat Westlake," Hubbard said. "We came back as a team and we never let anyone try to doubt us."



# Dormevil to continue football career with Georgia Knights

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During Newton's National Signing Day ceremony, defensive back Jonathan Dormevil made his signing to the Georgia Knights Prep Academy official.

Dormevil put pen to paper inside of Newton's auditorium. The senior signed his national letter of intent in front of friends, family, coaches and teammates.

Following the ceremony, Dormevil put his feelings into words on the day he signed to play college football.

"I am excited, very emotional," Dormevil said. "I am ready to take it to the next level. With the past season and the preparation, I am ready for the next level."

After being ineligible to play during his senior season at Newton, Dor-

mevil was grateful that the Knights offered him the chance he needed.

"I just kept working and they took a chance on me — I just needed one chance," Dormevil said. "I took the chance and committed there. I took a visit and it felt like home. They made it feel like a real family and I knew it was the right place to go."

Dormevil will join the Knights alongside Newton teammate, Aaron Hubbard.

The senior described himself as someone who can make an immediate impact not just on the field, but in the locker room.

"[An] athlete, a dawg [and] a leader," Dormevil said. "I am coming to work everyday and to inspire my teammates to work. Just making the program a better place."



# Davis pens NLI to Butler Community College

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On stage at National Signing Day, Newton's Russell Davis made his signing official.

In the auditorium surrounded by family, friends, teammates and coaches, Davis penned his national letter of intent to Butler Community College.

When evaluating colleges, Davis considered many factors, but felt like the move to Butler was a perfect fit.

"Just thinking for the future, Butler is a place I really see myself building myself at and really getting to where I want to be," Davis said. "I was thinking real hard and praying on it — do I want to settle, or go bigger? I feel like Butler is the perfect place for me to be at."

Though he had not spent time on the campus yet, the conversa-

tions between Davis and the Butler coaching staff were enough to convince senior to sign the dotted line.

"It was last minute. He hit me up and gave me the rundown," Davis said. "They talked to me and persuaded me. I like all of the coaches there, they are real cool and made it feel like home and family."

Davis will join the Grizzlies in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference along with teammate Jamarcus Presley.

Following his final season with the Rams, Presley was tabbed as a Honorable Mention for Region 4-A-A-A-A-A-A.

With his focus now set on college football, Davis described himself as someone who will make his future team better.

"A hard worker, a guy that makes a huge impact when he first gets there," Davis said. "Someone that will make his teammates better."



# Presley to continue career at Butler Community College

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On National Signing Day, Newton's Jamarcus Presley made his signing to Butler Community College official.

Presley's signing was one of 13 that occurred in the Rams' auditorium on Feb. 7.

Though he touted himself as someone who does not show too much emotion, Presley felt like the day went well and was a big moment for him and his teammates.

Presley spent his senior season for Newton playing in the secondary. Now, he plans to suit up for the Grizzlies in El Dorado, Kansas.

The Butler Grizzlies play in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conferences, which is part of the NJCAA.

In his meetings with the team, it was the feel inside the program that led Presley towards signing

with Butler.

"I don't know what led me there but something just told me that it was home," Presley said. "I liked how they treated me and how they made me feel at home."

Presley will join the program alongside teammate Russell Davis, who also signed to the Grizzlies on National Signing Day.

At the end of his senior season, Presley was named to the Second Team All-Region for Region 4-A-A-A-A-A-A. In 2022, Presley was nominated to the First Team All-Region for Region 4-A-A-A-A-A-A.

When assessing what kind of player he is, Presley believes Butler is getting an all-around competitor.

"A physical player, they are getting someone that wants to hit and wants to make plays and I want to win," Presley said. "They are getting a leader."