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"Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:"

1 Peter 1:8 (KJV)

**Covington Town Center** 

# Coming to Life

# First businesses operating, preparing to open in Covington Town Center

By TOM SPIGOLON tspigolon@covnews.com

COVINGTON, GA. After about seven years of development Covington Town Center has begun to come to life with the recent opening of a hotel and restaurant and the opening next week of its anchor retailer.

Residence Inn by Marriott hotel, Panda Express restaurant and Batteries Plus recently opened, while Publix supermarket is set for a Wednesday morning opening.

Publix Supermarket No. 1811 is set to open Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 7 a.m. in a 48,387-square-foot space within the retail area's 63,000-squarefoot first phase on Town Center Drive.



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Top, an inflatable panda welcomes customers from the roof of the new Panda Express restaurant earlier this week. Bottom photo, Publix supermarket is set to open Wednesday, Jan. 11, as the anchor retailer in Covington Town Center off Alcovy Road.

It will be the second Publix operating in Newton County and joins stores in Mc-Donough and Statesboro as the newest Georgia locations of the Florida-based supermarket chain.

Harry Kitchen of

South Carolina-based master developer The Foxfield Co. said his

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**Economic Development** 

# **Automaker will** help build aircraft in Covington

Stellantis to provide financing, expertise to Archer Aviation

> By TOM SPIGOLON tspigolon@covnews.com

COVINGTON, GA. — Dutch automaker Stellantis will help build Archer Aviation Inc.'s new Covington factory and finance production of Archer's new electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft designed for urban travel.

Archer, a California-based company, said it will create 1,000 jobs in Covington in its first manufacturing facility for commuter and cargo-carrying aircraft for low-altitude use in urban

Stellantis will provide up to \$150 million in equity capital for potential use by Archer in 2023 and 2024 — subject to meeting certain business milestones Archer expects to reach this year, they announced this week.

The two companies Wednesday, Jan. 4, said they agreed to significantly expand their partner ship by joining forces to manufacture Archer's Midnight eVTOL at its manufacturing facility planned for a site adjacent to Covington Airport

"This combination is intended to enable the rapid scaling of aircraft production to meet our commercialization plans," Archer officials said in a news release.

Archer began operations in 2018 and is working to certify its first production aircraft, Midnight, with the Federal Aviation Administration in late 2024 and launch service in 2025, the company said.

It announced in November it planned a 500,000-square-foot complex on 96 acres of vacant, city-owned land on the western edge of Covington Municipal Airport.

Hiring was expected to begin in late 2023 and the facility is slated to open in the first three months of 2024 on the site between Williams and Airport roads.

Adam Goldstein, founder and CEO of Ar-

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**Newton County recreation** 

# Congress' spending bill included \$4M for Newton youth center

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COVINGTON, Ga. — Federal funds from the recently approved federal omnibus appropriations bill will be combined with local sales tax proceeds to provide enough money for a Westside Youth Facility in Newton County.

The federal funding totaling \$4 million was a grant the county matched with \$4.2 million from the voter-approved 2017 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax to

provide enough money to buy the land and build a facility, said District 3 County Commissioner Alana Sanders.

The local funding included \$495,000 voters approved in the 2017 SPLOST — which is a 1% sales tax which must be used for new or upgraded facilities and equipment and debt service. An additional \$3.7 million came from funds collected above the amount originally budget-

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company "is happy to welcome Publix Supermarket to our project."

"They are the anchor that will attract shoppers from throughout the region," Kitchen said.

"Our objective in planning the 180-acre mixed use center was to identify the 'best in class' of each type of tenant," he said. "We certainly met our goal in working with (developer Sembler Co.) to bring Publix to Covington Town Center."

Publix operates 200 stores in Georgia and a distribution center in Gwinnett County. Residence Inn opened Monday, Jan. 2, on Town Center Boule-

The new hotel includes 123 suite-styled rooms with full kitchens, an outdoor swimming pool and grill area, a putting green and more.

General Manager Randy Money said, "We look forward to developing long-term relationships with the many businesses in the

"(We) are excited to welcome guests from all over the world who wish to explore Covington's parks, natural scenery and movie production world," Money said.

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fast-food Chinese eatery, opened recently on Alcovy Road as the first restaurant in the development.

In addition to Publix, the 14,400 square feet of small shop space in the retail area "will offer a complementary mix of services, restaurants, and retail designed to meet the needs of the city of Covington and Newton County's growing residential and employee population" such as SportsClips, a news release stated.

Other businesses nearing operation or under development on other parts of the site include a dental clinic, and Huey Magoo's, Arby's and Zaxby's restaurants.

The Foxfield Co. has been planning and developing the 180acre mixed-use project for almost seven years since 2016.

At buildout, the Town Center area around I-20 and Alcovy Road will see more than 34,000 vehicle trips per day to Covington Town Center, Kitchen said.

A 620-unit apartment complex, The Cove at Covington Town Center, will operate on 26 acres.

More than four miles of sidewalks are slated to be available to access shopping and other amenities, he said.

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under 1 million yards of dirt, including 160,000 yards of rock, in completing the grading for the Covington Town Center site, Kitchen said.

Kitchen estimated about 1,800 new jobs will be created amid its final cost of \$350 million to complete the Covington Town Center project.

He had originally planned more office space in the area but added more residential uses as demand subsided in the midst of the pandem-

The city of Covington, meanwhile, spent more than \$1 million on such infrastructure as gas mains and lighting

2020. Covington City Council also voted in early 2020 to waive \$1 million in permitting costs and water and sewer tap fees along with \$456,000 electric infrastructure costs to spur construction of the complex. The complex also spawned additional

for the project by early

nearby development unrelated to Covington Town Center, including a 395-unit apartment complex on City Pond Road. Developer Emory Equity LLC is the developer and said the 39-acre complex would connect via roadways, sidewalks and trails to Town Center.

#### **Obituaries**

#### **Judge Greeley Ellis**

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Judge Greeley Ellis, age 90, passed away Friday, December 30, 2022. As a Superior Court Judge, he served both Newton and Walton Counties, where he held court for 11 years. He was known as a tough, but fair judge, demanding high standards of all participants. He lived in the U.S. Military Academy motto, "Honor,

Duty, Country", in all he did. As a trial judge, he tried the first RICO (Racketeering) case in the State. The case was against members known as part of the "Dixie Mafia" and lasted over 6 weeks. Born in Adel, Georgia in 1932,

he had fond memories of fishing Greeley the streams and hunting with his Ellis Adel "buddies". As a teen he worked in the Adel tobacco barn, computing the number of watermelons to be shipped North. He was Valedictorian of his class and played all three sports. Judge Ellis was a graduate from the West Point Military Academy where he served on the Honor Committee. Following graduation, he served in the U.S. Army in Germany and the U.S. After his military service, he entered Mercer Law School and later transferred to Emory Law School where he graduated in 1959. He practiced law in Atlanta before moving to Covington to start his own practice.

He was a director of Newton Federal Bank for more than 56 years and served as Chairman for 16 years. He was appointed Covington City attorney in the 1960's and was on the County Board from 1967-1970. He also served as President of the Chamber of Commerce and organized the Industrial Development Authority where he was chairman for 14 years. He was President of the Kiwanis Club in 1965 and a founding member of the Newton County Foundation.

In 1990, he made an unsuccessful bid for Governor on the Republican ticket.

In 2015, he was awarded the Distinguished Graduate Award from the West Point Society of

could remember history dates and people he had read about. From deed books he could remember Covington families, their acreage, and other Following a serious auto accident in 1975, he spent recuperative time at the Shepherd Spinal

Judge Ellis had a remarkable memory recall. He

Center. He was considered a miracle case as he regained mobility. He served 18 years on the Center's Advisory Board. An old warrior, he battled other health issues until his death.

His leisure time was spent designing and building bridges and a cabin, with help from family and friends, in the North Georgia Mountains where many family weekends and reunions were held. Always, an outdoorsman, he and his sons fished in Canada and Florida, and quail hunted in South Georgia. He and his wife, Temple, enjoyed traveling in Europe and the Caribbean. In retirement, he continued his business interests and took up Duplicate Bridge.

He is survived by his wife Temple Wilson Ellis; sons George Hunter Ellis of Augusta, GA, Andrew Berdan Ellis (Kim Ellis) of Leicester, North Carolina, Paul Wilson Ellis of Flowery Branch; grandchildren Charles Andrew Ellis, Sara Lynne Ellis, Jackson Hunter Ellis, Madison Diane Ellis, Taylor Temple Ellis; sister Jean Wright; and niece Phoebe Adcock.

A private burial ceremony will be held in the Covington City Cemetery. Contributions in memory of Judge Ellis may be made to the Shepherd Center, 2020 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30309 or to a local charity.

J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home has been entrusted with these arrangements.

#### Fred Taylor

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Fred Taylor, of Covington, passed away Sunday, January 1, 2023, at the age of 86. Mr. Taylor was a Covington Resident for 28 years where he was a member of East Newton Baptist Church. He was a truck driver for the city of Atlanta and retired from McLean Trucking and Yellow Freight. Mr. Taylor enjoyed watching NASCAR and tinkering with small engines. He will be remembered as a loving husband, father, and grandfather. Mr. Taylor was preceded in death by his parents, William Omer, Sr., and Rubye Elizabeth Taylor; sisters, Rubye Griffin, Evelyn Muggridge; brothers, W.O. Taylor, Jr., Terry Taylor.

Survivors include his loving wife of 61 years, Dell (White) Taylor; daughter, Cheryl Azar (Victor); son, Ryan Taylor (Tracey); grandchildren, Tyler Azar, Austin Taylor, Alexa Taylor, Amelia Taylor; great-grandchildren, Owen Azar, Julia Azar, Grady Azar; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

A Funeral Service for Mr. Taylor will be held Thursday, January 5, 2023, 2:00 P.M., at the Chapel of Caldwell & Cowan, 1215 Access Road, in Covington, with Rev. Mark Yearwood and Pastor Danny Sorrells officiating and interment following in Lawnwood Memorial Park. Friends are invited to visit with the family at the funeral home, Wednesday, January 4, from 6:00 – 8:00 P.M. Flowers are accepted, or donations may be made to East Newton Baptist Church, 11290 Hwy 278, Covington, GA 30014.

Visit www.caldwellandcowan.com to place online condolences.

#### **Ronnie White**

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A Celebration of Life Service for Mr. Ronnie White was Tuesday, January 3, 2022 at 1:00 P.M. at Pleasant View Baptist Church, 10201 Flat Shoals Road, Covington, Georgia 30014. Pastor Quin Baker officiated. Pastor Aaron Jones III was the Eulogist. Assisted by others.

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"To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1 KJV

The seasonal earthly journey for Ronnie White began on August 2, 1958, in Newton County, Georgia. He was born to the

late Mr. and Mrs. W.C. (Louise) White. He attended Newton County Schools and was a graduate of Newton County Comprehensive High School. He was joined in holy matrimony for 39 years to the love of his life, Mrs. Rhonda White. He joined the Pleasant

View Baptist Church at an early age. His daughter, Ms.

Shannikia White, and

his parents preceded him in death. Ronnie was a quiet and loving person. He was devoted to his family and friends. He was an avid sports fan who loved the Atlanta Falcons and college

football. He served

many years as a Little

League football coach.

An excellent day for him consisted of being surrounded by his grandchildren. He loved giving advice on anything from how to cook a full course meal to how to fix a car. Not a person to sit idly by, he was employed with Dekalb County Parks and Recreation for 32 years.

The seasonal earthly journey for Ronnie peacefully came to completion on December 26, 2022. We can only imagine the joy he experienced seeing the face of our Lord and receiving the ultimate healing in his body.

He leaves to celebrate his life and legacy his loving wife, Mrs. Rhonda White, two children, Ms. Takiria White and Mr. Ronderrius White, six grandchildren, Nicholas, Treyshaun, Carter, Nazir, Jamir and Aria, Godson, Jalen, three sisters, Ms. Gail White, Ms. Sarah White (James Kelly), and Ms. Vickie White, one

brother, Mr. John White,

three aunts, Mrs. Max-

ine (Sammy) Driskell, Ms. Gracie Mae Saxon and Ms. Bonnie White. six uncles, Mr. & Mrs. Lester (Nadine) Cooper, Mr. & Mrs. Bill (Annie) Cooper, Mr. Terrell Cooper, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry (Lanette) Cooper, Mr. Clifford (Lizzie) White, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry (Mattie) White, one sister-in-law, Mrs. Yolanda (Ricky) Fanning, one brother-in-law, Mr. Jonathan Benton and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Interment was in Pleasant View Cemetery, 302 Fincher Rd., Covington, GA

The family of the late Mr. Ronnie White would like to thank everyone for the love and all acts of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement. Your prayers, sympathy cards, food and your presence here today fill our hearts with joy. We pray that God's richest blessings will forever shine upon each of you.

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#### State workers get erroneous unemployment pay Nearly 300 state

employees erroneously received unemployment benefits totaling \$6.7 million and averaging \$23,700 per employee during the last two pandemic years, the Georgia Office of Inspector General (OIG) reported Wednesday.

In a letter to Da-

vid Dove, Gov. Brian Kemp's executive counsel, Inspector General Mike McAfee wrote that data obtained from the U.S. Department of Labor and the State Accounting Office (SAO) tentatively identified more than 280 full-time state employees who erroneously received unemployment insurance payments in 2020 and 2021.

The OIG has conducted about two dozen interviews with employees from across state government, nearly all of whom have been terminated, McAfee wrote.

"As Governor
Kemp's administration is acutely aware,
the nearly \$6 trillion
in emergency spending authorized by the
federal government to
combat the COVID-19
pandemic created new
challenges in oversight
and accountability,"
the inspector general
wrote.

"An unfortunate side effect was 'one of the largest frauds in American history, with billions of dollars stolen by thousands of people," the letter continued, quoting from articles The New York Times and Washington Post published

"Offices of inspectors general and other investigative agencies across the country continue to struggle with the sheer volume of incoming referrals. Unfortunately, this office can confirm that Georgia's state work-

last year.

force was not immune."
The difficulties the Georgia Department of Labor faced processing a deluge of applications for unemployment benefits at the height of the pandemic have been well documented. State lawmakers were inundated with complaints from constituents over a lack of response from the labor department

in receiving benefits. In 2021, the General Assembly passed legislation to create the position of chief labor officer inside the labor department who would report directly to the governor. However, Kemp vetoed the bill

because the powers it

would have given the

and subsequent delays

new position would have put it in conflict with the constitutional authority of Georgia's elected commissioner of labor.

While the OIG has referred cases of erroneous unemployment payments to the state Attorney General's office for prosecution, the agency conceded it doesn't have the resources to investigate every case.

To cope with such a large potential case-load, the letter recommends the General Assembly consider legislation extending the statute of limitations for prosecuting pandemic-related fraud and granting the OIG subpoena authority.

The inspector general also suggested the Georgia Department of Labor and SAO coordinate quarterly to make sure state employees have not submitted inaccurate or false applications for unemployment benefits.

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#### Lawmaker withdraws from legislature following arrest

A newly elected state representative from Barrow County is stepping down before the General Assembly convenes its 2023 legislative session next week.

Republican Rep.-elect Danny Rampey, 67, was arrested and charged with stealing prescription drugs from an assisted living complex he manages in Winder, the Athens Banner-Herald reported last month.

Rampey chose to resign the seat he just won rather than face being suspended from the General Assembly after lawmakers are sworn in next Monday.

Gov. Brian Kemp has scheduled a special election for Jan. 31 to fill the House District 119 seat, which includes a major portion of Barrow County.

"His withdrawal will ensure his constituents have a voice in this session of the General Assembly after the special election is held," House Speaker Jan Jones, R-Milton, and Speaker-Nominee Jon Burns, R-Newington, wrote in a joint statement.

Rampey was elected without opposition in November, receiving 18,484 votes.

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#### Statesboro lands second parts supplier for EV plant

The Statesboro area has landed a second automotive parts manufacturer in recent months.

Ecoplastic Corp. will build a new automotive parts plant in Bulloch County, a \$205 million investment that will create 456 jobs, Gov. Brian Kemp announced Thursday. The plant will supply the huge Hyundai electric vehicle manufacturing facility being built near Savannah.

"We're proud to welcome Ecoplastic to our growing ecosystem of manufacturers, logistics professionals, suppliers, and more, building on the record-breaking jobs and investments that are on their way to the Peach State," Kemp said. "This great company ... will find a welcoming community of hardworking Georgians and close proximity to our ports system."

Established in 1984, Ecoplastic produces plastic automobile parts for original equipment manufacturers and other suppliers, including bumpers, consoles, trims, and plastic molds.

The Korean company expects to begin operations by October of next year and will be filling positions in human resources, finance, parts development, quality control, facility maintenance, injection, and paint production. More information on jobs with Ecoplastic is available at www.eco-plastic.com.

The Georgia Department of Economic Development worked with the Development Authority of Bulloch County, the Georgia Ports Authority, Georgia EMC, and the Technical College System of Georgia to land the project.

Two months ago, auto parts manufacturer Joon Georgia announced it will invest \$317 million in a new manufacturing plant in Bulloch County that will create 630 jobs. That made it the new Hyundai EV plant's first confirmed supplier.

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# Miller to head three state transportation agencies

Georgia has a new transportation czar.

The boards of the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) and the Atlanta-Region Transit Link Authority Thursday named Jannine Miller executive director of the two agencies. The two votes came one day after the State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA) board appointed Miller to head that agency.

Gov. Brian Kemp nominated Miller for the three posts last month. Miller, currently director of planning for the state Department of Transportation (DOT), will succeed Chris Tomlinson as head of the three agencies.

"Jannine Miller is a great public servant who has distinguished herself as a leader in the field of transportation and infrastructure on both the state and national levels," said Kemp, who besides being governor chairs the SRTA board.

"She will bring an innovative approach and a deep knowledge of the issues facing commuters and those who move Georgia-made products through and beyond Georgia as she steps into this new role."

Before joining the DOT, Miller served as senior advisor to then-U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao. Prior to that, she built a lengthy track record with the state, including an earlier stint at the helm of GRTA and at the head of the Georgia Department of Economic Development's Center for Innovation and Logistics.

"Jannine Miller is no stranger to the GRTA board," Sonny Deriso, chairman of the GRTA board, said Thursday. "The board is pleased to have the opportunity to work with Jannine again and have a leader with institutional knowledge and experience with GRTA's work that also includes a vision for its future."

Miller holds a Master of Business Administration degree in global commerce from Georgia Tech, as well as a Master of Public Administration and a Bachelor of Science degree in community nutrition from Georgia State University...

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# **OPINIONS**

The Covington News

David Shribman national columnist

# Government dysfunction, 2023 edition

or days, the House dithered, debated, deferred, demurred and demonstrated what dysfunction means in a mature democracy

that has been a model of stability and an inspiration to the world for centuries. Two years



after hoodlums brought the Capitol to a standstill, the country's elected officials did much the same thing without injuring anybody or anything but their own public image and, ultimately, the country they were elected to serve.

The Capitol standoff was

one of the most peculiar spectacles in recent American political history, part of a quarter-century that has had its share, from a 36-day overtime election in 2000 to a months-long effort by a president to overturn the results of an election. Between the two were terrorist attacks, two wars in Asia, a pandemic and political divisions that had few antecedents in the life of the

The impasse on Capitol

Hill was of a piece with these manifold factors. The 2000 election sowed dissent and distress among the public. The terrorist attacks and the pandemic might have drawn the nation together in a different time, but in this period challenged the fundamental unity that is essential to a civil society. The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan further divided the country. The sense of civility that kept the country together in earlier decades was frayed by the culture wars and the emergence of new generations that were eager to revise the social contract on issues from gender identity to race.

Given all that, is it so surprising that lawmakers were unable to perform the fundamental congressional act of choosing their own

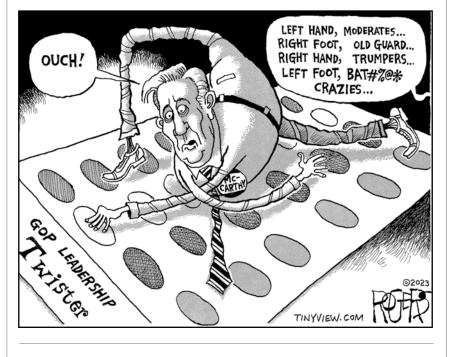
leader?

On one side was a fairly traditional California conservative, steeped in the ways of the Capitol, familiar with the political arts required to pass legislation, attendant to those on the right but suspicious of their nihilism. Kevin McCarthy is a classic pol of the old school who made slight, and slightly insincere, bows to the populist right and then reverted, as political animals almost always do, to horse trading and log rolling.

All those factors repelled the muscular conservatives to his right — the horse trading in particular. McCarthy thought offering a deal

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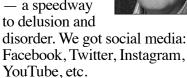


Gene Lyons national columnist

# The Misinformation Superhighway

ossibly you recall the 'Information Superhighway," a phrase popularized by then-Vice President Al Gore to describe the internet. The expectation was that universal connectivity would lead to widespread enlightenment

and social progress. Instead, we got QAnon, Tik-Tok, metastasizing superstition and the cult of Donald J. Trump - a speedway



Maybe we shouldn't have been surprised. After all, the newspaper where you're reading this probably runs an astrology feature — an ancient belief system based upon a pre-Copernican understanding of the heavens in which stars were believed to orbit the Earth and to influence human events.

To most, astrology's a harmless diversion. I once had a neighbor, a banker, who cas elaborate horoscopes and offered personal advice based upon the stars. His readings were amazingly complex and detailed. Once, he overheard my wife and me bickering about what she saw as the appalling chaos of my office.

The astrologer chuckled in his deep-voiced way and said, "It's a sure thing he's not a Virgo."

Now, to the question "What's your sign?" I quote Arkansas humorist Mike Trimble: "Slippery when wet."

My September birthday, however, definitely makes me a Virgo. With odds 12-to-1 in his favor, the astrologer had gotten it dead wrong.

If you think his views were shaken, you've never known a serious practitioner. Evidently, my messy office signified a deeper passion for order. Or something. I forget. And while I haven't seen the fellow in years, I wouldn't be surprised if he'd become a COVID conspiracy maven and vaccine-denier. I hope it didn't kill him.

Mere reality isn't enough for some people. Or maybe it's more accurate to say it's too much. For millions, contemporary life far surpasses their ability to assimilate and absorb conflicting information. So they

turn to social media, where cranks and charlatans are happy to provide them with magic and circuses: storybook mysteries hidden from ordinary mortals but discoverable by an enlightened few.

Check out Alex Jones' Infowars website. A contemptible fraud, Jones became a billionaire by popularizing such offthe-wall notions as the 2012 Sandy Hook school massacre being a government-sponsored hoax featuring "crisis actors" masquerading as bereaved parents. It's all a plot to seize your guns, of course. Guns being the magical totem that will protect you against what scripture calls "the malice and snares of the devil."

Hillary Clinton, that is. Along with international Jewish conspiracist George Soros. Also Dr. Anthony Fauci. But hold that thought.

On his website, Jones also peddles survivalist gear, toxic dietary supplements and miracle "cures" for COVID-19. It's not clear if Jones inspired Trump's nutball advice to inject bleach

Even after the courts ordered Jones to pay almost \$1.5 billion last year in damages to the parents of slain children he has slandered, he retains millions of online followers. Utterly shameless, he was among the invited speakers at Trump's Jan. 6 "Stop the Steal" rally.

"We will never back down to the satanic pedophile, globalist New World Order and their walking-dead reanimated corpse Joe Biden," Jones announced at a post-election MAGA rally, "and we will never recognize him." It sounds like self-parody, but he kept a straight face.

Oddly, he's since fallen out with QAnon, the political cult holding that a cabal of cannibalistic pedophiles fixed the

2020 election. Anyway, here's the thing: From the Black Death of the 14th century to COVID-19, lurid fantasies have always arisen to explain the inexplicable. Human beings crave simple stories with villains and heroes. History has to have a meaning and a moral — the more melodramatic the better.

Social media, meanwhile, allows crackpot imaginings and

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# Sharing some advice for the new year

KNOCK! KNOCK! "Who's there?"

"It's 2023. May I come in? It's a bit cold out here. All I'm wearing is a sash and some Huggies!"

"Please do. I'm glad to see you but aren't you supposed to be getting ready

for, well, uh, the new year?"

"That is what I wanted to talk to you about. Before he left, 2022 told me that one of the first things I should do is to talk to you. He said you know a lot of stuff about a lot of stuff. I could use your advice."

"My first piece of advice would be to ditch the outfit and wear something more appropriate. It is hard to take a year seriously when it is wearing Huggies and a sash."

"Thank you. 2022 was correct. You are one sharp dude. As soon as we are finished here, I'll see if I can find a set of Bermudas. But does it really matter how I dress? 2022 told me the ice is melting at the North Pole so fast, we are all going to fry pretty soon, anyway. Scared me so bad, I almost soiled my Huggies. Hope it doesn't happen on my watch."

"I hope so, too. But if I were you, I would stay away from Al Gore. He will scare you so badly about global warming, you might soil your Ber-

"Okay, so noted. But no more talk about a rapid increase in Earth's surface temperature and its potential impact on my personal hygiene. Let's get back to the reason for my visit. What can I look forward to during my time here?"

"I hate to tell you this but your predecessors, 2020, 2021 and 2022 did you no favors. We are a deeply divided people in the U.S. We've got people who can't get over an election that has long been over. We've also got people who can't get over a war that's been over for a century-anda-half. Sadly, we seem to be at a point where we can't disagree without being disagreeable."

"Oh, my! 2022 didn't tell me this. I do remember the smirk on his face when he handed me the calendar and said, 'Good luck, kid' before he shuffled out the door."

**SPORTS EDITOR** 

Phillip B. Hubbard

"It gets worse. There were at least 607 mass shootings in the U.S. in 2022, including 300 school shooting incidents, which resulted in 637 deaths and more than 2,500 people injured."

"That rat 2022 didn't say one word about that. Not one word!" I guess he also didn't

tell you that in February of 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine. It hasn't gone well and one of the things you are going to have to watch out for is if Vladimir Putin gets frustrated enough to employ nuclear weapons and start World War III, assuming that little dweeb with the bad haircut in North Korea doesn't beat him to it."

"Good grief! I'm wondering if there is any way I could get out of this job. Would you be interested? Personally, I think you would look fetching in a sash and Huggies."

"Thanks, but no. I have my own problems. I have yet to figure out the difference in 'who' and 'whom.' I can't parallel park and I'm always misplacing my cellphone My life is not as easy as make it look.'

"Well, it looks like I have no choice but to suck it up and hope I last long enough to hand things off to 2024, that poor unsuspecting year.'

"Don't despair. I predict a lot of good things will also occur while you are here, 2023."

"I could use some good news. Talk to me."

'Well, I am convinced there is more good than evil in this world. There are kindnesses happening all around us every day that won't make the headlines. But they are there, nonetheless. There will be hugs and tears, laughter and love. There will be those to whom we say goodbye while you are here and there will be new life and new hope. None of this will be your responsibility. It will be up to those of us who will occupy this space and your time. Hopefully, 2023, you will be the year that will inspire us to find our better selves."

"Thank you. I am so glad we had this talk. Now, I am ready to go to work. And just think – no more Huggies or that silly sash! That alone will make me a Happy New Year!"

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#### AIRCRAFT:

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cher, said, "Stellantis' continued recognition of Archer's progress toward commercialization, and today's commitment of significant resources to build the Midnight aircraft with us, places Archer in a strong position to be first to market.

The companies plan to begin manufacturing the Midnight aircraft in 2024.

"Midnight is designed to be safe, sustainable, quiet and, with its expected payload of over 1,000 pounds, can carry four passengers plus a pilot,' Archer officials said in a news release.

"With a range of 100 miles, Midnight is optimized for

back-to-back short distance trips of around 20 miles, with a charging time of approximately 10 minutes in-between."

Fiat Chrysler Automobiles NV merged with French automaker Groupe PSA to become Stellantis in 2021.

Stellantis has been a strategic partner to Archer since 2020 through various collaboration efforts. It became an investor in Archer in 2021 through its \$328 million Stellantis Ventures arm, The Detroit News reported.

The newly announced partnership will allow Archer to pair its eVTOL, electric powertrain and certification experts

with Stellantis' knowledge of advanced manufacturing technology and expertise, experienced personnel and capital to manufacture the new aircraft.

"This combination is intended to enable the rapid scaling of aircraft production to meet Archer's commercialization plans, while allowing Archer to strengthen its path to commercialization by helping it avoid hundreds of millions of dollars of spending during the manufacturing ramp-up phase," the release stated.

"The goal is for Stellantis to mass produce Archer's eVTOL aircraft as its exclusive contract manufacturer."



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#### LYONS:

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idle fantasies to develop into full-blown conspiracy theories more quickly and circulate more widely all the time.

The saner among us must be thankful that Dr. Fauci is not Jewish. Otherwise, there's no telling to what craven depths the conspiracist wing of the House Republican majority might have been willing to take their announced plan to investigate him.

Even the tycoon Elon

Musk, who received his own medical education at the prestigious University of Twitter, wants Fauci prosecuted. Not to be outdone, exhibitionist Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene of Georgia -- she of "Jewish space lasers" fame -- jumped right on board.

Perhaps the most eminent public health official in American history, Fauci retires this week at age 82

from his job as director of the NIH's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. He says he has nothing to hide and no problem testifying.

"What really, really concerns me," he told The New York Times, "is the politicization of public health principles. How you can have red states undervaccinated and blue states well-vaccinated and having deaths much

more prevalent among people in red states because they're undervaccinated — that's tragic for the population."

Quite so.

Arkansas Times columnist Gene Lyons is a National Magazine Award winner and co-author of "The Hunting of the President" (St. Martin's Press, 2000). You can email Lyons at eugenelyons2@yahoo. com.)

#### SHRIBMAN: Continued from A4

would placate them. They thought his offers proved that he was a craven opportunist. He thought he could paste together the 218 votes required to become speaker, but the very act of attempting to do so alienated the rebels. He regarded them as comic figures. They regarded him with contempt. His survival depended on making the speakership he craved so weak that it almost wasn't worth

паушу. On the sidelines was Donald Trump. The former president didn't create the rebellion on the right, but he rode it to the White House and then, in his Mar-a-Lago retreat, kept the fire alive. The rebels who sought to deny the speakership to McCarthy were all Trump loyalists. Trump, who found McCarthy sufficiently malleable to be useful to him, sided with the presumptive speaker and tried to rally his own people to the side of his wholly owned

subsidiary. But Trump has lost the vinegar of past years, and after the midterm congressional elections seems to be a spent figure. His House adherents no longer adhere to his pleas. Over in the Senate -- where individual members have the same power that the insurgents demand for the House -- GOP leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky just became the longest-serving party leader in American history, surpassing the revered Mike Mansfield of Montana,

who was far more a conciliator than McConnell, who has neither time nor patience for Trump. Mc-Connell blames the 45th president for denying the Republicans the Senate majority that Joe Biden's low approval ratings might otherwise have

assured. So the country has an aged president determined to run for a second term against the wishes of the party, though the party has no crown. It has a former president in exile in Florida, where the governor he helped win office is paying no attention to him. The House is a shambles. The Senate, ordinarily the most unpredictable element of the American political system, is a model of stability compared to the House. Who'd have

thought? We can only guess what the country looks like from beyond our borders. I recently spent four months in Canada. The view of our closest neighbor and ally: Canadians believe they are living north of a crack house. Every conversation begins with, "What is happening to your

country?" And that was before the House went into

paralysis. Here's the tragedy. For decades — for centuries, really — the United States was a model for countries around the world, its Constitution actually used as a template for other nations' charters, its values celebrated as the height of civilization. The country had problems (race chief among them, and poverty) and it had missteps (Vietnam, then Iraq), but its founding documents were at least aspirational. All men were not created equal on this continent, and women were excluded, but the country was established with the goal of making all equal and included. Slavery was a disgrace. The genocide of Native Americans was unspeakably horrific, a moral stain. But the country still stood as a beacon of hope and opportunity, not perfect but maybe, eventually,

perfectible. Those who fought the McCarthy candidacy are empowered; they saw how they could bring the House to a standstill. The Republican regulars are in retreat; recent presidential nominees such as Mitt Romney and John McCain increasingly seem like figures from a long-ago, grainy past. So do Richard Nixon, George H.W. Bush and

even George W. Bush. The Republicans are undergoing the most dramatic transformation of any American political party since the Democrats, under Franklin Roosevelt and all the way through Lyndon B. Johnson, began to shed their small-government past. For a generation, even more, it had to deal with its Southern, segregationist rump. The movement toward its New Deal and Great Society ideas was slow, agonizing, disorienting.

Biden entered politics when that transformation was incomplete. He will leave politics with a different Democratic Party

entirely. The Republicans are undergoing just as dramatic a transformation. They are changing the country even as they are changing themselves. This past week was a dramatic example of the tensions inherent in that process. The days of kinder and gentler are gone. We are in the er

of Divisions R Us. Shribman is former executive editor of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.



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IN THE INTEREST OF:

**BAILEY SAGE** ALLBRITTEN A MINOR

DANIEL TURETTE PADFIELD PETITIONER

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

TO: GARY WAYNE ALLBRITTEN, JR., biological father who is not the legal father of BAILEY SAGE ALLBRITTEN, whose current whereabouts are unknown.

#### GREETINGS:

YOU ARE hereby notified that on the 14th day of November, 2022 DANIEL TURETTE PADFIELD has filed a Petition for Adoption in the Newton County Superior Court, Adoption No. 2022-AD-3 I-2, seeking to adopt BAILEY SAGE ALLBRITTEN (YOB:2017), a female child born to BRITTNIE LEIGH PEARSON PADFIELD. That on November 18, 2022, and for good cause shown, an Order for Service by Publication was entered by Judge John M. Ott, Chief Judge, Newton County Superior Court authorizing service bypublication upon the named individual, GARY WAYNE ALLBRITTEN, JR., the biological father who is not the legal father of the above-named minor child.

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benefits package including paid holidays, sick and vacation leave, health, dental, vision and life insurance coverage, short- and long-term disability coverage, and a defined contribution retirement plan with employer match opportunities. A criminal history record check and drug screening will be conducted on the

selected applicant. Applications will be accepted through Friday, January 27, 2023. Application is available on our website at <a href="https://www.oxfordgeorgia.org/">https://www.oxfordgeorgia.org/</a>

ApplyForJob.aspx or can be picked up at Oxford City Hall, 110 West Clark Street, Oxford, GA, 30054. Applications must be mailed or dropped off at this

The City of Oxford is an Equal Opportunity Employer

# CITY OF COVINGTON

the position of Facilities Maintenance Crew Member in the Facilities Maintenance Department with a starting hourly rate of \$15.92 to a maximum hourly rate of \$22.69 depending upon qualifications. The City of Covington offers competitive benefits that includes but not limited to: Medical w/HSA, Dental, Vision, 401(A) Defined Contribution Plan, 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, EAP, Paid Life Insurance, Vacation, Sick Leave, Holiday Pay, etc. and a list of optional supplemental benefit coverages. Qualified applicants MUST apply via our website by downloading an application packet at cityofcovington.org or may apply in person at the City of Covington, 2194 Emory Street, Covington, Georgia 30014. This position will remain open until 4:00 PM on Wednesday January 18, 2023. The City of Covington is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

case by case basis, and negotiate in good faith with anyone that requests such breakdowns. Interested bidders may contact JDS Inc. for assistance in obtaining Bonds, Credit Lines and meeting Insurance requirements. For additional information or any questions, contact Eric Malvin @ 770-972-8000 or emalvin@jdspipe.

THE CITY of Covington is accepting

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #500059

Requests for Proposals for the Lead and Copper Replacement Program and Backflow Inventory. Sealed proposals must be received by the Purchasing Department, Attn: Scott Cromer in City Hall by 10:00am on February 15th 2023. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at 2:00pm on Thursday, January 19th 2023 in the council / court room located at 2116 Stallings Street NW, Covington, Georgia 30014. **CITY OF** Covington reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive informalities and technicalities, to reject portions of the proposals and to award contracts in a manner consistent with the City

Georgia. **REQUEST FOR** Bids/Proposals and additional information may be

and laws governing the State of

obtained by ACCESSING THE request for proposals on the City's website at https://www.cityofcovington.

PUBLIC NOTICE #500061

CASEY LEE

## **Citations**

KITCHENS has

petitioned to be appointed Administrator the Estate of WARD KITCHENS **MICHAEL** 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500045** 1/8,15,22,29

CITATION

CORAZON MERCADO petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of MARIA TERESITA VILLARAUS deceased.

See LEGALS, A7

#### Qualifications of Bidder (Section **PUBLIC NOTICE #500072** JDS INC., an Equal Opportunity 00470) in order to be evaluated for Employer, states that all qualified award of the Contract. Refer to the will receive consideration specific requirements outlined in the **Bids** without regard to race, creed, religion, referenced Section. color, sex, national origin, marital INVITATION TO BID

CONTRACTOR

assistance

herein is defined as contracting" in accordance with 1.1 COMPETITIVE COST SEALED

1.6 CONTRACTOR LICENSE THE SCOPE of Work as described

**43-14-2(17)** so

status, physical handicap or sexual orientation. JDS Inc. will break down or combine elements of work

by the State of Georgia as a "Utility Contractor" and must also employ a "Utility Manager" certification holder who will have oversight of all the work. Therefore, the Contractor submitting a bid must list the license number of the Contractor performing the utility contracting on the Bid form and provide proof of a valid license. See Instruction to Bidders for additional requirements. BIDS SHALL be accompanied by

a bid bond or certified cashier's check in an amount not less than 10% of the base bid. All bonds shall be by a surety company licensed in Georgia with an "A" minimum rating of performance and a financial strength of at least five (5) times the contract price as listed in the most current publication of "Best's Key Rating Guide Property Liability's Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the contract PRICE SHALL be required of

the successful bidder if contract is awarded. Each Bond shall be accompanied by a "Power of Attorney" authorizing the attorney-infact to bind the surety and certified to include the date of the bond. 1.8 PERMITS

THE STATUS of Federal, State, and or Local permits for this project are as follows: **PERMITS/AGENCIES STATUS** LAND Disturbance

Submitted B.NPDES GAR 100002 (Stormwater) To be submitted by Contractor C. GA Environmental Protection

Division Submitted GEORGIA Department of E. CSX Approved

F. BUILDING Permit N/A 1.9 GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT **AFFIDAVIT** 

ALL QUALIFYING Contractors and Subcontractors performing work with the City of Covington must register and participate in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, to verify the work eligibility information of new employees. In order for a Bid to be considered, it is mandatory that the Bidder's Affidavit of Compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91 be completed

and submitted with the Bid 1.10 EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY To be obtained before Notice to Proceed.

1.11 FUNDING SOURCES FUNDING IS to be provided by

the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, administered by the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority and/or the Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF), administered by Office of the Planning & Budget (OPB)

1.12 RESERVATION OF RIGHTS OWNER RESERVES the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced conditional Bids and to reject the Bid of any Bidder if Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Bidder, whether because the Bid is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #400831 11/13,27-12/18-1/8 INVITATION TO Bid

#### JDS INC. Is soliciting pricing from DBE/WBE Subcontractors, Vendors,

& Suppliers for work related to the construction of Eastside Sewerage System Improvements for the City of Covington. Email your bid for the following scope of work to emalvin@ idspipe.com no later than 1/13/23 for Hauling, Erosion Control, Concrete Flatwork, and Paving. Please include proof of DBE/WBE certification. In an effort to assist all potential subcontractors, plans and specs may be viewed and downloaded at the following link https://jdsinc. syncedtool.com/shares/folder/ P1G6V7rV00n/

org/index.php?section=businessinto economically feasible units on a

#### COVINGTON JOB ANNOUNCEMENT The City of Covington is currently accepting applications for

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(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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT **1132 USHER** STREET-148

COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #500047 1/8,15,22,29

#### CITATION

DANA HOWARD SMITH has petitioned be appointed to of the Estate of Administrator DONALD F. HOWARD 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 application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #50071

1/8,15,22,29

CITATION

ERICA C. FRANKLIN has petitioned

to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of LARRY LEONARD THOMAS 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE

COURT **1132 USHER** STREET-148 COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #500050 1/8,15,22,29

#### CITATION

JACOB HOWARD LILLY has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of HOWARD WAYNE LILLY 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT **1132 USHER STREET-148** 

COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #500002

1/8,15,22,29

CITATION

JACQUELINE LEWIS WILLIAMS has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of HARDY LEE LEWIS 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 FEBRUARY 6

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

2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE

COURT 1132 USHER STREET-148

COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #500069

1/8,15,22,29

CITATION

JANICE REED has petitioned to be of JOSEPH REED 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT

**1132 USHER** STREET-148

COVINGTON, GA 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #500046

1/8,15,22,29

CITATION KENNETH R. PERRY has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of LEILA H. PERRY 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #500048 1/8,15,22,29

#### CITATION

NORRIS BURRESS has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **JAMES** WILLIAM NORRIS 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #500068 1/8,15,22,29

#### CITATION

RANDY HUGH PRICE has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of JURITTA HELTON PRICE ALLEN 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

PUBLIC NOTICE #500044 1/8,15,22,29

#### CITATION

RENNART PIXLEY MINOTT, SR has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of EUGENIE MINOTT 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

**NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE** COURT **COVINGTON. GA** 30014

PUBLIC NOTICE #500049

#### 1/8,15,22,29 CITATION

RONALD REECE AKA RONNIE REESE has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of RHONDA LEE REECE 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 FEBRUARY 6 2023, next, at ten

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

NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE **1132 USHER** STREET-148

COVINGTON, GA 30014 PUBLIC NOTICE #500000 1/8,15,22,29

#### CITATION

THE PETITION of JACQUELINE BANKS SMITH widow of GEORGE OLIVER SMITH 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 objections must be in writing and filed with this Court on or before FEBRUARY 6, 2023 at ten o'clock am

MELAINE M. BELL BY: MARCIA WYNNE, CLERK PROBATE COURT **NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA** 

NEWTON COUTNY PROBATE **1132 USHER** STREET -RM 148 **COVIINGTON GA** 30014-2435

PUBLIC NOTICE #500070 1/8,15,22,29

#### CITATION

WILLIAM JACKSON BURNS, III has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of ALTON LEE MCCOLLUM 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 FEBRUARY 6

**CLUES ACROSS** 

1. Respiratory disorder

7. Bulgarian mountain peak

10. Group of important people

Legals

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20. Not old

23. Periods of starvation

25. Savings account

30. Ribonucleic acid

31. A place to put your feet

Road, Suite 105, Sharpsburg, GA

ALL CREDITORS of the Estate of

LATE OF Newton County, deceased,

are hereby notified to render in

their demands to the undersigned

В.

MICHAEL T. Byrne, Attorney at Law

2138 East Main Street Snellville, GA

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND** 

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the

debtors and creditors of the Estate of

BRIANNA MEGAN LUTI deceased.

late of Newton County, Georgia. You

are required to render your demands

and/or make payments to the

undersigned estate representative

THIS THE 8TH day of DECEMBER

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the

debtors and creditors of the Estate of

CHARLES W. GLASS JR deceased,

late of Newton County, Georgia. You

are required to render your demands

and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative

770-979-

Wendell Eugene Mullen, Sr.

to make immediate payment.

Administrator, of the Estate of

PUBLIC NOTICE #500011

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500021** 

1/8,15,22,29

2022

CATHERINE

Deceased

30078

PHONE NO.

12/25-1/1,8,15

according to law.

JAMES LOUIS LUTI

401 WHITE STREET

12/18,25-1/1,8

according to law.

MARK ALAN GLASS

CAMILLA GA 31730

PUBLIC NOTICE #500081

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate

of ENNIS HOKE LEE SR deceased,

late of Newton County, Georgia. You

are required to render your demands

and/or make payments to the

undersigned estate representative

5505 RIVER ROAD

1/8,15,22,29

according to law.

JAMES IVEY, JR

1/1,8,15,22

683 SANDY CREEK RD

FAYETTEVILLE, GA 30314

PUBLIC NOTICE #500031

2022

MANSFIELD, GA 30055

**PUBLIC NOTICE #400989** 

32. The fun part of a week

35. We all have our own

36. Partner to "oohed"

38. African nation

41. Sets out

42. Other

40. Breezed through

26. Pitching stat

29. Megabyte

24. Language of tribe in India

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12. South American nation

14. \_\_-Castell, makers of pens

15. Perlman and Seehorn are two

16. Early medieval alphabet

17. Legislator (slang) 19. Course of action

21. Airborne (abbr.)

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18. Tasty crustacean

22. Permanent church appointment

27. Larry and Curly's pal 28. Famed American journalist

33. 12th letter of Greek alphabet

34. In a way, vanished 36. Afflict in mind or body

37. Egyptian Sun god 38. Source of the Blue Nile

39. Egyptian unit of weight 40. Be the source of pain 41. Esteemed award \_\_ d'Or

44. Partner to pains 45. Deep blue

48. No longer living 49. Country in the UK

50. Not even 51. Arizona city

**CLUES DOWN** 1. Wager

2. Classical portico

3. As a result

4. Bird 5. A type of "Squad"

6. Autonomic nervous system 7. Dish with food on a stick

8. City northwest of Provo

9. C. European river 10. One out of jail

11. Henry Clay estate 12. Heathen

14. Refrained

2023, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500001** 1/8,15,22,29

#### **Corporations** NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

NOTICE IS given that articles of incorporation that will incorporation ALSTON'S PRESSURE WASHING & YARD SERVICES INC. have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Business Corporation Code. The initial registered office of the corporation is located at 90 HUNTERS CROSSING COVINGTON GA 30016 and its initial registered agent at such address is KIMBERLY DANIEL

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500091** 

#### NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

NOTICE IS given that articles of incorporation that will incorporation THE PARTNERSHIP COMMUNITY **HEALTH INC** have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing accordance with the Georgia Business Corporation The initial registered office of the corporation is located at 8301 LEAFSTONE DR, COVINGTON GA 30014 and its initial registered agent at such address is HOWARD F. CAMPBELL

PUBLIC NOTICE #500025 1/1,8

#### NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

NOTICE IS given that articles of incorporation that will incorporation TOGETHER REACHING **EVERYONE FOUNDATION. INC** have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Business Corporation Code. The initial registered office of the corporation is located at 155 TREVERS LAKE DR, COVINGTON GA 30016 and its initial registered agent at such address is KEVIN

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500024** 1/1,8

#### **NOTICE OF Intent to Dissolve** THE NAME of the nonprofit

corporation is: The Grove Family Charitable Foundation, LTD **THE DATE** the dissolution was authorized was NOVEMBER 30, 2022 Dissolution of the corporation was duly approved by the members in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 14-3-1402. This document shall be effective upon the filing with the THIS DOCUMENT shall be effective on. The undersigned does hereby

certify that a request for publication of a notice of intent to voluntarily dissolve the corporation along with the publication fee of \$40.00 has been forwarded to the official organ of the county of the registered office as required by O.C.G.A. § 14-3-1404.1(b). IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed Notice of Intent to Dissolve on

11/30/2022 ANDREW GROVE **PUBLIC NOTICE #500058** 

NOTICE OF INTENT TO

**VOLUNTARILY DISSOLVE A** 

#### CORPORATION

NOTICE IS given that a notice of intent to dissolve House Around The Corner, a Georgia corporation with its registered office at PO Box 58, Newborn, GA 30056, has been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Business Corporation Code."

PUBLIC NOTICE #500057 1/8,15

#### **Debtors Creditors**

ALL CREDITORS of the estate of MARTHA EUGENIA LLOYD late of Newton County, deceased, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to: NAME OF Executor: CYNTHIA J. ANDERSON **EXECUTOR ADDRESS:** 

CYNTHIA J. ANDERSON 95 MILLER ROAD COVINGTON

THIS 9TH day of DECEMBER, 2022

**CYNTHIA J. ANDERSON EXECUTOR OF** THE ESTATE OF MARTHA EUGENIA LLOYD **PUBLIC NOTICE #400980** 

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

12/18,25-1/1,8

IN RE: ESTATE OF MARY B. TURNER DECEASED

#### **ESTATE NO.** 2022-ES-600

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY AT A regular term of probate court, the last will and testament dated May 12, 2014 of the above-named

decedent, who was domiciled in this county at the time of his or her death or was domiciled in another state but owned property in this county at the time of his or her death, was legally proven in solemn form to be the DECEDENT'S WILL and was admitted to record by order, and it was further ordered that Kelly A. Williams and Jeffrey Parks Turner named as executor(s) in said Will,

ALLOWED TO qualify, and that upon so doing, letters testamentary be issued to such executor(s). THEREFORE, THE executor(s),

having taken the oath of office and complied with all necessary prerequisites of the law, is/are legally authorized to discharge all the duties and exercise all powers of executor(s) under the Will of said decedent, according to the Decedent's Will and the law. GIVEN UNDER my hand and official seal, the 19th day of December,

12/25-1/1,8,15

PUBLIC NOTICE #500008

**NOTICE TO Debtors and Creditors** ALL CREDITORS of the estate of

Doris Smith 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 THIS 8TH day of January, 2023

NAME: GWENDOLYN Golar-Willis

ADDRESS: 820 Fbenezer Church

C/O Meyerson Law Firm TITLE: ADMINISTRATOR

NOTICE IS hereby given to the

debtors and creditors of the Estate of GEORGE OLIVER SMITH deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS

21 27 23 | 24 | 25 26 34 39 42 46 47 49 51 17. Parts per billion (abbr.) 43. Not fattening 18. "The Stranger" author 44. "Much \_\_ about nothing"

45. Central Time

46. Former EU monetary unit 47. Charles S. Dutton sitcom

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

S M I T E
T S H D I N
A R C S S E E S

payments to the undersigned estate

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500087** 

1/8,15,22,29 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of JAMES ARNOLD RUARK deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make

DANA E. BURTON 41 DUKES ROAD

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS** 

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the estate of Jane Hicks Milam, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative

according to the law.

TERRY HULL HICKS

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate representative according to law.

THIS THE 27TH day of DECEMBER

1/1,8,15,22

according to law.

THIS THE 22ND day of DECEMBER **GLORIA H. STAPP 80 NEELY** HAMMONDS ROAD

**COVINGTON GA** 30014

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

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 DECEMBER 2022 JACUELINE BANKS SMITH 13541 HWY 278 SE SOCIAL CIRCE GA 30025 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

**CREDITORS** 

THISTHE = 13TH day of DECEMBER WENDELL EUGENE Mullen, Sr.,

MANSFIELD, GA 30055

**PUBLIC NOTICE #400990** 12/18,25-1/1,8

THIS THE 8th day of DECEMBER

LOGANVILLE, GA 30052

**PUBLIC NOTICE #400973** 12/18.25-1/1.8

#### NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS**

of KEITH LAWAN CHAMBERS deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate THIS THE 21ST day of DECEMBER

**LATANDRIA CHAMBERS** 609 N CROSSING WAY DEKALB GA 30033

PUBLIC NOTICE #500027

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND **CREDITORS** 

NOTICE IS hereby given to the

debtors and creditors of the Estate of THURMAN D. STAPP, SR deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You

are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative THIS THE 8TH day of DECEMBER

PUBLIC NOTICE #400988 12/18,25-1/1,8

**CREDITORS** 

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of VERA CATHELENE MCKNIGHT

See LEGALS, A8

according to law, and all persons indebted to said Estate are required 25TDAY of DECEMBER payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. Mullena

1234 BLUE SPRINGS DR.

the highest bidder for cash before

the courthouse door of Newton

#### **LEGALS:**

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REPRESENTATIVE ACCORDING

THIS THE 27TH day of DECEMBER

CHERYL MCKNIGHT 95 HEATHERSTONE WAY

PUBLIC NOTICE #500026 1/1,8,15,22

COVINGTON GA 30016

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of VIRGINIA MAE SHRADER 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.

CREDITORS

THIS THE 15TH day of DECEMBER

RICHARD W. SHRADER SR PO BOX 1295 OXFORD, GA 30054

PUBLIC NOTICE #500030

1/1,8,15,22 NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND

#### CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of WILLIAM DOUGLAS EIRLS 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 DECEMBER

2022

SANDRA LYNN BRANDS 65 SLADES MILL ALNE COVINGTON GA 30016

PUBLIC NOTICE #500028

1/1,8,15,22

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND** 

NOTICE IS hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of WILSONIA MARIE BROWNE Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law. THIS THE 14TH day of DECEMBER

KASANJE M. DEMBURE

2690 WELLINGTON WAY COVINGTON, GA 30013

PUBLIC NOTICE #500029 1/1,8,15,22

#### **Divorces** IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR

THE COUNTY OF NEWTON STATE OF GEORGIA

MELONIE J. MURILLO PLAINTIFF

vs OSCAR **ALBERTO** 

MURILLO DEFENDANT

DAVILA

CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 2022-CV-2518-2

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

**OSCAR ALBERTO** 

whereabouts unknown YOU ARE hereby notified that the

above-styled action seeking Divorce

was filed AGAINST YOU in the Newton County Superior Court in the matter of: Melonie J, Murillo vs Oscar Alberto Davila Murillo, Civil Action File No. 2022-CV-.2518-2. An order for service upon you of the Summons and Complaint for Divorce was entered by Newton

COUNTY SUPERIOR Court on December I, 2022 and filed on 2022 authorizing service by publication as allowed by law. You are hereby commanded and required to file with the Clerk of said Court and serve upon Plaintiffs attorney, Sharon L. Barksdale, whose address is P. 0. Box 1215, Covington, GA 30015, an Answer to the Complaint within sixty (60) days of the date of the Order for

THIS 5TH December, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE #400981

Publication.

12/18,25-1/1,8 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

**NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA** 

CONROY P. GRANDISON PLAINTIFF,

SENOVIA S. GRANDISON DEFENDANT,

ACTION NO 2022-CV-2194-2

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO SENOVIA S. GRANDISON

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the

2ND day of DECEMBER 2022 you are hereby notified that on the 10/13/2022 the Plaintiff, CONROY P. GRANDISON filed suit against you for COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE You are required to file an Answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the Notice for Publication with the clerk of Superior Court of the Newton County and to serve a copy of the answer upon the plaintiff (if pro se) or upon the plaintiff's attorney (if

JOHN M. OTT Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County. THIS, THE 5TH day of DECEMBER 2022

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF

represented). Witness the Honorable

PUBLIC NOTICE #400997 12/25-1/1,8,15

**GEORGIA** 

KATIE ELIZABETH MARTIN

WESLEY MATTHEW MARTIN DEFENDANT

TO: WESLEY Matthew Martin 2655 H.D. Atha Road MONROE, GEORGIA 30655

#### NOTICE BY ORDER of the court for service

by publication dated DECEMBER 7, 2022 you are hereby notified that on July 19, 2022, KATIÉ ELIZABETH MARTIN filed suit against you for divorce. You are required to file with the clerk of the Superior Court, and to serve upon plaintiffs attorney, MARCY A. HANKS, HANKS, BALLARD & BARTH, LLC, 302 NORTH BROAD STREET, P.O. BOX 310, MONROE GEORGIA 30655 an answer in writing within sixty (60) days of DECEMBER 7, 2022

WITNESS, THE Honorable W. Kendall Wynne, Jr, Judge, of the Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS 9TH day of December 2022

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500009** 

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

**OSWALD NELSON** PLAINTIFF, MERLENE NELSON

DEFENDANT, ACTION NO. 2022-CV-2291-2

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO MERLENE NELSON 1720 ELIZABETH COURT CONYERS GA 30094

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 14TH day of DECEMBER 2022 are hereby notified that on the 11/01/22 the Plaintiff, OSWALD NELSON filed suit against you for COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE You are required to file an Answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the Notice for Publication with the clerk of Superior Court of the Newton County and to serve a copy of the answer upon the plaintiff (if pro se) or upon the plaintiff's attorney (if represented). Witness the Honorable JOHN M. OTT Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County. THIS, THE 15TH day of DECEMBER

PUBLIC NOTICE #500016

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

**GEORGIA** SUZETTE JOHNSON HARRIS

**OWEN BERNARD COUSINS** 

DEFENDANT, ACTION NO.

2022-CV-1446-2

BY PUBLICATION

TO OWEN BERNARD COUSINS

NOTICE OF SUMMONS- SERVICE

270 FAIRVIEW CHASE **COVINGTON GA** 30016

BY NOTICE for Publication dated the 6TH day of DECEMBER 2022 you are hereby notified that on the 07/13/2022 the Plaintiff, SUZETTE JOHNSON HARRIS filed suit against you for COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE You are required to file an Answer in writing within sixty (60) days of the date of the Notice for Publication with the clerk of Superior Court of the Newton County and to serve a copy of the answer upon the plaintiff (if pro se) or upon the plaintiff's attorney (if represented). Witness the Honorable JOHN M. OTT Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County.

THIS, THE 7TH day of DECEMBER

PUBLIC NOTICE #400983 12/1825-1/1,8

#### **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 Latresa Moore-Jones to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Everett Financial, Inc. D/B/A Supreme Lending dated September 13, 2019, and recorded in Deed Book 3895. Page 385, as last modified in Deed Book 4438, Page 493, Newton County Records, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveved to Nationstar Mortgage LLC, securing a Note in the original principal amount of \$196,377.00, 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, February 7, 2023, 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, ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 124 of

the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 187, Trelawney Subdivision, Unit One, per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 40, Page 264, Newton County Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description. SAID PROPERTY is known as 115 Trelawney PI, Covington, GA

30016, together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, SAID PROPERTY will be sold

subject to 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, 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.

Legals

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

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 Latresa Moore-

(1) to confirmation that the sale is not

Jones, a/k/a Latresa Moore a/k/a Latresa Jones, successor in interest or tenant(s). NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC as Attorney-in-Fact for Latresa Moore-

FILE NO. 22-079632 LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP\* ATTORNEYS AND Counselors at

211 PERIMETER Center Parkway, N.E., Suite 300 GΑ 30346(770)

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INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

PUBLIC NOTICE #400946 12/18,25-1/1,8,15,22,29

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

BECAUSE OF a default under the terms of the Security Deed executed by Charles Manual aka Charles Manuel to Mortgage Electronic Inc., as Registration Systems, Nominee for CitiMortgage, dated May 11, 2007, and recorded in Deed Book 2444, Page 250, Newton County Records, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to CitiMortgage, Inc. securing a Note in the original principal amount of \$90,950.00, 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, February 7, 2023, 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, BEGINNING ON THE WESTERN

LINE OF PUCKETT STREET AT A POINT 92.1 FEET, AS MEASURED SOUTHERN DIRECTION ALONG THE WESTERN LINE SAID PUCKETT STREET, FROM THE INTERSECTION THE WESTERN LINE PUCKETT STREET WITH THE SOUTHERN LINE PEOPLES STREET; THENCE IN A SOUTHERN DIRECTION ALONG THE WESTERN LINE OF SAID PEOPLES STREET A DISTANCE OF 98.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH, 61 DEGREES 00 MINUTES WEST, A DISTANCE OF 142 FEET; THENCE NORTH, 23 DEGREES 50 MINUTES WEST, A DISTANCE OF 105 FEET; THENCE NORTH, 64 DEGREES 00 MINUTES EAST, A DISTANCE OF 142 FEET TO THE

POINT OF BEGINNING. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO CHARLES MANUEL BY DEED FROM HENRY JACK MANUEL AS EXECUTOR OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JAMES S. MANUEL RECORDED 11/24/1999 IN DEED BOOK 880 PAGE 390, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY,

GEORGIA. SAID PROPERTY is known as 8112 Puckett St Sw, 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 or not now 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 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 Charles Manual, a/k/a Charles Manuel, successor in CITIMORTGAGE, INC. as Attorney-

Charles Manuel FILE NO. 22-079653 **LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP\*** ATTORNEYS AND Counselors at

in-Fact for Charles Manual aka

211 PERIMETER Center Parkway, N.E., Suite 300 ATLANTA, GA 30346 (770) 220-2535/GR HTTPS://WWW.LOGS.COM/

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**COUNTY OF NEWTON** NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER BECAUSE OF a default under the terms of the Security Deed executed

STATE OF GEORGIA

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by Marcia E White, Rhonda L Kanpp and Kenneth W Kanpp to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. dated March 5, 2007, and recorded in Deed Book 2398, Page 561, and pursuant to Affidavit recorded in Deed Book 3323, Page 557, Newton County Records said Security Deed having

been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Federal National Mortgage Association AKA Fannie Mae, securing a Note in the original principal amount of \$157,500.00 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, February 7, 2023, 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 166, OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 3 OF THAT PLAT OF SURVEY ENTITLED FINAL PLAT FOR COUNTRY VIEW SUBDIVISION UNIT III, DATED APRIL 14, 1988, PREPARED BY AND CERTIFIED BY ROBERT L. REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR NO. 1403. SAID PLAT BEING RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 22, PAGE 157, NEWTON COUNTY DEED RECORDS, TO WHICH REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING SAME HEREIN AND MAKING IT A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE THERETO, SAID LOT CONTAINS 0.939 ACRES. SAID PROPERTY is known as 401

Jack Neely Road, Covington, GA 30016, together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property, SAID PROPERTY will be sold

subject to 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, 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.

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 Marcia E White and The Representative of the Estate of Marcia E White; Rhonda L Knapp and Kenneth E Knapp, successor in

interest or tenant(s). US BANK Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VRMTG Asset Trust as Attorney-in-Fact for Marcia E White, Rhonda L Kanpp and Kenneth W Kanpp

FILE NO. 22-079094 LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP\* ATTORNEYS AND Counselors at 211 PERIMETER Center Parkway,

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INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL

BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

PUBLIC NOTICE #400996 12/18,25-1/1,8,15,22,29

#### 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 Lorette L. Crittendon and Guy Crittendon to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for SunTrust Mortgage, Inc., dated August 6, 2014, and recorded in Deed Book 3255, Page 334, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Truist Bank, successor by merger to SunTrust Bank by assignment recorded on February 1, 2021 in Book 4136 Page 360 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-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Two and 0/100 dollars (\$159,242.00), 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 February 7, 2023, the following described

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 133 of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 8, Double Gate Subdivision, Unit One, Phase Two, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 26, Page 293, Newton County, Georgia Records, which 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 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: Truist Bank, successor by merger to SunTrust Bank they can be contacted at (800) 443-1032 for Loss Mitigation Dept, or by writing to 1001 Semmes Avenue, Richmond, Virginia 23224, 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 Lorette L. Crittendon and Guy Crittendon or tenant(s); and said property is more commonly known as 65 Westover Place, 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.

TRUIST BANK, successor by merger to SunTrust Bank as Attorney in Fact for Lorette L. Crittendon and Guy Crittendon. BROCK & Scott. PLLC

4360 CHAMBLEE Dunwoody Road ATLANTA, GA 30341 **404-789-2661 B&S FILE** no.: 22-09687

PUBLIC NOTICE #500064 1/8,15,22,29

#### 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 Mike-Anthony Fields to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for CrossCountry Mortgage, LLC, dated February 18 2021, and recorded in Deed Book 4146, Page 116, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to CrossCountry Mortgage, LLC by assignment recorded on December 20, 2022 in Book 4464 Page 314 in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the afterdescribed property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of Two Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Four Hundred Sixty and 0/100 dollars (\$271,460.00), 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 February 7, 2023,

the following described property: **ALL THAT** TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 39 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA BEING KNOWN AS LOT 17 OF LINCOLN ESTATES SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT OF SAME OF RECORD AT PLAT BOOK 47, PAGES 181 THRU 183, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS SAID PLAT IS SPECIFICALLY INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR A MORE COMPLETE AND ACCURATE LEGAL DESCRIPTION. TAX PARCEL I.D. #0029D 0000

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: CrossCountry Mortgage, LLC they can be contacted at (866) 397-5370 for Loss Mitigation Dept, or by writing to 1 Corporate Drive, Suite 360, Lake Zurich, Illinois 60047, to discuss possible alternatives to avoid

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 Mike-Anthony Fields or tenant(s); and said property is more commonly known as 140 Tanglewood Drive, Covington, GA 30016. THE SALE will be conducted subject

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. CROSSCOUNTRY MORTGAGE, LLC as Attorney in Fact for Mike-Anthony Fields.

4360 CHAMBLEE Dunwoody Road **SUITE 310** ATLANTA, GA 30341 404-789-2661 **B&S FILE** no.: 22-19993

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500038** 

1/8,15,22,29

BROCK & Scott, PLLC

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

given by Ronregus P. Smith to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as grantee, as CrossCountry nominee for Mortgage, Inc., dated September 18, and 0/100 dollars (\$343,561.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein. there will be sold at public outcry to

County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on February 7, 2023, the following described property: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 93, OF THE 9TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING LOT 26-A, CONTAINING 1.370 ACRES, ACCORDING TO A PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 34, PAGE 80, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON GEORGIA RECORDS, TO WHICH PLAT REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE DETAILED 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 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: CrossCountry Mortgage, LLC they can be contacted at (866) 397-

5370 for Loss Mitigation Dept, or by

writing to 1 Corporate Drive, Suite

360, Lake Zurich, Illinois 60047, to

discuss possible alternatives to avoid

foreclosure. SAID PROPERTY will be sold subject to any outstanding advalorem 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

Ronregus Smith or tenant(s); and

said property is more commonly known as 469 Parker Rd. Covington, GA 30014. 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.

CROSSCOUNTRY MORTGAGE LLC as Attorney in Fact for Ronregus P. Smith. BROCK & Scott, PLLC 4360 CHAMBLEE Dunwoody Road

SUITE 310 **ATLANTA, GA** 30341 404-789-2661 **B&S FILE** no.: 22-13987 PUBLIC NOTICE #400987

1/8,15,22,29

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF NEWTON

UNDER AND by virtue of the power of sale contained with that certain Security Deed dated October 26, 2018, from Sandi White to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper, recorded on November 5, 2018 in Deed Book 3767 at Page 434 Newton County, Georgia records, having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by Assignment and said Security Deed having been given to secure a note dated October 26, 2018, in the amount of \$101,350.00, and said Note being in default, the undersigned will sell at public outcry during the legal hours of sale before the door of the courthouse of Newton County, Georgia, on February 7, 2023 the following described real property (hereinafter referred to as the "Property"): ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOTS 155 AND 166 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 123, PRINCETON WOODS SUBDIVISION, PHASE FOUR, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 34, PAGES 124-126, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION. The debt secured by the Security Deed and evidenced by the Note and has been, and is to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy hereby, declared due and payable Code (2) final confirmation and audit because of, among other possible events of default, failure to make the payments as required by the terms of the Note. The debt remaining is in default and this sale will be made for the purposes of paying the Security Deed, accrued interest, and all expenses of the sale, including attorneys' fees. Notice of intention to collect attorneys' fees has been given as provided by law. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, the person(s) in possession of the property is Sandi White. The property, being commonly known as 140 Syracuse Ln, Covington GA, 30016 in Newton County, will be sold as the property of Sandi White, subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien and not yet due and payable), any matters affecting

WHICH

title to the property which would be disclosed by accurate survey and inspection thereof, and all UNDER AND by virtue of the Power assessments, liens, encumbrances, of Sale contained in a Security Deed restrictions, covenants, and matters of record to the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A.Section 44-14-162.2, the name, address and telephone number of the individual or entity who shall have the full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the above described mortgage is as follows: Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper,

2018, and recorded in Deed Book 3752, Page 255, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to CrossCountry Mortgage, LLC by assignment recorded on September 21, 2022 in Book 4437 Page 730 in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the afterdescribed property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of Three Hundred Forty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-One

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350 Highland Drive, Lewisville, TX

75067-4177, 888-480-2432 . The

foregoing notwithstanding, nothing

in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2

shall require the secured creditor

to negotiate, amend or modify the

terms of the mortgage instrument.

The sale will be conducted subject

(1) to confirmation that the sale is

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NOT PROHIBITED under U.S. Bankruptcy code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Albertelli Law Attorney for Nationstar Mortgage LLC as Attorney in Fact for Sandi White 100 Galleria Parkway, Suite 960 Atlanta, GA 30339 Phone: (770) 373-4242 By: Rohan Rupani Esq For the Firm THÍS FIRM IS ACTING ÁS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. -22-011776 A-4769632

PUBLIC NOTICE #500065 1/8,15,22,29

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY

BY VIRTUE of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from CHARLOTTE TRUETT to ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. AS GRANTEE, AS NOMINEE FOR ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC FKA QUICKEN LOANS, LLC, dated April 4, 2022, recorded April 8, 2022, in Deed Book 4371, Page 717-731, 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 Fifty-Seven Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$157,000.00), 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 February, 2023, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the

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 OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 82 OF MILLS LANDING UNIT ONE ACCORDING TO PLAT RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 33. PAGES 93 THROUGH 95, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH

LAND SITUATED IN THE COUNTY

PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN REFERENCE THERETO FOR A MORE ACCURATE AND COMPLETE

DESCRIPTION.

PARCEL ID: 0014000000523000 SAID LEGAL description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as 125
MILLS LNDG, 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 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 CHARLOTTE TRUETT ODNEAL, or tenants(s). The sale will be conducted subject to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcv 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 **CHARLOTTE TRUETT ODNEAL** 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: Rubin Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (877) 813-0992 Case No. QKN-22-06377-1

PUBLIC NOTICE #500020

1/8,15,22,29

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

**GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY** 

BY VIRTUE of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from DARYL C JOHNSON MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS GRANTEE, AS NOMINEE FOR LOANDEPOT.COM, LLC, dated June 9, 2020, recorded June 23, 2020, in Deed Book 4024, Page 323-348, Newton County, Georgia Records, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even

the Newton County Courthouse,

date in the original principal amount of One Hundred Seventy Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$170,000.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to loanDepot.com, LLC, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at

within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in February, 2023, 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 19 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA BEING LOT 64 OF THE FALLS AT BUTLER BRIDGE, PHASE FIVE AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 34, PAGES 224-227 NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS. SAID PLAT BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE. SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD.

SAID LEGAL description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as 20 STEPHENS CT, 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

TO THE best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is DARYL C JOHNSON, 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: LoanDepot, Loss Mitigation Dept., 5465 Legacy Drive Suite 400, Plano, TX 75024, Telephone Number: 888-337-6888 ext. 6789. 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

#### LOANDEPOT.COM. LLC AS ATTORNEY in Fact for DARYL C JOHNSON

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: Rubin Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners,

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (877) 813-0992 Case No. LDP-22-04398-3

#### PUBLIC NOTICE #500054 1/8,15,22,29

**GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY** 

BY VIRTUE of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from MICHELLE Y HARRIS MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. AS GRANTEE, AS NOMINEE FOR REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE NETWORK, INC, A NEW JERSEY CORPORATION, dated January 23, 2009, recorded April 6, 2009, in Deed Book 2705, Page 260-274, 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 Twenty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-One and 00/100 dollars (\$123,331.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having last sold, assigned and transferred to WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF OSAT TRUST 2021-1, 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 February, 2023, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 9 OF THE 8TH DISTRICT AND LAND LOT 9 OF THE

10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING SHOWN AS LOT 58 OF OLD COVERED BRIDGE SUBDIVISION, PHASE ONE, AS PER PLAT PREPARED BY MARK PATRICK, GEORGIA REGISTERED LAND

SURVEYOR NO. 2791 DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2003 AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 40, PAGES 91-94, 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 THRASHER ROAD ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF

NUMBERING PROPERTY IN NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA. SAID LEGAL description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as 115 THRASHER ROAD, 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 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;

the terms of the Security Deed.

TO THE best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is MICHELLEY HARRIS, or tenants(s).

THE SALE will be conducted subject

(1) to confirmation that the sale is not

covenants, and any other matters

of record superior to said Security

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: Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc., Loss Mitigation Dept., 3217 S. Decker Lake Dr., Salt Lake City, UT 84119, Telephone Number: 888-818-6032. 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

WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION NOT IN INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY IN SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF OSAT TRUST 2021-1

#### AS ATTORNEY in Fact for MICHELLE Y HARRIS

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: Rubin Lublin, LLC, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (877) 813-

0992 Case No. SPS-22-06702-1

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500019** 1/8,15,22,29

#### **NOTICE OF Sale Under Power GEORGIA, NEWTON County**

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed o Secure Debt given by James R. Coats to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") as nominee for Mortgageit Inc., dated September 27, 2007, and recorded in Deed Book 2517, Page 216, Newton County, Georgia records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee for Towd Point Mortgage Trust 2017-1by Assignment recorded in Deed Book 4453, Page 456, Newton County, Georgia records, conveying the afterdescribed property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$137,250.00, 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, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in February, 2023, to wit: February 7, 2023, the following

ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 125 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 261 of Trelawney Unit Two, according to plat recorded at Plat Book 34. Pages 193 through 195. Newton County, Georgia records, which plat is incorporated herein by reference thereto for a more accurate and complete description.

SUBJECT TO all easements and restrictions of record, 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. 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 Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees

having been given). SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as 250 Trelawney Drive, Covington, GA 30016, together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): Heirs at Law of the Estate of Delores Coats or

tenant or 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; (2) O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1; and (3) 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. PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. Section 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,

ATTENTION: LOSS Mitigation Department **3217 S.** Decker Lake Drive SALT LAKE City, Utah 84119 1-888-818-6032<sup>°</sup>

THE FOREGOING notwithstanding nothing in OC.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require the secured creditor to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the Deed to Secure Debt described

THIS SALE is conducted on behalf of the secured creditor under the power of sale granted in the aforementioned security instrument,

specifically being U.S. BANK National Association, as Indenture Trustee for Towd Point Mortgage Trust 2017-1 AS ATTORNEY in fact for

RICHARD B. Maner, P.C. 180 INTERSTATE N Parkway, Suite ATLANTA, GA 30339

404.252.6385

JAMES R. Coats

THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. FC22-272

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500056** 1/8,15,22,29-2/5

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

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Aretha Benton to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Primary Residential Mortgage, its successors and assigns, dated June 22, 2018, recorded in Deed Book 3718, Page 42, Newton County, Georgia Records and as modified by that certain Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Deed Book 4323, Page 339, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 4434, Page 348, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$82,478.00), 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 February, 2023, the

following described property: **SEE EXHIBIT** "A" ATTACHED SEE EXHIBIT 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

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 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 above-named 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

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Aretha Benton or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as 14721 Highway 36, Covington, Georgia 30014. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

(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 **ARETHA BENTON** 

THE SALE will be conducted subject

MCCALLA RAYMER Leibert Pierce, 1544 OLD Alabama Road ROSWELL, GA 30076

WWW.FORECLOSUREHOTLINE. NET **EXHIBIT "A"** LL THAT TRACT or parcel of land

lying and being in Land Lot 136 of the 9th Land District of Newton County, Georgia, containing one acre, more or less, lying in the southwestern corner of that property conveyed to Frank Castellana and Julia Marie C Castellana by John Lewis Cordell by that deed dated January 8, 1968 and recorded in Deed Book 84. page 345, Public Records of Newton County, Georgia, to which reference is hereby expressly made, and being more particularly described as follows: TO FIND the TRUE POINT OF

BEGINNING, commence at the intersection of the northern land lot line of Land Lot 136 with the northeastern right-of-way of Georgia Highway #36 (100 ft. right-of-way); thence South 07§31' East a distance of 1510.70 feet to an iron pin marking the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;

thence South 87§ 52' East a distance

of 210 feet to a wood post; thence North 07§ 31' West a distance of 210

feet to a wood post; thence North 87§ 52' West a distance of 210 feet to a wood post; thence South 07§ 31' East along the right-of-way of Highway #36 a distance of 210 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PROPERTY being known as 14721 highway 36, Covington, Georgia in accordance with the present system of numbering properties in Newton Georgia.
MR/MAC 2/7/23

OUR FILE no. 22-09919GA - FT2

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500090** 1/8,15,22,29

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER **GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY** UNDER AND by virtue of the Power

of Sale contained in a Security

Deed given by Frank Stapleton and Sandra Stapleton to United Mortgage Investors, Inc., May 24, 2002, recorded in Deed Book 1230, Page 367, Newton County, Georgia Records and as modified by that certain Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Deed Book 3324, Page 401, Newton County, Georgia Records as last transferred to U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION assignment recorded in Deed Book 3886, Page 85, 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 FIFTY AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$128,850.00), 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 February, 2023, the following described property: SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTA

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

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 above-named or the

undersigned. BANK ASSOCIATION

IS THE holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: U.S. Bank National Association, 4801 Frederica Street, Owensboro, KY 42301-0005, 855-698-7627. NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity

is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the TO THE best knowledge and belief

of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Frank Stapleton and Sandra Stapleton or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as 105 Willow Tree Terrace, 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. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

AS ATTORNEY in Fact for FRANK STAPLETON and Sandra Stapleton

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 135, 10TH , DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 8, BLOCK D, SPRING MILL FARMS SUBDIVISION, UNIT ONE, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 24, PAGE 4, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS, WHICH RECORDED PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE. MR/MAC 2/7/23 OUR FILE no. 22-07675GA - FT8

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500034** 

1/8,15,22,29

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA. NEWTON COUNTY UNDER AND by virtue of the Power

of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Frederick D Hart, Jr and Monita L Hart to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Great Plains National Bank, its successors and assigns, dated December 31, 2014, recorded in Deed Book 3291, Page 559, Newton County, Georgia Records and as modified by that certain Loan Modification

Agreement recorded in Deed Book 4149, Page 458, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3776, Page 588, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-SIX AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$86,896.00), 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 February, 2023, 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 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,

against the above-named or the undersigned. WELLS FARGO Bank, N.A. is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA

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

THE ENTITY that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., PO Box 10335, Des Moines, IA 50306, 1-800-416-1472. NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity

44-14-162.2.

is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party

in possession of the property is Frederick D Hart, Jr and Monita L Hart or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as 2525 Country Club Dr SE, Conyers, Georgia 30013. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the

legal description will control. THE SALE will be conducted subject 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. WELLS FARGO Bank, N.A. AS ATTORNEY in Fact for

FREDERICK D Hart, Jr and Monita MCCALLA RAYMER Leibert Pierce,

1544 OLD Alabama Road ROSWELL, GA 30076

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\*AUCTION SERVICES provided by

Auction.com (www.auction.com) **EXHIBIT "A"** TRACT 1: All that tract and parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 201 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, and being Lot 61, Block "B" of the Fieldstone Subdivision, Unit Two, according to plat of record

at Plat Book 10, Page 15A, Newton County Records, and being more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING AT a point on the Southeasterly side of Country Club Drive 134.5 feet Southwesterly as

measured along the Southeasterly side of Country Club Drive forms an intersection with the Southwesterly side of Fieldstone Drive; running thence Southwesterly along the Southeasterly side of Country Club Drive 155 feet to a point; running thence Southeasterly 200 feet to a point; running thence Northeasterly 60 feet to a point; running thence Northwesterly 221.4 feet to the Southeasterly side of Country Club

Drive and the point of beginning.

TRACT II: All that tract or parcel of

land lying and being in Land Lot 201 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia and being described in accordance with survey prepared for Ralph D Prather by Louie D Patrick, R.L.S. No. 1757 dated August 7, 1980 and being more described as follows: TO ARRIVE at the true point of beginning begin at a point formed by the intersection of the Easterly side of Country Club Drive (55 r/w) and the Southerly side of Fieldstone

Drive (55 r/w) and run thence Southerly and along the Easterly side of Country Club Drive a distance of 134.5 feet to an iron pin found and run thence South 53 degrees 22 minutes East a distance of 158.9 feet to an iron pin set which is the True Point of Beginning; from said true Point of Beginning extending thence South 38 degrees 09 minutes East a distance of 64.3 feet to an iron pin: extending thence North 49 degrees 04 minutes West a distance of 61.4 feet to a point; extending thence North 33 degrees 25 minutes East a distance of 12.0 feet to the true Point

of Beginning.

TRACT III: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 201 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia and being described in accordance with survey prepared for Ralph D Prather by Louie D. Patrick, R.L.S. No. 1757 dated August 7, 1980 and being more particularly described as follows:

TO ARRIVE at the true point of beginning begin at a point formed by the intersection of the Easterly side of Country Club Drive (55 foot r/w) and the southerly side of Fieldstone Drive (55 r/w) and run thence Southerly and along the Easterly side of Country Club Drive a distance of 134.5 feet to an iron pin found which is the true point of beginning from said true point of beginning extending thence South 53 degrees

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22 MINUTES East a distance of 158.9 feet to a point; extending thence South 33 degrees 25 minutes West a distance of 12.0 feet to an iron pin set; extending thence North 49 degrees 04 minutes West a distance of 160.0 feet to the Easterly side of Country Club Drive and the true Point of Beginning.

TAX MAP Reference: 11A-22

MR/MAC 2/7/23

**OUR FILE** no. 22-10024GA - FT5

PUBLIC NOTICE #500040 1/8,15,22,29

#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Lynda Duffault to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Home Funding Corp, its successors and assigns, dated November 12, 2020, recorded in Deed Book 4099, Page 360, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 4463, Page 588, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE **THOUSAND** THREF HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$223,378.00), 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 February, 2023, the

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF THE DEBT secured by said Security

following described property:

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

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 undersigned

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA 8 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

of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Lynda Duffault or a tenant or tenants and

said property is more commonly known as 455 Berkshire 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.

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE IIIC AS ATTORNEY in Fact for LYNDA DUFFAULT

MCCALLA RAYMER Leibert Pierce,

1544 OLD Alabama Road ROSWELL, GA 30076

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EXHIBIT "A"

FILE NO.: 202267 ALL THAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 43 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 58 of Berkshire Subdivision, Unit Four as shown on plat of Berkshire Subdivision-Unit Four as same is recorded in Plat Book 36, pages 278-280, Newton County, Georgia Records. The description of said property as contained on said plat is hereby incorporated herein and made an essential part hereof by reference. The above is described as 455 Berkshire Drive, Covington, Georgia 30016 according to the present system of numbering houses in the City of Covington, Newton County,

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Georgia.

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

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Natalie R Smith to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for CrossCountry Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns, dated September 25, 2020, recorded in Deed Book 4088. Page 197. Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to CrossCountry

Mortgage, LLC BY ASSIGNMENT recorded in Deed Book 4441, Page 426, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$194,000.00), 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 February, 2023, the

following described property:
SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED
HERETO AND MADE A PART

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

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, 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 above-named or the

#### CROSSCOUNTRY MORTGAGE,

IS THE holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with § 44-14-162.2.

THE ENTITY that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: CrossCountry Mortgage,

, 1 Corporate Drive, Suite 360, Lake Zurich, IL 60047, 8006694268. NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Natalie R Smith or a tenant or tenants and known as 325 Bramble Bush Trail, Covington, Georgia 30014. Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

(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. CROSSCOUNTRY MORTGAGE,

THE SALE will be conducted subject

AS ATTORNEY in Fact for NATALIE R Smith MCCALLA RAYMER Leibert Pierce,

1544 OLD Alabama Road ROSWELL, GA 30076 WWW.FORECLOSUREHOTLINE. NET EXHIBIT "A"

ALLTHAT tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 103 of the 9th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 63 of Parkers Terrace Subdivision, Phase Two on the Plat of Survey prepared by Patrick & Associates, Inc., certified by Louie D. Patrick, Georgia R.L.S. No. 1757, said plat being dated November 12, 2004 and recorded in Plat Book 42, Pages 239-243, Newton County, Georgia Records, and said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof fo a more particular description of the

Number: 325 Bramble Bush Trail, Covington, GA 30014 **MR/JAY 2/7/23** 

ALSO KNOWN By Street and

**OUR FILE** no. 22-08907GA - FT18

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captioned properties.

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

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Stephanie Channell** to New Century Mortgage Corporation, dated January 19, 2006, recorded in Deed Book 2105, Page 395, Newton County, Georgia Records and as modified by that certain Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Deed Book 3394, Page 1, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-HE3 by assignment recorded in Deed Book 2721, Page 346, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$172,000.00), 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 February, 2023, 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 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 **DEUTSCHE BANK** National Trust

Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-HE3, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-HE3 is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA 8 44-14-162.2.

THE ENTITY that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Specialized Loan Servicing LLC, 6200 S. Quebec St., Suite 300, Greenwood Village, CO 80111, 800-

NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the

TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Stephanie Channell and Precious Joy Grier or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as 100 Bradley Street, 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. **DEUTSCHE BANK** National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-HE3, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-HE3 AS ATTORNEY in Fact for

STEPHANIE CHANNELL MCCALLA RAYMER Leibert Pierce,

1544 OLD Alabama Road ROSWELL, GA 30076 WWW.FORECLOSUREHOTLINE.

**EXHIBIT "A"** SITUATED IN Covington, Newton

County, State of GA and being described as follows: ALLTHAT tract or parcel of land lying

and being in Land Lot 91 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 41 of Benedict Place Subdivision, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 40, pages 130-133 (more particularly described on page 131), Newton County, Georgia Records, which plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. THE ABOVE legal description being the same as the last deed of record, no boundary survey having been

PARCEL #28D 41 **BEINGTHE** same property conveyed to Stephanie Channell, by deed from Ross Mundy Custom Homes, Inc., dated 08-13-04, recorded 08-18-04, in Book 1734, page 471, in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of

made at the time of this conveyance.

DERIVATION THE Clause represents a 24 month Chain of Title. 100 BRADLEY Street, Covington, GA 30016

MR/CA 2/7/23 **OUR FILE** no. 5132214 - FT7

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

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Yolanda Yvette Townsend to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as Mortgage, L its successors and assigns, dated March 30, 2021, recorded in Deed Book 4177, Page 279, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 4451, Page 639, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$253,228.00), 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 February, 2023, 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

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 above-named 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 TO THE best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Yolanda Yvette Townsend or a tenant

or tenants and said property is more

commonly known as 80 Forray Dr, 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

YOLANDA YVETTE Townsend MCCALLA RAYMER Leibert Pierce,

1544 OLD Alabama Road ROSWELL, GA 30076

WWW.FORECLOSUREHOTLINE.

**EXHIBIT "A" ALL THAT** tract or parcel of land lying

and being in Land Lot 122 of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 26 of Streamwood Manor Subdivision, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 53, Pages 68-79, as revised in Plat Book 53, Pages 263-274, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description. MR/CA 2/7/23 OUR FILE no. 22-09518GA - FT2

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PUBLIC NOTICE #400975

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

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Arthur Hickerson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems. Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns dated 7/21/2017 and recorded in Deed Book 3591 Page 437 and modified at Deed Book 4013Page 278Newton 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 \$219,942.00, 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 February 7, 2023 (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 151. 1st District, Newton County, Georgia, and being shown as Lot 2, Block A, Section II, Country Walk Subdivision, on a plat of survey of same recorded in Plat Book 32, Page 263, public records of Newton County, Georgia, which plat is by reference thereto incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular and

SAID PROPERTY is improved with a dwelling known as 170 Country Walk, Social Circle, Georgia 30025 according to the current system of numbering houses in Newton County, Georgia.

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 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

SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as 170 Country Walk, Social Circle, GA 30025 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): Arthur Hickerson or tenant or

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 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. Bankruptcv 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 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 Arthur ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E.,

Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637. 1000-17535A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION

OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR

THAT PURPOSE. 1000-17535A

PUBLIC NOTICE #500036

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

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale

contained in a Security Deed given by Demetrius Gaither to Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc. dba Element Funding dated 7/29/2016 and recorded in Deed Book 3466 Page 338 and re-recorded at Deed Book 3529 Page 187 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by Georgia Housing and Finance Authority, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$149,246.00, 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 February 7, 2023 (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 5 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 138 OF COUNTRY ROADS, PHASE TWO, AS SHOWN ON A PLAT OF SURVEY MADE OF COUNTRY ROADS, PHASE TWO, PREPARED BY LOUIE D. PATRICK, GA RLS# 1757, DATED DECEMBER 7, 2005, FILED FOR RECORD AT PLAT BOOK 44, PAGES 134-139 NEWTON COUNTY RECORDS; THE DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTAINED PROPERTY ON SAID PLAT OF SURVEY IS INCORPORATED HEREIN REFERENCE AND MADE PART HEREOF. SAID PROPERTY BEING KNOWN AS 225 LAMAR LANE ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF NUMBERING IN NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS.

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

SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as 225 Lamar 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): Demetrius Gaither or tenant or tenants. STATE HOME Mortgage is the

entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate. amend and modify all terms of the STATE HOME Mortgage Loss

Mitigation 60 Executive Park S. NE

Atlanta, GA 30329-2231 404-679-NOTE. HOWEVER. that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the

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

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. GEORGIA HOUSING and Finance

of record superior to the Security

Authority as agent and Attorney in Fact for Demetrius Gaither ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont

Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637. 2130-013A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 2130-013A PUBLIC NOTICE #500033

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#### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER **POWER, NEWTON COUNTY** PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale

contained in a Security Deed given by Kevin S. Reagin to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Ace Mortgage Funding, LLC, its successors and assigns dated 7/21/2006 and recorded in Deed Book 2247 Page 24 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for NovaStar Mortgage Funding Trust, Series 2006-5 NovaStar Home Equity Loan AssetBacked Certificates Series 2006-5, conveying the afterdescribed property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$125,400.00, 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 February 7. 2023 (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 LOTS 72 AND 73 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 1, BLOCK B, UNIT TWO, DOVE POINT SUBDIVISION, ON A PLAT OF SURVEY OF SAME RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 27, PAGE 1, PUBLIC RECORDS OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, WHICH PLAT IS BY REFERENCE THERETO INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR A MORE PARTICULAR AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION. SUBJECT TO all easements and

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 the

Security Deed and by law, including

attorney's fees (notice of intent to

collect attorney's fees having been

SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as 25 Dove Point, 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): Kevin S. Reagin or tenant or

entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the PHH MORTGAGE Corporation 1661 Worthington Rd Suite 100 West Palm

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation is the

tenants.

Beach, FL 33409 (800) 750-2518 NOTE, HOWEVER, that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the 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 **DEUTSCHE BANK** National Trust Company as Trustee for NovaStar Mortgage Funding Trust, Series 2006-5 NovaStar Home Equity Loan

Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-5 as agent and Attorney in Fact for Kevin S. Reagin
ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E.,

Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637. 1017-5864A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1017-5864A

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500060** 1/8,15,22,29

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

PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Stephanie W. Miller** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for EquiFirst Corporation, its successors and assigns dated 12/7/2006 and recorded in Deed Book 2345 Page 555 Newton County, Georgia records: as last transferred to or acquired by U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for MASTR Asset-Backed Securities Trust 2007-HE1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2007HE1, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$90,810.00, 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 February 7, 2023 (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 of land lying and

being in Land Lot 225 of the 8th Land District, Newton County, Georgia and being more particularly described as BEGINNING AT an iron pin located on the southeastern tight of way line of Andrews Road (30 foot right of

way) which iron pin is 2,274.1 feet as measured in a southeasterly direction and northeasterly direction along the southwesterly shoulder of Andrews Road from the point of intersection thereof with the centerline of Georgia Highway #36 (Andrews Road is the first road intersecting Georgia Highway #36 from the southeast

#### See LEGALS, A11

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NORTHEASTERLY intersection of South River and Georgia Highway #36), running thence S 11' 38" E 93.3 feet to an iron pin on the bank of Jackson Lake 52.9 feet to an iron pin; thence N 22' 40' W 96.1 feet to an iron pin on the southeast right of way line of Andrews Road; thence S 61' 35' W along said right of way line 35.6 feet to an iron pin marking the point of beginning. The above described property is known as Lot 2 on the property shown on plat of survey dated November 8, 1958 by T.J. Collins, surveyor, recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 156, Newton County, Georgia Deed Records and the above description is taken from plat of survey captioned "Property of Mr. Royce Parham" prepared by T.A. Carmichael, Jr., Dated September 19, 1977, to which reference is hereby made for purpose of incorporating

the same herein. SAID PROPERTY is known under the current system of numbering as 340 South River Drive, Jackson, Georgia, 30233.

**DEED REFERENCE:** Deed Book

1397, page 506, Clerk's Office, Newton Superior Court. 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

SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as 340 South River Drive, Jackson, GA 30233-3205 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): Stephanie Woods Miller or

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 National Association, as Trustee for MASTR Asset-Backed Securities Trust 2007-HE1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2007-HE1 as agent and Attorney in Fact for Stephanie W. Miller

ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637.

1017-5827A THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR

PUBLIC NOTICE #500035

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THAT PURPOSE. 1017-5827A

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY PURSUANT TO the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Linda Petty to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, its successors and assigns dated 12/31/2004 and recorded in Deed Book 1843 Page 148 and modified at Deed Book 2879 Page 372 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for B, MortgageBacked Certificates, Series 2005-B, conveying the afterdescribed property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$124,200.00, 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 February 7, 2023 (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 62 OF THE 8TH DISTRICT. NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING SHOWN AS LOT 129, AVERY PLACE SUBDIVISION, UNIT FIVE; BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON A PLAT OF SURVEY OF SAME FOR C & A DEVELOPMENT, INC. BY LOUIE D. PATRICK, R.L.S. NUMBER 1757, DATED DECEMBER 3, 2003, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 40, PAGES 200-202, PUBLIC RECORDS OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, WHICH PLAT IS BY REFERENCE THERETO

INCORPORATED HEREIN AND

MADE A PART HEREOF FOR MORE PARTICULAR COMPLETE 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

SAID PROPERTY is commonly known as 50 Oak Meadows, 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): Linda Petty or tenant or

PHH MORTGAGE Corporation is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the 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 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. BANK USA, National

Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2005-B, Mortgage Backed Certificates, Series 2005-B as agent and Attorney in Fact for ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont

Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637. THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING

DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 1017-5878A

PUBLIC NOTICE #500062 1/8,15,22,29

#### STATE OF GEORGIA **COUNTY OF NEWTON** FORECLOSURE SALE

PURSUANT TO the Order entered by the Court on August 20th, 2018, in the case of CitiMortgage, Inc., vs. MICHAEL L. FISHER, HOUSEHOLD REALTY CORPORATION, CALVARY PORTFOLIO SERVICES, LLC, CREEKVIEW HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION, **GEORGIA** DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, the court appointed Special Master, Reginald Hudspeth, LLC and/or its designee will sell the real property, it's improvements, buildings, fixtures, and appurtences at the Newton County Courthouse at on the 7th day of February 2023 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., after the advertisement of the sale, once per week for 4 weeks before the sale, in a newspaper regularly issued and of general circulation in the County of Newton, without right of redemption, the following described real property: ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 153 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 174, CREEKVIEW HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, PHASE TWO, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 38, PAGES 191-198, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY, WHICH RECORDED PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION. PROPERTY ADDRESS: CREEKVIEW BLVD, COVINGTON,

THE PLAINTIFF is the owner and/ or holder of the Note in regards to the real property being foreclosed and known as 315 CREEKVIEW BLVD, COVINGTON, GA 30016. The Debt from MICHAEL FISHER to WESTMINSTER MORTGAGE CORPORATION dated April 4th, 2003, filed for record on April 24th, 2003, and recorded in Deed Book 1412, Page 177, NEWTON Georgia Records, last transferred to ABN AMRO MORTGAGE GROUP, INC. by the Corrective Transfer and Assignment recorded in Deed Book 3311, Page 614, NEWTON County, Georgia Records. Said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note dated October 23rd, 2007 in the original principal sum of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$161,987.00), with interest from date at the rate stated

in said Note on the unpaid balance TO THE best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the parties in possession of the Property are MICHAEL FISHER or a tenant or tenants. Said property may more commonly be known as: 315 CREEKVIEW BLVD, COVINGTON,

SAID REAL property will be sold

subject to 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, 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.

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. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of

PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C § 564 and 566, the Special Master may exercise the same powers to conduct the sale as any local official or party conducting foreclosure sales, to yield the best sale price of the Property through free, fair and competitive

IF THE Property is purchased at sale by a third-party bidder, detailed below, then the remaining Defendants will be satisfied by any surplus funds remaining after satisfaction of the Plaintiff's debt according to their priority, with the remainder of any such surplus funds payable to Fisher, to be determined through a separate interpleader action. Otherwise, the Defendants will retain any right they have to seek payment for any unpaid debt owed to them if not satisfied by a purchase by a third-party bidder at a sale of the Property under this Order.

THE PLAINTIFF may bid the credit due on its debt, without payment of cash. At the time of sale, any third party bidder will render a successful bid in cash, cashier's check or certified check, payable to the Plaintiff. If a Third-party bidder defaults on this or any other condition of sale, then the payment is forfeited and shall be applied to expenses of the sale. The Property may then be re-offered for sale or sold to a second highest bidder at the Plaintiff's discretion.

IN THE event the Property reverts to the Plaintiff, then the Special Master will credit the Plaintiff's bid the total amounts due to the Plaintiff or such amount necessary to pay the Plaintiff's bid in full. If not the purchaser, the Plaintiff will advance all subsequent costs of this action, for which it will be reimbursed by the Special Master. After completion of the sale, the Special Master will execute a Report of Sale, for filing with the Clerk of Court. Said Report of Sale is subject to confirmation by the Court. Upon entry of the confirmation order, the sale proceeds will be applied to the Plaintiff's costs and disbursements of this action, expenses of sale, including documentary affixed to the order if applicable, the total sum due to Plaintiff less the items paid, plus interest at the rate prescribed by state law from this date

UPON THE Plaintiff's Motion following the sale, the Court shall enter an order confirming the sale of the Property, conveying title to the purchaser at the sale, which shall be filed and recorded in the local land registry office with the same legal effect as a Deed Under Power or other conveyance of title under Georgia law. Or the Special Master may execute a Deed for recordation with the same such effect. The Plaintiff may assign the Order and/ or credit bid by the execution of an assignment prior to the issuance of the order confirming the sale of the property, without further order of the

THE PLAINTIFF, has full authority terms of the loan is CITIMORTAGE, INC. successor by merger to ABN AMRO MORTGÁGE, INC., C/O CENLAR FSB 425 PHILLIPS BLVD, EWING, NJ 08618-1430; (877) 909-

LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP 211 PERIMETER Center Parkway NE. Suite 130 ATLANTA, GA 30346 TELEPHONE: 770-220-2535 FILE NUMBER: 20-077329 THIS LAW firm is acting as a debt collector. Any information obtained

**PUBLIC NOTICE #400998** 1/8,15,22,29

will be used for that purpose.

#### TS # 2022-03659 NOTICE OF Sale Under Power **GEORGIA, NEWTON County**

UNDER AND by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed given by Gregory to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Grantor, as nominee for ClearPath Lending, its successors and assigns, 4/21/2018, and recorded on 5/2/2018, in Instrument No.: D2018005352, Deed Book 3696, Page 79, Newton County, Georgia records, as last assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded on 9/22/2022 in Instrument No.: D2022016032 Deed Book 4438, conveying the afterdescribed property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$123,800.00, with interest thereon as provided for 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 2/7/2023, the following described property: All That Tract Or Parcel Of Land Lying And Being In Land Lot 19, 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, And Being Shown As Lot 52, The Falls At Butler Bridge, Unit Five, On A Plat Of Survey Of Same Recorded In Plat Book 34, Page 226, Public Records Of Newton County, Georgia, Which Plat Is By Reference Thereto Incorporated Herein And Made A Part Hereof For A More Particular And Complete Description. Said property is commonly known as 725 Freeman Drive Covington, GA 30016. The indebtedness 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

the same and all expenses of the sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorneys' fees (notice of intent to collect attorneys' 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: Freedom Mortgage Corporation, Attention: Loss Mitigation Department, 10500 Kincaid Drive Fishers, IN 46037, 855-690-5900. Nothing in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require the secured creditor to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the security instrument. Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, encumbrances, ordinances, restrictions, covenants and any other matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party(ies) in possession of the property is (are) Gregory Scott or tenant(s) or other occupants. 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. The sale is conducted on behalf of the secured creditor under the power of sale granted in the aforementioned security instrument, specifically being Freedom Mortgage Corporation as Attorney in Fact for Gregory Scott. Nestor Services, LLC, 2850 Redhill Ave, Suite 240, Santa Ana, CA 92705, (888) 403-4115, TS # 2022-03659. For sale information, visit: https://www.nestortrustee.com/ sales-information or call (888) 902-

be made for the purpose of paying

PUBLIC NOTICE #500066

#### IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF **NEWTON COUNTY**

**Juvenile Court** 

STATE OF GEORGIA IN THE INTEREST OF: SEX: Female DOB: 07/13/2006 Case #107-

22J-0808 CHILD UNDER 18 Years of Age

SUMMONS

TO: SHAMIKA Terrell, Rico Banks, Jacqueline Terrell, and any other person claiming to have a parental interest in the child named above born to Shamika Terrell on the date above-listed

YOU ARE hereby notified that a Petition for Permanent Guardianship was filed before the Juvenile Court of Rockdale County by the Georgia Department of Human Services, by and through its agent Rockdale Department of Family and Children Services (hereinafter "Department") regarding the children named above born to Shamika Terrell on the dates above-listed. A copy of the Petition for Permanent Guardianship in reference to the above-captioned children may be obtained from the Clerk's office located at the Juvenile Court of Newton County, 1132 User Street, Covington, Georgia 30014, during business hours. The Department has nominated Erica Hunter to be appointed as the permanent guardian of the child pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-11-240. The Department is also seeking to have Erica Hunter granted with additional powers set forth in O.C.G.A. § 29-2-22(b) for the child. YOU ARE hereby commanded personally or by attorney to appear for a hearing to be held at the Juvenile Court of Newton County, 1132 User Street, Covington, Georgia 30014, on the 2nd day of February, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., then and there to answer the Department's Petition for Permanent Guardianship and to answer why the Department's prayers for relief should not be granted. You are entitled to object either to the establishment of a permanent guardianship or to the Department's selection of permanent guardian(s) for the above-captioned child, or both. That by reason of this Court's Order for Service by Publication dated the 27th day of December, 2022, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the Clerk of said Court, and serve upon Jennifer Cline, counsel for Newton Department of Family and Children Services, whose address is P.O. Box 52, Covington, Georgia 30015, any objection you have to the granting of

this petition.

TO: SHAMIKA Terrell, Rico Banks, and Jacqueline Terrell

IF YOU have any objection to either the establishment of a permanent quardianship, or to the Department's selection of permanent guardian(s) for the above-captioned child, or both, you must file a written objection setting forth the grounds of any such objection with this Court within ten (10) days of the date you are personally served; or within fourteen (14) days of the date that notice was mailed to you; or within ten (10) days following the date of the second publication of this citation. All pleadings must be signed before a notary public or the Clerk of this OF EFFECT NOTICE

PERMANENT GUARDIANSHIP **PETITION** for Permanent Guardianship has been filed with Court hearing(s) of your case has been scheduled to be heard by this Court at the location, date, and times as stated above. If you do not file an objection to the petition as described above, then you will lose all rights to object to the

appointment of: a) Erica Hunter as the permanent guardian of L.T.

THE PERMANENT guardianship order(s) shall remain in effect for each child until that child reaches the age of eighteen (18) or becomes emancipated. The permanent guardianship order(s) will not be

subject to review by the Court except

as provided in O.C.G.A. § 15-11-

244 and a parent's right to visitation may be restricted. The permanent

guardian(s) shall have the rights

and duties of a permanent guardian as provided in O.C.G.A. § 29-2-21, O.C.G.A. § 29-2-22, and O.C.G.A.

§ 29-2-23 and shall take the oath required of a guardian as provided in O.C.G.A. § 29-2-24. THIS IS a very serious matter.

You should contact an attorney immediately so that you can be prepared for the court hearing. You have the right to hire an attorney and to have him or her represent you. If you cannot afford to hire an attorney, the court will appoint an attorney if the court finds that you are an indigent person. Whether or not you decide to hire an attorney, you have the right to attend the hearing of your case, to call witnesses on your behalf, and to question those witnesses on brought against you. **IF YOU** have any questions concerning this notice, you may call

the telephone number of the clerk's office which is: (770) 278-7777. SO ORDERED, 28th day of December, 2022. JANELLE GAINES, Clerk

JUVENILE COURT of Newton

PUBLIC NOTICE #500042

#### Name Changes

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: **DEBORAH MARIE THORNHILL** PETITIONER,

**CIVIL ACTION NUMBER** 2022-CV-2567-2

#### NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that DEBORAH MARIE THORNHILL filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on DECEMBER 2, 2022 to change the name from DEBORAH MARIE THORNHILL to PENNY BEMBURY Notice is hereby given pursuant to law to any interested or affected party to appear in said Court and to file objections to such name change. Objections must be filed with said Court within 30 days of the filing of said petition

THIS 2ND day of DECMEBER 2022

**DEBORAH MARIE THORNHILL** 431 KIRKLAND RD **COVINGTON GA** 30016

**PUBLIC NOTICE #400984** 12/18,25-1/1,8 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

**NEWTON COUNTY** STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE the Name Change of: JENNIFER YVONNE ROSA PETITIONER,

**CIVIL ACTION NUMBER** 2022-CV-2423-4

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT

NOTICE IS hereby given that JENNIFER YVONNE ROSA filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on DECEMBER 20TH 2022 to change the name from JENNIFER YVONNE ROSA to JENNIFER YVONNE ROSA LEÓN Notice is hereby given pursuant to law to any interested or affected party to appear in said Court and to file objections to such name change Objections must be filed with said Court within 30 days of the filing of

THIS 20THDAY of DECEMBER,

JENNIFER ROSA ORCHARD LN **COVINGTON GA** 30014

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500012** 12/25-1/1,8,15 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE the Name Change of:

RACHEL LEIGH BLACKMON PETITIONER,

**CIVIL ACTION NUMBER** 2022-CV-2714-4

#### NOTICE OF PETITION TO **CHANGE NAME OF ADULT**

NOTICE IS hereby given that

RACHEL LEIGH BLACKMON filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on DECEMBER 27TH 2022 to change the name from RACHEL LEIGH BLACKMON to REY ELLIS BLACKMON Notice is hereby given pursuant to law to any interested or affected party to appear in said Court and to file objections to such name change. Objections must be filed with said Court within 30 days of the filing of said petition

THIS 27THDAY of DECEMBER, RACHEL BLACKMON

HWY 81 S COVINGTON GA 30016 **PUBLIC NOTICE #500067** 

1/8,15,22,29 **Public Hearings** 

#### "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE COVINGTON

MUNICIPAL CODE, ENACTED AND ADOPTED ON THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001, AS AMENDED BY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS, TO ALTER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF TITLE 16 OF THE SAID CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING SECTION 16.28.025 (BUILDING TYPOLOGY); TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." A COPY of said proposed ordinance is posted on the bulletin board at

the City Hall, 2194 Emory Street, Covington, Georgia. THIS 4TH day of January, 2023. THE CITY OF COVINGT

AUDRA M. Gutierrez

City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE #500089

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT** 

A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP22-000007) HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE

JACQUELINE J WILSON WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION IS 65 SALEM CIRCLE CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY ACRES BEING ON TAX MAP &

PARCELS13-73.

PROPERTY BELONGING TO:

TO ESTABLISH LANDSCAPING WITH OUTDOOR BUSINESS **STORAGE** PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE PLANNING

APPLICANT IS REQUESTING

A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

COMMISSION ON THE: 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2023 AT

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE: 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023 AT

BOTH MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE NEWTON COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE, 3RD FLOOR BOARDROOM. THOSE HAVING CONCERNS ABOUT THIS

PETITION SHOULD ATTEND THE

PUBLIC NOTICE #500076

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT **GEORGIA, NEWTON County** 

A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP22-000007) HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE PROPERTY BELONGING TO: JACQUELINE J WILSON WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY

IS

WITH OUTDOOR

SALEM CIRCLE CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 7.9759 ACRES BEING ON TAX MAP & PARCELS13-73. APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ESTABLISH LANDSCAPING

ADDRESS/LOCATION

BUSINESS

STORAGE A PUBLIC HEARING WILL HELD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE: 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2023 AT

7:00PM PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE: 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023 AT

BOTH MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE NEWTON COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE, 3RD

FLOOR BOARDROOM. THOSE HAVING CONCERNS ABOUT THIS PETITION SHOULD ATTEND THE

PUBLIC NOTICE #500081

FINAL PLAT REVISION

GEORGIA, NEWTON County

FINAL PLAT REVISION APPLICATION (FP22-000003) HAS

BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD PROPERTY BELONGING TO: CALENTIA HONEYCUTT WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION IS 265 FOREST LAKES DR. CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 4 ACRES BEING

ON TAX MAP 15 & PARCEL 44 IN THE RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION OF FOREST LAKES THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING TO SUBDIVIDE THE LOT INTO TWO LOTS, AT 2 AC EACH, TO

ALLOW A DEED TO A FAMILY MEMBER. A PUBLIC HEARING WILL

BE HELD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE: 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2023 AT

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE NEWTON COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE, 3rd FLOOR BOARDROOM. THOSE HAVING CONCERNS ABOUT THIS PETITION SHOULD ATTEND THE MEETING.

PUBLIC NOTICE #500081

FINAL PLAT REVISION **GEORGIA, NEWTON County** 

FINAL PLAT REVISION

APPLICATION (FP22-000011) HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE PROPERTY BELONGING TO: JARED & AMANDA ROUNDY WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION

PAPAS TALK, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 4.88 ACRES BEING ON TAX MAP 124 & PARCEL 95 IN THE RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION OF COUNTRY THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING

TO SUBDIVIDE THE PARENT PARCEL INTO TWO LOTS. A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE PLANNING

COMMISSION ON THE: 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2023 AT 7:00PM

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE NEWTON COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE, 3rd FLOOR BOARDROOM. THOSE HAVING CONCERNS ABOUT THIS

PETITION SHOULD ATTEND THE MEETING. PUBLIC NOTICE #500085

FINAL PLAT REVISION **GEORGIA, NEWTON County** 

FINAL PLAT REVISION

APPLICATION (FP22-000011) HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD

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News

Prayer Breakfast

# Annual event focuses on unity

By GABRIEL STOVALL gstovall@covnews.com

COVINGTON,

Ga. — As the annual legislative prayer breakfast went on Friday morning, Judge Samuel Ozburn became

increasingly riveted by a Bible passage from John chapter 17. "The longest prayer

Jesus prayed in scripture is found in John 17," Ozburn said. "And it wasn't about prosperity. It wasn't about other things. It was about unity — about believers in Christ being united."

Ozburn said that to the crowd of more than 70 who attended the annual prayer breakfast hosted by the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs of Covington. He said it after keynote speaker Buddy McElhannon challenged the crowd to "do something to make an impact" that helps heal the divisiveness that's permeated our country's political climate for a while now.

After the event was spired passion in oneon-one conversations with any and every one who would listen. This year's prayer breakfast wasn't a new thing, as it first began in January 2006. But Ozburn said it was a must for this year's gathering to be intentional about centering prayer once

"I definitely felt like we needed to get back to prayer," Ozburn said. "Last year we had the DOT president here, and we talked a lot about our bridges and roads, and it was good.

But we didn't talk much about prayer. Specifically prayer for unity."

Ozburn pointed to the drama in Washington D.C. regarding Rep. Kevin McCarthy's bid for speaker of the House as an example of how political divisiveness as gripped the nation. At the time of this publication, McCarthy had lost 11 votes in the house this week which has caused another round of polarizing political opinions to swarm.

"You see what's going on in Washington right now," Ozburn said. "And a lot of the polarizing stuff we see in our nation flows down hill from there."

Locally, Ozburn, a senior judge in the Alcovy Judicial Circuit, sees something potentially different.

"I want this community here in Covington and Newton County to be known as people who care for each other "We don't all have to be the same or think the same in order to be united and be respectful of each other and have civil discourse."

Both Ozburn and McElhannon echoed similar sentiments Friday as McElhannon, a noted Christian relationships blogger and author, challenged the audience full of some of Newton County's foremost leaders, to reverse the tendency of allowing politics to



Gabriel Stovall | The News

From left, Senior Judge Sam Ozburn stands with Christian author and blogger Buddy McElhannon after Friday's annual Legislative prayer breakfast.

"In this time of political turmoil, coarseness, meanness and worse, where do you find your hope," McElhannon asked. "Let me give you a hint. Someone once said your salvation doesn't arrive in Air Force One, and a perfect world won't come through the ballot box. But a better world is possible if all our actions, political and otherwise, flowed downstream from our Christian convictions and not the other way around."

For Ozburn, it's no coincidence that the ability to start the year off with a prayerful focus of unity presented itself in this year's event. In fact, Ozburn says there's no better time than now for Newton County to

of the community for

get really intentional about making unity more than just a talking point.

"I think it's at a pivotal time for us because, things are changing in our community and things are going to continue to change," he said. "The longer we go without addressing the need to work together, the harder it's going to be. You can look now, and it's kind of like the east side of the county against the west side of the county. Red vs. Blue, and a lot of times you think, if we can just sit down and say how can we work things out for the good everybody instead of me winning and you

770 • 922 • 2556 **End Your Chronic,** and respect each other Irritating Knee Pain & over, Ozburn continued and work together to Stiffness Without to share his John 17-insolve their differences Injections, Pain and not promote di-Medication, or Having vision," Ozburn said. to Wear Support

again.

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ed from 2017 SPLOST collections.

Sanders said she applied for the funding the county lacks a grant writer, she said.

"There has been an extreme need in the most-dense area in Newton County and receiving this grant is a blessing to the community. I am thankful for Congressman Johnson



#### **CENTER:**

No location has been determined, a county spokesperson said.

— which is in the form of a grant — because of

residents also took part and was involved in securing this grant," Sanders said. listening to the needs

"There have been many funds that the county could have received which were sent down from the federal government," she said. "Due to not having a grant writer, funds have been left on the table to

help our community and offset the cost that could have been a burden on the residents in the county," she said. A recreation consul-

tant in 2022 included the need for a community center or other facilities targeting youth, and seniors in west Newton.

Sanders said she believed it will "help with the issue of crime in our area by providing a location that is designed

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by our youth including the programs they

losing, we'd be much,

much better off."

desire." She said she visited the schools in her District 3 and surrounding areas to get feedback on

desire services. "The worst thing is to force programming on our youth that they do not want and to spend millions on a building that they will not utilize," she said.

"They have stated on numerous occasions the programs they felt were not effective and the fact that we are not listening to them. Too often adults are telling the youth what they want based on their experiences and political reasoning, but it is not helping the children in our area."

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# **SPORTS**

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**Prep Athletics** 

# **SAFETY FIRST**

Local athletic trainers express concerns with turf coming to Sharp



Phillip B. Hubbard | The News

Sharp Stadium's field has been grass for the entire 66 years it has been around. Now, after a BOE vote, Sharp Stadium will have an artificial turf playing surface for the three Newton County high schools to compete on.

#### By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD

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COVINGTON, Ga. — When it was announced that Newton County Schools' approved the installation of artificial turf for Sharp Stadium, social media was flooded with a lot of "it's about time."

But there was some public outcry about the safety of turf and the challenges it may bring to Newton County student-athletes.

Newton County high schools' athletic trainers Ty Imler (Alcovy), Chip McCarty (Eastside) and Jendaya Watkins (Newton) — employed by Ortho Atlanta— highlighted areas they believe need to be focused on.

All three trainers are certified through the National Athletic Trainers' Association Certified.

#### **Injury Concerns**

First and foremost, all three trainers expressed their concerns over

the extreme injuries players could sustain on turf surfaces.

The top worry is the risk of ACL injuries.

McCarty shared how the difference from playing on grass to turf could increase the likelihood of student-athletes sustaining an ACL injury.

'Grass gives and you have that give when [the players] plant their feet," McCarty said. "And, with turf, there's no give. You put your foot down on a hard surface. Most ACL injuries are not contact, but they occur when the foot is planted and

Furthermore, McCarty pointed to area girls soccer teams playing on the new surface, too.

"Females are more prone to ACL injuries than a male is because of their skeleton," McCarty said. "Their hips are built differently."

ACL injuries are just the tip of the

iceberg, according to Imler.

Imler believes concussions are more likely on a turf surface compared to grass.

"Yes, you can possibly have a concussion when you hit the grass but, if it gives more leeway, there's maybe a less likely chance," Imler said. "Whereas, when you're on turf and it has no give then there might be more instances where someone could possibly obtain a concussion."

In fact, Imler cited his previous experience for another injury con-

"At other schools I worked at that had turf compared to now, I definitely saw an increase on the amount of turf burn that my players had, especially on their knees and elbows from where they're getting tackled," Imler said. "I definitely had to do more first aid with those athletes."

See SAFETY, B4

**Prep Girls Basketball** 

# Lady Tigers win Oscar Wimberly Holiday Tournament

By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD phubbard@covnews.com

BARNESVILLE, Ga. — The Alcovy Lady Tigers celebrated the end of 2022 like never before. They went 3-0 from Dec. 27-29 to win the girls bracket of the Oscar Wimberly Holiday Tourna-

Alcovy players and coaches celebrated so much that head coach Justin Hunter sustained an injury when all was said and done.

In the tournament hosted by Lamar County High School, the Lady Tigers knocked off Westside (Macon) High School 65-32, defeated Manchester High School 52-47 in overtime and cruised to a 88-58 win over Ola High School in the championship round.

Hunter recognized this accomplishment as a team effort.

"We had great offensive and defensive production all tournament long," Hunter said. "Literally every member of the Lady Tigers contributed to the



Special Photo

Alcovy girls basketball defeated three opponents by an average of 23 points to claim the 2022 Oscar Wimberly Holiday Tournament title.

victories."

Junior Luv Llewellyn led the Lady Tigers averaging 13 points per contest. Sophomore Janae Hutcherson

See TOURNAMENT, B4

#### **College Athletics**



Koby Perry (4) announced on New Year's Day he was declaring for the NFL Draft. He recorded 46 tackles, two tackles for loss and had one pass deflection in his final season

# **Perry declares** for NFL Draft

By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD phubbard@covnews.com

COVINGTON, Ga. — New year, new journey. That's the case for Koby Perry, at least.

On New Year's Day, the former Alcovy Tigers football star announced via Twitter that he is declaring for the National Football League (NFL) Draft. The news came just four days after Perry completed his five-year college football career with the University of Central Florida Knights.

Perry highlighted many people in his official announcement for helping get him in position for this next step.

One of those people was Ricky Vaughn. Perry credited Vaughn — a long time coach and volunteer with the Newton County Recreation Department for assisting him beginning at a young age.

"[Ricky] is everything to me," Perry said. "He saved my life. My mom didn't really have much and he always helped my mom. He's stuck with me my whole career and he's been there. Ricky is a father figure to me and I'd give my life for that

"He may not know that, but he should know it."

Before he was a player ready to try out for the professional level, Perry was a 6-year old kid tossing the football around at Turner Lake and City Pond

That was just the beginning as there were many stops along

Perry concluded his senior year with the Tigers as a First Team All-Region selection after he recorded 56 tackles, eight tackles for loss, two interceptions and eight pass breakups.

Coming out of high school as a 3-star defensive back, according to 247Sports, Perry signed with Dodge City Community College in Kansas.

As a sophomore, Perry led Dodge City with 81 tackles and 8.5 tackles for loss while also intercepting one pass and breaking up two more with two fumble recoveries. That was a season removed from his freshman campaign in which Perry recorded 67 tackles and seven tackles for loss along with three blocked punts.

Perry is grateful for every place he's been at to this point in his career, but especially Dodge City.

"Every school I went to, I felt like God was showing me something different," Perry said. "Dodge City was huge for me going so far away from

See DRAFT, B2

#### **DRAFT**:

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home by myself. I grew in my faith and got baptized there. Looking back there, that's where I found out who I was as a man."

From there, he transferred to Troy University, but didn't play as he redshirted for a season before moving on to Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tennessee.

In his two years at Austin Peay, Perry made considerable noise.

At the end of his redshirt senior year, Perry was named the Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) Defensive Player of the Year with his 85 tackles, eight tackles for loss, one sack and one interception. That was in addition to Perry being an All-American as well as a First Team All-OVC honoree.

In his fifth year of eligibility, Perry transferred to Central Florida to join the Knights. He followed former Newton Ram Tay Gowan who registered a year at UCF and was later drafted by the Arizona Cardinals in 2021.

Perry, a 6-foot, 180-pound Covington native, recorded 46 tackles, two tackles for loss and one pass deflection. He stressed how there were many ups and

downs throughout his collegiate career. All of it, though, has made him better overall. "I'm stronger, wiser, smarter," Perry said. "I felt like I've matured a lot, too, the past few

Another highlight of Perry's college football career is what he's achieved away from the

gridiron. Perry earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and, in the coming weeks, he aspires to finish his master's degree in communication and education.

Focusing on his academics was just as important to Perry as his success as a football player.

"I got the bachelor's and, with the extra year

of eligibility with COVID, it was like, 'Why not get a master's?" Perry said. "I wanted to set the standard for generations coming behind me in my family. This is what we're going to do now. And I wanted to lead the way."

While Perry is grateful for the journey he's been on the last five years, he's recognized the influence many people have had on his career.

But, there is one person who is at the top of Perry's list — his mom, Atavia English, who passed away on June 19, 2022. Perry keeps a copy of his mom's obituary in his car as a way to remember her.

Perry's face lights up when asked about his mom's influence.

"I always feel like she's still somewhere watching," Perry said. "I feel like she's watching and talking to me. I feel like she's still here and is still with me."

Perry remains grateful for the past five years, though they haven't always been easy. He's realized that, even during the tough times, there have been people he labeled as "blessings" to

Without them, Perry stressed he wouldn't be in this position of declaring for the NFL Draft, which is scheduled for April 27-29.

Should Perry's name get called, he'll become the first Alcovy alumnus to be drafted into the NFL. However, if he signs a free agent deal after the draft is over, he'll join his cousin, D'Anthony Bell, as the only two former Alcovy Tigers to make it onto an NFL squad.

Accomplishing that would mean a lot to Perry.

"If that happens, I will probably cry and then thank God for how far he's brought me," Perry said. "I'd thank my mom, thank God, thank Ricky, and that's what I'd do. I wouldn't be here without their support."



Special Photo

From left, Ricky Vaughn was labeled by Koby Perry as a "father figure" in Perry's life.

#### **LEGALS:**

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OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE PROPERTY BELONGING TO: JARED & AMANDA ROUNDY WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION IS 65 CONTAINING PAPAS TALK,

APPROXIMATELY 4.88 ACRES BEING ON TAX MAP 124 & PARCEL 95 IN THE RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION OF COUNTRY THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING

TO SUBDIVIDE THE PARENT PARCEL INTO TWO LOTS. **A PUBLIC** HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE:

24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2023 AT 7:00PM THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD NEWTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 3rd IN THE HISTORIC

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PUBLIC NOTICE #500077

**FUTURE LAND USE PETITION GEORGIA. NEWTON County** 

A FUTURE LAND USE PETITION (FLU22-000006) HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROPERTY BELONGING TO: WILLIAM T ELLIOTT JR

WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION COUNTY ROAD 229 CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 125.57 ACRES BEING ON TAX MAP & PARCEL

THE OWNER HAS INITIATED A FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT FROM AF (AGRICULTURE/FORESTY) TO RR (RURAL RESIDENTIAL)

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PUBLIC NOTICE #500079

**FUTURE LAND USE PETITION** 

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ADDRESS/LOCATION COUNTY ROAD 229 CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 125.57 ACRES BEING ON TAX MAP & PARCEL 126-15. THE OWNER HAS INITIATED

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FINAL PLAT REVISION **GEORGIA, NEWTON County** 

APPLICATION (FP22-000003) HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE PROPERTY BELONGING TO: **CALENTIA** 

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REZONING PETITION **GEORGIA, NEWTON County** 

A PETITION (REZ22-0000014) HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD REZONING FOR THE PROPERTY

BELONGING TO: HULL, WILLIAM STEWART & SUSIE KATE UNDERWOOD C/O

ADDRESS/LOCATION IS AT 7079 Hwy 212 & HWY 212, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 2.89 ACRES COMBINED & BEING ON TAX MAP

THE OWNER HAS INITIATED A REZONING REQUEST FROM R2 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO CG (GENERAL COMMERCIAL). A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE

17TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2023 AT BOTH MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE NEWTON COUNTY

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PUBLIC NOTICE #500075

#### REZONING PETITION **GEORGIA, NEWTON County** A PETITION (REZ22-0000014) HAS

OF COMMISSIONERS FOR A REZONING FOR THE PROPERTY BELONGING TO: HULL, WILLIAM STEWART &

SUSIE KATE UNDERWOOD C/O ANN HULL HEAD
WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY
ADDRESS/LOCATION IS AT 7079 Hwy 212 & HWY 212, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 2.89 ACRES COMBINED & BEING ON TAX MAP 1 & PARCEL 7 AND TAX MAP 1 &

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500086** 

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ALLOW A DEED TO A FAMILY MEMBER.

7:00PM THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD

PUBLIC NOTICE #500084

COMMISSIONERS FOR A

ANN HULL HEAD WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY 1 & PARCEL 7 AND TAX MAP 1 &

PARCEL 7A.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE #500078** 

REZONING PETITION

GEORGIA, NEWTON County A PETITION (REZ22-000017) HAS

BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR A REZONING FOR THE PROPERTY BELONGING TO: JACQUELINE J WILSON

WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION IS AT HWY 65 SALEM CIRCLE CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 7.9759 ACRES BEING ON TAX MAP & PARCEL THE OWNER HAS INITIATED A

REZONE REQUEST FROM R2 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) & CG (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO CG (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION

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PUBLIC NOTICE #500082 REZONING PETITION

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**PUBLIC NOTICE #500080** 

#### **Public Notice**

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

NEYONDA CROWTHER PLAINTIFF,

Defendant.

**ARLENE HEARD** and WEISSMAN P.C.

CIVIL ACTION FILE N SUCV2022000001

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: **ARLENE** Heard: YOU ARE hereby notified that the above-styled complaint regarding property located at 305 Timberlake Terrace, Newton County, Georgia, was filed against you in the Superior Court of Newton County on January 3, 2022 and that by reason of an order for service of summons by publication entered by the Court on May 19, 2022, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the Clerk of said Court and serve upon John Ayoub, Attorney at Law, whose address is 675 Seminole Ave., Suite 301, Atlanta, GA 30307 an Answer to the Complaint within sixty (60) days of the filing date of

Foster, Judge of Newton County Superior Court. THIS THE 20th day of May, 2022.

the Order for Service by Publication.

WITNESS. THE Honorable Jeffrey

**CLERK OF** Superior Court **PUBLIC NOTICE #500017** 

1/1,8,15,22

#### **Public Sales Auctions EXTRA SPACE** Storage will hold

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**VANETTE MARTINEZ** 

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PUBLIC NOTICE #500007

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Service Storage Facilities Act notice is hereby given that the undersigned will be sold at public sale to the highest bidder in order to satisfy lien of the owner. Bidding to take place on lockerfox.com ending Tuesday the 24th day of January, 2023 at 10:00 AM. Said property is Space Shop Self Storage, 10211 Hwy 278 E., Covington, GA, 30014 Womble, Timothy N. 413 Mattress, Coffee Table, Luggage, Dresser, Boxes. **HAMILTON, TIMPEST** R. 321 Car Jack, Shoes, Clothes, Bags, Boxes, Spare Tire, Tools.

advertised on lockerfox.com. Space Shop Self Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. PUBLIC NOTICE #500041

THE AUCTION will be listed and

#### 1/8,15 NOTICE OF Public Sale of Personal

Property: Notice is hereby given that Budget Self Storage, located at 6217 Hwy 278 NE, Covington, GA 30014; intends to sell the personal property according to the Georgia Self Storage Act, 10-4-210 through 10-4-215 to satisfy the owner's lien. ALL BIDS will be

accepted online throu

storageauctions.com. The auction will end on or after 17 January 2023 1 PM. Budget Self Storage reserves the right to withdraw units from such a sale and reject any bid. Terms of sale are cash or money order only. MICHAEL WILLIAMS, G50. appears to contain sofa, mattress. TV, dresser, bags, plastic bins, &

CONSEULLO COOPER, G38. appears to contain boxes, clothes, baskets, bike, blankets, & totes. LINDSEY LANDERS, F08, appears to contain TV, box spring, mattress, bed frame, lamps, kitchenware, clothing, misc. items, baby furniture, artwork, & toys.

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500018** 

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ALL BIDS will be accepted online th storageauctions.com. The auction will end on or after 16 January 2023 1 PM. Budget Self Storage reserves the right to withdraw units from such a sale and reject any bid. Terms of

sale are cash or money order only. DONNA DODSON, F11, appears to contain mattress, boxes, home decor, dressers, artwork, weed eater, microwave, lamps, & chairs. LEE ANNE Tant, G06, appears to contain boxes, bins, fans, TVs, tent, & artwork

AMIE REBECCA McLean, G30, appears to contain stove, mop bucket, tool, & bed frame. CECILIA INGRAM, H06, appears to contain mattresses, dressers, dryer, TVs, bins, nightstand, clothing, luggage, skillet, air mattress, chairs,

appears to contain deep freezer, TVs, boxes, mattresses, microwave, box springs, shoes, & picture

CONSEULLO COOPER, G39,

**PUBLIC NOTICE #500019** 1/1,8

NOTICE OF Self Storage Sale

PLEASE TAKE notice Midgard Self Storage - Covington located at 5272 Hwy 20 S Covington GA 30016 intends to hold a public sale to sell the property stored in the following units stored at the facility. The public sale to the highest bidder will occur as an online auction via www. storageauctions.com on 1/20/2023 at 1:00PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. **JAYLA POWELL** unit #F06; ESSUE/INTENSE Concepts unit #H12; TORONSA BENNETT unit #L06.

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#### **CFP National Championship**

# Georgia's proud defense looking to bounce back against TCU

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ATLANTA (AP) — Georgia's proud defense has allowed a combined 71 points in its two postseason games, including the 42-41 last-minute win over Ohio State in the College Football Playoff semifinal.

Even against stiff competition in the postseason, when higher-scoring games can be expected, that's a humbling and somewhat shocking development for No. 1 Georgia (14-0) as it heads into Monday night's national championship game against No. 3 TCU (13-1).

The Bulldogs, who led the nation in scoring defense while winning last season's national championship and ranked second entering this postseason, aren't accustomed to giving up so many points.

"We didn't play our best game," defensive back Javon Bullard said. "But there's a whole lot we can fix ... communication and things like that, just the basic things like that, knowing your leverage, talking. I know we've got to talk better throughout the secondary."

Now come the Horned Frogs, who average 41.1 points per game to rank fifth in the nation following a 51-45 win over Michigan in the Fiesta Bowl semifinal.

Georgia coach Kirby Smart may be bracing for yet another shootout. He said he had no quick explanation for the lack of defense in the CFP semifinals, which saw 179 points combined.

"I don't know how to pinpoint it," Smart said. "I don't know. Traditionally, the teams that are in these games, they're pretty good offensively. You'd like to say they're also pretty good defensively, but I think the studies and numbers indicate that as the season goes on and especially the semifinal and final games, scoring has to be going up."

Even after having five defensive players selected in the first round of last spring's NFL draft, Georgia's defense was strong again during the season. The Bulldogs allowed a combined 64 points in their first seven games; five games had 10 or fewer points allowed, including two shutouts.

Thanks to that, Georgia's defense still ranks near the top of the national leaders. After leading the nation with its average of 10.2 points allowed last season, Georgia ranks fifth at 14.8. Georgia is 11th with 304.6 yards allowed per game.

Georgia had to play several freshmen late against Ohio State. Outside linebacker became a position of concern after Nolan Smith's season-ending pectoral injury against Florida on Oct. 29. The position took another hit against Ohio State when Chaz Chambliss needed help leaving the field with an apparent left knee injury.

Among freshmen who played on defense last week were starting safety Malaki Starks, defensive end Mykel Williams and linebacker Jalon Walker.

Smart said the freshmen "didn't actually do what they were supposed to do every play" and he hopes to have all his injured players back for TCU.

"We don't make excuses around here and talk about injuries and these problems, but we've had our fair share," Smart said. "And nobody feels sorry for us and don't want anybody to. But we have to get those guys ready to play at a higher level."

Georgia beat LSU 50-30 in the Southeastern Conference championship game, allowing 502 passing yards. Then Ohio State's C.J. Stroud passed for 348 yards and four touchdowns against the Bulldogs..

"We finished the job and did what we had to do," linebacker Smael Mondon said after the game. "We didn't play our best game and know we'll have to play a lot better. We have to go finish the drill."



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Defensive player of the game Georgia defensive back Javon Bullard celebrates after the Peach Bowl semifinal playoff game between Georgia and Ohio State, Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, in Atlanta. Georgia won 42-41.

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contributed 10 points per game followed by senior Tajah Jackson with an average of seven points.

But seemingly the entire roster registered huge offensive numbers in the 30-point championship victory.

Llewellyn scored 15, sophomore Shamariah Gibbs had 13, senior Dkha Rudder recorded 12 points with Hutcherson and senior T'Erica Smith each scoring nine points.

Alcovy's momentum carried over into the new year, too, with a 55-

50 road victory over Monroe Area Tuesday afternoon.

The four-game winning streak improves the Lady Tigers to 10-5 overall with a 3-2 record in Region 3-AAAAA, which places them fifth in the standings.

Alcovy played its first region contest since Dec. 13 on Friday at Lovejoy with another road matchup upcoming at Mundy's Mill on Jan.

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#### Prevention Techniques/Products

All of these possible injuries give each athletic trainer a great pause when Newton County Schools' athletics begin hosting athletic events on the new turf inside Sharp Stadium.

But there are some prevention techniques they highlighted that may assist with the student-athletes.

For Watkins, the prevention techniques begin before a single game is played.

"The No. 1 thing goes back to that summer development with injury prevention," Watkins said. "And making sure the coaches are educated about the pros and cons of playing on turf and what they should be looking for."

A few products were listed by the trainers that could help, too.

Shoes — particularly basketball shoes — could be a difference maker because "they allow for traction." Watkins also highlighted the need for additional safety supplies on the sideline during the

game to assist each trainer when any injury related to turf occurs.

Leggings — similar to what basketball players wear under their shorts — were mentioned as a good prevention product to have for all athletes.

As far as turf burns are concerned, Watkins mentioned turf tape, but that's not all.

"I think we can do better stuff around their shins and lower calves so they don't get burns and cuts," Watkins said. "Because cuts are very common on turf and they can be deep cuts, too."

According to all three trainers, each school's players already wear turf tape during football games despite previously playing on grass.

Knowing that, McCarty has already noticed a trend among the student-athletes.

"The problem is, I've had [players] put [turf tape] on, go out to pregame warm up — they look good for pregame warmup — but then they start sweating and that turf tape starts coming off," McCarty said. "Then you have two feet

of tape hanging off at the wrist. What's going to be better? Wearing that turf tape or us investing in elbow sleeves?"

Imler agreed with McCarty about elbow sleeves being more efficient than turf tape.

"I think that would decrease the amount of cuts and burns you could possibly get with turf," Imler said.

**Cleaning/Maintenance of Turf** 

Another part of each trainer's concern lies within the cleaning and maintenance of the turf surface. Watkins expressed how crucial it is to ensure that the surface is properly cleaned.

"That's super important because you'll have blood and blood will stay on turf for long periods of time," Watkins said. "So, making sure it's cleaned and sanitized between each game is going to be super important."

Additionally, McCarty mentioned the possibility of players getting Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)

– a disease that, according to the

Center for Disease Control, is "a type of bacteria that is resistant to several antibiotics."

McCarty stressed the importance of having the tools for proper wound care on hand.

"We have to worry about, if they do have an open wound, keeping them clean so they'll heal and not get MRSA," McCarty said. "MRSA grows on surfaces for

Despite the concerns, all trainers believe that turf can be a "great, useful tool" to have at Sharp Stadium, as long as everyone does their

part in upkeep.

"We have to make sure that each team that uses that turf that it's upheld to the same standard — that it's staying clean, sanitized and, if any of the pebbles are starting to come up, that each thing is maintained," Watkins said. "It's up to us to make sure as a county and school district that we do our jobs to make sure everything is clean, up-to-date and that we have protocols in place so that it's actually beneficial to the student-athletes."

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