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Regular season of GHSA football concluded for area teams Friday night.  
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*His Word*

For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Romans 10:13, KJV

### 2021 Municipal Elections

# DECIDED

## Davis, Keck, Henderson win election to Covington council

By **TAYLOR BECK**  
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Voters elected to keep Anthony Henderson and Susie Keck for a second term on the Covington City Council on Tuesday and welcome political newcomer Charika Davis.

Davis narrowly defeated Scotty Scoggins 186-148 to succeed longtime Councilwoman Hawnethia Williams in Post 2 representing the West Ward. Scoggins held the edge in advance voting totals 86-69, but absentee ballots were one-sided with Davis garnering 42 absentee votes to Scoggins' 5. Davis also led Election Day voting 75-57. There were only three unresolved write-in votes.

“It has been a phenomenal experience,” said Davis, who is a lifelong resident that works as an insurance/team manager. “I went door to door. I spoke to citizens. I put in the work. I literally put in the work every weekend going door to door, talking with constituents and

The News' local election coverage from Tuesday night continues inside  
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**An emotional Charika Davis accepts congratulatory hugs Tuesday night after it was announced she would win Covington City Council West Ward Post 2.**

just letting them know who I was — a lot of people in the district didn't know me, so I had to really go out and do the leg work to make myself known. Now I'm a firm believer that if you put in the work, you will see it in the results.”

After the final, unofficial voting totals were announced

inside the elections office at the Newton County Administration Building, Davis became overwhelmed with emotion, shedding tears and hugging members of her campaign team, and others including Williams and Councilman Kenneth Morgan,

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### Newton County

## Sheriff's concern for staff, building safety led to photographer's arrest

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COVINGTON, Ga. — Sheriff Ezell Brown says he made a “conscious decision for the safety and security of staff members and the correctional center” to order the arrest of a man shooting video of vehicles in the parking lot of the county Law Enforcement Center in late September.

In an incident report, Brown also stated Gainesville resident Joshua Randolph pushed a video camera toward him and put his hand in his pocket before Brown struck a tripod the man was holding, which caused Randolph to drop objects in his hand — apparently a camera and phones — to the ground. Randolph, who had one cell



Ezell Brown

phone, was reaching for another cell phone in his pocket, Brown said.

Randolph, who operates a YouTube channel under the name Georgia Guardian, recently filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court alleging Brown and Deputy Timothy Smith “smashed” the man's film equipment while filming a segment for his social media pages. Smith also used excessive force against him after handcuffing and arresting him, Randolph alleged in the lawsuit.

The lawsuit alleges his First, Fourth, and 14th Amendment rights were violated, and the law enforcement officers broke Georgia law when they seized his camera equipment and brought criminal charges against him for “filming in public places” Sept. 28 near the Newton County Law Enforcement

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## GBI investigates after man shot, killed in struggle with Covington officers

By **TOM SPIGOLON**  
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COVINGTON, Ga. — State law enforcement officials are investigating after a Covington Police officer shot and killed a 43-year-old man as he struggled to take an officer's Taser weapon Wednesday night.

The Covington Police Department asked the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) to conduct an independent probe into the shooting incident in which Johnny

Michael Gilbert later died at an area hospital, the agency reported.

GBI spokesperson Nelly Miles said preliminary information the agency received indicated that someone called the Covington-Newton County 911 Center on Wednesday, Nov. 3, at around 8:50 p.m. about a domestic violence incident at 8189 Spillers Road in southwest Covington.

Covington Police officers responded and met a female

resident who said Gilbert left the residence just before officers arrived. The officers then made sure the resident did not need medical care and asked her to call 911 again if Gilbert returned, Miles said.

“The 911 center received a second call at 10:26 p.m. stating that Gilbert had returned and was violent,” the spokesperson said.

Officers responded again and met Gilbert outside the residence. As they were

attempting to detain the suspect, Gilbert began to violently resist, Miles said.

“One of the officers fired a Taser at Gilbert, but it was ineffective,” she said.

As officers struggled with Gilbert, he removed an officer's Taser weapon and began to rise to his feet — prompting one of the officers to fire a handgun at Gilbert and hit him at least once.

Gilbert was treated at the scene and transported to a nearby hospital where he

later died, Miles said.

“The GBI will continue to conduct an independent investigation. Once complete, the case file will be provided to the Newton County District Attorney's Office for review,” Miles said.

The Covington Police Department is investigating the domestic incident, she said.

This was the 83rd officer-involved shooting the GBI has been requested to investigate in 2021.

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### Weekend Weather Forecast



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High: 57° Low: 36°  
• Mostly clear



**Sunday, Nov. 7**  
High: 65° Low: 38°  
• Mostly sunny

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## Board of Commissioners

# Chairman Baner exercises veto to keep Kerr as county manager

Overrides BOC's 3-2 vote not to renew contract

By TOM SPIGOLON  
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COVINGTON, Ga. — County Manager Lloyd Kerr narrowly held on to his job Tuesday night after Chairman Marcello Baner said he would veto commissioners' action not to renew Kerr's contract.

The Newton County Board of Commissioners voted 3-2 along party lines Tuesday, Nov. 2, not to renew Kerr's \$155,000 per year contract that ends Jan. 1, 2022.

However, Baner said he would veto the action because of the financial "leadership" Kerr has shown since his hiring in 2016.

Commissioner Alana Sanders said Baner's veto action "showed that commissioners don't have a say-so in dealing with personnel in this county" based on the powers the county's enabling legislation gives the chairman.

"I'm not talking about Lloyd personally," she said. "As a



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In this file photo from June, County Manager Lloyd Kerr speaks at a ground breaking event for the construction of a 911 radio tower.

person, (he's) a wonderful person."

Sanders said she had problems with the way Kerr does his job — referring to Kerr's action during a Monday night meeting to cite statistics showing evictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic were not as widespread as some have said despite some in the audience saying they needed financial assistance to pay back rent to avoid evictions.

"As a county manager, I have seen Lloyd actually talk to certain citizens, being insensitive. Last night, saying certain things that were insensitive to the community," she said. "I have seen some things

that have not been done and you have to remind him."

Baner said the county only had about \$3 million in reserves in 2017 when he first took office, while neighboring Walton County had about \$24 million.

The Association County Commissioners of Georgia recommends a county government have four to six months' worth of operating funds in its reserves, he said.

Baner said Kerr had overseen a county government budget that increased its reserves in five years to the point the county has

See VETO, A8

## Time to 'Fall Back'

## Georgia's new DST law won't stop rolling clocks

By DAVE WILLIAMS  
Capitol Beat News Service

ATLANTA — Georgians turning back their clocks by an hour this weekend to begin observing standard time might be excused

for thinking they don't have to make the time change this year.

But legislation the General Assembly passed last March adopting year-round daylight saving time

won't take effect unless and until Congress makes the change at the national level.

Georgia lawmakers approved the permanent

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## OBITUARIES

### Werner K. Gruenhut

J.C. Harwell & Son  
Funeral Home

Werner K. Gruenhut, son of Albert and Rose Gruenhut, died on October 30, 2021 at Piedmont Newton Hospital during his treatment for Covid-19. Werner was born on June 11, 1933 in Koetting, Bavaria, Germany. He immigrated to the United States at the age of 21, and became an American citizen.

Werner owned several businesses over the years he lived in Newton County. He was the founder and owner of a local business in Covington, where he still joyfully went to work and led a team of em-

ployees.

Werner loved a challenge, and was a problem solver all of his life.

He found great purpose and meaning in both his work and his relationships. He cared deeply for others, especially those in his business and those who supported him in his home life. He loved animals and many homeless pets found their way to him over the years.

Werner is predeceased by his beloved wife, Alice Fleming,



Werner K. Gruenhut

and is survived by an elder brother, living in Switzerland, his two daughters, Lisa and Lori, his five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

There will be a memorial gathering at New Covington Cemetery, South Street Covington, Georgia on Saturday, November 6, at 2PM. In lieu of flowers, you are invited to honor Werner with a donation to the Newton County Humane Society, PO box 2536, Covington, GA 30015. J.C. Harwell and Son Funeral Home, TE Davis Funeral Services, 2157 East Street, SE, Covington, GA 30014.

### Alva J. Spillers

Caldwell & Cowan  
Funeral Home

Alva J. Spillers, of Covington, passed away Wednesday, November 3, 2021, at the age of 76. Mr. Spillers was a lifelong member at First Baptist Church of Covington where he was very active and served as a deacon many times. He held an active role in the Helping Hands Ministry and went on many different mission trips with the church. Mr. Spillers was the owner of Spillers Insurance Agency and Spillers Hardware and Building Supply for a number of years. He spent 31 years in Gideons International speaking at 115 different churches representing the Gideons. In addition to his missionary work, Mr. Spillers donated blood to the Red Cross to help others in need. He was a past president of the Covington Rotary Club, Newton County Jaycees, and Newton County Camp of Gideons International. Mr. Spillers was preceded in death by his parents, Alva Otis and Mary Delbridge Spillers.

Mr. Spillers is survived by his loving wife of 39 years, Anne Tuck Spillers; sons, Thomas Spillers (Pat-

ty), Lance Spillers (Sangmi); sister, Amelia Moseley (Gary); sister-in-law, Fran Brown (Buddy); several nieces and nephews; and Chris, Lisa, Skylar, and Jackson Longdin.

A Funeral Service for Mr. Spillers was held Friday, November 5, 2021, 11:00 A.M., at the First Baptist Church of Covington, 1139 Usher Street Northwest, in Covington, with Dr. Cody McNutt officiating and interment followed in Southview Cemetery, in Covington. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to First Baptist Church of Covington, 1139 Usher Street Northwest, Covington, Georgia 30014, or the Andrew Page Pancreas Cancer Fund, 2001 Peachtree Road Northeast, Suite 400, Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

Gov. Brian Kemp's latest executive order has eliminated restrictions on large gatherings; however, CDC guidelines recommend social distancing (6 feet apart) and wearing of masks while in public. Caldwell & Cowan Funeral Home requests that you observe these recommendations while in our funeral home attending visitations and/or services.

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### Julia E. Hays Daniell

J.C. Harwell & Son  
Funeral Home

Julia E. Hays Daniell, daughter of late Lee and Sarah Hays, died November 3, 2021. She was born in 1934 in Newton County, Georgia. Julia is survived by her husband, Roy Daniell of 61 years; son Bobby Daniell; son

Glenn; Daughter-in-law Barbara Daniell; daughter Nancy Johnson, and two granddaughters; Nicole and Katie Johnson.

The family will receive visitors at the J.C. Harwell & Son funeral home from 2-4 pm Sunday, November 7, 2021 with the funeral service on Monday, November

8, 2021 at 2 pm. Interment will follow at the Hays Family cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Longleaf Hospice Foundation. Friends may sign the online register book at [www.harwellfuneralhome.com](http://www.harwellfuneralhome.com)

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A TEACHER?

On Tuesday, November 30th, at 6:00 p.m. the Griffin Regional Educational Service Agency will conduct the South Metro Atlanta GaTAPP (Georgia Teacher Academy for Preparation and Pedagogy) Information Session hosted by Griffin RESA virtually via Zoom. The GaTAPP program is designed to attract highly motivated professionals outside the teaching profession who hold a Bachelor's degree or higher from a regionally accredited college/university and are interested in pursuing a teaching career. Human Resources Directors from Butts, Fayette, Henry, Lamar, Newton, Pike, Griffin-Spalding and Thomaston-Upson School Systems will be in attendance at this event to virtually provide information on prospective employment opportunities for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year and for the 2022-2023 school year. Space will be limited and only those with reservations will be admitted.

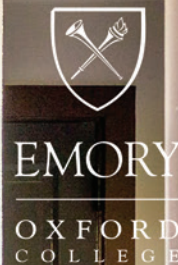
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Newton County

# Members question changes proposed in school board, commission districts

By **TOM SPIGOLON**  
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Some members of two county-level boards still had questions about proposed changes to districts they represent after the state’s reapportionment office released maps drawn in response to population growth found in the 2020 federal census.

The Newton County Board of Commissioners and the Newton County Board of Education recently met for a joint work session to see changes to the five districts represented by members of both boards.

The Georgia General Assembly’s Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Office created the maps that suggested changes down to the street level that equalize populations in all five districts, officials said.

The geographic areas of each of the five school board districts correspond to the same numbered districts of the Board of Commissioners. A school board member representing District 1 represents the same residents as the Board of Commissioners’ member representing District 1.

County Geographic Information System (GIS) Director Tim Lawrence and other county officials presented the recommended changes the Reapportionment Office made based on population increases in Newton County between 2010 and 2020.

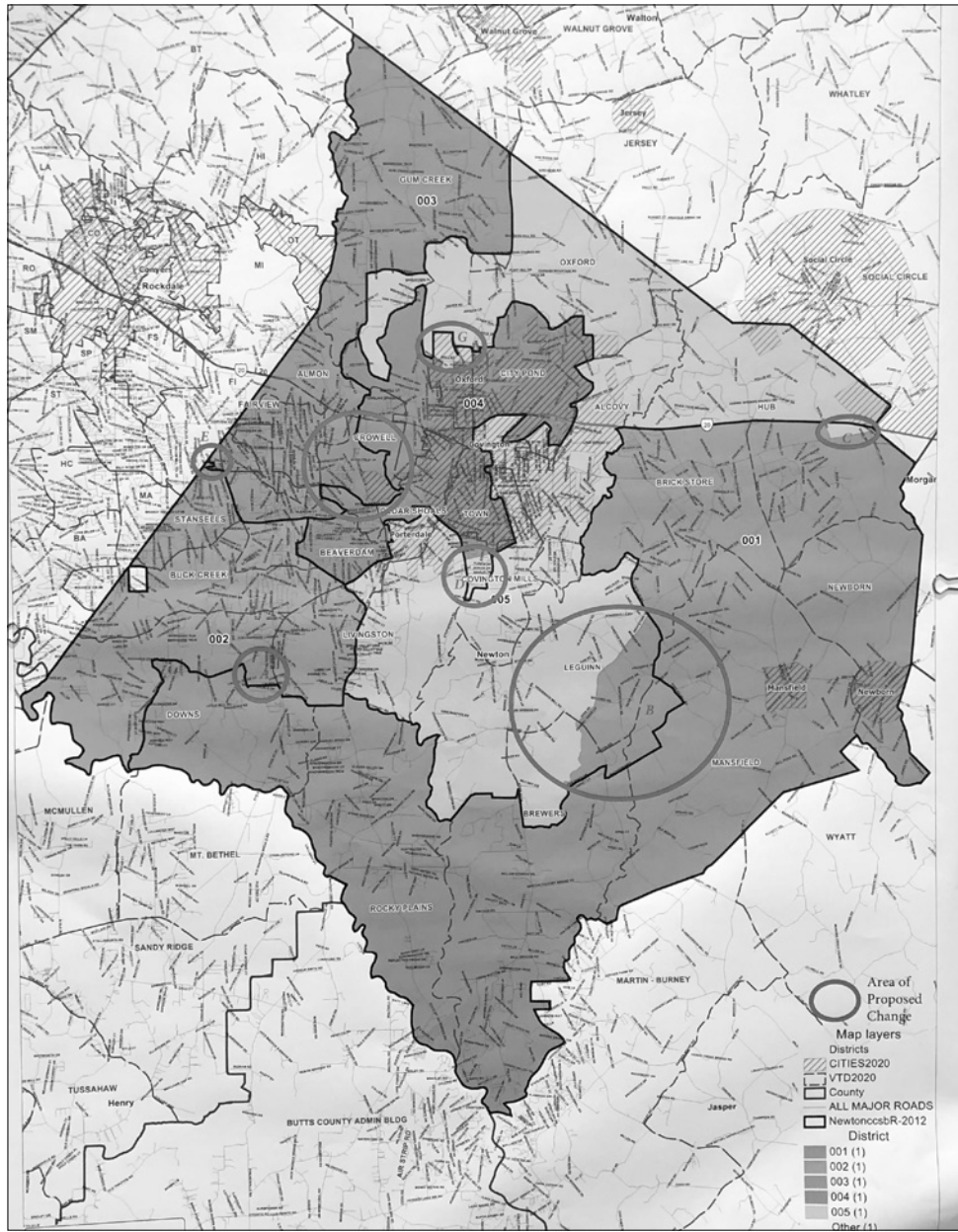
County Attorney Patrick Jaugstetter said the state Reapportionment Office drew the lines for all 159 counties based on principles that generally can pass legal challenges.

He said the redistricting process began with drawing districts that each roughly contain an equal number of residents — in accordance with the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment that requires legislative districts in all states be equal in population.

Lawrence noted Newton County had 99,958 residents when redistricting was last done after the last federal census in 2010.

Because of the requirement for equal population between the five districts, each district was determined in 2010 to have an “ideal” population of about 20,000, he said.

The districts were



Special Photo

**Pictured is a map of proposed changes to the make up of Newton County’s five districts. Members of the county school board and the county government’s Board of Commissioners represent each district. A larger, colored map may be viewed at CovNews.com.**

drawn to include almost 20,000 in each district, with a more densely populated district being smaller in size than a district in which the population is more spread out.

By the 2020 census, Newton County had increased in population by 12.5% to 112,483 residents. Because of that total, each of the five districts now ideally contain 22,497 residents.

District 3 in northwest Newton bordering Rockdale and Walton counties now contains 24,401 residents and increased in population by 1,904 above the 2020 “ideal” population.

District 5 in northeast and central Newton was the only other county that exceeded the ideal number and was only 106 residents above it.

As a result, the Reapportionment Office removed more residents from District 3 than any other to equalize the district populations, including subdivisions moved into either District 2 or 4 such as Salem Village and Brookstone.

District 3 School Board member Shakila Henderson-Baker noted new subdivisions are planned for construction in her district that could significantly increase the population

within the proposed district lines in the next decade.

“Once you do the reapportionment then District 3 is back where it originally was with it being the largest district again,” she said.

Jaugstetter said the Reapportionment Office’s changes do not account for expected future growth. He also noted construction plans do not always come to fruition — as witnessed during the Great Recession of 2008 to 2012.

Baker said she also needed to see the same numbers for both 2010 and 2020 to make sure the process was being done fairly. Board members only saw 2020 population numbers broken down by race and residents above age 18.

Jaugstetter told the elected officials they can make changes to the recommended district map but anything

differing from what the Reapportionment Office sent must be returned to the same office for approval and recertification.

A member of the Georgia General Assembly must sponsor the county’s redistricting plan — with or without any local changes — and the full General Assembly must approve it, he said.

District 3 County Commissioner Alana Sanders said she did not want to comment on the proposed changes because they are not final.

“Many still have questions and this was the first meeting of the minds,” she said.

## “TRADITIONAL DISTRICTING PRINCIPLES”

According to the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), courts have

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Georgia Supreme Court



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**Miguel Angel Garcia-Martinez (center) has his first court appearance Jan. 8, 2018, at the Newton County Jail in Covington. Escorting Garcia-Martinez are sheriff’s deputies and interpreter Daniel de la Reza (right).**

# Conviction for 2018 Newton County murder upheld

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The Georgia Supreme Court on Tuesday, Nov. 2, upheld the conviction and life sentence of a man convicted of an early 2018 murder.

Miguel Garcia-Martinez had appealed his conviction for the murder of Daniel Antonio-Lopez and the Aggravated Assault of three other individuals in Newton County in January 2018.

Garcia-Martinez claimed that the evidence presented at his January 2020 trial was insufficient to support the guilty verdicts. The Supreme Court unanimously rejected the claim, said District Attorney Randy McGinley.

Specifically, Gar-

cia-Martinez claimed that there was no evidence that he committed the murder with malice — meaning with the intent to kill.

Regarding this claim, the Supreme Court stated, “the jury could find malice based upon Garcia-Martinez’s threats to kill Antonio-Lopez, his instigation and escalation of the quarrel, and his firing multiple shots at Antonio-Lopez, culminating in his standing over the helpless man as he lay dying on the ground, cursing him, and shooting him at close range in the forehead,” McGinley said.

The appeal was handled by Senior Assistant District Attorney Bailey Wilkinson, who

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# OPINIONS

The Covington News

Steven Waldman guest columnist

## Local news hangs in the balance

The Senate is now deciding the fate of local news.

As part of the Build Back Better Act, the Senate is in the next few days considering an important proposal: providing a payroll tax credit to local news organizations to retain or hire local journalists.



Why? Local news is in a deep crisis. The internet has fundamentally broken the business model of most local newspapers. The number of reporters has dropped by more than half since 2000.

There are at least 1,800 total “news deserts” — communities with no local newspapers at all — and thousands more have “ghost newspapers” that have been so gutted that they barely

cover the community.

Professor Penny Abernathy, the leading authority on news deserts, this week projected that if past patterns continue more than 100 newspapers will close next year and 500 will shut in the next five years if Congress doesn’t act.

This is having catastrophic consequences. Studies have shown that when local news declines, communities have more corruption, more waste, lower voting and even lower bond ratings. It cripples the community’s ability to solve their own problems.

How can residents know how to fix their schools if no one is providing them accurate independent information about how their local tax dollars are being spent? How can you address economic development, crime or health care without knowing the facts? Where will

people learn accurate information about local COVID vaccinations?

The decline of local news has fostered division and polarization. The vacuums that have been created have been increasingly filled by misinformation, national cable news and fake local news sites. The only way to combat misinformation is with trusted, accurate information.

This is a thoroughly nonpartisan, bipartisan issue. The communities harmed are disproportionately Republican but every town and city suffers when people don’t have accurate information.

No journalist loves the idea of the government helping them out. The crisis has become so existential that temporary measures like this are necessary — and this particular provision is shrewdly constructed to avoid First Amend-

ment problems. It’s a tax credit to all those newsrooms that cover local communities; there’s no federal bureaucracy dispensing grants to local newsrooms that the president likes. It’s content neutral and would benefit newspapers, TV stations, websites and public radio.

The cost is miniscule compared to the rest of the Build Back Better package — less than 0.1% of its total. But this provision is the only thing in the bill that would help save democracy.

Please urge your state’s senators and Senate Majority Leader Charles Schumer to support this nonpartisan provision to help save local news.

*Steven Waldman is chair of the Rebuild Local News Coalition and the co-founder and president of Report for America.*

Dick Yarbrough columnist

## Inspired now to help us get beyond gradual mental deterioration

I get some interesting mail. And I am not just talking about the reaction to my recent opinion of Donald Trump’s opinion of the late Secretary of State and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Colin Powell. Not surprisingly, the response has been heavy. Surprisingly, it has been strongly supportive and even more surprising, a preponderance of readers calling themselves lifelong Republicans say they are tired of the guy’s boorish behavior and how he has divided the party and will not vote for him if he runs again. (Please don’t shoot the messenger. I am just passing along the message. Besides, I need this job.)



While all of this was going on, I received a note from representatives of a group called Solitaired.com. They have over 500 games on their website including, of course, Solitaire. But there is a purpose behind the fun say the developers. They are exploring how these games can improve our mental acuity.

They point out that because of a lack of social interaction during the pandemic, many of us may have noticed a frustratingly subtle, gradual mental deterioration within our society, which they call “pandemic brain.” I suspect that there are those among you that surmise I developed pandemic brain long before the pandemic.

They say a lot of us have tried keeping our brains sharp by playing online games or watching historical or educational documentaries. (Count me in. I am a big fan of Andy Griffith reruns. You can’t get more historic than seeing Mayberry in its heyday or educational than when Andy gives Opie a life lesson about the potential dangers of a slingshot.)

However, no matter what we do, the concern is that our brains still feel sluggish and unstimulated. Therefore, as a public service, Solitaired.com developed a test to “transition back to our pre-pandemic brains,” and quizzed 3,844 respondents on how well they know their own state’s history.

They seemed impressed that over half of Georgians (59%) answered the questions correctly compared to a national average of 57%. Admittedly, I am a mere public school graduate but Katie Dolvin taught me enough math at Russell High School to say this means 41% must have flunked the test. That would not have set

well with Ms. Dolvin.

Equally disturbing is the fact that we were waxed by Rhode Island, Oklahoma, Mississippi and Hawaii, all of whom had a 77% pass rate. California brought up the rear. Only 21% of Californians knew anything about their state. That is because they are too busy dealing with forest fires, earthquakes and high taxes to care about the past. They are just trying to make it through the day.

As for Georgia’s 59% pass rate, we should have at least beaten Mississippi because they are usually last in everything. The reason we lost to them and Oklahoma and Rhode Island and Hawaii is because none of them have attracted as many Yankees as we have who have no understanding of our illustrious history. They just came here to escape a place where it snows ten months a year and all their buildings are rusted.

For those of us who are natives, the questions on the quiz about Georgia were not exactly head-scratchers. The Cherokee Rose is our state flower. The state was named for King George II. We were the fourth state admitted to the union. Coca-Cola was invented here. Jimmy Carter is from Georgia, as much as it pains me to admit it.

I would suggest the next time the good folks at Solitaired.com attempt to transition us back to our pre-pandemic brains, they consider more substantive historical questions that reflect on the uniqueness of our great state, such as: What is the oldest state-chartered university in the nation? Hint: It has 25 Rhodes Scholars and a pretty good football team. (I think we all know the answer to that one.) What is the greatest state song ever written? (“Georgia on my Mind,” of course.) Who sings it better than anyone in the world? (The late Ray Charles Robinson, of Albany, Georgia, of course.) What is the state’s official amphibian? (The green tree frog.) I thought I should throw an easy one in there.

I am now inspired to do my part to continue to help us get beyond the frustratingly subtle, gradual mental deterioration within our society known as pandemic brain. Unless it involves eating broccoli. If that is the case, you are on your own. No question about it.

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Chris Bridges columnist

## Always fun to be had with high school rivalries

Many moons ago, when I was a high school student, there was one opponent that we all looked forward to competing against more than any other.



The campus for our biggest rival was located only about 20 miles away and that certainly added to the intensity of the banter between students and, to some degree, adults.

It’s not that rivalry games aren’t a big deal in college. They certainly are. Alabama-Auburn, Georgia-Georgia Tech, Army-Navy, Oklahoma-Texas, Michigan-Michigan State, Florida-Florida State, Ohio State-Michigan, and Clemson-South Carolina are only a few talked about each time an athletic

contest between the schools take place. It’s debatable as to which are the most storied. I have always said Army-Navy with Alabama-Auburn a close second.

I guess in high school it just seems more personal, especially when one went to a smaller school as I did all those gridiron seasons ago. In fact, it didn’t seem to matter if we were playing our No. 1 rival in football, basketball, baseball or even golf. There was no opponent we wanted to defeat more. The feeling was mutual for our rival.

During my senior year of high school, we met our rival in the second game of the football season. The game, as it typically was between our teams, was competitive and went down to late in the fourth quarter. In the end, we won this matchup 13-7, and it was made even sweeter because

we did it on our rival’s field.

The 1988 season would turn out to be a successful one, not only for my alma mater but for our rival. We were undefeated until the state championship game at Class A while our rival suffered only one loss (to us) until their state championship contest in the AA classification. While we always wanted to give our rival a loss when it came to one-on-one competition, we also respected them. I doubt many would have admitted it back then, but we wanted our rival to win their state championship. The reason was simple: if they were the best at the classification one step up from ours, then that meant we really had a pretty good football team.

Many football seasons have come and gone since the fall of 1988, and the rivalry between our schools has never gone away completely. There were stretches where we didn’t play in football and while other sports were important, it seemed most of the back-and-forth took place leading up to the matchup on the gridiron. When you are young you typically don’t appreciate certain things. The reason is simple. You haven’t lived enough years to have the knowledge to appreciate those things.

One summer during high school (prior to the 1988 season) I worked a summer job with a student from our rival school. We

talked a good bit about football and how our schools did seem to hate each other. We actually became pretty good friends, and I gained respect not only for him but for his school. My newly made friend played against us in that 1988 game and it was hard to wish bad on him even though I clearly wanted my school to win. When the game was over, I purposely sought him out on the field and congratulated him on a solid performance.

I told him I thought he and his team would do well the rest of the way. It turned out I was right. I also knew we were fortunate to leave town with a win that night. If memory serves, it was a rainy Friday night in Middle Georgia and weather conditions of that nature always contribute to the outcome to some degree.

All of this comes to mind because my alma mater played our old rival this past Friday night. As it turned out it was one of the best games in the long series.

The players are different now, of course, as are the coaches. There is a new set of parents who watched their sons play and watched their daughters cheer.

Knowing my alma mater won this time around as well made it easier to write about another chapter in a rivalry that dates back decades and is still something to get excited about. Fortunately, some things in life never change.

*Chris Bridges is a former sports editor of The Covington News.*

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Dr. Samira L. Brown guest columnist

# Local pediatrician urges parents to vaccinate kids age 5-11

My fellow pediatricians and I welcome the responsibility to get shots in little arms!

This comes, of course, following the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)'s Emergency Use Authorization of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine and the unanimous approval for children ages 5 to 11 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Vaccination is the best tool we have in combination with preventative measures to end this pandemic and protect our



children and community.

It is understandable that many of our parents and caregivers may be hesitant about the vaccine and we are here to give reassurance that the vaccine has been shown to be safe and effective, providing 90.7% protection again symptomatic COVID in the trials and with no serious side effects. Those who did have side effects had mild symptoms, typically within one to two days of the dose. It is also important to know the dose is a third of what we give to teens and adults.

Here in Newton County, we are currently behind the state's vaccination rates, leaving our community more vulnerable to outbreaks.

According to the Georgia Department of Public Health, 56 percent of Georgians have received at least one dose of the vaccines and 50 percent are fully vaccinated. In Newton County, those numbers are 47 and 42 percent, respectively. We have seen the direct health consequences of this and also the ongoing educational and emotional toll on children and families. The mental health of children has become a national emergency according to the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Children's Hospital Association. Vaccinating against COVID not only saves lives, it also means fewer missed in-person school days and getting back to normal faster.

While most children infected with COVID will have mild or no symptoms at all, there are several important reasons why all children deserve to be protected. Some children do suffer severe acute COVID requiring hospitalization and others can suffer from post-acute sequelae of COVID, PASC, which includes a rare but serious inflammatory disease called MIS-C (multi-inflammatory syndrome in children) and "long-haul" COVID. We have been fortunate with the variants we have seen thus far that loss of life is very rare for children, however, in the 5 to 11-year-olds, COVID is in the top ten causes of death.

Similar to adults, children

will receive a two-dose regimen, three weeks apart, so call your pediatrician today to get scheduled and ensure your child is protected before the winter holidays.

*Samira L. Brown, M.D., is a pediatrician for Piedmont Healthcare, currently working in Covington. Brown has more than ten years of experience as a primary care pediatrician. She is board certified by the American Board of Pediatrics. She earned her medical degree at Harvard Medical School. She completed her internship and residency in pediatrics at Boston Children's Hospital and Boston Medical Center.*

Your Letters to the Editor

## Reader supports publisher's stance on Braves name, 'chop'

**Dear Editor:**

I want to support Mr. Taylor Beck's opinion piece of Oct. 30-31, 2021, in the *The Covington News* and give you my version of the beginning of the Atlanta Braves' adoption of the "Chop."

In 1990, my family and I, along with thousands of other Atlanta Seminole Club members and Florida State Seminole Boosters from Tallahassee, were attending a Braves baseball game at Fulton County Stadium. Deion Sanders was a member of the Atlanta Braves and also played football with the Atlanta Falcons. Coincidentally, I

was told at the time the organist was also from Florida State University.

In 1947 after becoming co-educational (previously known as Florida State College for Women) FSU needed a name for the football team and after many names were batted around the name of Seminole was picked, and has been that ever since. The adoption of Chief Osceola riding his appaloosa horse Renegade was adopted in the late 1970s I think because when I was there we had Sammy Seminole doing somersaults down the field before the game.

During that Atlanta baseball game, the Seminole fans came alive with their "spear chunking" motions and soon the whole stadium was doing the "chunking" motion the same as the Seminole fans did in Tallahassee and other rival football stadiums. In 1991, the "chunk" became the "chop" for the Braves, and the Braves went from "last to first." When for the last few years Native American names for sports became controversial, the powers to be at Florida State held a conference with the Seminole Nation and received their blessings from the

tribal chiefs, and, as a result, FSU offered any Seminole wanting to attend the university free, full scholarships to that university or its affiliates.

I think the Atlanta Braves and the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation need to become more involved with each other and make it known publicly and bring that Nation's plight to the forefront. I am a Florida State Seminole and will always be a Seminole.

Go Braves, and let's celebrate in a big way our "World Series Champion."

*Richard Garner  
Covington*

## ATA says oversight of county's utility bill has saved \$500K

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COVINGTON, Ga. — Newton County's government has taken significant steps to reduce its expenditures during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Newton County Board of Commissioners took action by appointing Alexander Tomas and Associates Inc. (ATA) to assist with utility cost reduction endeavors under a performance arrangement, a news release stated.

ATA brought unique bill and energy tracking technology, while possessing over 30 years experience in Georgia's complex electricity rates market.

The project results were formidable with no capital outlay and over a half a million dollars saved to date.

In late 2019, County Manager Lloyd Kerr was faced with budget challenges and made the decision to focus

cost-reduction efforts on utilities, including electricity, natural gas, water and sewer, the release stated.

"We had a number of older buildings and some new. No bill audits had ever been done. Utility billing is something that can be very complex," Kerr said. "We wanted to make sure that we were being billed correctly and that we were being as efficient as possible with the equipment that we had."

For Year 1 with ATA, Newton County improved utility pricing and obtained refunds for a total net savings of \$354,808 — approximately 12% of total utility expenditure. In Year 2, the recorded utility pricing reductions and additional recovered refunds resulted in a \$195,420 net savings or about 6.5% of total utility expenditure. Year 3's expectations are a net savings of \$250,000.

The process began with ATA capturing historical utility billing and usage data in their technology platform (UtilityTRX). This first step provided the foundation for the cost-cutting efforts. Equipped with the UtilityTRX exception reporting, Jason Johnson, director of Building Services, worked to mitigate obscure issues that fall below traditional accounting systems' radar.

Some of the more common issues identi-

fied included equipment malfunctions, leaks, and building control optimization opportunities.

In the next step, ATA's team members were tasked with scrutinizing monthly utility charges, while optimizing pricing and rates. Finally, UtilityTRX technologies were used to measure and validate (or dispute) energy savings-based invoices for the 2018 HVAC system

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Starting Monday, Nov. 8, Bethany Road in western Newton County will close for a bridge replacement over Snapping Shoals Creek. Drivers will detour for 150 days using Georgia Hwy. 81 and Hwy. 212.

# West Newton County bridge closing Nov. 8 for replacement

**SPECIAL TO THE NEWS**  
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PORTERDALE, Ga. — Starting Monday, Nov. 8, Bethany Road in western Newton County will close for a bridge replacement over Snapping Shoals Creek.

Drivers will detour for 150 days using State

Route 81 and State Route 212.

Southeastern Site Development has the \$1.689 million construction contract under GDOT's Low Impact Bridge Program (LIBP).

The project is 0.222

miles and runs from 1,200 feet east of Covered Bridge Road to 1,450 feet west of Skylar Drive.

The structure, built in 1959, is deemed deficient and posted for weight limits, a GDOT news release stated.

Its replacement bridge will have 12-foot lanes and six-foot shoulders.

Drivers will detour until April 7, 2022.

Low Impact Bridge Program bridges are completed with expedited delivery using

prefabricated components.

These projects must meet low impact criteria such as no geometry or grade changes, low environmental impacts and all detours must be off-site and approved by local entities.

## DISTRICTS:

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identified "traditional districting principles" that are common to many states.

For example, all parts

of a district must be connected, or contiguous. They also must be compact, meaning they generally must contain smooth boundaries and follow housing patterns; and also should keep the incumbent representative's residence within the same district the person represents.

They also must preserve "communities of interest," which the NCSL describes as "neighborhoods or regions where the residents have common political interests."

As proposed, the five districts retain their current political and racial makeups, with districts 1 (69%) and 5 (54%) being majority white districts and districts 2 (51%), 3 (63%) and 4 (62%) being majority Black districts.

Districts 2 and 4 also have the highest percentages of residents of Hispanic origin. District 2 is 9% Hispanic and District 4 is 7%.

### RECOMMENDED CHANGES

The recommended changes were divided into seven circled areas on the map members

saw. They included:

- Area A: Districts 1 and 2 — an area along Bethany Road near Georgia Hwy. 81 moves from District 2 to 1. Affected subdivisions are Glen Echo and Laurel Ridge, and affected roads are Carlisle Court, Glen Echo Drive, Laurel Way, Lilac Lane, and Willow Shoals Drive.

- Area B: Districts 1 and 5 — District 1 moves northward into District 5 to Dixie Road, spanning from the west of Henderson Mill Road, and then easterly across County Hwy. 213 to Elks Club and Poplar Hill roads.

- Subdivisions affected are Benton Dairy Estates, Long Branch Meadows, Reserve at Bear Creek, Bear Creek Preserve, Cambridge, and Five Oaks. Affected roads are Avalon, Belcher, Benton, Benton Dairy, Macedonia and Morgan roads; Bear Creek Walk; Cambridge, Five Oaks, Reserve and River View drives; Chimney Ridge and County Meadow lanes; Old Pond Place; Preserve Trail; and Walnut Ridge Court

and Way.

- Area C: Districts 1 and 5 — a small area of District 1 moves to District 5 south of I-20, east of Social Circle Road. The state recommends this change due to a "voter anonymity" issue involved with city of Social Circle and Walton County, and moving this area back across I-20 would likely cause additional issues.

- Area D: Districts 4 and 5 — a portion of District 4 moves to District 5 along Flat Shoals Road near Covington Bypass. Subdivisions affected include Hidden Pines, Indian Creek, and Magnolia Park. Streets are Ella Drive, Flat Shoals Road, Fleeta Drive, Hidden Pines Drive, Mountain View Circle, Navajo Trail, Sara Drive, Stacia Drive, and Valley Court.

- Area E: Districts 2 and 3 — a small area west of Salem Road along the Rockdale County line moves from District 3 to District 2. Salem Village subdivision is affected by this proposed change and streets in-

cluding Chester Circle, Colony Drive, Hampton Trail, Ivy Circle, Ivy Drive, Old Concord Drive, Old Salem Road, Pinewood Drive, and Village Drive.

- Area F: Districts 3 and 4 — District 4 is proposed to expand westward into District 3 to Jack Neely Road and will take in Newton High School. Affected subdivisions are Brookstone, Oakwood Manor, and Newton Woods and streets including Arbor Lake Drive, Brookstone Court, Hillside Oak Lane, Lakeview Crossing Drive, Oak Manor Drive, Oak Terrace Drive, Oakwood Drive, Silver Willow Court, and Silver Willow Walk. Portions of Access Road, Brown Bridge Road, Harold Dobbs Road, and Kirkland Road are also in this proposed area of change.

- Area G: Districts 4 and 5 — A small area in city of Oxford moves from District 4 to 5, and the affected roads are Richardson Road, West Richardson Street, and Stagecoach Road (portions of Hull St. are closed in Area G map).

## MURDER:

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also tried the case.

Garcia-Martinez was convicted on charges of Malice Murder, four counts of Aggravated Assault, and four counts of Possession of a Firearm during the Commission of a

Felony

On Feb. 4, 2020, Garcia-Martinez was sentenced to serve life in prison for Murder; 20 years in prison consecutive to the life sentence for the first Aggravated Assault count; 20 years

on each of the remaining Aggravated Assault counts concurrent with the first count; and consecutive five-year terms for each of the four firearm possession counts.

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# SHERIFF:

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Center and Detention Center on Alcovy Road.

Brown reported he first saw Randolph wearing a black cap, dark windbreaker and dark, full face covering. He was holding a camera and shooting video of different banners at the entrance to the Newton County Sheriff's Office, the sheriff reported.

Brown first thought it was the sheriff's office's webmaster or a recruit before seeing the same person "going from vehicle to vehicle in the parking lot of the Law Enforcement Center."

The man "continued to do likewise with other vehicles" which were "mainly the sheriff's office staffs' personal vehicles," Brown said. "At this point, it became very apparent after observing a black ball cap and to see the subject leaning forward recording the badge number in front of Lt. Courtney Morrison's county-issued vehicle," Brown said. "The subject then stood and continued to pan the inside of the vehicle, and then other unmarked county-issued vehicles in the same area."

He said Randolph then panned the camera to "what appeared to be the secure area of the Law Enforcement Center."

Brown said in the report he asked Randolph what he was doing, and Randolph replied he was shooting video but declined to say why he was shooting it.

Brown reported he told Randolph to leave the property and stop recording, and "the subject then goes to take his right hand and reach into his pocket, while pushing the camera closer into my space."

Brown said he then "struck the subject's



YouTube

In this screenshot of a YouTube video by "Georgia Guardian" Joshua Randolph, Newton County Sheriff Ezell Brown is seen questioning Randolph as to why the YouTuber is recording outside the county Law Enforcement Center.

tripod, forcing the subject's left hand over his right hand, forcing all of the objects out of his hands onto the ground. It was then revealed the object he retrieved out of his pocket was another cell phone."

The sheriff said he asked Randolph for his ID, but he refused and said he did not have to show an ID. At that point, Brown told him to leave the property, and Randolph said he would not leave until Brown returned his cell phones.

Smith then arrived on the scene and Brown "instructed Deputy Smith to escort the subject back across the guard line until we could figure out what was going on."

"Deputy Smith escorted, with some resistance, the subject back across the guard line and (Brown) explained to the subject that once we figured out what was going on he could possibly get his cell phones back," the sheriff's report stated.

In a separate report, Smith said Randolph "became confrontational and argumentative to the sheriff and myself while attempting to film and take more pictures" after they had told him "five or more times to stop and leave the property."

"The subject blatantly

disregarded all commands given," Smith said in his report. "The subject stated that he was a journalist, a news reporter covering a story but refused to give any details on the story."

Smith stated he "frisked the subject for weapons on his persons to ensure my safety," and he led Randolph off the property as he "continued to be argumentative and combative, refusing to leave."

Brown reported he told Smith to arrest Randolph and he then told Brown to "get ready for your lawsuit," the sheriff reported.

Smith stated he arrested Randolph and took him to the Detention Center, where he booked him on charges of Loitering or Prowling, as well as Obstruction of an Officer "when the subject did pull away from me during detention and arrest."

"The subject phones were confiscated and placed into evidence pending investigation," he reported.

Randolph disputes the details of a number of incidents Brown and Smith wrote about in their reports. He said the video he shot details his confrontation with Brown and Smith before he dropped the camera.

The video can be seen here: <https://youtu.be/LMZ7rRFzRDE>.

The Newton County District Attorney's office later moved to dismiss warrants on the charges against Randolph because "there is insufficient evidence to prove the guilt" of Randolph "beyond a reasonable doubt" despite his Sept. 28 arrest.

Randolph said he contacted District Attorney Randy McGinley about possible investigation of the incident to see if charges against the sheriff and others were warranted.

McGinley said he asked Randolph for all full and unedited videos he may have and said he told Randolph he was "always willing to have my office look into anything and investigate the matter ourselves or to forward it to another agency."

"My office gets many calls or contacts about incidents that happen that may or may not be criminal," McGinley said. "Most often, we direct people to the agency that has jurisdiction over any potential crime so that agency can investigate the matter first. There are other times when it is appropriate for our office to handle it or ask another outside agency to look into it."

"We are not a primary investigative body, but we can and do lead investigations when appropriate," McGinley said.

"Anything that my office looks into starts by gathering any and all relevant information, reviewing that, and then determining where to go from there," he said. "As always, the law and the facts are the only thing that guide our process and decisions."

Randolph said in his lawsuit that he is an

"independent journalist" who "films and produces independent news videos focusing on issues of government accountability throughout Georgia."

On videos posted on his Georgia Guardian YouTube page, Randolph typically does a "First Amendment audit" at the headquarters of a Georgia police department or sheriff's office and shoots video of the vehicles and equipment on site.

His videos also have documented his stops at police or sheriff's departments in Douglas, Oconee, Greene, Barrow and Lincoln counties, and the cities of Winders, Cumming, Eatonton and Braselton, among others.

Officers or the police chief or sheriff also often confront him and Randolph said he always tells whoever confronts him he is gathering content for a story. He also does not show ID — maintaining that Georgia law only requires showing ID to an officer in the event of a traffic stop, he said.

According to information from the American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia, state law does not require ID to be shown to a law enforcement officer unless the request is made of someone operating a vehicle or the officer has probable cause to believe the person has violated the law.

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## 2021 Municipal Elections

# Porterdale voters say 'yes' to package sale referendum

**STAFF REPORTS**  
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PORTERDALE, Ga. — Only 70 voters turned out for a referendum to allow the city council to issue licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits inside the city, which was just 5% of the city's 1,311 registered voters.

Ultimately, the referendum was approved by a margin of 42-28.

The city council began considering a referendum earlier this year after Rebekah Ali asked the council to

consider annexing the site of a convenience store her family operates at the corner of Brown Bridge and Crowell roads.

Ali said she wanted to operate a package store in the same building, which prompted city officials to consider placing the question on the ballot.

She said Tuesday she and her family were "over the moon" with happiness about the result of the referendum. She said she planned to submit paperwork to apply for a license as

soon as the city council begins taking applications.

"We can't wait to get started," she said.

State law formerly required at least 35% of the registered voters in a city or county to sign a petition to initiate a referendum for retail liquor sales.

In May, the Georgia General Assembly approved legislation that allowed a city's governing body to pass an ordinance to place the referendum for retail liquor sales on a ballot.

Liquor by the drink and retail beer sales are already allowed in the city.

The council now will need to amend its zoning and other ordinances to add package stores and could set the conditions for their operation.

# Price reelected to District 1 on Social Circle City Council

**By TAYLOR BECK**  
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SOCIAL CIRCLE, Ga. — In the only contested race in town, voters have reelected Traysa Price to another term on the Social Circle City Council representing District 1.

Price garnered 105 votes (64%) to challenger Adolphus Gaither's 60.

Price, 53, has served on the council for the last 16 years and currently serves as mayor pro tempore. The Social Circle High School graduate works as a site operations analyst, IT for advertising company RentPath, a division of Redfin.

Price said she cares about the community and is passionate about serving her hometown.

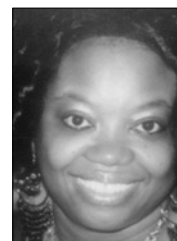
"I serve all our citizens, and the safety

of our community is always first," Price recently told *The Covington News*.

"I want the voters to also know I serve as a city councilwoman with respect, always loyal, and transparency is key for me."

"My motto is whenever there is a need, you take that as an opportunity to serve," Price said on pursuing another term. "This is one of the biggest opportunities I can take to fulfill a need ... I want to continue to improve the quality of life for everyone."

Price and Gaither ran for this seat four years



**Traysa Price**

ago against a third candidate. Gaither failed to make the runoff then, and Price went on to defeat Tim Haney with 52% of the vote.

The council's District 3 seat and three positions on the Social Circle City Schools Board of Education were decided before the election.

Nathan T. Boyd, who was appointed to fill the vacant District 3 seat earlier this year, will serve a full four-year term as he faced no opposition during the qualifying period.

Board of Education Chairman John M. Callahan, District 2 representative Antonio Rico Jackson and District 4 representative Sabrina Renee Sanford-Flint each qualified to run for reelection and were unopposed.

## VETO:

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five months' worth of operating funds in savings. That equates to around \$35 million, officials said.

"That's because of Mr. Kerr's leadership," Banes said. "This county is in better shape now than it's ever been in the history of this county."

Kerr was promoted from planning director to interim county manager in January 2016 and named to the permanent position in August 2016. His contract was renewed in early 2019.

Sanders, who was elected in 2020, said she objected to the terms of Kerr's contract because they put the county at "financial risk." Among its requirements are payment of 75% of annual salary if the board terminates the manager before the end of the contract.

"It does not help or

protect our county," Sanders said. "The taxpayers will pay more money out of their pockets."

The 3-2 vote total Tuesday night allowed Banes to veto the commissioners' non-renewal action, according to the 2016 legislation that established the current form of government.

If more than three commissioners had voted not to renew the contract, then Banes would not have been able to apply his veto.

The legislation also requires at least four commissioners to vote to override a chairman's veto but that appears unlikely because of Kerr's support from the two Republican members on the board, Stan Edwards and Ronnie Cowan. The board's three Democrats, Sanders, J.C. Henderson and Demond Mason voted against the contract

renewal.

Banes said commissioners were free to convince members of the Georgia General Assembly to change the current form of government — allowing the chairman to issue vetoes and a county manager to run the day-to-day operations — if they did not agree with it.

Sanders said she disagreed with his power to override the will of a majority of the board.

"I will make sure that we have the enabling legislation changed to fit Newton County and fits this board," she said.

She said the fight to make changes in the form of government must be done to change "the veto powers ... to make sure that when you have three commissioners up here making decisions, that it sticks, that no one comes

here and makes that change."

She said she believed the chairman does not believe changes should be made despite it not representing the will of the majority.

"To me, 'no' does not mean 'no.' It means go beyond the power that's on this level and go above and change what needs to be changed."

Cowan told commissioners he was concerned about the perception of continued public disagreements among board members on numerous issues.

He urged commissioners to come to an agreement in the future rather than continuing to publicly verbally spar.

"I hope that we're putting forth the right message to the public," Cowan said.

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daylight saving time bill on the final day of this year's legislative session following a session-long debate that included consideration of a second measure calling for the Peach State to observe standard time all year long.

The state Senate showed a preference for standard time in February by passing a bill putting Georgia on standard time permanently.

The Georgia House of Representatives sided with daylight saving time, passing its bill during the waning days of the 2021 session. The Senate then went with that version on

final passage.

While the House and Senate initially disagreed over standard versus daylight time, lawmakers in both chambers were united in their desire to stop forcing Georgians to switch back and forth twice a year.

Switching to daylight time every spring and back to standard time every fall has been shown to be unhealthy, said Sen. Ben Watson, R-Savannah, who sponsored the standard time bill in the Senate.

"If you look at the scientific and medical journals, the sleep studies, you see an increased hazard to

us changing back and forth," he said.

Rep. Wes Cantrell, R-Woodstock, who sponsored the House measure, used the same argument in favor of sticking with daylight time all year.

But Cantrell cited an additional argument in favor of daylight saving time, citing polls showing Americans prefer daylight time over standard time by a wide margin.

Watson also noted that Georgia's neighboring states of South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama and Florida are among 19 that have passed laws establishing daylight saving

time permanently.

One advantage to year-round standard time is that states have the legal authority to make that switch unilaterally, while Congress must act before states can switch to daylight time all year.

But help for daylight time advocates may be on the way. U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., has introduced legislation making daylight time permanent.

While the bill hasn't gained significant support, Rubio said recently he may try to attach it to other legislation that is moving through the Senate by the end of this year.

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who were both on hand to hear the results.

“It’s been a tough experience,” Davis said. “But we came out on top... It’s an awesome feeling.”

Davis spoke highly of Williams and the supportive role she’s been played throughout the campaign process.

“She’s been a great mentor,” Davis said. “She’s very knowledgeable. She knows people. She knows the city. It has been a great experience having her in my corner just praying for me and believing in me, even sometimes maybe when I didn’t believe in myself. She’s a great lady — awesome lady.”

Davis said she’ll be “hitting the ground running” by being a soundboard for residents.

“I’ll be taking any kind of complaints or concerns from my constituents,” Davis said. “I’m here for the people, and whatever they want and whatever they need, I’m here to represent them. That’s my priority.”

Scoggins expressed his disappointment after the close loss but said he was proud of his campaign.

“I’m disappointed, but I ran an honest, honorable and sincere campaign,” Scoggins said. “I met people in every corner of the West Ward — many of whom have changed my perspective of many things. I plan to continue to help make a better community for my neighbors. But mostly, the city council needs to figure out how to make the West Ward — from Monticello to [Hwy.] 278 to Brown Bridge to Flat Shoals to West Street to Emory Street — and the surrounding areas feel like they are as much a part of the



**Susie Keck speaks to attendees of her watch party Tuesday night at the Village Grille at Ashton Hills Golf Course in Covington. Keck won her reelection bid for Covington City Council East Post 1 over challenger Carla Ferry.**  
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city of Covington as the East Ward.”

In the race for East Ward Post 1, incumbent Keck defeated challenger Carla Ferry 457-347 to keep her seat. Ferry held the edge in Election Day voting (187-181) and absentee voting (13-9), but Keck’s decisive 267-147 advanced voting total won her reelection bid.

“It is humbling to have been reelected to the Covington City Council for another four years by some 57% of eligible voters in my post,” Keck said in a statement to *The Covington News*. “The first four years was a significant learning curve, and I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to continue to apply what I’ve learned and experienced for the betterment of the entire city of Covington, not just my East Ward. These times demand that all of us on council pull together, make the compromises that are necessary and go forward united in pursuit of the best city we can be. And believe me, we are the envy of hundreds of towns and cities across the state.”

“Some in the race just concluded tried to make it a

referendum on growth and, frankly, pushed a narrative that the growth we are experiencing is anything but positive, that it will destroy the charming small town we love. There were a lot of untruths and negative comments thrown about in an effort to destroy, deceive and distort.

“Growth — managed growth with clear goals — is a good thing, and elected policymakers and citizens must join together to create a shared vision that will benefit all of us. We have the power and responsibility to manage growth within what is allowed by law, zoning and city ordinances. We can’t just shut the door and wall ourselves off. That’s impossible, and it would be a dereliction of duty if we failed to engage on the questions that growth presents. I thank the voters of East Ward, Post 1 for their continued faith in me.”

Despite the loss, Ferry was proud of her first run at a political office and enjoyed the ride.

“Thank you, Covington!” Ferry stated. “I’ve thoroughly enjoyed getting to know

so many more people in our city during my campaign. My first time running for office has been a wonderful learning experience. I would like to personally thank every person that I have met along the campaign trail, especially those that have contributed to my campaign in time, effort, conversations and ideas. Most importantly, I’d like to thank all voters for showing up and being part of the process; this is what makes America the greatest country on Earth. I hope that others will stand for what they believe in as I have.”

Henderson, who recently described himself as a Covington guy, born and raised in the Nelson Heights community, was reelected for a second term to Post 3, representing the West Ward.

Henderson used to work for the Newton County government as a code enforcement officer until he chose to resign in June. Henderson was first placed on administrative leave in February shortly after he was bound over by the State Election Board to the state Attorney General’s Office for criminal prosecution for election law

violations in 2017. He has not been indicted.

Running unopposed, Henderson garnered 261 total votes. There were 19 unresolved write-in votes.

“First, I want to give honor to God, who’s the head of my life,” Henderson said in a statement Wednesday morning. “I want to do something different this time. I [would] like to remind everyone that your gratitude will determine your altitude. It’s so easy not to realize how blessed we are. Daily we go through life not seizing the moment, and we tend to look over the things that matter, like life and the ability to wake up each morning to the people we love. The more we are appreciative, the more God will pour down his blessings and grace.”

“In closing, I challenge everyone to get to know a person you don’t know, hear their story,” he continued. “You will realize you may be in a better situation. Support each other, disagree to agree for the common good of people. It’s not about what I can do; and it’s about what we can do together as a community. May God bless Covington!”

In total, only 1,154 ballots were cast in the municipal election, equating to 12.37% voter turnout. Per the elections office, there were 9,327 residents registered to cast a ballot in Covington this year. Voter turnout in the East Ward was much higher than in the West Ward. In the East, 17.51% of eligible voters cast a ballot for one race compared to just 7.39% in the West where there were two races.

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## Newton County unemployment down to 2.9%

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Newton County's unemployment rate dropped to 2.9% in September as more county residents made themselves available for work and found more jobs during the month.

A total of 359 additional county residents found employment during the month after those with jobs increased from 50,842 in August to 51,201 in September, according to the Georgia Department of Labor.

The labor force — all county residents either employed or actively seeking work — increased by 50 residents to 52,751 in September.

Newton County's unemployment rate dropped from 3.5% in August to 2.9% in September.

However, Newton's jobless rate exceeded the Metro Atlanta rate of 2.5% and was higher than all but one neighboring county. Jasper, Morgan and Walton at 2.1%, Butts at 2.2%, and Henry at 2.7% were lower while only Rockdale at 3.0% was higher, the labor department reported.

The county's rate was lower than the statewide rate of 3.2%.

Newton County is part of the 29-county Atlanta metropolitan area. Georgia Labor Commissioner Mark Butler said Thursday that Metro Atlanta had an all-time low unemployment rate of 2.5% in September, a drop of six-tenths of a point from a revised 3.1% in Au-



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**The labor force — all county residents either employed or actively seeking work — increased by 50 residents to 52,751 in September.**

gust. Last year, the rate was 6.9% in September.

"We are seeing all-time low unemployment rates throughout the state of Georgia reflecting an economy that is continuing to rapidly recover," Butler said. "We are working with employers across the state to post, recruit and fill critical positions in preparation for a strong holiday employment season."

The labor force increased in Atlanta by 4,244 and ended the month at 3.1 million. This number is up 133,285 since September 2021.

Comparing September 2021 figures to pre-pandemic February 2020 figures, the labor force remains down 48,000.

The number of employed was up 23,583 to 3,030,462 in September from August 2021. From September

2020 to September 2021, the number of employed was up 260,946. This number remains down 23,000 from pre-pandemic February 2020 figures.

The number of unemployed is at its lowest level since May 2001 (72,011). September unemployed numbers were down 19,339 to 77,819 from August. From September 2020 to September 2021, the numbers of unemployed was down 127,661.

Atlanta ended August with 2,797,000 jobs. Jobs were up 4,000 (0.1%) over the month and up 121,000 (4.5%) over the year. Since April 2020, 310,600 (82%) of the 381,500 jobs lost in March and April have been gained back.

The sectors with the most over-the-month job gains included State Government, 4,500, Retail Trade, 3,200, Transportation and Warehousing, 1,400, Wholesale Trade, 1,300, and Specialty Trade Contractors, 1,300.

Jobs were down in Health Care and Social Assistance, -3,300, Accommodation and Food Services, -3,200, Administrative and Support Services, 2,600, and Finance and Insurance, -1,600.

The number of initial unemployment claims went down by 44% in Atlanta in September. When compared to last September, claims were down by about 89%, the labor department stated.

## SBA administrator announces \$44.8B through signature lending programs

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WASHINGTON — The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) reached \$44.8 billion in funding to small businesses through more than 61,000 traditional loans for fiscal year (FY) 2021.

Administrator Isabella Casillas Guzman said, "In the midst of a once-in-a-generation pandemic, the SBA's mission-driven team delivered a record number of SBA's traditional loans to our nation's small businesses — in addition to more than \$1.1 trillion in COVID-related relief since the start of the pandemic."

"While progress has been made, our data also tells a deeper story: historic inequities in accessing capital persist, and we must do more to lower the barriers of entry to opportunity for all our entrepreneurs. We will continue to build on our impactful programs to meet small businesses where they are and connect them with the resources needed to thrive."

Patrick Kelley, Associate Administrator for the Office of Capital Access, said, "The SBA continues to make headway in helping small businesses access much-needed capital, but much more work remains to be done."

"Our flexible, low-interest 504 loan program grew in loan volume by 41%, and the SBA team is already at work for fiscal year 2022 to support job and entrepreneurial growth across the country."

As the data indicates, Georgia experienced record amounts for the following:

- 1,759 loans were approved for the 7(a) program totaling approximately \$1.82 billion
  - 235 loans were approved for the 504 program totaling approximately \$209 million
  - 133 microloans were approved for approximately \$4 million
- Nationally, fiscal year 2021 traditional lending data of note includes:
- \$36.5 billion in 7(a) loans: Nearly 52,000 7(a) loans worth more than \$36.5 billion were provided to small businesses. Lenders reported that minority business owners received nearly \$11 billion in 7(a) loans or 30% of the SBA's total 7(a) portfolio. Data also shows that women-owned businesses received nearly \$5 billion in FY 21, while veteran-owned businesses received \$1.2 billion.
  - \$8.2 billion in 504 loans: Working with authorized Certified Development Companies (CDCs), the SBA's 504 program delivered 9,600 loans worth more than \$8.2 billion to small businesses, fully exhausting funding authority for the first time in the program's history. Minority business owners received nearly \$1.88 billion in loans — 23% of the total 504 portfolio. In FY 21, the program also provided over \$712 million in lending to women-owned businesses and increased its support of rural small businesses by nearly 33%.
  - \$71.8 million in microloan funding: In fiscal year 2021, \$71.8 million in microloan funding went to nearly 4,400 small businesses; 41% of those loans went to underserved communities, including Hispanic-owned and Black-owned small businesses.

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Isabella Casillas Guzman

## Piedmont Newton plans \$1.3M oncology center renovation

### By TAYLOR BECK

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COVINGTON, Ga. — Piedmont Newton Hospital plans to spend more than \$1.3 million to renovate its oncology center.

Per reports from the city of Covington, the hospital was issued a commercial remodel permit on Oct. 6. The permit is to remodel "interior build out for space with [two] tenants for oncology clinic and an infusion center at Piedmont Newton Hospital Ambulatory."

The scope of the project is listed to be 8410 square-feet and is expected to cost \$1,380,733. No other specifics about the project were made known at the time of this publication.



Piedmont Healthcare

**The oncology center is where patients with cancer are treated. Piedmont Healthcare offers treatments for various cancers.**

Piedmont Newton CEO David Kent said the renovation plans were thrilling for the hospital, and the investment was further evidence of the hospital's longtime commitment to making sure the community is given the best selection of medical services possible.

"As part of our com-

mitment to providing integrated care for patients close to home, we are excited about this renovation project at Piedmont Newton Hospital," Kent said. "This project will allow us to provide more and higher-level services to the Newton County community as we also make renewed investments

in Piedmont Oncology across our system. The Piedmont Promise is to make a positive difference in every life we touch and, as a nonprofit investing in the communities we serve, this project is an example of us fulfilling that mission."

The oncology center is where patients with cancer are treated. Services include early detection, advanced diagnosis, targeted therapies, innovative clinical trials and a full range of support programs to assist patients throughout their battle with cancer. Cancer types treated by Piedmont Healthcare oncology specialist include breast, brain, prostate, lung, gynecologic, pancreas, liver, skin and colon, among others.

## Local business leaders join United Bank Covington Advisory Board

### SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

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COVINGTON, Ga. — United Bank President Thomas Kephart recently announced the addition of local business leaders, Dalton Knox and Brad Bettis, to its Covington Advisory Board.

Dalton Knox has owned and operated several businesses in Newton County. Today he is a partner in Big House Payment Solutions, a merchant financial services company, and an owner of HKM Inc., a custom home building company. A business graduate of Georgia College, Knox currently serves on the Newton Medical Hospital Authority Board, the local YMCA board and as an elder for Eastridge Church. Dalton and his wife, Lisa, have two adult children.

Brad Bettis is owner of Allsouth Constructors, Inc., a water and



Brad Bettis



Dalton Knox

wastewater plant contractor based out of Covington, specializing in statewide municipal projects. He earned his BS in Building Construction from Georgia Southern University. Brad's a member and past president of the Covington Rotary Club and an active supporter of the Empty Stocking Fund of Newton County, the Covington Methodist Change the World Day, and Farmers to Families food distribution program. Brad and Marlece, a retired Gwinnett County Schools adminis-

trator, have two children with two grandchildren and one on the way.

As members of United Bank's Advisory Board, Knox and Bettis will provide input to the Bank's local leadership regarding financial products, services and community involvement, in addition to serving as bank ambassadors and liaisons between the Bank and the Newton County community.

"United Bank is privileged to have these gentlemen on our board, offering their valuable insights and business acumen to our leadership team," said Kephart, who holds the position as Chairman of the Covington Board. "They join a team of outstanding directors who have helped shape how United Bank serves our community since expanding into Newton County in 2007."

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Alcovy Tigers

4-4 (4-0)

@ North Forsyth – 37-7, L  
8/27-vs-Newton-  
@ Eastside – 30-21, L  
@ Rockdale County\* – 24-6, W  
@ Lowndes – 34-7, L  
@ Colquitt County – 55-18, L  
Grovettown\* – 43-20, W  
@ Lakeside-Evans\* – 13-3, W  
@ Heritage-Conyers\* – 27-18, W  
11/6 vs. Evans\*

Eastside Eagles

7-3 (5-2)

@ Winder-Barrow – 20-8, W  
@ Newton – 27-7, L  
Alcovy – 30-21, W  
Johnson-Gainesville\* – 65-0, W  
@ Apalachee\* – 22-21, L  
Clarke Central\* – 13-6, L  
Loganville\* – 10-9, W  
@ Jackson County\* – 42-7, W  
@ Walnut Grove\* – 13-0, W  
Greenbrier\* – 38-28, W

Newton Rams

4-5 (1-3)

@ Langston Hughes – 7-6, W/OT  
8/27@ Alcovy-  
Eastside – 27-7, W  
@ McEachern – 39-21, W  
Houston County – 20-13, L  
Parkview\* – 27-24, W  
@ Brookwood\* – 28-6, L  
vs. Mill Creek – 17-14, L  
Grayson\* – 15-7, L  
South Gwinnett\* – 13-6, L

Social Circle Redskins

6-4 (3-2)

George Walton – 40-6, W  
Providence Ch. – 21-0, W  
@ Walnut Grove – 13-6, L  
@ Putnam County – 42-22, L  
Oglethorpe Co. – 21-14, W  
@ Washington-Wilkes\* – 40-6, L  
Lincoln County\* – 28-27, L  
@ Commerce\* – 28-19, W  
Towns County\* – 42-22, W  
@ Greene County\* – 42-19, W

\* – denotes region game.  
Schedules are subject to change.

Social Circle Redskins 42, Greene County Tigers 19

WRAPPED UP

Redskins secure second straight playoff berth after blasting Greene County

By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD  
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GREENSBORO, Ga. — Friday night was a case of win or go home for the Social Circle Redskins.

The Redskins stepped up in resounding fashion, defeating the Greene County Tigers 42-19 to punch their ticket to the 2021 Class A-Public playoffs.

Following a closely contested first half, Social Circle put together some quick scoring drives to pull away from the Tigers in the third quarter.

All of the scoring in the third quarter gave the Redskins plenty of cushion down the stretch.

Leading 14-13 at halftime, the Redskins came out firing.

Less than three minutes in the second half, Logan Cross connected with KJ Reid for a 27-yard touchdown pass.

The long score extended Social Circle's lead 21-13.

Then, the defense forced a fumble that they recovered on the ensuing Greene County drive.

It didn't take long for the Redskins to take advantage of the turnover, either.

After another long Cross completion downfield, Kam Durden capped off the scoring drive with a 5-yard scamper. Social Circle's lead grew 28-13.

Following the Tigers' only score in the second half, Social Circle had quite the response.

Cross found DaShon Hyman wide open in the end zone for a 37-yard touchdown pass. That gave the Redskins a 35-19 advantage.



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A band of Redskins defenders wrap up Tiger running back D.J. Walker during a Region 8-A Public contest between the two schools. Social Circle's 42-19 victory over the Tigers secured a playoff spot for the Redskins.

The game was put out of reach in the opening minutes of the fourth quarter.

Amarion Russell rushed for a 17-yard touchdown for the final score of the contest. It was his third score of the night with the

first two coming in the second quarter.

Russell's hat trick made Social Circle's lead insurmountable; at that point it never looked back.

In the closing minutes of the game, the Redskins ran the ball,

maintained possession and killed the clock.

Now, the Redskins will set their eyes on the first round of the Class A-Public state playoffs. They finish the regular season at 6-4 overall with a 3-2 record in Region

8A-Public — a record that places them fourth in the region standings. This is the first time since 2008-2009 that Social Circle has qualified for the playoffs in back-to-back seasons.

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**Social Circle's Amarion Russell (1) and Mason Moore (5) celebrate after a Redskins touchdown during Friday's contest against Greene County. The Redskins defeated the Tigers 42-19 and clinched a spot in the postseason for a second season in a row.**

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South Gwinnett Comets 13, Newton Rams 6

# Comets ice Rams in region thriller

By GARRETT PITTS  
Correspondent

SNELLVILLE, Ga. — Newton's regular season did not end in their favor as the Rams fell to the Comets 13-6 on a cold Friday night where offense was scarce for both teams. Going into the game on a three-game skid, the Rams needed something to fall in their favor facing a South Gwinnett team that has not been any better leading up to the matchup Friday night. The game did not start out well the Rams as the opening kickoff was returned by the Comets down to the Newton five-yard line. One play was all it took as the Comets scored on a five-yard carry to break the game open. The Rams did not leave the drive empty handed, however, as they were able to block the PAT to keep the score 6-0. Newton quickly answered. Big runs from the Rams' backs led the offense into the red zone. Newton quarterback Jevarra Martin then found wideout Marcus Calwise for the 16-yard touchdown. The Rams would not have any luck on its PAT as the kick went wide, which left the game tied 6-6 after the first two drives of the



Garrett Pitts | Special to The Covington News  
**Newton running back Kweli Deloach carries the football toward the sideline against South Gwinnett for a big gain to set up a Rams touchdown a few plays later.**

game. That's when the defenses of both teams took over for the rest of the half. The Rams got their first turnover of the game late in the first quarter as the Comets, who were driving towards the endzone, coughed up the ball and Newton's Nicholas Benton jumped on it to keep the South Gwinnett offense from going any further. Neither team would convert on offense in the second quarter as incompletions and limited space to run plagued the Rams and Comets. Both teams entered halftime tied 6-6 with a lot to improve on in the final two quarters. After stopping the Rams on the opening drive of the third quarter, the Comets drove down the field with a series of powerful runs. Once deep into Rams territory, South Gwinnett found the endzone for the second time as quarterback Tahmel Davis took the carry

himself for an 11-yard score to put the Comets up 13-6 with four minutes left in the third quarter. The Comets got their second turnover of the game on the next drive as Vaughn Davis Jr. jumped the route and picked off Martin. A long drive from South Gwinnett would finish the third quarter with the Comets closing in on the goal line. Big defensive plays from Newton would force fourth down, and the South Gwinnett field goal went wide left to keep it a one-score game. The Rams ended up getting two separate offensive drives during the last 10 minutes of the game but would fail to find any success. Martin's passes were missing and the Comets' defense was limiting any separation on the edge for receivers to get open. A last-ditch effort for the Rams fell flat as Martin was hit as he threw and intercepted for a third time. With the turnover, the Comets ran the clock out and celebrated a 13-6 victory over Newton to end the regular season. With the loss, the Rams end the regular season at 4-5 with a 1-3 record in region play.

Eastside Eagles 38, Greenbrier Wolfpack 28

# Eagles fly from behind to down Greenbrier

By M. CHESNY YOUNG  
Correspondent

COVINGTON, Ga. — Tough running from a trio of Eagles proved unstoppable, as Eastside erased an early 14-0 deficit to take down region foe Greenbrier 38-28 and lock down a postseason berth. Eastside hosted the Wolfpack for its regular season finale at Sharp Stadium on Friday. Greenbrier opened scoring up early on their first drive from scrimmage. Faced with a fourth down around midfield, the Wolfpack elected to go for it, and quarterback Brooks Pangle completed a 10-yard pass to Ty Jones over the middle to keep the drive alive. Pangle and Jones connected again later on the same drive for a touchdown reception to put Greenbrier up 7-0. Eastside's highly touted defense, lead by



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**Eastside's Luke Gay (44) rushes Greenbrier's quarterback Brooks Pangle (7) during the first quarter of the Region 8-AAAAA game between the schools.**

Florida commit Jalen Farmer, looked porous in the first quarter. The Eagles couldn't put pressure on Greenbrier's quarterback and also couldn't cover receivers. The Wolfpack scored a second time after a series of pass plays set up a 2-yard touchdown run for Malik Leverett to put Greenbrier up 14-0. In the second quarter, the momentum shifted in favor of Eastside. The Eagles coaches put the football into the hands of senior running back Dallas Johnson. Johnson, through massive running lanes created by the offensive line, marched down the field and crossed the goal line twice in the second quarter to put the Eagles back into the game at halftime 21-14. The Eagles defense tightened up and overpowered the Wolfpack for the rest of the game. A poor opening kickoff by the Greenbrier kicker lead to an easy

Eastside touchdown run for Dallas Johnson to tie the game 21-21. A trio of Eastside runners including Johnson, Jayden Barr and quarterback E'Sean Arnold ran straight up Greenbrier's gut to dominate the third quarter and take a 28-21 lead into the fourth. A strategic eight minute drive that spanned from the end of the third quarter to midway through the fourth quarter, stamped by a Arnold touchdown run, sealed the deal for the Eagles. A futile touchdown by Greenbrier in the fourth quarter made the final score 38-28. With the win, Eastside finished the regular season 7-3 (5-2) and solidifies its position in the state playoffs.



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Local softball players to earn All-Region honors for the 2021 season included (from left) Newton's Hayden Pearson, Alcovy's McKinzie Johnson, Eastside's Natalie Ray and Social Circle's Madalyn Spinks.

# More than 25 players earn All-Region accolades

By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD  
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Multiple area softball players were recently awarded All-Region honors. Between Alcovy, Eastside, Newton and Social Circle, more than 25 players were recognized.

## ALCOVY

The Alcovy Lady Tigers are an overall young softball team this year. But that didn't deter them being voted onto the Region 3-AAAAAA All-Region teams.

From freshmen to seniors, Alcovy players appeared on this year's teams.

Cinayah Williams and Kaitlyn Williams were voted onto the First Team All-Region team. Senior Lexi McDonald joined them, too.

On the Second Team, sophomores Ashlyn Hoy, Mackenzie Parrot and McKenzie Johnson each made an appearance.

Senior Kayla Lovelace received Honorable Mention as a senior.

## EASTSIDE

When the Region 8-AAAAA's All-Region teams were announced, it seemed like it was just the Eastside Lady Eagles' roster.

Eight Lady Eagles were voted on by the region's coaches to make it on the three teams and receive honorable mention.

But the highest honor was awarded to Natalie Ray.

Ray was voted as the Region 8-AAAAA player of the year.

Fellow Lady Eagles were also recognized.

Heather Henderson, Lauren Burnett and Dezaria Johnson were voted as First Team All-Region. Jada Brown and Emma Hopper received Second Team All-Region while Anslee Saunchegraw and Christina Grant received Honorable Mention.

## NEWTON

Three Newton High School Lady Rams received votes of confidence.

Region 4-AAAAAA's softball coaches voted for All-Region teams.

Hayden Pearson, Kyla Stroud and Elle Standard made the cut for the Lady Rams.

This year's recognition gives Pearson and Stroud multiple All-Region team appearances in their Lady Rams' careers. Pearson was voted on as a pitcher while Stroud's vote came for her performance at the plate. Standard makes her first appearance as a sophomore pitcher.

As a senior, Pearson will graduate from the team in May. Stroud and Standard will return next season for their senior and junior years, respectively.

## SOCIAL CIRCLE

Multiple Lady Redskins headlined

the All-Region teams for Region 8A-Public.

From individual honors to honorable mentions, Social Circle softball players were featured.

And it all started with Region 8A-Public player of the year.

Alexa Wykoff received this honor that is voted on by region coaches.

It didn't stop there, though.

Social Circle accounted for both Co-Region Pitchers of the Year with Madalyn Spinks and Macy Langley sharing the honor.

Six other Lady Redskins appeared in the Nov. 2 announcement.

Gracis Jones, Halie Richardson, Morgan Chambers and Kaylynn Scaffe were voted as First Team All-Region. Avery Bedsole made it to the Second Team All-Region. And, as a freshman, Savannah Frachiseur received honorable mention.

## Tigers to take on Evans for Region 3-AAAAAA title Saturday

By PHILLIP B. HUBBARD  
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COVINGTON, Ga. — Sharp Stadium is sure to be booming on Saturday with Alcovy taking on Evans.

There'll be a lot on the line for the Tigers.

First, both teams will be competing for the Region 3-AAAAAA championship. It'll also be Alcovy's homecoming game and senior night, too.

It'll be a historical night for Alcovy football if they come out with a win.

Head coach Jason Dukes doesn't want to really focus on the historical significance of this matchup. He just wants to see his team compete at a high level.

"Coaches are creatures of habit," Dukes said. "We want to keep things the same. We can't ignore the importance of the game, but we as coaches want to do our best to leave no stone unturned."



File | The Covington News

**Alcovy will play Evans on Saturday for the Region 3-AAAAAA championship.**

We've got an opponent that is good and good at what they do. So, we've got to be prepared for what they do on offense, defense and special teams."

Wednesday's edition of *The Covington News* will have the full recap and game coverage of Saturday's game. Follow *The News* on Facebook and Twitter for live game coverage.

## Prep Football

# Cougars edge past rival Gatewood

By CHRIS BRIDGES  
Correspondent

MONTICELLO, Ga. — In recent years the football rivalry between Piedmont Academy and Gatewood has been in the favor of the Gators.

On Oct. 29, however, the Cougars (7-3, 1-1) turned the tables with a 35-34 victory. It was the first win for this year's seniors against Gatewood (4-5, 0-1) on the football field and the battle was certainly worth the price of admission.

"With me coming in new and being an outsider to the rivalry, it has amazed me just how much this game means," coach Clint Satterfield said. "I know it was a big deal for our players, parents, fans, teachers, everyone. It was just a big win for the entire school."

Justin Reynolds had another big night passing for 270 yards completing 23-of-38 passes with three touchdowns. London Con-

ner made 10 catches for 79 yards.

"To have 10 catches in a high school football game is something special," Satterfield said.

Luke Welch made three catches for 20 yards with a score and Michael Joseph had 92 yards on four receptions with a touchdown. Ryan Holder added four catches for 65 yards and Ryan Kennemore had a 14-yard touchdown reception.

Joseph led the team on the ground with 78 yards and a score. Gavin Mask also added a 1-yard rushing touchdown.

Mask also had a dominant night defensively with 14 tackles in the win. Spencer Carter made nine tackles while Cole Wade, Ridge Stroud and Conner each had eight defensive stops.

Mason Tanner and Dalton Wallace both finished with seven tackles while Mark Hicks made five and Mason Owens had four.

Welch made two tackles and Brody Anderson had one tackle and two interceptions.

"I told our seniors if they ever had a chance to defeat Gatewood this was it," Satterfield said. "I view it simply as a good win against a good team. Two years ago, Gatewood won 63-0 when our current seniors were sophomores."

Piedmont is off this week and is now looking to the playoffs. The Cougars will have to wait until the final-regular season games are played this Friday before knowing their opening-round opponent.

The Class A state playoffs will be three rounds this year. Piedmont will be at home in the first round.

Satterfield gave the team off on Monday with practice sessions on Tuesday, Wednesday and again Thursday before another off day on Friday.

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ATHENS, Ga. — No. 1 Georgia vs. Missouri. Kickoff set for 12 p.m. ET on ESPN

# Georgia ready for Mizzou matchup

## Bulldogs to be without defensive standout Anderson on Saturday

STAFF REPORTS  
The Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. — As No. 1 Georgia readies for its matchup against SEC East foe Missouri, the Bulldogs will be without standout line-backer Adam Anderson.

Anderson's senior season is on hold while he is being investigated by Athens police on a rape allegation.

No charges have been filed, but Anderson has been suspended and will not play against the Tigers on Saturday, according to his attorney, Steve Sadow.

Sadow told The Associated Press that Anderson was suspended by Georgia "pending the investigation."

According to an Athens-Clarke County Police incident report obtained by The Associated Press, a 21-year-old woman reported the alleged rape Oct. 29.

According to the incident report, she told police she went to an Athens residence on Oct. 29 after having some drinks and woke up on a bed while Anderson was having sexual intercourse with her.

The woman told officers the sex was not consensual and that she was able to leave the residence.

Athens-Clarke County Police Lt. Shaun Barnett told the AP: "The investigation is still ongoing."

The day after the alleged incident, Anderson had seven tackles in Georgia's 34-7 win over Florida in Jacksonville, Florida.

Sadow, said Anderson denies the allegation.

"Adam denies in the strongest terms possible the unfounded and unsupported allegations of sexual misconduct," Sadow said in a statement released to the AP.

Added Sadow: "In the interest of justice and fairness, Adam hopes and prays the UGA community and the public keep an open mind and not prejudge him based on inconsistent, unsubstantiated and baseless accusations."

Georgia coach Kirby Smart said in a statement released on Thursday: "We are aware of the report and we don't comment on law enforcement



Kim Klement | USA Today Sports via Georgia Bulldogs Athletics  
**Georgia Bulldogs linebacker Adam Anderson (19) sacks Florida Gators quarterback Anthony Richardson (15) during the first half at TIAA Bank Field on Saturday, Nov. 27.**

matters, but I've been clear about the high standards we have for our student-athletes on and off the field. I will be working closely with our administration to ensure we cooperate fully with all law enforcement and campus protocols."

Georgia officials would not confirm Anderson has been suspended indefinitely.

Anderson leads the Bulldogs with five

sacks. He ranks fifth on the team with 32 tackles.

Anderson is a key starter for a defense which leads the nation with its average of only 6.6 points allowed. His absence could impact the Bulldogs' hopes of winning their first national championship since 1980.

Georgia claimed the top spot in this week's first College Football Playoff ranking. It

already has clinched a berth in the Southeastern Conference championship game on Dec. 4 in Atlanta.

This week, Georgia hosts Missouri for an SEC East showdown. Kickoff is set for noon at Sanford Stadium. The game will be broadcast on ESPN.

### WHAT'S AT STAKE?

Georgia is trying to protect its No. 1 ranking in the AP Top 25



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### The Matchup

Who: No. 1 Georgia (8-0, 6-0) vs. Missouri (4-4, 1-3)  
When: Saturday, Nov. 6, 12 p.m.  
Where: Sanford Stadium in Athens  
Watch: ESPN  
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### Quick Facts

The Bulldogs clinched a spot in the 2021 SEC Championship Game with their 34-7 win over Florida and teamed with Kentucky's 31-17 loss at Mississippi State over the weekend. Georgia tied the record for the earliest (Oct. 30) in league history to clinch, joining Auburn (2004) and Alabama (1993). This will mark the Bulldogs' fourth trip to the SECCG in the last five years (2017-19) during Kirby Smart's sixth year as head coach.

and its top spot in the first College Football Playoff ranking of the season. The Bulldogs won the Southeastern Conference's Eastern Division and a berth in the SEC championship game with last week's 34-7 win over Florida. It's possible Georgia could land in the college football playoff even with a loss, but it is playing to retain control of its championship hopes.

### KEY MATCHUP

Missouri senior running back Tyler Badie vs. Georgia's run defense. Badie leads the SEC and ranks fourth in the nation with 989 yards rushing and is tied for the league lead with 11 rushing touchdowns. Badie also has 40 receptions for 305 yards and four touchdowns. Georgia, which leads the nation in scoring defense with its average of 6.6 points allowed, ranks second in the nation against the run, allowing 75.6 yards per game.

Charles Odum of the Associated Press contributed to this report.



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Eric Gray | Associated Press

Atlanta Braves starting pitcher Max Fried celebrates the last out in the first inning in Game 6 of baseball's World Series between the Houston Astros and the Atlanta Braves Tuesday, Nov. 2, in Houston.

## Atlanta chops Astros 7-0 in Game 6 to win World Series

ATL 6, HOU 2

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HOU 7, ATL 2

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**GAME 2**  
at Houston  
8:09 p.m. Oct. 27

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**GAME 3**  
at Atlanta  
8:09 p.m. Oct. 29

ATL 3, HOU 2

**W**

**GAME 4**  
at Atlanta  
8:09 p.m. Oct. 30

HOU 9, ATL 5

**L**

**GAME 5**  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BLOUNT COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

**IN RE:** The adoption of a male child AIDEN JAMES MARTIN DOB 6/17/2015

**BY:** **TAMARA CHRISTINE SEATON**, and husband, **STEWART CHARLES SEATON**, **PETITIONERS,** **V.**

**TREASURE DOTTER**, biological mother, **CODY DOTTER**, step-father, and **D E A N FRAZIER**, **ALLEGED BIOLOGICAL** father. Respondents.

**NO. E-28642**

**ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**

**IT APPEARING** to the Court that from the attached Motion of the Petitioners in this cause that the whereabouts of Dean Frazier are not known to the Petitioners nor the whereabouts of Dean Frazier can be ascertained by diligent inquiry; and that ordinary process cannot be served upon him. **IT IS ORDERED** that publication be made for four (4) consecutive weeks in The Covington News, located at 1166 Usher St., Covington, GA 30014, a newspaper of general circulation published in the Covington, Georgia and Newton, Georgia area, to notify the Respondent, regarding the Petition to Terminate Parental Rights and for Adoption of a Non-Related Child filed in this matter.

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300078**  
10/31-11/7,14,21

### Alcoholic Beverage

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST OF PROPOSAL DESIGN-BUILD- ADMINISTRATIVE** Building Emergency Power Systems Retrofit @ 1113 Usher Street, Covington, GA 30014 **RFP #22-14** **NEWTON COUNTY** Board of Commissioners will be receiving separate sealed proposals for Design Build-Administrative Building, Emergency Power System Retrofit electronically until 1:30 PM local time, Wednesday, December 8, 2021. **ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH BONFIRE'S ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION PORTAL.** **THERE WILL** be a MANDATORY on-site meeting on November 17, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Administrative Building, located at 1113 Usher Street, Covington, GA 30014 **NOTE: CONTRACTOR** and all subcontractors must obtain a business license and be fully insured. The successful Proposer shall secure and pay for all permits, assessments, charges or fees required in connection with the proposed project. **INSURANCE:** **CONSULTANT SHALL** maintain the following insurance: **A) COMPREHENSIVE** General Liability, including blanket contractual, covering bodily injuries with limits of no less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence, and property damage with limits of no less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence; **B) COMMERCIAL** Automobile Liability, including blanket contractual, covering bodily injuries with limits of no less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence, and property damage with limits of no less than \$1,000,000.00 per accident; **C) STATUTORY** Worker's Compensation Insurance, including \$1,000,000.00 employer's liability insurance; **ALL INSURANCE** shall be provided by an insurer(s) acceptable to the County, and shall provide for thirty (30) days prior notice of cancellation to the County. Upon request, Contractor shall deliver to the County a certificate or policy of insurance evidencing Contractors compliance with this paragraph. Contractor shall abide by all terms and conditions of the insurance and shall do nothing to impair or

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invalidate the coverage. **EACH PROPOSAL** will be considered by the Newton County Board of Commissioners, taking into consideration specific evaluation factors, as set forth in the Request for Proposal. The County reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, including without limitation, the right to reject any Proposal that the County believes would not be in the best interest of the Project. **DIGITAL COPIES** of the PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the Purchasing office at no charge by visiting [www.co.newton.ga.us](http://www.co.newton.ga.us) or contacting Randi Fincher at 678-625-1237 or [rfincher@co.newton.ga.us](mailto:rfincher@co.newton.ga.us). Hard copies of the PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS may be obtained upon a non-refundable payment of \$25.00 for each set. The County is not obligated to consider the contractor's proposal if they are not on record with the issuing office as having received complete Proposal Documents. **NOVEMBER 4, 2021** **LLOYD KERR**, County Manager **NEWTON COUNTY** Board of Commissioners

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300132**  
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**NOTICE - APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only for: **278 MANAGEMENT LLC** **DBA KWIK** Stop **9199 HWY 278** **APPLICANT:** **AMIN** Mohammed Lakhani **THE APPLICATION** will be heard on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

**ATTEST:** **JENNIFER HISE**, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST **CITY OF** Covington, Georgia

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300121**  
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**NOTICE - APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only for: **8109 WASHINGTON** Inc. **DBA SHELL** Food Mart **8109 WASHINGTON** Street **APPLICANT:** **SAHIL** Lala **THE APPLICATION** will be heard on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

**ATTEST:** **JENNIFER HISE**, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST **CITY OF** Covington, Georgia

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300111**  
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**NOTICE - APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only for: **CNA 2018 LLC** **DBA ALCOVY** Liquor **10117 ALCOVY** Road **APPLICANT:** **ANKIT M. Patel** **THE APPLICATION** will be heard on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

**ATTEST:** **JENNIFER HISE**, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST **CITY OF** Covington, Georgia

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**NOTICE - APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only for: **JAI AMBE** Food Inc. **DBA EZ** Trip **10125 ALCOVY** Road **APPLICANT:** **MUKESH K. Patel** **THE APPLICATION** will be heard on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

**ATTEST:** **JENNIFER HISE**, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST **CITY OF** Covington, Georgia

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300115**  
11/7

**NOTICE - APPLICATION ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only for: **QUIKTRIP CORPORATION** **DBA QUIKTRIP** # 821 **11124 HWY 142** **DBA QUIKTRIP** # 798 **3214 HWY 278** NW **APPLICANT:** **JOSHUA** Gracek **THE APPLICATION** will be heard on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C),

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**ATTEST:**  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE #300120**  
**11/7**

**NOTICE – APPLICATION**  
**ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only for:  
**BENCH WARMERS** Covington, LLC  
**DBA BENCH** Warmers Sports Grill  
**10205 ACCESS** Rd, Ste A  
**APPLICANT'S NAME:** W.David Murray  
**THE APPLICATION** will be heard on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

**ATTEST:**  
**JENNIFER HISE**, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST  
**CITY OF** Covington, Georgia

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300122**  
**11/7**

**NOTICE – APPLICATION**  
**ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only for:  
**ELEA J'S** Southern Table  
**6265 HWY** 278, NE  
**APPLICANT'S NAME:** Eleanor Johnson  
**THE APPLICATION** will be heard on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

**ATTEST:**  
**JENNIFER HISE**, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST  
**CITY OF** Covington, Georgia

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300126**  
**11/7**

**NOTICE – APPLICATION**  
**ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only for:  
**STEWART SERVICES**  
**DBA BRADLEY'S** Bar-B-Que  
**1160 CHURCH** Street  
**APPLICANT'S NAME:** Brad Stewart  
**THE APPLICATION** will be heard on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at City of Covington Council Room, 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

**ATTEST:**  
**JENNIFER HISE**, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST  
**CITY OF** Covington, Georgia

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300114**  
**11/7**

**NOTICE – APPLICATION**  
**ALCOHOL LICENSE**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been submitted to the Mayor and Council of the City of Covington to obtain a license for an Art Shop to allow patrons to bring and consume Beer and/or Wine in limited quantities:  
**WILDART LLC**  
**1105 WASHINGTON** Street  
**APPLICANT'S NAME:** Ann Wildmon  
The application will come before the Mayor and Council for consideration November 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM at the City of Covington Council Room 2116 Stallings Street, NW, Covington, GA. This notice is published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.12.080(C), Covington Municipal Code.

**ATTEST:**  
**JENNIFER HISE**, PERMITTING AND LICENSE SPECIALIST  
**CITY OF** Covington, Georgia

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300119**  
**11/7**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given that an application has been made to the Newton County Board of Commissioners to obtain a license to sell alcoholic beverages (beer and wine) for off-premises consumption by **CVS**  
**BERNARD H. KENNEDY, JR**  
**1026 HWY** 36 COVINGTON, GA 30014

**OCCUPATION TAX/BUSINESS**  
LICENSE CONTACT:  
**TINA WATERS**  
**BUSINESS LICENSE CLERK**  
**TWATERS@CO.NEWTON.GA.US**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300113**  
**11/7,14**

**Bids**

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
**CONSULTING SERVICES for Oversight and Compliance in Connection with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021**  
**RFP #22-13**

**NEWTON COUNTY** Board of Commissioners will be receiving separate sealed proposals for Consulting Services for Oversight and Compliance in Connection with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 until 9:00 AM, local time, Thursday, November 18, 2021. ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH BONFIRE'S ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION PORTAL.

**INSURANCE:**  
**CONSULTANT SHALL** maintain the following insurance:

**A) COMPREHENSIVE** General Liability, including blanket contractual, covering bodily injuries with limits of no less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence, and property damage with limits of no less than \$1,000,000.00 per

occurrence;  
**B) COMMERCIAL** Automobile Liability, including blanket contractual, covering bodily injuries with limits of no less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence, and property damage with limits of no less than \$1,000,000.00 per accident;  
**C) STATUTORY** Worker's Compensation Insurance, including \$1,000,000.00 employer's liability insurance;

**ALL INSURANCE** shall be provided by an insurer(s) acceptable to the County, and shall provide for thirty (30) days prior notice of cancellation to the County. Upon request, Contractor shall deliver to the County a certificate or policy of insurance evidencing Contractors compliance with this paragraph. Contractor shall abide by all terms and conditions of the insurance and shall do nothing to impair or invalidate the coverage.

**NOTE: PRIME** firms and any sub consultants must have a business license and be fully insurance as described herein.

**EACH PROPOSAL** will be considered by the Newton County Board of Commissioners, taking into consideration specific evaluation factors, as set forth in the Request for Proposal. The County reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, including without limitation, the right to reject any Proposal that the County believes would not be in the best interest of the Project.

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**OCTOBER 20, 2021**  
**LLOYD KERR**, County Manager  
**NEWTON COUNTY** Board of Commissioners

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300039**  
**10/24-11/7**

**Citations**

**CITATION**

**AMANDA SALLEY** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **GEORGE ERNEST HOUGH** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300011**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**ANGELA AIKENS MCGEE** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **TIMOTHY WAYNE MCGEE** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300049**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**CYNTHIA B. MILLIGAN** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **WILLIE LEE MILLIGAN** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #200986**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**EDDIE JERELL JOHNSON** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **SONYA SIMONE HARPER JOHNSON** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #200982**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CLUES ACROSS**

- Nuclear undersea weapon
- President of Syria al—
- Partner to flows
- "Snow" in Welsh
- Famed Mexican painter
- Song
- ticks outward from the crown
- Doddering
- Resist authority (slang)
- Antsy
- Wrath
- Spills the beans
- Past
- The woman
- One has 24 hours
- Talk
- It can sting
- Astronomy unit
- Halfway
- Chinese dynasty
- Australian river
- Software to transfer audio (abbr.)
- Fabric
- Crucifix
- Defunct European economic group
- "Hotel California" rockers
- Michael Knight's car
- Actress Ryan
- A digital tape recording of sound
- Insecticide
- Scientific instrument
- Golden— corn
- Israeli city — Aviv
- Sword
- Ottoman military title
- Aromatic plants
- Cold wind
- Large, semiaquatic reptile (slang)
- Political unit
- Indiscreetly reveal secrets
- Comfort food dish
- Actress Zellweger
- Romanian city

**CLUES DOWN**

- One point east of southeast
- Italian monetary unit
- Warship prison
- Tropical American tree

**CITATION**

**ELLA TURNER** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **ELASIEW.D.DELAMAR** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #200987**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**ELLIS S REYNOLDS** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **ROBERT LAMAR REYNOLDS** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300050**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**GARY MERRITT** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **MARGIE LEE MATHIS** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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**11/7,14,21,28**

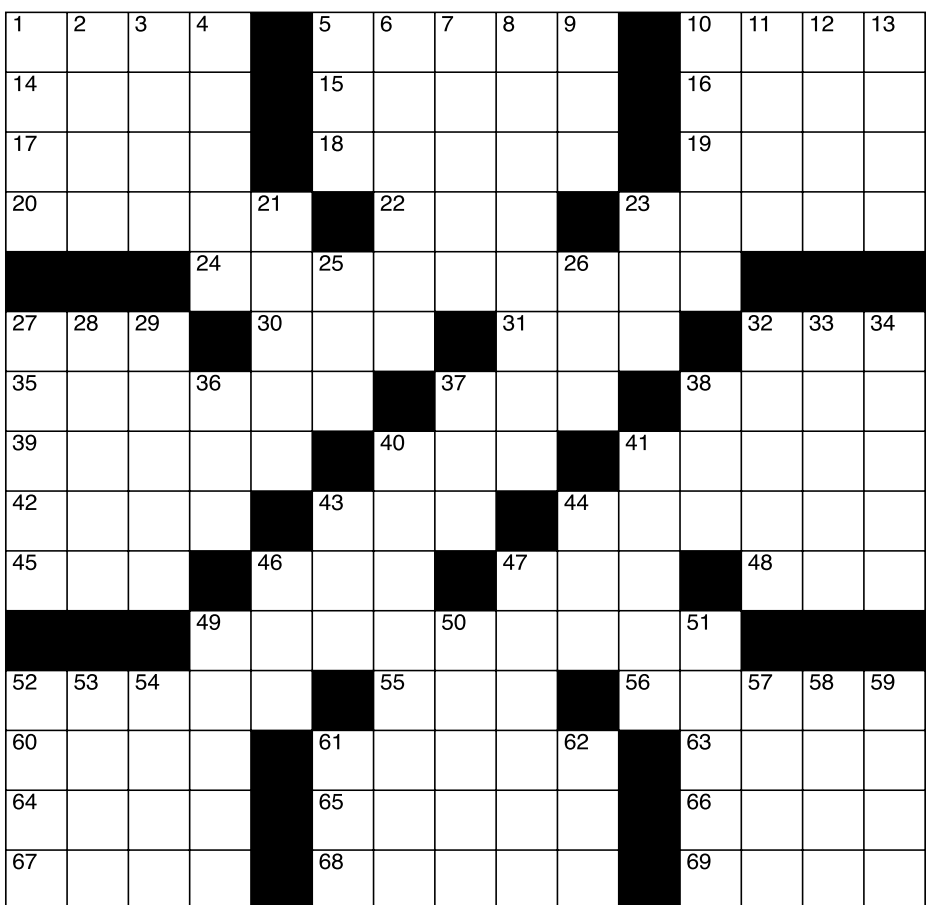
**CITATION**

**JACOB LASSITER** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **JAMES D. LASSITER** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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12. "Jupiter's Legacy" actress Leslie  
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25. A baglike structure in a plant or animal  
26. Male parent  
27. A type of plug  
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37. Partner to cheese  
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50. "Transformers" actress Fox  
51. Spiritual leader  
52. Every one of two or more things  
53. Indian city  
54. 17th stars

57. Weapon  
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59. Isodor —, American Nobel physicist  
61. Soviet Socialist Republic  
62. Witness

**LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:**



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**COVINGTON, GA 30014**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300047**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**KAREEN M. HUTCHINSON** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **KENYANA HUTCHINSON** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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**COVINGTON, GA 30014**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300046**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**KEAIRA KELLY** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **DIANNA R. BROWN** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300048**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**KENT S. PRICE** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **EMILY RUTH PRICE** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300013**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**LASHAUNDRA HALPHEN** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **MITCHELL DAVIS LITTLE** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

**NEWTON COUNTY** PROBATE COURT

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**COVINGTON, GA 30014**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300017**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**MARSHA A. ITKIN** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **ROBERT ITKIN** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**MICHAEL JAMAL THORNE** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **MICHAEL THORNE** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300095**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**ROBERT THORNTON** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **CASSANDRA E. THORNTON** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300045**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**RUTHIE GOODMAN GREEN** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **LEILA GOODMAN** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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



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**GEORGIA**

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #200983**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**SUSAN ANN SPIKES** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **TIMOTHY JOHNSON** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300015**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**NOTICE**

**RE: PETITION** of **DERWIN DAVIS**, for Letters of Administration, Estate of **ROBERT HUGHES**, UPON WHICH AN ORDER FOR SERVICE WAS GRANTED BY THIS COURT ON October 4, 2021

**TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS**

**THIS IS** to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the Petition of Derwin Davis to Probate Will in Solemn Form, Estate of Robert Hughes.  
**BE NOTIFIED FURTHER:** All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel at the following address/telephone number for the required amount of filing fees. All objections must be filed by December 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

**MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE**  
**BY: MARCIA WYNNE, Clerk PROBATE COURT** NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

**NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT**  
**1132 USHER ST-RM 148 COVINGTON, GA 30014-2435**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300040**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**THE PETITION** of **CARLA RODMAN** widow of **DANIEL L. RODMAN**, 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 December 6, at ten o'clock a.m.

**MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE**  
**BY: MARCIA WYNNE, Clerk PROBATE COURT** NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

**NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT**  
**1132 USHER ST-RM 148 COVINGTON, GA 30014-2435**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300040**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**THE PETITION** of **KIMBERLY MCGINNIS** widow of **JACOB S. MCGINNIS, JR** 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 December 6, at ten o'clock a.m.

**MELANIE M. BELL, JUDGE**  
**BY: MARCIA WYNNE, Clerk PROBATE COURT** NEWTON COUNTY, Georgia

**NEWTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT**  
**1132 USHER ST-RM 148 COVINGTON, GA 30014-2435**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300096**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**THE PETITION** of **Monica Hannah on behalf of Journey Williams**, minor child of **George Williams** 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 December 6, 2021, at ten o'clock a.m.

**MELANIE M. Bell, Judge**  
**BY: MARCIA WYNNE, Clerk PROBATE COURT**, Newton County, Georgia

**NEWTON COUNTY Probate Court**  
**1132 USHER Street - Room 148 COVINGTON, GA 30014**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #200989**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**THOMAS WILLIAMS BARKER, JR** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **WINONA BARKER** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300016**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**TONYA L. NEWBERRY** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **ROY JACKSON NEWBERRY, JR** deceased. (The applicant has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-232). All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said application should not be granted. All objection must be in writing, and filed with this Court on or before DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #200985**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**CITATION**

**VICTORIA S. GILES** has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the Estate of **CHELSEY MARISE GILES** 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 DECEMBER 6, 2021, next, at ten o'clock a.m.

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

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300015**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**NOTICE**

**RE: PETITION** of **DERWIN DAVIS**, for Letters of Administration, Estate of **ROBERT HUGHES**, UPON WHICH AN ORDER FOR SERVICE WAS GRANTED BY THIS COURT ON October 4, 2021

**TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS**

**THIS IS** to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the Petition of Derwin Davis to Probate Will in Solemn Form, Estate of Robert Hughes.  
**BE NOTIFIED FURTHER:** All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel at the following address/telephone number for the required amount of filing fees. All objections must be filed by December 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

**MELANIE M. BELL PROBATE JUDGE BY: MARCIA WYNNE CLERK OF PROBATE COURT**  
**1132 USHER STREET COVINGTON, GA 30014**  
**770 784 2045**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300097**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**NOTICE**

**RE: PETITION** of **EDDIE L. STINSON**, to Petition for Appointment of a County Administrator for the Sole Purpose of Commencing or Continuing a Lawsuit Against an Estate, Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 53-6-40(b), Estate of **BENNIE E. SMITH**, UPON WHICH AN ORDER FOR SERVICE WAS GRANTED BY THE COURT ON October 25, 2021.

**TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS**

**THIS IS** to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the Petition of Eddie L. Stinson Petition for Appointment of a County Administrator for the Sole purpose of Commencing or Continuing a Lawsuit Against an Estate, Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 53-6-40(b). Estate of **BENNIE E. SMITH**.

**BE NOTIFIED FURTHER:** All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All pleadings/objections must be signed before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your pleadings/objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel at the following address/telephone number for the required amount of filing fees. All objections must be filed by December 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

**MELANIE M. BELL PROBATE JUDGE BY: MARCIA WYNNE CLERK OF PROBATE COURT**  
**1132 USHER STREET COVINGTON, GA 30014**  
**770 784 2045**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300157**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**Corporations**

**NOTICE IS** given that articles of incorporation that will incorporate **She-ma-ka Creations 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 6000 Clark Street SW, Unit 212, Covington, GA, 30014 and its initial registered agent at such address is Sheila Clarke.

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300061**  
**10/31-11/7**

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

**NOTICE IS** given that a notice of intent to dissolve **ADVANCED ANESTHESIA ASSOCIATES, P.C.**, a Georgia professional corporation formerly known as **Rivendale Anesthesia Associates, P.C.**, with its registered office at 150 Pointer Ridge Trail, Fayetteville, Georgia, 30214, County of Fayette, will be delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Business Corporation Code.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**PERSON WITH** claims against the corporation named in the foregoing Notice of Intent to Dissolve are requested to present claims against the said corporation at the following mailing address: Advanced Anesthesia Assoc., P.C.  
**C/O HERRIN Health Law, P.C.** 5555 Glenridge Connector Suite 200  
**ATLANTA, GA 30342** The following information must be included in each claim: Name of Claimant; Amount of Claim; Date Claim Incurred; Address of Claimant; Brief Description of the Claim. Except for claims that are contingent at the time of the filing of the Notice of Intent to Dissolve or that arise after the filing of the Notice of Intent to Dissolve, a claim against said corporation not otherwise barred will be barred unless the claimant commences a proceeding to enforce the claim against the dissolved corporation within two years of the publication of this notice.

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300005**  
**10/31-11/7**

**Debtors Creditors**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF**

**NEWTON**  
**ALL CREDITORS** of the Estate of **HOLLY ANN BAUMSTARK** late of Newton County, Georgia, deceased, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

**THIS 1ST** day of Nov, 2021.

**ROBERT LEE** Blasingame, II, Executor of the Estate **Holly Ann Baumstark**, Deceased

**KAREN C. Gainey**, Attorney for the **ESTATE OF** **Holly Ann Baumstark**, Deceased  
**LAW OFFICE** of **Karen Gainey, P.C.**  
**430 PRIME Point, Suite 105 PEACHTREE CITY, GA 30269**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300139**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF NEWTON.**

**ALL CREDITORS** of the Estate of **CHELSEY MARISE GILES**, Deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia, Estate number 2021-P-521, are hereby notified to render their demands by filing same with the Probate Court of Newton County, 1132 Usher Street, Room 148, Covington, Georgia 30014, according to law, and all persons indebted to said Estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned.  
**THIS 19TH** day of October, 2021.

**J. MARK BRITTAIN**  
**ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**STATE BAR #083260**  
**245 COUNTRY Club Drive, Suite 200H STOCKBRIDGE, GEORGIA 30281**  
**TELEPHONE: (770) 389-3356**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300036**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**ALL CREDITORS** of the estate of **Raymond Hinkle**, deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia, are hereby notified to submit their claims to the undersigned, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned

**DATE: OCTOBER 25, 2021**

**BY: BRENDA Ann Hinkle**, Executor  
**225 RIVER Cove Meadows SOCIAL CIRCLE**, Georgia 30025

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300112**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**ALL CREDITORS** of the Estate of **EDWARD WALTER NEEDHAM** late of Newton County, are notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to this estate are required to make immediate payment.

**CHARLES JOSEPH** Needham, Executor  
**C/O ROBERT J. Waddell, Esq. CHAMBERLAIN, HRDLICKA, White, Williams & Aughty**  
**191 PEACHTREE St, N.E. FORTY-SIXTH FLOOR ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300077**  
**10/31-11/7,14,21**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **BELKY JONES** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
**THIS THE 13TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**GABRIELLA JONES**  
**12 SNOW GOOSE COURT MONTICELLO, GA 31064**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300021**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **BILLIE VIRGINIA HOWARD** 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 6TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**TIMOTHY HOWARD**  
**23 VALLEY TRAIL COVINGTON, GA 30014**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300023**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **ERVINA K. CAMPBELL** 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 19TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**DAVID MOODY**  
**195 GUM CREEK RD OXFORD, GA 30054**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300051**  
**10/31-11/7,14,21**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **EVA NELL JOHNSTON** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
**THIS THE 13TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**BOBBY D. HAMBY**  
**PO BOX 697 PORTERDALE, GA 30070**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300022**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors

and creditors of the Estate of **JULIA MAE JACOBS** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
**THIS THE 13TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**BIONCA SIMS**  
**255 SIMS RD COVINGTON, GA 30016**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300019**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **KATHERINE C. OWENS** 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 6TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**CHARLES OWENS**  
**20 AVALON RD COVINGTON, GA 30014**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300024**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **LENA MAE GRIGGS** deceased, late of Newton County, Georgia. You are required to render your demands and/or make payments to the undersigned estate representative according to law.  
**THIS THE 13TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**NETTIE BAKER**  
**1691 CANTERBURY POINTE CONYERS, GA 30013**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300018**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **NANCY MURDY** 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 14TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**MARTHA ORLANDO**  
**3689 DR. NW KENNESAW, GA 30144**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300054**  
**10-31-11/7,14,21**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **RICHARD LOUIS DAVIS** 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 OCTOBER, 2021.

**DEBRA CATO DAVIS**  
**190 CLEAR SPRING LANE OXFORD GA 30054**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300053**  
**10/31-11/7,14,21**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **TIMOTHY JAMES BICE** 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 6TH** day of OCTOBER , 2021.

**JUDY BICE**  
**620 MASON DR COVINGTON, GA 30014**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300020**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS** hereby given to the debtors and creditors of the Estate of **WILLIS RAY BRITT** 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 18TH** day of OCTOBER, 2021.

**ALLISON DIAZ**  
**P.O. BOX 1173 DUNCAN, SC 29334**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300052**  
**10/31-11/7,14,21**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF NEWTON**  
**ALL CREDITORS** of the **ESTATE OF BRADLY JOSEPH JORDAN**, late of Newton County, Georgia, deceased, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

**THIS 18TH** day of October, 2021.

**HANNAH MARIE JORDAN**, Administrator  
**C/O CASSANDRA F. Ceron, Esq. GA ESTATE Planning & Probate BY CERON** and Hoipkemier, Attorneys at Law, LLC  
**800 JOHNSON Ferry Road NE, Suite B Atlanta, Georgia 30342**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300032**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14**

**Divorces**

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

**AQUINO SUEANNIE TOWNSEND MILLS, PLAINTIFF VS. DANIO DEARREIO MILLS, DEFENDANT.**

**CIVIL ACTION FILE NO:**

**SUCV2021001969**

**NOTICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND PROCESS**

**TO: DANIO DEARREIO MILLS**, Defendant named above:

**YOU ARE** hereby notified that the above-styled action seeking a TOTAL DIVORCE was filed against you in said court on August 24, 2021, and that by reason of an Order for Service by Publication entered by the court on October 5, 2021, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the clerk of said court and serve upon counsel for Plaintiff Aquino Sueannie **TOWNSEND MILLS**, who is Sylvia K. Lester, whose address is 165 Rotherhithe Lane, NW, Marietta, Georgia 30066, an Answer to the Complaint for Divorce within sixty (60) days of the date of the Order for Service by Publication. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

**WITNESS THE** Honorable W. Kendall Wynne, Jr., Judge of said Court. This the 8th day OCTOBER of 2021.

**PUBLIC NOTICE #200992**  
**10/17/24,31-11/7**

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

**ANTHONY TODD HUNT PLAINTIFF, V CRYSTAL GAIL HALL-WILLIAMSON DEFENDANT,**

**ACTION NO.2021-CV-1846-3**

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

**TO CRYSTAL GAIL HALL-WILLIAMSON**  
**9161 CITY POND RD, RM 212 COVINGTON, GA 30014**

**BY NOTICE** for Publication dated the 15T day of OCTOBER 2021 you are hereby notified that on the AUGUST 6, 2021 the Plaintiff, ANTHONY TODD HUNT filed suit against you 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 LAYLA H. ZON, Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County.  
**THIS, THE 1ST** day of OCTOBER, 2021

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300003**  
**10/17/24,31-11/7**

**Foreclosures**

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

**BECAUSE OF** a default under the terms of the Security Deed executed by **Doris Smith** to First Franklin A Division of Nat. City Bank of IN dated March 24, 2005, and recorded in Deed Book 1878, Page 465, Newton County Records, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to **WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-FF6**, securing a Note in the original principal amount of \$134,900.00, 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, December 7, 2021, 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 153 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia and being Lot 37, Creekview Heights, Phase One, as per plat of same filed for record at Plat Book 36, pages 270 through 274, Newton County, Georgia records. The description of said Lot as shown on said plat is by reference, specifically incorporated herein.  
**SAID PROPERTY** is known as **40 Kirkland Meadows, Covington, GA 30016**, 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 , successor in interest or tenant(s).  
**WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-FF6** as Attorney-in-Fact for Doris Smith  
**FILE NO. 14-050381**  
**LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP\* ATTORNEYS AND Counselors at Law** 211 PERIMETER Center Parkway, N.E., Suite 300  
**ATLANTA, GA 30346 (770) 220-2535/SCD HTTPS://WWW.LOGS.COM/**  
**\*THE LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300086**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF**

**RIGHT OF REDEMPTION**  
**STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**COUNTY OF NEWTON**

**TO: 1) Troy Wright, 2)** Unknown Heirs and Assigns of Troy Wright, 3) Georgia Department of Revenue, 4) Trust Bank Successor by Merger to Main Street Bank, 5) Jackson Rentals, Inc., 6) Newton County Tax Commissioner, 7) Tenant/Resident/ Occupant, and 8) all persons known or unknown who may claim an interest in property known as **295 Second Ave., Covington, Georgia 30014**  
**TAKE NOTICE THAT:**  
**THE RIGHT** to redeem the described property as 295 Second Ave., Covington, Georgia 30014, (Tax Parcel 0085A0000018000), as follows, to-wit: **ALL THAT** tract or parcel of land lying and being in the Hays District, Newton County, Georgia, BEGINNING at the intersection of the western line of 2nd Avenue with the northern line of Lee Street, both of said streets being roads recently cut through said lands by James O. Anderson; thence in a western direction along the northern line of said Lee Street, a distance of 150 feet; thence in a northern direction on a line parallel with the western line of 2nd Avenue, a distance of 90 feet; thence in an eastern direction on a line parallel with the northern line of Lees Street, a distance of 150 feet to the western line of 2nd Avenue; thence in a southern direction along the western line of 2nd Avenue a distance of 90 feet to the northern line of Lee Street and the point of beginning; being a portion of the "Woods Tract" purchased by James O. Anderson from Ronald H. Cook, which tract was formerly known as part of the Starr Place.  
**SITUATED THEREON** is a dwelling known as 295 Second Avenue, according to the present system of numbering in Newton County, Georgia. **BEING THE** same property as conveyed from James O. Anderson to Mary Lou Mullins by Warranty Deed dated January 1, 1962, and recorded in Deed Book 59, at page 552, Public Records of Newton County, Georgia. **WILL EXPIRE** and be forever foreclosed and barred on and after the 17th day of December, 2021, or 30 days from service of notice. **THE TAX** deed to which this notice relates is dated the 4th day of August 2020 and is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, in Deed Book 4087, Page 611. **THE PROPERTY** may be redeemed at any time before the 17th day of December, 2021, or 30 days from service of notice, by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law to the undersigned at the following address: David A. Basil, LLC, 301 Bradley Street, Suite B-7, Carrollton, Georgia, 30117.

**PLEASE BE** governed accordingly.

**PUBLIC NOTICE #200913**  
**10,17/24,31-11/7**

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

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

**UNDER AND** by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed given by **Phyllis Johnson** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Mortgage Lenders Network USA, Inc. dated 03/29/2006 and filed 04/06/2006, recorded in Deed Book 2155, Pages 318-328, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of Thirty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight Dollar and Forty Cents (\$35,788.40), (later assigned to Reliant Loan Servicing, LLC), 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 Tuesday, December 7, 2021, the following described property:  
**ALL THAT** Tract or parcel of land lying and being in land Lot 156, 10th district, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 58, Oakwood Manor Subdivision, unit I, as per plat recorded at plat Book 43, Pages 154-160, Newton County records, said Plat being incorporated herein by reference thereto.  
**THE DEBT** secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). **SAID PROPERTY** will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not due and payable and which may not be of record, any 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 including but not limited to that certain Security Deed given by Phyllis Johnson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Mortgage Lenders Network USA, Inc. dated 03/29/2006 and filed 04/06/2006, recorded in Deed Book 2155, Pages 295-317, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the above-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$143,153.60.  
**TO THE** best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Phyllis (Estate) Johnson and Kim C. Johnson or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **45 Lakeview Crossing Drive, Covington GA 30016**.  
**IN COMPLIANCE** with Georgia law, please find below the contact information for the entity who has authority to negotiate, amend, and modify the terms of the loan documents which may include a note, mortgage,



## LEGALS:

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**SECURITY DEED** or deed to secure debt.  
**AFAY SERVICING, LLC**  
1601 LBJ Freeway  
**STE 150**  
**FARMERS BRANCH TX 75234**  
**312-610-7096**

**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. To any rights of rescission of the party conducting this foreclosure sale pursuant to Georgia law including, but not limited 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.

**PLEASE NOTE** that 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 and final review by the party conducting this foreclosure sale for compliance with contractual and legal obligations pursuant to the terms of the loan documents and State and Federal law, including but not limited to any and all rights of rescission.

**RELIENT LOAN** Servicing, LLC, as Attorney in Fact for Phyllis Johnson and Kim C. Johnson  
**BY: ANDREW D. Gleason**  
**ATTORNEY FOR** Reliant Loan Servicing, LLC  
**LEFKOFF, RUBIN,** Gleason, Russo & Williams, P.C.  
**5555 GLENRIDGE** Connector  
**SUITE 900**  
**ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30342**  
**(404)869-6900**  
**(404)869-69**

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300079**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

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

**BY VIRTUE** of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **DOYLE WEST, JUDITH WEST, ADA C. MCDUFFIE LIFE ESTATE** to **SAFWAY MORTGAGE, INC.**, dated November 23, 2005, recorded December 6, 2005, in Deed Book 2065, Page 85, 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 Ninety-Eight Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$198,000.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust, 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 December, 2021, 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 249, 9TH DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING SHOWN AS LOT 1, BLOCK A, COVINGTON LUMBER COMPANY SUBDIVISION, ON A PLAT OF SURVEY OF SAME RECORDED ON PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 148, 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 LEGAL** description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as **3133 REBECCA STREET, COVINGTON, GA 30014.**

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

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

**TO THE** best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is **DOYLE WEST, JUDITH WEST, ADA C. MCDUFFIE LIFE ESTATE**, or tenant(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.

**PLEASE NOTE** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, you are not entitled by law to an amendment or modification of the terms of your loan. The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: **PHH Mortgage Corporation, Loss Mitigation Dept., 14405 Walters Road, Suite 200, Houston, TX 77014, Telephone Number: 866-503-5559.**

**BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST**  
**AS ATTORNEY IN FACT** for **DOYLE WEST, JUDITH WEST, ADA C. MCDUFFIE LIFE ESTATE**

**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. RMU-21-02443-1

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300029**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

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

**BY VIRTUE** of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **MEAGAN B PORCH**

to **MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS GRANTEE, AS NOMINEE FOR PINNACLE BANK, IT'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**, dated October 6, 2017, recorded October 16, 2017, in Deed Book 3621, Page 281, 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 Thirty-Five Thousand Twenty-Seven and 00/100 dollars (\$135,027.00), with interest thereon as provided for therein, said Security Deed having been last sold, assigned and transferred to Citizens Bank NA, 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 December, 2021, 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 54 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING LOT 180 OF BERKSHIRE SUBDIVISION, UNIT TWO AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF BERKSHIRE SUBDIVISION-UNIT TWO AS SAME IS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 34, PAGES 189-192, 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.**

**SAID LEGAL** description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as **100 BERKSHIRE KEEP, COVINGTON, GA 30016.**

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

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

**TO THE** best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owner and party in possession of the property is **MEAGAN B PORCH**, or tenant(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.

**PLEASE NOTE** that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, you are not entitled by law to an amendment or modification of the terms of your loan. The entity having full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the loan (although not required by law to do so) is: **Citizens Bank, N.A. Loss Mitigation Dept., 10561 Telegraph Road, Glen Allen, VA 23059, Telephone Number: (800) 234-6002.**

**CITIZENS BANK NA**  
**AS ATTORNEY IN FACT** for **MEAGAN B PORCH**

**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. CBN-21-02359-1

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300010**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

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

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

**UNDER AND** by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Frederick F Scales** to Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc. dba Element Funding, dated May 12, 2011, recorded in Deed Book 2910, Page 132, Newton County, Georgia Records and as modified by that certain Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Deed Book 3595, Page 402, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Georgia Housing and Finance Authority by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3395, Page 401, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND AND ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$133,115.00), 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 December, 2021, 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 of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

**SAID PROPERTY** will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), 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.

**GEORGIA HOUSING** and Finance Authority 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: **State Home Mortgage, 60 Executive Park South, Atlanta, GA 30333, 404-679-4908/3133.** To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is **Frederick F Scales** or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **9150 Bandywood Way SW, Covington, Georgia 30014.**

**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.

**GEORGIA HOUSING** and Finance Authority  
**AS ATTORNEY IN FACT** for **FREDERICK F Scales**  
**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 237 of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 30 of Inglewood Park Subdivision Phase I as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 47, page 47-54, Newton County, Georgia Records, which recorded plat is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this description.

**MR/CA 12/7/21**  
**OUR FILE** no. 5128916 - FT17

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300030**  
**10/24,31-11/7,14,21,28**

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

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

**UNDER AND** by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Harold L. Stapp, Sr., Paula Hearn Stapp and Harold Stapp** to American General Financial Services, Inc. (DE), dated February 23, 2005, recorded in Deed Book 1855, Page 32, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee for the CIM TRUST 2020- NR1 Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2020-NR1 by assignment recorded in Deed Book 4274, Page 117, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$53,000.00), 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 December, 2021, 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 of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

**SAID PROPERTY** will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), 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.

**U.S. BANK** National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee for the CIM TRUST 2020- NR1 Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2020-NR1 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 d/b/a Mr. Cooper, 8950 Cypress Waters Blvd, Coppell, TX 75019, 888-850-9398/3705.**

**TO THE** best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is **Harold L. Stapp, Sr., Paula Hearn Stapp and Harold Stapp** or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **32 South Broad St, Porterdale, Georgia 30070.**

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

**U.S. BANK** National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee for the CIM TRUST 2020- NR1 Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2020-NR1

**AS ATTORNEY IN FACT** for **HAROLD L. Stapp, Sr., Paula Hearn Stapp and Harold Stapp**  
**MCCALLA RAYMER** Leibert Pierce, LLC

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

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**ALL THAT** TRACT AND PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF PORTERDALE, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING SHOWN AS LOT 503 ON A PLAT ENTITLED "VILLAGE SUBDIVISION, BIBB MANUFACTURING COMPANY, PORTERDALE, GEORGIA" PREPARED BY DALTON AND NEVES ENGINEERS, DATED OCTOBER, 1963, WHICH SAID PLAT IS OF RECORD IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF NEWTON SUPERIOR COURT IN PLAT BOOK 3, FOLIO 219, 221 AND 232.; BY SAID PLAT WHICH BY THIS REFERENCE THERETO IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

**MR/MEH 12/7/21**  
**OUR FILE** no. 5785619 - FT2

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300090**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

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

**THIS IS AN ATTEMPT** TO COLLECT

A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

**UNDER AND** by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Ronald Cochran, Jr** to Bayrock Mortgage Corp., a Georgia Corporation, dated September 30, 2003, recorded in Deed Book 1549, Page 519, Newton County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association, as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Certificateholders of Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities, Inc. Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2003-HE1 by assignment recorded in Deed Book 3149, Page 543, Newton County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$122,000.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in December, 2021, 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 of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

**SAID PROPERTY** will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), 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.

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

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

**TO THE** best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is **Ronald Cochran, Jr** or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **385 Branchwood Drive, Covington, Georgia 30016.**

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

**U.S. BANK**, National Association, as Trustee for the Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities Trust 2003-HE1, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-HE1

**AS ATTORNEY IN FACT** for **RONALD COCHRAN, Jr**  
**MCCALLA RAYMER** Leibert Pierce, LLC

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

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

**MAP/PARCEL#: 00150 600**  
**MR/CA 12/7/21**  
**OUR FILE** no. 5354315 - FT1

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300090**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

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

**BY VIRTUE** of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **Antoine Gordon** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for HomeBridge Financial Services, Inc., dated August 24, 2017 and recorded on August 28, 2017 in Deed Book 3602, Page 486, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date, in the original principal amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Seventy and 00/100 dollars (\$232,570.00) with interest thereon as provided therein, as last transferred to NewRez, LLC fka New Penn Financial dba Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, recorded in Deed Book 3899, Page 413, aforesaid records, 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 has or may be lawfully designated as an alternative location, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in December,

**2021, ALL** property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described property:

**ALL THAT** tract and parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 136 of the 10th District of Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 9, Forest Heights Subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book 47, Pages 208-215, Newton County, Georgia Records, which plat is incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference.

**SAID PROPERTY** may more commonly be known as **90 Mary Jane Lane, Covington, GA 30016.**

**THE DEBT** secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, non-payment of the monthly installments on said loan. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

**THE INDIVIDUAL** or entity that has

full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the loan is **NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, 55 Beattie Place, Suite 100 MS 561, Greenville, SC 29601, 1-800-365-7107.**

**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: a) zoning ordinances; b) matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; c) any outstanding ad valorem taxes, including taxes, which constitute liens upon said property whether or not now due and payable; d) special assessments; e) the right of redemption of any taxing authority; f) all outstanding bills for public utilities which constitute liens upon said property; g) all restrictive covenants, easements, rights-of-way and any other matters of record superior to said Security Deed. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owners and party in possession of the property are **Antoine Gordon** and or tenant(s). 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. **NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing as Attorney-in-Fact** for **Antoine Gordon**  
**CONTACT: PADGETT** Law Group: 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203, Tallahassee, FL 32312; (850) 422-2520

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300110**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

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

**BY VIRTUE** of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Security Deed from **Peter Ferguson** to All Service Mortgage, Inc., dated August 10, 1995 and recorded on August 22, 1995 in Deed Book 564, Page 23, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia, said Security Deed having been given to secure a Note of even date, in the original principal amount of Sixty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Seven and 00/100 dollars (\$68,507.00) with interest thereon as provided therein, as last transferred to First Nationwide Mortgage Corp., recorded in Deed Book 617, Page 572, aforesaid records, 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 has or may be lawfully designated as an alternative location, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in December, 2021, all property described in said Security Deed including but not limited to the following described property:

**ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF COVINGTON IN LAND LOT 232 OF THE 9TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE POINT AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERN RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF MCULLOUGH DRIVE AND THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF PETTY STREET; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 7 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 206.99 FEET TO A IRON PIN FOUND; THENCE SOUTH 85 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 462.23 FEET TO AN IRON PIN FOUND; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 23 MINUTES WEST A DISTANCE 672.43 FEET TO AN IRON PIN FOUND; THENCE NORTH 86 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 26 SECONDS EAST OF DISTANCE OF 420.87 FEET TO AN IRON PIN FOUND; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 56 MINUTES 7 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 458.99 FEET TO A POINT AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID PROPERTY CONTAINING 6.78 ACRES, BEING IMPROVED PROPERTY KNOWN AS NO. 8178 PETTY STREET, COVINGTON, GEORGIA, ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF NUMBERING HOUSES IN NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, ALL ACCORDING TO A SURVEY PREPARED BY EAST METRO SURVEYORS & ENGINEERS, INC., DATED 07/26/95. Said property may more commonly be known as**

**8178 Petty Street, Covington, GA 30014.**

**THE DEBT** secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, non-payment of the monthly installments on said loan. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).

**THE INDIVIDUAL** or entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the loan is **CitiMortgage, Inc.** successor by merger to First National Mortgage Corporation, 425 Phillips Blvd, Ewing, NJ 08618.

**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: a) zoning ordinances; b) matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; c) any outstanding ad valorem taxes, including taxes, which constitute liens upon said property whether or not now due and payable; d) special assessments; e) the right of redemption of any taxing authority; f) all outstanding bills for public utilities which constitute liens upon said property; g) all restrictive covenants, easements, rights-of-way and any other matters of record superior to said Security Deed. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the owners and party in possession of the property are **Peter Ferguson** and or tenant(s). 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.

**CITIMORTGAGE, INC.** successor by merger to First Nationwide Mortgage Corporation

**AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT** for **Peter Ferguson**

**CONTACT: PADGETT** Law Group: 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203,

Tallahassee, FL 32312; (850) 422-2520

**PUBLIC NOTICE #300127**  
**11/7,14,21,28**

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

**UNDER AND** by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by **Lia M. Bostic** to HomeBanc Mortgage Corporation, dated May 31, 2005, and recorded in Deed Book 1930, Page 280, Newton County, Georgia records, as last transferred to U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee, in trust for Holders of the HomeBanc Mortgage Trust 2005-4, Mortgage-Backed Notes by Assignment recorded in Deed Book 2664, Page 79, Newton County, Georgia records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$166,800.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Newton County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in December, 2021, to wit: December 7, 2021, the following described property:

**ALL THAT** tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 154 of the 10th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 71, Block B, The Meadows at Saddlebrook, Phase 2, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 40, Page 210-214, Newton County, Georgia records, said plat being incorporated herein and made reference hereto.



# LEGALS:

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**AND MADE A PART** HEREOF BY REFERENCE.  
**PARCEL 00080** 00000 152 000  
**THE DEBT** secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).  
**SAID PROPERTY** is commonly known as **495 Robin Rd., 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): Adam R. Lockhart or tenant or tenants.  
**PENNYMAC LOAN** Services, LLC is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage.  
**PENNYMAC LOAN** Services, LLC  
**LOSS MITIGATION**  
**30043 TOWNSGATE** Road #200, Westlake Village, CA 91361  
**1-866-549-3583**  
**NOTE, HOWEVER,** that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.  
**SAID PROPERTY** will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.  
**THE SALE** will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.  
**PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC** as agent and Attorney in Fact for Adam R. Lockhart  
**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 AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** 1120-23215A  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300091**  
**11/7,14,21,28**  
**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER, NEWTON COUNTY**  
**PURSUANT TO** the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by Alexandro Ray Hill to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc as nominee for First Magnus Financial Corporation dated 8/26/2005 and recorded in Deed Book 1095 Page 414 Newton County, Georgia records; as last transferred to or acquired by U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee for Towd Point Master Funding Trust 2021-PM1, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of \$103,377.00, 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 December 7, 2021 (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 220, in G.M.D. 1513, of the 9th District, Newton County, Georgia, being Lot 119, Indian Creek Subdivision, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 12, Page 346, Newton County, Georgia Records. Which Plat is incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.  
**THE DEBT** secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).  
**SAID PROPERTY** is commonly known as **875 Navajo Trail, Covington, GA 30016, 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): Alexandro Ray Hill or tenant or tenants.  
**CARRINGTON MORTGAGE** Services, LLC is the entity or individual designated who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend and

modify all terms of the mortgage.  
**CARRINGTON MORTGAGE** Services, LLC  
**1600 SOUTH** Douglass Road  
**SUITE 200-A**  
**ANAHEIM, CA 92806**  
**(800) 561-4567**  
**NOTE, HOWEVER,** that such entity or individual is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.  
**SAID PROPERTY** will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.  
**THE SALE** will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and non-judicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided immediately above.  
**U.S. BANK** Trust National Association, as Trustee for Towd Point Master Funding Trust 2021-PM1 as agent and Attorney in Fact for Alexandro Ray Hill  
**ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 15 Piedmont Center, 3575 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 994-7637.**  
**2191-2303A**  
**THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** 2191-2303A  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300151**  
**11/7,14,21,28**  
**STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**COUNTY OF NEWTON**  
**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER**  
**PURSUANT TO** the power of sale contained in the Security Deed executed by **RICHARD SHEFFER** to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR HIGTECHLENDING INC., its successors or assigns, in the original principal amount of \$262,500.00 dated October 31, 2018 and recorded in Deed Book 3767, Page 598, Newton County records, said Security Deed being last transferred to PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION in Deed Book 4191, Page 603, Newton County records, the undersigned will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, before the Courthouse door in said County, or at such other place as lawfully designated, within the legal hours of sale, on December 07, 2021, the property in said Security Deed and described as follows:  
**REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF OXFORD, COUNTY OF NEWTON, STATE OF GEORGIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**  
**ALL THAT** TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LOT 253 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, BEING SHOWN AS 1.86 ACRES ON A PLAT OF SURVEY PREPARED BY ROBERT M. BUHLER, GEORGIA RLS NO. 1403, DATED JANUARY 22, 1991, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE THERETO FOR A MORE ACCURATE AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION, AND IS FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
**BEGINNING AT** AN IRON PIN ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COOK ROAD (80 FOOT RIGHT OF WAY) A DISTANCE OF 1208.26 FEET NORTHERLY AS MEASURED ALONG THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COOK ROAD FROM THE INTERSECTION OF THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COOK ROAD AND THE SOUTHERLY LAND LOT LINE OF LAND LOT 253, 10TH LAND DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA; THENCE, NORTH 07 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 55 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 124.99 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COOK ROAD; THENCE, NORTH 08 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 68.86 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE, SOUTH 86 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 22 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 120.0 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE, SOUTH 17 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 02 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 193.85 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE, NORTH 88 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 453.17 FEET TO AN IRON PIN THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THIS BEING IMPROVED PROPERTY CONTAINING 1.86 ACRES, ACCORDING TO SURVEY.  
**TOGETHER WITH** AN EASEMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF INGRESS AND EGRESS TO AND FROM THE PROPERTY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED IN GRANT OF EASEMENT RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 229, PAGE 862, AFORESAID RECORDS.  
**LESS AND EXCEPT:**  
**ALL THAT** TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 253 OF THE 10TH DISTRICT OF NEWTON COUNTY, STATE OF GEORGIA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS

FOLLOWS:  
**TO FIND THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING** BEGIN AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE EASTERN SIDE OF COOK ROAD AND LAND LOT 253; THENCE, PROCEED ALONG THE RIGHT OF WAY OF COOK ROAD IN A NORTHERN DIRECTION FOR A DISTANCE OF 1208.26 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE, LEAVING COOK ROAD SOUTH 88 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 188.27 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE, SOUTH 86 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 22 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 185.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH IRON PIN; THENCE, SOUTH 17 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 02 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 193.85 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH IRON PIN; THENCE, NORTH 88 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 223.17 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH IRON PIN, ALSO, BEING THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PROPERTY CONTAINS 0.86 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.  
**COMMONLY KNOWN** AS:1290 COOKS RD, OXFORD, GA 30054  
**APN #:** 0041000000031000  
**SAID PROPERTY** being known as: **1290 COOK ROAD, OXFORD, GA 30054**  
**TO THE** best of the undersigned's knowledge, the party or parties in possession of said property is/are RICHARD SHEFFER or tenant(s).  
**THE DEBT** secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due and payable because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as provided for in the Note and said Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of sale, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given).  
**SAID PROPERTY** will be sold subject to the following: (1) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not yet due and payable); (2) the right of redemption of any taxing authority; (3) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property; and (4) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.  
**SAID SALE** will be conducted subject to the following: (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.  
**THE NAME,** address, and telephone number of the individual or entity who has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage is as follows:  
**COMPU-LINK CORPORATION** 101 W. Louis Henna Blvd., Suite 450  
**AUSTIN, TX 78728** 1-866-654-0020  
**NOTE** THAT pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2, the above individual or entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the mortgage.  
**THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**  
**PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION,** as Attorney-in-Fact for RICHARD SHEFFER  
**ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ,** Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC 10700 Abbott's Bridge Road Suite 170 Duluth, GA 30097 Phone: 470.321.7112  
**FIRM FILE** No. 21-088431  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300154**  
**11/7,14,21,28**  
**Name Changes**  
**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**IN RE** the Name Change of Child(ren):  
**ERIC BERNARD STROZIER**  
**BRANDI J LEEKS** PETITIONER, V. **SHELDON L SAGOES** RESPONDENT.  
**CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021-CV-2325-3**  
**NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF CHILD**  
**BRANDI JOTOYA LEEKS** filed a petition in the Newton County Superior Court on OCTOBER 4, 2021, to change the name of the following minor child  
**FROM: ERIC BERNARD STROZIER, JR to ERIC LENARD SAGOES-LEEKs**  
**ANY INTERESTED** party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within the time prescribed in O.C.G.A. §§ 19-12-1(f)(2) and (3).  
**BRANDI JOTOYA LEEKS** 15 ROBERTFORD DR COVINGTON, GA 30016  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300075**  
**10/31-11/7,14,21**  
**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**IN RE** the Name Change of:  
**LOREEN E. STEPHENS** PETITIONER,  
**CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021-CV-2429-4**  
**NOTICE OF PETITION TO**

**CHANGE NAME OF ADULT**  
**AN ACTION** was filed in the Superior court of Newton county on 10/26/21 to change the Petitioner's name as follows:  
**PETITIONER'S NAME: LOREEN E. STEPHENS**  
**DESIRED NAME: LOREEN RUTH EVANS**  
**ANY INTERESTED** party has the right to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed.  
**OCTOBER 25, 2021**  
**LOREEN E. Stephens**  
**65 CHIMNEY Court**  
**COVINGTON, GA 30014**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300149**  
**11/7,14,21,28**  
**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**IN RE** the Name Change of:  
**PATSY GLEAVES DELK**  
**PATSY MARIA GLEAVES** PETITIONER,  
**CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021-CV-2342-1**  
**NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT**  
**AN ACTION** was filed in the Superior court of Newton county on 10/14/21 to change the Petitioner's name as follows:  
**PETITIONER'S NAME: PATSY GLEAVES DELK**  
**DESIRED NAME: PATSY MARIA GLEAVES**  
**ANY INTERESTED** party has the right to appear in this case and file objection before the final judgement is ordered in this case  
**DATE:10/14/2021**  
**PATSY GLEAVES Delk**  
**PETITIONER PRO** Se  
**PATSY MARIA** Gleeaves  
**180 USHER Road**  
**COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30016**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300076**  
**10/31-11/7,14,21**  
**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**IN RE** the Name Change of:  
**VIVIA NICOLA INGLE** PETITIONER,  
**CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 2021-CV-2440-3**  
**NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF ADULT**  
**AN ACTION** was filed in the Superior court of Newton county on 10/27/21 to change the Petitioner's name as follows:  
**PETITIONER'S NAME: VIVIA NICOLA INGLE**  
**DESIRED NAME: VIVIA NICOLA VAN DALE**  
**ANY INTERESTED** party has the right to appear in this case and file objection within 30 days after the Petition was filed.  
**OCTOBER 27, 2021**  
**VIVIA NICOLA INGLE**  
**250 CRESTFIELD CIRCLE**  
**COVINGTON, GA 30016**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300150**  
**11/7,14,21,28**  
**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**IN RE** the Name Change of: **LARRY PATRICK SMITH,** Petitioner  
**CIVIL ACTION FILE NO.:** SUCV2021002305  
**NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME**  
**NOTION IS** hereby given that **Larry Patrick Smith,** the undersigned, filed his petition in the Superior Court of Newton County, Georgia on the 11th day of October, 2021, praying for a change in the name of the petition from **Larry Patrick Smith** to **Larry Patrick Savage.**  
**NOTICE IS** hereby giving 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 11TH** day of October, 2021  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300002**  
**10/17,24,31-11/7**  
**Public Hearings**  
**CITY OF COVINGTON**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**NOTICE IS** hereby given, per the City of Covington's Code of Ordinances Chapter 16.12 that the below application was submitted for consideration by the Covington Board of Adjustments and Appeals on the following application/property:  
**A. CASE#** PVA21-0013:  
**REQUEST: VARIANCE** for relief of City Ordinance 16.16.030 Space dimensions, on the required 10-foot, NR1 (Neighborhood Residential District – Sec. 1) zoning side setback, down to a 2.8-foot setback to accommodate a two (2) vehicle carport addition. 5183 Old Monticello Street  
**TAX MAP** Parcel Number: C017 0005 003  
**OWNER/APPLICANT: MARSHALL Ginn**  
**B. CASE#** PVA21-0007 thru 0012:  
**REQUEST: VARIANCE** for relief to specific ordinances related to one-bedroom multifamily units as found within Chapters 16.16 Space dimensions and 16.28 Civic Design,

to include roof pitch, gross floor area, cladding, and parking overlook stipulations. 10200 & 10020 City Pond Road  
**TAX MAP** Parcel Numbers: C080 035A & 043  
**APPLICANT: EMORY** Equity, LLC c/o Arthur Lynn  
**OWNER: CALLAWAY/SIGMAN**  
**THE BOARD** of Adjustments and Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 2116 Stallings Street, Covington, GA. ALL INTERESTED parties are invited to participate. For more information, contact the city Planning & Development office at 770-385-2178/2179.  
**\*DUE TO** circumstances necessitated by emergency conditions involving public safety and preservation of public services, public access to this meeting is limited to teleconference and video access. THE PUBLIC MAYACCESS THIS MEETING VIA : Zoom Link: - https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81761093965  
**DIALING +1** 646 558 8656 with Meeting ID: 817 6109 3965  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300144**  
**11/7**  
**FINAL PLAT REVISION**  
**GEORGIA, NEWTON County**  
**A FINAL** PLAT REVISION APPLICATION (FP21-000014) HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE PROPERTY BELONGING TO: **ROUSE BARTLETT TIMOTHY & BLACKWELL LISA H** WHOSE SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION IS 3630 HWY 142 CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 14.2 ACRES BEING ON TAX MAP 138 & PARCEL 129 IN THE RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION OF NEWBORN MEADOWS. **THE APPLICANT** IS REQUESTING TO SUBDIVIDE THE LOT INTO TWO LOTS, 4.20 AC AND 10.01 AC, TO ALLOW DEED TO A FAMILY MEMBER..  
**A PUBLIC HEARING** WILL BE HELD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE: **16TH DAY** OF NOVEMBER, 2021 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 #300123**  
**11/7**  
**Public Notice**  
**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEWTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**ORLANDA MAHDI PLAINTIFF,**  
**V. CHAD SPEER and KNACK CONSTRUCTION, LLC**  
**DEFENDANTS.**  
**2021-CV-1124-3**  
**CIVIL ACTION** File No.:SUC'0' 2921 981124  
**TO: CHAD** Speer  
**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**  
**BY ORDER** for Service by Publication dated the 2ND DAY OF NOVEMBER 2021, you are hereby **NOTIFIED THAT** on May 13,2021, Plaintiff Orlanda Mahdi, filed a Complaint against you.  
**YOU ARE** required to file with the Clerk of Newton County Superior Court and serve upon Plaintiff's attorney, Sean S. Campbell, Wood Craig & Avery, LLC, 3520 Piedmont Road, NE, Suite 280, Atlanta, GA 30305, (404) 888-9962, an Answer in writing within (60) days of the date **OF THE** Order for Publication.  
**WITNESS,** The Honorable **COUNTY. LAYLA H. ZON** , Judge of the Superior Court of Newton  
**THIS 2ND** day of NOVEMBER 2021.  
**FILED IN OFFICE** CLERK OF NEWTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT  
**11/02/2021 4:15PM** LINDA D. HAYS, CLERK NEWTON COUNTY, GA  
**DEPUTY, CLERK**  
**SUPER OR** Court of wton County  
**1132 USHER** St NW #338  
**COVINGTON, GA 30014**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300152**  
**11/7,14,21,28**  
**Public Sales Auctions**  
**IN ACCORDANCE** WITH GEORGIA LAW 40-11-2: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED VEHICLES HAVE BEEN ABANDONED AT Insurance Auto Auction 125 Old Hwy 138 Loganville, GA 30052-4814  
**AND ARE PRESENTLY** STORED AT SAID LOCATION.  
**IF NOT CLAIMED,** THE VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHESTB BIDDER ON 11/26/21 10:00 AM  

YEAR	MAKE	Model	Color
2005	INFINITI	G35	
JNKC	V51E15M2	10384	
2004	HONDA	Accord	
1HGC	M72534A015855		
2001	HONDA	Accord	
1HGC	G22501A000820		
2002	HONDA	Accord	
1HGC	G16572A060079		
2014	JEEP	Patriot	
1C4N	JPBAXED602437		
2015	FORD	Escape	
1FMC	UGX3FUB36561		
2007	CHEVROLET	HHR	
3GNDA	13D67S559081		
2012	HYUNDAI	Accent	
KMHCT	5AE1CU022531		
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**WA1CFAFPXCA114277**  
**1993 FORD** F-150  
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**2010 NISSAN** Altima  
**1N4AL2AP1AC149414**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300109**  
**11/7,14**  
**NOTICE OF** Public Sale of Personal Property: Notice is hereby given that Budget Self Storage of Covington, 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 through www.storageauctions.com. The auction will end on or after 11/16/2021 1:00 p.m. 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.  
**TRACY RHODES, A117,** appears to contain; floor tile, ceiling fans, tables, flooring, luggage, lamps, vase, mattress, boxes, chairs, latter, end tables, and household goods  
**TRACY RHODES, A140,** appears to contain; tv, chairs, space heater, flooring, doors, ladder, China cabinet, power tools, outdoor tools, speakers, and boxes  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300081**  
**10/31-11/7**  
**READY RENT ALL, INC.**  
**1335 ACCESS ROAD**  
**COVINGTON, GA 30014**  
**770-787-3200**  
**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**A DEFAULT** having occurred under the terms of the rental agreement between Ready Rent-All, Inc., and the tenants listed below, notice having been sent to the tenants as required by law, there will be sold at public sale, to the public, all personal property involved, for cash, to satisfy owner's lien for rent due on each warehouse.  
**LAW GEORGIA** Law Ann. 10-4-213  
**THE PROCEEDS** of said public sale shall be distributed in accordance with the terms of said agreement.  
Ready Rent-All, Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any bids.  
**DATE AND** Time of Sale: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12 ,2021 11:00AM  
**PLACE:STORAGEAUCTIONS.COM**  
**TENANTS NAME**  
Warehouse Number  
Contents  
**HOWARD SHANNON** B-3  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**HOWARD SHANNON** J-28  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**KIMBERLY GONZALEZ** H-3  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**STONE JIMMY** H-24  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**GRANT MAUREEN** G-35  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**COSSIBOOB REBECCA** I-42  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**GUERRIER JACQUES** F-15  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**GODDARD ANTHONY** J-13  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**GODDARD ANTHONY** J-18  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**DIAL GREGORY** I-9  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**HOLLAND SUMMA** H-26  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**NORMAN SANDRA** I-13  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**BELCHER RONALD** E-27  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**HUFF PAMELA** G-40  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300080**  
**10/31-11/7**  
**Trade Names**  
**TRADE NAME**  
**REGISTRATION**  
**AFFIDAVIT**  
**GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**  
**TO WHOM** It may Concern:  
**PLEASE BE** advised that **BELLCAMP BRANDS LLC** whose address is 3142 HWY 278 NW #102 COVINGTON, GA 30014 is/are the owner(s) of the certain business now being carried on at 3142 HWY 278 NW #102 Covington, GA 30014 in the following trade name, to-wit: AMITY IN INDUSTRY and that the nature of said business is: TRAINING, EDUCATION, E-COMMERCE. This statement is made in conformity with O.C.G.A. §10-1-490 et seq. requiring the filing of such statement with the Clerk of Superior Court of this county. **THIS THE** 11th day of October 2021  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300074**  
**10/31-11/7**  
**TRADE NAME**  
**REGISTRATION**  
**AFFIDAVIT**  
**GEORGIA, NEWTON COUNTY**  
**TO WHOM** It may Concern:  
**PLEASE BE** advised that **VAZIR KESHWANI** whose address is 776 BROOKSIDE PARK LN AVONDALE ESTATES, GA 30002 is/are the owner(s) of the certain business now being carried on at 6225 TURNER LAKE RD SW COVINGTON, GA 30014 in the following trade name, to-wit: TABACCO, HOOKAH, VAPORS & ASSESSORIES and that the nature of said business is: TOBACCO, HOOKAH & VAPOR SALES This statement is made in conformity with O.C.G.A. §10-1-490 et seq. requiring the filing of such statement with the Clerk of Superior Court of this county. **THIS 28TH** day of OCTOBER 2021  
**PUBLIC NOTICE #300117**  
**11/7,14**





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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this whole page to The Covington News, P.O. Box 1249, Covington, GA 30015 or bring it to us at 1166 Usher Street, Covington. We're open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Dropbox available after hours.

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# WIN \$50-\$100

Write in your favorites from Newton County in the various categories below. You may complete just one category, a few categories or all of them. Your choices will be tallied and results published in January 2022 in *The Covington News* as part of the special “Best of Newton” magazine. All entries are due by 5 p.m., November 9, 2021. These entries will be entered in a random drawing for \$100 first prize and \$50 second prize. Entries received after 5 p.m., November 9, 2021 will not be counted and will not be entered in the drawing.

**COMMUNITY:**

Charity Event \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Civic Club \_\_\_\_\_

Community Event \_\_\_\_\_

Nonprofit Organization \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Park \_\_\_\_\_

Place to Volunteer \_\_\_\_\_

Summer Camp \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTO & TRANSPORTATION:**

Auto Body Shop \_\_\_\_\_

Auto Repair & Service \_\_\_\_\_

Car Wash \_\_\_\_\_

Dealership Service \_\_\_\_\_

Heavy Equipment & Tractor \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

New Car Dealership \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Change & Quick Lube \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Tire Store \_\_\_\_\_

Towing Service \_\_\_\_\_

Used Car Dealership \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION:**

College/University \_\_\_\_\_

Elementary School \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_

Middle School \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-school \_\_\_\_\_

Private School \_\_\_\_\_

School Administrator \_\_\_\_\_

School Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL:**

Audiologist \_\_\_\_\_

Cardiologist \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Dentist \_\_\_\_\_

Chiropractor \_\_\_\_\_

Dentistry/Cosmetic Dentistry \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Dermatologist \_\_\_\_\_

Ear, Nose and Throat \_\_\_\_\_

Family Practice \_\_\_\_\_

Hearing Aid Center \_\_\_\_\_

Imaging Services \_\_\_\_\_

Internal Medicine \_\_\_\_\_

Lasik Surgery \_\_\_\_\_

Obstetrics & Gynecology \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Occupational Therapist \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Optometrist \_\_\_\_\_

Oral Surgeon \_\_\_\_\_

Orthodontics \_\_\_\_\_

Orthopedist \_\_\_\_\_

Outpatient Surgery \_\_\_\_\_

Pediatrics \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Therapist \_\_\_\_\_

Podiatrist \_\_\_\_\_

Vein Specialist \_\_\_\_\_

**PROFESSIONALS:**

Bankruptcy Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Civil Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor/Remodeler \_\_\_\_\_

Criminal Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Electrical Contractor \_\_\_\_\_

Estate Planning Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Family Law Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Agent \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Injury Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Groomer \_\_\_\_\_

Photographer \_\_\_\_\_

Plumber \_\_\_\_\_

Real Estate Agent \_\_\_\_\_

Real Estate Closing Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Travel Agent \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_

**BUSINESS:**

Accounting/Tax Prep \_\_\_\_\_

Air & Heating Service \_\_\_\_\_

Appliance Store \_\_\_\_\_

Art Gallery \_\_\_\_\_

Assisted Living Community \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Bail Bond Company \_\_\_\_\_

Bank \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet Facilities \_\_\_\_\_

Barber Shop \_\_\_\_\_

Beauty Salon \_\_\_\_\_

Boutique \_\_\_\_\_

Bridal Shop \_\_\_\_\_

Carpet/Flooring Store \_\_\_\_\_

Carpet Cleaning \_\_\_\_\_

Catering \_\_\_\_\_

Child Care Center \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial Real Estate Company \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Computer Repair \_\_\_\_\_

Dance Studio \_\_\_\_\_

Day Spa \_\_\_\_\_

Dog Trainer \_\_\_\_\_

Dry Cleaners \_\_\_\_\_

Electric/Gas Providers \_\_\_\_\_

Event Venue \_\_\_\_\_

Financial Advisement \_\_\_\_\_

Fitness Center/Gym \_\_\_\_\_

Floral Arrangements \_\_\_\_\_

Funeral Home \_\_\_\_\_

Furniture Store \_\_\_\_\_

Golf Course \_\_\_\_\_

Grading and Hauling \_\_\_\_\_

Grocery Store \_\_\_\_\_

Gun Store \_\_\_\_\_

Hardware Store \_\_\_\_\_

Health Food Store \_\_\_\_\_

Hotel \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_

Investment Company \_\_\_\_\_

Jewelry Store \_\_\_\_\_

Landscaping \_\_\_\_\_

Massage \_\_\_\_\_

Mattress Store \_\_\_\_\_

Mortgage Lender \_\_\_\_\_

Music Store \_\_\_\_\_

Nail Salon \_\_\_\_\_

Package Store \_\_\_\_\_

Pawn Shop \_\_\_\_\_

Pest Control \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Daycare Center \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Hospital \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Store \_\_\_\_\_

Pharmacy \_\_\_\_\_

Pressure Washing \_\_\_\_\_

Printing and Graphics \_\_\_\_\_

Real Estate Company \_\_\_\_\_

Retail Gift Shop \_\_\_\_\_

Retail Services \_\_\_\_\_

Roofing Contractor \_\_\_\_\_

Security Company \_\_\_\_\_

Self Storage Facility \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Care \_\_\_\_\_

Septic Services \_\_\_\_\_

Spa Services \_\_\_\_\_

Sporting Goods Retail \_\_\_\_\_

Tanning Salon \_\_\_\_\_

Temp Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Thrift Store \_\_\_\_\_

Tool/Equipment Rental \_\_\_\_\_

Travel Agency \_\_\_\_\_

**FOOD & BEVERAGE:**

Bar \_\_\_\_\_

Barbeque \_\_\_\_\_

Breakfast \_\_\_\_\_

Burger \_\_\_\_\_

Cakes \_\_\_\_\_

Coffee Shop \_\_\_\_\_

Deli \_\_\_\_\_

Desserts \_\_\_\_\_

Family Restaurant \_\_\_\_\_

Fast Food \_\_\_\_\_

Ice Cream \_\_\_\_\_

Pizza \_\_\_\_\_

Sandwiches \_\_\_\_\_

Seafood \_\_\_\_\_

Steak \_\_\_\_\_

Sushi \_\_\_\_\_

Wings \_\_\_\_\_



# WORLD CHAMPS

## Braves bring World Series title back to Atlanta for first time in 26 years

By **BEN WALKER**  
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Most of the season, it just seemed this wasn't their year.

They dropped their first four games, and soon injuries piled up. They lost their most dynamic player before the All-Star break. They were stuck below .500 in August.

Yet out of nowhere, suddenly, these Atlanta Braves transformed themselves and took off.

Jorge Soler, Freddie Freeman and the Braves breezed to their first World Series championship since 1995, hammering the Houston Astros 7-0 Tuesday night in Game 6.

How proud The Hammer himself would've been.

Max Fried threw six shutout innings in the signature pitching performance of the Series. Soler, a July acquisition who tested positive for COVID-19 in the playoffs, backed him early with a monster three-run shot for his third homer against the Astros.

Freeman hit an RBI double and then punctuated the romp with a solo home run in the seventh that made it 7-0.

By then, it was a total team effort. Ailing star Ronald Acuña Jr., the dynamo of Atlanta's future, bounded from the dugout to join the celebration for Freeman, the longtime face of the franchise.

A mere afterthought in the summer heat among the land of the Giants, White Sox and Dodgers, but magnificent in the Fall Classic.

Soler tapped his heart twice before beginning his home run trot after connecting off rookie Luis Garcia in the third inning, sending the ball flying completely out of Minute Maid Park. Dansby Swanson also homered and by the final out, nothing could stop them.

Not a broken leg sustained by starter Charlie Morton in the World Series opener. Not a big blown lead in Game 5.

Steadied by 66-year-old manager Brian Snitker, an organization man for four decades, the underdog Braves won the franchise's fourth title.

Consider it a tribute to the greatest Braves player of them all, Mr. Hank Aaron. The Hall of Fame slugger died Jan. 22 at 86, still rooting for his old team, and his legacy was stamped all over this Series.

For 72-year-old Houston manager Dusty Baker, a disappointment. But for many fans still rooting against the Astros in the wake of their 2017 sign-stealing scandal, some satisfaction.

Major credit for the



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**Atlanta Braves manager Brian Snitker hoists the trophy as first baseman Freddie Freeman cheers after the Braves won the baseball World Series with a win over the Houston Astros in Game 6 of the series, Tuesday, Nov. 2, in Houston. The Braves won 7-0.**

Braves, too, goes to general manager Alex Anthopoulos. Undaunted by Acuña's knee injury, he pulled off a flurry of July trades that brought the Fab Four to the outfield — NL Championship Series MVP Eddie Rosario, Adam Duvall, Joc Pederson and Soler.

But even in the Analytics Era, guided by a GM fully versed in new-age ways, the path these Braves took wouldn't add up in any computer. Especially with how things looked in midseason.

"At that time, we were searching," third baseman Austin Riley said before Game 6. "I think there's no question about that."

Minus Acuña, Atlanta wasn't over .500 for a single day until the first week in August. The Braves finished 88-73 for the 12th-best record in the majors and fewest victories among playoff teams; their win total was the lowest for a World Series champion since St. Louis' 83 in 2006.

Plus, the agonizing history of sports in Atlanta, a city where no team had won a title in the four major pro sports besides 1995.

The Braves couldn't convert a three games-to-one advantage over the Dodgers in the NL Championship Series last year. The Hawks fell short in the NBA Finals last season. And then there was the big one, the Falcons blowing a 28-3 lead to the Patriots in the Super Bowl.

But these Braves, not this time.

Favored in spring training to win their fourth straight NL East title, the Braves lost Acuña to a torn knee in July. Earlier, 2020 Triple Crown contender Marcell Ozuna was injured and later placed



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**Atlanta Braves World Series MVP Jorge Soler (left) celebrates with Eddie Rosario, who was the MVP of the National League Championship Series, after hitting a three-run homer in Game 6 against the Houston Astros.**



Sue Ogrocki | Associated Press  
**The Atlanta Braves celebrate after winning baseball's World Series in Game 6 against the Houston Astros Tuesday, Nov. 2, in Houston. It's the Braves' first title since 1995.**

on leave while Major League Baseball investigated him under its domestic violence policy. Projected ace Mike Soroka never got back from Achilles injury.

Going into the playoffs, their bullpen was a crazy patchwork.

They had a guy who made his big league

debut in October, a lefty who was pitching in 2019 for the Texas AirHogs in a now-defunct independent league and a righty who was stacking boxes at an appliance warehouse a decade ago. Toss in a rookie who was off the roster a week ago as he watched Game 1

at a hotel in suburban Atlanta.

For sure, plenty of fans around the country were rooting hard against Jose Altuve and the Houston crew. Many continue to heckle them as the "Cheatin' Astros" for an illegal sign-stealing scheme on the way to their 2017

title, and those feelings might last forever.

Certainly a lot of people were cheering for Baker. A World Series winner as a player and a highly respected figure on and off the field, he wasn't able to check the final box on his resume as a championship skipper.

The Braves' crowns have been spread out over more than a century.

The 1995 Atlanta champs featured five future Hall of Famers — rookie Chipper Jones, aces Tom Glavine, Greg Maddux and John Smoltz, and manager Bobby Cox. Those rings were the lone pieces of hardware that resulted from 14 straight division titles.

The 1957 Milwaukee Braves were led by Aaron in his only NL MVP season. His 44 was painted in large numbers on the outfield grass at Truist Park, and Baker and Snitker often mentioned how much he'd meant to them.

There were the 1914 Boston Braves, too, dubbed the "Miracle Braves" back in the day. In last place on the Fourth of July, they surged to win the pennant, then upset a heavily favored team — the Philadelphia A's — to earn their nickname.

Sound familiar?

The Braves' previous title came at Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium, their first home after moving from Milwaukee to the Deep South in 1966. Then there was Turner Field before the team uprooted from downtown and decided to sprawl into the suburbs.

Truist Park was packed and the outside plazas were jammed over the weekend, and pulsating crowds filled Minute Maid Park.

Quite a change from last October.