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## IN BRIEF

### 2 Litigation Partners At Paul Weiss Leaving

Amid tension in Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison's litigation department, partner exits have continued. Two more Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison heavyweight litigators are leaving the firm this month, the partners have confirmed.

Partner Roberto Gonzalez is leaving Paul Weiss at the end of the week to join Paul Hastings, and partner Andrew Ehrlich is heading out at the end of the month. Ehrlich, who co-chairs the firm's securities litigation and enforcement group, says he has no immediate plans.

"After 24 rewarding years at Paul, Weiss, I told firm leadership late last year that it is time for a new chapter. I am enormously proud of and grateful for the challenging work that defined my career at Paul, Weiss and the incredible colleagues with whom I collaborated," Ehrlich said in a statement to Law.com. "While I have not settled on exactly what comes next, my expectation is that it will be in the nonprofit or public sector.

"The Paul, Weiss litigation department is, and will continue to be, the gold standard in client representation, and our firm's leadership is deeply committed to its success. I want to thank Paul, Weiss for its tremendous support during this transition," Ehrlich's statement added.

Paul Weiss has seen a string of notable litigation departures over the past fourteen months. Sources have said tensions among litigators are mounting, compounded by the firm's April 2025 deal with the Trump administration, recent leadership changes illuminating the firm's corporate and M&A work, and litigation associate cuts, Law.com has reported.

Ehrlich has been at Paul Weiss for over two decades. Some of his clients have included Citigroup, Kraft Heinz Company and bitcoin mining company MARA Holdings.

Gonzalez, meanwhile, has been at Paul Weiss for over a decade, and his practice involves advising clients through government regulatory issues, crisis management situations, as well as criminal, civil and congressional investigations.

Gonzalez previously served as deputy general counsel at the Treasury Department during the second term of the Obama administration and earlier had served as associate White House counsel and special assistant to President Obama during his first term.

His clients have included Amazon, BlackRock, Capital One, Google, JPMorgan, Shopify, Equifax and Tencent.

Paul Weiss has seen a string of litigation departures since April 2025. Litigators Karen Dunn, Bill Isaacson, Jessica Phillips, and Jeannie Rhee left the firm to start their own litigation boutique last year. Other attorneys at Paul Weiss have since joined them. More recently, appellate litigators Kannon Shanmugam and partner Masha Hansford joined Davis Polk & Wardwell to start the firm's Supreme Court and appellate practice group.

Other exits over the past fourteen months include former U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York Damian Williams, who left to join Jenner & Block; Jeh Johnson, who retired to co-chair the Columbia University board of trustees; and Steven Banks, who left last spring and now serves in Mayor Zohran Mamdani's administration.

However, Paul Weiss's litigation department remains one of the largest at the firm, with about 500 lawyers out of its roughly 1,400 headcount, according to Law.com data and the firm's website. The firm's representations in litigation include the National Football League, Meta, OpenAI, Amazon, General Atlantic, Citi and Qualcomm. It has also added litigation talent in recent months, » Page 4

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# Court of Appeals Terminates State Government's Voluntary Foster Care Program

**BY BRIAN LEE**

NEW YORK'S highest court on Thursday unanimously annulled a state administratively-created program that had allowed parents facing crisis to place their children with vetted volunteers without oversight.

The Court of Appeals struck the state's "Host Family Home" program in a 7-0 ruling that said the program contravenes existing foster care statutes, and that the Office of Children and Family Services exceeded its regulatory authority by creating it.

The decision, penned by Judge Anthony Cannataro, asserted the program unlawfully bypassed the statutory safeguards of the traditional foster care system.

"Respondents created the Host Family Home program to offer parents an alternative means of temporarily placing out their children in times of difficulty," Cannataro wrote. "The governing law does not permit them to do so. None of the statutes respondents invoke authorize OCFS to promulgate this program through regulation or indicate that the legislature shared OCFS's policy preference for the placement of children in Host Homes rather than in foster care."



**Judge Cannataro**

The decision reversed a 3-2 holding by the Appellate Division,Third Department.

Plaintiffs, Lawyers For Children, New York City-based the Legal Aid Society,and Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, which all represent children in foster care pro- » Page 12

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**The Court of Appeals** decision is **posted at nylj.com.**

# Mamdani's Reappointment Snubs Fuel Debate Over Politics and Process in NYC Judicial Selection

**BY EMILY SAUL**

IN NOVEMBER 2023, two 6-month-old infants, Emmanuel and Chosen, were removed from their home in the Bronx, alongside their older siblings. The 8- and 15-year-olds were swiftly returned, but the twins remained in foster care, away from their mother and father, for nearly a year.

That case was before former Bronx family court judge Karen Cortes, who oversaw the hearing in which their mother, Patrice, fought for the return of her children. After Cortes denied a motion to expedite the twins' return in March 2024, her lawyers with Bronx Defenders asked a mid-level appeals court to review that decision.

The Appellate Division, First Department in September 2024 overturned the ruling and ordered Cortes to expedite the hearing. Under the law, these hearings must be held "expeditiously", yet this matter had played out in a "piecemeal fashion over the course of months," the panel wrote. Had that pace continued, the judges said, the twins would "have spent more than half their lives in foster care." » Page 11



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NYC Mayor **Zohran Mamdani** presenting the fiscal year 2027 executive budget at City Hall on Tuesday, May 12.

# NY's Highest Court Skeptical That 'One Word' From Equal Rights Amendment Voids Judicial Age-Cap

**BY ALYSSA AQUINO**

THE New York Court of Appeals seemed unconvinced that the state's new Equal Rights Amendment implicitly repealed a law requiring state judges to retire at age 70, with multiple jurists stressing that the judicial age-cap is also enshrined in the constitution.

Judge Jenny Rivera pointed out that Article VI, § 25(b), the part of the New York Constitution requiring that judges retire at age 70, or undergo a certification process to serve until 76, has largely remained in place for two centuries.

"Your argument is that without having said a thing, putting [the ERA] in a completely different section of the constitution, the drafters and the voters understood that they were now eliminating a job criterion," Rivera said Wednesday. "It sounds astounding to make such an argument."



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**Judge Jenny Rivera**

"We don't like to do implied repeal when it comes to a statute and there are cases that say that it's even more disfavored with the state constitution," said Judge Michael Garcia.

"At other points in time, when the people have decided to repeal a constitutional provision or to change it, that's been explicit," said Judge Caitlin Halligan. "Why would we expect them to understand Section 11 as doing that just implicitly?"

Rivera later observed that the case against mandatory judicial retirement rested on "one word" in the ERA, age. The ERA is an update to the state constitution expressly banning discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin and age.

After the amendment's passage in 2024, three people—Supreme Court Justices Richard » Page 4

# Debevoise Creates Bonus Pool for Partners, Modifying Comp System

**BY PATRICK SMITH**

DEBEVOISE & Plimpton, which has maintained one of the last pure lockstep compensation models, is now modifying the system by creating a bonus pool for partners, amid the hyper-competitive era of Big Law.

In an interview with Law.com, the firm's leadership said the new compensation structure for the partnership—a lockstep seniority-based ladder as well as a strategic pool of resources derived from firm profits for some current and lateral partners—will allow it to maintain its culture but also expand its reach in certain critical practices, such as funds, M&A and finance via the lateral market.

"It's a talent game," Peter Furci, presiding partner at Debevoise, said this week. "We will use it (the pool) to retain, but also to get talent. At the end of the day, our compensation framework needs to work in support of our strategy. And we took a hard look at that. The partnership has reaffirmed lockstep as the foundation, while adding a defined pool of profits we can deploy strategically to hold onto and attract talent."



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**Peter Furci**, presiding partner at Debevoise

The firm declined to specify what percentage of profits would be delegated to the partner-focused fund and how many lat- » Page 4

# Public vs. Private Nuisance: Emerging Litigation Deploys Time-Tested Tactics Against Data Centers

**BY ALEX ANTEAU AND NICHOLAS MALFITANO**

AS LARGE data centers spread across the country at an exponential rate, disgruntled residents in their orbit are starting to explore the ways they can push back in civil court.

One community that has recently decided to take on big tech is the upstate New York town of North Tonawanda. For decades, the plaintiff-residents said their town was a quiet, peaceful hamlet known for its scenic charm and proximity to the Erie Barge Canal and Niagara Falls. However, they allege that all that changed when tech company Digi Power X bought and transformed a nearby power plant into a bitcoin mining data center.

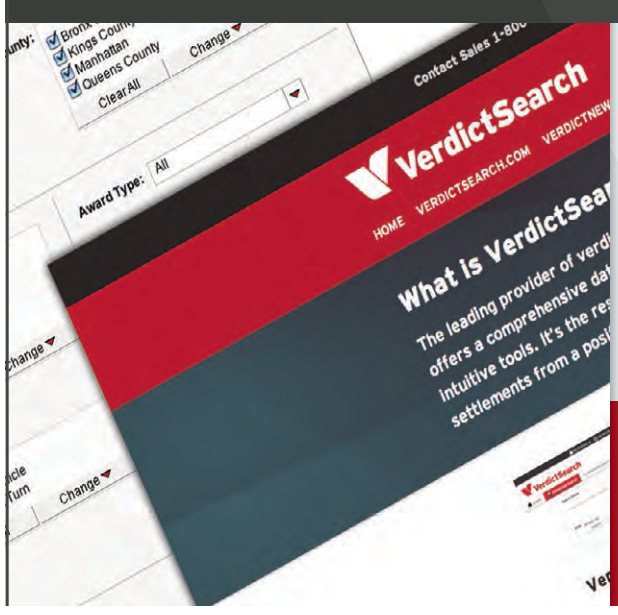
The effect was immediate, as a "powerful, unrelenting noise and low frequency vibrations" settled over the town, causing sleep disturbances and persistent anxiety and fatigue among the residents. One resident called it "an inescapable noise nightmare." Even local animals began showing signs of distress.

While the city hit the data center with multiple $250 fines for violating noise ordinances, officials expressed concerns that the current, 30-year-old rules don't meaningfully curb the side-effects of crypto mining. As a result, the concerned residents of North Tonawanda sued under a different cause of action: nuisance law.

"These aren't novel theories," plaintiffs' counsel Robin Greenwald of Weitz Luxenburg told Law.com in a video call. "What's new is data centers, because they're proliferating at a ridiculous rate. But these causes of action are not new at all."

The North Tonawandans argue that the incessant » Page 11


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# At Law Firms, Turmoil Outside Outweighs Incremental Progress Within, Mental Health Survey Shows

**BY ANDREW MALONEY**

SOME stressors in the legal profession are treated as table stakes. Hours requirements, overbearing managers, difficult clients and opposing counsel are a few that routinely crop up. But it's tough to ignore the signs of the times in Law.com's latest survey of mental health in the legal industry.

While reported levels of feelings like anxiety and depression may still be improving slightly over the long run, respondents this year pointed to a phalanx of concerns outside of work that are negatively impacting their mental health—issues like the cost of living, political turmoil, the rise of AI, and even screens and isolation that have arguably helped unravel happiness across industries and around the globe during a decade some have called the "Tragic Twenties."

Indeed, asked to specify things beyond the workplace that were negatively affecting their mental health, some of the more than 3,000 respondents felt it was self-evident.

"Seriously?" said one M&A associate; "(waves vaguely) All of it," added another labor and employment business professional.

Meanwhile, pressures more specific to the legal world, like an obsession with growth and "old-school" expectations, haven't really dissipated either. In fact, because of firms' strong financial performance over the last few years, they've arguably increased, said Maggie Miller, a consultant at Lotis Blue.

"Right now it really is an employers' market for the first time in a very long time, at least in the professional services world. So to some extent, the firms are in a place where they don't necessarily have to do anything, because candidates are doing everything they can to get hired or just stay with those firms," she said in an interview.

In short, Miller added, firms "are way more focused on driving increased performance rather than increasing the mental health of their professionals."

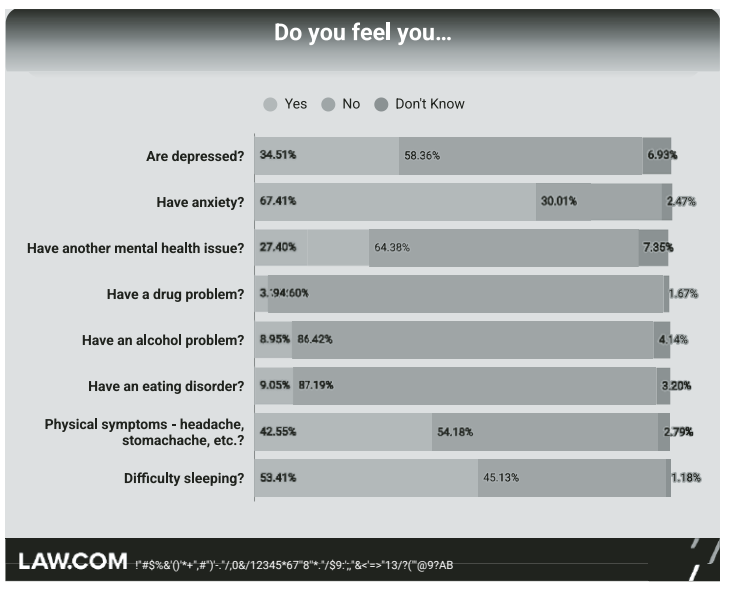
### 'Literally Everything?'

Whether via TV, podcasts or social media feeds, most are familiar with what legal professionals say is stressing them out beyond their often-demanding jobs. Political polarization (69%), geo-political world stability (68%) and economic uncertainty (63%) were the most common answers when respondents on the annual Mental Health Survey were asked what things beyond the workplace were negatively affecting their mental health. Rule of law concerns (41%), child safety, security and health (35%) and gun violence (31%) followed. Those kinds of overarching uncertainties have also come up in firm leader interviews, with some calling them "the new reality" of being a firm leader.

Alan Levin, who practiced law for years and is now a therapist who treats attorneys, said one thing that contributes greatly to stress is the feeling that we lack control. Lawyers in particular have many elements in their careers they can't control. But these types of things are existential. And Levin said they're the types of intangibles that give even him a sense that things are getting worse for his children and grandchildren's cohorts.

These days, Levin said, "I don't have the belief that the coming generation is going to have it better than we did. I have the feeling it's harder and worse for them, and I think that's true for a lot of the reasons … that people cite."

Survey respondents who chose to write specific answers painted a picture that looks similar to the one academics and analysts have said may be behind a sudden and significant drop in happiness since




Covid-19: a barrage of economic and political upheaval, intensified by a negative media environment and increasing isolation.

"Literally everything?" wrote one litigation associate, who also added "THE WAR IN IRAN?"

"It sucks here dude," added a trade associate.

Some respondents specified the source of their political anxiety. "The current administration," wrote one labor and employment partner. "Donald Trump (which is all of the above)" added a nonequity partner in litigation.

Other partners said Democrats or Republicans more generally; still others wrote things like "Political malfeasance, political

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# Black Advisers Say Edward Jones Failed to Fix Pay Gap After Prior Settlement

**BY BRIANA WARSING**

EDWARD Jones knew its system for allocating clients was leaving Black financial advisers behind, six former advisers allege.

In a proposed class action filed in the Eastern District of Missouri, the former advisers claim that St. Louis-headquartered Edward Jones tracked compensation and demographic data showing Black advisers were paid less than white peers. The complaint claims the firm offered limited incentives to encourage account transfers to women and people of color, and paid $34 million in 2021 to settle similar claims brought by Black advisers.

The plaintiffs say the firm still failed to correct policies that allegedly left Black advisers with smaller books of business, lower pay and a greater risk of termination."This is not simply a disparate impact case," the complaint alleges.




ADOBE STOCK

Six former Edward Jones financial advisers allege the firm knew its client transfer system disadvantaged Black advisers but didn't fix it.

The lawsuit, brought by former Edward Jones financial advisers Roland Martin, Elwis Johnson, Trevor Edwards, Shawna Knutson, Santoria Texidor and Alonzo Hinton, targets two alleged firmwide practices: the company's client transfer policy, or CTP, and its salary assignment policy.

The plaintiffs are represented by Outten & Golden and Stueve Siegel Hanson.

According to the complaint, Edward Jones' client transfer policy governs how client accounts are reassigned when financial advisers retire, leave the firm or transfer assets to junior advisers through a program known as "Goodknight." The plaintiffs allege that because Edward Jones owns and controls those accounts, the firm has centralized authority over a key driver of adviser compensation.

The complaint says Edward Jones recognized the stakes of those transfers. In 2018, allegedly in response to a growing pay gap between white male employees and the rest of the company, Edward Jones began offering additional incentives to financial advisers who made Goodknight transfers to women and people of color. But the plaintiffs allege those efforts were minimal, failed to close the gap and were abandoned in 2025.

Starting assets are critical to an adviser's success at Edward Jones, according to the complaint. Advisers with larger books of business generate more commissions, bonuses and other compensation, while advisers with smaller or weaker books are more likely to miss performance benchmarks, be placed on performance improvement plans and be terminated, the lawsuit alleges.

But the plaintiffs allege that the Goodknight program gives senior advisers broad discretion over who receives valuable client accounts. Because Edward Jones' adviser workforce is predominantly white, the complaint alleges, that discretion has resulted in white advisers steering assets to other white advisers while Black advisers receive fewer assets, lower-quality accounts or no transfers at all.

The complaint also points to a 2021 settlement in which Edward Jones allegedly paid $34 million to resolve claims brought by Black financial advisers over similar alleged practices. Despite that settlement, the plaintiffs allege, the company continued to maintain policies that produced racial disparities in compensation and advancement.

The individual allegations illustrate how the plaintiffs say the system worked. Martin, who joined Edward Jones in 2012, alleges he received about 100 accounts worth roughly $1 million, but says they were low-quality accounts that required substantial servicing time. White advisers in his cohort, by contrast, received larger and better asset transfers, often worth more than $20 million, according to the complaint.

Johnson alleges he received no starting asset transfer, while white advisers in his training class received $50 million or more, including one adviser who allegedly received more than $100 million. Edwards alleges he received a $5.1 million Goodknight transfer, but that two white senior advisers quickly took back the best clients, leaving him with about $2.5 million in low-quality assets.

Edward Jones nonetheless evaluated him as if he had more than $5 million in assets, then placed him on a performance improvement plan and terminated him in February 2025, according to the complaint. Knutson alleges she received a $10 million transfer consisting largely of dormant or difficult-to-service

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# FTC Fires First Warning Shots at 'Nudify' Sites Under New Federal Deepfake Law

**BY MICHAEL GENNARO**

THE FEDERAL TRADE Commission sent warning letters Wednesday to 12 unnamed websites offering so-called "nudify" tools that may violate a new federal law requiring online platforms to give victims a way to request removal of nonconsensual intimate images—and threatening civil penalties of up to $53,088 per violation if they don't immediately come into compliance.

The warning letters were directed at companies that allow users to alter an image of a clothed individual so that the person appears nude, generating nonconsensual and sexualized images. The FTC said those companies appear to be in violation of the law by failing to provide a process through which victims can seek removal of such content from the platforms

The action came just one day after the FTC formally began enforcing the Take It Down Act, a law requiring platforms, at the request of victims, to remove intimate photos or videos that were shared online without victims' consent.

"Today we're demonstrating just how serious we are about protecting the public, especially children, from abusive online conduct," FTC Chairman Andrew N. Ferguson said in a statement. "Platforms no longer have any excuses—they must comply with their obligations under the TAKE IT DOWN Act or face the consequences."

The letters were the agency's sharpest enforcement signal yet in a week of escalating pressure around the new law. Last week, Ferguson sent compliance reminder letters to a roster of major technology platforms, including Alphabet, Amazon, Apple, Automattic, Bumble, Discord, Match Group,



FTC Chairman **Andrew N. Ferguson**

Meta, Microsoft, Pinterest, Reddit, SmugMug, Snapchat, TikTok and X, reminding them of their obligation to comply with the law no later than May 19, 2026.

The Take It Down Act—short for the Tools to Address Known Exploitation by Immobilizing Technological Deepfakes on Websites and Networks Act—criminalizes the nonconsensual publication of intimate images, including AI-generated "digital forgeries" such as deepfakes, and requires certain websites and online or mobile applications to implement a notice-and-removal process to take down such images at the depicted individual's request.

The bill was introduced by Sen. Ted Cruz in June 2024, after a 2023 incident in which several Aledo, Texas, high school students were subjected to sexual harassment when another student took seemingly innocent photos of them and used software to post manipulated nude images on Snapchat through an anonymous account. Cruz said at the time that the images were only removed after he personally called Snapchat, and that the experience illustrated the need for a federal legal remedy.

The bill passed both chambers by near-unanimous votes and was signed into law by President Donald Trump last May. First Lady Melania Trump championed it as an extension of her digital safety and anti-cyberbullying advocacy.

Under the act, covered platforms must establish procedures through which an individual or their authorized representative may request removal of a nonconsensual intimate visual depiction. Platforms must remove the content within 48 hours of receiving a valid request, and must make reasonable efforts to identify and remove known identical copies. Failure to comply constitutes an unfair or deceptive act under the FTC Act, subjecting violators to civil fines and injunctive relief.

The act's criminal prohibition took effect immediately upon signing, while covered platforms were given one year, until May 19, 2026, to establish the required notice-and-removal process.

The nudify-tool operators targeted Wednesday

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**PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY**



NEW YORK CITY BAR ASSOCIATION

# Attorney General Letitia James Presents 36th Annual Legal Services Awards at the City Bar

**BY NYLJ STAFF**

ON MAY 18, the New York City Bar Association held its 36th Annual Legal Services Awards, recognizing the efforts of lawyers and non-lawyers who have directly provided free legal services to disenfranchised clients or communities on a full-time basis for an extended period of time. New York State Attorney General Letitia James delivered keynote remarks and presented the awards.

Pictured from left are: **Letitia James**, New York State Attorney General; award recipients **Rigodis Applin** – Strategic Litigation Attorney, Special Litigation Unit, The Legal Aid Society; **Heather Betz** – Director, LGBTQ Law Unit, New York Legal Assistance Group; **Amy Gallicchio** – Attorney, Southern District of New York, Federal Defenders of New York; **Jean Marie Miranda** – Director of Intake, Civil Practice, The Legal Aid Society; **Jose Luis Perez** – Deputy General Counsel and Litigation Director, LatinoJustice PRLDEF; **Mathew Schedler** – Founder and Director, Consumer Law Unit, CAMBA Legal Services, Inc.; and **Bret Parker**, Executive Director, New York City Bar Association, who gave welcome remarks.

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Expert Analysis

INTERNATIONAL LITIGATION

# Manifest Disregard, The Non-Existent Arbitral Institution and Section 1782





By **Lawrence W. Newman** And **David Zaslowsky**

In today's column, we examine several recent decisions that address issues this column has covered over the years. We begin with a Ninth Circuit decision addressing manifest disregard of the facts. We then discuss a case involving a contract that called for arbitration under the Arbitration Rules of the Dubai International Financial Centre–London Court of International Arbitration (DIFC-LCIA), which the government of Dubai closed in 2021. Finally, we review a Second Circuit decision concerning discovery from a law firm under 28 U.S.C. §1782.

### Manifest Disregard

In *Wilko v. Swan*, 346 U.S. 427 (1953), the U.S. Supreme Court stated, in *dicta*:

In unrestricted submissions, such as the present margin agreements envisage, the interpretation of the law by the arbitrators in contrast to manifest disregard are not subject, in the federal courts, to judicial review for error in interpretation.

Succeeding generations of losing parties in arbitration relied on *Wilko's* reference to "manifest disregard" in efforts to vacate arbitration awards.

In 2008, the Supreme Court held that the Federal Arbitration Act sets forth the "exclusive" grounds for vacating an arbitration award. *Hall Street Assocs. v. Mattel, Inc.,* 552 U.S. 576 (2008). The Supreme Court did not decide whether an award may nevertheless be challenged for "manifest disregard" of the law. Because that doctrine had often been viewed as a judicially created, extra-statutory ground for vacatur, many commentators concluded that *Hall Street* sounded the death knell for manifest-disregard challenges.

In some circuits—the Fifth, Seventh and Eleventh—it did. But in the Second, Fourth, Sixth, Eighth and Ninth circuits, parties may still argue manifest disregard of the law as a basis for challenging an award.

What about manifest disregard of the facts? Courts have generally rejected that theory. The Ninth Circuit, however, stands alone in recognizing a narrow variant. In *VIP Mortgage Inc. v. Gates,* 162 F.4th 1010, 1015 (9th Cir. 2025), the court reaffirmed its "legally dispositive facts" exception, which permits vacatur where: "(1) the factual error was so critical to the disputed legal issue that it determined the outcome of that issue, and (2) the fact was so obvious and undisputed that the arbitrator must have known about it when she decided the legal issue."

In some circuits—the Fifth, Seventh and Eleventh—it did. But in the Second, Fourth, Sixth, Eighth and Ninth circuits, parties may still argue manifest disregard of the law as a basis for challenging an award.

The "quintessential example," as referred to in *HayDay Farms, Inc. v. FeeDx Holdings, Inc.*, 55 F. 4th 1232, 1243 (9th Cir. 2022) comes from *American Postal Workers Union v. U.S. Postal Serv.*, 682 F.2d 1280 (9th Cir. 1982). There, it was undisputed that a postal worker had participated in a strike, but the arbitrator found that he had not. Because strike participation determinatively affected whether the worker could be reinstated, and because the arbitrator had been put on notice of the fact but ignored it, the Ninth Circuit affirmed denial of confirmation.

In *VIP Mortgage*, the arbitrator approved the parties' stipulation dismissing the respondent's counterclaims. The stipulation also provided that each side would bear its own fees and costs associated with those counterclaims. At the conclusion of the arbitration, the arbitrator awarded the claimant damages on her affirmative claims and awarded attorneys' fees, but did not distinguish between time spent on the claims and the counterclaims. On appeal, VIP argued that the arbitrator erred by awarding attorneys' fees related to the counterclaims.

The Ninth Circuit agreed that VIP satisfied the first component of the "legally dispositive fact" test: had the arbitrator recognized the parties' agreement to bear their own fees on the counterclaims, she would have ruled for VIP on that issue. But the court held that VIP failed to satisfy the second component—that the fact was so obvious the arbitrator must have known it when deciding the fee request.

The court explained that the fee issue related to the counterclaims was minor, the stipulation had been executed more than a year before the award, and VIP did not cite the stipulation in its briefing. Under those circumstances, the case did not clear the "high bar" required to establish manifest disregard of a legally dispositive fact.

At its essence, even this exception is a variant of manifest disregard of the law because it involves a factual error that was "so critical, obvious, and intentional that it amounted to manifestly disregarding the law." Since *Hall Street,* the Supreme Court has refused multiple certiorari petitions seeking to resolve the circuit split on whether manifest disregard remains a viable defense to confirmation. The court should accept that invitation.

### The Non-Existent Arbitral Institution

What happens when a dispute arises under a contract that calls for arbitration before

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PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

# 'Brutal Honesty,' Personal Responsibility, And Juror Commitment Shape Verdicts





By **Ben Rubinowitz** And **Evan Torgan**

A trial does not begin with opening statements. It begins during jury selection.

Too often, lawyers treat voir dire as little more than a procedural exercise designed to eliminate unfavorable jurors. While this is an appropriate goal, the better approach, and the approach consistently employed by successful trial lawyers, is to recognize that voir dire represents the first and perhaps best opportunity to identify the values, beliefs and life experiences that will ultimately shape deliberations in the jury room.

Most importantly, jury selection creates the bridge from voir dire to final argument.

Jurors do not suddenly develop opinions during summation. Their beliefs already exist. The trial lawyer's task is to uncover those beliefs honestly, openly and without fear. Once identified, those principles can become the framework through which the evidence is viewed throughout the trial.

One particularly effective technique is asking jurors for "brutal honesty."

That phrase immediately changes the atmosphere in the courtroom.

Jurors understand precisely what is being requested. The lawyer is not asking for answers designed to help the plaintiff or the defense. The lawyer is asking for truth. Real opinions. Real feelings. Real beliefs.

The request may sound something like this:

"I need brutal honesty from you. Not answers that help me. Not answers that help the defense. Honest answers. Better we find out now, before anyone is empaneled, than later during deliberations."

That phrase, "better we find out now," is critically important. It removes fear from the process. Jurors no longer feel they are being judged for their opinions. Instead, they understand the goal is fairness.

Jurors appreciate candor. More importantly, they respond to it.

This technique becomes particularly powerful in cases involving personal responsibility.

Personal responsibility is one of the strongest themes available to trial lawyers because it resonates universally. Every juror has opinions about accountability. Every juror has experienced situations where someone failed to take responsibility, or where someone unfairly attempted to shift blame to another person.

Too many lawyers approach jury selection with scripted speeches disguised as questions. Jurors recognize this immediately. They become guarded. The conversation becomes artificial.

Importantly, personal responsibility is not a theme owned exclusively by plaintiffs or defendants. Both sides can use it effectively.

Consider a construction accident case involving a dirty and cluttered worksite.

A worker descends a ladder carrying tools. The area beneath the ladder is littered with debris, scattered materials, cords and construction waste. As the worker steps off the ladder, he trips and falls, sustaining serious injuries.

The plaintiff claims the site safety inspector failed to properly inspect the worksite and failed to ensure safe conditions existed for workers required to use the area. According to the plaintiff, the inspector had a responsibility to identify hazards and correct dangerous conditions before someone was injured.

The defense, however, frames the case differently.

The plaintiff had worked at construction sites for years. He understood the nature of the environment. The condition was open and obvious. The plaintiff knew he had to watch where he was walking and failed to take appropriate precautions for his own safety.

Thus, both sides rely upon the same theme: personal responsibility.

The plaintiff argues: Take responsibility for failing to maintain a safe workplace.

The defense argues: Take responsibility for failing to protect your own safety.

The battle for the verdict begins during voir dire when counsel explores how jurors themselves define responsibility.

General questions produce meaningless answers.

For example:

"Does everyone agree safety is important?"

Almost every juror will agree. The answer provides little insight.

Far more effective are questions that force jurors to evaluate competing responsibilities.

For example:

"Who here believes that if a company hires a safety inspector, that inspector should be held responsible when dangerous conditions are ignored?"

Hands will rise.

Then counsel may ask:

"Who believes experienced workers also have a responsibility to protect themselves, even when conditions may be unsafe?"

Again, hands will rise.

The purpose is not necessarily to obtain agreement. The purpose is to identify beliefs, priorities and attitudes that will later influence deliberations.

Scaled questioning techniques can make the point even more effectively.

Rather than forcing jurors into "yes" or "no" answers,

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including Adam Hoeflich from Bartlit Beck in New York and Andrea Smith from Gibson Dunn & Crutcher in Houston.

In a statement to Law.com this week, Jay Cohen, co-head of Paul Weiss's litigation department, said the firm prioritizes "a strong litigation department," and the firm is continuing to build the leadership in the department, with seven new litigation partners announced this year and the launch of a new litigation practice in Houston. "Our premier talent and leadership in litigation enable us to deliver the highest level of service to clients on their most critical and bet-the-company matters," said Cohen.

—Abigail Adcox

### Flagstar Bank's Legal Chief Takes on Added Role as COO For Retail, Consumer Banking

Companies are increasingly banking on legal chiefs who can take on duties beyond the law department, but Flagstar Bank's Bao Nguyen lends new meaning to the concept of an agile corporate counsel.

The regional bank said Monday that it promoted general counsel Nguyen to chief legal officer—and made him chief operating officer for consumer and retail banking.

Meanwhile, Flagstar promoted senior deputy general counsel Peter Sullivan to general counsel and chief regulatory counsel. Sullivan assumes daily management of the legal department.

Nguyen's wide-ranging duties are particularly notable as Flagstar is not a community bank, where most everyone wears multiple hats.

Based in the suburban New York City suburb of Hicksville, New York, Flagstar is one of the nation's largest regional banks. It has assets of $87 billion and 340 locations in nine states.

But Flagstar has faced multiple financial troubles in recent years due to soured commercial loans, aggressive expansion and costly cybersecurity failures.

The company, previously known as New York Community Bancorp, acquired Troy, Michigan-based Flagstar Bancorp in 2022. Months later, NYCB bought assets of New York-based Signature Bank. Its acquisitions included troubled commercial real estate, and multifamily loans tied to New York City rent-regulated housing.

Nguyen, 44, joined Flagstar in April 2024 from Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom, where he was a partner advising financial institutions, financial technology and digital asset clients.

Before joining the law firm in 2021, Nguyen spent three years at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency in roles including principal deputy chief counsel and acting chief of staff.

There he worked for U.S. Comptroller of the Currency Joseph Otting—who also went on to join Flagstar in April 2024 as chief executive officer.

What Nguyen and Otting walked into was a bank on the cusp of catastrophe, as troubled real estate loans it inherited came home to roost. Flagstar finished 2024 with a net loss of $1.09 billion.

Otting, Nguyen and other executives scrambled to stabilize the bank. They reduced the bank's exposure to commercial real estate—slashing loans on the books to about $38 billion from $50.6 billion in 2023.

The cleanup included more than $3 billion in exposure to multifamily real estate and $900 million in commercial real estate exposure.

Other measures included closing 60 branches as part of $600 million in cost reductions.

Flagstar returned to profitability in the fourth quarter of 2025, with net income of $29 million. In the first quarter of this year it turned a profit of $21 million, the bank stated.

Nguyen's added role as COO of consumer and retail banking is part of broader executive changes announced Monday.

Flagstar Executive Chairman and CEO Otting is relinquishing his other title of president, to two co-presidents.

Neither Nguyen nor others receiving additional titles will receive "any additional cash or equity based compensation in connection with their appointment to their new roles," Flagstar said.

In 2025 Nguyen received total compensation of $3.2 million, which included a salary of $700,000, according to the company's proxy statement.

That compares with the $5.85 million he earned in 2024, which included a $4.6 million stock option grant and $125,000 sign-on bonus.

Nguyen received a bonus last year of $690,000 and a 44% boost in salary.

The Association of Corporate Counsel's 2025 Chief Legal Officers Survey found that 83% of legal chiefs now hold responsibilities beyond legal.

Many of these new responsibilities entail adding human resources or chief administrative officer roles.

In addition to Nguyen's experience at the OCC, he served as senior counsel to the Federal Reserve Board from 2009 to 2018. He also was senior adviser to the Federal Housing Finance Agency and was a banking fellow in the U.S. Senate during Dodd-Frank Act banking reforms.

Nguyen earned his law degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

—Chris O'Malley

### Harvey Announces Contract Review Product, Adoption Analytics Features

This article has been updated with comments from Harvey cheif product officer Anique Drumright. Legal tech startup Harvey announced the launch of a pair of new products at its Harvey Forum conference in New York City this week.

The company announced Wednesday the release of adoption management tool Command Center, followed Thursday by the announcement of the launch of Contract Intelligence, a new contract review offering.

Command Center was developed with design partners from Haynes and Boone, Foley & Lardner, Clayton Utz, Rajah & Tann, and Dentsu. Harvey has created waitlists for early access to both products, with general availability expected in the third quarter of this year.

What It Is: Command Center is an analytics and advisory tool designed to help customers optimize their deployment of Harvey. The center is designed to answer users' natural language questions about how adoption of the platform differs across practice groups and experience levels, what workflows and prompt types are most heavily used, and how the most engaged users differ from others. The new offering also uses anonymized, aggregated data from more than 1,500 Harvey deployments to allow customers to benchmark their usage against peer organizations.

Command Center also includes a recommendation capability designed to identify platform features peer organization have enabled and suggest priorities for internal rollouts. It also features a release section that highlights newly added features and product updates.

"Raw usage volume alone is not a sufficient measure of adoption maturity," Harvey chief product officer Anique Drumright told Law.com in response to written questions. "We look at a broader set of signals including feature utilization, workflow sophistication, consistency of engagement, and adoption patterns across practice groups, product areas and roles to understand how deeply Harvey is being integrated into workflows."

Contract Intelligence is designed to assist in-house teams with intake and contract review on incoming agreements. The tool will provide artificial intelligence-powered workflows for intake, triage and initial markups, and is built to surface fallback positions and preferred language from past agreements while automatically updating playbooks to reflect changes in customers' negotiating postures. Playbook updates require approval under default settings, but they can be applied automatically at the preference of the customer.

Contract Intelligence also provides insight into contract trends, outlier clauses, impending obligations and negotiated positions across the breadth of an organization's contract portfolio.

Why It's Needed: Command Center is intended to help innovation, knowledge management and legal operations teams measure how their organizations are adopting Harvey and quantify the return on their investments in the platform.

"Most organizations today can see baseline usage activity, but those approaches fall short in helping them understand adoption quality, what's driving value across teams and practice groups, and where they stand relative to peer organizations," Drumright said.

Contract Intelligence is intended to automate routine contract workflows, allowing legal teams to save time and focus on larger strategic challenges. It is also intended to help teams manage risks by surfacing obligations and highlighting provisions that deviate from company norms and playbooks.

Drumright said Harvey developed the tool in response to feedback from customers that their contracting workflows were spread across too many disparate platforms, limiting the speed and efficiency of their work.

"Legal teams currently juggle contract intake, playbooks, review and negotiation knowledge across disconnected platforms," she said. "Because so much valuable information is buried across these surfaces, we often hear that customers want a way to surface and learn from those insights."

The Competition: A number of vendors offer contract intelligence, review and management tools, including Docusign, Spellbook, Luminance, Definely, LegalOn, Ironclad, Leah, Tonkean, Onit and Ivo.

—Benjamin Joyner

## Outside Counsel

# Applying the Hard Lessons of Asbestos to The Emerging Landscape of Toxic Torts

By **Adam J. Golub**



While many industry observers discuss asbestos litigation in the past tense, as if it were a dusty relic of the 20th century, those on the front lines of the defense bar know better. Asbestos isn't a closed chapter; it is a living, breathing case study that continues to shape the modern mass tort landscape. Despite decades passing since its peak usage, new claims continue to flood the docket, and coverage disputes frequently outlast the original corporate entities that manufactured the products.

For the modern underwriter, asbestos is more than a historical reference. It is a persistent reminder of how exposure litigation can expand, mutate, and endure. As we confront a new era of emerging risks, from PFAS (perfluoroalkyl substances) to microplastics, the lessons of the asbestos "experiment" have never been more relevant. The real danger today isn't just the next "forever chemical"; it is the failure to recognize the patterns that asbestos first established.

That pattern is already repeating. In *Hardwick v. 3M Company*, pending in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, plaintiffs have advanced claims based not on manifested illness, but on the presence of PFAS in their bloodstream, an exposure-driven theory that dramatically expands the potential claimant pool. The parties reached a settlement in principle in February 2024, with implementation continuing into 2026, signaling that the next wave of long-tail toxic tort litigation is already underway.

### The Fallacy of 'Contained' Risk

In the early 1970s, the consensus among stakeholders was that asbestos was a manageable, niche problem. The prevailing assumption was that claims would be limited to specific "at-risk" industries: shipbuilding, heavy construction, and core manufacturing. Medical experts at the time predicted a narrow range of injuries, primarily restricted to asbestosis and mesothelioma at clearly defined occupational sites.

We now know those assumptions were catastrophically narrow.

As the litigation matured, the "manageable" pool of claimants didn't just grow; it exploded. The medical scope widened to include a battery of lung cancers and respiratory ailments that were previously attributed to other lifestyle factors. Most significantly, exposure theories shifted. We moved from "direct occupational contact" to "bystander exposure" and eventually to "take-home" exposure, where the family members of workers were allegedly harmed by dust on a parent's coveralls.

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For carriers, these miscalculations weren't merely academic errors; they were financial earthquakes. Early reserved decisions were based on the belief that the "tail" of the risk would be short. Instead, underwriters found themselves trapped in a decades-long cycle where claim volumes and defense costs far outstripped even the most conservative models. The lesson here is clear: early modeling fails because it cannot account for the creativity of the plaintiffs' bar or the evolution of scientific "consensus."

### The 'Solvent Defendant' And the Expanding Pool

One of the most defining and frustrating characteristics of asbestos litigation is the relentless expansion of the defendant pool. Initially, the focus was squarely on the manufacturers of raw asbestos and insulation. However, as these industrial giants were forced into Chapter 11 bankruptcy under the weight of litigation, the target moved.

The plaintiffs' bar, needing solvent entities to pay settlements, began a "search for the solvent defendant." This led to the targeting of distributors, small-scale contractors, premises owners, and eventually companies with only the most peripheral links to the material. This "litigation creep" meant that a company that sold a product *containing* a single asbestos-lined gasket in 1965 could find itself a primary defendant in 2024.

This shift fundamentally changed underwriting. It proved that "peripheral involvement" is a myth in mass torts. For underwriters, this expansion created exposure in unexpected corners of their portfolios, often in "low-risk" policies that were never priced to handle the costs of a multi-district litigation (MDL) defense.

That same pattern is already emerging in PFAS litigation, with recent rulings allowing claims to proceed against companies far removed from chemical manufacturing, echoing the early expansion that defined asbestos.

### The Latency Trap: Time as a Weapon

Latency is the ultimate multiplier of uncertainty, and asbestos is the gold standard for this phenomenon. Because asbestos-related diseases can take 30, 40, or even 50 years to manifest, claims arrive long after the policy has gathered dust in a basement or the insured has ceased operations.

This temporal gap creates a "forensic" nightmare for claims handlers. The process often begins with the grueling task of reconstructing historical poli-

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## Debevoise

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erals the firm would now pursue. However, Furci said the percentage of profits was "meaningful and the firm is confident that it will "allow for flexibility over time."

Furci said the funds are available immediately, though some details remain to be ironed out. "Our goal is to preserve some level of predictability over time, but also to have the flexibility to make the moves we need to make," he said.

Debevoise has ambitious targets for revenue across the board, and the fund will help grow the headcount in practice areas that need it to achieve those revenue goals, Furci said.

As for where the funds will go, Furci highlighted the firm's plans to grow in fund formation, M&A and finance, but noted the pool is available where and when needed.

"We are going to be strategic on where we deploy the funds, which platforms need to grow and be reflective of the market for talent in particular practices," he said.

Debevoise also sees the new structure as an opportunity to get its highly rated litigation department more at-bats with corporate clients, Furci said. "We have one of the greatest litigation franchises in the world, and maintaining balance between corporate and litigation is fundamental to how we define ourselves as a firm. There will be greater opportunities to bring litigation services to our corporate clients."

The firm declined to specify whether and how much the bonus pool may affect the firm's partner pay ratio, but Furci said the fund will work within the bounds of the firm's ideals.

"Without specifics on compensation or ratio, we are not trying to copy what other firms have done, but rather be competitive in a disciplined and focused way," he said. "We think the pool is flexible enough to help us compete effectively for talent while also being consistent with our culture and values."

It's another big structural change for Debevoise, which last year voted to introduce a nonequity tier but decided to keep its lockstep compensation model. Last year, Debevoise announced a group of 11 partner promotions, a group that includes some nonequity partners. The firm on Thursday announced a group of 16 promoted partners, which also included nonequity lawyers.

When asked about the level of support from the partnership for the latest change, the bonus pool, Furci said partners had "extremely high buy-in as dictated by our governance."

Overall, the change was the product of the firm's five-year review process, which takes into account input from various stakeholders, including clients.

"We worked extensively with practice and industry group leaders, got feedback from key clients and had an external facilitator as well," Furci said. "The conclusion from that review was clear. We have great advantages. We have leadership positions in the most desirable practices, we are the first call on complex matters and have a culture that builds trust from clients as they know they will get the right people on the matter."

But, he said, the review also presented an opportunity for change.

"Our clients sent a clear message," he said. "Invest in practices where scale and depth matter. That is especially true in the private credit/capital space, which we have had a leadership position in for decades."

Furci was adamant about the pool and its use not interfering with the culture that has defined Debevoise throughout its existence.

"This is a partnership that takes its culture and tradition very seriously," he said. "I would have been disappointed if we didn't have a very robust discussion on how we balance the cultural considerations."

The compensation system change has been something of a rallying point for partners, he added. "There is tremendous energy and renewed entrepreneurial spirit in the partnership right now, and we are excited for what we can do for our clients moving forward," he said.

Move Away From Pure Lockstep

Law.com has reported that Big Law bonus pools can range anywhere from 5% to 25% of net income. The overwhelming majority is in the 7% to 15% range, noted Blane Prescott, a law firm consultant on partner compensation at MesaFive. Where they fall in that range varies, but the more profitable the firm is, the easier it is to be at the upper end of that range, he said.

Debevoise, by adding a bonus pool, appears to be shifting from its pure lockstep compensation system. The lockstep model was the hallmark of many elite New York firms for years, but in the last two decades, it has seen a slow death as the lateral market became more competitive. Cravath, Swaine & Moore broke its famous pure lockstep in 2021, and it also created a bonus pool funded by 15% of points from each partner, Law.com previously reported.

"Introducing any merit component that deviates from a purely seniority-based progression is no longer considered a true lockstep," said Prescott, although "a bonus component is probably the mildest form of variation from lockstep."

He added that there are very few pure lockstep firms left in the Am Law 200. Meanwhile, there are firms "that still publicly claim to have a pure lockstep, yet they periodically hold partners back from progression, or they create 'super tiers' that only a few partners can ascend to, or they have two gate holds in place where partners cannot pass through unless they hit certain performance metrics, or they have a bonus component," he said.

Overall, industry consultants noted the many benefits of moving away from lockstep compensation for firms, in order to compete for attracting and retaining talent.

For all but the most profitable firms, Prescott said, "there are now probably more risks with staying with a pure lockstep system than benefits." While true lockstep firms are "more team-oriented" because nobody is competing over origination, "everyone ultimately progresses to the top tier in a true lockstep system, and because compensation is a zero-sum game, firms invariably end up underpaying their superstars and overpaying other partners," he said.

There is no "right or wrong" when it comes to compensation systems, noted Tim Corcoran, another law firm consultant who specializes in compensation, but all are subject to market dynamics that don't put a value judgment on effectiveness.

"Lockstep works well when billing rates are more compressed. In the past, rates were simply that. There were fewer law firms and a social contract to stay for decades. All that has changed, and most people don't want to wait," he said.

Corcoran said Debveoise's move is a sensible choice.

"This gives them the ability to make competitive, individual choices rather than disrupting their whole model and allow them to recruit people who were perhaps considering them and allow them to keep people that don't want the disruption of changing firms (in order to get to market value)."

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## 'One Word'

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Montelione and Orlando Marrazzo Jr., and then-Justice Robert Miller—filed suit, arguing that the new civil rights protections implicitly repealed the state's mandatory retirement scheme. The trio is represented by Aidala Bertuna & Kamins and Morrison Cohen.

The case caught the attention of the New York Civil Liberties Union, which argued in support of the challengers' additional claim that the ERA created a freestanding civil right that can immediately be enforced.

The challengers came to the Court of Appeals following losses at the First Department of the New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division and the New York Supreme Court. In ruling against the plaintiffs, the Manhattan state court raised concerns that accepting their arguments would undermine other age-based restrictions, such as driving a car and being able to legally work.

In the Court of Appeals, Judge Anthony Cannataro asked about that.

"We have so many laws that discriminate on the basis of age in New York," he said, asking Leventhal to provide a "limiting principle" to his argument.

The challengers to the judicial age cap argued that the ERA impliedly repealed Section 25(b) or, alternatively, subjects age discrimination to strict scrutiny review. Responding to Cannataro, Leventhal said those other restrictions could survive strict scrutiny review, but that the judicial age cap does not. Cannataro seemed unconvinced.

"Before this court is whether this Equal Rights Amendment that was enacted subjects every other statute, including constitutional provisions, that discriminate on the basis of age, sometimes for good reasons, sometimes for other reasons, makes them all subject to strict scrutiny, which sounds remarkable to me," Cannataro said.

Rivera picked up on this line of questioning on rebuttal, saying that without an age-cap, there could be a risk that state judges—who generally run for office and do not have term limits—could find themselves holding effective lifetime appointments.

"Well, it's up to the people," Leventhal said. "I'm not saying that this should be a lifetime appointment, you go through the certification process, medical."

"But under your view there is no certification process," said Rivera. "25(b) is repealed and the judiciary sections that codify 25(b). All unlawful now."

Chief Judge Rowan Wilson and Judge Madeline Singas had recused themselves from the matter.

Judge Shirley Troutman, who did participate in the matter, appeared to be the only jurist sympathetic to the challengers. She asked Ester Murdukhayeva, who is representing New York state, to explain how the ERA would treat a person who is a judge, versus someone who is a partner in a law firm.

"Judges and partners at law firms are differently situated," said Mudukhayeva. "A judgeship is created by the constitution of the public office of the state and a law firm partner is not."

"So privately there can be discrimination, but publicly, because of Section 25, you're saying by authorization of law, it is legal, because the constitution provides that section, even though they're in tension with one another. It is an authorized discrimination," Troutman said.

Leventhal ended the hearing on a personal note, pointing out that he last argued in the Court of Appeals 34 years ago.

"I'm 77 years old and I'm still here," said Leventhal, himself a former judge.

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Global Report

# Gulf Partner Promotions Decline as Middle East Tensions Increase

BY DARIO SABAGHI

PARTNER promotions in the Gulf have fallen 20.5% this year, as Global 200 law firms elevated 31 lawyers to partner in the first quarter of 2026 or announced promotions late in 2025 to take effect this year.

That compares with 39 promotions in the same period last year, marking a clear year-over-year decline.

The change comes as Gulf states grapple with the economic fallout from the U.S.-Israeli war with Iran, which has shaken global markets since it began in late February.

Several firms that were active in 2025 saw no promotions in 2026. King & Spalding, which led the 2025 cycle with four promotions across Abu Dhabi and Dubai and follows the calendar year, did not announce promotions in the Middle East for 2026.

"Partnership promotions vary each year depending on both candidates and market conditions," said Nabil Issa, managing partner for the Middle East at King & Spalding. "This year, due to unusual circumstances, the firm is adjusting its criteria by lowering the usual 2,100–2,200 billable-hour expectation and evaluating candidates based on their average performance over the past three years to ensure fairness."

### Widespread Uncertainty

While the conflict has created widespread uncertainty across the Gulf economy, the full impact of the war on promotion cycles and broader talent decisions is likely to become clearer only in 2027, when more law firms will make decisions based on the current regional market situation.

Two firms led the 2026 promotion cycle, each elevating three partners. Eversheds Sutherland spread its promotions across corporate, commercial dispute resolution, and real estate, with two partners in Dubai and one in Riyadh. Greenberg Traurig also made three promotions, all based in Dubai, spanning entertainment, media & sport, litigation, and corporate practices.

A cluster of firms followed, each recording two promotions: Clyde & Co, White & Case, A&O Shearman, Freshfields, Simmons & Simmons, Pinsent Masons, and Baker Botts.

Greenberg Traurig, Baker Botts, Simmons & Simmons, Pinsent Masons, Ashurst, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, Norton Rose Fulbright, Gowling WLG, Taylor Wessing, BonelliErede, Addleshaw Goddard and Fragomen all recorded partner promotions after having none in 2025.

Clyde & Co, White & Case, A&O Shearman, DLA Piper and Freshfields are among the firms that have consistently made promotions in both 2025 and 2026. However, firms like Morgan Lewis & Bockius, Hogan Lovells, Latham & Watkins and Kirkland & Ellis have not announced promotions either last year or this year.

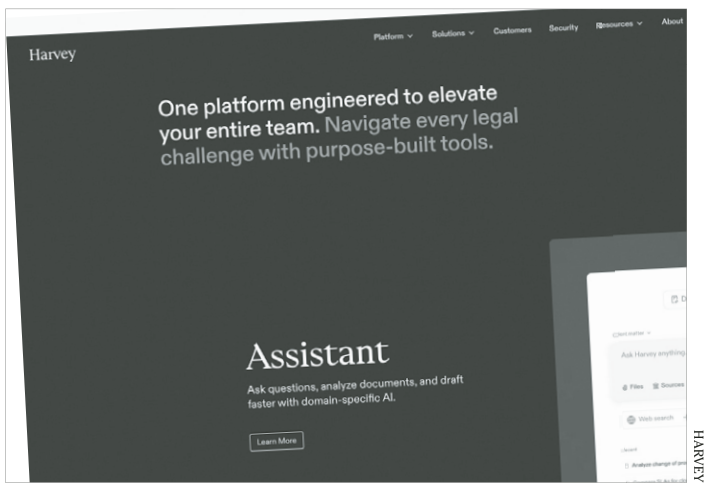
Stuart Paterson, HSF Kramer's joint managing partner for the Middle East, said the firm's latest partner hires and promotions are driven by business needs and its long-term strategy, focused on strengthening the firm's core capabilities and key growth areas.

Last year, the firm hired Riyadh corporate partner Mohammed Al Eshaikh but made no partner promotions. HSF Kramer now plans to expand Riyadh across » Page 6

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| LAW FIRM | PROMOTIONS | PRACTICE | LOCATION | PROMOTIONS | PRACTICE | LOCATION |
| Clifford Chance | 0 | N/A | | 1 | Global Financial Markets | Dubai |
| Clyde & Co | 2 | Corporate & Advisory | Abu Dhabi & Doha Dubai | 2 | IP, Technology & Commercial Real Estate | Jeddah Abu Dhabi / Dubai |
| White & Case | 2 | Project Development and Finance Practice M&A | Doha Riyadh | 4 | Project Development and Finance Practice M&A | Abu Dhabi Riyadh Dubai - 2 |
| A&O Shearman | 2 | ENRI M&A | Riyadh Dubai | 2 | ENRI | Dubai |
| Dentons | 1 | Projects | Riyadh | 0 | N/A | N/A |
| Baker McKenzie | 0 | N/A | N/A | 2 | Capital Markets International Commercial & Trade | Riyadh Dubai |
| DLA Piper | 1 | Litigation & Regulatory | Dubai | 1 | Litigation & Regulatory | Doha |
| Addleshaw Goddard | 1 | Corporate | Dubai | 2 | Corporate Finance | Riyadh Dubai |
| Eversheds Sutherland | 3 | Corporate Commercial Dispute Resolution Real Estate | Dubai 2 Riyadh | 2 | Corporate Finance Litigation | Dubai Abu Dhabi |
| CMS | 0 | N/A | N/A | 3 | Corporate ICE Disputes | Muscat Riyadh |
| Freshfields | 2 | Global Transactions | Riyadh Abu Dhabi | 1 | Dispute Resolution | Abu Dhabi |
| Simmons & Simmons | 2 | Financial Services Tax Businesses Services | Abu Dhabi Dubai | 0 | N/A | N/A |
| Pinsent Masons | 2 | Enegy & Infrastructure Financial Services | Doha Dubai | 0 | N/A | N/A |
| HFW | 0 | N/A | N/A | 2 | Shipping Aerospace | Kuwait Riyadh |
| Linklaters | 0 | N/A | N/A | 3 | Energy & Infrastucture Mainstream Corporate | Abu Dhabi Dubai |
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Harvey supports open data and French legal workflows but lacks proprietary legal databases.

# Legal AI Firm Harvey Bets Big on France Amid Rising EU Tech Scrutiny, Data Concerns

BY RICK MITCHELL

LEGAL AI company Harvey opened a Paris office this month, pressing ahead with its European expansion despite mounting transatlantic tensions and growing EU unease over the data and privacy risks associated with U.S. tech firms, with plans to hire around 15 people by September.

The San Francisco-based company said prominent French firm August Debouzy joined its client list, which also includes Bredin Prat, CMS Francis Lefebvre, DLA Piper France, and the legal department of current European football champions Paris Saint-Germain, with more French firms to join in the coming months.

Harvey has also opened European offices in Munich, Madrid, and Dublin, and has more than 10 employees in London.

Katie Burke, the company's chief operating officer, said the Paris office is "crucial for connecting with local teams" in France's significant corporate market, as well as existing multinational clients, including international law firms with offices in France such as A&O Shearman and O'Melveny & Myers.

### Pros and Cons

CMS, Europe's biggest law firm by headcount, is one of Harvey's largest clients, with thousands of lawyers using the tool daily across its network, said Samih Jemai, head of legal tech at French branch CMS Francis Lefebvre.

Jemai said that after an early effort to build its own tech, CMS searched for a specialized legal AI tool rather than a generic large language model plug-in. It considered Sweden-based Legora, but after a three-month pilot involving over 250 people, CMS chose Harvey. The selling points were its customizability, specialized legal focus, and responsiveness to specific firm needs. Those included adding open data sources, adapting workflows for French legal use cases, and dedicated support.

Harvey's main drawback was a lack of access to proprietary historical legal databases, crucial for in-depth French legal research. These databases often have their own AI offerings and are reluctant to share data, said Jemai.

The gap is being addressed as French public legal data becomes open and accessible via APIs. Harvey has integrated around 15-16 French public databases, and more than 160 globally.

Anton Carniaux, who as a former in-house leader at Microsoft France managed AI transformation, said that broadly speaking, the supply of and demand for specialized legal AI tools are more advanced and sophisticated in the U.S. and UK. "There is still some cultural resistance in France and elsewhere in continental Europe, but there is clearly a strong acceleration underway right now, both in terms of supply and demand."

Jemai said CMS France also uses local legal research tools including GenIA-L, by Lefebvre Dalloz and enterprise knowledge management and search tool Outmind.AI, among others.

More widely, the firm also uses Microsoft Copilotbut not France-based Jus Mundi.

In addition to Legora, Harvey's European offices face competition from rival tech titans » Page 10

# Big 4 Singapore Firm Allen & Gledhill Makes First Shanghai Partner Hire Since Launch

BY JESSICA SEAH

BIG FOUR Singapore firm Allen & Gledhill has made it first China partner hire since launching in Shanghai in 2024.

The firm has hired corporate lawyer Kevin Wang as a partner and head of its China practice in Shanghai.

Wang joined Allen & Gledhill from Chinese firm Jingtian & Gongcheng, where he spent five years and was most recently a partner. He becomes the second partner to be based in the Singapore firm's Shanghai office.

Allen & Gledhill launched its Shanghai office two years ago, marking its debut mainland China presence. The office at its launch was led by corporate partner Kai Chang Yong, who joined the firm in 2022 from legacy King & Wood Mallesons.

Wang has more than 15 years of experience advising financial and strategic investors and other corporate clients on mergers and acquisitions and investment transactions. His practice focuses on cross-border and domestic private equity investments, private acquisitions, joint ventures and foreign direct investments in China.

Before joining Jingtian & Gongcheng in 2021, Wang spent nearly six years at Weil, Gotshal & Manges. He also previously practised at Gide Loyrette Nouel and legacy King & Wood Mallesons.

On its website, Allen & Gledhill lists just over 20 partners who are part of its China practice. The majority of those partners are in Singapore, while some are based in its other Southeast Asian offices.

Besides Singapore and China, Allen & Gledhill also has offices in Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam and Myanmar. Other Singapore firms with mainland China offices include Rajah & Tann and Wong-Partnership.



Kevin Wang

Earlier this month, the Big Four firm also announced the launch of two new practice areas—technology disputes, and healthcare, life sciences and pharmaceuticals.

The technology disputes practice will be led by its international arbitration practice co-head Kai Liang Tan and partner Melissa Mak, while its healthcare, life sciences and pharmaceuticals practice will be headed by partner Wei Munn Mak and its corporate M&A practice deputy head Christopher Koh.

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# French M&A Powerhouse Darrois Lands 3 Deals Including Proposed $23B SFR Tie-up

BY RICK MITCHELL

AT LEAST four U.S. and French law firms including Bredin Prat, Darrois, and Weil, Gotshal & Manges are advising on the estimated $23 billion telecoms deal for French telecommunications company SFR, a person close to the deal said.

In the biggest M&A deal on the French horizon, telecom companies Orange, Bouygues and Iliad-Free have entered exclusive negotiations to jointly acquire their rival SFR from Patrick Drahi's Altice France in an estimated €20 billion ($23.4 billion) transaction. The exclusive negotiations, announced April 17, have been extended to June 5.

Although some U.S. and French firms are rumored to be working on the deal, none have officially confirmed their involvement.

According to a person close to the negotiations, Bredin Prat is advising Iliad-Free, while Darrois advises Bouygues, and De Paridieu Brocas Maffei advises longtime client Altice. Weil, Gotshal & Manges is counseling Orange.

Meanwhile, "There are many, many more law firms working on the transaction," in addition to the four main ones, the person said. The four firms have been contacted for comment.

Corporate partner Yannick Piette is said to be the lead Weil partner advising Orange. Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton partner Pierre-Yves Chabert previously said the firm is advising an infrastructure fund potentially involved in the transaction.

Frédéric Bouvet, head of Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer's French M&A practice, has said the SFR deal could be a "first step" to further consolidation in the pan-European telecom market, but partners say the deal faces "painful" antitrust scrutiny, potentially taking as long as 18 months post-signing.

### Publicis' $2.2B Deal for LiveRamp

Separately, Darrois, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz, and Sullivan & Cromwell are advising on French advertising company Publicis Group's acquisition of U.S. data-collaboration platform LiveRamp, in a deal valuing the company at around $2.2 billion. Publicis said the acquisition is part of its push into AI marketing.

A Wachtell team led by partner Adam Emmerich is advising Publicis, also counseled by a Darrois team led by partners Bertrand Cardi, Henri Savoie, and Olivier Huygues Despointes.

Both firms have existing relationships with their clients.

Wachtell partner Adam Emmerich advised Publicis on its later-abandoned $35.1 billion proposed merger with Omnicom, as well as the $4.4 billion acquisition of Alliance Data's Epsilon business, and a $3.7 billion acquisition of Sapient Corporation.

Sullivan & Cromwell's team for LiveRamp was led by partners Mike Ringler and Pete Jones. Ringler was on the team advising xAI in its $250 billion sale to SpaceX, creating a combined company valued at $1.25 trillion, the largest private company merger in history. He also advised Elon Musk, xAI, and X in the $113 billion merger of xAI and X, the firm's website said.

### AnaCap's Sale of Milleis Bank

In another French deal that closed earlier in May, Darrois advised U.K. private equity fund AnaCap on its sale of Milleis Bank—France's third-largest independent private bank with €13 billion of assets under management—to French retail bank LCL and insurance company Crédit Agricole Assurances. The deal value was not disclosed.

LCL, a subsidiary of multinational banking group Crédit » Page 10

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# Arbitral

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an arbitral institution that no longer exists? That question was the focus of our July 24, 2024 column, *The Perils of the Non-Existent Arbitral Institution.* As discussed there, the issue arose repeatedly in cases involving the National Arbitration Forum (NAF), a once-popular arbitral institution that stopped accepting new consumer matters in July 2009.

Many courts answered the question by applying the "integral part" rule, under which unavailability of the chosen forum precludes arbitration if "the choice of forum is an integral part of the agreement to arbitrate, rather than an ancillary logistical concern." That inquiry turns on "how important the term was to one or both of the parties at the time they entered into the agreement," and courts reached divergent outcomes in applying it to NAF arbitration clauses.

A similar issue arose earlier this year in a case involving a contract calling for arbitration under the Rules of the DIFC-LCIA, a joint venture of the DIFC and the LCIA established in 2008. In Sept. 2021, however, the Government of Dubai issued Decree 34, which effectively dissolved the DIFC-LCIA and established the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC). The district court denied a motion to compel arbitration, holding that the clause was unenforceable because it designated a now-defunct forum

The Fifth Circuit reversed. *Baker Hughes Saudi Arabia Company Limited v. Dynamic Industries, Inc*., 126 F. 4th Cir. 1073 (2025). Applying the integral-part rule, it held that the contract designated only a set of rules—not a particular arbitral forum, adding that, even if the parties had implicitly designated the DIFC-LCIA as the forum, that designation was not integral; the parties' dominant purpose was "to arbitrate generally."

On remand, the district court rejected the argument that appointment of arbitrators "by the LCIA Court"—a function DIAC could not perform—rendered the clause unenforceable. *Baker Hughes Saudi Arabia Co. v. Dynamic Indus., Inc.,* No. CV 23-1396, 2026 WL 251711 (E.D. La. Jan. 30, 2026). That provision, the court held, related to administration, not exclusive forum selection. The court further found that DIAC was capable of administering arbitrations under the DIFC-LCIA Rules consistent with the parties' intent.

The district court also noted that, under Decree 34, DIAC assumed responsibility for administering arbitrations under the DIFC-LCIA Rules for proceedings commenced after March 21, 2022, and that the DIAC Rules were substantially similar. It therefore granted the motion to compel arbitration.

### Section 1782

Our final decision concerns 28 U.S.C. §1782, which permits discovery in the United States in aid of foreign proceedings—a subject we have addressed many times in this column.

In *In re SBK ART LLC,* 168 F.4th 68 (2d Cir. 2026), SBK ART LLC (SBK) sought documents and deposition testimony from Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP (Akin) for use in civil proceedings pending in the General Court of the European Union and the Civil Court of Malta. The district court granted the application, and Akin appealed.

The narrow question before the Second Circuit was whether the district court abused its discretion by granting a Section 1782 petition seeking discovery from a client's law firm where the same materials would be undiscoverable from the client abroad. Akin argued that the Second Circuit's decision in *Kiobel by Samkalden v. Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP*, 895 F.3d 238 (2d Cir. 2018), required answering that question in the affirmative. The court was not persuaded.

*Kiobel* relied on two of the four discretionary factors identified in *Intel Corp. v. Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.,* 542 U.S. 241 (2004). The first Intel factor is whether "the person from whom discovery is sought is a participant in the foreign proceeding." That weighed against discovery in *Kiobel* because the true target was Shell—a party to the foreign proceeding—not its U.S. law firm.

The third *Intel* factor is whether the request sought to circumvent foreign proof-gathering restrictions. In *Kiobel*, statements by counsel showed an attempt to evade the Netherlands' more restrictive discovery regime. By contrast, as the Second Circuit noted, Akin did not challenge the district court's weighing of the *Intel* factors in *SBK*.

Even more significant was the presence in *Kiobel* of a confidentiality order prohibiting use of Shell's documents absent consent or a court order. Permitting Section 1782 discovery there would have functioned as an improper "workaround." No comparable confidentiality order existed in *SBK*.

Akin also urged adoption of a "foreign discoverability" requirement when discovery is sought from law firms. The Supreme Court rejected such a requirement in *Intel*, and the Second Circuit declined to resurrect it, even in light of strong policy concerns regarding attorney-client relationships.

The court emphasized that Akin remained free to object to discovery as unduly burdensome or as improperly intruding on attorney-client relationships—but that such objections should be addressed under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure after a Section 1782 application is granted, not at the threshold stage.

Finally, the Second Circuit rejected Akin's argument that its recent decision in *Banoka S.à.r.l. v. Elliott Management Corp*., 148 F.4th 54 (2d Cir. 2025), requires district courts to consider extra-territoriality factors, including the foreign location of documents and custodians. *Banoka*, the court explained, merely held that consideration of such factors was permissible under the fourth Intel factor—not mandatory.

For these reasons, the Second Circuit affirmed the order granting the Section 1782 application.

# Promotions

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energy and infrastructure, disputes, and project finance.

### The Big Picture

Overall, 20 of the 55 Global 200 law firms with offices in the Middle East announced promotions for 2026, compared with 21 in 2025, suggesting a pattern of alternating promotion cycles, where firms that promote in one year often skip the next. "My sense is that the slowdown in partner promotions reflects a more disciplined growth rather than a reduced commitment to the Middle East," Jonatha Pryke, Dubai head of legal recruiter MRA Search. "Firms are still investing heavily in the region, but many are increasingly focused on profitability over just increasing revenue, with strategic lateral hiring and selective promotions tied to high-demand practice areas."

Pryke added that the region has matured significantly over the past few years, and early expansion required rapid team building and internal promotions. At the time, it was more sensible to promote internally due to limited market depth. But now, firms are prioritizing profitability and long-term platform development over tenure-based promotions.

Dubai continues to dominate partner promotions in the Middle East. Of the 31 promotions in 2026, 17 were based there. Riyadh and Abu Dhabi rank second with roughly six, while Doha accounted for two promotions.

Corporate and M&A work accounted for the largest share of 2026 promotions. Projects, energy, and infrastructure formed the next most prominent group. Dispute resolution and litigation showed up in a smaller number of promotions, most notably at DLA Piper, Greenberg Traurig and Eversheds Sutherland.

However, newer practice areas are also gaining traction. Gibson Dunn's fintech and digital assets work, along with Greenberg Traurig's entertainment, media and sports practice, have broadened the region's legal market beyond its traditional strongholds. Issa says construction disputes, infrastructure projects, and fund-related practices are getting busier right now.

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## Perspective




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Ioana Good and Eniola Olaogun use the Northeastern Class of 2026 commencement message to discuss how originality and human connection—not just AI—will set lawyers and law firms apart.

# Originality Is the Distinction for the Industry and the Class of 2026

**BY IOANA GOOD AND ENIOLA OLAOGUN**

It's graduation season, which means the same rituals are playing out across the country: gowns adjusted into place, camera rolls filling up, and one last collective pause before real-life demands become more imminent. But at Northeastern University's Class of 2026 commencement—our alma mater, and a rare point of overlap for both of us—the messages snapped into focus with unusual precision for anyone working inside the legal industry right now.

Hilary Duff urged graduates to architect their own lives with deliberate intentionality, reminding them that "Success isn't just about what you achieve. It's about what you choose." This sentiment was amplified by Northeastern President Joseph E. Aoun's assessment of the digital frontier, telling the audience that "Technology scales information. It doesn't scale trust. It doesn't scale wisdom. It cannot comprehend the moment when you look a friend in the eye, and they know without you saying a word that you have their back."

That's the crossroads law firms are standing at today, where information is abundant but poses risk.

For the legal community, these are not merely graduation platitudes, but rather a blueprint for modern competitive advantage. In an industry being rapidly reshaped by automation, the ability to make deliberate strategic choices, cultivate a distinct professional voice, and maintain unwavering client trust remains the sole asset without a digital substitute.

### The Operational Challenge of Transformation

These themes rang true at the 2026 Legal Marketing Association Annual Conference in New Orleans on April 20-22, where nearly 1,500 professionals from across the country and around the globe grappled with the systemic integration of artificial intelligence and digital transformation into law firm infrastructure. While firms continue to invest in data analytics and generative tools, many struggle to translate these investments into measurable outcomes.

There is no shortage of intelligent ideas circulating within legal professional circles, yet the industry-wide challenge remains consistent: disciplined execution. The conference underscored that true competitive differentiation is achieved in the "last mile" of implementation, specifically through user adoption, process enablement, and institutional accountability.

In the new world of digital identities, originality is no longer merely an intangible branding attribute or marketing luxury. It has evolved into a strict operating discipline required to prevent a firm's work product from dissolving into a sea of automated sameness and inaccuracies.

### The Risk of 'Good Enough'

Originality now commands an unprecedented premium, as generative technology has lowered the cost of producing legal materials from presentation decks to briefs. While drafting time has decreased, the baseline quality of standardized writing has risen as competing firms rely on similar prompts and risk-averse algorithmic patterns. When "good enough" becomes the industry baseline, systemic sameness introduces a real risk. Clients do not retain counsel for basic updates, data dumps, or automated recitations of the law.

Instead, corporate entities require sophisticated interpretation tailored to their strategic risk profiles, while individual clients seek personalized guidance that addresses their unique vulnerabilities and anxieties. Both want to understand the long-term implications of their situation and receive research-based solutions that they cannot find with a basic AI search of their own. Originality lives within this translation layer, where human judgment, prioritization, and experienced perspective are applied.

Because in the end, the differentiator will never be the tool itself, but rather the judgment, accountability, and human-centered approach; a professional's most valuable and unscalable assets.

### Constructing Value Frameworks

Integration of technology alone cannot deliver a sustainable competitive advantage. Digital tools can accelerate workflows and streamline redundant actions, but they remain incapable of producing intellectual clarity or sustained strategic execution.

Firms achieve measurable progress only when they construct clear, functional frameworks that attorneys can readily use, such as the Four-Bucket AI Value Framework widely discussed within the LMA ecosystem.This framework evaluates use cases strictly by the objective business outcomes they facilitate, including measurable cost reduction and the development of new capabilities.

To execute this effectively, firm leadership must focus on repeatable, high-value use cases, such as expedited client needs or standardized experience descriptions for complex pitches. The objective is to leverage artificial intelligence as an engine for institutional growth, tying each technological application to quantifiable outcomes.

### Overcoming Law Firm Friction And Economic Realities

Any push for operational change will eventually run into the reality of law firm economics. In a profession built around the billable hour, walking away from established workflows feels like a financial risk and a waste of billable time. Because lawyers sometimes equate testing new tools with lost productivity, successful tech integration can't just be a top-down mandate from management. Instead, adoption requires proof of immediate value.

Firms can lower the barrier to entry by embedding generative tools directly into the document management and research platforms lawyers already use every day. This eliminates the learning curve that kills so many software initiatives. By tapping tech-forward lawyers within specific practice groups to coach their peers, firms can translate abstract capabilities into real, day-to-day efficiencies. This is the only way to win over risk-averse partners managing heavy case dockets.

### Defining Institutional Standards

Establishing firm-wide institutional standards should treat originality not merely as a marketing luxury, but as an indispensable risk-management protocol. True enablement requires respecting the stark reality of the attorney's workload. Adoption follows usability, which means that providing clear templates and a defined path for partner review will reduce the gap between introduction and execution.

If a new digital workflow proves more cumbersome than legacy methods, it will inevitably fail and damage the prospect of introducing another new process. This is where practice marketing teams can drive internal transformation by establishing an editorial standard for originality that aligns with the firm's voice and values.

To ensure these new processes endure, all internal guidelines and client-facing materials must answer why technological output matters and what strategic and human course of action should follow. By linking AI-assisted workflows directly to enhancing bespoke client advocacy, firm leadership can shift the internal narrative from an administrative burden to a core competitive necessity.

While AI can make law firms more efficient, speed without intention just gets a firm to mediocrity sooner. Although presented to different audiences, the Northeastern commencement message and the LMA conference takeaways land on the same principle: success, whether at the beginning or near the end of a career, is not shaped by technology alone. It is achieved by those who continuously choose each next step through informed, thoughtful decision-making, measuring progress through lived experience.

Because in the end, the differentiator will never be the tool itself, but rather the judgment, accountability, and human-centered approach; a professional's most valuable and unscalable assets. To the Northeastern Class of 2026, congratulations on everything you earned and everything you're about to build with intention. Go Huskies!

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correctness." or, just the vibe of everything – "current environment in the US in almost every respect - political, legal, international, domestic, rule of law, elections, environment, health care, public health ....." was another answer.

Multiple lawyers mentioned the stress of providing care to family members. "Being a caregiver to my husband who has nontreatable, noncurable neurodegenerative disease," said one nonequity partner in immigration; "aging / dying parents; struggling children" added an equity partner in IP.

Climate change, antisemitism, and affordability were recurring themes.

In multiple ways, too, the encroachment of technology in everyday life also loomed in respondents' minds.

"AI uncertainty – what does the future look like?" said one nonequity partner in real estate.

"Screen addiction" said a litigation associate.

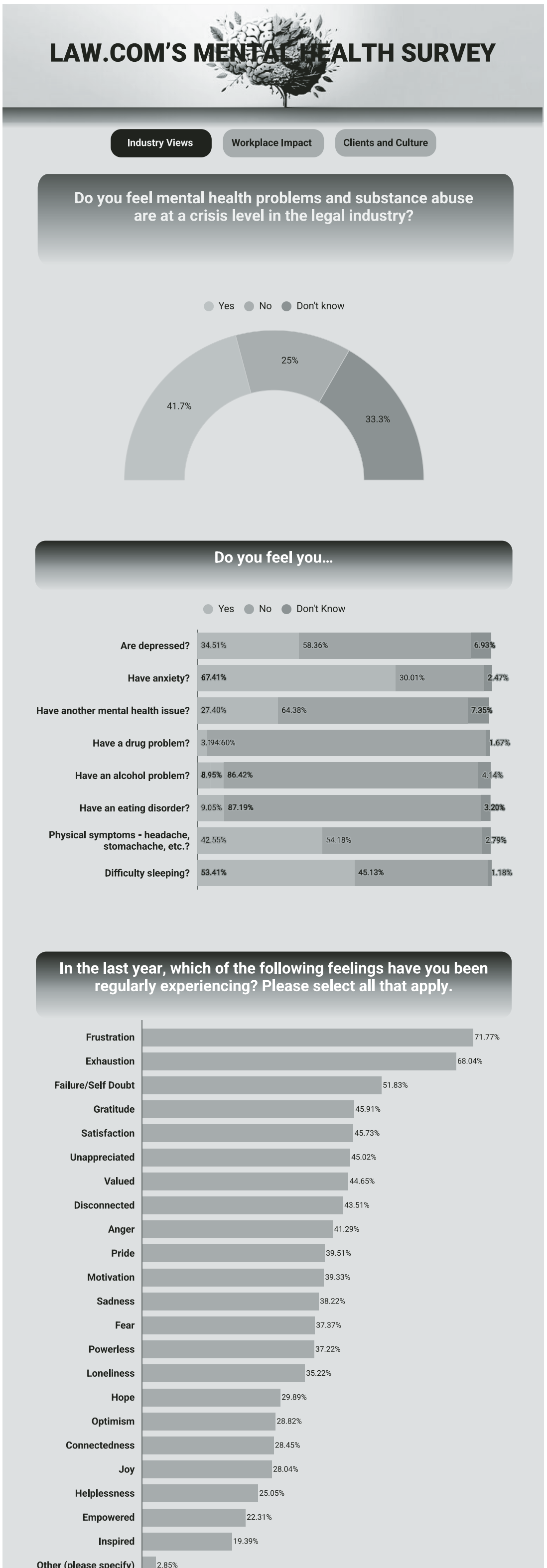
Survey-takers were also asked how a hybrid or remote-work environment impacted discussions of mental health. One litigation associate said it's "much easier to hide" mental health issues when they're just communicating via emails or phone or video calls. "That being said, I work in an office with a 4-day in person policy and glass walls and cry in my office frequently and no one has ever noticed, so it's not like people are good at noticing warning signs in person either," they wrote.

On the flip side, at least a few respondents said the list of potential external stressors was overblown. "The fact that my peers are concerned about the above, and I have to pretend their concerns are justified," said one IP associate.

### 'The Secret Stress'

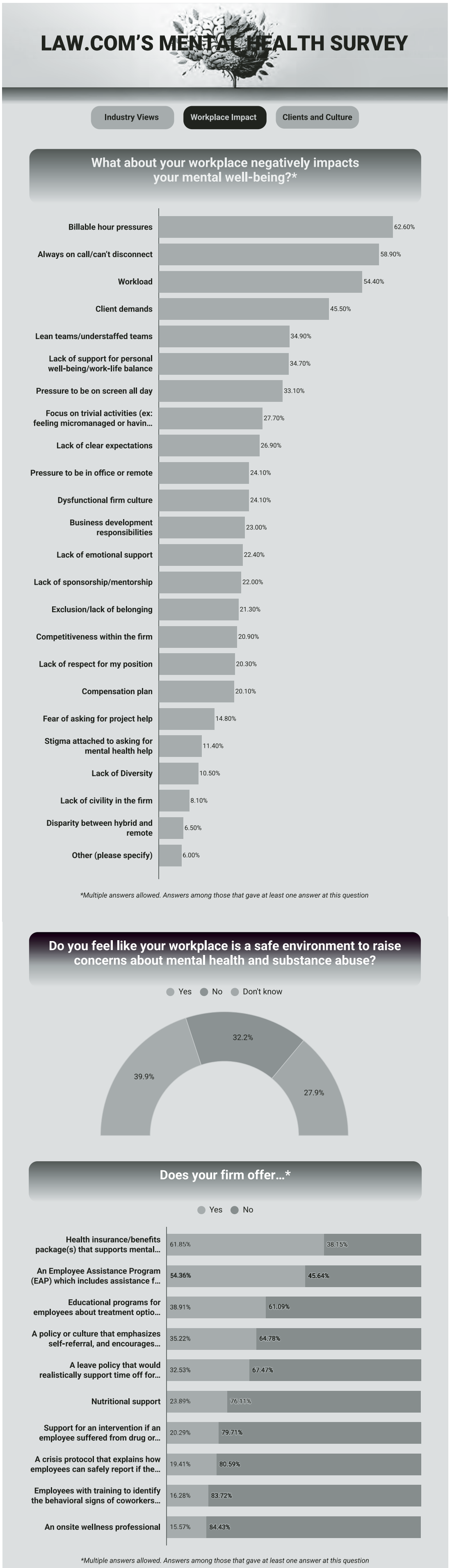
There is some good news. Although the reported rate of depression in this year's ALM Mental Health Survey rose to 35%, up from 33% in 2025, that's still below where it was the previous two years, when it was 38% and 36%, respectively.

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Anxiety also fell to 67%, from 68.7% the previous year, while 42% of respondents felt mental health and substance abuse issues were "at a crisis level" within the profession. That number was 49% just two years ago.

However, those figures are still higher than they were before the pandemic, when depression came in at 31% and anxiety at 64%. Three-quarters of respondents also still said they believed the profession has had a negative effect on their mental health over time, up slightly from last year and from where it was prior to the pandemic.

"Billable hours pressures" was the most common answer when respondents were asked what about their workplace impacts their mental wellbeing, with 63% of them selecting it from a list of possibilities. "Always on call/can't disconnect" was the second-most-common answer (60%), followed by "client demands" (46%).

Those things all fit together, noted Levin, because there's often an expectation from clients that lawyers are available no matter what, whether they're spending time with family, or even on vacation. He said lawyers of course feel pressure to work even when they're supposed to be relaxing.

"And there's sometimes an even darker fear, a different kind of stressor, that on the surface they may feel the stress to be available to work during vacation, but there's sometimes the secret stress of being on vacation and not being available and having clients and colleagues realize that they're not indispensable," Levin said.

Despite the onslaught of potential stressors, both within and beyond the profession, getting legal employees and their firms on the same page about it remains tricky. Just over half (54%) of respondents said they believed their law firms were sincere in their concern for the mental health of their employees and staff. That number rose right after the pandemic, from about 61% in 2019 to roughly 63% in 2021, but has fallen since.

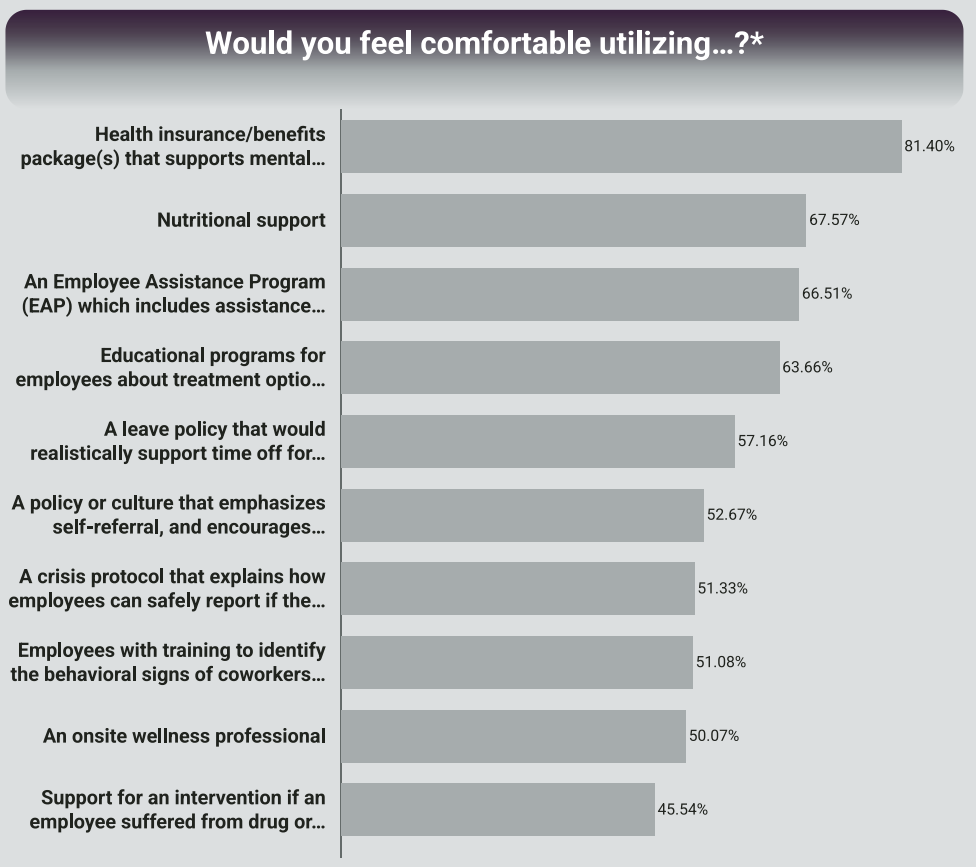
### 'If You See Something, Say Something'

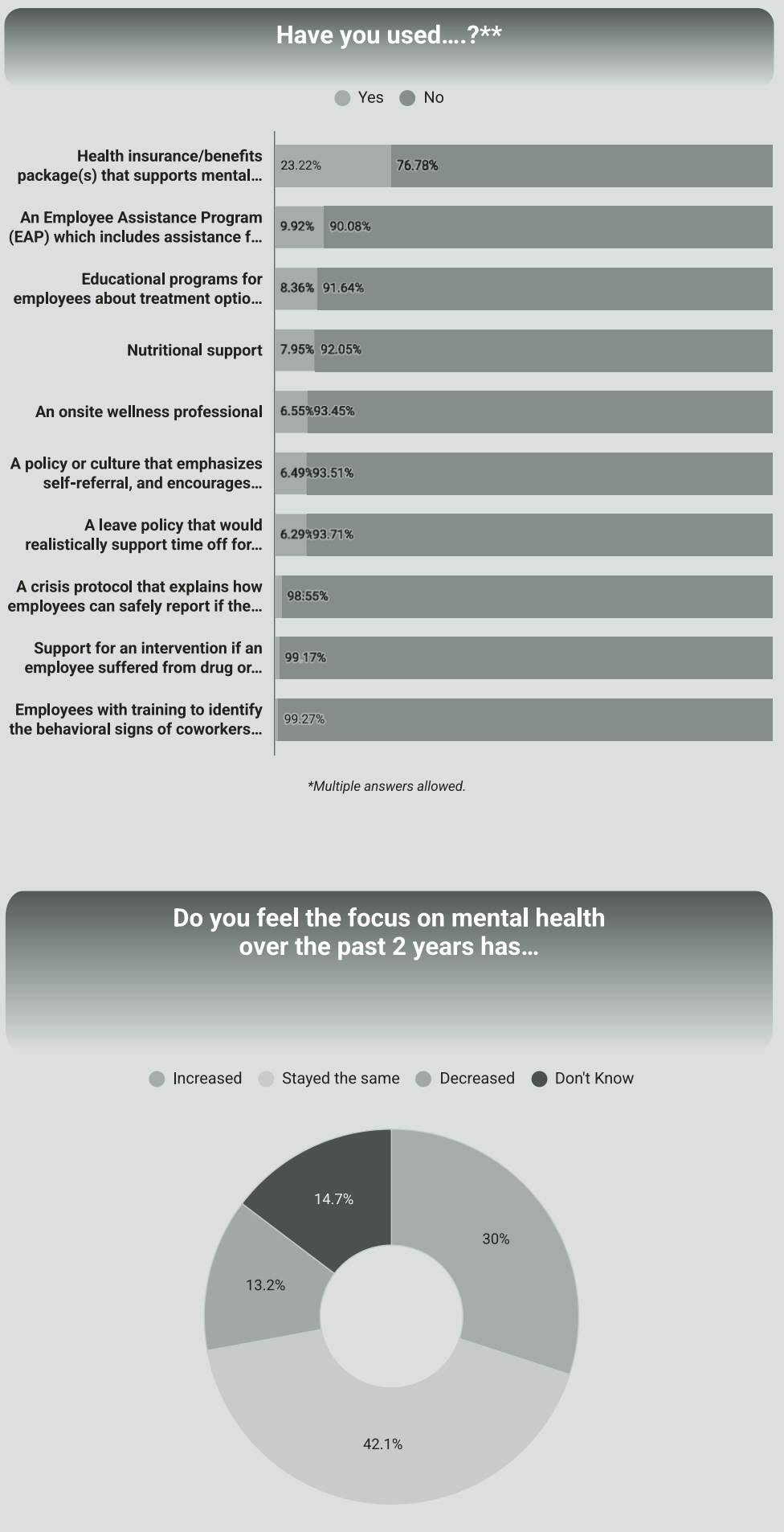
Some firm leaders say they're trying to keep it a priority, and they've tried to build it into their culture despite a stigma that remains around mental health treatment more broadly.

"I think there's still a significant connotation where we discriminate against mental health as a society, versus other forms of health," said Pat Whalen, chair and managing partner of Spencer Fane. He said there's no magic solution, but his firm tries to emphasize mental health benefits when they're renewing policies or interviewing brokers and insurers, and maintains regular check-ins with talent team leaders.

"We've counseled everyone here—if you see some-

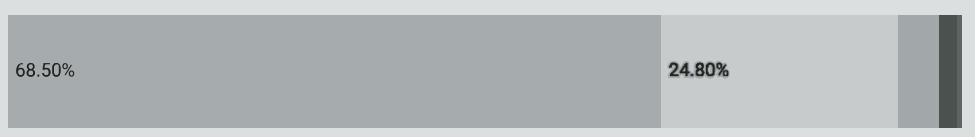
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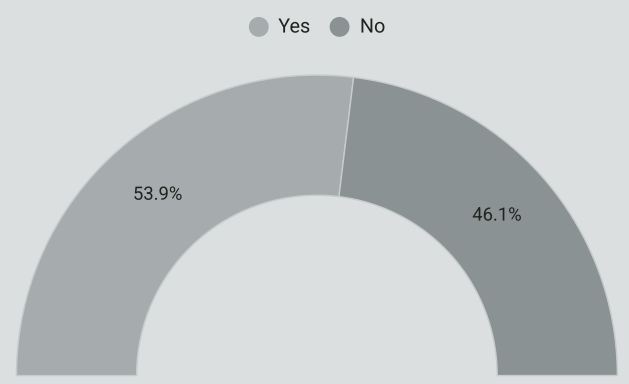



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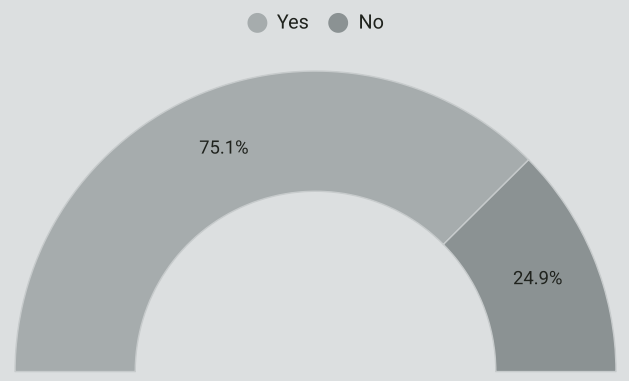
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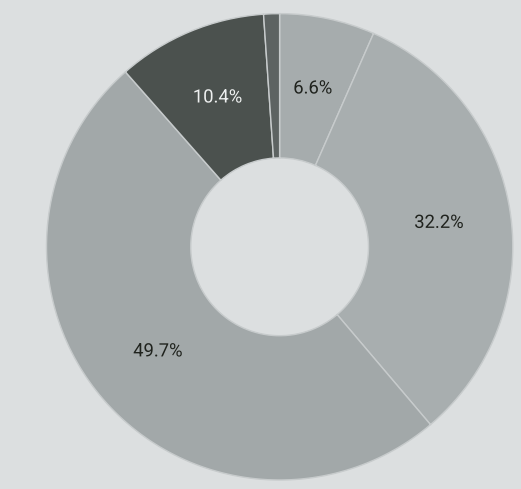



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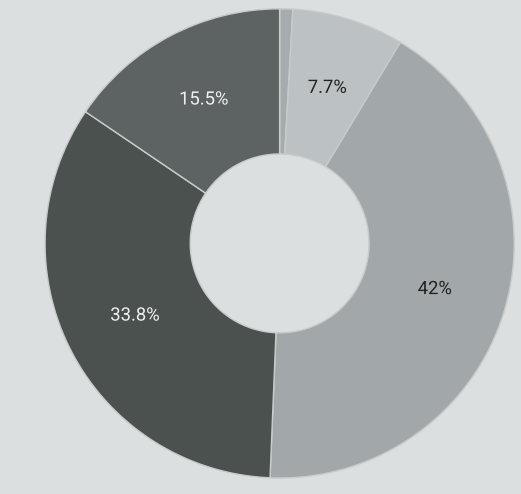
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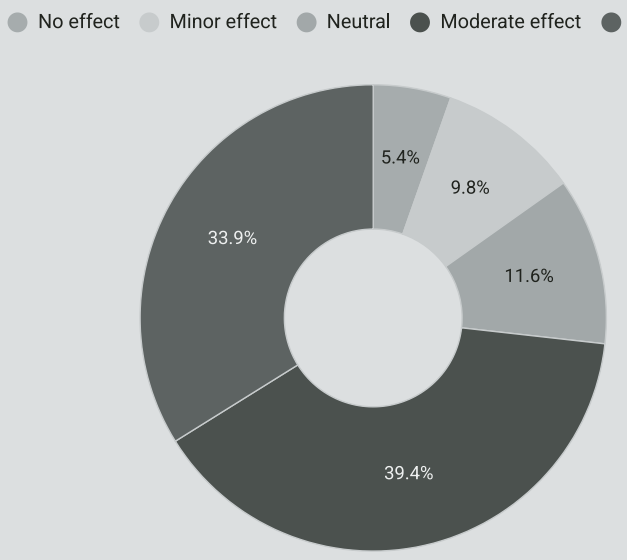

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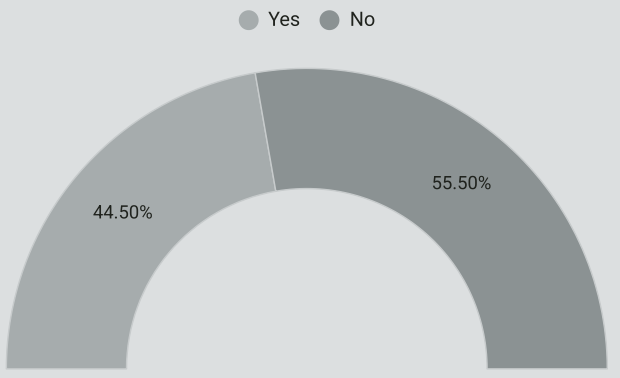

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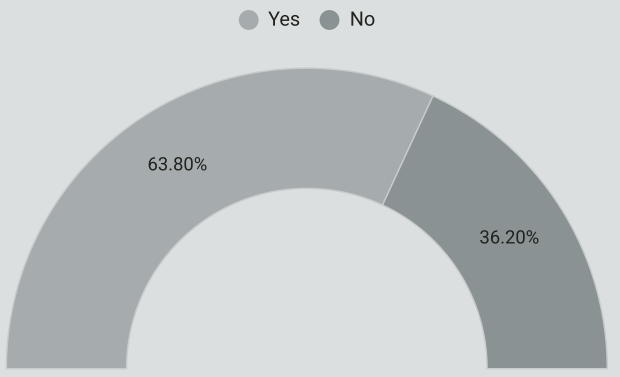

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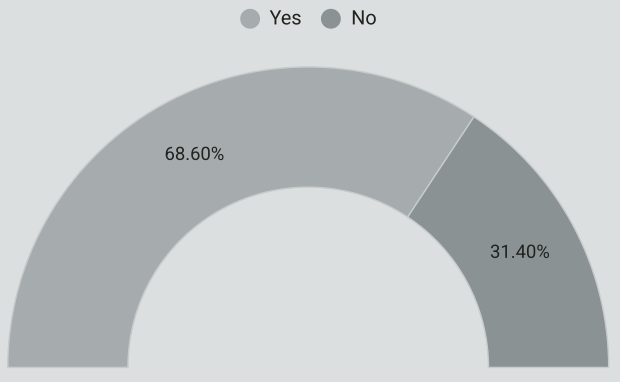

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# Juror

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counsel may ask jurors to place themselves on a scale.

For example:

"On a scale of one to ten, where one means a worker bears almost all responsibility for protecting himself, and ten means the company bears almost all responsibility for maintaining safety, where would you place yourself?"

Scaled questioning accomplishes several objectives simultaneously.

First, it avoids simplistic answers.

Second, it forces jurors to think critically about competing obligations.

Third, it allows counsel to identify extremes, moderates and undecided jurors.

Fourth, and perhaps most importantly, it creates testimony from the jurors themselves that can later be used persuasively during summation.

Imagine one juror answers:

"I would say I'm about an eight. If a company hires a safety inspector, then that inspector should do the job properly."

That answer becomes extraordinarily powerful during trial.

Weeks later during the trial an argument could be made as follows:

"Some people believe that if a company hires a safety inspector, that inspector should do the job properly. Isn't that common sense? Of course! Isn't that taking responsibility? Of course it is! That is the very definition of taking responsibility.

The evidence in this case demonstrated that the site safety inspector failed to do his job. The worksite was dirty, cluttered and unsafe. Debris was permitted to accumulate in the very area where workers were required to descend ladders carrying tools and equipment. Safety rules only matter if the people charged with enforcing them actually enforce them.

Responsibility means more than holding a title. Responsibility means doing the job."

Conversely, defense counsel may focus on another juror's response:

"I'm probably a three. If you've worked on construction sites for years, you know you have to watch where you're going."

Again, the defense can later argue:

"From the very beginning of this case, some of you recognized an important truth: personal responsibility matters. The plaintiff had worked on construction sites for years. He understood the conditions. He understood the risks. The condition was open and obvious. Sometimes accidents occur not because someone else failed to act, but because a person failed to take the most basic precautions for his own safety.

Responsibility applies to everyone in the courtroom, including the plaintiff."

These arguments become powerful because they are rooted in principles the jurors themselves discussed during voir dire.

Jurors are far more likely to embrace concepts they themselves articulated than concepts imposed upon them by lawyers.

That is the true bridge from voir dire to final argument.

The trial lawyer who effectively connects those stages creates continuity throughout trial. Jurors feel heard. More importantly, they feel ownership over the principles governing the case.

Scaled questioning can also be used to explore degrees of accountability.

For example:

"On a scale of one to ten, how strongly do you believe companies should be held accountable when safety rules are ignored?"

or:

"On a scale of one to ten, how strongly do you believe individuals must protect themselves even when others may also share responsibility?"

These questions do more than gather information. They require jurors to publicly commit themselves to principles.

That commitment can become enormously important during deliberations.

Psychologically, individuals tend to remain consistent with statements they voluntarily make publicly. Jurors who openly express strong beliefs regarding accountability often continue to embrace those same principles when evaluating the evidence.

Equally important is the follow-up question.

If a juror says "ten," counsel should ask: "Tell me why."

The answer frequently reveals life experiences that shape the juror's worldview.

Perhaps the juror worked in construction. Perhaps the juror supervised workers. Perhaps the juror suffered an injury caused by unsafe conditions. Perhaps the juror witnessed an avoidable accident.

The explanation often matters more than the number itself.

Another important technique is asking jurors whether responsibility can be shared.

Many jurors initially think in absolutes. They search for one wrongdoer and one innocent party. But many cases involve comparative fault.

Accordingly, counsel may ask:

"Can more than one person be responsible for causing an accident?"

or:

"Who believes responsibility is sometimes shared?"

Those questions prepare jurors for comparative negligence concepts long before the legal instructions are read.

Again, the answers become useful during summation.

The plaintiff may argue:

"From the beginning of this case many of you recognized that responsibility can be shared. The evidence showed the safety inspector failed to maintain safe conditions."

The defense may respond:

"And many of you also recognized that people must take responsibility for their own actions. The plaintiff ignored an open and obvious condition."

Importantly, effective voir dire requires genuine listening.

Too many lawyers approach jury selection with scripted speeches disguised as questions. Jurors recognize this immediately. They become guarded. The conversation becomes artificial.

The better approach is conversational.

The lawyer must genuinely listen to the answers and thoughtfully explore them.

Jurors know when a lawyer is truly interested in their perspective and when the lawyer is simply waiting for an opportunity to speak again.

The request for "brutal honesty" helps create this atmosphere because it signals authenticity. It tells jurors disagreement is acceptable. It tells jurors honesty is valued more than pleasing the lawyers.

Some of the most valuable jurors are those willing to express uncomfortable truths openly during jury selection. Those jurors often become leaders during deliberations.

Another important aspect of connecting voir dire to final argument involves repetition of language and themes.

Words introduced during jury selection should reappear throughout trial.

If the case theme involves "responsibility," "accountability," "safety," "common sense," or "doing the job properly," those same phrases should consistently appear during opening statements, witness examinations and summation.

Consistency creates credibility.

Jurors become familiar with the concepts. The themes feel organic rather than manufactured.

For example, during cross-examination of the site safety inspector, plaintiff's counsel may ask:

"Your job was to inspect the site for dangerous conditions?"

"Your responsibility was to identify hazards?"

"Your responsibility was to ensure workers could safely perform their work?"

Those questions reinforce the exact concepts discussed during voir dire.

Likewise, defense counsel may cross-examine the plaintiff regarding years of construction experience, familiarity with cluttered worksites and awareness of the need to watch where he was stepping while descending the ladder.

Again, the same theme emerges: personal responsibility.

By the time summation arrives, jurors should not feel they are hearing entirely new ideas. Instead, they should feel the lawyer is bringing the case full circle.

That is the power of the bridge from voir dire to final argument.

The strongest summations often sound less like argument and more like inevitable conclusions flowing directly from principles the jurors themselves accepted at the very beginning of trial.

Ultimately, cases are not decided solely through facts alone. Facts matter enormously, but facts gain persuasive force when connected to values jurors already believe are important.

Responsibility. Accountability. Fairness. Honesty. Common sense.

Those principles become most persuasive not when spoken by lawyers, but when spoken by jurors themselves during voir dire and then echoed throughout the trial until the final moments of summation.

## Calendar

### TUESDAY, MAY 26

**NY State Bar (CLE)**

**Best Practices in Navigating the Criminal Legal System with Clients with Mental Health Challenges: Clinical Perspective**
*nysba.org/events/best-practices-in-navigating-the-criminal-legal-system-with-clients-with-mental-health-challenges-clinical-perspective-part-i/*
*3 CLE credits*
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**Cybersecurity and Data Protection for New York Government Lawyers**
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**NY State Bar (Non CLE)**

**A Day in the Life of a Family Lawyer**
*nysba.org/events/day-in-the-life-of-a-family-lawyer/*
*Virtual*

**Young Lawyers Section Monthly Pub Night**
*http://nysba.org/events/young-lawyers-section-monthly-pub-night-may-2026/*
*New York City*

### TUESDAY, MAY 26 – WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

**Practising Law Institute**

**Basics of Accounting for Lawyers 2026**
*9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Day 1)*
*9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Day 2)*
*www.pli.edu/programs/basics-of-accounting-for-lawyers/*

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

**Federal Bar Council (CLE)**

**Art Law Part III: The Art of Deception: Fakes, Forgeries, and the Law**
*5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.*
*Location: Clifford Chance, 375 9th Avenue, New York*
*1.5 CLE credits*
*https://fbc.users.membersuite.com/events/a5720928-0078-ca7c-30c1-0b4983a2ab4e/details*

**NY State Bar (Non CLE)**

**AI in Legal Practice: What Law Students Need to Know Now**
*http://nysba.org/events/ai-in-legal-practice-what-law-students-need-to-know-now/*
*Virtual*

**NY State Bar (CLE)**

**Food, Drug and Cosmetic Law: Policy, Pricing and Market Strategy**
*nysba.org/events/food-drug-cosmetic-law-policy-pricing-and-market-strategy/*
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**NY City Bar (Non CLE)**

**The 2026 Milton Handler Lecture on Antitrust "A Conversation about Antitrust Past, Present, and Future" Given by Daniel A. Crane and Noah J. Phillips**
*Infrastructure Developers Edition: Airport Development*
*6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.*
*Networking Reception: 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.*
*To Register: services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=CMTE052726&mcode=NYLJ*
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*Contact: 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org*

**How To Become An Assistant United States Attorney**
*6 p.m. - 8 p.m.*
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### THURSDAY, MAY 28

**NY State Bar (CLE)**

**2026 EASL Spring Meeting and Networking Reception**
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**NY State Bar (Non CLE)**

**A Day in the Life of a Food, Drug and Cosmetic Lawyer**
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*Virtual*

**Smooth Moves: Navigating Today's Legal Job Market**
*nysba.org/events/smooth-moves-2026-navigating-todays-legal-job-market/*
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**NY City Bar (Non CLE)**

**Police Conduct in New York Street Encounters: Time for a Change to DeBour at 50?**
*6 p.m. - 8 p.m.*
*To Register: services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=cc052826&mcode=NYLJ*
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# Asbestos

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cies, which requires locating secondary evidence of coverage from the 1950s or 60s when the original documents have long since been lost or destroyed. Once coverage is established, the defense must then evaluate "dead" standards, which involves defending business decisions based on the "state of the art" knowledge available half a century ago, rather than modern safety expectations. Finally, there is the increasingly complex hurdle of managing successor liability. Determining which modern entity is truly responsible for the "sins" of a company that may have been bought, sold, or merged five times since the original exposure occurred is a legal puzzle that can take years to solve.

Today's emerging risks, particularly PFAS, share this exact "delayed-fuse" characteristic. When the injury doesn't manifest for decades, the underwriter isn't just paying for a claim; they are paying for the inflation, legal evolution, and social inflation that occurred during the waiting period.

### The Endless War: Coverage Mechanics

The underlying tort claims are often secondary to the massive legal battles fought between underwriters and the insured. These "coverage wars" focused on four primary battlegrounds that still dictate how we handle long-tail risk today:

- Courts continue to litigate the "trigger of coverage," debating whether the policy in place during the initial exposure should pay, if the burden falls on the policy active when the disease manifests, or if a "continuous trigger" applies across every policy from first exposure to diagnosis.
- Once a trigger is established, the fight moves to "allocation," where parties must decide if the bill should be spread pro rata across all years of exposure or if an "all sums" approach allows the insured to select a single policy year to absorb the entire limit.
- The "occurrence" debate remains a multi-billion dollar pivot point, as the determination of whether thirty years of exposure constitutes one single event or thousands of individual occurrences dictates whether a single deductible applies or millions.
- The late-game adoption of specific asbestos exclusions created a secondary wave of litigation, specifically regarding how the "sudden and accidental" language in standard pollution endorsements should be interpreted in the context of gradual, long-term exposure.

These aren't just technicalities; they are the difference between a manageable loss and an existential threat to a carrier's surplus.

### Modern Application: From Asbestos to PFAS and Beyond

The parallels between the asbestos crisis and today's "forever chemical" landscape are impossible to ignore. Just like asbestos, PFAS was once hailed as a miracle of modern chemistry, essential for everything from non-stick pans to firefighting foam. Just like asbestos, the scientific understanding of its "permanence" in the human body is evolving rapidly.

To navigate this, the insurance industry must apply the asbestos playbook to these new risks by anticipating that the defendant pool will inevitably grow. While the current focus remains on chemical manufacturers, history suggests that tomorrow's litigation will target fast-food companies using PFAS in packaging and the municipalities responsible for providing water. Furthermore, carriers must avoid the trap of under-reserving; a "wait and see" approach to emerging toxins is often a recipe for financial disaster. If the science suggests a long-term health link, reserves should reflect the worst-case "take-home" exposure models immediately. Finally, the industry must prioritize a coordinated defense. One of the great failures of early asbestos handling was the lack of a unified strategy among carriers. This fragmented approach allowed the plaintiffs' bar to "divide and conquer" by exploiting inconsistent legal positions across different jurisdictions.

### Conclusion: The Value of Hindsight

Asbestos remains the most instructive chapter in mass tort history because its lessons were learned at the expense of decades of litigation and billions of dollars in settlements. For the partner or underwriter navigating today's landscape, the goal isn't necessarily to predict which chemical is "the next asbestos." The goal is to build a more resilient infrastructure to handle long-tail risk.

By recognizing the warning signs early, shifting liability theories, expanding defendant pools, and scientific "creep," underwriters can move from a reactive posture to a proactive one. History may not repeat itself exactly, but for those in the business of risk, it remains the only reliable map for the road ahead.

# Edward Jones

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accounts, while a new white adviser with no financial adviser experience received a $44 million book from the same veteran adviser. Texidor alleges she was promised assets when recruited but received none.

The complaint also challenges Edward Jones' alleged practice of setting starting salaries based on prior pay. Johnson alleges that because he had been laid off and had no recent salary to disclose, the firm offered him around the minimum, resulting in a starting salary of about $40,000.

The plaintiffs allege the policy perpetuates pay discrimination because white advisers, on average, receive higher starting salaries than Black advisers.

The proposed classes include current and former Black Edward Jones financial advisers nationwide, as well as subclasses in California, New York, New York City and Minnesota. The complaint brings claims under Section 1981, Title VII and state and local laws, and seeks class certification, declaratory and injunctive relief, compensatory and punitive damages, restitution, attorneys' fees and costs. Counsel for the plaintiffs did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

The company said in a statement, "Edward Jones is committed to fostering a culture of belonging for our associates and clients and to making a positive impact in the communities we serve. We strongly deny the allegations in the lawsuit, which do not reflect our values or how we operate as a firm.

"Edward Jones takes its responsibility to promote fairness, respect and inclusion seriously and does not tolerate discrimination or bias in any form. We intend to defend the matter and remain focused on supporting our associates, serving our clients, and acting in accordance with our purpose and values," the statement said.

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# Darrois

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Agricole, acquired the entire Milleis group, including Milleis Banque and its subsidiaries, and immediately sold the insurance company Milleis Vie to Crédit Agricole Assurances, according to the deal press release.

Darrois said its team for AnaCap was led by partners Pierre Casanova and Charlotte Ferran.

De Paridieu was advising LCL with a team including partners Frédéric Keller, Priscilla van den Perre, Alexandre Eberhardt, and Marie-Caroline Fauchill.

Norton Rose Fulbright's team advising Crédit Agricole Assurances is led by corporate partners Bénédicte Denis and Jean-Claude Rivalland.

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# Harvey

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and start-ups that include a possible new competitor, the free legal tech tool "MikeOss," developed by a former Latham & Watkins lawyer. Harvey declined to comment when asked about "Mike".

### Data Sovereignty

EU governments and companies have expressed a need for EU tech solutions that store sensitive data locally, out of reach of U.S. authorities, and that comply with EU data protection law. In April, Germany-based Noxtua AI said it offers European lawyers access to U.S. case law, statutes and regulations without exposing them to the U.S. CLOUD Act.

"Tech sovereignty is a valid selling point for some vendors, but its effectiveness needs case-by-case assessment rather than a blanket generalization," said Carniaux now a Paris-based consultant at Bignon de Keyser. "The appropriate degree of sovereignty depends on the client's risk appetite and sector, for example, defense companies versus other sectors."

Burke said Harvey is keen to address clients' concerns and offers tech solutions to address them.

Jemai said Harvey responded to the French firm's concerns by migrating data hosting and the LLM instance to Europe-based Microsoft Azure servers, still a U.S. company. The French branch's contract with Harvey requires GDPR compliance and stipulates that none of its data traverses U.S. or other non-European geographical zones.

In Germany, which has stricter regulations, Harvey had to establish a local entity for its work for CMS, he said. "It's a complicated subject."

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# Mental Health

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thing, say something," said Rick Engel, managing partner at Armstrong Teasdale. He said the firm pays for employee subscriptions to the Calm app, which provides guided meditations and other content geared toward relaxation and wellness.

Miller, of Lotis Blue, added technology – particularly AI, can be part of the solution. She said in law firms right now, it's arguably helping reduce some traditional stressors, i.e., the drudgery of low-value, highly repetitive work. At the same time, it's also displacing people across the economy.

And in firms, even if it leads to more high-value, strategic work for many lawyers, that work also creates a different kind of stress. It means lawyers feel they "have to have more meaningful client interaction, be more strategic, think more critically, have more judgment with perhaps less experience," she said. "So those stressors always existed in the profession. But I think are slightly heightened, because we're doing a higher volume of it and asking people with less experience do that."

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# Deepfake

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represent what the FTC is treating as the most obvious cases of noncompliance, platforms whose entire business model centers on the creation of the imagery the law was designed to address.

In addition to the warning letters, the FTC officially launched a public-facing portal where victims can directly file complaints against platforms.

The FTC's move is part of a growing global legal reckoning over nudify tools and AI-generated nonconsensual intimate imagery. In March, an Amsterdam District Court issued what lawyers described as the first European court ruling to impose a binding injunction on an AI image generator over nonconsensual sexualized content, ordering Elon Musk's xAI and its Grok chatbot to cease operating its nudify function, with fines of up to €100,000 per day for noncompliance. The Center for Countering Digital Hate estimated that Grok had generated approximately 3 million sexualized images, including around 23,000 that appeared to depict children.

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Off the Front

# Mamdani

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The babies, now age three, are back at home, Patrice told NYLJ in an interview.

But Cortes is no longer on the bench; newly-elected mayor Zohran Mamdani declined to reappoint her in the early days of his administration.

The move not to reappoint Cortes, and speculation as to why, has roiled the New York City criminal justice system over the last five months. Mamdani's decision sparked intense concern amid sitting and former judges who accuse the mayor of putting ideology over process. It has also ignited hope among public defense groups, who have long felt outside the murky mechanism of judicial selection and now think they may finally be let in.

### Confusion

In short succession at the end of 2025, three judges in the New York State court system received phone calls.

The calls, which came on December 29, were a surprise. In conversations with Ayanna Sorett, the Executive Director of the Mayor's Advisory Committee on the Judiciary, judges Karen Cortes, Daniel Lewis and Scott Schwartz learned they would not be reappointed to the bench.

The judges were shocked, upset and confused, sources familiar with the conversations told NYLJ. At least two of them, Cortes and Lewis, were not given a reason for the decision, multiple people said. There was no way to appeal; the judges were out.

Since the days of Mayor Ed Koch, New York City mayors have relied upon a Mayor's Advisory Committee to the Judiciary (or MACJ) to help vet candidates for appointment or reappointment. The process for both appointment and reappointment is arduous and invasive; in addition to a mountain of paperwork and references, candidates are interviewed by multiple committees. At the end of the process, a full committee makes a recommendation as to whether the judge should be appointed or reappointed. Until former mayor Eric Adams nixed its involvement last year, the New York City Bar's Judiciary Committee also issued recommendations on the candidates.

Cortes, Lewis and Schwartz were vetted by Adams' MACJ. Multiple sources confirmed that Cortes and Lewis were recommended by the full Adams committee for reappointment and therefore expected their reappointment to be rubberstamped by the mayor, the sources said. In past transition periods, the incoming mayor has historically relied on the advice of the former committee, insiders said.

On January 2, the Mamdani administration announced three new judicial appointments (pulled from the pool vetted by the Adams MACJ) and the reappointment of nine judges. Cortes, Lewis and Schwartz were not among them.

That same day, the mayor announced that his longtime friend and civil right attorney, Ali Najmi, would chair his administration's MACJ and released a new executive order governing the committee. Sorett, who served as MACJ Executive Director under Adams, remained in that role.

Nowhere is it written that the mayor must follow the recommendation of any MACJ, including his own. But in a place so entrenched as the state court system, people were surprised.

All mayors have declined to reappoint judges, as is their prerogative. But longtime observers interviewed by NYLJ could not remember any other instance when a candidate recommended for reappointment by the full committee was passed over. Reached by phone, one member of a former administration's MACJ gasped audibly upon learning such a thing had occurred.

To people outside the judiciary, it may be hard to overstate how odd insiders found this decision, particularly in the case of Cortes. Cortes was appointed to the bench by Bill de Blasio in 2019 and has been a judge for the last seven years. In that time, multiple people claim she had only one case –the one involving Patrice – reversed on appeal. NYLJ was not able to independently verify this assertion.

"It doesn't look right for a sitting judge who's spent years on the bench to be removed in this way," said one former judge, discussing the case of Cortes. "People will assume they did something really wrong. And that's not alleged here."

### MACJ

The NYC mayor is responsible for appointing one third of the city's judiciary. These appointees serve in family court, criminal court, and interim civil court tracks (filling a vacant seat if a judge moves up to Supreme Court, retires or is removed).

According to the Public Information Office within the Office of Court Administration, there are (as of publication), 26 vacancies total across New York City's family court, criminal court and civil court: 3 in family, 9 in criminal and 14 in civil.

Since Koch—absent a brief blip under Rudy Giuliani—candidates for appointment and reappointment have been vetted by not only the MACJ, but also by the New City Bar Association's Judiciary Committee. In his final months in office, Adams nixed the involvement of the City Bar, citing delays and redundancy in process. Critics of that decision derided it as eroding the independence of the process.

Najmi has said the committee is now in talks with the City Bar about potentially re-involving the group, though nothing has been announced.

The workings of MACJ are closely guarded. Those familiar with the process say the strict confidentiality is part of ensuring candor.

In past administrations, little to no data has been made publicly available as to who's on the committee, with the exception of the leadership. The committee is staffed by mayoral picks, as well as selections from the Chief Judge, the Presiding Justices of the First and Second Judicial Departments and the deans of some NYC law schools. Historically, MACJ has also not released data about its applicant pools or other criteria used.

Over time, the MACJ model has become the "crown jewel" of the judicial selection process, according to former Appellate Division, First Department Associate Justice David Saxe, who is now a partner at Morrison Cohen. For decades, Saxe said the Committee has been viewed as an apolitical body that ensures only qualified candidates are appointed to the bench.

On January 2, the Mamdani administration released Executive Order 6 establishing and governing the Committee. Compared to his contemporaries, Mamdani's EO came out quickly; Adams released his in April, while Michael Bloomberg's was issued in March and de Blasio's landed in May.

Executive Order 6 was notable for other reasons. It included a preamble outlining a "merit-based, independent, fair, and publicly credible" judicial appointment process, and stated that the Committee should operate with "clear standards of transparency, ethics, and institutional integrity while preserving the confidentiality of individual applicants."

A press release accompanying the EO highlighted its newly broadened mandate to include those with diverse legal experience across the court system.

In an interview in March, Najmi said he has been working to meet all relevant stakeholders, including public defenders, family court defenders, the Administration for Children's Services, District Attorneys, bar associations, and others.

"I believe that anybody that has something to do with criminal court or family court practice in the city of New York is a relevant stakeholder, that we should be meeting and hearing their concerns," he said.

The EO also codified public outreach as part of the process, with a section devoted to education and engagement. Najmi said his goal is to get the application on the radar of as many people as possible.

"There's also been a feeling over the years where people thought that, if they didn't have some political connection, this process wouldn't work out for them," Najmi explained. "We want to make sure that everybody who is qualified to be considered for a judgeship is, feels confident that they can apply, and that they will have a shot, just on the merits of it."

Saxe, who served more than 30 years as a judge, said he believes some of the changes made in Executive Order 6 actually risk politicizing the process.

Under Mandani's immediate predecessors, Adams, DeBlasio and Bloomberg, the mayor's legal counsel (taking different forms across those three administrations) was directed to "maintain liaison with" the committee.

Under Mamdani, the Office of the Chief Counsel to the Mayor and City Hall, Ramzi Kassem, "shall supervise and coordinate" the activities of the committee. The new process now also includes consultation with Corporation Counsel Steven Banks. The trio, per the order, "shall consult each other as necessary to ensure the success of the Committee and the appointment of judicial nominees of the highest caliber by the Mayor."

Saxe is troubled by the idea that Kassem, as Chief Counsel, can now explicitly supervise and coordinate the committee's activities.

"There's now a far more structured leadership relationship between the component parts that are involved here—the Chair of the Committee, the Chief Counsel to the Mayor, and The Corporation Council—all of whom are mayoral picks, and with the Chair of the mayor's committee now being a longtime political ally of the mayor," Saxe said.

In a statement, City Hall said, "Executive oversight is appropriate given the Mayor's constitutional appointment power" and "maintains the Committee's advisory function."

Saxe also expressed concern about Najmi's own background in politics, calling him "an active political operative in the judicial selection arena." While past recent chairs of the committee have typically been retired judges, Najmi is a longtime close associate of the mayor, Saxe said.

All that combined with the EO's outreach and education provisions, Saxe said, turns the chair into a "spokesperson for the mayor, rather than the leader of an independent judicial body which is tasked with the very important function of minimizing politics."

"I don't think it portends good things for independent, nonpolitical judicial selection in New York City," he added.

"Past MACJ chairs have included both former judges and attorneys with backgrounds in law, public service, and civic leadership," a City Hall spokesperson said. "The current MACJ chair has extensive legal experience, including litigating in City and State courts, as well as work expanding civic participation and access to the legal system for underrepresented communities. The administration believes his background aligns with its broader goal of making the judicial selection process more transparent, inclusive, and reflective of the city it serves."

More than fifteen former and sitting judges told NYLJ that they agree with Saxe's assessment and worry about the process becoming politicized.

"The whole idea of this is that, although you have political entities appointing, you try not to make it a political process," one retired judge explained. "I don't know what was in the mayor's heart when this decision was made… but, when folks have been vetted, and everyone agrees that these are qualified judges, it's problematic. Even if it's not, it makes it look like this is about ideology."

Saxe questioned the independence of a body in which the word of a single actor could supersede the recommendation of a full committee following a long-standing process designed to ensure impartiality.

Saxe said he'd consider such a situation flatly political.

"That, to me, is politics, outright politics, and it's not something that is good for independent judicial selection, to be able to ignore and bypass the recommendations of the existing mayoral committee," he said.

### Rumblings in the Bronx

Since Mamdani declined to reappoint Cortes, rumors have swirled in the Bronx that Bronx Defenders was somehow responsible for the mayor's decision to pass over Cortes.

Bronx Defenders declined to be interviewed or answer questions about this allegation, and instead shared a statement signed by three public defense groups saying they feel heartened by the mayor's stated interest in increased MACJ transparency.

One source told NYLJ that the group did not campaign or lobby against Cortes during her reappointment. But it did submit a single, public decision—Patrice's case—when the Mamdani committee reached out to ask why BXD did not respond to the Adams MACJ's requests for feedback on the candidates. As part of reappointment, MACJ contacts those who have appeared before certain judges, soliciting feedback. The Adams MACJ did this outreach for all of the candidates it was considering for reappointment, including Cortes and Lewis.

But one source said the Mamdani transition committee evaluating judges had questions about the diligence of the investigation done by the Adams MACJ and decided to do another round of outreach. City Hall did not respond to that specific claim, but confirmed that the transition team reviewed the prior committee's recommendations and "and conducted its own robust assessment before the Mayor's final determination."

In interviews, multiple public defense executives across organizations told NYLJ that their groups typically have not responded to MACJ's inquiries about judges. Instead, the groups would contact a courthouse administrator or go another route if a problem arose. As one executive put it, it felt "highly, highly risky" to submit information to the shrouded committee. They did not trust that they could honestly submit feedback without jeopardizing their client's interests, they said.

"We have found the MACJ process to be opaque, with little clarity about who is consulted, how input is weighed, or whether the experiences of defenders and the people we represent are meaningfully considered," another person said.

One public defense leader said they felt heartened by the Mamdani administration's clearly stated interest in their feedback that clearly went beyond a pro forma request.

"It's a big deal for the administration to be more explicitly saying they want public defense input," they said. "I trust the process more."

City Hall declined to say if it had received anything from any group about any judge.

"Internal deliberations regarding judicial appointments and reappointments are confidential," a spokesperson said in an email. "As a matter of course, the Committee seeks and considers feedback from a wide range of stakeholders within the legal community when weighing reappointments."

The statement shared by Bronx Defenders was co-signed by Neighborhood Defender Services of Harlem and Center for Family Representation.

"For New Yorkers and their families—who sit in our courtrooms day after day - who is on the bench matters," the statement said. "The difference can be whether someone is fully heard and afforded a fair hearing, or whether decisions are made without diligence for the facts, the law, or the people before the court. We are encouraged by the Mayor's recognition of this reality, and by an approach that meaningfully includes families and advocates in these conversations. We hope this signals a lasting shift toward a transparent judicial selection process that centers the real impact courts have on people's lives."

### Judicial Popularity

One sitting judge told NYLJ that he felt the fervor among his current and former colleagues was unfair to the new administration, especially given that the mayor has the authority to use his appointment power as he sees fit.

"This is all because he did not reappoint a judge who was seemingly popular, Judge Cortes," the jurist said. "I could not pick out Judge Lewis or Judge Schwartz from a lineup. I have no idea even where they were. They both protested and said 'I would like to stay on.' Nobody picked up their case. Judge Cortes happens to be a popular judge. Now, popular and competent are two different things."

Cortes is, by many accounts, popular. She is well-respected across the state judiciary, per multiple sitting and retired judges, who also said her record was impressive. She was the first Filipino American appointed to the New York City family court and is active in many bar associations. She volunteers regularly. She was even nominated in 2025 to serve as presiding member of the New York State Bar Association's Judicial Section, which serves judges from across the state. She received standing ovations and cheers of support at a section lunch attended by NYLJ in January, as she was sworn into the role for the 2026 –2027 term.

People did rally behind Cortes, including a number of politicians who personally called both Mamdani and Najmi asking that they reconsider. One of those people, New York State Sen. John Liu (D-Queens) said in a phone call that he did not know Cortes, but made the asks because it was an issue that mattered to his constituents.

"I respect the mayor's decision," the senator added.

Cortes declined to speak with NYLJ, as did Lewis. Schwartz did not respond to repeated attempts at contact, including through an intermediary.

Lewis, a criminal court judge in the Bronx, was also recommended for reappointment by the full Adams MACJ, sources confirmed.

An Adams appointee, Lewis joined the bench in 2024. He'd previously served as an Assistant District Attorney in Queens and Staten Island, as a state tax attorney and as an operational law attorney for the New York Army National Guard/U.S. Army Reserve. He quickly earned a reputation for efficiency, and administrative sources told NYLJ that the court had planned to create a part following his reappointment in which he could quickly dispose of trial-ready cases.

Like Cortes, sources say Lewis was not told why he would not return to the bench, and those with knowledge of the matter can't point to any error in his record that would explain the decision not to reappoint him.

Lewis did meet with Najmi during the transition for an interview, one source said. That conversation provided one possible clue: the person claimed Najmi asked Lewis to respond to an allegation that he was like "another prosecutor" on the bench.

Dispute remains over whether the judges were actually told why they were not reappointed.

"I believe the judges know why," Najmi responded in an interview when asked if they had been told. Multiple sources with knowledge of the situation strenuously dispute that the judges were given any reason or explanation.

One former judge who called himself a progressive—and thinks the mayor is getting too much flak more generally—expressed sadness over the "drama" of the whole ordeal, which he said he feels "smacks of insensitivity."

"I don't like it when games are played with people's lives," he said. "Just be honest about it and let the judge know and let people look at the underlying reasons why."

In response to an emailed version of the question posed to Najmi, a City Hall spokesperson cited "confidentiality" and added: "The administration understands that judicial reappointment decisions can be difficult for those involved."

### Transparency and Accountability

For her part, Patrice told NYLJ that she had no opinion about whether or not Cortes was a judge. But, Patrice said, she does not feel she was treated fairly when she appeared before her. The case ultimately went to a different judge, who Patrice said made eye contact with her, addressed her by her name, and finished the hearing swiftly.

"I showed up to court every day because I respected the judge, I respected the law," she explained of the hearings before Cortes. "But it's like, in turn, I didn't get that back."

Reappointment, the public defenders say, should be a time for accountability. But they lost trust in a process they could not see.

"If we had a more formal mechanism for providing feedback, maybe it would address the concerns," one attorney said.

The Mamdani administration has vowed to make the process more transparent. Executive Order 6 added requirements that the committee publish data, including on the number and demographics of applicants. On January 2, Mamdani's administration had 132 active applicants for judicial appointment, a City Hall spokesperson said. As of March 21, MACJ had received 12 new applications.

The decision not to reappoint judges like Cortes and Lewis over the recommendation of the committee (and without a publicly stated reason) has led many in the judiciary to fear that those up for reconsideration will now face a political and ideological litmus test. Asked if that was true or fair, City Hall responded:

"The administration believes the bench should reflect a broad range of professional experiences and legal backgrounds, including attorneys with experience representing indigent clients, families, and vulnerable New Yorkers in criminal and family courts, alongside former prosecutors and court personnel."

Asked if City Hall had any response to those questioning the independence of the current committee, a spokesperson said the administration "remains committed to an independent, rigorous, and fair judicial selection process."

"Under Executive Order 6, the Mayor's Advisory Committee on the Judiciary has been strengthened with new transparency and engagement measures designed to broaden participation in the process and help ensure the judiciary reflects the diversity and experiences of the city it serves," the spokesperson wrote. "As the Mayor has said, our goal is a judicial system that applies the rule of law fairly, universally, and without favor, while giving New Yorkers greater visibility into how judges are selected."

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# Data Centers

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sound emanating from the plant has led to increased health concerns, interfered with the private right of use of their properties, and diminished property value, among other issues—all of which are violations of public and private nuisance laws. Per the complaint, "The nuisance is continuing in nature and causes new and ongoing injury each day that the facility operates."

"It's well established that you can't have an unreasonable interference with someone's ability to use and enjoy their property, and that's exactly what these centers present," plaintiffs counsel Emma Deitz of Weitz & Luxenburg told Law.com.

According to University at Buffalo School of Law tort professor Clayton Masterman, some of these nuisance claims have a higher likelihood of success than others.

"If you're a plaintiffs' attorney trying to sue defendants who are creating data centers, you'll have a harder time if you're trying to bring a public nuisance claim than if you can figure out a way to say, 'This is an interference with my use and enjoyment of my land,'" Masterman said.

Masterman added that there's a lot of debate currently going on in the legal system over what type of things can be litigated as a public nuisance. For instance, opioid lawsuits were litigated as a public nuisance and settled on that basis, but before the settlement, state courts were "going in all different directions" on the subject and a clear resolution on that question was not found. This lack of uniformity also persists in ongoing claims involving microplastics, greenhouse gases and social media.

Masterman also noted that it's easier to obtain compensatory damages in a private nuisance case, as compared to a public nuisance case, where a potential remedy would be something like an abatement order. According to their complaint, the North Tonawandans want both; demanding financial compensation for any medical damages, emotional distress, loss of property value, plus an "Immediate temporary injunction against [the] defendant to prevent further harm to [the] plaintiffs."

While experts say it's still too soon to forecast exactly how the bulk of these claims will play out, some early lawsuits are starting to give litigators an idea of what types of results their clients might expect.

According to Mandy DeRoche, deputy managing attorney at Earthjustice, so far these complaints have tended to lead to negotiations on how to mitigate disturbances, usually by adjusting a facility's hours of operation to allow for quiet hours at night.

"Is that great? No. Is it better? Yes." DeRoche said.

However, other plaintiffs have seen success in fully shutting down defendant data centers. For example, in March, a bitcoin mine owner CleanSpark closed a facility in rural Tennessee after settling with a group of residents who sued in Washington County Chancery Court, according to WCYB News.

Regardless how these claims get resolved, though, plaintiffs' attorneys say they will likely keep coming.

"This is the only case that we have filed right now, but there are 4,000 data centers across the United States that are currently operating," Deitz said. "Our understanding is that in every single place that there is one of these massive data centers … they are generating 24/7 noise and harming the community in that way."

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# Disciplinary Proceeding

**Matter of**
**Bruce S. Cantin,**
**an attorney**
**and counsel-at-law**

*Motion No. 2023-02992*

***Appellate Division,***
***Second Department***

*Lasalle, P.J., Dillon, Duffy, Barros, Connolly, JJ.*

Decided: *May 20, 2026*

David W. Chandler, Brooklyn, NY (Susan Korenberg of counsel), for petitioner.

Scalise & Hamilton, P.C., Scarsdale, NY (Deborah A. Scalise of counsel), for respondent.

*Per curiam*—The Grievance Committee for the Second, Eleventh, and Thirteenth Judicial Districts commenced a formal disciplinary proceeding pursuant to 22 NYCRR 1240.8 against the respondent by serving and filing a notice of petition and a verified petition, both dated June 15, 2023. The respondent filed a verified answer dated July 17, 2023. The Grievance Committee served and filed a statement of disputed and undisputed facts dated July 20, 2023. The respondent served and filed his own statement of disputed and undisputed facts dated August 10, 2023. By decision and order on application dated October 19, 2023, this Court, pursuant to 22 NYCRR 1240.8(b)(1), referred the matter to the Honorable Patricia M. DiMango, as Special Referee, to hear and report. In a report filed on August 16, 2024, the Special Referee sustained all five charges in the petition. By notice of motion dated September 25, 2024, the Grievance Committee moves to confirm the report of the Special Referee and to impose such discipline upon the respondent as this Court deems just and proper. In response, by affirmation dated October 21, 2024, the respondent, through counsel, does not challenge the Special Referee's report but requests leniency from this Court. The respondent requests the imposition of a sanction no greater than a public censure.

### The Petition

The petition alleges five charges of misconduct surrounding the respondent's escrow account, which he maintained at JP Morgan Chase Bank, entitled "Cantin Law Group P.C. Attorney Trust Account IOLA," with account number ending in x-1259 (hereinafter the escrow account). The respondent also maintained an operating account at JP Morgan Chase Bank, entitled "Cantin Law Group PC," with account number ending in x-0662 (hereinafter the operating account).

Between on or about October 4, 2016, and May 23, 2017, the respondent received settlement checks for 13 clients. On June 1, 2017, the respondent should have been holding $121,051.59 in his escrow account for the 13 clients. However, on that day, the respondent's escrow account balance was $103,626.76, a deficiency of $17,424.83. The respondent was charged with misappropriating client funds entrusted to him as a fiduciary, incident to his practice of law, in violation of the rule 1.15(a) of the Rules of Professional Conduct (22 NYCRR 1200.0) (charge one).

On October 11, 2017, the respondent deposited a $25,000 settlement check for client Tayvia Thomas into his operating account. On October 19, 2017, the respondent transferred $25,000 from his operating account to his escrow account. On that same day, the respondent issued a check to Tayvia Thomas from his escrow account, in the amount of $15,159.67, representing her net settlement proceeds. Between October 11, 2017, and October 19, 2017, the balance in the operating account fell below $15,159.67, the amount of settlement funds owed to Tayvia Thomas. On October 13, 2017, the balance in the operating account was $11,015, and on October 18, 2017, the balance in the operating account was $8,892.85, a deficiency of $4,144.67 and $6,266.82, respectively. The respondent was charged with misappropriating client funds entrusted to him as a fiduciary, incident to his practice of law, in violation of the rule 1.15(a) of the Rules of Professional Conduct (charge two), and with failing to safeguard funds entrusted to him as a fiduciary, incident to his practice of law, in violation of rule 1.15(b)(1) of the Rules of Professional Conduct (charge three).

Between in or about 2017 and July 2018, the respondent failed to maintain an accurate ledger or similar record for his escrow account showing the source of all funds deposited therein, the names of all persons for whom the funds were held, the amount of such funds, the description and amounts, and the names of all persons to whom such funds were disbursed. Further, the respondent's checks for his escrow account were improperly titled "Cantin Law Group, P.C." The respondent was charged with failing to maintain the required bookkeeping records for his escrow account, in violation of rule 1.15(d) of the Rules of Professional Conduct (charge four), and for failing to properly title his escrow account checks, in violation of rule 1.15(b)(2) of the Rules of Professional Conduct (charge five).

### The Hearing Record

On November 20, 2018, and December 3, 2018, the respondent appeared for examinations under oath. On December 12, 2023, a prehearing conference was conducted. A hearing was held on January 26, 2024, continuing on March 4, 2024, and March 28, 2024. The Grievance Committee entered five exhibits into evidence to prove its case-in-chief. The respondent submitted one exhibit, testified on his own behalf, and called five character witnesses, Mitchell R. Kahn, Jason A. Greenberg, Kevin Porter, Erin Hurley, and Joel Dickstein, to testify on his behalf.

At the hearing, the respondent admitted all the factual allegations contained in the petition and testified in mitigation. The respondent testified that on November 15, 2015, he started his own law firm called the Cantin Law Group. The respondent testified that in April 2017, he discovered an issue with his escrow account but had no recollection concerning his misconduct involving Tayvia Thomas.

In 2018, after the Grievance Committee's investigation, the respondent testified that he hired a bookkeeper to review his escrow account and operating account. Previously, the respondent had personally maintained his bookkeeping records and could not remember how often he reconciled his escrow account. When asked how his escrow account had developed a shortage, the respondent testified that, "[he did not] really know because [he] knew that there were mistakes that were made, but [he] guess[ed] as [he] said, [his] bookkeeping was not great, was not good, actually, and [he] was very distracted during that period of time."

In mitigation, the respondent provided that on the same day he started his law firm, November 15, 2015, his wife was diagnosed with stage four lung cancer. Earlier that month, on November 1, 2015, the respondent's father-in-law had passed away from cancer. The respondent's wife died on June 10, 2017. Further, in March 2017, the respondent's daughter was hospitalized for three weeks. The respondent testified that he was overwhelmed trying to juggle his office work, being there for his wife during her treatments for cancer and who was bedridden by May 2017, and helping his daughter. The respondent testified that at the end of 2017, he developed kidney stones and was in the emergency room on New Year's Eve in 2017.

The respondent expressed his regret for his misconduct and stated that he was going through horrific events in his life during this time and that he takes full responsibility for his actions. The respondent testified that he believed that all of his clients received the money they were entitled to and that the respondent received no personal benefit from his mistakes.

The Special Referee's Report

The Special Referee sustained all charges in the petition. The Special Referee found that the respondent testified credibly to most of the factual background and admitted to the charges contained in the petition. However, the Special Referee found that the respondent "was not as forthcoming when it came to some of the facts surrounding the actual charges. He acknowledged and admitted to the decline in funds in the [escrow] account but was at a loss to explain what had happened and why the balance in the account was slowly dropping during this time." The Special Referee found that the respondent's best explanation "amounted to a deflection of responsibility."

In mitigation, the Special Referee noted, inter alia, that the respondent's character witnesses testified earnestly as to the respondent's good reputation for truth and veracity and that the respondent was dealing with serious family medical issues during the subject time frame.

The Grievance Committee now moves to confirm the Special Referee's report and to impose such discipline upon the respondent as this Court deems just and proper. The Grievance Committee provides that in July 2022, the respondent received an Admonition for, among other things, failing to properly supervise his staff, as well as a Letter of Advisement for endorsing client checks without proof of their permission to do so. Both the Admonition and the Letter of Advisement were for misconduct during the same time frame as the subject proceeding, and the Admonition was imposed in consideration of his wife's and daughter's health concerns.

In response, the respondent does not challenge the Special Referee's report but requests leniency from this Court and the imposition of a sanction no greater than a public censure. The respondent provides an affirmation, through counsel, inter alia, to show that he is remorseful for his misconduct, accepts responsibility, and stresses that his misconduct was not intentional or venal in nature. The respondent also asks this Court to consider the substantial mitigation evidence, as discussed above.

### Findings and Conclusion

In view of the respondent's admissions and the evidence adduced at the hearing, we find that the Special Referee properly sustained all five charges in the petition. Accordingly, the Grievance Committee's motion to confirm the Special Referee's report is granted.

In determining the appropriate measure of discipline, notwithstanding the mitigating factors, the respondent misappropriated funds entrusted to him as a fiduciary, did not maintain proper bookkeeping records, did not reconcile his escrow account, and could not determine how the deficiencies in both his escrow account and operating account occurred. Although the respondent testified that he received no personal benefit from his mistakes, the bank record indicates otherwise. On October 2, 2017, the respondent had three insufficient fund charges to his operating account. Prior to "mistakenly" depositing the $25,000 Thomas settlement check into his operating account on October 11, 2017, the respondent's operating account balance was $2,775.49 on October 10, 2017. Between October 11, 2017, to October 19, 2017, approximately 26 transactions were executed on the respondent's operating account totaling approximately $19,454, including one electronic withdrawal on October 17, 2017, to pay BMW Financial Services. We also have considered as an aggravating factor the Letter of Advisement and the Admonition issued in July 2022 for misconduct that also occurred in 2017 and 2018.

Under the totality of the circumstances, we find that the respondent's conduct warrants a suspension from the practice of law for two years (see *Matter of Caronna*, 209 AD3d 111).

All concur.

# Immigration

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ceedings, were represented by pro bono counsel from Proskauer Rose.

Its partner, William Silverman had highlighted to the top court jurists on April 14

the need for parents to be guided by court supervision and counsel, which are absent in the program.

"Today's unanimous decision is a major victory for children and families across New York," plaintiffs said in a joint statement Thursday.

"The Court made clear that the State cannot separate families without due process and the protections required by law," the statement added. "Any program overseen by the state that removes children from their homes must include counsel, court oversight, and accountability."

"This decision honors longstanding laws and policies that prevent children from being unnecessarily separated from their families and protects the rights of children and parents."

Beezly Kiernan, assistant solicitor general with the New York State Office of the Attorney General, had argued the regulations were consistent with lawmakers' intent to avert the need for child welfare involvement while preserving parental rights and facilitating temporary care-giving arrangements.

Kiernan emphasized the program is preventive and temporary, with an average stay of 10 days and a 99% return rate to parents in other states that have such programs, which he said better numbers than foster care.

Kiernan pushed back on the suggestion the program created a so-called "shadow" foster care system, because parents can already do this, without the regulations.

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# Court Calendars

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25/5923 Bent v. 99 Jane Street Condominium
25/1823 People v. Ismael Mezon
26/1118 People of the State of NY v. GPB Capital Holdings
25/3305N Dunnington Bartholow & Miller v. Simon

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 27**

**2 P.M.**

24/4888 People v. Jordan Muldrow
25/3642 Hernandez v. Bushwick Realty Holdings
25/1398 P., Solanyi v. Tirso B.
25/1378 Astudillo v. Unity Construction
25/6787 Leinhardt v. Socure, Inc.
25/8047 People ex rel. Burse v. Maginley-Liddie
21/498 People v. Troy Harrell
25/3346 Drummond v. Associated Test & Balance
25/5921 Kemegue v. Rosario-Ramirez
25/6664 Jefferies LLC v. Mountain State Energy Holdings
23/1399 People v. Phoenix Goines
25/570 Semon v. Pebble Corp.
25/3926 Williams v. Williams
24/231 People v. Kasey Urena
25/8114 Castleman v. Interactive Brokers
26/736 Marinac v. Marinac
26/1N Miller v. State of NY

**THURSDAY, MAY 28**

**2 P.M.**

22/3623 People v. Robert Fulladosa
25/5589 Tollefsen v. 231-235 East 53rd Street
25/7184 S., Darrick v. Christine B.
25/7865 Gomez v. Brookfield Properties One
25/6295(2) Newmark Partners v. Singer
25/2795 Aykac v. City of NY
24/4879 People v. Carl Phanor
25/3535 Milev v. XIAO-I Corporation
26/746 Board of Managers v. Carl
25/5903 Taslakian v. Taslakian
24/432 People v. Blanca Narvaez
25/5825 DTI-DSIC v. 930-DSIC
25/7087 Webb v. Lyft Inc.
25/3483 Rodriguez v. D&D Building
25/4337 Backer v. Parsons
21/4359(1) People v. Anthony Rambert
25/4050 USAA Casualty Insurance v. Kastor

**TUESDAY, JUNE 2**

**2 P.M.**

24/7406 People v. Martin Rivera
25/6122 Allen v. City of NY
24/7390 E., Children
25/3730 Bunay v. One City Block
25/6945 I.M., an Infant v. City of NY
26/87 57th & 6th Ground v. Carnegie House Tenants
2017 - 02093 People v. Jean Guillen-Beltre
25/266 Santacruz v. 58 Gerry St.
25/2560 Pryor Cashman LLP v. Wiener
19/3709 People v. Pare Griffin
25/1829 Shebshayevich v. City of NY
25/5357 Di Giulio v. NYC Transit Authority
25/8162 Mendon Ventures v. Equitus Corporation
25/8078 Greer v. FAM Networks LLC
24/2997 People v. Dilena Delarosa
25/5315N Amsterdam 140 v. Fruitopia LLC

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3**

**2 P.M.**

24/2725 People v. Brandon Heeraman
25/5509 Cespedes v. El-Kam Lexington Ave.
25/6872(2) E., Zarae
25/4698 Escoto v. City of NY
25/2926 Rozof v. D. Karnofsky, Inc.
25/3732 Stratis v. 345 Park Ave
25/6860 Amezquita v. Peguero
25/5546 People v. Gabriel Opryshko
25/3411 Acosta v. 22-12 Jackson Owner
25/5534 Haruvi v. Hungerford
23/2931 People v. D'Andre Ellis
25/6104 Trinity Centre LLC v. City National Bank
25/7556 Wilmington Trust v. Nyack 2 Washington
24/7471 Columbia Technology v. Yoo
2012 - 03002(1) People v. Luis Torres
26/1418N People of the State of NY v. TikTok Inc.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 4**

**2 P.M.**

22/5210 People v. Samuel Ocampos
26/1323 Kosovsky v. Kosovsky
25/5637 P., Children
26/1500 Jin v. Delta Realty Group
25/3265 Aponte v. 298 East Village
2010 - 01624 People v. Javier Pantojas
25/3500 Tobon v. Turner Construction
25/6436(2) Miller v. 22 Ericsson Owner
25/1586 Almer v. Summit Glory Property
25/4984 Judson v. Elliott Management Corporation
23/6275 People v. Khphruan Campbell
26/346 Dekalb County v. Galan
25/4489 Rubino v. HSBC Bank USA
25/989 Fifth & 106th Street v. Hunt
22/2027 People v. Unique Woodfin
25/4316 Singh v. Singh

**TUESDAY, JUNE 9**

**2 P.M.**

22/3576 People v. Manuel Lebron
25/4142 Wallace v. Cheng
24/7943 V., Hannah
25/5940 Martinez v. Bronx County Historical Society
25/6913 Salas v. 711-715 E 231st St.
25/4528 DLJ Mortgage v. Mahadeo
24/7297 Avail Holding v. ICM Funding
25/4736 Beauchamp v. NYC Transit Authority
25/4171 Gibraltar Contracting v. Tully Construction
25/6118 Gutierrez v. 80 Winthrop St. Owners.
26/1434 People ex rel. Magee v. Maginley-Liddie
25/4577 S., Natacha v. Joseph B.
25/4659 Slabakis v. Poyiadjis
25/2003 Matter of Veronica Bulgari
23/658 People v. Pedro Falcon
25/3028N Government of Saint Lucia v. 126 E 36th Street

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10**

**2 P.M.**

24/3325 People v. Timothy Brooks
25/7232 Morina v. 250 Broadway Associates
25/2221 B., Hector
25/3827(1) Pantoja v. Rosario
25/1939(1) Pantoja v. Aviles
25/7924 Barbosa v. 1169 Hoe LLC
25/7981 American Transit Insurance v. Midland Pharmacy
26/520 RES IPSA USA v. Farhat Realty Management
25/5933 Leffler v. Kotick
25/6376 West Side Marquis v. Sheppard
25/5839 Archdiocese of NY v. Century Indemnity Co.
25/2013 P., Julieann
25/2305 SLG 810 Seventh Lessee v. Tydel Holding
25/3467 Bank of NY Mellon v. Vitucci
23/6658 People v. Marcus Jackson
25/2245 Wilmington Savings Fund v. Virgin

**THURSDAY, JUNE 11**

**2 P.M.**

25/3096(1) People v. Rayshad Jackson
25/3097(1) People v. Rayshad Jackson
25/5508 Z., Frankie v. Jessica R.
26/77 White v. Vaccaro
25/4658 Rahman v. City of NY
26/1213 G-Unit Books, Inc. v. Tompkins
24/7539(2) Williams v. RXR Construction
26/373 Anderson v. NY Arena Partners
25/6543 American Transit Insurance v. Mark Heyligers, DC
25/2011 M., Melia
25/5691 Homapour v. 3M Properties, LLC
25/6545 Edward Roberts LLC v. Shipman & Goodman
25/3191 National Football League v. US Specialty Ins.
25/5051 Vargas v. 250 West 43 Owner
26/426 Duane v. NYCHA
26/896N Elliott Chelsea Houses Resident v. NYCHA

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The following cases have been scheduled for pre-argument conference on the dates and at the times indicated:

**Renwick, P.J., Manzet, Webber, Kern, Moulton, JJ.**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 27**

**10 A.M.**

801136/21 Biberaj v. 535-545 Fee, LLC

**FRIDAY, MAY 29**

**9:30 A.M.**

27225/20 Gutierrez v. Waste Connections of NY
653557/25 Truist Equipment Finance v. Tebele

**MONDAY, JUNE 1**

**10 A.M.**

819346/22 Calvo v. 1353 LLC

### APPELLATE TERM

**60 Centre Street**
**Room 401**

**10 A.M.**

Commencing with the April 2026 Term, all oral arguments at the Appellate Term, First Department will be in person. Counsel and pro se litigants also have the option to submit.

The following cases are on for submission. No appearance is necessary.

## New York County

### SUPREME COURT

### Ex-Parte Motion Part And Special Term Part

**Ex-Parte Motions**
**Room 315, 9:30 A.M.**

**Special Term Proceedings**
**Unsafe Buildings**
**Bellevue Psychiatric Center**
**Kirby Psychiatric Center**
**Metropolitan Hospital**
**Manhattan Psychiatric Center**
**Bellevue Hospital**

**The following matters were assigned to the Justices named below. These actions were assigned as a result of initial notices of motion or notices of petition returnable in the court on the date indicated and the Request for Judicial Intervention forms that have been filed in the court with such initial activity in the case. All Justices, assigned parts and courtrooms are listed herein prior to the assignments of Justices for the specified actions. In addition, listed below is information on Judicial Hearing Officers, Mediation, and Special Referees.**

### IAS PARTS

1 Silvera: 252 (60 Centre)
2 Sattler: 212 (60 Centre)
3 Cohen, J.: 208 (60 Centre)
4 Kim: 418 (60 Centre)
5 Marcus: 320 (80 Centre)
6 King: 351 (60 Centre)
7 Lebovits: 345 (60 Centre)
8 Kotler: 278 (80 Centre)
9 Capitti: 355 (60 Centre)
11 Frank: 412 (60 Centre)
12 Stroth: 422 (60 Centre)
13 Schumacher 304 (71 Thomas)
14 Bluth: 432 (60 Centre)
15 Johnson: 116 (60 Centre)
17 Headly: 122 (80 Centre)
18 Tisch: 104 (71 Thomas)
19 Sokoloff: 540 (60 Centre)
20 Kaplan: 422 (60Centre)
21 Tsai: 280 (80 Centre)
22 Chin: 136 (80 Centre)
23 Schumacher 304 (71 Thomas)
24 Katz: 325 (60 Centre)
25 Parker: 1254 (111 Centre)
26 James, T.: 438 (60 Centre)
27 Ramirez: 311 (71 Thomas)
28 Tingling: 543 (60 Centre)
30 Grieco: 623 (111 Centre)
31 Waterman-Marshall: 335 (60 Centre)
32 Kahn: 1127 (111 Centre)
34 Ramseur: 341 (60 Centre)
35 Perry-Bond: 684 (111 Centre)
36 Saunders: 205 (71 Thomas)
37 Cantanzaro: 1127A (111 Centre)
38 Crawford: 1166 (111 Centre)
39 Clynes: 331 (60 Centre)
40 Adams: 252 (60 Centre)
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42 Morales-Minera: 574 (111 Centre)
43 Reed: 222 (60 Centre)
44 Pearlman: 321 (60 Centre)
45 Patel: 428 (60 Centre)
46 Lantry: 103 (71 Thomas)
47 Goetz: 1021 (111 Centre)
48 Masley: 242 (60 Centre)
49 Zellan: 307 (80 Centre)
50 Sweeting: 279 (80 Centre)
51 Wilkofsky: 289 (80 Centre)
52 Sharp: 1045 (111 Centre)
53 Borrok: 238 (60 Centre)
54 Schecter: 228 (60 Centre)
55 d'Auguste: 210 (71 Thomas)
56 Kelley: 204 (71 Thomas)
57 Kraus: 218 (60 Centre)
58 Cohen, D.: 305 (71 Thomas)
60 Crane: 248 (60 Centre)
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**JUDICIAL MEDIATION**

**On Rotating Schedule:**

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**EARLY SETTLEMENT**

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ESC 2 Wilkenfeld 106 (80 Centre)
ESC 3 Sealy 122 (80 Centre)
ESC 4 Gelfand 114 (80 Centre)

**SPECIAL REFEREES**
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73R Santiago: Room 354
75R Burzio: Room 240
80R Edelman: Room 562
82R Wohl: Room 501B
83R Sambuco: Room 528
84R Feinberg: Room 641
88R Lewis-Reisen: Room 324
Edleman: D 562
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Norton: 342
Liu: 620
Lundberg:620
Riley: 240

**SPECIAL REFEREE**
**80 Centre Street**

Leveille: 322C

**SPECIAL REFEREE**
**71 Thomas Street**

Cabrera: 300

### SUPREME COURT Motion Calendars

### Room 130, 9:30 A.M. 60 Centre Street

### SUPREME COURT Motion Dispositions from Room 130 60 Centre Street

Calendars in the Motion Submission Part (Room 130) show the index number and caption of each and the disposition thereof as marked on the Room 130 calendars. The calendars in use are a Paper Motions Calendar, E-Filed Motions Calendar, and APB (All Papers By)Calendar setting a date for submission of a missing stipulation or motion paper. With respect to motions filed with Request for Judicial Intervention, counsel in e-filed cases will be notified by e-mail through NYSCEF of the Justice to whom the case has been assigned. In paper cases, counsel should sign up for the E-Track service to receive e-mail notification of the assignment and other developments and schedules in their cases. Immediately following is a key that explains the markings used by the Clerk in Room 130.

**Motion Calendar Key:**

**ADJ**—Adjourned to date indicated in Submission Courtroom (Room 130).
**ARG**—Scheduled for argument for date and part indicated.
**SUB (PT #)**—Motion was submitted to part noted.
**WDN**—Motion was withdrawn on calendar call.
**SUB/DEF**—Motion was submitted on default to part indicated.
**APB (All Papers By)**—This motion is adjourned to Room 119 on date indicated, only for submission of papers.
**SUBM 3**—Adjourned to date indicated in Submission Court Room (Room 130) for affirmation or so ordered stipulation.
**S**—Stipulation.
**C**—Consent.
**C MOTION**—Adjourned to Commercial Motion Part Calendar.
**FINAL**—Adjournment date is final

### 60 CENTRE STREET

**Submissions Part**

**FRIDAY, MAY 22**

**Submission**

1 100476/25 Hench v. Mta
2 101464/25 Infante v. Sea Tow Services Int'l, Inc.
3 100093/26 Williams Jr. v. NYC Police Dept. Et Al

**TUESDAY, MAY 26**

**Submission**

1 101378/25 Cofield v. NYCHA
2 101337/25 Cruz v. NY Corp. Counsel
3 100296/26 Karvelas v. N.Y.C. Dept. of Health And Mental Hygiene
4 100051/26 Rasheed v. NYC Office of Labor Relations
5 107657/04 Tejada v. Beth Israel Medical Center

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 27**

**Submission**

1 100273/24 Antrobus v. New York City Health And Hospitals Corporation
2 101235/23 Jones v. Sekhar Upadkyayula Mdc
3 100275/26 Mertoglu v. Turkish Airlines Inc.
4 101423/25 Morris v. Portilla

**Paperless Judge Part**

**FRIDAY, MAY 22**

654104/25 1133 St. James LLC v. Pearlman
652703/25 1350 LLC v. Rugfrit 1350 LLC Et Al
160913/22 140 East 56th St. Condominium v. Bosboom
650670/26 149 Ozone Rlty. v. Huron Prop. Ltd. Liability Co. Et Al
651079/26 157 Chambers Retail v. The Creative Kitchen
652743/22 237 East 60th LLC v. A.R. Asta
165609/25 3801 B'way. Partners LLC v. 24/7 Discount Corp. Et Al
166541/25 3801 Rlty. Associates LLC v. Uptown Gifts & Convenience Corp. Et Al
652179/26 Akf Inc. v. A Better Life 2 Embrace LLC (a.B.L.E.) LLC Et Al
652178/26 Akf Inc. v. Allegra Wellness of Tuscaloosa
161126/22 Alexis v. McKay
154584/24 American Express Nat. Bank v. Fagiri
163914/25 Ames v. The Lenox Condominium LLC Et Al

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THE ANNUAL RETURN OF Banga Family Foundation. For the calendar year ended December 31, 2025 is available at its principal office located at 15 Columbia Circle, 3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12203 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Ritu Banga.
26307 my22

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF ELSA S. BURROWS TRUST #4. For the calendar year ended 12/31/25 is available at its principal office located at c/o FTCI- One Madison Ave, Ste 2000, New York, NY 10010 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY INTERNATIONAL.
26304 my22

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF Jackson Hole Preserve Inc. For the calendar year ended 2024 is available at its principal office located at 1 Rockefeller Plaza, Room 2500, New York, NY 10020 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Angela K. Ardolic.
26299 my22

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF SOROS FUND CHARITABLE FOUNDATION For the calendar year ended December 31, 2025 is available at its principal office located at c/o Soros Fund Management LLC 250 West 55th Street New York, NY 10019 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Andrew Hollenbeck
24511 my22

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF The Bird S Coler Memorial Trust for the calendar year ended 12/31/2025 is available at its principal office located at c/o FTCI, One Madison Avenue, Suite 2000, New York, NY 10010 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Fiduciary Trust Company International.
26329 my22

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF The Deeds Foundation. For the calendar year ended 12/31/2025 is available at its principal office located at c/o Sheehan & Co., 165 Orinoco Dr., Brightwaters, NY 11718 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Laura Bennett.
26310 my22

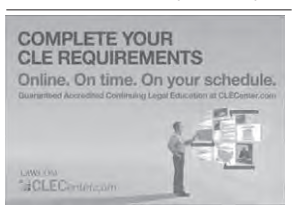
THE ANNUAL RETURN OF The Eric and Edith Siday Charitable Foundation. For the calendar year ended 12/31/2025 is available at its principal office located at 6 Beacon St., Ste. 1010 in care of David Sorgi, Esquire for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Nathaniel L. Gerber.
26308 my22

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF the Johnson Street Foundation, for the calendar year ended December 31, 2025 is available at its principal office located at c/o Lubcher & Ganis, LLP 126 E 56th Street, New York, NY 10022 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Leonard Orr.
26093 my22

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF WATERS F. BURROWS TRUST #7. For the calendar year ended 12/31/25 is available at its principal office located at its principal office located at c/o FTCI- One Madison Ave, Ste 2000, New York, NY 10010 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY INTERNATIONAL.
26306 my22

## LIQUOR LICENSES

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that a license, number NA-0340-26-101753 for liquor, wine, beer and cider, has been applied for by the undersigned to sell liquor, wine, beer and cider at retail in a Restaurant, under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 4015 Broadway, New York, NY 10032 for on-premises consumption. JKMD169 Corp. d/b/a Boogie Lab Bakery & Restaurant
25807 May15 f May22




## LIQUOR LICENSES

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that a license NA-0340-25-138198 for Liquor has been applied for by the undersigned to sell liquor at retail in a restaurant / cafe under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 236-238 East 9th Street, New York, N.Y. 10003 for on premise consumption. The Cloister East Inc. d/b/a Cloister Cafe.
26313 my22-F my29

## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

BRENDA CLEPPER LMT PLLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/05/2026. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to: 200 SUNRISE HWY, 3RD FL, ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NY 11570. Purpose: MASSAGE THERAPY
24324 a17-F my22

EDWARD MIRZOIAN DMD PLLC, a Prof. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/02/2026. Office loc: NY County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 30 Central Park, South, 7C, NY, NY 10019. Purpose: To Practice The Profession Of Dentistry.
25084 my1-F ju5

DR. WINNIE WONG'S FAMILY DENTAL CARE, PLLC. Filed 12/17/25. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 192 9th St, Unit A, Fairview, NJ 07022. Purpose: Dentistry.
25519 my8-F ju12

Evolve Psychotherapy LCSW PLLC. Filed 3/19/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 100 Church St 8th Fl, NY, NY 10007. Purpose: LCSW.
25528 my8-F ju12

FELIX ORTHODONTICS, PLLC. Filed 2/5/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 134 W 93rd St, Apt 7c, NY, NY 10025. Purpose: Dentistry.
25523 my8-F ju12

Tamanna Mehman, LCSW PLLC. Filed 3/30/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Usacorp Inc., 266 Broadway Ste 401, Bklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: LCSW.
25499 my8-F ju12

THE LANGEL FIRM PLLC. Filed 3/31/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 30 Wall St, 8th Fl, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: Law.
25517 my8-F ju12

Notice of Formation of CLARITY TAX COUNSEL PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/17/2026. Office location: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 43 West 43rd Street, Suite 449, New York, NY 10036. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24672 A24 F My29

Notice of Formation of JSW PHYSICAL THERAPY, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/20/2026. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 616 Woodmere Blvd, Woodmere, NY 11598. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24671 A24 F My29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of SAYYED SPEECH PLLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/8/2026. Office location: BX County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against PLLC to 375 E 205th Street Apt# 6L, Bronx, NY 10467. Purpose: any lawful act.
24755 A24 F My29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Abdelaziz Wellness Registered Nurse PLLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 4/9/26. Cty: New York. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 4996 Broadway, NY, NY 10034. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24633 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Harbor Primary Care PLLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Cty: Bronx. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 3750 B 3rd Ave, Bronx, NY 10456. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24623 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Broadway Endodontics PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/15/26. Office location: Nassau Co. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 141 Franklin Place, Ste C, Woodmere, NY 11598. Purpose: practice the profession of Dentistry.
24695 May1 f Jun5

## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RESILIENCE THERAPY LCSW PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/30/24. Office location: Nassau County. Princ. office of PLLC: 191 Main St., #527, Port Washington, NY 11050. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the PLLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Licensced Clinical Social Work (LCSW).
24612 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Harbor Health Medical PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/14/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 100 DUFFY AVENUE, SUITE 510, HICKSVILLE, NY 11801. Any lawful purpose.
24992 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Jericho Turnpike Medical, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/15/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 350 JERICHO TURNPIKE, JERICHO, NY 11753. Any lawful purpose.
24997 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Marc J. Bauman Dds, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/7/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2 UTTERBY ROAD, MALVERNE, NY 11565. Any lawful purpose.
25004 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of MOAVENI PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/21/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of PLLC: 136 Madison Ave., 6th Fl., NY, NY 10016. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the PLLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Psychology.
24931 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Physician Assistant Seelal PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/13/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 616 BROADWAY, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Any lawful purpose.
25009 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Simranjit Kaur Dental PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/21/26. Office location: Nassau Co. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail/email process to: 817 Doughty Avenue, Franklin Square, NY 11010, drkaur45@gmail.com. Purpose: practice the profession of dentistry.
25229 May8 f Jun12

NOTICE OF FORMATION of AUTHENTICITY PSYCHOTHERAPY LCSW PLLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/9/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against PLLC to 1775 York Avenue, Apt 34E, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: any lawful act.
25402 My08 F Ju12

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Herson D. Suquino Architecture, PLLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/26/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against PLLC to 260 Madison Avenue, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: any lawful act.
25435 My08 F Ju12

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Florrie Barron LCSW, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/21/2026. Office location: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 228 Park Ave. S #307258, New York, NY 10003. Purpose: to practice the profession of Licensed Clinical Social Work.
25094 my1-F ju5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of NY Physicians Medical Care PLLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/21/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. List of names and addresses of all original members and managers available from SSNY. Purpose: Medicine.
25143 my1-F ju5

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of TRADITIONS PSYCHIATRY OF NY, PLLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/10/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. List of names and addresses of all original members available from SSNY. Purpose: medicine.
25151 my1-F ju5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of LAUREN ROBERT CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST PLLC, a Profes. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/27/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 165 West 91st St, Apt 5G, NY, NY 10024. Purpose: To Practice The Profession Of Registered Professional Nursing.
25083 w.o.

## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

1890-1898 WANTAGH AVENUE LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/15/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 663 Merrick Road, Lynbrook, NY 11563. Reg Agent: Ricky Valenti, 663 Merrick Road, Lynbrook, NY 11563. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
24345 a17-F my22

2318-2338 MERRICK ROAD LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/15/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 663 Merrick Road, Lynbrook, NY 11563. Reg Agent: Ricky Valenti, 663 Merrick Road, Lynbrook, NY 11563. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
24346 a17-F my22

2544-2556 MERRICK ROAD LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/15/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 663 Merrick Road, Lynbrook, NY 11563. Reg Agent: Ricky Valenti, 663 Merrick Road, Lynbrook, NY 11563. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
24347 a17-F my22

8 FREEBERN ROAD LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/07/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 7 RELLIM DR, GLEN COVE, NY 11542. Purpose: Any Lawful
24325 a17-F my22

AMP AND AIR ELECTRIC HVAC, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/26/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 24 AVALON RD, HEWLETT, NY 11557. Purpose: Any Lawful
24330 a17-F my22

BAY OF BENGAL KITCHEN LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/04/2025. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1464 UNIONPORT RD, BRONX, NY 10462. Purpose: Any Lawful
24331 a17-F my22

FILMDROME LLC Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 4/2/2026. Office: NEW YORK COUNTY. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 220 W 111TH ST. 1B, NEW YORK, NY 10026. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
24291 A17 F My22

HOMES BY CZ LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/17/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 500 NORTH BROADWAY, STE 240, JERICHO, NY 11753. Purpose: Any Lawful
24318 a17-F my22

MORITY CHELSEA LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/16/26. Office in NY Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 49 East 21st St., Ste. 7B, NY, NY 10010, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
24344 a17-F my22

MT OTSEGO LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/03/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 153 SIDNEY ST, OYSTER BAY, NY 11771. Purpose: Any Lawful
24329 a17-F my22

SYNTONAL, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/06/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 2254 STATE ST, NORTH BELLMORE, NY 11710. Purpose: Any Lawful
24327 a17-F my22

## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

PROF MANUFACTURING, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/13/26. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 500 Anderson Avenue, Apartment 201, Cliffside Park, NJ 07010. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
24292 a17-F my22

SGLG GROWTH LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/15/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Steven Gartenstein, 956 Wateredge Place, Hewlett Harbor, NY 11557. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
24348 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-53RD LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24306 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-615FW LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24307 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-640FW LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24309 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-ASTROID LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24311 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-CHELSEA LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24299 a17-F my22

ZALMAN DEBT RESOLUTION LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/27/2025. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24312 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-LIMESTONE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24301 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-PRIME LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24302 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-REDROCK LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawf
24304 a17-F my22

ZALMAN-RIVERSIDE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/04/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 747 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017. Purpose: Any Lawful
24305 a17-F my22

258 BELMONT LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 22 Arrowood Lane, Melville, NY 11747. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
24759 a24-F my29

HARBOR SSC, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/23/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Kathleen Citarella, 38 Harbor Park Drive, Port Washington, NY 11050. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
24768 a24-F my29

J & A 1317 BRONX RIVER, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/19/26. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 2934 Hering Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
24656 a24-F my29

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JSMD27 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/03/20. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 2541 Merrick Road, Bellmore, NY 11710. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
24657 a24-F my29

MAYA 26 LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, PO Box 231277, Great Neck, NY 11023. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
24760 a24-F my29

TWO SENSE COMMUNICATIONS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/08/2025. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Markowitz & Rabbach LLP, 825 East Gate Blvd, Suite 308, Garden City, NY 11530. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
24766 a24-F my29

185 CHRYSTIE STREET LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 8/27/2021 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 187 CHRYSTIE ST, NEW YORK, NY, 10002 General Purpose
24550 Apr24 f May29

47 JANE ST OWNER LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/17/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 20 WEST 20TH ST, 8TH FL, NEW YORK, NY, 10011 General Purpose
24554 Apr24 f May29

CARADET LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/14/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24547 Apr24 f May29

EDVENTURE ADVISORS LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 1/24/2025 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24551 Apr24 f May29

J CLARK'S ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/6/2026 Bronx Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24545 Apr24 f May29

JESS ARONSON PILATES LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 3/24/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24546 Apr24 f May29

LINTEL ADVISORY, LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 1/14/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24552 Apr24 f May29

SCARLETT ARROW JEWELRY LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/15/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24553 Apr24 f May29

ZHAH-NVB LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 12/29/2020 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 187 CHRYSTIE ST, STORE S, NEW YORK, NY, 10002 General Purpose
24549 Apr24 f May29

1033 JEFFERSON EQUITIES LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 3/25/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 525 SEVENTH AVE, # 1406, NEW YORK, NY, 10018 General Purpose
24974 May1 f Jun5

126E57 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/20/26. Office in NY Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to The LLC 126 E 57th St unit 603 New York NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24964 May1 f Jun5

199 JV LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/17/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 199 BOWERY, NEW YORK, NY, 11221 General Purpose
24965 May1 f Jun5

ARDH Consulting LLC filed w/ SSNY 1/27/26. Off. in NY Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the LLC, 104 West Ln, Stamford, CT 06905. Any lawful purpose.
25045 May1 f Jun5

CELESTIAL RISING LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 2/2/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24973 May1 f Jun5

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DISCIPLINED DYNAMICS LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/1/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 2284 ADAM CLAYTON POWELL JUNIO, APT 1, NEW YORK, NY, 10030 General Purpose
24972 May1 f Jun5

J STORIES LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 2/10/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24967 May1 f Jun5

MOMOBOLAND.COM LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/20/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24969 May1 f Jun5

SARGE'S IP LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/20/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 14 EAST 60TH ST., # 502, NEW YORK, NY, 10022 General Purpose
24971 May1 f Jun5

SPARSE TIME LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/6/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 236 E 47TH ST 9F, NEW YORK, NY, 10017 General Purpose
24968 May1 f Jun5

STATUSFLO LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 1/29/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
24966 May1 f Jun5

327 E 17TH OWNER LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 5/1/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 20 WEST 20TH ST, 8TH FL, NEW YORK, NY, 10011 General Purpose
25354 May8 f Jun12

BELONGING TO THE NIGHT LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/27/2026 Bronx Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
25347 May8 f Jun12

COACHING FOR GOALS LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/27/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
25352 May8 f Jun12

MSQUARED MEETINGS & EVENTS LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/28/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 1967 WEHRLE DR., STE. 3 #086, BUFFALO, NY, 14221 General Purpose
25349 May8 f Jun12

SUBLIMITY LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 2/6/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, # 112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose
25350 May8 f Jun12

THORNGATE LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/22/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 300 MERCER ST 70, NEW YORK, NY, 10003 General Purpose
25348 May8 f Jun12

TOTL LOGISTICS LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 4/27/2026 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 536 MAIN ST, 109, NEW YORK, NY, 10044 General Purpose
25356 May8 f Jun12

MEDEX HEALTHTECH LLC Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/09/2025 Office: NEW YORK COUNTY. SSNY is designated as the agent of the LLC for service of process. Any legal documents served to the LLC through SSNY will be forwarded to LEGALCORP SOLUTIONS, LLC 11 BROADWAY SUITE 615 NEW YORK, NY 10004 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
25436 My08 F Ju12

233-8 WOOLWORTH LEGAL GROUP SSL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/17/26. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 233 Broadway, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10279. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
25074 my1-F ju5

35TH STREET PARTNERS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/31/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 8 WEST 40TH ST, 6FL, NEW YORK, NY 10018. Purpose: Any Lawful
25115 my1-F ju5

490 LAGUARDIA LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/01/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 132 MULBERRY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10013. Purpose: Any Lawful
25118 my1-F ju5

MALKA BEVERLY HILLS LLC. Filed 3/19/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 2000 Broadway, Ste 17b, NY, NY 10023. Purpose: General.
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## SALES

### NOTICE OF SALE

Supreme Court County of Bronx US Bank National Association as Trustee for CMALT REMIC Series 2007-A3 - REMIC Pass-Through Certificates Series 2007-A3, Plaintiff AGAINST Rafael Alcantra a/k/a Rafael Alcantara, Juan Alcantra, Alejandro Medrano a/k/a Alejandro Medano, et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on January 8, 2019, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Courtroom 711, Bronx, NY 10451 on June 15, 2026 at 2:15 PM premises known as 1034 East 212th Street, Bronx, NY 10469. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Bronx, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 4694, LOT: 65. Approximate amount of judgment is $615,736.37 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 32263/2016E. This sale may be subject to the US Dept of the Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network Real Estate Reporting Rule. In such event, all purchasers are required to provide the information needed for proper reporting in accordance with the terms of sale. Ralph D. Amicucci, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 01-078718-F00 89881
25177 my15-F ju5

### NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX Washington Mutual Bank, Plaintiff AGAINST Feray Girgin; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered May 24, 2017, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 711, Bronx, New York on June 15, 2026, at 2:15PM, premises known as 355 Concord Avenue, Bronx, NY 10454. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, Block 2573 Lot 21. Approximate amount of judgment $555,264.80 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 13818/2007E. Only cash or certified funds payable to the Referee will be accepted as a deposit in the amount of ten percent of the purchase price. Joyce A. Brown, Esq., Referee LOGS Legal Group LLP f/k/a Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard
Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: April 22, 2026 For sale information, please visit www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2832 89891
24932 my15-F ju5

### NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT: QUEENS COUNTY. MARIO NARDELLO & ANTHONY FEDERICI, JR., Plaintiffs vs. 31-28 38th Street LLC, et al, Defendants. Index #713123/2023. Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale entered Dec. 17, 2025, I will sell at public auction in Courtroom #25 of the Queens County Supreme Court, 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica, NY on June 5, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. Parcel 1 k/a 31-28 38th Street, Astoria, NY 11103 a/k/a Section 4, Block 657, Lot 52 and Parcel 2 k/a 147-41 2nd Avenue, Whitestone, NY 11357 a/k/a Section 23, Block 4466, Lot 18. Approximate amount of judgment is $6,038,686.39 plus costs and interest. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale. OKSANAH PELEKH, Referee. DEUTSCH & SCHNEIDER, LLP, Attys. for Pltf., 79-37 Myrtle Avenue, Glendale, NY 11385. File No. I-402 - #102837
21997 my1-F my22

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX AMERICAN ADVISORS GROUP, -against- LENORA CLENDINEN AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN OF EDDIE M. CLENDINEN, ET AL. NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx on November 15, 2018, wherein AMERICAN ADVISORS GROUP is the Plaintiff and LENORA CLENDINEN AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN OF EDDIE M. CLENDINEN, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the BRONX COUNTY SUPREME COURT, 851 GRAND CONCOURSE, COURTROOM 711, BRONX, NY 10451, on June 8, 2026 at 2:15PM, premises known as 1020 WHEELER AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10472; and the following tax map identification: 3713-12. ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY OF BRONX, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No.: 32647/2016E. Joseph Jednak, Esq. - Referee. Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. All foreclosure sales will be conducted in accordance with Covid-19 guidelines including, but not limited to, social distancing and mask wearing. *LOCATION OF SALE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DAY OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH COURT/CLERK DIRECTIVES.
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., -against- KRISTAL NEIL A/K/A KRISTAL DESOUZA, ET AL. NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx on May 17, 2017, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. is the Plaintiff and KRISTAL NEIL A/K/A KRISTAL DESOUZA, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the BRONX COUNTY SUPREME COURT, 851 GRAND CONCOURSE, COURTROOM 711, BRONX, NY 10451, on June 22, 2026 at 2:15PM, premises known as 346 BRINSMADE AVE, BRONX, NY 10465; and the following tax map identification: 5580-138. ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY OF BRONX, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No.: 35972/2014E. Leonard C. Aloi, Esq. - Referee. Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. All foreclosure sales will be conducted in accordance with Covid-19 guidelines including, but not limited to, social distancing and mask wearing. *LOCATION OF SALE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DAY OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH COURT/CLERK DIRECTIVES.
25777 my22-F j12

### NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX Federal National Mortgage Association, Plaintiff AGAINST Carmen Valentin a/k/a Carmen Morales; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered October 22, 2018, amended June 18, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 711, Bronx, New York on June 22, 2026, at 2:15PM, premises known as 1900 Arnow Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, Block: 4799 Lot: 138. Approximate amount of judgment $705,635.80 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 381051/2013E. Scott Siller, Esq., Referee LOGS Legal Group LLP f/k/a Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: July 17, 2025 For sale information, please visit www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2831 89933
25709 my22-F ju12

### NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX, SHOREHAVEN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff, vs. RAYMOND BONILLA, ARELIS BONILLA, MATTHEW CRUZ, AND THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF HARBOUR POINTE AT SHOREHAVEN CONDOMINIUM I, Defendant(s). Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on January 7, 2025 and an Order duly entered on April 17, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Supreme Court, Courtroom 711, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10451-2937 on June 22, 2026 at 2:15 p.m., premises known as 101 Surf Drive, Unit 23, Bronx, NY 10473. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, Block 3432 and Lot 1323 together with an undivided 0.80645 percent interest in the Common Elements. Approximate amount of judgment is $39,762.19 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #818811/2023E. David P. Stich, Esq., Referee The Law Offices of Ronald Francis, 30 Broad Street, 37th Floor, New York, NY 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff
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### NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Plaintiff AGAINST Jenard Smalls Saunders a/k/a Jenard SmallsSaunders a/k/a Jenard Smalls a/k/a Jenard Saunders a/k/a Jenard Saunders Smalls a/k/a Jenard SaundersSmalls; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered April 8, 2016, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Courtroom 711, Bronx County Supreme Court, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on June 22, 2026, at 2:15PM, premises known as 3643 Olinville Avenue, Bronx, NY 10467. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City of New York County of Bronx, State of New York., Section: 16 Block: 4645 Lot: 65. Approximate amount of judgment $431,547.48 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 381283/2013E. Only cash or certified funds payable to the Referee will be accepted as a deposit in the amount of ten percent of the purchase price. Ibrahim Shatara, Referee LOGS Legal Group LLP f/k/a Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: May 12, 2026 89957
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## SALES

### NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF THE SARM 2006-2 TRUST FUND, Plaintiff AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR OF THE COUNTY OF BRONX AS TEMPORARY PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF MILLICENT TAYLOR, LORRAINE TAYLOR AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF MILLICENT TAYLOR, ET AL., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered January 15, 2019, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at Courtroom 711, Bronx County Supreme Court, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on June 8, 2026 at 2:15 PM, premises known as 1609 Arnow Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, Block 4784 Lot 38. Approximate amount of judgment $571,587.62 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #35669/2014E. For sale information, please contact XOME at www.Xome.com or call (844) 400-9633. Heddyeh P. Broumand, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC 1775 Wehrle Drive Williamsville, NY 14221 00-300469 89968
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### NOTICE OF SALE

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## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

J NET EMPOWER GROUP, LLC. Filed 4/7/26. Office: Bronx Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Jannet Olivera, 1259 Grant Ave, Apt 6f, Bronx, NY 10456. Purpose: General.
25476 my8-F ju12

KANSHA HOLDINGS LLC. Filed 4/6/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: D5 Law Office Pllc, 250 Broadway, 24th Fl, NY, NY 10007. Purpose: General.
25493 my8-F ju12

KIRSTEN ERIKA LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/30/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1030 Merrick Rd, Baldwin, NY 11510. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25561 my8-F ju12

LAYER8 OPERATIONS, LLC. Filed 3/3/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Northwest Registered Agent Llc, 418 Broadway, Ste N, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: General.
25488 my8-F ju12

NOTICE OF FORMATION of A2Z Billing Consultants LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/17/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 100 Home St, North Bellmore, NY 11710. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24644 Apr24 f May29

## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

HILLTOP STUDIOS PRODUCTIONS II LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/30/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Stolis Hadjicharalambous, 60 Hillside Avenue, Williston Park, NY 11596. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25563 my8-F ju12

LUDI EXIMII LLC. Filed 3/10/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 395 Broadway, 15e, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: General.
25498 my8-F ju12

WEST 35 MANAGERS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/02/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 8 W 40TH ST 6TH FLR, NEW YORK, NY 10018. Purpose: Any Lawful
25112 my1-F ju5

1211 WPR LLC. Filed 3/24/26. Office: Bronx Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 1211 White Plains Rd, Bronx, NY 10472. Purpose: General.
25472 my8-F ju12

1897 GLEASON LLC. Filed 3/2/26. Office: Bronx Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o The Limited Liability Company, 1897 Gleason Ave, Bronx, NY 10472. Purpose: General.
25474 my8-F ju12

58SMP 405 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/21/26. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Barry Kantrowitz, 135 Chestnut Ridge Road, Suite 200, Montvale, NJ 07645. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
25535 my8-F ju12

ACCESSED LLC. Filed 2/24/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #548695, NY, NY 10003. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25510 my8-F ju12

ACKERMOVIE LLC. Filed 3/18/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Ari J Ackerman, 200 E 83rd St Apt 32a, NY, NY 10028. Purpose: General.
25490 my8-F ju12

ARS EST VIA LLC. Filed 1/13/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #208179, New york, NY 10003. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25497 my8-F ju12

BELLA LES LLC. Filed 4/17/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 2000 Broadway, Ste 17b, NY, NY 10023. Purpose: General.
25515 my8-F ju12

BPF ONE LLC. Filed 5/6/25. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 299 Broadway, Ste 1018, NY, NY 10007. Purpose: General.
25522 my8-F ju12

CAMBRIDGE ESTATE PARTNERS LLC. Filed 3/25/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 477 Madison Ave, Ste 613, NY, NY 10022. Purpose: General.
25481 my8-F ju12

CASE CRAZE LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/04/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Dana Poulsun, 3051 Shore Drive, Merrick, NY 11566. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25567 my8-F ju12

CASTLE AVENUE CONSULTING LLC. Filed 4/3/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 200 Chambers St Apt 16b, NY, NY 10007. Purpose: General.
25521 my8-F ju12

CDAL PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/27/26. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1908 Leonard Lane, Merrick, NY 11566. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
25533 my8-F ju12

CHEVYBOY STUDIOS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/29/2026. Office loc: NY County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 412 East 79th Street Apt 2A, NY, NY 10075. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25573 my8-F ju12

HICKS STREET REALTY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/04/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Rosedale, Drapala & Sforza CPAs, 2001 Grove Street, Wantagh, NY 11793. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25569 my8-F ju12

FORGET ABOUT HOSPITALITY LLC. Filed 2/26/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 66 White St, 5th Fl, Ste 501, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: General.
25477 my8-F ju12

JLF 140 LLC, Art. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/24/2026. NY office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o Roxanne Green, The LLC, 40 Inness PL, Manhasset, NY, 11030. Any lawful act or activity.
24353 my8-F ju12

GRACEFUL JOURNEYS LLC. Filed 2/24/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #425450, NY, NY 10003. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25511 my8-F ju12

## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

WC ADVISORY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/04/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: William Cheng, 34 High St, Manhasset, NY 11030. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25565 my8-F ju12

WLTRR 26 LLC. Filed 3/29/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 250 Broadway, 24th Fl, NY, NY 10007. Purpose: General.
25527 my8-F ju12

WORK CON BRIO LLC. Filed 2/12/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 247 W 87th St Apt 5f, NY, NY 10024. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25505 my8-F ju12

ZENITH MENDING ESTATES LLC. Filed 3/3/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #273638, NY, NY 10003. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25480 my8-F ju12

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 132 W BROADWAY LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 3/17/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 132 W. Broadway, NY, NY 10013. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Gabriel Weiser, 132 W. Broadway, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24333 a17-F my22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of EYE RESEARCH ASSOCIATES OF NEW YORK, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/2/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 140 E. 80th St, NY, NY 10075. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24335 a17-F my22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of OPIMPACT MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/8/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24339 a17-F my22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of PALMCHAT CONSTRUCTION LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/22/2022. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 27 East 73rd St, New York 10021. Purpose: any lawful act.
24332 A17 F My22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of SAIHODO LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/3/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to Hara Yoshida Accounting, PO Box 529, White Plains, NY 10602. Purpose: any lawful act.
24188 A17 F My22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 14 East 47 LLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/16/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 20 W. 47th St, Ste 203, NY, NY 10036. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24699 a24-F my29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 53 West 74th LLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/6/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 25 Robert Pitt Dr., Ste 204, Monsey, NY 10952. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Vcorp Agent Services, Inc., 25 Robert Pitt Dr., Ste 204, Monsey, NY 10952. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24700 a24-F my29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 73-75 Sullivan Street AVM LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/1/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 445 Park Ave, Ste 1503, NY, NY 10022. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Michael Allen, 445 Park Ave, Ste 1503, NY, NY 10022. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24709 a24-F my29

Notice of Formation of CONSAL AI LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/15/2026. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 23 Shelly Ct, Plainview, NY 11803. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24669 A24 F My29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of DIVINE GOLD & JEWELRY LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/17/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 23 W 47th St 308, New York, NY 10036. R/A: Zen Business Inc., 5511 Parkcrest Dr, Ste 103, Austin, TX 78731. Purpose: any lawful act.
24667 A24 F My29

Notice of Formation of ELEVATION INTELLIGENCE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/14/2026. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Reg Agent for SOP: Kevin Kenney, 2343 Camp Ave, Merrick, NY 11566. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24673 A24 F My29

## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of H3 Zoom LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/15/26. Office location: New York County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24733 a24-F my29

Notice of Formation of IL RIFUGIO ADK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/2025. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 3901 Independence Ave 6D, Bronx, NY 10463. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24670 A24 F My29

Notice of Formation of KWE CONSULTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/28/2026. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 191 Split Rock Road, Syosset, NY 11791. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24668 A24 F My29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RICHARD M. WHALEN, JR. LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/12/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 4 West 101st Street, Apt 35, New York, NY 10025. Purpose: any lawful act.
24426 A24 F My29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of THE Y GARDENS REALTY LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/22/26. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to: 191 W Poplar St., Floral Park, NY 11101. Purpose: any lawful act.
24754 a24-F my29

Notice of Formation of WELL MADE JOURNEYS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/15/2026. Office location: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 320 East 72nd Street, Apt 5B, New York, NY 10021. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24674 A24 F My29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Extra Salty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 3/24/26. Office location: Westchester County. NY Sec. of State designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, and shall mail process to 32 Cottage Ln, North Salem, NY 10560. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24173 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Family Ties NYC, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 4/9/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 500 W. 18th St., Apt. West 24C, NY, NY 10011. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc., 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
24193 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Name: East NY Cluster Phase II LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York ("SSNY") on April 7, 2026. N.Y. office location: New York County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to East NY Cluster Phase II LLC, 226 West 26th Street, 6th Floor, New York, New York 10001. Purpose/character of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity.
24253 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Name: East NY Cluster Phase II JV LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York ("SSNY") on April 7, 2026. N.Y. office location: New York County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to East NY Cluster Phase II JV LLC, 226 West 26th Street, 6th Floor, New York, New York 10001. Purpose/character of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity.
24256 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Name: East NY Cluster Phase II Managing Member LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York ("SSNY") on April 7, 2026. N.Y. office location: New York County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to East NY Cluster Phase II Managing Member LLC, 226 West 26th Street, 6th Floor, New York, New York 10001. Purpose/character of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity.
24258 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of One High Line 24B, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 4/9/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 500 W. 18th St., Apt. West 24B, NY, NY 10011. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc., 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
24194 Apr17 f May22

Notice of formation of Nexvara Media LLC Arts of Org filed with the SSNY on 4/24/26. NY Cty. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC, shall mail to the LLC, 9 E 53rd St, NY, NY, 10022. Any Lawful act.
25504 My08 F Ju12

## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of PMOO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 4/2/26. Office location: NY County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc., 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
24196 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of PRC3 STRATEGIC PARTNERS, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/06/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Patrick Clancy, 29 Leonard St., Apt. 6W, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24316 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RhinoRoost LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 12/16/25. Office location: New York County. NY Sec. of State designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, and shall mail process to the LLC, c/o Vasilia A Tsismenakis Esq, 950 Third Ave, 11th Fl, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24174 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of the limited liability company (LLC). 28 GROVE STREET REALTY LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 3/31/2026. NY Office location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her is 28 GROVE STREET, MOUNT VERNON, NY 10550. Purpose/character of LLC: Any Lawful Purpose.
24249 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of the limited liability company (LLC). 3305 BX ASSOCIATES LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/22/2025. NY Office location: Bronx County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her is 5676 RIVERDALE AVE, BRONX, NY 10471. Purpose/character of LLC: Any Lawful Purpose.
24251 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of the limited liability company (LLC). CCB HOLDCO LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 4/13/2026. NY Office location: Bronx County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her is 5676 RIVERDALE AVE, SUITE 203, BRONX, NY 10471. Purpose/character of LLC: Any Lawful Purpose.
24248 Apr17 f May22

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 101 E 9 MEZZ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/8/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 234 Fifth Ave, 2nd Fl, NY, NY 10001. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24457 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 101 E 9 Owner LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/6/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 234 Fifth Ave, 2nd Fl, NY, NY 10001. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24437 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 122 Developer LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/6/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 134 Charles St, NY, NY 10014, Attn: Emma Hagendorf. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24450 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 160 WEST 146 STREET REALTY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/16/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 319 West 48th St., NY, NY 10036. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24601 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 223 Glen Cove Owner LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/25/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 9 Star Ln, Glen Cove, NY 11542. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24647 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 3305 CCBRONX LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/1/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 7 Farrell Road, Weston, CT 06883. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24435 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 341 NEVINS VENTURE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/16/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: c/o Anbau Enterprises Inc., 230 Fifth Ave., Ste. 1912, NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24604 Apr24 f May29

## SUMMONS

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX Index No. 816054/2025E Date Filed: 04/16/2026 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Plaintiff designates Bronx County as the place of trial based on the location of the mortgaged premises in this action. Plaintiff's principal place of business is 10561 Telegraph Road, Glen Allen, Virginia 23059. CITIZENS BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, -against- NATHAN C. LONG JR. AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO NATHAN C. LONG, AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO NATHANIEL L. RILEY A/K/A NATHANIEL RILEY A/K/A NATHAN L. RILEY A/K/A NATHAN LAURE RILEY; ARIEL BRYANT A/K/A ARIEL LONG AS POSSIBLE HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO NATHAN C. LONG, AS HEIR AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN TO NATHANIEL L. RILEY A/K/A NATHANIEL RILEY A/K/A NATHAN L. RILEY A/K/A NATHAN LAURE RILEY if living, and if dead, the respective heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignors, lienors, creditors and successors in interest and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise of any right, title or interest in and to the premises described in the complaint herein, and their respective husbands, wives or widow, if any, and each and every person not specifically named who may be entitled to or claim to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the verified complaint; all of whom and whose names and places of residence unknown, and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained by the Plaintiff; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE 1 THROUGH 50, INTENDING TO BE THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DISTRIBUTEES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, TRUSTEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, AND ASSIGNEES OF THE ESTATE OF NATHANIEL L. RILEY A/K/A NATHANIEL RILEY A/K/A NATHAN L. RILEY A/K/A NATHAN LAURE RILEY, WHO WAS BORN IN 1947 AND DIED ON JUNE 11, 2022, A RESIDENT OF BRONX COUNTY, WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS WAS 1319 BRISTOW STREET, BRONX, NEW YORK 10459, THEIR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST IF ANY OF THE AFORESAID DEFENDANTS BE DECEASED, THEIR RESPECTIVE HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OF THE AFORESAID CLASSES OF PERSON, IF THEY OR ANY OF THEM BE DEAD, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE HUSBANDS, WIVES OR WIDOWS, IF ANY, ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES, ARE UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF; NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA O/B/O INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; "JOHN DOE #1" to "JOHN DOE #10," the last 10 names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the persons or parties, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the mortgaged premises described in the complaint, Defendants. To the above-named defendants: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the plaintiff's attorneys within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE: YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (CITIZENS BANK, N.A.) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. This action was commenced to foreclose a mortgage against real property located at 1319 Bristow Street, Bronx, New York, 10459. McCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, LLC By: Caren Bailey, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff One Huntington Quadrangle, Suite 4N25 Melville, NY 11747 631-812-4084 855-845-2584 facsimile File # 22-301673 HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE: NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT: YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF. SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE: The State encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non- profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or visit the Department`s website at www.dfs.ny.gov. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS: YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME AT THIS TIME. You have the right to stay in your home during the foreclosure process. You are not required to leave your home unless and until your property is sold at auction pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale. Regardless of whether you choose to remain in your home, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR PROPERTY and pay property taxes in accordance with state and local law. FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS: Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner`s distress. You should be extremely careful about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. State law requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all such promised services. § 1303 NOTICE 16-12-20*
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Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action Supreme Court Of The State Of New York County Of Bronx Action To Foreclose A Mortgage Index #: 381137/2013 Nationstar Mortgage LLC Plaintiff, vs Carole Beckford As Heir To The Estate Of Clifford Beckford, William Beckford As Heir To The Estate Of Clifford Beckford, John Gregory Kourakos As Executor To The Estate Of Ruby Snaith AKA Ruby Carmeta Beckford, William Snaith As Devisee To The Estate Of Ruby Snaith AKA Ruby Carmeta Beckford, Angela Snaith As Devisee To The Estate Of Ruby Snaith Aka Ruby Carmeta Beckford If Living, And If He/She Be Dead, Any And All Persons Unknown To Plaintiff, Claiming, Or Who May Claim To Have An Interest In, Or General Or Specific Lien Upon The Real Property Described In This Action; Such Unknown Persons Being Herein Generally Described And Intended To Be Included In Wife, Widow, Husband, Widower, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assigns, All Of Whom And Whose Names, Except As Stated, Are Unknown To Plaintiff, Donovan Snaith As Devisee To The Estate Of Ruby Snaith AKA Ruby Carmeta Beckford, George Lemon As Devisee To The Estate Of Ruby Snaith AKA Ruby Carmeta Beckford If Living, And If He/She Be Dead, Any And All Persons Unknown To Plaintiff, Claiming, Or Who May Claim To Have An Interest In, Or General Or Specific Lien Upon The Real Property Described In This Action; Such Unknown Persons Being Herein Generally Described And Intended To Be Included In Wife, Widow, Husband, Widower, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assigns, All Of Whom And Whose Names, Except As Stated, Are Unknown To Plaintiff, Community National Bank, The United States Of America Department Of Housing And Urban Development, United States Of America By The Internal Revenue Service, People Of The State Of New York By The Department Of Taxation And Finance, Tenisha Butler Defendant(s). Mortgaged Premises: 3037 Bronxwood Avenue Bronx, NY 10469 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Bronx. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Angela Snaith, George Lemon Defendants In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Naita A. Semaj of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Twenty-Third day of April, 2026 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, in the City of Bronx. The object of this action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of $551,000.00 and interest, recorded on March 27, 2007, in CRFN 2007000156681, of the Public Records of Clerk of the County of Bronx, in the City of Bronx. The object of this action is to foreclosure a mortgage upon the premises described below dated October 19, 1988, executed by Ruby Snaith AKA Ruby Carmeta Beckford (who died on October 13, 2003, a resident of the county of Bronx, State of New York) and Clifford Beckford (who died on October 3, 1992, a resident of the county of Bronx, State of New York) to secure the sum of $131,200.00. The Mortgage was recorded at Book 878, Page 1418 in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County on October 19, 1988. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed May 16, 1997 and recorded on November 25, 1997, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at Book 1513, Page 1931. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed June 10, 1997 and recorded on November 25, 1997, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at Book 1513, Page 1928. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed January 13, 2005 and recorded on June 20, 2005, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2005000351707. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed July 24, 2012 and recorded on August 3, 2012, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2012000306921. The mortgage was subsequently modified on August 17, 2008.The property in question is described as follows: 3037 BRONXWOOD AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10469 NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this Foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: April 27, 2026 Gross Polowy LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 The law firm of Gross Polowy LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 90022
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK INDEX NO. 818344/2025E COUNTY OF BRONX WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR OPTION ONE MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-5, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-5, Plaintiff, vs. ULRIC MCKENZIE A/K/A ULRIC O. MCKENZIE, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU; NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU; PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendants. Plaintiff designates BRONX as the place of trial situs of the real property SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Mortgaged Premises: 1156 METCALF AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10472 Block: 3747, Lot: 40 To the above named Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of $551,000.00 and interest, recorded on March 27, 2007, in CRFN 2007000156681, of the Public Records of BRONX County, New York., covering premises known as 1156 METCALF AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10472. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. BRONX County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: May 6th, 2026 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Matthew Rothstein, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675
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Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE INDEX #: 819265/2023E U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF LSF9 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST Plaintiff, vs MARLON GRANT INDIVIDUALLY AND AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF MARLENE DIXON, CHEVANESE GRANT INDIVIDUALLY AND AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF MARLENE DIXON, COURTNEY E. DIXON AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF GLADSTONE S. DIXON WHO WAS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF MARLENE DIXON, LEIGHTON S. DIXON AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF GLADSTONE S. DIXON WHO WAS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF MARLENE DIXON, DONOVAN A. DIXON AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF GLADSTONE S. DIXON WHO WAS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF MARLENE DIXON, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MARLENE DIXON IF LIVING, AND IF HE/SHE BE DEAD, ANY AND ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, CLAIMING, OR WHO MAY CLAIM TO HAVE AN INTEREST IN, OR GENERAL OR SPECIFIC LIEN UPON THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS ACTION; SUCH UNKNOWN PERSONS BEING HEREIN GENERALLY DESCRIBED AND INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED IN WIFE, WIDOW, HUSBAND, WIDOWER, HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DESCENDANTS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, LIENORS, AND ASSIGNEES OF SUCH DECEASED, ANY AND ALL PERSONS DERIVING INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON, OR TITLE TO SAID REAL PROPERTY BY, THROUGH OR UNDER THEM, OR EITHER OF THEM, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE WIVES, WIDOWS, HUSBANDS, WIDOWERS, HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DESCENDANTS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, LIENORS, AND ASSIGNS, ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES, EXCEPT AS STATED, ARE UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE IRS, NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORP, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT JOHN DOE (Those unknown tenants, occupants, persons or corporations or their heirs, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors claiming an interest in the mortgaged premises.) Defendant(s). MORTGAGED PREMISES: 809 Arnow Avenue Bronx, NY 10467 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Bronx. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Unknown Heirs of Marlene Dixon Defendant In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Naita A. Semaj of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Twenty-Fourth day of April, 2026 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, in the City of Bronx. The object of this action is to foreclosure a mortgage upon the premises described below, executed by Marlon Grant and Chevanese Grant dated the June 18, 2007, to secure the sum of $487,500.00 and recorded at CRFN 2007000331151 in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County on June 27, 2007. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed June 11, 2012 and recorded on June 26, 2012, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2012000251762. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed July 10, 2013 and recorded on August 15, 2013, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2013000323075. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed August 19, 2016 and recorded on October 12, 2016, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2016000356047. Said Mortgage was subsequently modified by a Loan Modification Agreement executed by Marlon Grant on June 27, 2019 and recorded November 7, 2019 in CRFN 2019000363032 in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County. The property in question is described as follows: 809 Arnow Avenue, Bronx, NY 10467 NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this Foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: May 1, 2026 Gross Polowy LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 The law firm of Gross Polowy LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 90081
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Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE INDEX #: 811362/2025E U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST Plaintiff, vs DELROSE MORRIS IF LIVING, AND IF HE/SHE BE DEAD, ANY AND ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, CLAIMING, OR WHO MAY CLAIM TO HAVE AN INTEREST IN, OR GENERAL OR SPECIFIC LIEN UPON THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS ACTION; SUCH UNKNOWN PERSONS BEING HEREIN GENERALLY DESCRIBED AND INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED IN WIFE, WIDOW, HUSBAND, WIDOWER, HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DESCENDANTS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, LIENORS, AND ASSIGNEES OF SUCH DECEASED, ANY AND ALL PERSONS DERIVING INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON, OR TITLE TO SAID REAL PROPERTY BY, THROUGH OR UNDER THEM, OR EITHER OF THEM, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE WIVES, WIDOWS, HUSBANDS, WIDOWERS, HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DESCENDANTS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, LIENORS, AND ASSIGNS, ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES, EXCEPT AS STATED, ARE UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU, NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE IRS, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK JOHN DOE (Those unknown tenants, occupants, persons or corporations or their heirs, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors claiming an interest in the mortgaged premises.) Defendant(s). MORTGAGED PREMISES: 2257 Walton Avenue Bronx, NY 10453 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Bronx. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Delrose Morris Defendant In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Naita A. Semaj of the Supreme Court of The State Of New York, dated the Twenty-eighth Day of April 2026 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, in the City of Bronx. The object of this action is to foreclosure a mortgage upon the premises described below, executed by Delrose Morris dated July 11, 2013, to secure the sum of $421,229.00 and recorded at CRFN 2013000317612 in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County on August 12, 2013. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed December 18, 2015, and recorded on January 4, 2016, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2016000001478. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed November 23, 2016, and recorded on February 21, 2017, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2017000070611. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed January 11, 2017, and recorded on February 21, 2017, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2017000070612. The mortgage was subsequently modified on July 23, 2020. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed November 10, 2021, and recorded on January 19, 2022, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2022000026908. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed December 15, 2021, and recorded on January 19, 2022, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2022000026909. The property in question is described as follows: 2257 Walton Avenue, Bronx, NY 10453 HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF. SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE The state encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or the Foreclosure Relief Hotline 1-800-269-0990 or visit the department's website at WWW.DFS.NY.GOV. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME AT THIS TIME. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO STAY IN YOUR HOME DURING THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME UNLESS AND UNTIL YOUR PROPERTY IS SOLD AT AUCTION PURSUANT TO A JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU CHOOSE TO REMAIN IN YOUR HOME, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR PROPERTY AND PAY PROPERTY TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND LOCAL LAW. FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be extremely careful about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. 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DATED: April 30, 2026 Gross Polowy LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 The law firm of Gross Polowy LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 90077
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Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE INDEX #: 816055/2025E NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC Plaintiff, vs SINECIA MCLEAN, HENRY MCLEAN IF LIVING, AND IF HE/SHE BE DEAD, ANY AND ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, CLAIMING, OR WHO MAY CLAIM TO HAVE AN INTEREST IN, OR GENERAL OR SPECIFIC LIEN UPON THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS ACTION; SUCH UNKNOWN PERSONS BEING HEREIN GENERALLY DESCRIBED AND INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED IN WIFE, WIDOW, HUSBAND, WIDOWER, HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DESCENDANTS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, LIENORS, AND AS-SIGNEES OF SUCH DECEASED, ANY AND ALL PERSONS DERIVING INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON, OR TITLE TO SAID REAL PROPERTY BY, THROUGH OR UNDER THEM, OR EITHER OF THEM, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE WIVES, WIDOWS, HUSBANDS, WIDOWERS, HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DESCENDANTS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, LIENORS, AND ASSIGNS, ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES, EXCEPT AS STATED, ARE UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE IRS JOHN DOE (Those unknown tenants, occupants, persons or corporations or their heirs, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors claiming an interest in the mortgaged premises.) Defendant(s). MORTGAGED PREMISES: 1517 Morris Avenue Bronx, NY 10457 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Bronx. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Henry McLean Defendant In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Naita A. Semaj of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Twenty-Ninth day of April, 2026 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, in the City of Bronx. The object of this action is to foreclosure a mortgage upon the premises described below, executed by Sinecia Mclean and Henry McLean dated the July 12, 2007, to secure the sum of $417,000.00 and recorded at Instrument No. CRFN 2007000379365 in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County on July 24, 2007. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed January 18, 2024 and recorded on January 29, 2024, in the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at CRFN 2024000024078. The property in question is described as follows: 1517 Morris Avenue, Bronx, NY 10457 HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF. SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE The state encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or the Foreclosure Relief Hotline 1-800-269-0990 or visit the department's website at WWW.DFS.NY.GOV. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME AT THIS TIME. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO STAY IN YOUR HOME DURING THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME UNLESS AND UNTIL YOUR PROPERTY IS SOLD AT AUCTION PURSUANT TO A JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU CHOOSE TO REMAIN IN YOUR HOME, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR PROPERTY AND PAY PROPERTY TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND LOCAL LAW. FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be extremely careful about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. State law requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all such promised services. § 1303 NOTICE NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this Foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a de-

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fault judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: May 1, 2026 Gross Polowy LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 The law firm of Gross Polowy LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 90083
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE Index No. 380700-13 Date Filed: 12/2/2025 U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee for GSMPS Mortgage Loan Trust 2004-4, Plaintiff, -against- Coven Green, Individually and as Administrator of the Estate of Jody Green, if she be living or if she be dead, her spouses, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; Anthony Green; Sarah Green; K.G.; Wells Fargo Financial Credit Services New York, Inc.; Unifund CCR Partners A/O Citibank; MRC Receivables Corp.; Consolidated Edison Company of N.Y., Inc.; Elektra Federal Credit Union; Criminal Court of the City of New York; New York State Department of Taxation and Finance: United States of America; City of New York Environmental Control Board; City of New York Parking Violations Bureau; City of New York Transit Adjudication Bureau, Defendants. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1255 Fteley Avenue, Bronx, NY 10472 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons. exclusive of the day of service. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Naita A. Semaj, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Bronx County, entered Nov. 26, 2025 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Bronx County Clerk's Office. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure $189,162.00 and interest, recorded in the Bronx County Office of the City Register on September 30, 1994, at Reel 1263 of Mortgages, page 1388 covering premises known as 1255 Fteley Avenue, Bronx, NY 10472 a/k/a Block 3780, Lot 44. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. Plaintiff designates Bronx County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE COMPANY WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSYVÆR WITH THE COURT. Dated: June 25, 2025 Steven M. Palmer, Esq. Foreclosure Attorney SHAPIRO, DICARO & BARAK, LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard (585) 247-9000 Fax: (585) 247-7380 Our File No. 11-010436 #102670
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## ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

Notice is hereby given that by Order to Show Cause entered by the Supreme Court, New York County on the 19 day of May 2026, bearing Index Number 155869/2026, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 60 Centre Street, New York NY 10007, an Order shall be sought granting the Petitioner, Caritas Development LLC, the right to discharge an ancient mortgage made by 153 E 109 Corp. to Sam Tolkoff and Sylvia Tolkoff dated August 1, 1960 and recorded in the New York City Register's Office on August 2, 1960 in Liber 5911, page 380 which mortgage encumbers the real property located at 153 East 109th Street, New York, New York, designated on the tax map of New York County as Block: 1637, Lot: 22.
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## LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

88 WB 770 RETAIL LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/10/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 72 WARREN ST UNIT 5E, NEW YORK, NY 10007. Purpose: Any Lawful
25117 my1-F ju5

BH 437 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/09/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1159 SECOND AVE, #316, NEW YORK, NY 10065. Purpose: Any Lawful
25114 my1-F ju5

CASA VERDE 2 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/06/26. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o The Law Offices of John O. McManus, P.C., 1325 Avenue of the Americas, Floor 28, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
25072 my1-F ju5

CURIOUS OBJECTS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/29/2026. Office loc: NY County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 481 Washington Street, Apt 5N, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25087 my1-F ju5

DDKN 47 4TH AVE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/21/26. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 3391 Long Beach Road, Oceanside, NY 11572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
25071 my1-F ju5

EZ75 PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/05/26. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 14 East 75th Street, Suite 1A, New York, NY 10021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
25073 my1-F ju5

HGR 35TH STREET LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/13/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 8 W 40TH ST 6TH FL, NEW YORK, NY 10018. Purpose: Any Lawful
25123 my1-F ju5

KATRINA PECSON LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/10/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1255 5TH AVE APT 4E, NEW YORK, NY 10029. Purpose: Any Lawful
25116 my1-F ju5

LECS Tennis Management LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/10/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Goetz Platzer LLP, 1325 Ave of the Americas, 14th Fl, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: any lawful act.
24986 my1-F ju5

NOMAD TECHNOLOGIES LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/07/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 276 5TH AVE, STE 402, NEW YORK, NY 10001. Purpose: Any Lawful
25113 my1-F ju5

SHARPSDEN LLC. Filed with SSNY on 08/07/2025. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 41 STATE ST, STE 112, ALBANY, NY 12207. Purpose: Any Lawful
25122 my1-F ju5

WEST 35 GROUP HGE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/08/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 8 WEST 40TH ST, 6TH FL, NEW YORK, NY 10018. Purpose: Any Lawful
25120 my1-F ju5

LFVF LLC. Filed 3/23/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Hans Graf Finck Von Finckenstein, 157 E 18th St, Apt 6a, NY, NY 10003. Purpose: General.
25529 my8-F ju12

MERIDIAN WAKE COMPANY LLC. Filed 1/8/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #552229, NY, NY 10003. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25514 my8-F ju12

MHBC GROUP LLC. Filed 1/30/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #242370, NY, NY 10003. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25516 my8-F ju12

MIZNON AT THE ARENA LLC. Filed 3/23/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 2000 Broadway, Ste 17b, NY, NY 10023. Purpose: General.
25487 my8-F ju12

NY.FW COLLECTIONS LLC. Filed 2/17/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 6 St. Johns Ln, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: General.
25494 my8-F ju12

ONSIGHT AVIATION SERVICES LLC. Filed 1/22/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #383335, NY, NY 10003. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25500 my8-F ju12

ORGANIKALLY LLC. Filed 3/27/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 515 Madison Ave, 8th Fl, NY, NY 10022. Registered Agent: Yao Law Group Llc, 143 W 29th St, Ste 1101, NY, NY 10001. Purpose: General.
25501 my8-F ju12

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PINDULIA, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/30/26. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 31-19 Newtown Avenue, Suite 501, Astoria, NY 11102. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
25534 my8-F ju12

PKM REALTY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/30/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1030 Merrick Rd, Baldwin, NY 11510. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25559 my8-F ju12

PORT SAID NY LLC. Filed 3/23/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 2000 Broadway, Ste 17b, NY, NY 10023. Purpose: General.
25483 my8-F ju12

SHRIMPTOAST LLC. Filed 1/12/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 540 W 28th St, Apt. 2c, Shrimptoast Llc, NY 10001. Purpose: General.
25492 my8-F ju12

SIMPLICITY CAREER TRAINING CENTER LLC. Filed 2/5/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 228 Park Ave S #722797, NY, NY 10003. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave , Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.
25512 my8-F ju12

SLOPE REALTY DEVELOPMENT LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/04/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Rosedale, Drapala & Sforza CPAs, 2001 Grove Street, Wantagh, NY 11793. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25571 my8-F ju12

TTB NYC LLC. Filed 4/17/26. Office: NY Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Tanya Sheikh, 101 W 24th St, Apt 11e, NY, NY 10011. Purpose: General.
25502 my8-F ju12

UNION CHICKEN BG LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/01/2026. Office loc: NY County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 34 E 14th St, NY, NY 10003. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
25576 my8-F ju12

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 367 Hillside Avenue, LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/20/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 9 Keenan Pl, Garden City, NY 11530. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24655 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 481 Atlantic EN LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 4/15/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 2545 Hempstead Tpke, East Meadow, NY 11554. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24659 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 7-11 Cornelia St LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/2/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 7-11 Cornelia St, NY, NY 10014. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24436 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 951 Prospect Avenue LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o West Side Federation for Senior and Supportive Housing, Inc., 2345 Broadway, NY, NY 10024. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24440 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Alpha Early Center 10025, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 2/11/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Registered Agents Inc., 418 Broadway, Ste R, Albany, NY 12207, the registered agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24441 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of ARANGINO LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/16/26. Office in Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 119 GORDON RD VALLEY STREAM, NY, 11581. Purpose: Any lawful purpose
24475 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Auriva Beauty LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/25/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 125 Michael Dr, Syosset, NY 11791. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24648 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of AZ LGA Owner LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/6/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 40 Fulton St, Ste 2002, NY, NY 10038. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24453 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Carrier Wave Productions, LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 2/24/26. Cty: Bronx. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 930 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10451. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24624 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Cauldwell Avenue Housing Associates LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/25/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 55 Watermill Ln, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24652 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of CITY SELVEDGE, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/14/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 1165 Madison Ave., Apt. 4S, NY, NY 10028. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24599 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Civic Risk Advisory LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 2/24/26. Cty: New York. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 444 E 82nd St, NY, NY 10028. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24626 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Clearframe Group LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 2/5/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 9 Lancaster Ct, Manhasset, NY 11030. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24643 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of C & N REALTY MGMT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/8/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Goldberg Weprin Finkel Goldstein LLP, 125 Park Ave, 12th Fl, NY, NY 10017. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24456 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of COVE DESIGN NY LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/31/26. Office in Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 600 PINE HOLLOW RD APT 8-2B EAST NORWICH, NY, 11732. Purpose: Any lawful purpose
24615 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Dalan Special Situations LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 3/25/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 134 W. 25th St., 5th Fl., NY, NY 10001. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc., 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
24480 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of East of the Sun LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/3/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: United Corporate Services, Inc., 10 Bank St, Ste 560, White Plains, NY 10606. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24433 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Feng Consulting LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/10/26. Cty: New York. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 53 W 53rd St, NY, NY 10019. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24625 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of FTK 2, LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/31/26. Cty: New York. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 18 W 21st St, NY, NY 10010. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24629 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of GOLDEN LINK SENIOR HOUSING GP, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/16/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Hudson Yards, 72nd Fl., NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24602 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of HAUTE-SAVOIE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/15/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 200 Park Ave. South, 8th Fl., NY, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24605 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Hearts Leverage Lender LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Alembic Community Development, 111 John St, Ste 1710, NY, NY 10038. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24452 Apr24 f May29

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of Hearts Stewards LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Alembic Community Development, 111 John St, Ste 1710, NY, NY 10038. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24451 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Hernandez MM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o MDG Development Owners LLC, 170 Froehlich Farm Blvd, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24447 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of HSNB Holdings, LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 1/7/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 27 Center Ln, Levittown, NY 11590. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24639 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of ICE CREAM MANHATTAN 1 LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/30/26. Office in New York County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 10 JONES ST NEW YORK, NY, 10014. Purpose: Any lawful purpose
24618 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of IOOF TOWER SENIOR HOUSING GP, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/16/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Hudson Yards, 72nd Fl., NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24608 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of LDG NH II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/6/26 Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 167 W 145th St, NY, NY 10039. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24434 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Little Lambs II LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 75 Parkhill Ave, Massapequa, NY 11758. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24645 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of MAGUIRE PM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/10/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Maguire Lending LLC, 400 Madison Ave, Ste 5D, NY, NY 10017. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24458 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of MK MONTGOMERY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/13/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 218 East 52nd St., Ste. 2R, NY, NY 10022. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543, regd. agent upon whom and at which process may be served. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24600 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Moment-US Sponsorships LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/13/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Rottenberg Lipman Rich, P.C., The Helmsley Building, 230 Park Ave, 18th Fl, NY, NY 10169. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24462 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Mott 88 LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/18/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 118 Devonshire Dr, New Hyde Park, NY 11040. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24658 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Noah Guttman Growth LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/24/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 160 Noye Ln, Woodmere, NY 11598. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24638 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Ochoa 310 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 3/10/26. Office location: Westchester County. NY Sec. of State designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, and shall mail process to 431 Arcady Rd, Ossining, NY10562. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24471 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Proven Risk Mitigation LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 10/14/25. Office location: New York County. NY Sec. of State designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, and shall mail process to The LLC, c/o Baratta Baratta & Aidala LLP, 546 Fifth Ave, 6th Fl, New York, NY 10036. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24473 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RDC Essence Hernandez JV LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o MDG Development Owners LLC, 170 Froehlich Farm Blvd, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24442 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RDC Essence Seward Park JV LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o MDG Development Owners LLC, 170 Froehlich Farm Blvd, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24444 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RDC Hernandez Dev LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o MDG Real Estate Partners LLC, 170 Froehlich Farm Blvd, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24445 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RDC Seward LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o MDG Development Owners LLC, 170 Froehlich Farm Blvd, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24443 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RDC Seward Park Dev LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o MDG Real Estate Partners LLC, 170 Froehlich Farm Blvd, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24446 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Seward Park MM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/26. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o MDG Development Owners LLC, 170 Froehlich Farm Blvd, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
24448 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of SHIROI LFA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 4/14/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 503 W. 24th St., NY, NY 10011. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Corporate Creations Network Inc., 600 Mamaroneck Ave. #400, Harrison, NY 10528, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
24477 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of SJA BOONE JV LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/2/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Settlement Housing Fund, Inc., 247 W. 37th St, 4th Fl, NY, NY 10018. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24449 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of The Undiscovered City LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/10/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Lee Feldshon, 457 W. 57th St, Ste. 815, NY, NY 10019. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24461 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Thomas Squared, LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/17/26. Cty: New York. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 125 Maiden Ln, NY, NY 10038. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24632 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Triaxis Consulting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/7/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 249 E 62nd St, 6A, NY, NY 10065. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24455 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Triplekill Interactive LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 4/10/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 20 Hill Park Ave, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24636 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Virginia Water Street Investors LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 8/24/15. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 14 Bridle Path East, Port Washington, NY 11050. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24641 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Watermill 55 Fund LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/25/26. Cty: Nassau. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 55 Watermill Ln, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
24650 Apr24 f May29

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 101 E 9 Junior Mezz LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/16/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 234 Fifth Ave, 2nd Fl, NY, NY 10001. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24694 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 1035 Roslyn LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/26/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1035 NORTHERN BLVD, ROSLYN, NY 11576. Any lawful purpose.
25022 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 250 SEA BATTERY PARK LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/24/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 142 Joralemon St., Ste. 6E, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24922 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 31 Remsen Z LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/11/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 31 REMSEN AVENUE, ROSLYN, NY 11576. Any lawful purpose.
25019 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 36 Owners LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/16/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail/email process to: 134 Charles St, #1, NY, NY 10014, emma@alfnaman.com. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24702 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 39 East Walnut, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/10/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 600 OLD COUNTRY ROAD, STE 505, GARDEN CITY, NY 11530. Any lawful purpose.
25020 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of AK4L Management LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/15/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail/email process to: 10 Bank St, Ste 560, White Plains, NY 10606, kevinyuezhao@outlook.com. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24691 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of AUTUMNORIO & CO. LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/13/26. Office in New York County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 320 E 53RD ST APT 4C NEW YORK, NY, 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose
24877 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of BRIDGESTREAM NY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 4/17/26. Office location: NY County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 600 Brickell Ave., Ste. 3500, Miami, FL 33131. Regd. agent upon whom process may be served: Cogency Global Inc., 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
24943 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Castle Village NY Unsold Shares LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/6/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 444 MADISON AVENUE, 6TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10022. Any lawful purpose.
25023 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of CHIANG FAMILY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/23/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to David L. Chiang, 181 East 90th St., Apt. 20A, NY, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
24921 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Clearvision 32 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/9/2025. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 57 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Any lawful purpose.
25025 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Cronin Property Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/20/26. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 122 E 42nd St, 18th Fl, NY, NY 10168. Purpose: any lawful activity.
24706 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Dof I-153rd St Owner LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/27/2026. Office location: New York. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 600 MAMARONECK AVENUE #400, HARRISON, NY 10528. Any lawful purpose.
24976 May1 f Jun5

NOTICE OF FORMATION of D & S Iglesias Realty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/23/2026. Office location: Nassau. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 199 LOCUST AVE, LOCUST VALLEY, NY 11560. Any lawful purpose.
24984 May1 f Jun5