CHARLOTTE COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20-000560-CP Division: PROBATE IN RE: ESTATE OF LOUISE N. TROWBRIDGE,

Deceased. The administration of the estate of Louise N. Trowbridge, deceased, whose date of death was December 7, 2019, is pending in the Circuit Court for CHARLOTTE County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and oth-er persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or de-mands against decedent's estate must

file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS

NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SEC-TION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this

notice is July 31, 2020. Personal Representative:

Sheri E. Fiocco 1600 Rossanne Place Englewood, FL 34223

Cheyenne R. Young Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Bar Number: 0515299 Wotitzky, Wotitzky, Ross, McKinley & Young, P.A. Attorneys at Law 1107 W. Marion Avenue, Unit #111 Punta Gorda, FL 33950 Telephone: (941) 639-2171 Fax: (941) 639-8617 E-Mail: cyoung@wotitzkylaw.com Secondary E-Mail: jackie@wotitzkylaw.com July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00586T

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE OF ACTION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 20000608CA

CHRISTOPHER T. BUTLER and LISA M. BUTLER, Plaintiffs, VS. JOHN D. FRANKLIN and PRUDENCE E. FRANKLIN, Defendants.

TO: JOHN D. FRANKLIN and PRU-DENCE E. FRANKLIN, if alive, or if dead, their unknown spouses, widows, widowers, heirs, devisees, creditors, grantees, and all parties having or claiming by, through, under, or against them, and any and all persons claiming any right, title, interest, claim, lien, es-tate or demand against the Defendants in regards to the following-described property in Charlotte County, Florida: Lot 3, Block 211, PORT CHAR-

LOTTE SUBDIVISION, Section 8, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 16A thru 16Y and 16Z1 thru 16Z7, of the Public Records of Char-lotte County, Florida. Parcel ID No.: 402220103012

Notice is hereby given to each of you that an action to quiet title to the above-described property has been filed against you and you are required to serve your written defenses on Plaintiff's attorney, Sandra A. Sutliff, 3440 Conway Blvd., Suite 1-C, Port Charlotte, FL 33952, and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Charlotte County, 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950, on or before 9/1/2020, or otherwise a default judgment will be entered against you for the relief sought in the Complaint. THIS NOTICE will be published

once each week for four consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circu-lation published in Charlotte County, Florida

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notifi-cation if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

DATED this 27th day of July, 2020, Clerk of the Court (SEAL) By: K. Kossick Deputy Clerk

SANDRA A. SUTLIFF, ESQ. 3440 Conway Blvd., Suite 1-C Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941) 743-0046 e-mail: Ssutlaw@aol.com FL Bar # 0857203 July 31; August 7, 14, 21, 2020 20-00592T

FIRST INSERTION NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No.: 20000651CP

Division: Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF WERNER F. SCHOLL Deceased. The administration of the estate of

Werner F. Scholl, deceased, whose date of death was May 8, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 East Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and oth er persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is Friday July 31, 2020. **Corporate Personal Representative:**

Cynthia S. Murphy Vice President.

Englewood Bank & Trust

PO Box 380609 Murdock, Florida 33938 Attorney for Personal Representatives Lori Wellbaum Emery Attorney for Corporate Personal Representative Florida Bar Number: 071110 WELLBAUM & EMERY PA 686 N. Indiana Avenue Englewood, FL 34223 Telephone: (941) 474-3241 Fax: (941) 475-2927 E-Mail: lemery@wellbaumandemery.com Secondary E-Mail: karen@wellbaumandemery.com

July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00595T

FIRST INSERTION NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND

FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 20000329CP IN RE: The Estate of JOSEPH E. SMITH, Deceased

The administration of the estate of JOSEPH E. SMITH, deceased, whose date of death was January 28, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the petitioners and the petitioners' attorney are set forth below

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on

FIRST INSERTION NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20-0666-CP Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF DEAN D. CORRIE Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Dean D. Corrie, deceased, whose date of death was April 3, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is July 31, 2020.

Personal Representative: Lee Corrie

4434 Portillo Place Colorado Springs, Colorado 80924

Attorney for Personal Representative: Dorothy L. Korszen, Attorney Florida Bar Number: 765317 Farr, Farr, Emerich, Hackett, Carr & Holmes, P.A. 4130 Woodmere Park Blvd. #12 Venice, FL 34293 Telephone: (941) 484-1996 Fax: (941) 639-0028 E-Mail: dkorszen@farr.com Secondary E-Mail: probate@farr.com hbarry@farr.com July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00593T

FIRST INSERTION NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20000338CP IN RE: ESTATE OF JEAN M. PROUTY a/k/a JEAN PROUTY, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of JEAN M. PROUTY, also known as JEAN PROUTY, deceased, whose date of death was February 9, 2020; is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 East Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SEC-TION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

OFFICIAL Courthouse WEBSITES:

MANATEE COUNTY: manateeclerk.com

SARASOTA COUNTY: sarasotaclerk.com

CHARLOTTE COUNTY: charlotte.realforeclose.com

> LEE COUNTY: leeclerk.org

COLLIER COUNTY: collierclerk.com

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: hillsclerk.com

PASCO COUNTY: pasco.realforeclose.com

PINELLAS COUNTY: pinellasclerk.org

POLK COUNTY: polkcountyclerk.net

PROBATE DIVISION File No.: 20000422CP Division PROBATE IN RE: ESTATE OF ANNE JORDAN Deceased. The administration of the estate of

death was November 29, 2019, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

other persons having claims or de-mands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or de-

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY

GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 18000694CA

GSF MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. JENNIFER I WEITZEL, et al., Defendants

clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.

who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

mands against decedent's estate must

notice is July 31, 2020. **Personal Representative:** Donna Causey

Guy A. Flowers Florida Bar No. 685631 The Law Firm of Guy A. Flowers, P.A. 12653 SW County Road 769

Suite A Lake Suzy, Florida 34269 Fax: 941-613-6619 Telephone: 941-235-0708

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County, Florida.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim before the

If you are a person with a disability

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME The date of first publication of this

27214 Harbour Oaks Blvd. Port Charlotte, FL 33983 Attorney for Personal Representative:

Anne Jordan, deceased, whose date of

All creditors of the decedent and

ORANGE COUNTY: myorangeclerk.com

Check out your notices on: floridapublicnotices.com



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered March 11, 2020 in Civil Case No. 18000694CA of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for Charlotte County, Punta Gorda, Florida, wherein GSF MORTGAGE CORPORATION is Plaintiff and JENNIFER I WEITZEL, et al., are Defendants, the Clerk of Court, ROGER D. EATON, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.charlotte.realforeclose. com at 11:00 AM in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the day of 9/14/2020, at 11:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment,

to-wit: Lot 184, WATERFORD ESTATES, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 20, Page 1 of the Public Records of Charlotte

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Dated this day of 07/24/2020. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT As Clerk of the Court (SEAL) BY: R. Ellison

MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC 110 SE 6th Street, Suite 2400 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 flaccountspayable@mccalla.com Counsel of Plaintiff 6595123

Sarasota & Manatee counties

Pinellas County | Polk County

Lee County | Collier County

Hillsborough County | Pasco County

18-00839-5 July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00590T

Charlotte County

Business

whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is July 31, 2020.

Petitioners: Sharon A. Riha

64A W. River Styx Road Hopatcong, NJ 07843 Attorney for Petitioner: Kevin Pillion, Esq. FL Bar No. 70288 Life Planning Law Firm, P.A. 1671 Mound Street, Sarasota, FL 34236 Telephone: (941) 914-6000 July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00588T

The date of first publication of this notice is: 7/31/2020

JULIE HENDERSON Personal Representative 12622 Deep Blue Place

Bradenton, Florida 34211

H. Greg Lee Attorney for Personal Representative Email: HGLee@hgreglee.com Secondary Email: SKrauss@hgreglee.com Florida Bar No. 351301 2601 Cattlemen Road, Suite 503 Sarasota, Florida 34232 Telephone: (941) 954-0067 July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00594T



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MANATEE COUNTY

FIRST INSERTION

STATE OF FLORIDA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE PERMIT

The Department of Transportation gives notice of its intent to issue a permit to Bab-

cock Property Holdings, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company, 42850 Cres-

cent Loop, Suite 200, Babcock Ranch, FL 33982 for a Driveway Connection Permit

for the installation of a Traffic Signal to be located on State Road 31. Babcock Ranch

Entrance DD. The Department has assigned Permit ID No: 2019-A-192-00069 to

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

This action is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department

unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569

A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may

petition for an administrative hearing under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. If

you dispute the facts stated in the Notice of Intended Department Action (herein-

after Notice), you may petition for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to Sec-

tion 120.57(1), F.S. If you agree with the facts stated in the Notice, you may petition

for an informal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 120.57(2), F.S. You must

Clerk of Agency Proceedings

Department of Transportation

Haydon Burns Building

605 Suwannee Street, M.S. 58

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0458

The petition for an administrative hearing must conform to the requirements of

Rule 28-106.201(2) or Rule 28-106.301(2), F.A.C., and be filed with the Clerk of

Agency Proceedings by 5:00 p.m. no later than 21 days after publication or 21 days

after you received the Notice, whoever occurs first. The petition must include a copy

Your name, address and telephone number, any Department of Transportation

identifying number on the Notice, if known, the name and identification num-

ber of each agency affected, if known, and the name, address and telephone

number of your representative, if any, which shall be the address for service

An explanation of how your substantial interests may be affected by the action

A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, you must

A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts

you contend warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action,

as well as an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules and

statutes you contend require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed

A statement of the relief sought, stating precisely the action you wish the agen-

If there are disputed issues of material fact a formal hearing will be held, where

you may present evidence and argument on all issues involved and conduct cross-

examination. If there are no disputed issues of material fact an informal hearing will

be held, where you may present evidence or a written statement for consideration

Mediation, pursuant to Section 120.573, F.S., may be available if agreed to by all

Your petition for an administrative hearing shall be dismissed if it is not in sub-

parties, and on such terms as may be agreed upon by all parties. The right to an ad-

ministrative hearing is not affected when mediation does not result in a settlement.

stantial compliance with the above requirements of Rule 28-106.201(2) or Rule

28-106.301(2), F.A.C. If you fail to timely file your petition in accordance with the

above requirements, you will have waived your right to have the intended action

reviewed pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S., and the action set forth in the Notice shall

of the Notice, be legible, on 8 1/2 by 11-inch white paper, and contain:

purposes during the course of the proceeding;

A statement of when and how you received the Notice;

cy to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

described in the Notice;

so indicate:

action:

by the Department.

and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition.

Petition for Administrative Hearing

the proposed project.

file the petition with:

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FIRST INSERTION

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE PERMIT The Department of Transportation gives notice of its intent to issue a permit to Babcock Property Holdings, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company, 42850 Crescent Loop, Suite 200, Babcock Ranch, FL 33982 for a Driveway Connection Permit for the installation of a Turn Lane Extension to be located on State Road 31, Babcock Ranch Entrance DD. The Department has assigned Permit ID No: 2019-A-192-00067 to the proposed project.

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

This action is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. Petition for Administrative Hearing

A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative hearing under Sections 120.569 and 120.57. F.S. If you dispute the facts stated in the Notice of Intended Department Action (hereinafter Notice), you may petition for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 120.57(1), F.S. If you agree with the facts stated in the Notice, you may petition for an informal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 120.57(2), F.S. You must file the petition with:

Clerk of Agency Proceedings Department of Transportation Haydon Burns Building 605 Suwannee Street, M.S. 58

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0458

The petition for an administrative hearing must conform to the requirements of Rule 28-106.201(2) or Rule 28-106.301(2), F.A.C., and be filed with the Clerk of Agency Proceedings by 5:00 p.m. no later than 21 days after publication or 21 days after you received the Notice, whichever occurs first. The petition must include a copy of the Notice, be legible, on 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ by 11-inch white paper, and contain:

- Your name, address and telephone number, any Department of Transportation 1. identifying number on the Notice, if known, the name and identification number of each agency affected, if known, and the name, address and telephone number of your representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding;
- 2. An explanation of how your substantial interests may be affected by the action described in the Notice;
- A statement of when and how you received the Notice;
- 4. A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, you must so indicate:
- A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts 5. you contend warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, as well as an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules and statutes you contend require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action:
- A statement of the relief sought, stating precisely the action you wish the agen-6. cy to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

If there are disputed issues of material fact a formal hearing will be held, where you may present evidence and argument on all issues involved and conduct crossexamination. If there are no disputed issues of material fact an informal hearing will be held, where you may present evidence or a written statement for consideration by the Department.

Mediation, pursuant to Section 120.573, F.S., may be available if agreed to by all parties, and on such terms as may be agreed upon by all parties. The right to an administrative hearing is not affected when mediation does not result in a settlement.

Your petition for an administrative hearing shall be dismissed if it is not in substantial compliance with the above requirements of Rule 28-106.201(2) or Rule 28-106.301(2), F.A.C. If you fail to timely file your petition in accordance with the above requirements, you will have waived your right to have the intended action reviewed pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S., and the action set forth in the Notice shall be conclusive and final.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

July 31, 2020

CASE NO. 18000712CA THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-18, Plaintiff, vs. MYRA BLACK, et. al.,

Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure filed November 26, 2019 entered in Civil Case No. 18000712CA of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Charlotte County, Punta Gorda, Florida, wherein THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWABS. INC. ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-18 is Plaintiff and MYRA BLACK, et. al., are Defendants, the Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.charlotte.realforeclose.com in

GORDA ISLES, SECTION 20, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RE-CORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 2A-2Z42, OF THE PUB-LIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this day of 7/24/2020. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT As Clerk of the Court (SEAL) BY: R. Ellison Deputy Clerk

MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC, ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF 110 SE 6TH STREET

FIRST INSERTION NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20-636-CP Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF MARY BETH PAXTON Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Mary Beth Paxton, deceased, whose date of death was February 16, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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FIRST INSERTION NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20000632cp Division PROBATE IN RE: ESTATE OF VICKI R. GARRETT

of VICKI R. GARRETT, deceased, whose date of death was May 20, 2020; is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, FL 33948. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case No.: 19-1245-CA

RALEIGH HOUSE OF PORT CHARLOTTE - A CONDOMINIUM, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, Plaintiff, vs. LORRAINE DOROTHY SULLIVAN

and IRVING NICHOLAS LOCKNER; its devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against them and all unknown natural persons, if alive and if not known to be dead or alive, their several and respective spouses, heirs, devisees grantees, and creditors or other parties claiming by, through, or under those unknown natural persons and their several unknown assigns, successors in interest trustees, or any other persons claiming by through, under or against any corporation or other legal entity named as a defendant and all claimants, persons or parties natural or corporate whose exact status is unknown, claiming under any of the above named or described defendants or parties who are claiming to have any right, title or interest in and to the lands hereafter described; PATRICIA NIEDERMYER and UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF PATRICIA NIEDERMYER; EDWARD A. LUPPE, JR., and UNKNOWN SPOURSE OF EDWARD A. LUPPE. JR.; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LORRAINE DOROTHY SULLIVAN and UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF IRVING NICHOLAS LOCKNER UNKNOWN TENANT #1; and UNKNOWN TENANT#2, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Charlotte County, Florida, shall sell the property at public sale to the highest bidder for cash, except as forth hereinafter, on Sepset tember 17, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. at www. charlotte.realforeclose.com, in ac-cordance with Chapter 45 Florida Statutes, the following-described real property: Unit 113, Raleigh House of Port Charlotte, A Condominium, as shown and defined on the survey, plot plan and graphic description of improvements thereof as recorded in Condominium Book 1, Page 32 of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida, as from time to time amended and recorded. Together with an appurtenance to said unit an undivided interest in and to the common elements as set forth in the Declaration of Condominium of Raleigh House of Port Charlotte A Condominium, as recorded in O.R. Book 466, Page 370 of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida, as from time to time amended and recorded. Commonly known as 21280 Brinson Avenue, #113, Port

Charlotte, Florida 33952 The said sale will be made pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure of

the Charlotte Circuit/County Court of Charlotte County, Florida, in Civil Ac-tion No. 2019-1245-CA, Plaintiff vs. Lorraine Dorothy Sullivan and Irving Nicholas Lockner, Defendants.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this day of 07/27/2020. ROGER D. EATON, Clerk (SEAL) By: R. Ellison

Deputy Clerk

Ernest W. Sturges, Jr., Esq., 701 JC Center Court, Suite 3, Port Charlotte, FL 33954 July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00591T

titioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Fam-ily Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, re-quires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. Date July 29th, 2020

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT (SEAL) By: K. Kossick Deputy Clerk July 31; August 7, 14, 21, 2020

20-00598T

SUBSEQUENT INSERTIONS

Deceased.

The administration of the estate

set forth below.

IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, In the Interest of:

20-00600T

FLORIDA Case No.: 2019-DR-001199 Division: Family / DR

NOTICE OF ACTION

FOR PETITION FOR ADOPTION BY

EXTENDED FAMILY

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF 20TH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,

Elijah Mark Bartow, a minor child, Carol Bartow and Mark Bartow, Petitioners, and

Ember G. Chambers (a.k.a. Bartow), Respondent.

TO: Ember G. Chamber (a.k.a. Bartow) 3224 Gussie Street, Punta Gorda, Flor ida 33950

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Temporary Custody has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Carol Bartow and Mark Bartow, whose address is 3224 Gussie Street, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, on or before September 3rd, 2020, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 350 East Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, before service on Pe-

accordance with Chapter 45 Florida Statutes at 11:00 AM on the 18th day of September 2020 on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment:

LOT 24, BLOCK 594, PUNTA

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301 6436654 18-00771-2 July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00589T

FIRST INSERTION

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of RG Home Services located at 23 Albacore Circle, in the County of Charlotte, in the City of Port Charlotte, Florida 33948 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida Dated at Port Charlotte, Florida, this 28th day of July, 2020. Richard Guarnieri 20-00597T July 31, 2020

FIRST INSERTION

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under fictitious name of Hello Garage of Sarasota located at 18478 Arapahoe Cir. in the County of Charlotte in the City of Port Charlotte,

Florida 33948 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Charlotte, Florida, this 29th day of JULY, 2020. JRC Operations of Florida LLC July 31, 2020 20-00599T

FIRST INSERTION

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that SHANE COGSWELL, LLC , owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of COGSWELL CONSTRUCTION located at 7341 SWISS BLVD, PUNTA GORDA, FL

33982 intends to register the said name in CHARLOTTE county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes. July 31, 2020 20-00596T



ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SEC-TION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this

BARRED.

notice is July 31, 2020.

Personal Representative: Edison H. Paxton

235 Arlington Dr. Placida, Florida 33946 Attorney for Personal Representative: Tina M. Mays, Attorney Florida Bar Number: 0726044 Mizell & Mays Law Firm, P.A. 331 Sullivan Street, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 Telephone: (941) 575-9291/ Fax: (941) 575-9296 E-Mail: tmays@mizell-law.com Secondary E-Mail: ndotres@mizell-law.com July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00584T

THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SEC-TION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is: July 31, 2020. SHERRA J. FRITZ

Personal Representative 2526 W. Scarlet Oak Court SARASOTA, Florida, 34232 Dave M. Evans, Jr. Attorney for Personal Representative Email: devans@hgreglee.com Secondary Email: skrauss@hgreglee.com Florida Bar No. 1013511 H. Greg Lee, P.A. 2601 Cattlemen Road, 503 Sarasota, Florida 34232 Telephone: 941-954-0067 July 31; August 7, 2020 20-00585T

CALL 941-906-9386 and select the appropriate County name from the menu option or e-mail legal@businessobserverfl.com Busine

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FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20-646-CP Division PROBATE IN RE: ESTATE OF JUDITH C. ALLEN, A/K/A JUDITH CAROL ALLEN, A/K/A JUDY CAROL ALLEN Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Judith C. Allen, a/k/a Judith Carol Allen, a/k/a Judy Carol Allen, deceased ,whose date of death was July 4, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Charlotte County Justice Center, 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AF-TER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent

and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SEC-TION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is July 24, 2020.

Personal Representative: /s/ David Campoli David Campoli

15724 Autry Circle Port Charlotte, Florida 33981 Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ Ellie K. Harris Ellie K. Harris, Attorney Florida Bar Number: 0021671 Schwarz & Harris 17841 Murdock Circle Port Charlotte, FL 33948 Telephone: (941) 625-4158 Fax: (941) 625-5460 E-Mail: e-service@schwarzlaw.net Secondary E-Mail: joy@schwarzlaw.net July 24, 31, 2020

20-00571T

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

JULY 31 - AUGUST 6, 2020

SECOND INSERTION

Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice Hide-Away Storage - Punta Gorda located at 6221 Marlympia Way, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the Facility by the below Occupants whom are in default at an Auction. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures.com on 8/12/2020 at 10:00am. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Michelle Tapner unit #A034. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details July 24, 31, 2020 20-00567T

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF ACTION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 20000567CA

DUANE and MELINDA CURTIS, Plaintiffs, VS. JEANETTE FESI and AUGUST D. FESI, JR., Successor Trustee, Defendants.

TO: JEANETTE FESI and AUGUST D. FESI, JR., Successor Trustee, if alive, or if dead, their unknown spouses, widows, widowers, heirs, devisees, creditors, grantees, and all parties having or claiming by, through, under, or against them, and any and all persons claiming any right, title, interest, claim, lien, estate or demand against the Defendants in regards to the following-described property in Charlotte County, Florida:

Lot 9, Block 3672, Port Char-lotte Subdivision, Section 65, a subdivision according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 6, Pages 3A thru 3P, of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida. Parcel ID No.: 412012351009

Notice is hereby given to each of you that an action to quiet title to the above-described property has been filed against you and you are required to serve your written defenses on Plaintiff's attorney, Sandra A. Sutliff, 3440 Conway Blvd., Suite 1-C, Port Charlotte, FL 33952, and file the original with the

CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2019CA000667 DIVISION: CIRCUIT CIVIL FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB, Plaintiff, vs. SHIRLEY ANNE SAVAGE; UNKNOWN TENANT IN **POSSESSION 1; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 2,** Defendants.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Order on Plaintiff's Motion to Cancel and Reschedule Foreclosure Sale entered on June 26, 2020 in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on September 2, 2020 at 11:00 a.m., at www.charlotte. realforeclose.com:

LOT 1, BLOCK 165, PORT CHARLOTTE SUBDIVISION, SECTION 8, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGES 16A THROUGH 16Y AND 16ZI THROUGH 1627, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 507 CICE-ST NORTHWEST, PORT RO CHARLOTTE, FL 33948 ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN IN-

TEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN

NOTICE OF SALE

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT. IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Clerk of the Circuit Court, Charlotte County, 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950, on or before August 25th, 2020, or otherwise a default judgment will be entered against you for the relief sought in the Complaint. THIS NOTICE will be published

once each week for four consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published in Charlotte County, Florida.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is lo-cated at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711

DATED this 20th day of July, 2020 Clerk of the Court (SEAL) By: K. Kossick Deputy Clerk

SANDRA A. SUTLIFF, ESQ. 3440 Conway Blvd., Suite 1-C Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941) 743-0046 e-mail: Ssutlaw@aol.com FL Bar # 0857203 July 24, 31; August 7, 14, 2020 20-00573T

SECOND INSERTION

THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM BEFORE THE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated: 07/21/2020.

ROGER D. EATON, CLERK CHARLOTTE COUNTY CLERK OF COURT (Court Seal) By: R. Ellison Deputy Clerk MICHELLE A. DELEON, ESQUIRE QUINTAIROS, PRIETO, WOOD & BOYER, P.A. 255 SOUTH ORANGE AVENUE, SUITE 900 ORLANDO, FL 32801 SERVICECOPIES@QPWBLAW.COM ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF Matter # 133840 July 24, 31, 2020 20-00580T

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A/K/A: 3604 STOCKTON RD, PORT CHARLOTTE, FL 33953. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN IN-TEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS. MUST FILE A CLAIM BEFORE THE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notifi-cation if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Dated 07/22/2020. ROGER D. EATON CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Charlotte County, Florida (SEAL) R. Ellison DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT Submitted By: Attorney for Plaintiff: FLORIDA COMMUNITY LAW GROUP, P.L. Attorneys for Plaintiff 1855 Griffin Road, Suite A-423 Dania Beach, FL 33004 Tel: (954) 372-5298 Fax: (866) 424-5348 Email: jared@flclg.com 20-00583T July 24, 31, 2020

Business

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO. 20000528CP IN RE: ESTATE OF BILLY GENE TIPTON,

Deceased. The administration of the Estate of BILLY GENE TIPTON, deceased, whose date of death was January 26, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address is 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The personal representative's and the personal representative's attorney names and addresses are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SER-VICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 20 CP 626 **Division Probate** IN RE: ESTATE OF NICHOLAS JOSEPH CASCIO Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Nicholas Joseph Cascio, deceased, whose date of death was March 5, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and oth-

er persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20000581CP IN RE: ESTATE OF: **ROBERT JEROME ARMSTRONG,** also known as

ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG,

Deceased. The administration of the Estate of ROBERT JEROME ARMSTRONG, also known as ROBERT J. ARM-STRONG, Deceased, whose date of death was May 6, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the Decedent's Estate, on whom a copy of this Notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this Court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN THE FLORIDA STATUTES WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The first publication of this notice is July 24, 2020. DONNIE GENE TIPTON

Personal Representative		
Richard M. Ricciardi, Jr., Esquire		
RICHARD M. RICCIARDI, JR., ESQ.		
Florida Bar No. 90567		
Powell, Jackman, Stevens,		
& Ricciardi, P.A.		
12381 S. Cleveland Ave., Suite 200		
Fort Myers, FL 33907		
Phone: (239) 689-1096		
Fax: (239) 791-8132		
E-mail: rricciardi@your-advocates.org		
July 24, 31, 2020 20-00579T		

file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS

NOTICE ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SEC-TION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this

notice is July 24, 2020. Personal Representative: Nicholas J. Cascio

211 51st Street

Lindenhurst, New York 11757 Attorney for Personal Representative: James Ŵ. Mallonee, Attorney Florida Bar Number: 0638048 JAMES W MALLONEE PA 946 Tamiami Trail, #206 Port Charlotte, FL 33953-3108 Telephone: (941) 206-2223 Fax: (941) 206-2224 E-Mail: jmallonee@jameswmallonee.com Secondary E-Mail:

jcarter@jameswmallonee.com July 24, 31, 2020 20-00570T

OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the Decedent's Estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SEC-TION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is: July 24, 2020. SHARON ARMSTRONG

Personal Representative 282 Annapolis Lane Rotonda West, FL 33947 Kathryn L. Ritchie, Esquire Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Bar No. 102539 Kathryn L. Ritchie, P.A. 1009 W. Cleveland Street

Tampa, FL 33606 Telephone: 813-47

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY Pursuant to the lien granted by the Florida Self-Storage Facility Act, notice is hereby given that the undersigned self-storage units will be sold at a public sale by competitive bidding, to satisfy the lien of the Lessor, with Metro Storage LLC as managing agent for Lessor, for rental and other charges due from the undersigned. The said property has been stored and is located at the respective address below. Units up for auction will be listed for public bidding on-line at www.StorageTreasures.com (Chris Rosa Auctioneer License AU 4167) beginning five days prior to the scheduled auction date and time. The terms of the sale will be by lot to the highest bidder for cash only. A 10% buyer's premium will be charged per unit. All sales are final. Metro Self Storage LLC reserves the right to withdraw any or all units, partial or entire, from the sale at any time before the sale or to refuse any bids. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted. All contents must be removed completely from the property within 48 hours or sooner or are deemed abandoned by bidder/buyer. Sale rules and regulations are available at the

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time of sale. Property includes the storage unit contents belonging to the following tenants at the following locations:

Metro Self Storage 1231 Kings Highway

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR

CHARLOTTE COUNTY,

FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 20000050CP Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF

BARBARA FETHERSTON

Deceased.

The administration of the estate of

Barbara Fetherston, deceased, whose date of death was November 23, 2019,

is pending in the Circuit Court for

Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E.

Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida

33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the

personal representative's attorney are

All creditors of the decedent and oth-

er persons having claims or demands

against decedent's estate on whom a

copy of this notice is required to be

served must file their claims with this

court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER

OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME

OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF

THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER

THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY

set forth below

Port	Charlotte, FL 33980)

The bidding will close on the website StorageTreasures.com and a high bidder will be selected on August 11, 2020 at 10AM

Occupant Name	<u>Unit</u>	Description of Property
Jason Kiley	04022	Household Items
James Stevens	05073	Household Items
Lynzi E. Stevens	07014	Household Items
Randy Pillinger, Randy Brian Pillinger	10016	Household Items, Car Parts
Laura L. Dixon	11006	Household Items
July 24, 31, 2020		20-00582T

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and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is July 24, 2020.

Personal Representative:

Nancy E. Carstens 409 Boundary Blvd Rotonda West, Florida 33947 Attorney for Personal Representative: David A. Dunkin, Attorney Florida Bar Number: 136726 Dunkin & Shirley, P.A. 170 West Dearborn Street Englewood, Florida 34223 Telephone: (941) 474-7753 Fax: (941) 475-1954 E-Mail: david@dunkinshirley.com July 24, 31, 2020 20-00568T

OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20000623CP **Division** Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF MICHAEL J. HURLEY

Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Michael J. Hurley, deceased, whose date of death was February 26, 2020. is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent

and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITH-IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is July 24, 2020.

Personal Representative: Denise Enright-Hurley

5000 Marina Dr. Port Charlotte, Florida 33952 Attorney for Personal Representative: Robert T. Napier, Attorney Florida Bar Number: 114939 Harrison & Held, LLP 801 Laurel Oak Dr., Ste 403 Naples, Florida 34108 Telephone: (239) 330-4345 E-Mail: rnapier@harrisonheld.com Secondary E-Mail: ckleinknecht@harrisonheld.com July 24, 31, 2020 20-00581T

CASE NO 20000275CA VIZCAYA LAKES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION INC, a Florida non-profit Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. MARGIE SHERMER; BEVERLY A REILLY, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 21, 2020 in Case No. 20000275CA in the Circuit Court in and for Charlotte County, Florida wherein VIZCAYA LAKES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION INC., a Florida nonprofit Corporation, is Plaintiff, and MARGIE SHERMER; BEVERLY A REILLY, et al, is the Defendant, I, Clerk of Court, Roger D. Eaton will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 11:00 A.M. (Eastern Time) on September 30, 2020. Foreclosure Auctions will be held online at www.charlotte.realforeclose. com in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes, the following described real property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:

LOTS 831 & 832, PLAN NO. 2 OF A PART OF WARD 1, EL JO-BEAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORD-ED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 47 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Email: klr@riethandritchie.com

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA File No. 2020 CP 538 Probate Division IN RE: ESTATE OF: CAROL CASTROVINCI Deceased.

The administration of the estate of CAROL CASTROVINCI, deceased, whose date of death was May 26, 2020; is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, FL 33948. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must July 24, 31, 2020 20-00577T file their claims with this court WITH-

IN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN

THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SEC-TION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20-596-CP Division PROBATE IN RE: ESTATE OF PRISCILLA L. BENSON, A/K/A PRISCILLA BENSON Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Priscilla L. Benson, a/k/a Priscilla Benson, deceased whose date of death was June 20, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Charlotte County Justice Center, 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AF-TER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or de-

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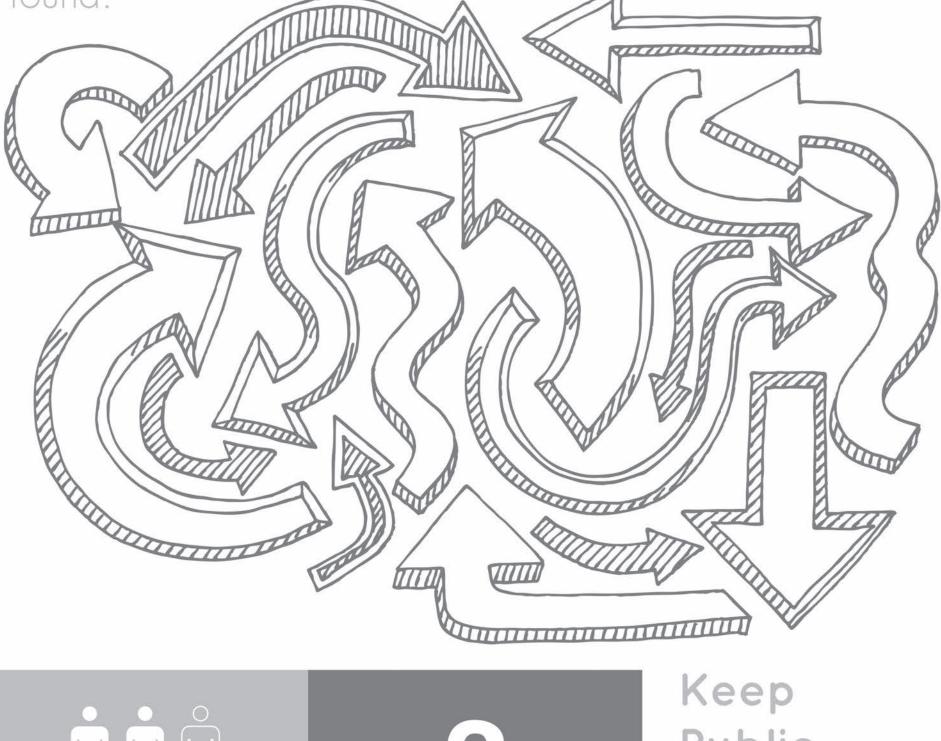
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WHEN PUBLIC NOTICES REACH THE PUBLIC, EVERYONE BENEFITS.

Some officials want to move notices from newspapers to government-run websites, where they may not be easily found.



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U.S. adults read a newspaper in print or online during the week.

Why try to fix something that isn't broken? Public Notices in Newspapers.

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PUBLIC NOTICES MAMERICAN Tradition

Public notice is an important tool in assuring an informed citizenry. Notices are mandated by legislatures to make sure there is a public window into the activities of governments, officers of the court and others holding a public trust. There are four key elements to a valid public notice. It should be executed by an entity outside the one mandated to provide notice, so proper checks and balances are in place.

A public notice informs citizens of government or government-related activities that affect citizens' everyday lives. A public notice typically has four elements:

• Independent: A public notice is published in a forum independent of the government, typically in a local newspaper.

• Archivable: A public notice is archived in a secure and publicly available format.

• Accessible: A public notice is capable of being accessed by all segments of society.

• Verifiable: The public and the source f the notice are able to verify that the notice was published, usually by an affidavit provided by the publisher.

(Adapted from the Public Resource Notice Center)

of housing trends.

conflict of interest.

Types of Public Notices

There are three standard types: Citizen participation notices inform the public about proposed government action and allow the public time to react to such proposals.

One such example is a public hearing notice.

• Business and commerce notices

The history of public notices

Public notices existed long before the emergence of newspapers. The concept itself began when early civilizations posted notices in public squares. This crude method was eventually refined with the publication of the first English language newspaper in 1665 – a court newspaper called the Oxford Gazette. After being renamed The London Gazette, this official newspaper carried notices from the King's Court, London

relate to government contracts and purchases. Notices of contract bids allow citizens to ensure that the government is operating in accordance with principles of equal opportunity and is acting responsibly in spending taxpayer money.

• Court notices are required of many non-governmental entities that

officials and outlying regions.

The American system is modeled after the British system. State governments published public notices before America's founding, and the newly-created federal government followed suit. In 1789, the Acts of the First Congress required the Secretary of State to publish all bills, orders, resolutions and congressional votes in at least three publicly available newspapers.

An important premise both in federal

and local governments of the United States, as well as in many republics around the world, is that information about government activities must be accessible for the electorate to make well-informed decisions.

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some way. Examples include no-

Public notices in newspapers still provide this accessibility to citizens who want to know more about government activities. Public notice laws serve to outline the most effective method of reaching the public.

substantive and procedural due process

Public notice supports due process

Public notices are integral to democratic governance and stem from the right to "due process of law" guaranteed by the federal and state constitutions. Due process of law protects Americans' rights from arbitrary or wrongful violations. This concept has two parts: substantive due process and procedural due process.

Substantive due process refers to the

types of rights that are protected. Procedural due process refers to the means of protecting those rights.

Substantive due process ensures that certain basic rights are not violated, while procedural due process may require suitable notice and a hearing before a government or court-appointed body can act in a way that may affect those basic rights.

Public notices play a vital role in

because they provide a window into government actions and also afford notice to citizens of actions about to take place so they may exercise their constitutional right to be heard. Notification not only informs the individual or entity most directly affected, but it also informs the public, which has an interest in knowing how public powers are being used.

THE RISKS OF NOTICES **ONLY ON THE INTERNET**

Although it has been part of American society for a guarter-century as a network for scholars and government agencies, the Internet has been widely used by citizens for about 15 years.

Because of its structure with computer clients and servers, information packets and open-network codes, the Internet remains vulnerable and sometimes unstable. Power surges, corrupted software and downed servers can disrupt access. Government agencies cannot ensure that information located on a server is secure.

Even a highly technological site like that of the Pentagon's has been affected. In June 2007, the Pentagon was forced to take about 1,500 computers off-line because of a cyberattack. Then-Defense Department Secretary Robert Gates stated that the Pentagon sees hundreds of attacks every day.

Public notices guard our constitutional right to due process of law by informing citizens of government action and providing proof of publication via notarized affidavits of publication. Unlike the time-tested and trusted local newspapers that citizens have come to rely on for public notices, the Internet is an unstable medium for information. While it is valuable tool in disseminating information, it has not vet reached a level of sophistication and technological stability that would justify its supplanting newspapers as the primary venue for public notices.

It is still uncertain how a "Net" affidavit could show proof of a public notice publication when constant technological change makes any attempt at archiving and accessing such a document online for any significant time dubious.

No less problematic for the Internet is its reach. Those who live in rural areas where broadband does not exist and others who simply cannot afford the Internet cannot access web public notices. In situations where foreclosures are on the rise due, in part, to predatory mortgage lending, more, not less, access to public notices is needed to better inform citizens about their rights and their choices.

It is difficult to justify, then, moving public notices from newspapers only to publicnotice Web sites administered either by already over-burdened state governments or by third-party vendors who lack the experience and long-term viability newspapers have proven in publishing notices.

So far in the Internet age, newspapers remain the most trusted and primary method for providing citizens access to public notices.

WHY NEWSPAPERS?

Newspapers are the primary source

Newspapers, founded on the constitutional right of free press, have been serving the public's right to know in America since precolonial times and on the European continent since the 17th century. Because of their traditional information role in society and their long-established independence, newspa

public traditionally has regarded as neutral. Public notices in this print environment gain credibility because of the long history of trust in the local newspaper.

Placing notices on government Web sites undermines this neutral interest and removes a critical check and balance. While it may seem appealing on the surface in an age of

providing public notices to the population through legal communities. Other general interest newspapers, such as county seat weeklies, are the forum where county citizens expect to locate notices of important public business. Furthermore, the

vast majority of these notices arrive at citizens' homes in a context that compels readership (amid local news, sports features and other content). Another reason for the effectiveness of newspapers is that newspapers provide valid evidence of readership. Legislatures are rightly concerned about web-only notices, given the digital divide between rich and poor, rural and urban residents. The Internet is either too costly or simply geographically unavailable to large segments of society.

move notices of federal asset forfeitures out of newspapers and onto a Web site administered by the Department of Justice. Yet, the courts have little research to show that the Justice Department's Web site will produce viable, ac-

cessible, archivable notices. While Internet web

pages pose serious archiving challenges, newspapers, on the other hand, become historical documents. They are oriented and published with a date on every page. They cannot be deceptively altered after printing as a web page could. Historians, judges, lawyers, genealogists and researchers, to name only a few, use newspapers and public notices in particular as sources for records.

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pers remain the primary source for publishing public notices.

Upholding the public's right to know is essential to our country's way of life. Our government governs with the consent of the people, and this consent must be informed. Local newspapers keep the public informed about the inner workings of their respective state and local governments, thereby allowing citizens to participate more fully in the democratic process. Without this participation, the potential for misguided policies increases.

Newspaper tradition

Newspapers allow the government to notify the public of government actions. The government has a fundamental responsibility to ensure adequate notification to the public of its actions. Therefore, the government has a duty to make sure the methods used in satisfying this responsibility are the most effective.

Newspapers provide neutrality from government and credible distance from political pressures or partisan disagreements. Local and community newspapers serve as third-party reporters to the public, publishing information that can be beneficial or sometimes detrimental to the government's public image. They provide an environment for notices that the

ever-more sophisticated government Web sites, the potential for mishandling is great.

On the other hand, public notices in independent newspapers increase government transparency by opening up the decisionmaking process to the public's eyes. Without this oversight, local governments could enact controversial policies without input from the public.

Newspapers serve as effective monitors of governments and ensure that they publish information as required by law. Public notices are typically required by a statute or a regulation. The independent press can provide a valuable civic role by helping to monitor that the notices were published when required. If governments were responsible for publishing their own notices, no neutral and independent entity would have the incentive and the means to track public-notice publication.

Newspapers: The best medium for public notices

Newspapers, for the most of the republic's history, have been the accepted medium for public notices. This is exactly where the public, even infrequent readers, expects to find them. In addition, specialized publications, such as legal newspapers, are well known for

Notices become historical records

The newspaper as paper of record is an important factor in the public policy of notices. Government Web sites cannot provide a secure archival history the way newspapers can. Electronic records lack permanence and can easily be intentionally or accidentally erased. Even the Library of Congress has recognized this shortcoming and has embarked upon a major project to attempt to archive digital records that are in danger of being "forever lost" due to Internet impermanence.

Despite these problems, the federal courts unwisely approved a rule change to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure recently that would

Newspaper notices protect due process

Procedural due process, as granted by the U.S. Constitution and interpreted

by courts, generally requires an individual to receive notice and a hearing before he or she is deprived of certain rights or property. For example, before a person's home is sold by a county sheriff at a foreclosure sale, he or she must receive notice of the foreclosure sale and an opportunity to save the house from foreclosure. If the owner does not receive the notice, he may challenge the sale in court. The court may then void the sale or prevent the sale from happening to protect due process.

Newspapers are generally paid to run public notices, which recognizes that their publication creates a cost in paper, ink and delivery.