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Summons by Publication

IN THE RIPLEY SUPERIOR COURT
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF RIPLEY
CAUSE NO. 69D01-2512-CC-000504
NAPOLEON STATE BANK,
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON W. CLARKSON,
Defendant.

This Summons is to the Defendant, Jason W. Clarkson. You are hereby notified that you have been sued, by Plaintiff, in the Superior Court of Ripley County, Indiana, in an action entitled, Napoleon State Bank, Plaintiff, vs. Jason W. Clarkson, Defendant, Cause Number 69D01-2512-CC-000504.

This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to the Defendant, Jason W. Clarkson, whose address and whereabouts are unknown, following an unsuccessful service attempt by certified mail at his last known address. Plaintiff is represented by John A. Ertel, Attorney, Comer & Ertel Law Office, 115 West Ripley Street, Osgood, Indiana 47037, (812) 689-4444. The nature of this lawsuit against you is for collection/complaint on a promissory note.

An answer or other response in writing to the Complaint may be filed by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the third notice of said lawsuit. The hearing on this matter is set for April 6, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. in the Ripley Superior Court. If you fail to respond or appear, Judgment by Default may be entered against you for the relief demanded by the Plaintiff. If you have a Claim for Relief against the Plaintiff arising from the same matter, you must assert it in your written answer or response. Dated: 1/20/2026

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BELTWAY CAPITAL, LLC,
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF OPAL M. COATES (DECEASED); CAROL A. SMITH; BOB COATES, BILL COATES, DEBBIE REAGAN, KNOWN HEIRS OF OPAL M. COATES (DECEASED);
2/2/2026

SUMMONS—SERVICE BY PUBLICATION N&L File No. 1889-492 STATE OF INDIANA SS COUNTY OF SWITZERLAND IN THE SWITZERLAND COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT BELTWAY CAPITAL, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF OPAL M. COATES (DECEASED); CAROL A. SMITH; BOB COATES, BILL COATES, DEBBIE REAGAN, KNOWN HEIRS OF OPAL M. COATES (DECEASED); Defendant(s) CAUSE NO. 78C01-2601-MF-000015 NOTICE OF SUIT The State of Indiana to the Defendant above named and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is: Complaint on Promissory Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate against the property described in Exhibit B of the Complaint as set out below: Legal description: BEING A PART OF LOT NUMBER 25 IN F.B. SHEETS ADDITION, TOWN OF VEVAY, SWITZERLAND COUNTY, INDIANA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT NUMBER 25 IN THE F.G. SHEETS ADDITION, TOWN OF VEVAY, SWITZERLAND COUNTY, INDIANA. EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE: BEGINNING AT A STEEL STAKE ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SPRING STREET (NOW JACKSON STREET) AND THE WEST LINE OF JEFFERSON STREET AT THE NORTH CORNER OF SAID LOT #25; THENCE SOUTH 40 DEGREES EAST WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF JEFFERSON STREET, 77.40 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 50 DEGREES WEST, 142.00 FEET TO A STAKE ON THE NORTH LINE OF ALLEY; THENCE WITH SAID ALLEY NORTH 40 DEGREES WEST 77.40 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SPRING STREET (NOW JACKSON STREET) THENCE NORTH 50 DEGREES EAST WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SPRING STREET (NOW JACKSON STREET) 142.00 FEET TO PLACE OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 0.25231 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. (SAID EXCEPTION IS BASED ON A SURVEY DATED MAY 3, 1976 BY O'BRIEN ENGINEERING, EUGENE L. O'BRIEN, R.L.S. #10207). COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 511 NORTH JEFFERSON STREET, VEVAY, IN 47043 PARCEL NUMBER: 78-14-14-442-002-000-004 This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendants: Parties for service by publication: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF OPAL M. COATES (DECEASED). If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer or response. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded by the plaintiff. /s/ Jill A. Sidorowicz (Atty ID: 35615-45) Noonan & Lieberman, Ltd 33 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1150 Chicago, Illinois 60602 Phone: 312-605-3500 intake@noonanandlieberman.com Date: January 30, 2026 NOTICE NOONAN & LIEBERMAN LTD IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Statewide Publishing, LLC

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Notice of Administration

IN THE RIPLEY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
69C01-2512-ES-000006
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF RIPLEY
IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF RUBY M. BURNS, DECEASED.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RIPLEY COUNTY, INDIANA
In the matter of the Estate of Ruby M. Burns, deceased.
Estate Docket:
69C01-2512-ES-000006

Notice is hereby given that Steven M. Burns was on December 16, 2025, appointed personal representative of the estate of Ruby M. Burns, deceased, who died on or about June 21st, 2025.

All persons having claims against said 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 01/21/2026

Liz Baumgartner
Clerk of the Circuit Court
of Ripley County

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Notice to Bidders

CROPLAND FOR RENT
VERSAILLES
INDUSTRIAL PARK

Ripley County Redevelopment Commission will accept bids for cash rent of tillable land for agricultural purposes. The land is located within the Versailles Industrial Park at US 421 South. The tillable acreage is 65 acres. Contact Barry Lauber at 812-756-1360 for a copy of the Instructions to Bidders and bid form.

One bid shall be made for the crop years of 2026 and 2027. The bid shall be on an annual basis covering the two (2) year period.

Bids shall be delivered or mailed to Barry Lauber, President, Ripley County Redevelopment Commission at 7659 West County Road 275 North, Holton, IN 47023. Bids must be received by February 20, 2026. Contact Barry Lauber, President of Ripley County Redevelopment Commission at 812-756-1360 with any questions.

RIPLEY COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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Public Notice

DES. NO. 1700202

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) is planning to undertake a bridge replacement project, funded in part by the Federal Highway Administration. The project is located at US 421 Bridge over Laughery Creek, approximately 0.17 km (0.10 mi) north of the Town of Napoleon in Ripley County, Indiana.

Under the preferred alternative, the proposed project would involve removing the existing 98-year-old bridge structure carrying US 421 over Laughery Creek, due to its poor condition. Excavation for the removal of the existing bridge and installation of the proposed foundations will be required. In addition, excavation is expected within the existing ditches to ensure proper drainage. In total, 0.19 acres of additional right-of-way (ROW) will be needed for this project.

Properties eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) are located within the Area of Potential Effects (APE). The proposed action impacts the property eligible for the NRHP. INDOT, on behalf of the FHWA, has issued an "Adverse Effect" finding for the project because the project will diminish the integrity of the characteristics that qualify the historic property within the APE for inclusion in the NRHP. As a consequence, mitigation of the eligible property is planned. In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, the views of the public are being sought regarding the effect of the proposed project on the historic elements as per 36 CFR 800.2(d), 800.3(e) and 800.6(a)(4). Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(d)(2), the documentation specified in 36 CFR 800.11(e) is available for inspection in Gray & Pape's Office. Additionally, this documentation can be viewed electronically by accessing INDOT's Section 106 document posting website INSCOPE at <http://erms12c.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents>. This documentation serves as the basis for the "Adverse Effect" finding. The views of the public on this effect finding are being sought. Please reply with any comments to Jeff Laswell, Gray & Pape, Inc., 8902 Otis Avenue, Suite 220-A, Indianapolis, IN 46216, 317-442-9582, or at jlswell@graypape.com no later than March 6, 2026.

In accordance with the "Americans with Disabilities Act," if you have a disability for which INDOT needs to provide accessibility to the document(s) such as interpreters or readers, please contact Kevin Shaw, 260-969-8234, KShaw1@indot.in.gov.
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LEGAL NOTICE FOR PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE

Circuit Court
Ripley County, Indiana
115 N Main St #2
Versailles, IN 47042
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Emerson Rose Trujillo, a
Minor Child
Case No. 69C01-2601-MI-5
Respondent is Evan Trujillo
whose last known address is
1412 Rosewood Ave., Dun-
edin, FL 34698, whose pre-
sent address is unknown, is
hereby given notice that on
January 23, 2026, Petitioner
Shelby Scott filed a Petition
for Name Change of Minor
Child Emerson Rose Trujillo
whose new desired name is
Emerson Rose Scott in Case
No. 69C01-2601-MI-5 in the
Ripley County Circuit Court.
Any person has the right to
appear at the hearing and to
file objections.

Buechner Haffer Meyers & Koening, Co., LPA
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Attorney for Petitioner

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LEGAL NOTICE FOR PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE

Circuit Court
Ripley County, Indiana
115 N Main St #2
Versailles, IN 47042
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Ozzy Jay Trujillo, a Minor
Child Case No.
69C01-2601-MI-4
Respondent is Evan Trujillo
whose last known address is
1412 Rosewood Ave., Dun-
edin, FL 34698, whose pre-
sent address is unknown, is
hereby given notice that on
January 23, 2026, Petitioner
Shelby Scott filed a Petition
for Name Change of Minor
Child Ozzy Jay Trujillo
whose new desired name is
Ozzy Jay Scott in Case No.
69C01-2601-MI-4 in the
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Notice of Public Hearing

Amendment to Zoning Ordinance

Notice is hereby given that the Area Plan Commission of the County of Ripley, Indiana, on the 3rd Day of March, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., or after the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting in the meeting room of the Ripley County Court House Annex in Versailles, Indiana, will hold a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of Ripley County, Indiana, a part of the Master Plan for the County.

Part of Section 20, Township 8 North, Range 13 East, Franklin Twp. 2.4673 acres. Rezone form I-2 Open Industrial to Roadside Business.

Written suggestions or objections to the provisions of said proposed amendment may be filed with the Executive Director of the Ripley County Area Plan Commission, at or before such meeting and will be heard by the Area Plan Commission at the time and place specified. Said hearing may be continued from time to time as may be necessary.

Interested persons desiring to present their views upon the proposed amendment, either in writing or verbally, will be given the opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place. In the event that said item is tabled or postponed, or the meeting is cancelled or postponed the application will be heard at the next regularly scheduled meeting. No further notification will be sent by certified mail or by publication.

Area Plan Commission of Ripley County, Indiana
By: Tad Brinson
Executive Director
Joel Miller
14098 Chesterville Rd.
Moores Hill, In. 47032
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D.I.C.E. has \$40,000 for challenge

Pathways to Success is excited to announce the D.I.C.E. (Dreams, Ingenuity, Creativity, & Entrepreneurship) Challenge—Community Business Pitch Competition, which was established to identify, support, and invest in emerging small businesses and product concepts that will be launched in Southeastern Indiana. Through direct investment, professional guidance, and public recognition, the D.I.C.E. Challenge provides catalytic support to help promising ideas become viable, community-rooted enterprises.

The competition is designed for founders in the earliest stages of business development, including new ventures actively working toward formal business formation and businesses that have been operating for twelve (12) months or less as of April 2, 2026.

Applicants must meet all of the following requirements:

- Must be a for-profit small business or product concept;
- Must be actively working toward business formation or have been operating for twelve (12) months or less;
- Lead applicant must be 18 years of age or older;
- Must reside in and commit to operating the business within one of the following Southeastern Indiana counties: Dearborn, Decatur, Franklin, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, or Switzerland; and Must be available to present in person on April 2 at Whiskey City's Liberty Theater in Lawrenceburg, Indiana, if selected as a finalist.

Ineligible Businesses & Uses: To maintain the focus of the D.I.C.E. Challenge, the following are not eligible for funding or consideration:

- Nonprofit organizations
- Political or lobbying organizations
- Religious institutions or programs with a primary faith-based purpose
- Firearms, weapons, or related sales
- Businesses promoting violence or harmful activity
- Submission Requirements: Completion of the official D.I.C.E. Challenge Application form (with optional video pitch submission)

Payment of the \$100 non-refundable application fee, Agreement to all competition rules and conditions

The open application period ends March 1 at 11:59 p.m. Incomplete or late applications will not be reviewed. Please seek the D.I.C.E. Challenge FAQ sheet for more information and answers to common questions. Finalists will be announced on March 16.

Lori Rennekamp, Entrepreneurial Program Coordinator of Genesis: Pathways to Success, stated, "As a former small business owner, I know the excitement and uncertainty that comes with taking a risk to start something new. This Genesis initiative is about giving entrepreneurs the support they need to gain traction, strengthen our region, and turn local ideas into real opportunities. I invite everyone to come experience the competition live and support their neighbors' dreams."

Finalists will present their business concepts live at the D.I.C.E. Challenge event on April 2 at Whiskey City's Liberty Theater in Lawrenceburg and will be considered for a share of \$40,000 in total funding, awarded at the sole discretion of the judging panel. Finalists receive individualized mentorship and the opportunity to secure direct financial awards and long-term advisory support. All applicants receive an Early Entry VIP Ticket to the Networking Hour and Curated Expo at the final event, and access to business development resources.

This opportunity is made possible by the Indiana Economic Development Corporation and the Indiana Small Business Development Center.

To learn more information about D.I.C.E. Challenge—Community Business Pitch, please contact Lori Rennekamp by emailing lrennekamp@genesisp2s.org, calling 812-933-1098, or stopping by the office at 13 E. George Street, Suite B, Batesville, IN, 47006. Additional information may be found at <https://genesisp2s.org/dicechallenge-community>.



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For more info on either opening, go to www.napwatercorp.com, stop by our office at 8977 N US 421, Napoleon, or call 812-852-4374.

Southeastern Career Center
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- Fire and Rescue
- Health Science
- Criminal Justice
- Cosmetology II

Qualified candidates must submit a completed certified application, credentials, transcripts, three letters of recommendation, and a resumé.

Applications are available online at: <https://www.sccusa.org/page/employment>

Completed application materials should be submitted to **Ashley Powers** at arpowers@sccusa.org.

For questions, please call **812-689-5253 ext. 222**.

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