

IN BRIEF

Door Manufacturer Is Accused In Shareholder Lawsuit of Concealing Acquisition

A fund filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York alleging that a door manufacturer, Masonite International Corp., and its top executives snapped up corporate stock at a discount before disclosing lucrative buy-out offers.

Represented by Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd and Wolf Popper, the Central Illinois Carpenters Health & Welfare Trust Fund alleged that Masonite violated federal securities law by failing to refrain from trading company stock as they were negotiating a potential acquisition by Owens Corning, or by failing to disclose the talks.

“The magnitude of the proposed transaction, the credibility of the bid by a company of Owens Corning’s stature, and the degree of interest shown by Owens Corning, in total, illustrate that the Owens Corning’s offer would have been material and significant to a reasonable investor in making their investment decision,” the fund alleged in a securities class action that was filed on Friday.

The complaint also names Howard Heckes and Russell Tiejema, Masonite’s president and executive vice president during the negotiations, as co-defendants. The complaint brings its claims under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act.

Representatives for Masonite and the fund didn’t immediately respond to Monday’s requests for comment.

The class action was filed a year after Owens Corning—a building and construction supplies company—announced it was buying out Masonite for \$3.9 billion.

The transaction was announced in February 2024, with Owens Corning explaining the acquisition would expand its position in branded residential products. But the fund alleges that Owens Corning first approached Masonite about a potential acquisition in June 2023.

According to the complaint, Owens Corning made six offers

to buy all of Masonite’s outstanding stock between June 2023 and February 2024, each of which allegedly looked to purchase the shares “at significant premiums” to Masonite’s stock market price.

Owens Corning first offered, according to the complaint, to purchase all of Masonite’s outstanding stock for \$120 per share. At the time, Masonite’s stock was selling at \$94.09 per share, according to the filing.

But the fund claims that Masonite kept these offers from investors—allegedly while Masonite repurchased millions of dollars of its own shares at prices below Owens Corning’s offers.

The offer Masonite ultimately accepted had Corning acquiring all outstanding shares for \$133 per share. “Masonite’s stock price climbed sharply” when the deal was announced, the fund alleged.

“In total, Masonite repurchased nearly 270,000 of its outstanding shares from unsuspecting investors for approximately \$25 million between June 2023 and December 2023, despite knowing that Owens Corning was continuously proposing offers at a significant premium to Masonite’s then stock price,” according to the complaint.

—Alyssa Aquino

Ex-Shareholder Agrees To Settle Defamation, Fiduciary Duty Claims by Paying \$18M to Director

An \$18 million settlement will resolve a Superior Court defamation case related to statements made in a filing in the Delaware Court of Chancery and passed along to a reporter at the Financial Times, according to a stipulation filed Monday.

The stipulation indicates the settlement is to be paid to directors of LRN Corp. by Howard Marks, a longtime investor in the company and the CEO of StartEngine. Marks has also agreed to dismiss his part of a

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How Brad Karp, Representing Leon Black, Worked With Epstein To Track a Woman

BY RYAN HARROFF
AND DAN ROE

FORMER Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison chairman Brad Karp corresponded with child sex trafficker Jeffrey Epstein to keep tabs on at least one woman — who appeared to be former Russian model Guzel Ganieva — during his work for client Leon Black.

To explain his inclusion in the Epstein email disclosures, Karp told the American Lawyer in December and February that he was representing Black, the former chairman of Apollo Global Management, in a fee dispute with Epstein. He has affirmed that he neither saw nor participated in any misconduct.

Ganieva had been in a relationship with Black prior to October

2015, when Ganieva signed a non-disclosure agreement with Black not to discuss their relationship. In a 2021 defamation lawsuit against Black, Ganieva alleged Black sexually abused and harassed her on multiple occasions between 2008 and 2014. A New York state court dismissed the lawsuit in 2023, and Black won on appeal when a state appeals court dismissed the complaint with prejudice in 2025.

Some emails between Karp and Epstein highlight their emphasis on tracking down a transcript of a recording with Ganieva.

On August 19, 2015, Epstein had emailed Karp, “??transcript?” Karp replied, “It’s not ready and will take a while,” explaining there had been background noise as “the restaurant.” Karp added: “The audio tape needs to be enhanced.” » Page 10

Groundbreaking Trial Opens Against Instagram, YouTube

BY AMANDA BRONSTAD

THE NATION’S first-ever trial to attempt to hold social media liable for addicting a child began on Monday, with plaintiff’s lawyer W. Mark Lanier insisting that Meta Platforms Inc. and Google’s YouTube created a “digital casino” with their social media platforms.

The trial, in Los Angeles Superior Court, involves plaintiff Kaley, sometimes referred to as K.G.M., who alleged she became addicted to YouTube and Instagram, developing mental health problems such as depression and body dysmorphia.

“This case is about two of the richest corporations in history who have engineered addiction in children’s brains,” W. Mark Lanier, of the Lanier Law Firm in Houston, told jurors in a courtroom that was packed shoulder-to-shoulder. “These companies built machines designed to addict the brains of children, and they did it on purpose.”

Lanier briefly introduced jurors to his client, Kaley, now 20, who did not remain in the courtroom.

Setting three wooden blocks on the podium, Lanier told 12 jurors and six alternates that the case was as simple as A, B, C: Addiction, Brains and Children.

“These devices in the hands of a child are what the defendants, the evidence will show, consider a digital casino,” he said, display-



Mark Lanier of The Lanier Law Firm

ing the image of a slot machine. “Imagine a slot machine that fits in your pocket.”

For a child, like Kaley, the motion of swiping is like pulling the handle of a slot machine, Lanier said, at one point showing the jury a miniature version of the casino device. And social media works best on kids who are most vulnerable, like his client, who he described as an “eggshell plaintiff,” holding up an egg for the jury.

“People who are fragile, people who have trauma,” he said. “You don’t take mock them for it. You don’t take advantage of them for it. They’re the most likely to get addicted.”

And the brains of teenagers are more sensitive to dopamine, less capable of self-regulation and only 80% mature, Lanier said. Kaley was on YouTube at age 6. She got an old iPhone » Page 10

1st Department Says NY Court System Violated Labor Laws in Implementing COVID-19 Testing Procedure

BY EMILY SAUL

THE NEW YORK State Unified Court System ran afoul of the law when it failed to negotiate with unions as it rushed out testing and vaccine policies during the COVID-19 pandemic, a mid-level appeals court has ruled.

The decision, from the Appellate Division, First Department, affirms

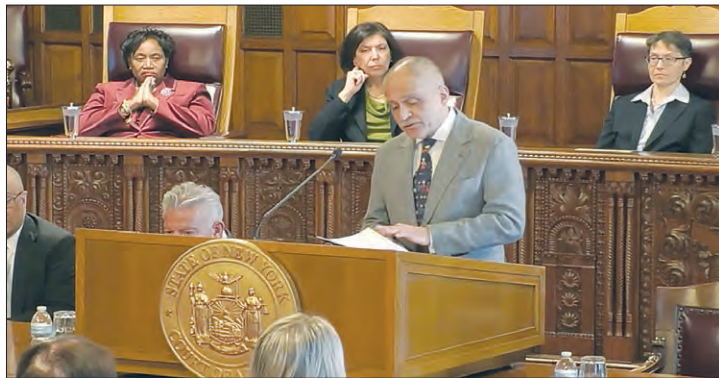
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✦ The First Department decision is posted at nylj.com.

a lower court ruling in which the judge, Manhattan Supreme Court Justice Arlene Bluth, found the court system violated the Taylor Law by not engaging in collective bargaining negotiations regarding the COVID-era employee requirements.

Ten court system unions, including those representing clerks and court officers, filed improper practice charges against UCS before the New York State Public Employment Relations Board, or PERB, after the UCS rolled out mandatory testing policies in 2021.

PERB found that UCS’s proce-



Chief Judge Rowan Wilson presents his annual “State of the Judiciary” program at the Court of Appeals on Monday, Feb. 9th.

Chief Judge Rowan Wilson Places Focus on Family Courts in His 3rd State of The Judiciary Speech

BY BRIAN LEE

CHIEF Judge Rowan Wilson’s third New York State of the Judiciary on Monday reaffirmed his administration’s commitment to prioritizing family courts.

Elevated to chief judge in 2023, Wilson reflected on a promise he said he made to the late Chief Judge Judith Kaye back in 2015 about focusing on family courts. That was when Kaye interviewed Wilson for his first run at being the state’s top judge.

At the Court of Appeals in Albany, Wilson had five litigants help him deliver his annual policy statement, consistent with his prior two addresses.

The presentation suggested vast improvements are needed for a system that has exhibited discrimination toward the accused, particularly parents.

But first, Wilson thanked court staff and lawmakers for helping to bolster the system.

He noted the legislature and Gov. Kathy Hochul helped create 29 new family court judgeships » Page 4

Crypto Founders Accused Of Fake AI, Market Manipulation and Staged Death

BY MICHAEL A. MORA

A PROPOSED class action filed Monday in Manhattan federal court accused the founders of a cryptocurrency project of defrauding investors in a sham artificial intelligence venture that unraveled after one founder allegedly staged his own death, a move that helped divert scrutiny as the token’s price collapsed and insiders exited with millions of dollars.

Max Burwick, the managing partner at Burwick Law, represents the plaintiffs in their lawsuit against defendants Jeffrey Yu and Agustin “Tint” Cortes. He said that what’s important about the market-making allegations in this case is that they are not novel or exotic; they are the same mechanics that



Max Burwick, managing partner at Burwick Law

underpin nearly every pump-and-dump scheme we see in the crypto industry.

“As lawmakers debate bills like the Clarity Act and broader cryptocurrency legislation, the unresolved question is whether those frameworks will actually require disclosure of the behaviors that matter most: who controls supply, who is providing liquidity and whether the ‘market’ is real or issuer-engineered,” Burwick add- » Page 4

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As Law Firm Profits Soar, Performance Gap Appears Within Am Law 50

BY ANDREW MALONEY

DESPITE a choppy start to the year and rising costs, Big Law firms notched double-digit gains in both revenue and profits in 2025, while demand accelerated at a higher-than-average clip, according to some of the latest data from Citi's Global Wealth at Work Law Firm Group.

Still, there's a noticeable gap between the Am Law 25 ranked by revenue and the second 25. Citi found that most firms in the top 25 group reported some level of demand growth, for instance, while closer to half of the firms in the second group reported the same.

"I do think that the dispersion behind the averages remains an important feature of this industry, and again, explains the consolidation we're seeing in the industry," said Gretta Rusanow, head of advisory services for the Citi group, in an interview Monday. "If a firm has a one-off year, that's one thing. But if there's a series of years where they're seeing their demand contract, meanwhile their competitors are continuing to grow, it starts to

become an issue in terms of being able to hold on to top talent."

Overall, firms across Citi's index grew revenue 12.1%, while average profits per partner were up 15.8%. Demand was up 2.5% for the year, coming off of what Rusanow called a "rebound year" in 2024, when demand was up 3.3%. She said the 10-year average for industry-wide demand growth prior to 2025 was 1.9%. And after tariffs, uncertainty about interest rates and plenty of macro challenges to start 2025, "to end the year with a further 2.5% demand growth was a great result," Rusanow said.

Each of the traditional Am Law segments saw strong returns, too. Revenue growth for the Am Law 50 was 12.8%, for the Second 50, it was 11.2%, and for the Second Hundred, it was 8.8%. In profits per equity partner growth, the Am Law 50 was up 15.7%, the Second 50 was up 15.8%, and the Second Hundred was up 12.4%.

To be sure, billing rate hikes helped firms drive revenue and profit growth in 2025. Billing rates were up by 9.6% across the industry and 10.4% in the Am Law 50, Law.com has reported, based on

data from Wells Fargo Legal Specialty Group.

The total average billing rate increase was 9.6% year-over-year. However, that increase was buoyed by Am Law 50 firms' 10.4% average rate hikes, while the Second 50 and the Second Hundred increased their rates by 7.6% and 7.3%, respectively.

Firms also saw strong inventory growth: it was up 14.7% industry-wide and 16.8% for Am Law 50 firms; 9.5% for the Second 50, and 12.4% for the Second Hundred. Meanwhile, the collection cycle lengthened by about 2.3% across segments, with Rusanow noting that while mega deals got off to a running start and continued through the year, it took until roughly the second half of 2025 for broader M&A to pick up steam. She also noted that "a nice acceleration" in that activity in the fourth quarter helped lead to strong inventory growth.

"I think that large-cap M&A activity helped a subset of firms pretty much from the start of the year," Rusanow said. "Meanwhile, the rest of the industry had to wait for market volatility to settle long enough for mid-cap M&A to restart."



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Other groups have also noted increasing dispersion, and even more "elite" firms that are carrying traditionally high-performing Am Law groups.

The Citi data confirms that trend. Rusanow noted that Citi is seeing "a gap" even between segments such as the top-25 and the second-25. She noted that the first group saw demand increase 3.5%, while the second group saw it grow a more modest 0.6% last year. She also noted that while the top 25 grew headcount by 3.6%, they saw "a slight improvement" in productivity. Meanwhile, the second 25 grew headcount more modestly, 2.2%, but still saw pro-

ductivity decline more than 1%.

Rusanow also noted that about 80% of Am Law 25 firms reported increased demand last year, while 55% of firms in the second 25 and Second 50 cohorts reported an increase. About 70% of Second Hundred firms reported demand growth.

"Scale makes sense if the client demand is there to support it, and the reason I make that point is, if you're growing even at a more modest 2.2%, but giving up lawyer productivity in the process, you want to reverse that," Rusanow said. "The reason why the most profitable firms are where they're at isn't just an aggressive growth

mindset; it's that they expect a certain level of productivity at that model." Productivity industry-wide was flat, Rusanow said.

Expense pressure also continues to accelerate, with Citi tallying that growth at 9.5%. "It's easy to gloss over that when you're seeing strong topline growth, but I do think that the acceleration of the cost of running a law firm is one of the major drivers of continued consolidation," Rusanow said, adding that "we've only scratched the surface on what firms will spend on generative AI and technology in general."

Rusanow added that Citi is optimistic about 2026, and that many of the practices that drove performance in 2025 will continue to strengthen this year.

She did note that while some firms and analysts reported a pick-up in litigation activity, a Citi survey of litigation versus nonlitigation demand among Am Law 50 firms found litigation was up 0.6% at one point last year on average, while nonlitigation practices were up 3.4%. "Litigation was up for firms, but other practices were up even more," she said.

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'More Defections'? Perkins Partners Seek Alternative Options in Advance of Ashurst Merger

BY SAMSON AMORE

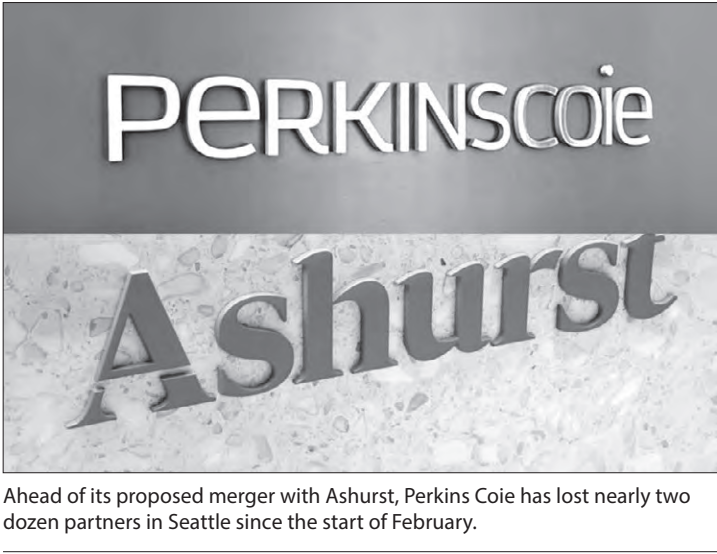
PARTNERS at Perkins Coie are exploring alternative career options as the firm's merger with Ashurst nears closing, with sources indicating "tons of Perkins partners" are potentially on the market, and the firm is considering the possibility of paying retention bonuses.

At least 22 partners have departed Perkins Coie's Seattle headquarters since the beginning of February, ahead of its planned merger with U.K.-based Ashurst, with partner groups going to Morrison & Foerster, McGuireWoods and Cooley.

Some Perkins partners, especially those who were "lifers" at the firm or had long tenures there, have said they are dissatisfied with the way the merger was announced, according to several recruitment sources familiar with the deal, with some questioning the potential impact on the deal.

But the pessimism is not unanimous, and some partners feel the merger will benefit their practices, according to sources familiar with the matter.

"We are talking to Perkins partners, and we are going to be seeing more defections," said a recruiter with clients in Seattle, who could only speak under the condition of anonymity. "My sense is that the way the merger was presented was



not ideal; partners were feeling like they were not given a choice. It was more like, 'This is happening, and you need to be OK with that and get on board' — not much of a discussion."

This discontent among partners has led some to consider offers from other firms when in previous years they would not. Often, "window shopping" for offers at competing firms turns into a deal, since the suitors can be quite convincing, the recruiter noted.

Another legal recruiter who was familiar with the situation, also speaking under the condition of anonymity, said "tons of Perkins partners are looking for jobs" if the

merger with Ashurst goes through, and noted some have threatened to depart if the merger is finalized.

The recruiter also said some partners are upset about how it came about with limited consultation across the Perkins partnership, with several of these lawyers questioning Ashurst's fit with Perkins Coie.

One current Perkins partner who spoke anonymously called the merger with Ashurst "a monumental f— up." The lawyer said Perkins management never vetted the idea with other partners, and claimed that many peers would likely vote "no." Unlike the mergers involving Hogan Lovells and

Cadwalader, some Perkins partners see Ashurst as diluting their firm's brand. The firm's U.S. presence is limited, with roughly 60 lawyers located mainly in New York and Los Angeles, according to Law.com Compass data.

Perkins Coie's merger with Ashurst has not yet closed and is expected to be finalized by the third quarter of this year. No votes have been cast on the merger yet.

When asked for a comment on the departures, a spokesperson for Perkins Coie said in an emailed statement, "We are excited about the opportunities this combination presents for the clients and people of both firms. We continue to work toward a close [of the merger] in the third quarter of this year."

'Crisis' or 'Recalibration'?

One industry observer familiar with the deal mentioned that some recruiters could stand to gain if a merger is not completed—or even if there are rumors to that effect. "Recruiters have financial incentives to shake people loose from firms to earn fees for placing them in other firms," the source noted. "The recruiters do not get a fee if people do not move laterally. So, their incentive is to make that happen."

And not all partners at Perkins are dissatisfied with the merger, sources said.

Calling Perkins' partner departures "the worst-kept secret in Seattle," a West Coast recruiter familiar with the Seattle market said, "I do know for a fact that some of the departures are because of the merger—but not all. Some are leaving because of the merger, and a number are opportunistic [moves], and not related to the merger. We have two new firms that are coming to Seattle, and that creates opportunity in the marketplace that wasn't there before."

"I've talked to a number of partners who are excited about the merger and feel like it will be great for their practice," the West Coast recruiter added, noting, "I don't think this derails the merger."

"Ashurst wants a stake in the U.S. market—they still get that," the recruiter continued. "Last year, Perkins had around 400 attorneys in the Seattle and Portland markets; I don't see these departures weakening the strong foothold Ashurst gains in the Pacific Northwest and nationally."

Perkins Coie employs roughly 362 lawyers in Seattle and 1,064 firmwide, per the most recent Am Law 100 survey data.

Susan Agopian, senior principal at legal recruitment company Lateral Link, suggested, "What we're seeing at Perkins is maybe less about crisis and more a recalibration," she said. "In today's market, partners vote with their feet when growth, clarity, or alignment feels even slightly off, which is why partner movement tends to accelerate at inflection points."

Rike Connelly, Perkins Coie's former business litigation chair, was part of the group of eight partners who departed for McGuireWoods this past week. In an interview this week, Connelly said her team's departures were not motivated by the merger.

"There's two main reasons" for firms entering Seattle, said Saul Gamoran, founder and President of Gamoran Legal Consulting. Firstly, "many of them have Amazon, Microsoft and other Seattle public companies as clients, and they want to get more work and to get that, they want to have more face time," he said. "Also, they have a lot of work in Seattle, and they're referring it to other firms and want to keep it in-house."

Seattle, Gamoran added, "has become a very hot legal market."

There are, indeed, more Big Law career options in Seattle than ever before. Firms such as Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer, Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner, Dickinson Wright, Holland & Knight, and, most recently, Morrison & Foerster and McGuireWoods, have all launched offices in Seattle in recent years.

Departures could continue, but more partner exits might not necessarily disrupt the merger. "At first, I thought the merger wouldn't pass the partner vote. But now I realize a lot of the naysayers are leaving, so the remaining ones likely will pass it," Gamoran said. "Corporate lawyers are happy with it, litigators are not."

Indeed, the group of partners who left Perkins Coie for Morrison & Foerster this week entirely comprised litigators. The same is true of the group of eight litigation partners who departed Perkins Coie to launch McGuireWoods' new office in Seattle this week.

Perkins Coie's battle with the Trump administration

5% Dip in Q4 M&A Activity Hints at Rocky Road Ahead for Law Firms

BY ANDREW MALONEY

WITH returns already trickling in, there's little doubt law firms posted a great financial performance in 2025. But lingering concerns arguably gained some traction in Q4, as the industry saw a "slamming of the brakes" with a 5% drop-off in M&A work, according to a new report. And simultaneous growth in bankruptcy demand "makes us more worried for the U.S. economy overall," one of the authors added in an interview.

In general, the industry was still historically profitable last year, with industry-wide margins greater than 40% and a 14.1% average profit increase, while revenue growth was "around double-digits" as well, said Bryce Engelland, senior data analyst for Thomson Reuters, who

helped compile the group's Q4 Law Firm Financial Index report.

The report, published Tuesday, showed overall demand had only a modest drop-off from Q3 as well, from 3.9% to 3.3%. Engelland added that's still "extremely strong" in an industry that's traditionally averaged more like 1% annual growth, especially as worked rate growth (rates that are agreed-upon between firms and clients, rather than standard or "rack" rates) still clocked in above 7% (7.1% in Q4). But industry growth tends "to go in extreme bursts," Engelland added. "That is the pattern we're used to seeing, and we're a little bit cautious the pattern might repeat itself."

Indeed, the report noted that while a downturn "isn't destiny," firms should be wary of the chances heading forward in 2026. Espe-

cially because expenses remain high—the report found while expense growth had moderated some from Q3, direct expenses were still up 8.2%, and overhead expenses were up 7.2% by the end of Q4. Meanwhile, law firms' billing rate increases "are expected to be as strong—if not stronger—than 2025's increase."

That means clients may have some difficult choices to make. According to Thomson Reuters, many are already moving work down to lower-priced law firms and other, cheaper alternatives. But the similarities to the period before the Great Recession in 2008, when there was another burst of both transactional and counter-cyclical work, a period of strong worked rate growth and increasing expenses, are eerie, the report noted.



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"We've seen this movie before, in 2008, and the result was a stagnant decade of law firm growth," the authors wrote.

Another result of that era that has continued to impact firms is the way general counsels responded. "It led to an era of kind of foren-

sic-level inspection of billing, and in some ways we're still feeling the ramifications of that," Engelland said.

The report stated that while billing rates have continued to power industry gains, legal buyers' budgets "are under more pressure

than ever," and that if the trends that picked up in Q4 continue into 2026, "clients may find their already tight budgets stretched to breaking point."

Among specific practices tracked by Thomson Reuters, litigation grew 4.3%, followed by real estate (4.1%) and corporate (3.4%). Bankruptcy followed at 2.8% growth, and M&A—which tallied 7.6% growth in Q3—was down to 2.6% growth. Labor and employment (2.5%), IP (0.7%) and tax (0.5%) practices saw the most modest gains.

"The deceleration in M&A, resurgence of counter-cyclical work, and mounting pressure on client budgets all suggest that the conditions that propelled firms through a very successful 2025 may not hold indefinitely," the report noted, adding: "A downturn isn't destiny, but all lawyers know it's better to prepare for and manage risk than to just assume it will go away."

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Expert Analysis

WHITE-COLLAR CRIME

When an Executive’s Defense May Waive Company Privilege

When a corporate officer seeks to defend criminal charges based on his or her reliance on the corporation’s counsel, complex legal issues tend to arise for the company and the courts. A decision late last year from the First Circuit Court of Appeals in *United States v. Spine-Frontier, Inc.*, 160 F.4th 212 (1st Cir. 2025), a prosecution of officers of a medical device company charged with violating the Anti-Kickback Statute (AKS) based on an alleged sham consultancy program for surgeons, addresses two thorny issues in this area. First, when does a particular executive’s invocation of a defense based on the role of corporate counsel waive the corporation’s privilege? Second, can the executive’s restriction of the defense to the mere involvement of counsel, without revealing particular advice provided by counsel, avoid effecting a waiver?

In addressing these questions, the First Circuit drew on Second Circuit precedent, in particular *In re Grand Jury Proceedings*, 219 F.3d 175 (2d Cir. 2000), a decision addressing whether certain statements by a corporate CEO in the course of grand jury testimony waived corporate privilege. By overturning a district court ruling finding waiver over the corporation’s objection, *SpineFrontier*, like *In re Grand Jury Proceedings*, illustrates that courts are reluctant to imply broad waivers of corporate privilege based on the conduct of an officer. In addition, *SpineFrontier*’s analysis provides useful support for the premise that in some circumstances, a defendant may invoke a disciplined involvement of counsel defense without waiving privilege. Nevertheless, the take-away for counsel is to proceed with caution. This area is fraught, highly fact specific and difficult to predict.

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Background—Advice of Counsel Versus Involvement Of Counsel

As the Second Circuit has explained, a traditional “advice of counsel defense” relies on evidence that, if believed, can raise a reasonable doubt in the minds of the jurors about whether the government has proved that the defendant had the unlawful intent

The government moved for a ruling that the letters impliedly waived any claim of corporate privilege over all related communications with the law firm.

necessary to commit the offense. *United States v. Scully*, 877 F.3d 464, 476 (2d Cir. 2017); see R. Anello & R. Albert, “My Lawyer Said It Was OK: ‘Scully’ and Defending Based on Reliance on Counsel,” N.Y.L.J. (April 3, 2018).

In considering such defense, a jury is instructed to assess whether the defendant “honestly and in good faith sought the advice of counsel,” “fully and honestly laid all the facts before his counsel,” and “in good faith and honestly followed counsel’s advice.” *Scully*, 877 F.3d at 476. A defendant’s assertion of an advice of counsel defense is typically considered to place the nature of the lawyer’s advice squarely in issue and thereby cause a waiver of the attorney-client privilege, to ensure fairness by preventing a defendant from using only the helpful portions of the advice and hiding the unhelpful portions.

A defendant invoking an “involvement of counsel” defense, by contrast, seeks to negate a claim of bad-faith or illegal intent by adducing evidence of a lawyer’s participation in a series of transactions or other conduct, without claiming reliance on any particular advice the lawyer provided to the defendant. A leading case arose in the context of an SEC enforcement proceeding, *Howard v. S.E.C.*, 376 F.3d 1136 (D.C. Cir. 2004), where the SEC claimed that Howard acted fraudulently in carrying out a stock offering by counting as bona fide certain prior stock sales made to entities with which his companies had some association. Howard’s in-house and outside counsel played a central role in steps leading to the prior sales, and they also prepared the offering documents for the challenged stock offering.

The D.C. Circuit expressly rejected the argument that a defendant could claim reliance on counsel only when he could make out each element of a traditional “advice of counsel” defense. Ruling that Howard did not act with wrongful intent, the court explained that because Howard was aware of the involvement of in-house and outside counsel in preparing, reviewing and approving of the offering documents, and because outside counsel had considered and approved at least one of the challenged stock sales, Howard could not have acted with wrongful intent. *Howard*, 376 F.3d at 1146-47.

In recent years, some district courts in the Second Circuit have taken a skeptical approach to defense efforts to offer evidence of involvement of counsel, precluding such evidence under Fed. R. Evid. 403 as more prejudicial than probative. Those courts have reasoned that such evidence risks suggesting to the jury that, because lawyers were involved to some degree with certain conduct, the defendant was entitled to conclude that the lawyers blessed other conduct. Such courts have also suggested that there is some inherent unfairness in a defendant being able to get the benefit of an advice of counsel defense, without prov-

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LAW AND THE FAMILY

The Celebration of Marriage

The word “marriage” is used in two different senses, one denoting the act of entering into the marriage relation, that is, the celebration or solemnization of the marriage, and the other the relation itself (*Campbell v. Crampton*, 2 F. 417 (C.C.N.D. N.Y. 1880)). In the latter sense, marriage has always been defined as the civil status of one man and one woman united in law for life under the obligation to discharge to each other and to the community those duties which the community by its laws imposes. (*Morris v. Morris*, 31 Misc. 2d 548, 220 N.Y.S.2d 590 (Sup 1961); *Campbell v. Crampton*, 2 F. 417 (C.C.N.D. N.Y. 1880)). The classic definition of marriage is that by Lord Penzance (*Hyde v. Hyde & Woodmansee* (Eng) LR 1 Prob & D 130), namely, the voluntary union of one man to one woman for life, to the exclusion of all others.

The Defense of Marriage Act, which was enacted in 1996 (1996 PL 104-199), stated that, for the purposes of federal law, the words “marriage” and “spouse” referred to legal unions between one man and one woman. The Defense of Marriage Act was intended to define and protect the institution of marriage. This law allowed individual states to refuse to recognize same-sex marriages that were performed and recognized under other states’ laws. The Defense of Marriage Act was repealed on Dec. 13, 2022, by the Respect for Marriage Act (PL 117-228, Dec. 13, 2022, 136 Stat 2105, Section 1), which provides statutory authority for same-sex and interracial marriages.

The act replaced provisions of the Domestic Relations Law that defined, for purposes of federal law, marriage as between a man and a woman and a spouse as a person of the opposite sex with provisions that recognize any marriage between two individuals that is valid under state law.

On June 26, 2013, in *US v. Windsor* (570 U.S. 744, 818, 133 S. Ct. 2675, 2720, 186 L. Ed. 2d 808 (2013), the United States Supreme Court held that the Defense of Marriage Act’s definition of marriage was

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unconstitutional as a deprivation of the liberty of the person protected by the Fifth Amendment. In *Obergefell v. Hodges*, 576 U.S. 644, 135 S. Ct. 2584, 2643, 192 L. Ed. 2d 609 (2015), the Supreme Court held that the right to marry is a fundamental right inherent in the liberty of the person, and under the Due Process and Equal Protection Clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment, couples of the same-sex couples may not be deprived of that right, and that liberty and states must recognize lawful same-sex marriages performed in other states.

It concluded that the case could be decided solely upon the application of neutral principles of contract law, without reference to any religious principle.

Today, marriage is defined as “The legal union of a couple as spouses” (Black’s Law Dictionary (12th ed. 2024), marriage). The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines marriage as “the state of being united as spouses in a contractual relationship recognized by law.” While a marriage is considered by many to be a sacrament and a religious contract, it is also a civil contract of a unique character and subject to peculiar principles. (*Fearon v. Treanor*, 272 N.Y. 268, 5 N.E.2d 815 (1936); *Fisher v. Fisher*, 250 N.Y. 313, 165 N.E. 460, (1929)).

The Domestic Relations Law provides that marriage, so far as its validity in law is concerned, continues to be a civil contract, to which the consent of the parties capable in law of making a contract is essential. (DRL §10). A marriage is not a common-law contract as generally understood, since it contains many elements foreign to a common-law contract in that, for example, it cannot be rescinded at

the will of the parties (*Clayton v. Wardell*, 4 N.Y. 230, 1850 WL 5384 (1850)), and is subject to control and regulation by the state. Marriage has been said to be a status or institution to which the state is a third party. (*Fearon v. Treanor*, 272 N.Y. 268, 5 N.E.2d 815, 109 A.L.R. 1229 (1936)).

The terms “celebration of a marriage” and “solemnization of a marriage” meant the performance of the formal act or ceremony by which a man and woman contract marriage and assume the status of husband and wife. A formal celebration or solemnization of a marriage is not essential unless expressly required by statute. (*Ferrie v. Public Administrator*, 3 Bradf. Surr. 151 (N.Y. Sur. Ct. 1855); *Minor v. Jones*, 2 Redf. Surr. 289 (N.Y. Sur. Ct. 1876).

Where a statute makes provision for the form of celebration or solemnization of a marriage, the failure to comply with the form does not affect the validity of the marriage unless the statute expressly provides that it does affect the validity of the marriage. (*Ziegler v. P. Cassidy’s Sons*, 220 N.Y. 98, 115 N.E. 471 (1917); *Ferrie v. Public Administrator*, 3 Bradf. Surr. 151 (N.Y. Sur. Ct. 1855); *White v. Lowe*, 1 Redf. Surr. 376 (N.Y. Sur. Ct. 1862).

The Domestic Relations Law requires that a couple obtain a marriage license to be married in New York (see Domestic Relations Law §13). Once they obtain a marriage license, the marriage is not valid unless solemnized by a clergyman or other person specified in the Domestic Relations Law (see Domestic Relations Law §11). However, Domestic Relations Law §25 provides that “[n]othing in this article contained shall be construed to render void by reason of a failure to procure a marriage license any marriage solemnized between persons of full age.” For that reason, a marriage solemnized between persons of full age will be valid, even without a marriage license. (see Domestic Relations Law §§12, 25).

The Domestic Relations Law provides that, where marriages are solemnized by a clergyman or magistrate, no particular form of ceremony is required, so long as the parties solemnly declare in the presence of a

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His friends and colleagues at McAloon & Friedman, P.C. mourn the passing of our esteemed retired partner. We will all miss his intellect, wit, acumen, and most importantly his friendship. Our deepest condolences to his wife, Nancy, and his sons Bryant, Jeremy and Wesley.

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IN BRIEF

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shareholder suit pending in the Court of Chancery, in which the document that became the basis of the defamation case was filed.

The litigation stems from a 2019 breach of fiduciary duty suit brought by several shareholders of LRN, a New York-based corporation that advises companies on ethical practices and regulatory compliance. That case alleges shareholders were misled about a 2017 tender offer completed prior to LRN's acquisition by Leeds Equity Partners. Marks, a longtime LRN shareholder, moved to intervene as a plaintiff in the Chancery case in 2020. Claims brought by shareholder plaintiffs other than Marks are unaffected by the settlement.

In September 2021, the three LRN directors named as defendants in the Chancery lawsuit filed a complaint for one count of defamation per se against Marks in Superior Court, alleging Marks had made false and defamatory statements in a July 2020 filing in the Chancery action and went on to share that filing with the Financial Times, which published an article repeating those statements that October.

In the filing in question, Marks alleged LRN founder Dov Seidman had led him to believe LRN was not going to be sold, leading Marks to accept a tender offer he claimed undervalued his shares compared to the premium later paid by Leeds, stating the LRN directors devised a "scheme" because they "did not want Marks to learn that he had been cheated by the individual defendants."

According to the Superior Court complaint, Marks then filed an amended supplement in the Court of Chancery, removing the allegedly defamatory statements, but did not share that information with the Financial Times or make an effort to correct public perception, which LRN directors Seidman, Lee Feldman and Mats Lederhausen said caused lasting harm to their professional reputations.

In September 2024, Superior Court Judge Danielle J. Brennan granted the directors' motion for summary judgment, finding the elements of defamation per se had been met. Brennan denied Marks' request for an interlocutory appeal to the Delaware Supreme Court. Prior to the parties giving notice that a settlement had been reached, a three-day trial on damages had been scheduled for January. On Jan. 12, after being notified the parties had reached a settlement agreement, Brennan issued an order stating the action would be dismissed with prejudice if the parties did not update the court on the status of the case within 60 days.

Attached to the stipulation is a letter from Marks to LRN shareholders stating he is withdrawing as a plaintiff from the Chancery suit.

"I repudiate this lawsuit and my entire participation in it," Marks wrote in the letter. "When I joined the lawsuit, I had no evidence to support the allegations in the lawsuit, including the ones I added to it. Now, with the evidence I have seen, this lawsuit in my view is without merit, which is why I am repudiating it."

Susman Godfrey represents Seidman, Feldman and Lederhausen in both cases, along with Abrams & Bayliss in the Chancery action and Farnan LLP in the Superior Court case. Marks is represented by Kent & McBride and Olshan Frome Wolosky in Superior Court and Michael Ippoliti in Chancery.

"Dov has been the leading voice in the corporate ethics industry for decades, and the defamatory allegations at issue struck at the core of his work and reputation," Susman God-

frey partner Stephen Shackelford said.

The stipulation states a "meaningful sum" of the \$18 million settlement is to be distributed from Seidman, Feldman and Lederhausen to charities, including The HOW Institute for Society, of which Seidman is the founder and chairman. Shackelford said the specifics on how the settlement will be divided are to be determined but that \$1 million has already been donated to charitable organizations.

Shackelford said the settlement agreement doesn't include confidentiality or nondisparagement provisions that are common in settlements.

"I've been doing this for a while. I've seen a lot of settlements, achieved a lot of settlements. I've never seen one like this in terms of just complete and utter transparency," he said.

Counsel for Marks did not immediately comment on the settlement.

—Ellen Bardash

Judges Raise Alarm: Trump's Immigration Crackdown Is Straining Federal Courts

Federal judges around the country are scrambling to address a deluge of lawsuits from immigrants locked up under the Trump administration's mass deportation campaign.

Under past administrations, people with no criminal record could generally request a bond hearing before an immigration judge while their cases wound through immigration court unless they were stopped at the border. President Donald Trump's White House reversed that policy in favor of mandatory detention.

Immigrants by the thousands have been turning to federal courts by using another legal tool: habeas corpus petitions. While the administration scored a major legal victory Friday, here's a look at how that's affecting federal courts and what some judges have done in response:

In one federal court district in Georgia, the enormous volume of habeas petitions has created "an administrative judicial emergency," a judge wrote in a court order on Jan. 29. U.S. District Judge Clay Land in Columbus said the Trump administration was refusing to provide bond hearings to immigrants at Georgia's Stewart Detention Center despite his "clear and definitive rulings" against mandatory detention. Instead, the court had to order the hearing in each individual case, wrote Land, a nominee of Republican President George W. Bush.

In Minnesota, where the administration's immigration enforcement surge continues, U.S. District Chief Judge Patrick Schiltz said in a Jan. 26 order Trump officials had made "no provision for dealing with the hundreds of habeas petitions and other lawsuits that were sure to result." The court had received more than 400 habeas petitions in January alone, according to a filing by the government in a separate case.

Schiltz, who was also nominated by Bush, said in a separate order two days later that the government since January had failed to comply with scores of court decisions ordering it to release or provide other relief to people arrested during Operation Metro Surge.

And in the Southern District of New York, U.S. District Judge Arun Subramanian said in an opinion in December that the district had been "flooded" with petitions for relief from immigrants who posed no flight risk or danger but were nonetheless imprisoned indefinitely. Subramanian, who was nominated by President Joe Biden, a Democrat,

and presides in New York City, granted a 52-year-old Guinean woman's habeas petition and ordered her release.

"No one disputes that the government may, consistent with the law's requirements, pursue the removal of people who are in this country unlawfully," he wrote. "But the way we treat others matters."

The Department of Homeland Security said in a statement on Friday that the administration was "more than prepared to handle the legal caseload necessary to deliver President Trump's deportation agenda for the American people."

DHS and the Justice Department, which also emailed a statement, slammed the judiciary.

"If rogue judges followed the law in adjudicating cases and respected the Government's obligation to properly prepare cases, there wouldn't be an 'overwhelming' habeas caseload or concern over DHS following orders," the Justice Department statement said.

On Friday, a federal appeals court backed the administration's policy of detaining immigrants without bond. The 2-1 ruling by a panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals marked a major legal victory for the government and countered a slew of recent lower court decisions that argued the practice was illegal.

In November, a federal judge in California ruled that the Trump administration's mandatory detention policy was illegal. U.S. District Judge Sunshine Sykes in Riverside, who was also nominated by Biden, later expanded the scope of the decision to apply to detained immigrants nationwide.

But plaintiffs' attorneys said the administration continued to deny bond hearings.

"This was a clear cut example of blatant defiance, blatant disregard of a court's order," Matt Adams, lead attorney for the plaintiffs, told The Associated Press in January.

According to Sykes, the government argued her decision was "advisory" and told immigration judges, who work for the Justice Department and are not part of the judicial branch, to ignore it. The judge said she found the latter instruction "troubling."

In its statement, DHS said "activist judges have attempted to thwart President Trump from fulfilling the American people's mandate for mass deportations."

Land, the federal judge in Georgia, directed other judges in his district to immediately order the government to provide bond hearings to immigrants who meet criteria established by two previous habeas cases.

Maryland District Court Chief Judge George L. Russell III has ordered the administration not to immediately remove any immigrants who file habeas petitions with his court, under certain conditions. Russell, who was nominated by President Barack Obama, a Democrat, said in an amended order in December that the court had received an influx of habeas petitions after hours that "resulted in hurried and frustrating hearings."

In Tacoma, Washington, U.S. District Judge Tiffany Cartwright ordered the administration last month to give immigrants detained at a processing center in Tacoma notice of her ruling that the mandatory detention policy was illegal. Cartwright, who was also nominated by Biden, said the high volume of habeas filings had put a "tremendous strain" on immigration attorneys and the court.

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Family Court Appeals: 2025 Roundup, Part II

Below are summaries of 25 family law decisions issued July–December 2025. Several cases on the role of attorneys for children are addressed in an upcoming article.

I. Termination of Parental Rights

COA: No Diligent Efforts: 'Matter of K.Y.Z. (W.Z.);' (2025 NY Slip Op 05781)

The Court of Appeals (COA) (4-3) reversed a First Department order affirming the termination of parental rights (TPR) of the father. The majority found that the petitioner agency failed to produce clear and convincing evidence of diligent efforts to encourage and strengthen the parental relationship.

First, the agency did not meet the linguistic needs of the father, whose primary language was a Chinese dialect. Second, despite a belief that the father lacked insight into the mother's mental health needs, the agency did not provide relevant counseling. Third, the petitioner did not help with the father's housing and work schedule—known obstacles to reunification.

The agency's egregious failure to undertake diligent efforts had started 11 years earlier (*cf. M/O Christian J. C. [Jorge C. J.]*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06857 [2d Dept.]) [petitioner made diligent efforts, but failed to show respondent's lack of contact, failure to plan; permanent neglect reversed]).

COA: Ineffective Counsel: 'M/O Parker J. (Beth F.);' (2025 NY Slip Op 06533)

The COA (5-2) found ineffective assistance (IAC) in assigned counsel's failure to seek an adjournment to speak with the respondent mother or to review subpoenaed documents before a Family Court

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fact-finding hearing to end her parental rights.

A Fourth Department order affirming the dispositional order was reversed, and a new hearing was ordered. "[T]he right to assigned counsel in proceedings to terminate parental rights necessarily encompasses the right to effective assistance of counsel."

In discussing the right to counsel in Family Court cases, the COA had previously analogized criminal cases. "Under our state (criminal) standard, a litigant need not satisfy the prejudice test of the federal ship.

'M/O Dawn A. P.-T. v.

Sherwyn R.,' is a reminder

of the vital role of Family

Ct Act §1114 (b) motions

for stays of enforcement of

challenged orders pending

appeal.

standard." The majority declared, "Family Court is not a 'second-class court.'"

Notes: Among decisions *Parker J.* cites is *M/O Brown v. Gandy*, 125 AD3d 1389 (2015), a custody case in which the Fourth Department rejected the actual prejudice test. First Department decisions still require prejudice (*see Lee v. Lee*, 242 AD3d 603)—even in TPR cases (*see M/O Patrice H.W. [Marcia M.]*, 209 AD3d 554 [abrogated by *Parker J.*]). The meaningful representation standard is generally applied in other Departments, including in non-TPR cases (*see M/O Breaux v. Akati*, 243 AD3d 779 [2d Dept.]; *M/O Michael DD. v. Jamie EE.*, 243 AD3d 1149 [3d Dept.]; *M/O Abrams v. Smith*, 2025 NY Slip Op 07160 [4th Dept.]).

The *Parker J.* Court observed that there is no statutory vehicle for Family Court proceedings—akin

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around the state, while in New York City, funding increases enabled 10 new magistrates and more than 20% staffing growth over the past two years, leading to substantial reductions in backlogs, though Wilson said this was not enough.

Also, the system has gone from 16 court-based children centers to 26, with all operating full-time.

A judicial institute has ramped up training for judges, magistrates, attorney referees and other personnel, and Wilson said training programs now cover trauma-informed judicial decision-making, LGBTQ+ youth issues, and the intersection with federal immigration law.

Another success has been the replacement of what Wilson said was a "hodgepodge of committees" with a permanent commission on justice for families.

Yet, he said, family courts continue to face heavy caseloads, limited resources, overloaded staff, and some 90% of practitioners are overloaded.

This leads to systemic dysfunction, said Wilson, whose administration's pending budget submission includes support for five new family court mental health treatment parts.

Wilson credited judges and



Jessica Horan-Block, director of complex litigation for Bronx Defenders

staff—rather than himself and his leadership team—for doing the fundamental work to improve the family court experience.

"In reality, it is the judges and staff who have been working energetically and creatively to address the complaints about family court assistance for decades," he said, noting that in Rochester, a group led by supervising family court judge Stacy Romeo and Rochester City Court Judge Van Henri White supplied a children's library for its family court.

An invited speaker, Jessica Horan-Block, director of complex litigation for Bronx Defenders, underscored the concern about the presumption of guilt before evidence, despite the state's burden of proof and known harms of separating families.

Horan-Block said her staff represents parents who face abuse charges, and most of whom are separated from their children while their medically complex cases can proceed for nearly 15 years of litigation.

In urging a human-centered approach to cases, Horan-Block then introduced her client, Sarai Mejia, a parent who shared a story about how the system failed her.

She said it was after her five-week-old son was found unable to breathe, and her fiancé saved his life by administering CPR.

Mejia said a hospital later diagnosed the infant as suffering cardiac arrest and a stroke, but soon after the child was discharged, Mejia discovered he had a leg injury. She said she called the same hospital but was instructed not to bring him back, but to instead give him Tylenol.

The couple chose to bring him to another hospital, which discovered he had a fractured femur.

to CPL 440.10 motions—to determine what happened off the record. However, IAC arguments may be pursued via motions to vacate under CPLR 5015 (a) and Family Court's inherent power (*see M/O Skylar P.J. [Kerry M.T.]*, 204 AD3d 1001 [2d Dept. 2022]; *M/O Commissioner of Social Servs. of Rensselaer County v. Faresta*, 11 AD3d 750 [3d Dept. 2004]).

Four Errors Mandate Reversal: 'M/O Kevin v. (Sara L.);' (243 AD3d 1270)

Family Court found the subject child severely abused and terminated both respondents' parental rights. The Fourth Department reversed. Family Court: (1) erred in ruling summarily based on proof adduced at a prior Article 10 proceeding, given that the petitioner never moved for summary judgment in the TPR proceeding; (2) found severe abuse, even though the agency did not seek nor obtain such adjudication in the Article 10 proceeding; (3) failed to recognize the different standards of proof in Article 10 vs. TPR proceedings; and (4) improperly issued an order of disposition before holding a dispositional hearing.

'M/O Michael B.' Invoked: 'M/O Cody X. (Eugene X.);' (242 AD3d 1333)

Family Court found the child abandoned and ended the father's parental rights. The Third Department reversed and dismissed the petition. The AFC advised the reviewing court that the child now wanted the appellant to remain his legal father.

The court could consider such information pursuant to *M/O Michael B.*, 80 NY2d 299, 318 (1992). Further, given that the child was over age 18 and did not consent to adoption, dissolving the father's rights would serve no purpose.

Notes: Other 2025 decisions invoking *Michael B.* are addressed in *Judicial Notice of Facts: Tall Tales, Kids' Wishes*, NYLJ, Nov. 25, p 4, col. 4. When *Michael B.* is applied in a custody case, typically the disposition is reversal and

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Crypto

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ed. "Until those disclosure gaps are addressed, these same schemes will keep repeating, regardless of how tokens are labeled."

The lawsuit, brought by Canadian investor Jonathan Beckwith, alleged that Yu and Cortes promoted a venture called Zerebro as a venture-grade AI infrastructure project powering autonomous agents, developer tools and consumer platforms, while privately knowing that no functioning technology existed behind the claims made to the market.

According to the complaint, the defendants marketed Zerebro as a sophisticated, near-ready ecosystem supported by proprietary AI models and a token, \$ZEREPRO, which is described as the platform's economic engine. Purchasers were told the token's value would appreciate as adoption of the purported technology accelerated and expanded across users and developers.

However, behind the scenes, the founders secretly controlled a substantial share of the token supply and operated an undisclosed market-making operation. Using a network of wallets they controlled, the defendants allegedly injected liquidity, manufactured trading volume, influenced prices and sold zero-cost inventory into demand generated by their own promotional efforts.

Investors were never told that most of the apparent liquidity and price stability was engineered by issuer-controlled wallets rather than independent market activity, the complaint alleged. Had purchasers known insiders were trading against them while promoting the project as legitimate, they would not have bought the tokens at prevailing prices.

As scrutiny intensified and doubts grew over the absence of any delivered technology, artificial market support waned and the price of \$ZEREPRO collapsed, according to the complaint. By that

time, the defendants had allegedly exited significant portions of their holdings, leaving retail investors with substantial losses as confidence in the project evaporated.

During the collapse, the lawsuit alleged, Yu escalated the deception by publicly staging his death, broadcasting what appeared to be a suicide and arranging for an obituary to be published. He did so to allegedly divert attention from the missing technology, collapsing token price and mounting questions surrounding insider conduct and trading activity.

Yu later resurfaced alive, the complaint said, with him posting photographs of himself holding large amounts of cash and continuing to launch new cryptocurrency projects. The lawsuit characterized the episode as part of a broader pattern of concealment and evasion employed when the alleged scheme began to unravel under public scrutiny.

Now, the case is pending before U.S. District Judge Andrew L. Cart-

er, Jr. of the Southern District of New York. The lawsuit asserted claims including fraud, false advertising, deceptive business practices, breach of contract and unjust enrichment under New York law, seeking damages on behalf of a proposed class of token purchasers.

"This case is not about a failed startup or ambitious founder," the plaintiffs said in the complaint. "it is about misrepresentations, concealed market manipulation and the deliberate exploitation of public trust in emerging technology."

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ing its elements and without waiving the attorney-client privilege. See *S.E.C. v. Lek Securities Corp.*, 2019 WL 5703944, at *3-4 (S.D.N.Y. Nov. 5, 2019); *S.E.C. v. Tourre*, 950 F. Supp. 2d 666, 684 (S.D.N.Y. 2013).

Most prominent among these rulings is *U.S. v. Bankman-Fried*, 2024 WL 477043 (S.D.N.Y. Feb. 7, 2024), the prosecution of the founder of cryptocurrency firm FTX, where based on a detailed analysis of testimony proffered by the defendant outside the presence of the jury, Judge Lewis Kaplan precluded the defense from offering evidence of involvement of counsel in three subject areas. That ruling is a prominent subject of Bankman-Fried’s pending appeal, which was argued in November 2025. The Second Circuit’s upcoming decision in that appeal may well provide further guidance on the appropriate approach to defense efforts to offer evidence of the involvement of counsel.

‘SpineFrontier’

In *SpineFrontier*, a grand jury charged SpineFrontier, a company that designs, manufacturers, markets, and sells spinal medical devices, along with its principal shareholder, CEO and sole director, Dr. Kinglsey Chin, and its CFO, Aditya Humad in August 2021 with alleged violations of the Anti-Kickback Statute based on an alleged sham consulting program designed to induce surgeons into ordering and using the company’s devices in surgeries subsidized by federal

healthcare benefit programs. Prior to trial, the defendants noticed the possibility of invoking an “involvement of counsel” defense based on SpineFrontier’s engagement of an outside law firm, to negate the necessary willfulness element of the statute. The law firm had drafted opinion letters about the program’s legality for SpineFrontier that Chin and Humad distributed to third-party surgeon-consultants.

Significantly, the opinion letters expressly relied on certain key assumptions and qualifications, including that the compensation paid surgeons would be for bona fide services at fair market value, and that such compensation would not be determined based on volume or value of business. The indictment alleged that, in fact, the defendants calculated compensation payments based on the volume of surgeries performed using SpineFrontier devices and the amount of revenue generated for the company.

The government moved for a ruling that the letters impliedly waived any claim of corporate privilege over all related communications with the law firm. Before the district court resolved the motion, the government dismissed all charges against SpineFrontier, leaving Chin and Humad as defendants. Thereafter, the district court ruled that Chin and Humad together had the authority to effect an implied waiver of the corporation’s privilege, and that their pursuit of the defense at trial would waive privilege as to all of defendants’ communications with the law firm. Humad then informed the court that he intended to invoke the defense, while Chin stated

he would not. The district court issued a March 7, 2025 order that Humad’s planned defense waives the privilege. Thereafter Chin pleaded guilty, leaving Humad as the only remaining defendant.

SpineFrontier, now a third party, filed an interlocutory appeal of the district court’s March 7 order. In resolving the appeal, the First Circuit followed the Second Circuit’s analytical framework established in

In recent years, some district courts in the Second Circuit have taken a skeptical approach to defense efforts to offer evidence of involvement of counsel, precluding such evidence under Fed. R. Evid. 403 as more prejudicial than probative.

In re Grand Jury, where the Second Circuit addressed what factors a court should consider in determining whether a senior executive may, over the corporation’s objection, waive the corporation’s privileges through his testimony in the grand jury. The Second Circuit found that although the witness was the corporation’s chairman, founder and CEO, and he testified that advice received from counsel validated company actions that were the subject of the investigation, such testimony did not necessarily waive the corporation’s privilege. The court remanded the case for the district court to further analyze the circumstances of the testimony.

Change in Circumstances

For the first step in the analysis, the First Circuit looked to whether the executive and company were “alter-egos” or otherwise shared

a tight alignment of interests. The First Circuit noted that “alter-ego” status depends on multiple considerations, including an executive’s control over the corporation and a corporation’s public or private status. As to alignment of interests, the court pointed out that an executive’s interest in avoiding conviction may “override his fidelity” to the now uncharged corporation, which has consistently sought to

preserve its privilege, such that imputing a waiver to the company might not be fair.

The court noted that although implied waiver analysis is “highly fact dependent,” the district court did not conduct a new analysis after Chin pleaded guilty but rather treated the Company’s two officers as a unit and assessed their joint authority. Finding that whether Humad alone was SpineFrontier’s alter ego was “far from clear,” the First Circuit vacated the district court’s order and remanded the case for further analysis on a more developed record.

Is Waiver Required?

Continuing its analysis assuming Humad had the authority to waive the corporation’s privilege, the First Circuit addressed whether Humad’s proposed involvement of counsel defense—which does not intend to

reveal any specific communications or to rely on any particular advice—requires waiver. The First Circuit observed that under the doctrine of implied waiver, a traditional advice of counsel defense requires disclosure of the privileged communications to the opposing party lest the defendant selectively disclose only helpful fragments of the lawyer’s advice, thereby subverting the truth-seeking process. In contrast, the First Circuit opined that “an involvement of counsel defense does not automatically trigger a waiver of the privilege,” and whether Humad’s planned defense raises the same fairness concerns as an advice of counsel defense triggering waiver will depend on “exactly what he seeks to argue at trial,” which was not yet clear.

If Humad were to suggest that outside counsel were “watching” or “in the room” during the duration of the consulting program, thereby seeking to have the jury infer that corporate counsel approved of Humad’s conduct in implementing the consulting program, waiver would be required to enable the government to probe the extent of counsel’s knowledge of how the program was executed. If, however, Humad’s argument was limited to asserting that he was less likely to have intentionally violated the Anti-Kickback Statute because he “knew that SpineFrontier had engaged a law firm to set up the consulting program and remain on retainer to address problems as they arose,” such a defense would not inject the substance of attorney-client communications into the litigation, nor require the inference that counsel approved the way the program was implemented. The First Circuit

remanded for the district court to analyze the precise theory Humad seeks to raise at trial.

The First Circuit further noted that other approaches beside waiver could address the potential prejudice to the government from Humad’s defense, including the use of a limiting instruction to the jury. The First Circuit expressed skepticism that Humad’s defense would raise “material prejudice” since the letters themselves, by including an assumption that compensation would not be determined by volume or value of business, could undermine his theory. The court emphasized that “a waiver is a significant penalty” and “less-onerous mechanisms” to address prejudice should be considered first.

Conclusion

The First Circuit’s ruling in *SpineFrontier* confirms that courts are hesitant to imply a broad waiver of corporate attorney-client privilege over the corporation’s objection based on the actions of an officer. By effectively countenancing a defendant’s effort to offer evidence of involvement of counsel as evidence of good faith, the opinion provides a useful contrast to some recent district court opinions precluding defendants from offering such evidence.

Further, by providing guidance as to how a defendant can limit his use of such evidence so as to avoid effecting a waiver, the ruling provides a potentially useful road map. *SpineFrontier* and other case law in this area illustrate, however, that such road is hazardous, full of unpredictable twists and turns for counsel and client alike.

Marriage

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clergyman or magistrate and the attending witness or witnesses that they take each other as spouses. (Domestic Relations Law §12). As long as the license is legally issued (See Domestic Relations Law §13), the marriage may be solemnized at any place in the state. Domestic Relations Law §14-a).

The first paragraph of Domestic Relations Law §12 provides that “no particular form or ceremony is required when a marriage is solemnized as herein provided by a clergyman or magistrate, or one-day marriage officiant, but the parties must solemnly declare in the presence of a clergyman, magistrate, or such one-day marriage officiant and the attending witness or witnesses that they take each other as spouses. At least one witness beside the clergyman, magistrate, or such one-day marriage officiant must be present at the ceremony.

The second paragraph of Domestic Relations Law §12 provides that:” The preceding provisions of this chapter, so far as they relate to the manner of solemnizing marriages, shall not affect marriages among the people called friends or quakers; nor marriages among the people of any other denominations having as such any particular mode of solemnizing marriages; but such marriages must be solemnized in the manner heretofore used and practiced in their respective societies or denominations, and marriages so solemnized shall be as valid as if this article had not been enacted.”

The First Amendment forbids civil courts from interfering in or determining religious disputes, because there is substantial danger that the state will become entangled in essentially religious controversies or intervene on behalf of groups espousing particular doctrines or beliefs (see *Serbian Eastern Orthodox Diocese for United States and Canada v. Milivojevic*, 426 U.S. 696 [1976]). Civil disputes involving religious parties or institutions may be adjudicated without offending the First Amendment as long as neutral principles of law are the basis for their resolution (see *First Presbyt. Church of Schemectady v. United Presbyt. Church in U.S. of Am.*, 62 N.Y.2d 110 [1984]; *Park Slope Jewish Ctr. v. Congregation B’nai Jacob*, 90 N.Y.2d 517, 521 [1997], citing *Jones v. Wolf*, 443 U.S. 595 [1979]). The “neutral principles of law” approach requires the court

to apply objective, well-established principles of secular law to the issues (*First Presbyt. Church*, 62 N.Y.2d at 119–120).

In doing so, courts may rely upon internal documents, such as a congregation’s bylaws, but only if those documents do not require interpretation of ecclesiastical doctrine. Thus, judicial involvement is permitted when the case can be ‘decided solely upon the application of neutral principles of... law, without reference to any religious principle’ (*Avitzur v. Avitzur*, 58 N.Y.2d 108, 115 [1983]).

In *Avitzur v. Avitzur* (58 N.Y.2d 108, 459 N.Y.S.2d 572 (1983)), the relief sought by the plaintiff was to compel the defendant to appear before a Beth Din. The plaintiff and defendant were married in a ceremony conducted under Jewish tradition. Before the marriage ceremony, the parties signed both a Hebrew/Aramaic and an English version of the “Ketubah.”

By signing the Ketubah, the parties declared their “desire to * * * live under the Jewish law of marriage throughout [their] lifetime” and further agreed as follows: “[W]e, the bride and bridegroom * * * hereby agree to recognize the Beth Din of the Rabbinical Assembly and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America or its duly appointed representatives, as having authority to counsel us in the light of Jewish tradition which requires husband and wife to give each other complete love and devotion, and to summon either party at the request of the other, in order to enable the party so requesting to live in accordance with the standards of the Jewish law of marriage throughout his or her lifetime. We authorize the Beth Din to impose such terms of compensation as it may see fit for failure to respond to its summons or to carry out its decision.”

After the husband was granted a civil divorce, the plaintiff sought to summon him before the Beth Din according to the provision of the Ketubah recognizing that body as having authority to counsel the couple in matters concerning their marriage. The defendant refused to appear, preventing the plaintiff from obtaining a religious divorce.

The plaintiff brought an action, alleging that the Ketubah constituted a marital contract, which the defendant had breached by refusing to appear before the Beth Din. She sought a declaration to that effect and an order compelling the defendant’s specific performance of the Ketubah’s requirement that he appear before the Beth Din. The

defendant moved to dismiss the complaint, arguing that the resolution of the dispute and any grant of relief to the plaintiff would involve the civil court in impermissible consideration of a purely religious matter. Special Term denied the defendant’s motion. The Appellate Division modified, granting the defendant’s motion to dismiss.

The Court of Appeals held that the provisions of the Ketubah relied upon by the plaintiff constituted nothing more than an agreement to refer the matter of a religious divorce to a nonjudicial forum. In ruling for the plaintiff, the Court of Appeals explained that judicial involvement in matters touching upon religious concerns

The act replaced provisions of the Domestic Relations Law that defined, for purposes of federal law, marriage as between a man and a woman and a spouse as a person of the opposite sex with provisions that recognize any marriage between two individuals that is valid under state law.

has been constitutionally limited, and courts should not resolve controversies in a manner requiring consideration of religious doctrine. It pointed out that the Supreme Court, in holding that a State may adopt any approach to resolving religious disputes which does not entail consideration of doctrinal matters, specifically approved the use of the “neutral principles of law” approach as consistent with constitutional limitations. This approach contemplates the application of objective, well-established principles of secular law to the dispute, thus permitting judicial involvement to the extent that it can be accomplished in purely secular terms.

The Court of Appeals found nothing in law or public policy to prevent judicial recognition and enforcement of the secular terms of the Ketubah, which was entered into as part of the Jewish marriage ceremony. It concluded that the case could be decided solely upon the application of neutral principles of contract law, without reference to any religious principle. Consequently, the defendant’s objections to the enforcement of his promise to appear before the Beth Din, based as they were upon the religious origin of the agreement, posed no constitutional barrier to the relief sought by the plaintiff. The relief sought by the plaintiff was simply to compel the defendant to perform a secular obligation to which he contractu-

ally bound himself. (*Avitzur v. Avitzur* (58 N.Y.2d 108, 459 N.Y.S.2d 572 (1983)).

In *Funti v. Andrews*, 2026 N.Y. Slip Op. 00012, 2026 WL 31290, at *1–2), plaintiff commenced a divorce action. Defendant moved to dismiss, asserting, as relevant, that the parties were not married. In support of his motion, he included the affidavit of Bishop David, in which the Bishop unequivocally stated that he had performed a blessing and not a marriage. Plaintiff cross-moved for a determination that the parties had been married on July 29, 2017.

The Supreme Court held the motions in abeyance, pending a hearing. At the hearing, the court

heard testimony from the parties, the bishop, Father Gregory, and others. Both parties also submitted reports from experts on the Coptic religion. The bishop testified about what is required to get married in the Coptic Church. The requirements outlined by the bishop were affirmed by the defendant’s expert and were not disputed by the plaintiff. Following the hearing, the Supreme Court denied the defendant’s motion to dismiss and granted the plaintiff’s motion for a determination that the parties had been married that day.

The court did not apply any weight to Bishop David’s testimony about the marriage requirements of the Coptic Church. Instead, the court, among other things, stated that the main factors leading to its conclusion that the parties had participated in a religious solemnized ceremony were that defendant had transferred real property to plaintiff after the ceremony, filed court documents in which he swore the parties were married, and hired matrimonial counsel who filed a suit for divorce, which was never served and was withdrawn. The court also stated that the luncheon following the ceremony was the “final important piece of the ‘marriage’ puzzle” because some of the guests at the luncheon gave toasts congratulating the parties on the baptism of their child, the plaintiff’s baptism, and the wedding.

Finally, the court noted that both Father Gregory and the plaintiff

places that were not traditional legal strongholds more appealing.

Kirkland opened in Salt Lake City back in 2021, helping set off a chain of Big Law entrants into Utah, as well as Miami in 2022, before adding Philadelphia to its map. “Law firms ultimately follow the money, and in recent years outside investment has flowed to places like Miami and Nashville,” Kent Zimmermann, of Zeughauser Group, told The American Lawyer. “At the same time, many high-performing firms are increasingly aligning their geographic growth strategies with their priority practices and industry sectors.”

Kirkland

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It also said the firm will add “a number of additional partners and associates” with extensive experience in trial, complex commercial disputes and mass torts, among other areas. All told, the firm has about 10 litigators who have joined recently or will join the office soon. The firm also will add “a number of additional partners and associates across its transactional practices,” Kirkland said.

“Nashville offers an ideal environment for our continued growth

by enhancing our ability to attract exceptional legal talent in a vibrant and growing city with talented lawyers and a strong law school community,” said Jon Ballis, Kirkland’s chairman, in a statement. “We’re excited to open our doors in the Music City with a terrific group of lawyers across our litigation and transactional practice areas.”

The move comes off a year where Kirkland invested heavily in litigation, adding Ali Brown and a team from Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom to open in the City of Brotherly Love in January, as well as partners Kristen Fournier, Kim Bueno and a team

As Big Law grows in the area, the city is also home to more legal talent, both in the senior ranks and the associate ranks, which attracts even more firms. Last year, Foley & Lardner and McDermott Will & Emery moved into the market.

Andy Calder, a corporate partner and member of Kirkland’s executive committee, said in the statement that the firm is looking forward to building a “full-service office engaged on high-profile and complex transactional matters alongside lawyers across our national platform.

Andrew Kassof, a litigation partner and member of the firm’s

executive committee, said the firm’s litigation department has “never been stronger” and that litigators in Nashville will add skill and depth to their group. “Our launch in Nashville is part of our aggressive nationwide growth strategy in litigation, which we intend to continue in 2026,” Kassof added in the statement.

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remittal or simply remittal, based on a finding that new facts render the record insufficient for appellate review and determination of the children’s “best interests.”

Not Notice-Only Dad:
‘M/O C.C. v. D.C.,’
(2025 NY Slip Op 05017)

Family Court terminated the father’s parental rights. The First Department vacated the order. After a finding that the appellant was a notice-only father but before entry of the dispositional order, Domestic Relations Law §111 was amended to require consent for adoption by any nonmarital parent who had executed an unrevoked acknowledgment of parentage or filed an unrevoked notice of intent to claim parentage.

The amendment eliminated the need for some parents to prove that they made payments to the agency caring for the child. Retroactive impact was warranted given that the revision went into effect immediately and was meant to correct prior law.

QRTP Placements Explained:
‘M/O Joseph D.L.
(Keisha T.M.),’ (243 AD3d 48)

Family Court approved the subject child’s placement in a qualified residential treatment program (QRTP). The Second Department reversed, holding as a matter of first impression that Family Court was required to consider the availability of foster family homes and that the record did not show that no other setting was available that could meet child’s needs in a less restrictive environment.

Under the Families First Prevention Services Act, federal reimbursement is available only where congregate care is proper to stabilize children so they can return to a family-like setting.

II. Abuse and Neglect

Abuse of Deceased Child:
‘M/O N’Thai N. (Mali N.),’
(242 AD3d 1313)

Family Court adjudicated the children to be abused and neglected. The Third Department affirmed. Relevant acts included the father leaving his severely autistic teenage son unattended with access to oxycodone, on which he overdose and died. In extreme circumstances such as these, proof that one child was abused may serve as the sole basis for a derivative abuse finding.

Note: *M/O Stephanie WW. (Janet WW.)*, 213 AD2d 818 (3d Dept. 1995), held that a neglect petition may not be brought on behalf of a deceased child, whereas *M/O Alijah C. (Anita C.)*, 1 NY3d 375 (2004), concluded that a decedent child could be the subject of an abuse petition.

Agency Records Not Sealed:
‘Leah W. v. Keith W.,’
(2025 NY Slip Op 05041)

Supreme Court denied the respondent’s motion to preclude the petitioner from introducing videos of forensic interviews of the children. The First Department affirmed. After the interviews, the

father was arrested and an Article 10 petition was filed. He sought to exclude the videos pursuant to CPL 160.50 (where criminal action ends in favor of accused, records regarding arrest or prosecution filed with DCJS, court, police, or prosecutor are sealed). But “CPL 160.50 should not be used to override the truth-finding and child-protective missions of the Family Court.”

FCA §1051 (B) Applied:
‘M/O Mariah W. (Amber N.),’
(243 AD3d 1349)

Family Court held that the mother had neglected her child. The Fourth Department reversed and dismissed the petition. The petitioner’s theory was that the mother knew, or should have known, of the stepfather’s sexual abuse.

However, the Family Court found neglect based on the mother’s reaction to the child’s disclosure (*see also M/O A.I. [Natalia P.]*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06812 [1st Dept.] [neglect where mother disbelieved children’s report of sexual abuse by boyfriend]). Under Family Ct Act §1051 (b), the trial court may amend petition allegations to conform to the proof, but the respondent must be given a reasonable time to answer the amended claims (*see also M/O C.G. [E.G.]*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06808 [1st Dept.] [respondent had ample notice of revised allegations]; *cf. M/O Kaius A. v. Abigail H.*, 2025 NY Slip Op 04692 [FCA §1051 (b) violated; further, agency did not file amended petition within statutory period after removal of child; reversal]).

‘Sapphire W.’ Adopted by
First Dept.: ‘M/O R.A. (A.R.),’
(244 AD3d 11)

Family Court placed the non-respondent mother under ACS supervision during the pendency of neglect proceedings against the respondent father. The First Department found such supervision unlawful pursuant to *M/O Sapphire W. (Kenneth L.)*, 237 AD3d 41 (2d Dept. 2025) (in absence of court-ordered removal, FCA does not permit surveilling nonrespondent parent who cared for child and was not charged with wrongdoing).

Summary Contempt
Reversed: ‘M/O Ruoyao P.
(Zhechen P.),’ (240 AD3d 993)

The father secretly recorded parts of a hearing on his phone. Family Court warned that he must not bring a recording device to court. But he did so again. A criminal contempt hearing was scheduled. The father did not appear, but counsel moved to dismiss based on a lack of personal jurisdiction. The court denied the motion. That was error, the Third Department held. When committed in the trial court’s presence, criminal contempt may be punished summarily. Otherwise, the accused must be notified of the charge and given reasonable time to prepare a defense. Personal service was unproven here.

III. Custody

Corroboration Via ‘Lincoln’
Hearing: ‘Matter of
Kalam EE. v. Amber EE.,’
(2025 NY Slip Op 07050)

Family Court dismissed the father’s petitions seeking greater

parental access and enforcement of prohibitions against physical discipline and excessive drinking. The Third Department reversed and remitted. The mother successfully moved to dismiss at the close of the father’s direct examination.

Family Court discerned no corroborating evidence to support his testimony about his observations and the children’s statements. But their statements about neglect could be further corroborated by information shared during a *Lincoln* hearing. Family Court erred in cancelling that hearing—a ruling as to which the AFC failed to object. Such “passive representation” led the reviewing court to order appointment of a different AFC upon remittal.

Default, Adjournment Error:
‘M/O Castro v. Rios-Osorio,’
(240 AD3d 1414)

A custody order was entered on the father’s default. He appealed. There is no right to direct appeal

In discussing the right to counsel in Family Court cases, the COA had previously analogized criminal cases. “Under our state (criminal) standard, a litigant need not satisfy the prejudice test of the federal standard.” The majority declared, “Family Court is not a ‘second-class court.’”

from a default order. However, the appeal brought up for review the denial of an adjournment. The Fourth Department reversed and remitted, finding an abuse of discretion where the father had appeared on all prior dates; the adjournment request was his first; and it did not result from a lack of diligence.

Grandmother Custody—
Reversal: ‘M/O Angelika R. v.
Yolanda K.,’
(2025 NY Slip Op 07116)

Family Court transferred custody from the grandmother to the mother, modifying a 2018 order on consent. The First Department reversed and remitted. Following a finding of a change of circumstances, Family Court interviewed the child in camera and held an “abbreviated” best interests hearing. The trial court should have held an initial hearing on extraordinary circumstances. The record showed that grandmother met that burden.

In deciding best interests, Family Court considered only the mother’s improved situation and ignored the child’s long residence in Long Island, her education and therapy there, and the potential harmful impact of a move to the Bronx. Also, there had been material new developments, including claims about the child’s hospitalizations and the mother’s financial instability (*see M/O Michael B.*, 80 NY2d at 318; *M/O Morris v. Smith*, 2025 NY Slip Op 07133 [4th Dept.] [applying *Michael B.* doctrine in grandparent-parent custody case]).

Grandmother and Mother—
Animosity: ‘M/O Alisa H. v.
Ayanna B.,’ (242 AD3d 659)

Family Court dismissed the paternal grandmother’s petition seeking visitation. The First Department affirmed. The grandmother established standing by “demon-

strating the existence of circumstances in which equity would see fit to intervene,” based on having spent significant time with the children.

However, the grandma did not show that visitation would be in their best interests. There is a strong presumption that fit parents’ decisions serve children. Extreme animosity existed between the grandmother and mother, who said that the elder woman undermined her authority (*see also M/O L.M. v. J.H.*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06908 [1st Dept.] [no visits; acrimony plus proof that grandma’s conduct scared kids]).

No Prison Visits Allowed:
‘M/O Joenathan v. Jennifer F.,’
(242 AD3d 1339)

Family Court denied visits or phone calls to the father. The Third Department upheld the order. The father had not seen the children, ages 9 and 12, since 2016. He was serving a long prison term at a facility 100 miles away. Further,

he denied his criminal conduct and disregarded the children’s well-being in seeking to have them testify (*see also M/O Gary.J. v. Barbara KK.*, 2025 NY Slip Op 07251 [3d Dept.] [no in-person prison visits at distant facility for young child with dad he never met]).

Relocation to New County Ok:
‘M/O Litwinski v. Adinolf,’
(242 AD3d 1633)

Family Court modified custody. The Fourth Department affirmed. Where the mother sought approval of a move from Erie to Chautauqua County, there was no need to show a change in circumstances. The *Tropea* standard applied even where relocation would allow for meaningful access. The mother met her burden. Further, the new visitation scheme would reduce exchanges and minimize chances for parental bickering (*see also Kataeva v. Kataev*, 243 AD3d 551 [2d Dept.] [hearing needed on proposed 13-mile relocation involving new school district]).

Relocation, New State,
Self-Help: ‘M/O Thomas K. v.
Shauna L.,’ (242 AD3d 1335)

Family Court granted the mother primary physical custody. The Third Department affirmed. The appellate court disapproved of the mother’s unilateral relocation to Minnesota, but while relevant, self-help is not dispositive. The mother kept her move a secret because she feared the reaction of the dad, who manipulated her (*see also M/O Chad V. v. Kristen V.*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06946 [3d Dept.] [mother’s relocation to Illinois would harm father-son relationship; criticism of her unilateral action]; *M/O Eddaoudi v. Obtenu*, 240 AD3d 1437 [4th Dept.] [court failed to consider father’s reasons for opposing mother’s move to Massachusetts, including immigration status, ties to Morocco]).

Perkins

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also could be a factor in departures. The firm was the target of an executive order last year. A federal judge ruled the order is unconstitutional. The Trump administration has appealed.

“Litigators in particular have really been under the gun from the administration. Many of their clients don’t want them representing them in front of government agencies,” Gamoran said.

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is permissible to attend, the judge further asks if he/she may also give an invocation at the security briefing.

We have said that a town justice may attend and observe public town board meetings, “as any other interested citizen of the town may do,” to learn about issues affecting the town (Opinion 19-158). Here, too, we see no appearance of impropriety in the judge’s mere attendance at the police department’s public security briefings. Observing the security briefing, without more, cannot reasonably create an impermissible impres-

Summary Dismissal Reversed:
‘M/O Dawn A. P-T. v.
Sherwyn R.,’ (243 AD3d 573)

Family Court granted the father’s motion for summary judgment dismissing the aunt’s custody petition. Pending the outcome of the appeal, the Second Department had granted the child’s stay motion seeking to remain in the aunt’s custody. The appellate court reversed the challenged order. The aunt alleged that the child was struggling with mental health issues following her mother’s death; had become accustomed to life with her mother’s extended family; and was not close to the father. If true, the claims might show extraordinary circumstances. The matter was remitted for forensic evaluations and a hearing.

Note: This case is a reminder of the vital role of Family Ct Act § 1114 (b) motions for stays of enforcement of challenged orders pending appeal (*see also M/O Stoll v. Levitin, infra*).

UCCJEA: No Jurisdiction:
‘M/O Regla F. v. Dustin F.,’
(242 AD3d 636)

Family Court dismissed the mother’s custody petition. The First Department affirmed. Under the UCCJEA, the trial court lacked subject matter jurisdiction. Where another state has exclusive, continuing jurisdiction, New York cannot assume jurisdiction unless the foreign state declines it—even if the parties no longer have a significant connection with that other state. Florida had not held that it lost jurisdiction or that NY would be a more convenient forum (*cf. M/O Robert FF. v. Heather HH.*, 243 AD3d 1148 [3d Dept.] [father’s petition dismissed where child moved to South Carolina in 2019, aunt/uncle had custody, father/child lacked significant connection with NY, key evidence was not here]; *see also M/O John F.B. v. Maria U.*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06905 [1st Dept.] [no personal jurisdiction due to non-compliance with statutory notice provisions]).

Visits Not Thwarted:
‘M/O Zwiefach v. Heitzmann,’
(242 AD3d 1543)

Family Court modified the father’s parenting time but rejected a petition seeking reduced child support based on the grandmother’s interference with his parental access. The Fourth Department affirmed. The father’s failure to fully exercise his visitation rights was due to his own conduct, not the grandmother’s (*cf. M/O Crystal NN. v. Joshua OO.*, 239 AD3d 1064 [3d Dept.] [reversing order dismissing petition seeking to suspend support where father undermined children-mother visits in insidious ways]).

IV. Family Offenses

Appeal Procedure:
‘M/O Levitin v. Stoll,’ (241 AD3d 1472); ‘Stoll v. Levitin,’ (241 AD3d 1476)

Family Court vacated an ex parte temporary order of protection giving the father custody. He appealed by permission. The Second Department stayed enforcement and then affirmed. The

mother had sole custody and permission to relocate to California. The father urged that she did not address one child’s mental health issues.

After he won temporary custody, Family Court had then learned there were no safety concerns. In a companion decision, appeals of two later orders were dismissed. When the father appealed by permission from a stay-away order, a Second Department order partially suspending enforcement pending appeal allowed for daily father-child contact. The second order superseded the first one and was not appealable by right.

Four-Year Delay: ‘M/O K.F. v. F.T.,’ (243 AD3d 506)

Family Court found that the father committed the family offense of harassment in the second degree and issued a stay-away order of protection. The First Department affirmed. The older child testified that the father often brutally struck the younger child when they were exclusively in his care after he kidnapped them. In addition, there was proof that the father repeatedly called the mother “the devil” and told the younger child that he was unwanted.

The fact that the underlying events occurred several years earlier was not a basis for dismissal (as to other family offenses proven, *see also M/O McCants-Baskin v. Mack*, 2025 NY Slip Op 07181 [4th Dept.] [assault, criminal mischief] *M/O Golian v. Golyan*, 242 AD3d 745 [2d Dept.] [stalking, disorderly conduct]; *cf. M/O I.M. v. I.M.*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06650 [1st Dept. 2025] [loud music, banging on wall, preventing petitioner from cooking did not rise to harassment]).

No Deliberate Delay:
‘M/O N.D. v. M.L.,’
(241 AD3d 1121)

Family Court denied the petitioner’s FCA § 842 (f) motion for counsel fees. The First Department affirmed. The petitioner said that the respondent was late for hearing dates. But one delay was due to her son’s cancer treatment and another to a traffic accident. The petitioner also complained that the respondent failed to provide proposed evidence, but she documented her compliance. According to the respondent, Family Court lacked jurisdiction. But videos showed the parties’ “intimate relationship.”

No Protective Order for Child:
‘Laura V. v. Joshua U.,’
(241 AD3d 754)

Supreme Court held that the defendant committed the family offense of second degree harassment and issued orders of protection in favor of the plaintiff and the child. The Second Department modified. The acts did not occur in the child’s presence, so the order for the minor’s benefit was not needed (*cf. M/O A.K. v. P.C.*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06649 [1st Dept.] [child properly included in order where father’s violence, threats occurred in child’s presence]). The denial of the defendant’s family offense petition was proper. He was not credible, and the plaintiff’s statements—supported by testimony of the child’s therapist—confirmed the lack of intent.

Co-ops

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and defendants’ denial of these allegations.”

‘Price’ Fact Issues Left to the
‘Stromberg’ Trial Court

The *Stromberg* motion court had concluded that undisputed portions of a broker’s affidavit, coupled with the broker’s appraisal, which it found admissible, raised “a material dispute of fact about whether East River denied the 2022 sales application for an assertedly insufficient sales price—despite having reason to believe that the proposed sales price was in line with the unit’s market value,” and also because “a material issue of fact exists about whether East River denied the 2022 sales application for being below an arbitrary price floor—a ground for denial that would not be shielded by the business judgment rule.” (emphasis added) *Citing Chappell v. Trump Plaza Owners, Inc.*, 2011 NY Slip Op 32661[U], at *6-11 [Sup Ct, NY County 2011].) In *Chappell*, the court had denied defendant’s motion to dismiss, holding that “defendant has not established that plaintiff fails to state a cause of action for unreasonable restraint on alienation where the purpose of the restriction (*which allegedly prevents sales*

at market price) is not established, the duration of the restriction is unlimited, except by amendment of the proprietary lease, and, there is no designated method for fixing the purchase price.” (Emphasis added) A New Synthesis on Sale ‘Price’ Fact Issues

The above review shows that *Stromberg* has provided guideposts for courts to follow in evaluating whether the business judgment rule will apply to board rejection of a particular cooperative sales transfer. The Court’s citation to *Oakley*, and its approval of the motion court’s finding on the issues of fact which exist in *Stromberg* (*i.e.*, (a) whether East River denied the 2022 sales application for an assertedly insufficient sales price, and (b) whether East River denied the 2022 sales application for being below an arbitrary price floor), indicates that sale rejections, based on or tied to *restrictions or limitations which prevent sales at market price*, will fall outside the protections of the business judgment rule.

On the other hand, the court’s citation to *Singh* (and *Singh*’s incorporation of the right-of-first-refusal paradigm approved in *Anderson*) indicates the type of “price” consideration that boards may include in their consideration of a particular sales transfer—“the reasonableness of the restraint, judged by its duration, price and purpose.” *Anderson, supra*, 119 AD2d at 78.

Nevertheless, *Oakley* indicates that in cases where a sales rejection is based on multiple reasons, some of which may serve valid corporate purposes, but only part of which are “price-related,” the business judgment rule will not protect a price-related reason that prevents or prohibits, or unduly delays, a sale at market price.

Conclusion

The above discussion shows that *Stromberg* has provided appellate parameters, within which a co-op board may or may not reject a sale for a price-related reason. The legal principles to be applied are unchanged, and the resolution of each such rejection will still be dependent upon the facts and circumstances of each case, but attorneys representing boards will need to review the policies and practices of their clients to be certain they understand the parameters.

Attorneys must ensure that, when and if “price” becomes an issue in any approval process, board members understand that “price” rejections, which prevent or hinder a seller’s ability to sell its unit at market price, will be fatal to the co-op’s interests—certainly if “price” is the sole basis for the rejection, but also even if price is only part of the board’s consideration, if the rejection ultimately prevents a sale *at market price*.

“To continue that work, they’re leaving.”

Perkins Coie, according to two sources familiar with the matter, is also exploring retention bonuses to partners that would be attached to a two-year contract. The exact amount offered is unclear, but the firm would require partners to pay that bonus back if they were to leave before the contract term ends, the sources said.

“No bonuses have been discussed [with partners], but the firm is seriously thinking about them. There’s only so much hem-

orrhaging they can do before the deal is off,” Agopian noted.

A source close to the deal, who could speak under the condition of anonymity because they weren’t authorized to speak publicly, said the firm is “not proactively going out and making retention bonus offers to partners,” but was unable to provide further clarification on the matter.

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applicability of Section 100.4(H) to the judge’s proposed service as a chaplain for the municipal transit authority (see 22 NYCRR 100.4[H][1][c][1]) [“No full-time judge shall solicit or receive compensation for extra-judicial activities performed for or on behalf of: (1) New York State, its political subdivisions or any office or agency thereof”].

2. Although the judge asks only about attendance, we note that the judge must not be “a speaker or the guest of honor” at such event if it is a fund-raiser (see 22 NYCRR 100.4[C][3][b][ii]).

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pursuant to CPLR §3211(a)(7). The court granted the plaintiff's motion with respect to the counterclaims for declaratory judgment, unjust enrichment, and tortious interference with business relations.

The court dismissed those counterclaims as “duplicative of the ejectment and breach of contract counterclaims.” The court also dismissed the unjust enrichment claim with prejudice as both duplicative of the U&O counterclaims and barred by the leases.

The tortious interference counterclaim was dismissed “for failure to allege that the conduct at issue was directed at a third party rather than at (defendant).” The court denied plaintiff's motion with respect to counterclaims for ejectment, breach of contract and (U&O) survived. The defendant was granted leave to file amended counterclaims.

The plaintiff argued that the declaratory judgment counterclaims should be dismissed because the defendant's “ejectment claims are an alternative remedy that will, if established, provide it with adequate relief.”

The court explained that “[a] party may not seek a declaratory judgment when other remedies are available, such as a breach of contract action.” The declaratory judgment claim was dismissed since “resolution of the (defendant's) ejectment and breach of contract counterclaims—which are not addressed by the instant motion—will necessarily require determination” of the subject issues.

Cases cited by the defendant stood “only for the proposition that a claim for declaratory relief as to the termination or invalidity of a lease may be brought alongside a claim for ejectment.” Here, the declaratory relief sought by the defendant “is not so limited.”

The court reasoned that to the extent declaratory relief as to the validity of the leases is not barred by the ejectment counterclaims, it is barred by the breach of contract counterclaims. Those counterclaims asserted that the plaintiff breached the leases by “holding over in possession” beyond the lease expiration dates. Thus, resolution of the breach of contract counterclaims will “necessarily require determination” of whether the leases had expired. Accordingly, the court held that the counterclaims seeking declaratory relief were dismissed as “duplicative.”

The plaintiff contended that the U&O counterclaims should be dismissed as “duplicative of the ejectment counterclaims,” since U&O “is simply the measure of damages in ejectment.” However, the court explained that “U&O nevertheless constitutes its own independent course of action, and it's not solely the measure of damages in ejectment.”

The court also noted that although the defendant could seek U&O pursuant to its ejectment counterclaim, “it has not elected to do so here, such that the two sets of counterclaims seek different relief—(damages versus a judgment of ejectment, respectively).” Therefore, the court declined to dismiss the U&O counterclaims.

Since the unjust enrichment counterclaim was “duplicative of the (U&O) counterclaims and precluded by the leases,” the court dismissed that counterclaim with prejudice.

The court noted, *inter alia*, that “[c]ourts addressing claims for

(U&O) construe such payments as restitution for unjust enrichment.” Here, the defendant also sought “disgorgement of profits.” However, the court held that “plaintiffs are not entitled to disgorgement of...profits..., as these damages would compensate plaintiffs beyond their losses.” Moreover, the “same language”—i.e., the same allegations and the same theory of damages— ‘forms the basis’ of both the unjust enrichment and (U&O) counterclaims.”

The unjust enrichment counterclaim was also barred by the breach of contract counterclaims. “The theory of unjust enrichment lies as a quasi-contract claim. It is an obligation the law creates in the absence of any agreement.”

The court found that the “breach of contract counterclaims (and, implicitly, the leases) addressed the same subject matter as the unjust enrichment counterclaims....” Accordingly, the court held that the defendant's “claim for unjust enrichment is barred by the existence of express contracts governing the subject matter.”

The defendant had argued that the unjust enrichment counterclaim was not barred by the leases since those leases had expired and the unjust enrichment counterclaim “seeks recovery for” and “concerns” events postdating the expiration of those agreements.” The court opined that “[i]n effect, (defendant) argues that its breach counterclaims concern no events at all, rendering these claims a nullity. The court declines to entertain such an interpretation.”

The court explained that “where there is a *bona fide* dispute as to the existence of a contract or the application of a contract in the dispute in issue, a plaintiff may proceed upon a theory of quasi contract as well as the breach of contract and will not be required to elect his or her remedies.” However, it stated that “there is no dispute, *bona fide* or otherwise, as to the existence of the leases or their application in the dispute at issue, as (plaintiff does) not, at this juncture, contest the breach of contract counterclaims.”

The court dismissed the unjust enrichment claim with prejudice since it arises “out of the same subject matter as the leases.” The court stated that since the unjust enrichment claim “simply duplicates, or replaces, other conventional contract or tort claims, if the other claims are defective, an unjust enrichment claim cannot remedy the defects.”

A plaintiff asserting a tortious interference with business relations claim must “allege that they would have received certain alleged economic benefits ‘but for’ the defendant's interference.”

The plaintiff argued that the defendant “has failed to—and cannot—allege that, but for the claimed interference, it would have received an economic benefit.” It asserted that the defendant “fail[ed] to allege that Seaport would have entered into a lease but for (plaintiff's) interference; fails to allege that its existing or prospective lease with Seaport has been or will be approved by the relevant public entities; and fails to allege that any interference... actually delayed effectuation of a prospective lease with Seaport or Seaport's possession of the premises.” It also argued that the defendant failed to allege “that any delay resulting from (plaintiff's) alleged actions caused it harm.” The court rejected each of those arguments.

The defendant alleged that it has a business relationship with Seaport and the plaintiff's interference injured that relationship because

of the plaintiff's “refusal to vacate the premises” and that “prevented and delayed the effectuation of any lease with Seaport and the commencement of necessary renovations.” The court found that those allegations “are sufficient to establish causation, particularly under the liberal standard of review on a motion to dismiss.”

The plaintiff also argued that the defendant failed to allege “that the prospective lease with Seaport ‘has been or will be approved’ by the (NYC) (Dept.) of Parks and Recreation (Parks Department) and/ or the New York Public Library (NYPL).” It was undisputed that “approval by these third parties is necessary for the effectuation of the contemplated lease with Seaport.”

However, the court explained that “a cognizable claim for tortious interference does not require an allegation that the defendant's conduct was the sole proximate cause of the alleged harm.” It stated that “[t]he fact that external approvals are required does

On Jan. 27, 2025, Bryant Park Corporation announced that it had selected the well-known Jean-Georges Group and Seaport Entertainment Group to replace the plaintiff. The plaintiff alleged that the RFP process had been conducted in an improper manner and asserted claims for...declaratory judgment, breach of contract, and specific performance.

not preclude the possibility—as alleged in the counterclaims—that (plaintiff) vacating of the premises operates as an additional, equally essential prerequisite to the ultimate execution of the lease.”

The plaintiff further argued that the defendant had “admitted that the prospective lease with Seaport is still under negotiation and is subject to approval by the Parks Department and NYPL,” and therefore the defendant “cannot allege that any alleged interference... has made any difference or caused any purported delay.” The court opined that such argument “merely reframes the arguments addressed above and fails for the same reasons.”

Additionally, the plaintiff argued that the defendant “failed to allege that any delay resulting from (plaintiff's) alleged actions caused it harm.” Since Seaport must finish renovations on the premises prior to its planned restaurants open, the plaintiff contended that “given the length and uncertainty of the planned construction,” the defendant “cannot plead that it would have received rent any sooner but for their alleged interference.”

The court found that the plaintiff's reasoning was “meritless.” It stated that any delay in beginning renovations resulting from the plaintiff's “alleged conduct would, all else being equal, implicitly entail a commensurate delay in the completion of such renovations and, consequently in the initiation of rent payments.” It reasoned that the defendant “is not required at the pleading stage to provide a detailed accounting of the specific financial impact of a still-ongoing delay that (plaintiff) appears to contemplate.”

The court further explained that “[a] plaintiff bringing a claim for tortious interference with business relations must allege that the ‘conduct constituting wrongful means’ must be directed at the third parties with whom plaintiffs sought to have the relationship.” It found that the counterclaims failed to “allege any conduct ‘directed at’ Seaport” and therefore the tortious interference claim was dismissed.

The counterclaims alleged that

the plaintiff “knew of’ the relationship with Seaport and ‘intentionally interfered’ with it ‘by refusing to vacate’ the premises, and such interference ‘caused injury’ to (the defendant's) relationship with Seaport.” The defendant argued that the foregoing “conduct ‘was deliberate, premeditated and designed to harm’” defendant. However, the defendant had not alleged that the plaintiff's “refusal to vacate the premises (or any other conduct) was targeted at Seaport.”

The defendant alleged that the plaintiff “directly attacked Seaport by refusing to honor the thorough and fair RFP process through its criticism of Seaport in several allegations made in their Amended Complaint.” The defendant also argued that the plaintiff's “‘unlawful holding over’ ...is directed at Seaport because, had they vacated the premises upon the expiration of the leases, Seaport ‘would now be in possession’ of the premises.”

The court found that those assertions did not remedy the defects in the counterclaim. The

counterclaim did not reference the assertions made in the amended complaint. Rather, “the sole theory of damages under the tortious interference claim arises from (the plaintiff's) alleged refusal to vacate the premises.”

Moreover, even if the counterclaim had addressed those assertions, “these statements are privileged and cannot be the basis for a tortious interference claim.” The court noted that “statements made by counsel and parties in the course of ‘judicial proceedings’ are privileged as long as such statements ‘are material and pertinent to the questions involved’...irrespective of the motive with which they are made.”

Additionally, the defendant's “assertion that Seaport would now be in possession of the premises but for (plaintiff's) alleged conduct is immaterial.” That the “allegation that Seaport has been impacted by (plaintiff's) conduct does not suggest that Seaport was the *target* of this conduct.”

Thus, the court held that the defendant failed to “allege that (plaintiff's) conduct was ‘directed at’ Seaport,” and the claim for tortious interference with business relationships was dismissed.

The court, “in anticipation of (defendant's) prospective amended pleading” addressed the plaintiff's remaining arguments.

The court explained that a “plaintiff bringing a claim for tortious interference with business relations must allege that ‘the defendant acted solely out of malice or used improper or illegal means that amounted to a crime or independent tort.’” Here, the defendant contended that the plaintiff “committed the independent tort of trespass and therefore used improper means.” The plaintiff argued that “any tort liability for their alleged holding over is precluded by the existence of the leases, which govern the instant dispute.”

The court noted that “[u]nder ordinary circumstances, a tenant holding over in possession past the expiration of a lease becomes a trespasser.” However, “tort liability for this conduct appears to

be precluded by the leases.” The court stated that “[i]t is a well-established principle, that a simple breach of a contract is not to be considered a tort unless a legal duty independent of the contract itself has been violated.” The court further stated that the plaintiff's “alleged conduct would not appear to give rise to a claim for trespass.”

The court distinguished two cases cited by the defendant on the grounds that neither case involved alleged “tort liability in the presence of a contract governing the relationship between the parties.” It acknowledged, however, that “the conduct at issue may give rise to liability for trespass notwithstanding the presence of leases where, for example, the holding over continues for a sufficiently long period.” However, the court stated that, the “parties’ filings do not make clear whether that threshold has been met.”

The court also stated that even if the plaintiff's alleged conduct did not “rise to liability for trespass, the question remains whether the conduct nevertheless constitutes ‘improper means’ that would support a claim for tortious interference.” At issue is whether “conduct that would otherwise constitute ‘improper means’—e.g., a trespass—cease being improper merely because the parties have elected to define this as a contract, rather than a tort, obligation?”

The court noted that a concurrence decision in the prior Appellate Division decision “appears to suggest otherwise.” That concurrence stated that “[e]ven if the holdover tenant does not necessarily commit the tort of trespass, the ‘wrongful means’ requirement of this tort would appear to be satisfied. Moreover... the tenant's failure to vacate the premises is wrong with respect to (at least in that sense, directed to) the landlord.”

The court explained that “where a contract governs the dispute at issue, conduct may not give rise to tort liability ‘unless a legal duty independent of the contract itself has been violated.’” Therefore, “where the conduct at issue amounts to ‘a contingency specifically contemplated in the contract of sale,’ the claim for tortious interference must be dismissed.” Here, the plaintiff's “alleged holding over in possession appears to be, ‘specifically contemplated’ in the leases.”

The court questioned whether “the same conclusion (applies) to any alleged interference with (defendant's) relationship with Seaport—even where such interference arises from conduct that the leases, *do* contemplate (i.e., ... holding over)?” The court advised the parties “to consider the issues set forth above in drafting any amended pleadings and subsequent motion briefing.”

Accordingly, the court dismissed the declaratory judgment, unjust enrichment, and tortious interference with business relations claims. It denied the motion to dismiss the U&O counterclaim. The defendant's counterclaims for declaratory judgment and tortious interference were dismissed without prejudice to refileing.

ARK Restaurants Corp. v. Bryant Park Corporation, Supreme Court, New York County, Case No. 652009/2025. Decided Dec. 8, 2025. Patel, J.

Dissolution of LLC—Operating Agreement Required Unanimous Consent To Make Decisions—Members Were “Unable To Effectively Communicate With Each Other”—They Could Not “Properly Discuss Whether Or Not

To Sell the Lease, Which Is the LLC's Sole Asset”—Some Members Allegedly Took LLC Funds for Personal Use Without Consent of All Members—Dissolution of LLC and Appointment of a Receiver Were Appropriate and an Accounting Was Warranted—Court Denied Legal Fees

This decision involved a petition for dissolution pursuant to Limited Liability Company Law §702 (§702). The court granted the petition to the extent set forth in its decision.

The “sole issue in this petition is whether the petitioner is entitled to have a court appointed receiver do an accounting as part of the wind-up of (the LLC) and whether the petitioner is entitled to legal fees.” The court held “that they are not entitled to legal fees but they are entitled to an accounting.”

The LLC's “sole asset” is a commercial lease. The operating agreement specified that decisions by the LLC “may only be made by unanimous consent of the members.”

The petition alleged that two members used the LLC's assets to “pay for their families’ health insurance and directed the LLC to make a \$150,000 payment to (a company) —both without the consent of Petitioner.” It was undisputed that the members “are unable to effectively communicate with each other or reach an agreement regarding whether, and how, to sell the lease.”

The petition sought an order that respondents “render a full and complete accounting to petitioners of all income and expenses of the LLC,” a “dissolution of the LLC pursuant to (§702)” and “sale of the lease,” “appointment of a receiver,” and “reasonable attorneys’ fees to petitioner for this proceeding.”

The request for a dissolution of the LLC and sale of the lease, and for appointment of a receiver were unopposed. However, a respondent challenged the petitioner's request that the respondent provide the petitioner with an accounting and attorney fees.

The court explained that “[i]n a petition seeking dissolution pursuant to Limited Liability Company Law (§702), the petitioning member must establish, in the context of the terms of the operating agreement or articles of incorporation, (i) management of the entity is unable or unwilling to reasonably permit or promote the stated purpose of the entity to be realized or achieved, or (ii) continuing, the entity is financially unfeasible....”

Here, the operating agreement required unanimous consent to make decisions on behalf of the LLC and the members were “unable to effectively communicate with each other.” The members “are unable to properly discuss whether or not to sell the lease which is the LLC's sole asset.” Two members were also allegedly “taking the LLC's funds for their own personal use without the consent of all of the members.”

Thus, the court found that the “management of the entity is unwilling to reasonably permit the stated purpose of the entity to be achieved, the dissolution of the LLC is proper, appointment of a receiver is appropriate, and an accounting is warranted.” Since the operating agreement did not provide for “shifting of attorneys’ fees, the request for this relief is... denied.” Thus, the court granted the petition as noted herein and appointed a receiver.

176 W. 87th Leasehold LLC v. Rudd, Supreme Court, New York County, Case No. 653491/2025. Decided Nov. 10, 2025. Borrok, J.

Florida

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their analysis, because Miami has really evolved into a dynamic business hub as well as a legal hub for business. You have this convergence of global business, you have cultural diversity and economic growth all coming together,” said legal recruiter Carlos Pauling, an executive director at Major, Lindsey & Africa. “For law firms, particularly Am Law 100 firms, it's not just about expanding for expansion's sake. It's really about finding out where are our clients, where's the talent, and where's the future of legal practice being shaped—and all of those things are happening in Miami.”

Similarly, South Florida has proven to be an effective gateway into Latin America. The region stands out to global businesses and global clients who are seeking expertise on international trade, regulatory or cross border issues, investment opportunities and more, according to Pauling.

And these trends will only continue throughout the year, and likely into 2027.

“We're working with an Am Law 100 firm right now to open a Miami office...and we're getting

calls from other (Am Law) 100 firms saying, ‘Hey, we'd like to expand our current office there. Can you help us find talent?’ Pauling said. “It is certainly on the minds of law firm leaders of how do (they) grow and expand (their) presence into Miami, into South Florida.”

Tax attorney Alex Denault, a partner at Bilzin Sumberg, finds the region's combination of different industries across the board appealing to the companies and individuals seeking business and investment opportunities. Firms like Bilzin Sumberg have been particularly busy in the business investment and real estate spheres, he noted.

Part of that stems from Florida's favorable tax system and approach towards regulation, which only leads to more investments in the infrastructure of South Florida—not just in terms of bridges and roads, but schools, institutions, hospitals and more.

“We're seeing investment from all over the country and really globally. Part of what I do and what we do (at Bilzin Sumberg is) help those investors do it in a tax-efficient way. Obviously that depends on exactly where they're coming from and where the investment is coming from as well,” Denault said. “Each state (and) country has their own

unique issues that we have to navigate—we help clients move into the state and expand their presence here.”

Tracy L. Gerber, co-managing shareholder of Greenberg Traurig's West Palm office said that Ross has been the single most influential private investor shaping West Palm Beach's transformation into “what is now a year-round business, finance and talent hub.”

Ross' multi-billion dollar capital contributions in areas like office development, mixed use districts and higher education infrastructure has had a major impact on the region's growth, generating indirect opportunities for firms like Greenberg Traurig across multiple practice areas.

“We are homegrown in Florida with over 400 lawyers here (and) providing world class corporate real estate, employment, litigation expertise to match the sophistication of the businesses that are moving here,” said Gerber, who also co-chairs the firm's broker-dealer securities litigation practice. “That's really what is changing the legal landscape—the level of sophistication of business that is coming here and the legal needs of those businesses.”

Jaret L. Davis, senior vice president of Greenberg Traurig and

co-managing shareholder of the firm's Miami office, agrees. From his perspective, South Florida is officially a “tier one” legal market.

That's been revealed both by the arrival of a number of Am Law 100 firms in recent years as well as a growing talent pool available to newcomers and established firms alike. And Ross and Griffin's continued commitment to South Florida is going to be a “game changer,” according to Davis, who said both have invested in the civic landscape as well as the corporate landscape of South Florida. The firm considers itself very fortunate to benefit from their local leadership, he added.

Both Davis and Gerber are seeing increased interest in lawyers coming down to Florida to build their practices alongside the expanding local economy.

“It's the next natural step in Florida's evolution. Over many years, we've created this powerful ecosystem of capital, talent, connectivity to the world and business friendliness,” Davis said. “The key now is to achieve meaningful outreach, as well as provide a turnkey solution to help corporations move to South Florida as easily as possible.”

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Brickell

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\$74.40 and Coral Gables trailing at \$61.84, according to Pena.

Pena observed that as national and international firms continue expanding into the Miami market, they're keen to land a Brickell address. “Seven percent of our leasing, specific to law firms, was actually new-to-market firms, which is a strong number—actually the highest in the entire country,” Pena said. “A lot of those firms, again, they're focused on Brickell.”

Similarly, different firms pick locations depending on the line of business, Pena said. For instance, law firms focused on criminal defense may opt to locate downtown, close to the city's state and federal courthouses.

Meanwhile, firms more focused on corporate law, business law or real estate with higher-end, special service clients may choose to be closer to Brickell.

For firms outside the elite, they're weighing a different set of factors, primarily clientele and talent.

“Is it easy for our clientele to get to us? Where's the talent? Where can we cast the net and draw the most amount of talent to our office,” Pena said. “Looking at things like public

transit: ‘The Bright Line, the Metro Mover, are those things that we can utilize?’ And then cost is a big consideration for firms, particularly the mid-sized and smaller firms that are more sensitive to changes in the (profit and loss statement) resulting from their real estate costs.”

Given that more firms are mandating a return-to-office policy, they are focused on ensuring office spaces generate an enjoyable atmosphere with more of a hospitality approach. Beyond location, firms are ensuring that buildings include “check-the-box amenities,” according to Pena, such as fitness centers, conference facilities, tenant lounges or a concierge.

“The most important thing for [some of the top firms] is to attract the top talent and also to have people in the office,” Pena said. “Generally, over 75% of law firms do have some sort of minimum attendance policy ... and also agree that the talent retention and attraction are two of the most important priorities they're considering when they're making a real estate decision.”

And few firms are interested in radically downsizing. “Over 50% of firms we're finding are planning to maintain their current footprint that they have today,” Pena added.

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Off the Front

Instagram

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at age 9, when she managed to set up an Instagram account despite her mother blocking her access to social media.

Lanier showed the jury multiple internal documents from both YouTube and Meta, including some that referred to the “addictive experience” of their product, likening it to tobacco.

“These companies were aware of the harms, they were aware of what was going on, they studied it,” he said.

Meta attorney Paul Schmidt, of Covington & Burling in New York, spent most of his opening focused on the plaintiff’s troubles at home. Kaley, who has been in therapy since age 3, when her parents divorced following instances of domestic violence, told her mental health professionals that her mom hit and screamed at her, and called her dumb or stupid, all of which made her want to kill herself. Those problems got worse during the COVID-19 pandemic, he said.

“What we do know from records and testimony is the impact they had on Kaley’s life,” Schmidt said. Schmidt asked jurors to focus on one primary question: “Was Instagram a substantial factor in Kaley’s mental health struggles?”

None of Kaley’s treating physicians or mental health professionals diagnosed her with social media addiction or considered her social media use to be one of the main factors for her mental health struggles, he said. And Kaley used other social media sites, including TikTok.

Schmidt said some research, including Meta’s own internal studies, has found that social media often helped teens cope with their mental health challenges. And Instagram has come up with tools, such as turning off notifications, managing time and blocking users, that give teens more control over their social media use.

Schmidt, who showed up in court with a noticeable lump on his head and a black eye, told jurors, “I wish I had a colorful story to tell



Paul W. Schmidt, partner with Covington & Burling

you.” Instead, he said, he fell at his home and sustained a concussion, which he feared, at first, would be a distraction.

“Over the course of this trial, you’ll have distractions,” he said.

Luis Li, a Los Angeles partner at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, who represents YouTube, plans to give his opening statement on Tuesday.

“They Didn’t Just Build Apps, They Built Traps”

The trial is part of a consolidated proceeding in California state courts before Los Angeles Superior Court Carolyn Kuhl. Two other defendants, TikTok, owned by ByteDance, and Snap Inc., which operates Snapchat, settled prior to trial.

Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg, Instagram President Adam Mosseri and YouTube CEO Neal Mohan plan to testify during the trial, which is expected to last through March.

The case is separate from the addiction multidistrict litigation against the same four social media defendants in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California.

Kuhl previously ruled that jurors must remain anonymous to the public during the trial, with their names disclosed only to the lawyers in the trial—not their clients—in order to restrict potential research conducted about them.

In her instructions to the jury, Kuhl did not prohibit all social media use outside the courtroom

but emphasized that no one should conduct research about the case, the parties, or the lawyers.

“You should not change how you normally use social media and not investigate features you do not normally use,” she said. “Do not create new accounts or change settings to attempt to explore the evidence in this case.”

Kuhl also instructed the jury not to hold Meta or YouTube liable for third-party content.

“A defendant may be held liable for harm caused by a feature or activity that was part of the design or operation of the defendant’s platform,” she told jurors on Monday.

In his opening, Lanier pointed to three specific features of Instagram and YouTube that he alleges addicted his client: infinite scroll and autoplay, the “like” button and body image filters.

“They didn’t set out to build a library, they didn’t set out to build a school, they set out to build an addition machine,” Lanier said. “Every feature they built that is part of this case was just a tool to achieve that one goal of addiction. It’s addiction by design.”

But the apps aren’t simply tools, Lanier noted, holding up a hammer.

“A tool is something you put down when you’re through with it,” he said. “You hammer what you need to hammer, and then you put it away.”

They knew these features caused depression, body dysmorphia and other mental problems in children, Lanier alleged, and solutions they told the public about were mere “cartwheels” designed to avoid the problems.

Addressing YouTube Kids, he accused YouTube of creating an “addictive loop” to hook kids on social media as young as 2.

“The evidence will show they didn’t just build apps, they built traps,” he said. “Whether the video is a cat or a catastrophe, the machine is engineered to keep you in the car, driving you deeper into what they call a rabbit hole of engagement.”

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Karp

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I’ve asked them to do the best they can, under the circumstances.”

Four days later, on August 23, 2015, Karp emailed Epstein, “GG is in Moscow; the transcript should be completed tomorrow. I’ll send it to you as soon as I receive it.”

Epstein followed up, “Did we get a report on what she went after lunch? Details?”

Karp responded, “To the Cielo apartment bldg on 83rd and York, where she stayed until she traveled to JFK. She was snuck out through the garage, in a car with tinted windows, and we have license plate numbers.”

The next day, Karp received an email — sent to him and Paul Weiss white-collar and regulatory defense practice co-chair Lorin Reisner — from the chief professional officer of private investigations firm Nardello & Co. regarding the transcript. The company’s executive chairman, Dan Nardello, and managing director James Nauwens were cc’d.

“On behalf of Dan and Jim, I am sending the attached rough draft of a transcript of the client’s lunch with GG last Wednesday, September 19th [sic]. As Jim mentioned to you, we had to have the recording enhanced to be able to better discern the conversation. If you are interested, we can courier over two DVDs containing a copy of the enhanced version to your office tomorrow or whenever is convenient this week,” Nardello CPO Tara MacMillan wrote.

(MacMillan appeared to refer to August 19, a date that would have been “last Wednesday” from her August 24 email to Karp and Reisner.)

Karp forwarded the email to Epstein, to which Epstein responded, “surveillance? report also bill to date?”

Karp and a representative for Paul Weiss didn’t return messages

seeking comment.

A Nardello & Co. spokesperson said the company was “retained by counsel for Leon Black” for investigative support in a lawsuit that Black’s counsel called “extortionate,” noting public reporting on the lawsuit and its dismissal. “In the course of that engagement, no one at Nardello had any contact or communication with Jeffrey Epstein,” nor did the firm share any documents or findings with him,” the spokesperson said.

Ganieva did not respond to a request for comment on the email or others that may reference her.

Black stepped down in 2021 from his role as chairman of Apollo Global Management following a review of his ties to Epstein.

Susan Estrich, Black’s attorney, said in an email to Law.com on Friday that Epstein had been providing tax and estate planning advice to Black and his family. Estrich did not address the specifics of Karp’s and Epstein’s correspondence regarding Ganieva but did speak on her allegations against Black.

“At the time of these emails, Ms. Ganieva was threatening Mr. Black and his family while attempting to blackmail him as he was ending their years long [sic] consensual relationship,” Estrich said. “Ms. Ganieva’s lawsuit against Mr. Black, filed years later, was dismissed with prejudice, and that decision was affirmed by the appellate court.”

The conversations appearing to reference Ganieva persisted as far forward as October 2018, when Epstein suggested that they may need more money for “Guzel” after Karp said they should be in “wait and react mode” regarding their dealings with Black.

Ganieva signed the NDA with Black in 2015, which had guaranteed her payments of \$100,000 monthly until Ganieva breached it by publicly accusing Black of sexual harassment and abuse in March 2021, court filings indicate.

In addition to emails appear-

ing to discuss Ganieva, Karp and Epstein also had multiple emails discussing the whereabouts and visa status of a woman, whom neither named directly. The pair discussed the viability of pursuing criminal charges against her for, as they put it, extorting Black.

In a July 2015 email, Epstein appears to have suggested to Karp that the two should work to get a woman arrested.

“I have come to the conclusion that we will need to bring in law enforcement sooner rather than later,” Epstein wrote. “Needs to be a close sensitive relation Your call on fbi or nypd [sic]. I think she should be arrested either at next meeting or follow up when and after he passes her a large check. Grand larceny etc.”

Karp replied, “Let’s discuss. A critical call.” A few days later, Epstein emailed Karp with the suggestion that they should try and get a woman’s visa revoked. Karp replied, “will work on this.” It is unclear what, if any, measures Karp took following the messages.

After that exchange, Karp updated Epstein on a woman’s whereabouts with the help of private investigators on multiple occasions, the emails show.

For example, in August 2015, Epstein emailed Karp asking if there was “any news.” Karp replied that the woman had not gotten on a flight they expected her to take and was instead at a hotel in Bridgehampton, going on to elaborate that the place was on Route 27 when Epstein asked for an address.

The emails were disclosed in late January by the Justice Department, leading to pressure on Karp last week to resign as Paul Weiss chairman. He continues to practice at the firm as a partner. Paul Weiss named corporate department lead-er Scott Barshay as its next chair.

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Court Calendars

First Department

APPELLATE DIVISION

CALENDAR FOR THE FEBRUARY TERM

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24/3904 People v. Shaquille White
24/4921 Gomes v. Roux
24/2169 M.L. Trinity
24/360 Cook v. Hudson River Park Trust
25/5210 Lowman v. Consolidated Edison Company
25/1582(3) Davidoff Hatcher & Citron LLP v. McLendon
24/160 People v. D. H.
24/688 People v. William Lee
24/6457 NRD GP v. McCarthy
23/4296 People v. Luis Parada
25/2547 Glowatz v. City of NY
25/502 S.A., Children
25/454 Island Consolidated v. Grassi & Co.
25/2610 Veloso v. Scaturro Brothers, Inc.
25/2313 People v. Jonathan Arzu
24/356(2) Kohli v. Tewari
24/675(2) Kohli v. Tewari
25/4037 Altman v. NYC Department of Education
24/4676 Atta, Inc. v. 450 W. 31st. Owners
22/1285 People v. Rhan Francis
25/6726N SJL Renewable Energy v. REV LNG LLC

FRIDAY, FEB. 13

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21/4556 People v. Edgardo Perez
23/438 Fernandez v. 475 Building
25/1027(1) C. Abdoulaye
24/908 Margolies v. Margolies
25/533 M. V., an Infant v. NYC Housing Authority
24/694(3) Elkin v. Sherwood Residential Management
18/4593 People v. Marc Irving
19/5841 People v. Bruce Lezama
25/1326(2) Travelers Casualty v. Vale Canada
25/516 Weinhardt v. NYC Transit Authority
25/1006 G., Children
23/4348 People v. Vincent Mitchell
25/4991(1) HSBC Bank v. West Park
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25/656 SKYY Group v. Foundation for A Smoke Free World
24/2449 People v. Shawndelle Jones
24/464 Marks v. Cosmos Ventures
24/4506 Shuford v. City of NY
25/2228 Figueroa v. Empire Water Main & Sewer
18/4928 People v. Juan Rosario
25/2955N Bernstein v. Assaf

TUESDAY, FEB. 17

2 P.M.

24/637 People v. Jonathan Cedeno
25/2246 Fields v. Junius-Liberty Development
24/788(1) R., Danna
24/6051 Riederer v. Schulmann Properties
25/2074(2) Gray v. Nassau Life Insurance
23/2786(1) People v. Leuris Morales
23/2728(1) People v. Leuris Morales
23/2784(1) People v. Leuris Morales
25/1700 Scott & Scott v. Kaplan LLP
23/2974(2) Anonymous v. Anonymous
24/5263 Avison Young-NY v. 459 W 50 Street
25/736 Hunold v. City of NY
25/6044 Gopstein v. Vad
19/1379 People v. Tyreek M.
24/524 Will of Lilian M. Reich
24/5294 Lexington Insurance v. NY Marine
24/7689 Stewart v. JMDH Real Estate
25/7659 Miller v. State of NY
23/2074 People v. Michael Martin
25/5094 Josey v. NYC Department of Finance

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18

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21/2956 People v. Bernard Butts
25/4087 Talbert v. Tynes
25/4407 G., Jaloni
25/1520 Lackenbauer v. 162 Fifth Avenue Associates
24/6733(1) Pescales v. Pax Ventures
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25/225 Shanghai Pearls & Gems v. Paul
24/4649 Golden Ox Realty v. Board of Managers
25/8016 Robles v. 53-63 Walton LLC
22/4832(1) People v. Askia Yaw
22/428(1) People v. Askia Yaw
25/1311 Gamma USA, Inc. v. Pavarini McGovern LLC
24/7046 Calix v. Union Theological
22/4436 People v. Jeremy Scott-Mason

25/6713 Cardenas v. Walgreens
25/4578 Estrella v. 20 Bruckner, LLC
25/4182(2) Grey v. LIC Development Owner
20/1387 People v. Athanasios Ioannidis
25/5926N King v. 8 Spruce (NY) Owner

THURSDAY, FEB. 19

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25/296 People v. Kwesi Prophete
25/3133 Lurie v. NYC Department of Education
24/6089 R., Zion
24/6539 Calle v. 686 Broadway Realty
25/1741 Galloway v. Arthur Clinton Housing
24/7063 Schutzman v. 19 E. 72nd Street
25/2339(1) People v. Hakim A
25/2340(1) People v. Hakim A
25/2341(1) People v. Hakim A
24/5012 S.T.A. Parking v. Federal Insurance
25/4768 Southgate Owners Corp. v. Esposito
24/978 Graham v. City of NY
19/1433 People v. William Caruth
25/1054 Henriquez v. City of NY
24/6949 Healy v. Kruger
25/1282 Hearn v. Abeken Apartments
25/662 Staten v. City of NY
25/1111 Joyous JD Limited v. Yolanda Management
19/833(1) People v. Wesley Cooper
25/2154N Contempo Acquisition v. Dawson

TUESDAY, FEB. 24

2 P.M.

25/1448(1) People v. Angelo Torres
25/1993 Cheng v. Caban
24/2869(4) W.A., Children
25/208 Payano v. Al Nahshal
24/772(2) Molina v. Appula Management
24/6569(1) PH-105 Realty v. Elayaan
24/6281(1) PH-105 Realty v. Elayaan
22/4349 People v. Jaquan Moore
21/1191 People v. Raul Deleon
24/4152 Kohl v. Memorial Sloan Kettering
24/6698 AS Helios LLC v. Chauhan
24/7108 Westpoint Home v. Dornify, Inc.
21/515 People v. Erica U.
24/5770 Abrams v. Abrams
18/2352 People v. Ashleigh Wade
24/6492 Walker v. City of NY
24/6858 O Plaherty v. Columbo
25/4417 Rothman v. Rothman
21/3191 People v. Esteban Villaman Almonte
25/870N May v. Gibbs

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25

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24/806 People v. Jonathan Alfonso
25/2861 Ighaut v. City of NY
25/387 L., Esther v. Chaim L.
23/4253 Wilmington Savings v. Brown
25/2757 Serrano v. Athena Properties
21/3431 People v. Barron Williams
23/6819 People v. Anthony White
24/712(1) Fiendella v. 345 West 70th Tenants
24/6421(1) Fiendella v. 345 West 70th Tenants
25/4773 Matter of Wells Fargo Bank v. HBK Master Fund
25/4075(2) SL 4000 Connecticut v. CBRE
24/6289 De Perez v. Fordham Valentine
24/4374 People v. Gino Sozio
24/6308 Falcao v. MTA
24/7071 HSBC Bank v. Keeling
23/935 People v. Christopher Harrison
24/6452 Mazzurco v. Broadway 52nd
25/699 Khan v. Khan
19/4291 People v. Adelmir Oliva
25/5270N Gurney-Goldman v. Solil Management

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22/1264 People v. Tony Thames
25/4570 Castillo v. Cannon Point South, Inc.
24/7382 V., Liam
25/4913 Nazario v. Bytedance Ltd.
24/2550 Robinson v. Henderson
25/860 10839 Associates v. Big Apple E Time LLC
19/1981(1) People v. Bridgitte Ascencio
24/1557 People v. Manuel Espinoza
25/4354 Seaton v. Babad
25/894 Tower v. Structure Tone
23/920 People v. Antonio Rodriguez
24/447 Ortiz v. Fitzgerald
25/4260 E. M., an Infant v. Paulino
24/2903 Trzuskot v. Johnson
24/551 People v. Barron Spruill
24/478 Menkes v. Mount Sinai Health System
24/6777 People v. Saint Robles
24/365(2) Stile v. C-Air Customhouse
23/2039(2)N Stile v. C-Air Customhouse
25/2132N Diamond Films v. TV Azteca

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

Renwick, P.J., Manzanet, Kapnick, Webber and Kern, J.J.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11

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806515/24 Pedabag v. Nunez

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21/9020 De Jesus v. Action

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18

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31394/19 Larosa v. Diaz

TUESDAY, FEB. 24

11 A.M.

818473/22 Capellan v. 35 LLC

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25

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159863/25 410 West LLC v. Chen

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

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651397/21 Beasley v. Bayview Auto Wreckers

APPELLATE TERM

60 Centre Street Room 401

Commencing with the January 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.

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83R Sambucco: Room 528
84R Feinberg: Room 641
88R Lewis-Reisen: Room 324

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81R Hewitt: Room 321
87R Burke: Room 238
89R Hoahng: Room 236

SPECIAL REFEREE 71 Thomas Street

Judicial Hearing Officers
Part 91 Hon. C. Ramos
Part 93 Hon. Marin

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

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1 100905/25 De Libero v. Verdort 21 Westwood LLC
2 100246/25 Harris v. Admin. For Children Services Family Support Systems

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1 101178/25 Daniels v. Nypd Comm’r. Tisch
2 101330/25 Wells v. NY

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652324/24 NYU Langone Hosps. v. United Healthcare Ins. Co. Et Al
152533/25 Pca Acquisitions V v. Ferreira
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656618/25 Progressive Casualty Ins. Co. v. Office Of The Comptroller (NYC) Et Al
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157203/18 Schwartz v. Port Imperial Ferry Corp.
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160890/25 Ssp Hester LLC v. Z Atm Corp.
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651493/25 Tagg Partnership v. Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. Et Al
161645/24 Thau v. Paradise Gourmet Deli & Grill Et Al
162317/25 The Estate Agency LLC v. Bruno
452307/23 The People of The State of NY v. Vantage Travel Services, Inc. Et Al
153444/25 Thumbs Capital Group v. Something Short LLC Et Al
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154323/13 Vargas v. NYC
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152854/21 McIntyre v. Newyork-Presbyterian Global Services
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654115/25 Property West 44th Street Property Investors Iv v. Px Global Advisors
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160576/24 Abreu v. Doran
156225/25 Ahsani v. Khan
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153828/21 Alexander v. 4469 B'way. LLC
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654973/24 Atlantic Specialty Ins. Co. v. Aspen Topco II
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652447/25 Bailey v. Stone
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659773/25 Ben-Avraham v. Bonze
156367/25 Bereshytzky v. 75 & 81 Orchard Associates
160971/25 Blecher v. Wam Partners Et Al
656391/25 Blue Byrd v. MI Enterprise Inc.
650879/24 Blue Galaxy Inc. v. Just in Style, Inc. Et Al
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154625/24 Board of Mgrs. of The 195 Condominium v. Gordon
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161832/25 Hotel Owners of New York, Inc. v. NYC Dept. of Consumer And Worker Protection Et Al
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655246/25 Korea Resolution & Collection Corp. v. Choi
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154273/23 Lateral Investment Mgt. v. Marcum
152676/22 Leaf Capital Funding v. Hello Lafayette LLC Et Al
159219/22 Lee v. Turner Const. Co. Et Al
159847/24 Lee v. Walker
150175/22 Leon v. Related Const.
659680/24 Levitan v. Boddien Bites LLC D/b/a S'noods/yesk& Foods Et Al
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NEW YORK STATE COURT OF APPEALS

January 2026 Appeals

The Clerk's Office announces that briefing schedules have been issued for the following appeals during January 2026.

Docket information, briefing schedules, filings and oral argument dates are or will be available through the Court's Public Access and Search System (Court-PASS).

Nonparties seeking to appear as amicus curiae should refer to Court of Appeals Rule of Practice 500.23.

Civil Appeals by Leave Grant of the Court of Appeals and Departments of the Appellate Division:

APL-2026-00001: Patel v. Maybank (2025 NY Slip Op 05194); Employment Relationships—Whether Claim for Unpaid Severance Pay under Labor Law §§ 193 and 198 is barred by Labor Law §198-c because plaintiff is an executive

APL-2025-00225: Zain v. Isaacson (242 AD3d 438); Physicians and Surgeons—Malpractice—Immunity Under the Emergency or Disaster Treatment Protection Act—Coverage for Podiatrists

Criminal Appeals by Leave Grant of Judges of the Court of Appeals and Justices of the Departments of the Appellate Division:

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APL-2025-00221: People v. Vassell Ray (236 AD3d 933); Crimes—Appeal—Effective Assistance of Appellate Counsel— Access to Trial Exhibits

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APL-2025-00171: People by James v. Trump (2025 NY Slip Op 04756); Attorney General—Powers—Executive Law § 63(12) — Constitutionality of Executive Law § 63(12)

NEW YORK COUNTY

Supreme Court - Civil Term

Judicial Assignments and Reassignments

As of December 31, 2025, five long-serving Justices of the Supreme Court, Civil Branch, New York County, Honorable Arthur F. Engoron, Honorable Debra A. James, Honorable Richard G. Latin, Honorable W. Franc Perry III and Honorable Mary V. Rosado have retired from the bench. In addition, Justice Denise M. Dominguez and Justice Denis Reo have moved to other Courts. We would like to thank all our Justices for their wonderful service to our court.

Assignments and Reassignments:

Hon. **Dana M. Catanzaro** has joined the Court and is assigned to General IAS Part 37. Justice Catanzaro's courtroom and chambers will be located at 111 Centre Street, Courtroom 1127A and Chambers Room 541. The Part phone number is 646-386-3222. The Chambers phone number is 646-386-3181.

Hon. **Matthew V. Grieco** has joined the Court and is assigned to General IAS Part 30. Justice Grieco's courtroom and chambers will be located at 111 Centre Street, Courtroom 623 and Chambers Room 466. The Part phone number is 646-386-3275. The Chambers phone number is 646-252-5086.

Hon. **Brendan T. Lantry** has joined the Court and is assigned to General IAS Part 46. Justice Lantry will assume Hon. **Richard G. Latin's** inventory. Justice Lantry's courtroom and chambers will be located at 71 Thomas Street, Room 103. The Part phone number is 646-386-3279. The Chambers phone number is 646-386-4945.

Hon. **Anna R. Lewis** has joined the Court and is assigned to the Mental Hygiene Part. Justice Lewis will assume Hon. **W. Franc Perry III's** inventory. Justice Lewis' chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Room 561. The phone number for Chambers is 646-386-3944.

Hon. **Kim M. Parker** has joined the Court and is assigned to Guardianship Part 25. Justice Parker will assume Hon. **Ilana Marcus'** inventory. Justice Parker's courtroom and chambers will be located at 111 Centre Street, Courtroom 1254 and Chambers Room 448. The Part phone number is 646-386-5675. The Chambers phone number is 646-582-5089.

Hon. **John Zhuo Wang** has joined the Court and is assigned to the Midtown Community Justice Center and Special Proceeding Part. Justice Wang's courtroom and chambers will be located at 314 West 54th Street, 5th Floor. The Part phone number is 646-582-5004. The Chambers phone number is 646-264-1371.

Hon. **Yael Wilkofsky** has joined the Court and is assigned to Matrimonial Part 51. Justice Wilkofsky will assume part of Hon. **Lisa A. Headley's** inventory. Justice Wilkofsky's courtroom and chambers will be located at 80 Centre Street, Room 289. The Part phone number is 646-386-3846. The Chambers phone number is 646-582-5077.

Hon. **Jeffrey S. Zellan** has joined the Court and is assigned to Matrimonial Part 49. Justice Zellan will assume part of Hon. **Lisa A. Headley's** inventory. Justice Zellan's courtroom and chambers will be located at 80 Centre Street, Room 307. The Part phone number is 646-252-5140. The Chambers phone number is 646-252-5073.

Hon. **James G. Clynes** remains assigned to General IAS Part 39. Justice Clynes' courtroom and chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 331 and Chambers Room 652. The Part phone number is 646-386-3619. The Chambers phone number is 646-386-5383.

Hon. **James d'Auguste** is now assigned to Commercial Division Part 55. Justice d'Auguste's courtroom and chambers will now be located at 71 Thomas Street, Room 210. The Part phone number, 646-386-3289, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-5698, remain unchanged.

Hon. **Lisa A. Headley** is now assigned to General IAS Part 17. Justice Headley's courtroom and cham-

bers will remain located at 80 Centre Street, Room 122. The Part phone number is 646-252-5141. The Chambers phone number, 646-386-3150, remains unchanged.

Hon. **Judy H. Kim** remains assigned to General IAS Part 4. Justice Kim's courtroom and chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 418 and Chambers Room 665. The Part phone number, 646-386-3580, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-5577, remain unchanged.

Hon. **Hasa A. Kingo** is now assigned to General IAS Part 65. Justice Kingo will assume Hon. **Denis Reo's** inventory. Justice Kingo's courtroom and chambers will remain located at 80 Centre Street and have moved to Room 308. The Part phone number is 646-386-3887. The Chambers phone number, 646-386-4740, remains unchanged.

Hon. **Ilana Marcus** is now assigned to City and Transit IAS Part 5. Justice Marcus will assume Hon. **Hasa A. Kingo's** inventory. Justice Marcus' courtroom and chambers will be located at 80 Centre Street, Room 320. The Part phone number is 646-386-3374. The Chambers phone number, 646-386-4969, remains unchanged.

Hon. **Anar Rathod Patel** remains assigned to Commercial Division Part 45. Justice Patel's courtroom and chambers will remain located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 428, and Chambers has moved to Room 512. The Part phone number, 646-386-3632, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-3234, remain unchanged.

Hon. **Leslie A. Stroth** remains assigned to General IAS Part 12. Justice Stroth's courtroom and chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 442 and Chambers Room 659. The Part phone number, 646-386-3273, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-5622, remain unchanged.

Hon. **Kathleen Waterman-Marshall** remains assigned to General IAS Part 31. Justice Waterman-Marshall's courtroom and chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 335 and Chambers Room 660. The Part phone number, 646-386-4296, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-4289, remain unchanged.

Counsel are advised to sign up for the court system's E-Track service. E-Track allows counsel to list with the service some or all the firm's cases pending in the Supreme Court, Civil Branch, New York County, and other counties as well. E-Track provides notification by e-mail of all appearances and adjournments in covered cases that are recorded in the court's electronic case history program, as well as other developments, such as the reassignment of cases and the issuance of decisions and long-form orders. E-Track can also provide appearance reminders should counsel wish to avail themselves of that capability.

To sign up for E-Track, counsel should go to the following address: <http://iapps.courts.state.ny.us/webcivil/etrackLogin>

OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION

Division of E-Filing

OCA Invites Comments on E-Filing Program Deadline: Feb. 13

In preparation for its annual report on electronic filing (e-filing), which will be submitted to the Legislature, the Governor, and the Chief Judge, the New York State Office of Court Administration (OCA) invites public comments on the Unified Court System's e-filing program, (NYSECF).

Attorneys, litigants, and other interested members of the public are encouraged to share observations and recommendations.

Comments may be submitted by:

Email: efilingcomments@nycourts.gov

or

Mail: Christopher Gibson, Director
OCA Division of E-Filing
Office of Court Administration
25 Beaver Street, Room 926
New York, NY 10004

All comments must be received by February 13, 2026. Submissions will be posted on the Court System's website.

NEW YORK STATE COURT OF APPEALS

Court To Hear Arguments in the Bronx in March

The Court will be hearing argument away from Court of Appeals Hall in Albany for its upcoming March 2026 Session.

On March 10, 11 and 12, the Court will hear argument at the Bronx Hall of Justice, 265 East 161 Street, Bronx, New York. Arguments will commence at 9:30AM. A live webcast of the argument may be accessed through the Court of Appeals website.

Deadline for Amicus Curiae Motions: February 2026 and March 2026 Sessions

The Court has calendared the appeals in *People v. Gaffney* (Luke J.) (APL 2025-00077), *People v. Curry* (Eugene) (APL 2025-00076), and *People v. Billups* (Ricky) (APL 2025-00108) for argument during its February 2026 Session. The Court has set a special deadline for motions seeking to participate as amicus curiae in these appeals. Motions for permission to file a brief amicus curiae in these appeals must be served no later than December 22, 2025 and noticed for a return date no later than January 5, 2026.

The Court has calendared the appeal in *Matter of Bi-Coastal Properties v. Soliman* (APL 2025-00136) for argument during its March 2026 Session. The Court has set a special deadline for motions seeking to participate as amicus curiae in this appeal. Motions for permission to file a brief amicus curiae in the Matter of Bi-Coastal Properties appeal must be served no later than January 27, 2026 and noticed for a return date no later than February 9, 2026.

Questions may be directed to the Clerk's Office at (518) 455-7705.

UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM

Advisory Committee on AI and the Courts Issues Inaugural Annual Report

An advisory group appointed by Chief Administrative Judge Joseph A. Zayas to study the intricate issues surrounding the use of artificial intelligence in the courts has released its inaugural annual report, a landmark document outlining policies, recommen-

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dations, and ethical frameworks for the responsible use of AI in the state's court system.

Drawing on the diverse expertise of its 40-plus members, the Advisory Committee on Artificial Intelligence and the Courts thoroughly explored the opportunities AI presents to improve efficiency, enhance legal services, and expand access to the courts, while also confronting the serious risks it poses, such as bias, misinformation, and threats to confidentiality and due process.

Based on extensive research, stakeholder engagement, and collaborative deliberation, the 154-page report includes findings, recommendations, and policy proposals from each of the Advisory Committee's six specialized subcommittees: Access to the Courts; Bias and Equity; Court Administration and Management; Evidence, Authenticity, and Reliability; Generative AI in Lawyering and Dispute Resolution; and Knowledge, Proficiency, and Professional Responsibility.

Among the highlights contained in the report are:

- An interim policy on AI use, adopted by the court system in October 2025, that establishes guardrails for judges and court staff, requiring AI training and restricting AI use to approved platforms such as Microsoft Copilot Chat, with the Advisory Committee now monitoring feedback from the 200-plus judges and non-judicial employees who recently completed the court system's Microsoft Copilot Chat pilot program.

- A document produced in connection with the AI use policy that sets forth ethical considerations for judges and their staff in using AI, with an emphasis on confidentiality, judicial independence, and responsible AI use.

- A proposed model rule addressing the use of generative AI by attorneys or litigants in preparing court papers and firmly establishing that any such use of AI must be undertaken in a conscientious manner.

- Recommendations for the use of AI tools that, prioritizing data security, transparency, and accountability and guarding against bias, will serve to assist

unrepresented litigants and improve language accessibility.

- Findings related to the assessment and admissibility of AI-generated evidence and ways for courts to avoid the risk of unreliable evidence being admitted at trial and prevent unnecessary delays in proceedings, among other evidentiary issues.

- Recommendations on the use of AI to enhance court operations and administration, such as for court research, case inventory management, computer programming, and data security, among other tasks.

- Strategies for mitigating bias, with the Advisory Committee calling for safeguards to ensure that AI tools are developed and implemented in a manner that promotes equity, prevents unfair bias, and supports the courts' ability to safeguard the rights of all individuals, particularly those from historically marginalized communities. The report contains detailed findings from the Bias and Equity subcommittee that address the risks, as well as the legal and ethical challenges, presented by AI in the justice system. These findings underscore the need for guardrails to prevent algorithmic bias, along with crossvalidation protocols and strict limits on AI, particularly in the high-risk context of assisting with crucial decisions such as bail and sentencing.

- Proposals for the creation of educational materials to promote AI literacy for all court users.

- Recommendations for expanded judicial training and CLE programs, with the Advisory Committee on AI in the Courts collaborating with the courts' Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics in presenting several judicial training programs designed to address some of the legal, practical, and ethical dimensions of AI.

"The use of AI in and by our courts must be thoughtful, careful, and principled," said Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson. "This report provides a roadmap for harnessing technology to improve efficiency and access to justice while safeguarding fairness and fostering public trust in our courts and justice system."

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The Annual return of Rachel Bat Shulamit Foundation for the fiscal year ended April 30th, 2025 is available at its principal office located at C/O Fleet Street - 512 7th Ave. 19th FL, New York, NY 10018 for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Manny Haber. 20998 f11

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF Sanger Family Foundation For the calendar year ended 12/31/2025 is available at its principal office located at 3315 Collins Avenue 6A, Miami Beach, FL 33140 for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is ARVIND SANGER. 20991 f11

The Annual Return of Take the Field, Inc. c/o The William & Mary Greve Foundation for the fiscal year June 30, 2025 is available at its principal office located at Anthony Kiser P.O. Box 490 Norfolk, CT 06056 for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Anthony Kiser. 20994 f11

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF The Andrew and Carol Parsons Family Foundation For the calendar year ended 12/31/2025 is available at its principal office located at 7727 Fisher Island Dr. Fisher Island, FL 33109 for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Andrew Parsons. 20992 f11

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF THE BISGEIER FAMILY FOUNDATION For the calendar year ended 12/31/2025 is available at its principal office located at 400 W End Ave. New York, NY 10024-5778 for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Shirley Bisgeier. 20993 f11

THE ANNUAL RETURN OF The Litwin Foundation, Inc. For the calendar year ended 2025 is available at its principal office located at 1200 Union Turnpike , New Hyde Park, NY 11040 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Carole Pittelman. 20980 f11

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THE ANNUAL RETURN OF The Tikun Olam Family Foundation. For the calendar year ended 2025 is available at its principal office located at 1200 Union Turnpike , New Hyde Park, NY 11040 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Carole Pittelman. 20981 f11

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THE ANNUAL RETURN OF Peck Stacopole Foundation For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 is available at its principal office located at 1 Tally Ho Lane, Marlboro, NY 12542 for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Jay Margulies. 20979 f11

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NOTICE IS HEREBY given that a license, ID NA-0370-25-136058 for Liquor has been applied for by the undersigned to sell liquor at retail in a bar under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 222 Knickerbocker Ave, Brooklyn NY 11237 for on premises consumption. Impossible Ocean LLC, dba Danger Danger. 20880 f11-W f18

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JULIA N. BASSIN, LCSW, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/06/26. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 58 Sunny Hill Drive, East Norwich, NY 11732. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Licensed Clinical Social Work. 19657 j14-W f18

LAW OFFICES OF PATRICK DI LUCCIO PLLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/21/2026. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to: 180 LAKEVIEW AVE, MALVERNE, NY 11565. Purpose: Law 20403 j28-W m4

NOTICE OF FORMATION Elizabeth Gustafson Psychology, PLLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/5/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against PLLC to 115 Broadway, Suite 1007, New York, NY 10010. Purpose: any lawful act. 19951 J21 W F25

VITAL NP IN ADULT HEALTH SERVICES, PLLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/05/2026. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to: 1 NE-SAQUAKE AVE, PORT WASHINGTON, NY 11050. Purpose: Nurse Practitioner in Adult Health 20395 j28-W m4

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VALIANT PATHS MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELLING PLLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/01/2026. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to: 2515 BARNES AVE, BRONX, NY 10467. Purpose: MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELLING 20378 j28-W m4

JOY FLOW PSYCHOTHERAPY LCSW, PLLC, a Prof. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/2025. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 911 Ascan St, Valley Stream, NY 11580. Purpose: To Practice The Profession Of Licensed Clinical Social Work. 19681 j14-W f18

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Notice of Formation of Alicia Brooks Literary Agency LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/5/25. Office location: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to: 20 Waterside Plaza, New York, NY 10010. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 20895 F11 W M18

Notice of Formation of Belly MSO LLC ("LLC") filed Arts. of Org. with NY Sec. of State ("SSNY") on 11/7/25. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail process to Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20939 F11 W M18

Notice of Formation of Belly SPV I LLC ("LLC") filed Arts. of Org. with NY Sec. of State ("SSNY") on 11/7/25. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail process to Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20940 F11 W M18

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MARVELOUS WELL LLC. Arts of Org filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/14/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail process against LLC to US Corp Agents: 7014 13TH AVE, BK, NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful act. 20865 F11 W M18

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MADISON ADMIN SERVICES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/05/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. office loc: NYC. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 350 West 88th St., NY, NY 10024. SSNY designated as agent of the 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. 19670 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MDJP, LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/15/25. 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, 421 East YARL, NY, 10007. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 20343 Jan28 w Mar4

LONG BEACH BOARD RENTALS LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 12/23/2025. Off. Loc. : Nassau Co. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served & shall mail proc: The LLC, 533 E Market St., Long Beach, NY 11561, USA. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 21034 f11-W m18

Michael Falkove LLC filed w/ SSNY 10/31/25. Off in Nassau Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the LLC, 105 Wynn Ct, Syosset, NY 11791. Any lawful purpose. 19672 Jan14 w Feb18

NCS ADVISORY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/05/2026. 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, 380 Westminster Road, Rockville Centre, NY 11570. Reg Agent: Nicholas Scaduto, 380 Westminster Road, Rockville Centre, NY 11570. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20936 f11-W m18

193 POST AVE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/04/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 193 POST AVE, WESTBURY, NY 11590. Purpose: Any Lawful 20383 j28-W m4

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AFARIN PROPERTIES LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/26/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 98 CUTTER MILL RD, STE 410N, GREAT NECK, NY 11021. Purpose: Any Lawful 20636 f4-W m11

DVPN LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/29/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 525 TIFFANY ST, BRONX, NY 10474. Purpose: Any Lawful 20634 f4-W m11

FIDDLFXR LLC. Filed with SSNY on 02/03/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 571 KILMERSON AVE, BALDWIN, NY 11510. Purpose: Any Lawful 20639 f4-W m11

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KEYBEAUTY LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/08/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 250 E 63RD ST APT 4D, NEW YORK, NY 10065. Purpose: Any Lawful 20631 f4-W m11

KIM MARIE BEAUTY LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/12/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 3467 MERRICK RD, WANTAGH, NY 11793. Purpose: Any Lawful 20635 f4-W m11

MANDRAKE CAFE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/18/2024. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 160 RIVERSIDE BLVD, APT 14A, NEW YORK, NY 10069. Purpose: Any Lawful 20630 f4-W m11

MOYA 191 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/26/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 27 WEST 205TH ST, STE 506, NEW YORK, NY 10011. Purpose: Any Lawful 20627 f4-W m11

NATALIACREATIONS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/02/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 99 ROLLING ST, LYNBROOK, NY 11563. Purpose: Any Lawful 20638 f4-W m11

ROSE BUD THORN LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/27/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 99 WASHINGTON AVE, STE 700, ALBANY, NY 12260. Purpose: Any Lawful 20626 f4-W m11

SFREGOCORNO LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/20/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 99 WASHINGTON AVE, STE 1008, ALBANY, NY, 12260. Purpose: Any Lawful 20625 f4-W m11

SLPG 430 AMS MEMBER LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/21/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 515 MADISON AVE, STE 1720, NEW YORK, NY 10022. Purpose: Any Lawful 20628 f4-W m11

AGG Hospitality LLC filed w/ SSNY 1/15/26. Off in Nassau Co. o Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the LLC, 421 East Shore Rd, Kings Point, NY 11024. Any lawful purpose. 20456 Feb4 w Mar11

MT Reality LLC filed w/ SSNY 6/16/21. Off in Nassau Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to Afifa A Gondal, 10422 Phoebe St, Franklin Square, NY 11010. The reg. agt. is Afifa A Gondal at same address. Any lawful purpose. 20457 Feb4 w Mar11

264 MIDDLE COUNTRY RD, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/08/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Chris Catalano, 3563 Wadena St, Seaford, NY 11783. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19663 j14-W f18

1009ADEE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/02/2025. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1009 ADEE AVE, BRONX, NY 10469. Purpose: Any Lawful 20060 j21-W f25

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

77 TAYLOR AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/12/2026. Office loc: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 250 Sara Court, Yorktown Heights, NY 10598. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19689 j14-W f18

900 PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/09/2026. 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, C/O Valley East Building Management, LLC, 1400 Old Country Road, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19682 j14-W f18

ACGRE HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/09/2026. 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, 333 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 119 , Jericho, NY 11753. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19685 j14-W f18

AMARE JEWELRY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/12/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Gor Zakaryay 320 Northern Blvd., Suite 9, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19687 j14-W f18

DTV STUDIOS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/12/2026. Office loc: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Jennifer Pirozzi, 2464 Putnam Drive, East Meadow, NY 11554. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19688 j14-W f18

PUTNAM SERVICING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/12/2026. 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, 1 Scotts Lane, South Salem, NY 10590. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20024 j21-W f25

GC FANTASTIK 4, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/06/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 49 LOCUST ST, MANHASSET, NY 11030. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20051 j21-W f25

JC GROUP AB LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/02/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Christopher Glier, 3347 Elliott Blvd, Oceanside, NY 11572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20025 j21-W f25

JDO LONG BEACH PROPERTIES, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/14/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 12 ST. MARKS PL, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Purpose: Any Lawful 20043 j21-W f25

J & G MULTISERVICES NO. 1 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/11/2025. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 59 W BURNING AVE, BRONX, NY 10453. Purpose: Any Lawful 20057 j21-W f25

LONG ISLAND STRENGTH LABS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/25/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 90 BROAD ST 25TH FL, NEW YORK, NY 10004. Purpose: Any Lawful 20032 j21-W f25

OKK HOLDINGS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/01/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 2834 ISLAND CHANNEL RD, SEAFORD, NY 11783. Purpose: Any Lawful 20047 j21-W f25

OLD WORLD PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/06/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 136 CHERRY VALLEY AVE, WEST HEMPSTEAD, NY 11552. Purpose: Any Lawful 20049 j21-W f25

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CRUSH ATHLETICS LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/7/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 228 Park Ave S #374027, New York, NY 10003. R/A: US Corp Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave, #202, BK, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful act. 20610 F04 W M11

614 WBD LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/04/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 418 WEST BAY DR, LONG BEACH, NY 11561. Purpose: Any Lawful 20040 j21-W f25

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

724 CAULDWELL AVENUE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/13/2025. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 724 CAULDWELL AVE, BRONX, NY 10455. Purpose: Any Lawful 20062 j21-W f25

73 SPAR LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/12/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 7A RHODE ISLAND AVE, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Purpose: Any Lawful 20045 j21-W f25

BPE REALTY LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/10/2023. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 2032 PAULDING AVE, BRONX, NY 10462. Purpose: Any Lawful 20058 j21-W f25

BX BRGR 167TH LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/09/2026. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 86 EAST 167TH ST, BRONX, NY 10452. Purpose: Any Lawful 20059 j21-W f25

BX BRGR 170TH LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/08/2026. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 20 ANDOVER RD, ROSLYN HEIGHTS, NY 11577. Purpose: Any Lawful 20031 j21-W f25

DCGM WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/18/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 300 OLD COUNTRY RD STE 371, MINEOLA, NY 11501. Purpose: Any Lawful 20053 j21-W f25

DPS REAL ESTATE STRATEGIES LLC. Arts of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/16/2026. Office loc: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1 Scotts Lane, South Salem, NY 10590. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20024 j21-W f25

GC FANTASTIK 4, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/06/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 49 LOCUST ST, MANHASSET, NY 11030. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20051 j21-W f25

JC GROUP AB LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/02/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Christopher Glier, 3347 Elliott Blvd, Oceanside, NY 11572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20025 j21-W f25

JDO LONG BEACH PROPERTIES, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/14/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 12 ST. MARKS PL, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Purpose: Any Lawful 20043 j21-W f25

J & G MULTISERVICES NO. 1 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/11/2025. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 59 W BURNING AVE, BRONX, NY 10453. Purpose: Any Lawful 20057 j21-W f25

LONG ISLAND STRENGTH LABS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/25/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 90 BROAD ST 25TH FL, NEW YORK, NY 10004. Purpose: Any Lawful 20032 j21-W f25

OKK HOLDINGS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/01/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 2834 ISLAND CHANNEL RD, SEAFORD, NY 11783. Purpose: Any Lawful 20047 j21-W f25

OLD WORLD PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/06/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 136 CHERRY VALLEY AVE, WEST HEMPSTEAD, NY 11552. Purpose: Any Lawful 20049 j21-W f25

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CRUSH ATHLETICS LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/7/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 228 Park Ave S #374027, New York, NY 10003. R/A: US Corp Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave, #202, BK, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful act. 20610 F04 W M11

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PLAYPAVE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/05/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 418 BROADWAY STE R, ALBANY, NY 12207. Purpose: Any Lawful 20054 j21-W f25

PSSP TECHNOLOGIES LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/29/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1542 LAUREL HOLLOW RD, SYOSSET, NY 11791. Purpose: Any Lawful 20046 j21-W f25

RESIDENT MUSIC GROUP LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/12/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 3 SCHOOL ST STE 207, GLEN COVE, NY 11542. Purpose: Any Lawful 20042 j21-W f25

SEVENMOON 7 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/13/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 70 COLONY LAND, SYOSSET, NY 11791. Purpose: Any Lawful 20041 j21-W f25

STEL CONSULTING LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/13/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1 HELEN ST, GREENVALE, NY 11548. Purpose: Any Lawful 20037 j21-W f25

TATTA/DECABIA FAMILY LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/31/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 48 DAVIS AVE, PORT WASHINGTON, NY 11050. Purpose: Any Lawful 20033 j21-W f25

VERTEX RIDGE TRADING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/19/2026. Office loc: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 11 West Prospect Ave, 3rd Flr, Ste 16 Mount Vernon, NY 10550. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20023 j21-W f25

TAYCOL, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/12/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 105 EXTENSION, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/06/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 99 WASHINGTON AVE, STE 700, ALBANY, NY 12260. Purpose: Any Lawful 20391 j28-W m4

11 MILLER LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/05/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 11 MILLER BLVD, SYOSSET, NY 11791. Purpose: Any Lawful 20386 j28-W m4

13 CHRISTINA ST, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/20/26. 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, 5 Cherry Grove Ct, Valley Stream, NY 11581. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 20359 j28-W m4

145 LAWRENCE AVE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/20/26. 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, 5 Cherry Grove Ct, Valley Stream, NY 11581. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 20362 j28-W m4

148 EAST END AVE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/26/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 3 SCHOOL ST STE 207, GLEN COVE, NY 11542. Purpose: Any Lawful 20040 j28-W m4

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THIRD RAIL TECHNOLOGY HOLDINGS LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/6/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 157 Christopher Street, Floor 2, New York, NY 10014. Purpose: any lawful act. 20612 F04 W M11

ROCARGIV LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 1/29/26. Office: NY County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: c/o The LLC, 40 East 69 St, NY, NY, 10021. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 20937 f11-W m18

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NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF NEW YORK, U.S. BANK NA, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA, NA, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO LASALLE BANK NA, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE WAMU MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HY3, Plaintiff, vs. JOSE BUCO, ET AL., Defendants. Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure entered on January 7, 2025, and a Decision + Order on Motion duly entered June 30, 2022 and a Decision and Order on Motion duly entered on January 12, 2026, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Room 252 of the New York County Courthouse, 60 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007 on March 17, 2026 at 2:15 p.m., premises known as 500 West 43rd Street, #212, New York, NY 10036. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Manhattan, County of New York, City and State of New York, Block 1071 and Lot 1203 together with an undivided 0.3179 percent interest in the Common Elements. Approximate amount of judgment is \$913,863.25 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 850355/2014. Clark Whitsett, Esq., Referee Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC, 10 Bank Street, Suite 700, White Plains, New York 10606, Attorneys for Plaintiff 20149 f11-W m4

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX, NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Plaintiffs against GERILYN BATES, et al Defendants. Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein on February 27, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Supreme Court, Courtroom 711, located at 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10451 on March 16, 2026 at 2:15 p.m., premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, known and designated as Block 2937 and Lot 57 on the Bronx County Tax Assessor's Map. Said premises known as PROSPECT AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10455. Approximate amount of lien \$14,143.25 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale Index Number 816407/2022E. MATTHEW S. PORGES, ESQ., Referee Phillips Lytle LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiffs 100 S. Clinton Avenue, Suite 2900, Rochester, NY 14604 20886 f11-W m4

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX, SHOREHAVEN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff, vs. CHARLES S. VASSER, ET AL., Defendants. Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on January 7, 2025 and a Decision + Order on Motion duly entered on November 24, 2025 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 March 9, 2026 at 2:15 p.m., premises known as 203 Admiral Lane, Unit 2203D, 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 1016 together with an undivided 0.4388 percent interest in the Common Elements. Approximate amount of judgment is \$51,684.60 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 803282/2023E. Sheldon Fleishman, Esq., Referee The Law Offices of Ronald Francis, 30 Broad Street, 37th Floor, New York, NY 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff 20105 f4-W f25

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF A COOPERATIVE APARTMENT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: by virtue of default under Loan Security Agreement, and other Security Documents executed to CITICORP MORTGAGE, INC., c/o Cenlar, FSB with an address of 425 Phillips Boulevard, Ewing, New Jersey and a phone number of (800) 223-6527, as lender, the Auctioneer, will sell at public auction, with reserve, on February 24, 2026, located at the New York County Courthouse, Portico, 60 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007, commencing at 1:15 p.m., 488 shares of the capital stock of 349 EAST 49TH STREET TENANTS CORP. (a Cooperative Housing Corporation), issued in the name of ARLEEN WEST, and all right, title and interest in a Proprietary Lease to APT. 2K, located at 349 EAST 49TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10017. The Debtor(s) are entitled to an accounting of the unpaid indebtedness secured by the above-referenced Shares of Stock and Proprietary Lease at no cost to the Debtor(s), which may be requested by calling Roach & Lin, P.C. at (516) 938-3100. Sale held to enforce rights of CITICORP MORTGAGE, INC., as Lender, who reserves the right to bid. Ten percent (10%) Bank/Certified check payable to the Escrowee, Roach & Lin, P.C. as attorneys for CITICORP MORTGAGE, INC. Balance due at closing within thirty (30) days. The Cooperative Apartments will be sold "AS IS", and possession is to be obtained by the purchaser(s). ROACH & LIN, P.C. (ESCROWEE) Attorneys for Secured Party CITICORP MORTGAGE, INC. 6851 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 185 Syosset, NY 11791 916 938-3100 20146 j28-W f11

SALES

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX, SHOREHAVEN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff, vs. SHEENA CAMEAU, ET AL., Defendants. Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure entered on January 7, 2025, and a Decision + Order on Motion duly entered on December 11, 2025, 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 March 2, 2026 at 2:15 p.m., premises known as 141 Sunset Boulevard, Unit 10141, 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 of Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, Block 3432 and Lot 1151 together with an undivided 0.3987 percent interest in the Common Elements. Approximate amount of judgment is \$49,446.67 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 806085/2023E. Heidi Broumand, Esq., Referee The Law Offices of Ronald Francis, 30 Broad Street, 37th Floor, New York, NY 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff 19578 j28-W f18

SUMMONS

SUMMONS SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WESTCHESTER COUNTY JOHN ZERRENNER, Plaintiff, - against- NATHAN SUBITZKY and JUDITH SUBITZKY, HIS WIFE, Defendants. TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Plaintiffs' attorneys an answer to the complaint in this action within twenty (20) days after service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. In case of your failure to answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. The action will be heard in the Supreme Court of the State of New York County of Westchester. The venue has been assigned because the Real Property which is the subject matter of this action is Westchester County. Dated: August 15, 2025 /s/ Shannon Garrahan, Esq. 2 Forest Avenue Gadell, New Jersey 07649 (201) 909-0700 Electronic Mail: Shannonaal@msn.com (201) 909-0700 Electronic Mail: Shannonaal@msn.com 20484 w.o.

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Davidson Kempner Real Estate Opportunities GP LP. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 12/10/25 NYS fict. name: Davidson Kempner Real Estate Opportunities GP LP. Office location: NY County, LP formed in DE: 1/18/24. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 9 W. 57th St., 29 Fl., NY, NY 10019, principal business address. DE address of LP: c/o Cogency Global Inc., 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Name/address of genl. ptr. available from NY Sec. of State. Cert. of LP filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20897 Feb11 w Mar18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of TERMINAL F&B TRS (BAR) LP Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/30/26. Office location: NY County, LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 01/28/26. NYS fictitious name: TERMINAL F&B TRS (BAR) LP. Duration of LP is Perpetual. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Copartners Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Name and addr. of each general partner are available from SSNY. DE addr. of LP: c/o CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of LP filed with Secy. of State. John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 20997 Feb11 w Mar18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Accelerator Capital Partners LP. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 11/12/25. NYS fict. name: Accelerator Capital Partners LP. Office location: NY County. Princ. business address: 169 Madison Ave., Ste. 3815, NY, NY 10016. LP formed in DE: 10/28/22. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc., 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Name/address of genl. ptr. available from NY Sec. of State. Cert. of LP filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20317 Jan28 w Mar4

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Kempner Opportunities GP VII LP. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/10/25. NYS fict. name: Davidson Kempner Opportunities GP VII LP. Office location: NY County. LP formed in DE: 7/2/22. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 9 W. 57th St., 29 Fl., NY, NY 10019, principal business address. DE address of LP: c/o Cogency Global Inc., 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Name/address of genl. ptr. available from NY Sec. of State. Cert. of LP filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20902 Feb11 w Mar18

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21 S PARK LLC. Filed with SSNY on 09/10/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 56 ALHAMBRA RD, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Purpose: Any Lawful 20392 j28-W m4

23 S PARK LLC. Filed with SSNY on 09/10/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 56 ALHAMBRA RD, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Purpose: Any Lawful 20408 j28-W m4

261 SACKETT, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/16/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 2631 MERRICK RD, STE 203, BELLMORE, NY 11710. Purpose: Any Lawful 20407 j28-W m4

AG HOLDINGS HARRISON LLC. Filed with SSNY on 08/06/2025. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1738 HONE AVE, BRONX, NY 10461. Purpose: Any Lawful 20397 j28-W m4

ALIENSINC LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/10/2025. Office: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 24B5 HUGHES AVE, APT 40, BRONX, NY 10457. Purpose: Any Lawful 20377 j28-W m4

AVETON LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/23/2026. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1 Fox Meadow Ct, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 20372 j28-W m4

B & C MED-BILL SOLUTIONS, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/30/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 233 WESTSIDE AVE, UNIT C, FREEPORT, NY 11520. Purpose: Any Lawful 20396 j28-W m4

BF MARKETING LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/12/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 99 WASHINGTON AVE, STE 700, ALBANY, NY 12260. Purpose: Any Lawful 20376 j28-W m4

COVEY SANDLER 4 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/16/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 122 FRANKLIN AVE, STE 102, GARDEN CITY, NY 11530. Purpose: Any Lawful 20389 j28-W m4

DN 101 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/02/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 35 NORTH TYSON AVE, STE 202, FLO-RAL PARK, NY 11001. Purpose: Any Lawful 20384 j28-W m4

DSQK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/20/26. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process against LLC to: 122 FRANKLIN AVE, STE 102, GARDEN CITY, NY 11530. Purpose: Any lawful process. 20364 j28-W m4

DSZ BUILD LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/21/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 527 QUEEN CT, WESTBURY, NY 11590. Purpose: Any Lawful 20405 j28-W m4

EAST END 144 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/02/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 3 SCOOVE ST STE 207, GLEN COVE, NY 11542. Purpose: Any Lawful 20400 j28-W m4

EMA HOLDINGS NY LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/10/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 967 NORTH 2ND ST, NEW HYDE PARK, NY 11480. Purpose: Any Lawful 20394 j28-W m4

FIFTY9 GROVE TIC LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/13/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1123 BROADWAY, STE 407, NEW YORK, NY 10010. Purpose: Any Lawful 20380 j28-W m4

HEARTH HOLLOW BAKING COMPANY LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/22/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 15 W SHORE DR, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Purpose: Any Lawful 20402 j28-W m4

JAKLEY LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/20/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1630 BARD LN, EAST MEADOW, NY 11554. Purpose: Any Lawful 20388 j28-W m4

JB 101 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/02/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 35 NORTH TYSON AVE, STE 202, FLORAL PARK, NY 11001. Purpose: Any Lawful 20393 j28-W m4

JERO HOLDINGS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 04/11/2024. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 388 KENRIDGE RD, LAWRENCE, NY 11559. Purpose: Any Lawful 20401 j28-W m4

LHSH, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/21/26. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2099. 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, 230 Koehl Street, Massapequa Park, NY 11762. Purpose: Any lawful process. 20370 j28-W m4

OPTIMUS HOLDINGS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/07/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 2285A SPRUCE ST, SEAFORD, NY 11783. Purpose: Any Lawful 20385 j28-W m4

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of CPC Structured Subsidiary I LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 4/8/25. Office location: NY County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The Community Preservation Corp., 220 E. 42nd St., 16th Fl., NY, NY 10017, principal business address. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20592 Feb4 w Mar11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Name: The Ocean Queen LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York ("SSNY") on January 14, 2026. NY office location: Bronx 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: c/o Proto Property Services LLC, 3441 Kingsbridge Ave., 2nd Floor, Bronx, New York 10463. Purpose/character of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. Feb4 w Mar11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of AI Economics LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/02/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 90 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10024. Purpose: any lawful act. 19423 J07 W F11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of EMBODIED BY ADIA LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 228 Park Ave S #108186, New York, NY 10003. R/A: US Corp Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave, #202, BK, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful act. 19056 J07 W F11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of ENDO EXO STUDIO LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/24/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 228 Park Ave S #108186, New York, NY 10003. R/A: US Corp Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave, #202, BK, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful act. 18730 J07 W F11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of NOHAR BARNEA DEVELOPMENT DESIGN LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/28/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 220 Riverside Blvd, New York, NY 10069. R/A: US Corp Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave, #202, BK, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful act. 19429 J07 W F11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of OPPOSROS LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/10/2025. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 21 Richard Ave, Merrick, NY 11566. Purpose: any lawful act. 19409 J07 W F11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Luke Sample Golf, LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 275 W 96th St, #8B, New York, NY 10025. Purpose: any lawful act. 19676 J14 W F18

NOTICE OF FORMATION of SOFTBALL LG LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/10/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 15 Central Park W, Apt 6CE, New York, NY 10023. Purpose: any lawful act. 19568 J14 W F18

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 419 TAVO LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/12/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to R/A: Northwest Registered Agent LLC, 418 Broadway, Ste 8N, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful act. 20008 J21 W F25

NOTICE OF FORMATION of DUPL0 REGENCY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/09/2026. 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 9 Dogwood Ln, Lawrence, New York 11089. Purpose: any lawful activities. 20013 j21-W f25

NOTICE OF FORMATION of LJJ BUSINESS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/07/2026. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 419 Mineola Ave., Carle Place, NY 11514. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20014 j21-W f25

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Our Town 68, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 8/26. Office location: New York 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. Purpose: any lawful activities. 20022 j21-W f25

NOTICE OF FORMATION of The Sonali Studio LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/22/2025. Office location: New York 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. Purpose: any lawful activities. 20022 j21-W f25

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of Tyfil Creative Media LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/12/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 2061 St Raymond's Pl, Apt 1C, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: any lawful act. 19954 J21 W F25

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Amber Gatlin Art LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/3/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to R/A: Entity Protect Registration Agent, LLC, 447 Broadway 2nd Fl #3000, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: any lawful act. 20336 J28 W M04

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Much Day Studio Apparel LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/06/2025. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 274rd Avenue, Fl. Port Washington, NY 11050. Purpose: any lawful act. 20340 J28 W M04

NOTICE OF FORMATION of MC Studio Jewelry LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/22/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 199 Chrystie Street, Apt 48, New York, NY 10002. Purpose: any lawful act. 20338 J28 W M04

NOTICE OF FORMATION of PATRICIA EQUESTRIAN STABLES LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/6/2025. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to Harvey Fried, 311 Cameo Drive, Massapequa, NY 11758. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 20335 J28 W M04

NOTICE OF FORMATION of SADA STUDIOS LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/8/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 180 Broome Street, Apt 1712, New York, NY 10002. Purpose: any lawful act. 20284 J28 W M04

NOTICE OF FORMATION of THE PAIGE GROUP LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/3/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 535 W 52nd Street, Apt 3E, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: any lawful act. 20005 J28 W M04

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Two for the Preiss of One LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/13/2026. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 535 W 52nd Street, Apt 3E, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: any lawful act. 20339 J28 W M04

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 5601 INDEPENDENCE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/2025. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 5601 Independence Ave., Bronx, NY 10471. Purpose: any lawful activities. 20409 j28-W m4

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 171 STONY HOLLOW LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/07/26. 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, 400 ANCHOR AVE OCEANSIDE, NY, 11572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose 19664 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 2000 BROADWAY 5E LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/29/2025. Office location: New York SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 600 MAMARONECK AVENUE #400, HARRISON, NY, 10528. Any lawful purpose. 19677 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF FORMATION of CLOVEBROOK LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/27/25. Office in Westchester 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, 158 West 29th Street, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 19433 j7-W f11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of FOUNDDING GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/06/2026. Office location: New York SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 399 ROUTE 10 SOMERS, NY, 10589. Purpose: Any lawful purpose 19665 Jan14 w Feb18

HOUSE OF DAE LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State SSNY 7/7/25. Office in NY Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC 228 Park Ave S#638557 New York NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 20346 Jan28 w Mar4

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OMG VENTURES, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 09/04/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 10 CUTTER MILL RD, STE 305, GREAT NECK, NY 11021. Purpose: Any Lawful 20038 j21-W f25

195 NORTHERN BLVD REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/07/26. 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 Fall Lane, Jericho, NY 11753. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 20371 j28-W m4

NEST 60 MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/23/2026. Office loc: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Hiralben Trivedi, 80 Palmer Lane, Thornwood, NY 10594. Purpose: Any lawful Purpose. 20373 j28-W m4

PAN AMERICAN HOLDINGS, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/20/2026. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 220 EAST 65TH ST, #C2, NEW YORK, NY 10019. Purpose: Any Lawful 20375 j28-W m4

PHANTOM CAPITAL BX LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/07/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 825 NORTHERN BLVD, STE 303, GREAT NECK, NY 11021. Purpose: Any Lawful 20381 j28-W m4

PHANTOM PARTNERS RE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/08/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 825 NORTHERN BLVD, STE 303, GREAT NECK, NY 11021. Purpose: Any Lawful 20382 j28-W m4

PROVISIONS OF OYSTER BAY HOLDINGS, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/01/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 198 E. MAJOR ST, OYSTER BAY, NY 11771. Purpose: Any Lawful 20387 j28-W m4

RANGE IS CRAZY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/16/26. 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, 2 Hillside Avenue, Suite F, Williston Park, NY 11596. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 20366 j28-W m4

STRATHMORE YORKVILLE HOLDINGS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/22/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 543 BROADWAY, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Purpose: Any Lawful 20398 j28-W m4

TO BUDDY WITH LOVE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/02/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1441 34TH APT. 5A, ASTORIA, NY 11106. Purpose: Any Lawful 20390 j28-W m4

166WANSER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/05/2026. 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, 540 Madison Ave, 26th Floor, NY, NY 10022. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19436 j7-W f11

GLOBAL FRONTIER GROUP, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/2

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1212 DEL CARIBE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/05/26. 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, 1212 Brook Avenue, Bronx, NY 10456. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 21011 f11-W m18

ATHEREZENDEZVOUS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/03/26. 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, c/o Brooke Leah Rose, 3000 Marcus Avenue, Suite 1W5, Lake Success, NY 11042. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 21009 f11-W m18

DEIRDRE L. YACK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/16/26. 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, 17 Park Ave, Malverne, NY 11565. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 21014 f11-W m18

FIND HOUSE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/14. 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, 160 East 88th Street, Suite 4C, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 21010 f11-W m18

FLYING DUTCHMAN HOUSING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/15/2025. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 124 Cunningham Avenue, Uniondale, NY 11553. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. f11-W m18

Laxmi Holdings LLC filed 11/10/25. Cty: New York. SSNY design. for process & shall mail to: c/o Smith & Shapiro, 116 E 27th St, 3rd Fl, NY, NY 10016. Purp: any lawful. f11-W m18

STEALZWITBHC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/05/2026. 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, 399 Broadway, Bethpage, NY 11714. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 21001 f11-W m18

The Scouting Group NY LLC filed 1/30/26. Cty: New York. SSNY desig. for process & shall mail to: 895 Broadway, 4th Fl, NY, NY 10003. Purp: any lawful. 21003 f11-W m18

WHAT A FEELING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/17/25. 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, c/o Stephan Dweck, 15 Remsen Avenue, Roslyn, NY 11576, which also serves as the Registered Agent address. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 21007 f11-W m18

135 POST 3F LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/08/25. 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, 135 Roosevelt Avenue, Mineola, NY 11501. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 20646 f4-W m11

33 BALDWIN AVENUE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/01/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 3 ELM ST, LOCUST VALLEY, NY 11560. Purpose: Any Lawful 20643 f4-W m11

525 GUS DRIVE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 08/05/2025. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 11 POST AVE, EAST WILLISTON, NY 11596. Purpose: Any Lawful 20632 f4-W m11

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5 SPRUCE AVENUE LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/26/2026. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 78A BELMONT AVE, PLAINVIEW, NY 11803. Purpose: Any Lawful 20640 f4-W m11

AA KNOCKOUT LLC. Filed with SSNY on 01/30/2023. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 593 BROADWAY, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758. Purpose: Any Lawful 20637 f4-W m11

Notice of Formation of Belly NJ MSO LLC ("LLC") filed Arts. of Org. with NY Sec. of State ("SSNY") on 12/9/25. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail process to Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20941 F11 W M18

Notice of Formation of Belly NY MSO LLC ("LLC") filed Arts. of Org. with NY Sec. of State ("SSNY") on 12/9/25. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail process to Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20942 F11 W M18

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

CADRE INSURANCE SOLUTIONS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 03/20/2025. Formed in NJ on 10/04/2023. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1177 6TH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10036. NJ SOS: P.O. Box 307, Trenton, NJ 08625-0307. Purpose: any lawful 20624 f4-W m11

77 CHARLTON N11F LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed with SSNY 1/21/26, formed in DE 1/14/2026. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. DE address of LLC is c/o National registered Agents, Inc, 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 198801. Cty of New Castle. A copy of the Cert. of Form. on file with State of DE, Div. of Corp., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 20349 j28-W m4

ANNA WHITHAM COMPANY LLC. Filed with SSNY on 09/24/2025. Formed in MA on 01/26/2023. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 99 WASHINGTON AVE, STE 700, ALBANY, NY 12260. MA SOS: One Ashburton Place, 17th floor, Boston, MA 02108. Purpose: any lawful 20379 j28-W m4

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF KATHIL GROUP CARE TECH LLC. Application for authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/31/2025. Office location: Nassau County. LLC formed in Wyoming (WY) on 9/8/2025. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1309 Coffeen Ave, Ste 1200, Sheridan, WY 82801. Cert. of Formation filed with Secy. of State of WY, Herschler Building East, 122 West 25th St, Ste 101, Cheyenne, WY 82002. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20518 F04 W M11

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF AMTD HOTELS GROUP (USA) LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/07/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/19/25. 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. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 21017 Feb11 w Mar18

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NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Lawrence Weiner Remains, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/30/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE: 1/21/26. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc. (CGI), 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. DE address of LLC: c/o CGI, 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 20899 Feb11 w Mar18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Lawrence Weiner Studio, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/30/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE: 1/21/26. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc. (CGI), 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. DE address of LLC: c/o CGI, 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 20894 Feb11 w Mar18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF RUFF DRAFT PRODUCTIONS, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/02/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 08/19/15. 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. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State of the State of DE, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Production. 21006 Feb11 w Mar18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of OneFineStay Travel, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/27/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 160 18th St, Ste. 500, Denver, CO 80202. LLC formed in DE: 4/7/17. NY 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. DE addr. of LLC: 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 20598 Feb4 w Mar11

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF TWOSIX8 LLC. App. for auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/30/2025. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Wyoming (WY) on 6/9/2025. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Firstbase Registered Agent Inc., 447 Broadway, 2nd Fl #187, New York, NY 10013. Cert. of Formation filed with Secy. of State of WY, Herschler Building East, 122 West 25th St, Ste 101, Cheyenne, WY 82002. Purpose: any lawful activity. 19694 J14 W F18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of 250 Water Street Owner LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 12/26. Office location: New York County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 8/7/25. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 19 W. 24 St, Fl. 12, NY, NY 10010. DE address of LLC: 108 W. 13th St, Ste 100, Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St, Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. 20027 j21-W f25

NOTICE OF QUAL. of BO DOREC MEZZANINE LENDER LLC. Auth. filed with SSNY on 01/23/2026. Office location: NEW YORK. LLC formed in DE on 01/22/2026. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: 600 MAMARONECK AVENUE, #400, HARRISTON, NY, UNITED STATES, 10528. Arts. of Org. filed with DE SOS, 401 Federal St. Ste 3, Dover, DE 19901. Any lawful purpose. 20342 Jan28 w Mar4

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NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of 50 Riverside 7A LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/21/2025. Office location: New York County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 06/03/2025. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Susanna Kim, Withers Bergman LLP, 430 Park Ave., 10th Fl., New York, NY 10022. Address required to be maintained in DE: 9 East Loockerman St., Ste. 311, Dover, DE 19901. Arts of Org. filed with the DE Secy of State, Division of Corporations, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 20019 j21-W f25

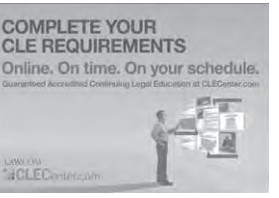
NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of JONATHAN PAINTING SERVICE, LLC. Application for authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/2025. Office loc: New York County. LLC formed in Connecticut (CT) on 6/23/2014. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 51 East Ave, Norwalk, CT 06851. Cert. of LLC filed with Secy. of State of CT loc: 165 Capitol Ave, Ste 1000, Hartford, CT 06106. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 19673 J21 W F25

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of BLANTYRE CAPITAL US LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/24/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/21/18. Princ. office of LLC: 125 Park Ave., 25th Fl., Ste. 2507, NY, NY 10017. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: c/o CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of the State of DE, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19637 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of DGI HOLDCO LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/05/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/14/25. 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. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 3, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19671 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Havenly Communities LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/6/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE: 4/6/23. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 99 University Pl., Ste. 204, NY, NY 10003, principal business address. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 19690 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of JBGs Employee Company, L.L.C. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/11/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE: 2/23/17. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc. (CGI), 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. DE address of LLC: CGI, 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 19695 Jan14 w Feb18



LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of JBG SMITH Management Services, L.L.C. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/1/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE: 2/5/18. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Cogency Global Inc. (CGI), 122 E. 42nd St., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10168. DE address of LLC: CGI, 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 19693 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of NOMUR CO-MERCIAL ASSET DEPOSITOR COMPANY LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/29/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/29/25. 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. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19638 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of NW 175 WEST JACKSON LENDER LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/31/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/30/25. Princ. office of LLC: 1700 Broadway, NY, NY 10019. 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. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with State of DE, Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19666 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of PS EP 25 LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/7/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 902 Carnegie Center Blvd., Ste. 520, Princeton, NJ 08540. LLC formed in DE: 10/14/25. NY 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. DE addr. of LLC: 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 19691 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of RESTORATION DOCTOR, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/17/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 10/05/17. Princ. office of LLC: 10400 NW 55th St., Ste. 100, Sunrise, FL 33351. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Davidoff Hutcher & Citron LLP, 605 Third Ave., NY, NY 10158. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State of the State of FL, FL Dept. of State, Div. of Corps., P.O. Box 6000, Tallahassee, FL 32314-0600. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19639 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of SoHo Retail Portfolio 113 Spring Street LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/05/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/31/25. Princ. office of LLC: 233 S. Wacker Dr., Ste. 4700, Chicago, IL 60606. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: c/o CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19669 Jan14 w Feb18

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NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Invisia Group LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/16/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE: 11/25/25. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 606 W. 57th St., NY, NY 10019, principal business address. DE address of LLC: 16192 Coastal Hwy., Lewes, DE 19958. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 20312 Jan28 w Mar4

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of NewEdge Securities, L.P.C. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/16/2026. Office location: NY County. LLC registered in PA: 12/14/1981. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. PA and principal business address: 1251 Waterfront Pl., Ste. 510, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. Cert. of Reg. filed with PA Sec. of the Commonwealth, 401 North St., Rm. 302, Harrisburg, PA 17120. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 20315 Jan28 w Mar4

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of NewEdge Wealth, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/16/26. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 1251 Waterfront Pl., Ste. 510, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. LLC formed in DE: 2/4/20. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 20314 Jan28 w Mar4

NOTICE OF QUAL. of BO MORENT MEZZANINE LENDER LLC. Auth. filed with SSNY on 01/23/2026. Office location: NEW YORK. LLC formed in DE on 01/22/2026. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: 600 MAMARONECK AVENUE, #400, HARRISTON, NY, UNITED STATES, 10528. Arts. of Org. filed with DE SOS, 401 Federal St, Ste 3, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 20341 Jan28 w Mar4

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Penny Linn Manhattan LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/16/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 450 W. 14th St., NY, NY 10014. LLC formed in DE: 12/11/25. NY 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, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. DE addr. of LLC: 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 19382 Jan7 w Feb11

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of M Partners, L.P. Certificate filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/23/2026. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 1677 Robert St., New Orleans, LA 70115. Sec. of State designated agent of LP 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. Name/addr. of genl. ptr. available from NY Sec. of State. Term: until 12/31/2036. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 20595 Feb4 w Mar11

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NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of BLACKSTONE TACTICAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND (SOUTHGATE CO-INVEST) (CYM) L.P. Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/02/26. Office location: NY County. LP formed in Cayman Islands (C.I.) on 12/18/25. Princ. office and C.I. addr. of LP is: Maples Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309, Ugland House, Grand Cayman, C.I. KY1-1104. Duration of LP is Perpetual. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Name and addr. of each general partner are available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with Registrar of Exempted Limited Partnerships of the C.I., 133 Elgin Ave, George Town, Grand Cayman, C.I. KY1-9000. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 21012 Feb11 w Mar18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of BLACKSTONE VOLTRON CO-INVEST L.P. Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/16/26. Office location: NY County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 08/19/25. Princ. office of LP: 345 Park Ave., NY, NY 10154. Duration of LP is Perpetual. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the Partnership, c/o Blackstone Inc. at the princ. office of the LP. Name and addr. of each general partner are available from SSNY. DE addr. of LP: Corporation Service Co., 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of LP filed with Secy. of State of DE, Charuni Patibanda Sanchez, 401 Federal St., Ste. 3, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 21008 Feb11 w Mar18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of TERMINAL F&B TRS (CAFE) LP Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/30/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 01/28/26. NYS fictitious name: TERMINAL F&B TRS (CAFE) L.P. Duration of LP is Perpetual. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Name and addr. of each general partner are available from SSNY. DE addr. of LP: c/o CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of LP filed with Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 21002 Feb11 w Mar18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of TERMINAL F&B TRS (CASUAL) LP Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/30/26. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 01/28/26. NYS fictitious name: TERMINAL F&B TRS (CASUAL) L.P. Duration of LP is Perpetual. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Name and addr. of each general partner are available from SSNY. DE addr. of LP: c/o CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of LP filed with Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 20999 Feb11 w Mar18

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