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Any questions please  
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**SCC is looking to hire the following:**

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**Start Date:** August 1, 2025

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## LEGALS

### Notice of Quiet

#### Title Action

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RIPLEY COUNTY STATE OF INDIANA CAUSE NO. 69C01-2506-PL-000004 TAMMY J. WILEY, f/k/a Tammy J. Johnson, Plaintiff, vs. HEIRS OF CHARLES W. FERGUSON and CLARA M. FERGUSON, and ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF'S TITLE OR ANY CLOUD UPON PLAINTIFF'S TITLE THERETO, Defendants.

To: Defendants named above and any other person or entity concerned:

You have been sued by the Plaintiff above. The suit is a Complaint to Quiet Title upon real estate located in Ripley County, State of Indiana, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Lots Numbered 3 and 4 in Pendergast Addition to the Town of Versailles. **EXCEPTING THEREFROM**, a strip of land 82 feet wide off of the East end of Lots Numbered 3 and 4 as marked, laid out and designated on the recorded plat of Pendergast's Addition to the Town of Versailles, Ripley County, Indiana.

Plaintiff has also filed an Affidavit showing that the residence and the whereabouts of unknown parties who may claim to have an interest in the real estate that is the purpose of this litigation, upon diligent inquiry, are unknown.

To all Defendants named, known, unknown, wife, husband, widower, heirs, devisees: the purpose of this legal proceeding is to quiet title to the above described real estate.

You must answer the Complaint, in writing, within thirty (30) days commencing the date after the final publication of this notice, or judgment may be entered against you as demanded in the Complaint. If judgment is entered quieting title to the Plaintiff, such judgment shall be against all demands, claims, claimants and the world.

Dated at Versailles, Indiana, on June 19, 2025.

/s/ Liz Baumgartner  
Clerk, Ripley Circuit Court  
Spencer J. Gilland,  
#32353-16

Attorney for Plaintiff  
123 S Main Street  
P. O. Box 275  
Versailles, IN 47042  
Telephone (812) 689-5111

### Notice of

#### Administration

IN THE RIPLEY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT PROBATE DIVISION CAUSE NO. 69C01-2506-EU-000026 STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF RIPLEY IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF CAROLE G. MARTINI, DECEASED.

In the Circuit of Ripley County, Indiana

In the matter of the Estate of Carole G. Martini, deceased. Estate Number: 69C01-2506-EU-000026

Notice is hereby given that Michael Martini was on June 23, 2025, appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Carole G. Martini, deceased, who died on May 29, 2024.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Versailles, Indiana, on 6/23/2025.

Liz Baumgartner  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Ripley County

Prepared by:  
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# A night of celebration and impact at the RCCF Annual Dinner

The Ripley County Community Foundation recently hosted its Annual Dinner for an evening of reflection and gratitude. Guests gathered to honor the Foundation's accomplishments, recognize dedicated leaders, and share stories that brought the year's successes to life.

### Year in Review:

The night began by celebrating the Ripley County Community Foundation's progress over the past year as it granted \$700,000 into the community in 2024 supporting 760 projects and programs. Attendees heard heartfelt reflections from grantees and community leaders, illustrating how the Ripley County Community Foundation is the keystone of local philanthropy, and how its efforts are enriching the quality of life in Ripley County. Jodi Comer, representing Jac-Cen-Del High School Dollars for Scholars, and Jonathan Maple, of the Margaret Mary Health Foundation, both reflected on how the Community Foundation's resources and grants helped their organizations take their work to the next level. Owen Menchhofer shared the incredible momentum behind Wreaths Across Ripley County, noting that the Ripley County Community Foundation received special recognition from the international 'Wreaths Across America' program as being the largest veterans' remembrance program in the State of Indiana.

### Recognition of Scholars:

The evening continued with a celebration of all 2025 scholarship recipients. In 2025, the Ripley County Community Foundation awarded \$160,551 in scholarships to 69 deserving students. Two nursing scholarships were awarded during the annual dinner, with Calley Kaiser being the recipient of the Marysue Knisley Nursing Scholarship and the Riley Duerstock Nursing Scholarship. The Foundation also spotlighted its outstanding Lilly Endowment Community Scholars:

- Elena Kuisel (2024 Recipient) spoke about how the scholarship gave her the freedom to pursue her dream of becoming a doctor, without the heavy financial burden.
- Roman Hite (2025 Recipient) shared his plans to attend Earlham College to study engineering, play baseball, and earn a commission as a Marine Corps officer through the Platoon Leaders Class program.

Announcement of \$8,621.00 Change Ripley County Grant Recipient: One of the evening's standout moments was the presentation of the Change Ripley County Grant to South Ripley Community Schools to support the purchase of new band equipment. This unique grant empowers local youth to lead the way, encouraging students to partner with a nonprofit to bring a meaningful project to life. Members of Ripley Youth Outreach, the Foundation's network of student philanthropists from across the county, interviewed applicants and selected this project, recognizing it as a powerful investment in student creativity and music education.

### Hillenbrand Partnership with Possibility Grant Recipients:

The Foundation also had the honor of distributing \$27,500.00 in Hillenbrand Partnership with Possibility Grants, which support

innovative, forward-thinking projects that enhance the Batesville community. The recipients of the first round of Partnership with Possibility Grants exemplify the spirit of collaboration and community progress and are:

- Batesville Memorial Public Library – \$7,500 to help equip the new Arts & Innovation Hub with a laser cutter and printer for the maker space, part of a larger effort to foster creativity, entrepreneurship, and lifelong learning.
- Genesis: Pathways to Success – \$5,000 to support the county-wide Career Exploration Expo, an engaging, hands-on event that introduces over 800 students to potential career paths through interactive experiences and real-world connections.
- Kids Discovery Factory – \$5,000 to support Pop-Up Play Events, a STEAM-based outreach initiative offering free, accessible, hands-on learning opportunities for families across Ripley, Franklin, Dearborn, and Decatur counties.
- Oldenburg Academy – \$7,500 to assist students in transforming Maypole Heritage Park by making its courts multi-use for basketball and pickleball, helping create a more welcoming and inclusive community space.
- Ripley County Historical Society – \$2,500 to fund educational programming and wreath kits for middle school students participating in Wreaths Across Ripley County, helping them honor veterans while learning about service and sacrifice.

### President's Awardees:

Another special highlight of the evening was the presentation of the President's Award to The Damm Theatre and The Gibson Theatre in recognition of their outstanding partnership during the inaugural Ripley County Film Fest. Their collaboration brought local stories to life and made the arts more accessible to the community.

### Genesis: Pathways to Success:

The Ripley County Community Foundation used the evening to announce that Genesis: Pathways to Success was launched into its own non-profit organization in January 2025. This spin-off was part of the Ripley County Community Foundation's long-term strategy to develop unique resources that will promote extra-curricular S.T.E.M. opportunities as well as entrepreneurial resources. Under the guidance of its own Board of Directors, Genesis: Pathways to Success will deepen its partnerships with employers, small businesses, educators, government, and local organizations to create programs that strengthen the regional economy.

The evening concluded with a heartfelt thank you to the donors and community members who make this work possible. The Ripley County Community Foundation is committed to Connecting People Who Care with Causes that Matter and is located at 13 E. George Street, Suite B, Batesville. To learn how you can create opportunities and invest in the future of Ripley County, or to leave your legacy, contact the Ripley County Community Foundation at (812) 933-1098 or visit [www.rccfonline.org](http://www.rccfonline.org).

# BBB Scam Alert: Online orders delayed by “tariffs”? It could be a scam

If you've shopped from a sponsored ad or unfamiliar website and were later told your package is stuck in customs due to tariffs, be cautious. Reports to BBB Scam Tracker show this excuse is increasingly being used by scammers to delay or ignore refund requests.

### What you'll learn:

How scammers are using fake tariff excuses to delay or cover up fraudulent online orders

**Warning signs to watch for when dealing with unfamiliar sellers**  
**Steps you can take to avoid these scams**

How the scam works. You see an ad online for something you want, and you proceed to the seller's website. The site looks professional, the price seems reasonable and checkout is quick and easy. But then, your order never arrives.

When you follow up with the seller, you might get vague, automated emails urging you to “be patient.” Then comes the explanation: your package is stuck due to tariffs, customs delays or new international shipping regulations.

In some cases, the company says you now owe additional money to release the package. Other times, they provide a tracking number showing the item was delivered — but to a completely different state.

One consumer reported to BBB Scam Tracker, “After 2 months of not receiving my product I have emailed this company multiple times and each time the reply is my package is stuck in customs due to... tariffs. I have requested a refund multiple times. I have no longer gotten any replies from this apparently fake company.”

Another consumer reported, “The Insta-

gram ad from gotosleeps.com advertised a product that I purchased. A tracking number was provided by tracking-hub.com. The order never arrived... the email response has numerous grammatical errors and blamed ‘Trump Tariffs’ as to why the product is delayed.”

### Common red flags

The seller blames tariffs or customs for excessive delays.

You're asked to pay more money after placing your order.

Tracking numbers are fake or show delivery to the wrong location.

Customer service is unhelpful, scripted or stops responding entirely.

**How to shop with caution online and avoid scams**

Look beyond the ad. Scammers can pay for sponsored ads on social media or search engines just like legitimate businesses. Always research a company first, especially if you haven't heard of them. Learn more about avoiding sponsored ad scams on social media.

Check the reviews — all of them. Don't rely only on what you see in the ad's comment section. Look up the business name with words like “scam” or “complaint” and see what pops up.

Inspect the website carefully. Look for misspellings, poor grammar, or URLs that are suspicious. A site that looks polished can still be fake, especially if it is advertised through a sponsored social media post. Learn how to identify a fake website.

Use a credit card for online purchases. Credit cards often offer stronger fraud protection than debit cards or payment apps. If you don't receive your product, you're more likely to be able to dispute the charge suc-

cessfully.

Avoid paying extra fees after checkout. Once you've completed a purchase, legitimate sellers won't ask for additional shipping or customs payments. If they do, stop communication, contact your credit card provider, and report to BBB Scam Tracker.

Be suspicious of tariff-related excuses. U.S. consumers are not typically required to pay tariffs after placing an order. If a company says your package is stuck in customs or asks for additional payment due to tariffs, that's a major red flag.

Save copies of order details. Keep screenshots of the ad, confirmation email, and tracking info in case you need to file a dispute with your credit card company or report the scam.

### For more information

Read BBB's tips for smart online shopping. Learn how to tell if a sponsored ad is a scam or legitimate.

If you think you've experienced an online shopping scam, report it to BBB Scam Tracker.

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