



IN THE GENERAL SESSIONS COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, TENNESSEE AT SAVANNAH

JASON GODWIN, PLAINTIFF, VS. MARLENA GODWIN, DEFENDANT. Docket No. 21-DV-10

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

IN THIS CAUSE, it appearing that the Defendant, MARLENA GODWIN's, whereabouts are presently unknown and cannot be ascertained upon diligent inquiry, so that ordinary process cannot be served upon her. Defendant, MARLENA GODWIN, is hereby required to serve her Answer to the Complaint for Divorce to Terry Dicus, Attorney at Law, 360 Main Street, Savannah, Tennessee 38372, the attorney for Plaintiff, on or before the 23rd day of March, 2021, said date being 30 days after the fourth publication of this Order. If said Defendant fails to do so, Judgment by Default will be taken for the relief demanded in the Complaint for Divorce. It is further ordered that this notice be published in *The Courier*, 375 Main Street, Savannah, Tennessee 38372 for four (4) consecutive weeks.

Witness, Diane Polk, Clerk of said General Sessions Court at office in the Hardin County Courthouse, Savannah, Tennessee, on this 20th day of January, 2021.

/s/ Daniel L. Smith, Judge 24th Judicial District
/s/ Terry Dicus, BPR# 028003
Attorney for JASON GODWIN
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Savannah, TN 38372
(731) 438-3680

(1284tc)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF BEN ("BENNY") WARREN AUSTIN

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of January, 2021, Letters Testamentary (or of administration as the case may be) in respect to the estate of BEN ("BENNY") WARREN AUSTIN, who died on January 3, 2021, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hardin County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the date of the decedent's date of death. This the 8th day of January 2021.

/s/ Greta Austin, Personal Representative/Administratrix
/s/ J. Gilbert Parrish, Jr., Attorney for the Estate
/s/ Martha S. Smith, Clerk and Master

(1212tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF LOUISE M. SMITH

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of January, 2021, Letters Testamentary (or of administration as the case may be) in respect to the estate of Louise M. Smith, who died on November 17, 2020, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hardin County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same in triplicate with the Clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the date of the decedent's date of death. This the 8th day of January 2021.

/s/ David Burl Smith
/s/ John J. Ross, Attorney for the Estate
/s/ Martha S. Smith, Clerk and Master

(1212tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF DONALD DEMING COLEMAN, SR.

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of January, 2021, Letters in respect to the estate of Donald Deming Coleman, Sr., who died on October 25, 2020, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hardin County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same in triplicate with the Clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the date of the decedent's date of death. This the 15th day of January 2021.

/s/ Virginia Sue Smith, Executor
/s/ John J. Ross, Attorney for the Estate
/s/ Martha S. Smith, Clerk and Master

(1282tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF MARY JOYCE MELSON

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of January, 2021, Letters Testamentary (or of administration as the case may be) in respect to the estate of MARY JOYCE MELSON, who died on June 3, 2020, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hardin County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or un-matured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the date of the decedent's date of death. This the 12th day of January 2021.

/s/ Deborah Hill, Executrix
/s/ Joe Brown, Attorney for the Estate
/s/ Martha S. Smith, Clerk and Master

(1212tp)

PUBLIC AUTO SALE

February 11, 2021 at 10 a.m.

2001 Pontiac Grand Prix.....1G2WK52J81F171332

To be sold at

Harbert Hills Body Shop • 25 Moon Way
Savannah, TN 38372

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Savannah TN 2020 HOME Grant

The City of Savannah is now taking applications for the 2020 HOME grant.

Applications may be picked up at City Hall (140 Main St) Monday-Friday 8 am to 5 pm or at the Southwest Human Resource Agency (885 Pickwick St) Monday-Friday 8 am to 4:30 pm. Applications will need to be turned in with all required documentation no later than February 12, 2021. Any questions please call Terry Hulen and Nick Taylor at 731-925-8007 or Patti Pickler and Edna Johnson at 1-800-497-1286.

Hearing

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In one of their two vehicles a shotgun was found, that a Tennessee Bureau of Investigation agent testified was consistent with inflicting Diss' fatal wounds.

The other witness who testified is Laurence Holland, who said he lives near where Diss lived, and that the two were good friends of about two years and co-workers in the construction field.

Holland testified that at 1:24 a.m. on the morning of Oct. 6 (and he "knows because my wife knows; she looked at the clock"), Byram came banging on his front door.

He said Byram had blood on his left hand, and yelled "Brian (Diss) hit me in the head with a hammer! I'm gonna f'ing kill him!"

Holland said Byram was "obviously drunk - you could tell, and it's not unusual for us all to be drinking up there."

He said he asked Byram, "Why did you bring this to my house?" and told him to go home, calm down, and it could all be sorted out later.

"He just kept yelling, 'I'm gonna (expletive deleted) kill him!'" Holland said, adding that Byram eventually left in his sports utility vehicle.

He testified he never saw any type of wound to Byram's head, as if from a hammer blow, and that he didn't believe Byram's claim. He and Diss "swung hammers all day. If he'd have hit him in the head with a hammer, he'd be dead," Holland explained.

Holland said he went back to bed because he'd heard idle

threats before when people were drinking and fighting.

"If I thought he was actually going to kill Brian (Diss), I would have called the police," he said.

Holland found Diss' body two days later, and called the police.

The testimony of Chacon, who is also charged in the incident as an accessory after the fact, generally matched Holland's, with one notable exception.

She said that Byram came home angry, that Byram said Diss hit him with a hammer, and that Byram said he was going to kill Diss.

She also testified Byram told her to pack their things, and gave details about their flight to Illinois, as well as a short summary of her and Byram's relationship. Chacon further said she saw a wound on the back of Byram's head.

She described Byram as "very disoriented, bleeding from the head, he had head trauma, and he told me that Brian hit him with a hammer, and said Brian was trying to kill him."

Assistant District Attorney Vance Dennis asked Chacon if Byram got a gun after coming home and telling her about the incident.

"Yes; it was behind the door, it was a shotgun. He said he was going to kill Brian (Diss) because he hit him with a hammer. He told me to pack," she replied.

She added, "I told him he shouldn't do anything, and he just told me again to pack."

She described the two of them leaving their home briefly to locate a cell signal, a difficult task in that area of the county, but that they separated soon after, to meet up again later at

the Savannah Walmart.

When they reunited in Savannah, she said Byram "didn't want to talk about what happened, but he said he had four or five shotgun shells to begin with, and he only had two left."

The two then began their flight to Illinois, where they'd located a random but free camping site online, she said. They were apprehended shortly after arriving.

There was also testimony from two TBI agents. The agent who testified about the shotgun found in Byram's vehicle also testified about other recovered evidence, and how they developed Byram as a suspect and then located him. The other agent gave testimony of a similar nature.

Analysis of testimony

The crucial testimony heard by General Sessions Judge Danny Smith - what likely led him to decide probable cause exists to bind Byram over to the next Hardin County Grand Jury - was given by Chacon and Holland.

They each testified Byram said he and Diss were fighting, and that Byram said he was going to kill Diss. Chacon testified that after Byram told her that, he retrieved a shotgun from their home. She testified they separated for a short period of time, and when they met back up, he said he'd "had four or five shotgun shells to begin with, and he had two left."

Diss was later found murdered, blasted multiple times by a shotgun.

But what if Diss did in fact hit Byram in the head with a hammer?

If the Grand Jury issues a true bill of indictment against

harmful and negative.

It is important to believe no matter our current circumstances that we can do better and can be better tomorrow than we are today in our journey with grief. A great deal of this accomplishment depends upon whether we believe in ourselves and our hope for tomorrow. Martin Luther King Jr. in his "I have a dream" speech stated repeatedly that, "We can never be satisfied...as we walk, we must make the pledge that we shall always march ahead."

No matter what loss you are coping with, you are able to rebuild your life by believing better of yourself. We all need support in life. None of us are an island to ourselves. We need assistance occasionally from family, friends, and, when available, others outside these. Let us join together and support one another in believing we can believe better.

Shackelford's grief support group, Sunrise Aftercare, is held every third Thursday,

Sunrise Aftercare - Believe better

David Coy

Shackelford's Grief Counselor
sunrise@sfdcares.com

There were two buckets in a well. They were both in the same well, but aside from that, they were different. One was very unhappy and often complained because no matter how full he came up, he always went down empty. The other bucket found cause for rejoicing because no matter how empty he went down, he always came up full (housetohouse.com).

Some say perspective is reality. Perspective is important to be sure, and sometimes can change reality. In the book, *The Healing Heart*, the story is told of a patient who heard the physician say they had TS (acronym for Tricuspid Stenosis), and then walked out of the room. The patient's condition worsened in the coming weeks because they misunderstood the meaning of TS and thought the worse. Our perceptions can be incorrect and be harmful if negative, just as words can be

at 6 p.m., in the conference room of the TVEC. David Coy of Shackelford is the facilitator. Unity Hospice Care is a partner.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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I am filing for a new title for a
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Savannah Housing Authority is developing its Agency Plan for 2021 in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. It will be available at the Authority's office located at 80 Jefferson Street, Savannah, TN 38372. The Authority's hours are 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday. Additionally, a public hearing to discuss the Agency Plan will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Authority's office.

PUBLIC NOTICE - TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES

These roads will be closed to through traffic starting Wednesday, February 10, 2021:

Airways Blvd. from Florence Rd. to Oak Hill Dr.
East End Dr. from Wayne Rd. to Holt St.

The Savannah Utility Department will be performing sewer system upgrades, and the work is expected to take four days to complete.

For more details visit <https://cityofsavannah.org> or call our office at (731) 925-4216.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SAVANNAH CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS

The City Commission will meet as follows:
Study Session - Monday, February 1, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Regular Monthly Meeting - Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

All meetings are held at Savannah City Hall, 140 Main Street, Savannah, TN 38372.

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, a medical screening will be conducted on all attendees immediately upon entering City Hall. Also, social distancing will be observed in the City Hall courtroom seating area for all attendees. Any person with a disability needing special accommodations should call 731-925-3300 prior to the above-mentioned time.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

DELINQUENT 2019 COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES

To Delinquent Taxpayers: You are advised that after February 1, 2021 additional penalties and costs will be imposed on consequence of suits to be filed for enforcement of the lien for taxes against land; until the filing of such suits, taxes may be paid at my office.

CURRENT 2020 COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES

The 2020 County Property taxes become delinquent March 1, 2021. Pay 2020 County Taxes in the Trustee's Office by February 28, 2021, or by mail to avoid penalty.

The state of Tennessee requires that applications for tax relief on 2020 County taxes and all credit vouchers that have been issued to qualified tax payers must be applied to their taxes prior to March 1, 2021. Credit vouchers will not be honored in any form after February 28, 2021.
Thank you, Linda L. McCasland, Trustee

CONTRACTORS WANTED

Southwest Human Resource Agency is currently seeking Contractors to work in the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). This program is designed to assist low-income households in reducing energy costs by installing Weatherization measures to their home. SWHRA provides Weatherization Assistance for the followings counties: Chester, Decatur, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Madison, McNairy, Benton, Carroll, Gibson, Henry and Weakley.

Contractors will be required to have a minimum of 3 years industry experience installing weatherization measures -or- will be required to complete a certified training program; must have a current Tennessee General Contractor or Home Improvement license, Liability and Workers' Comp Insurance. Contractors will also be required to attend OSHA Training, become an EPA Lead-Based Certified Firm, register with the System for Award Management.

If interested, please call Southwest HRA's Community Services Department at (731) 989-5111 or 1-800-372-6013