

IN BRIEF

Judge Cuts Ex-DOJ Official From Maduro's Defense, Saying a Lawyer 'Cannot Appoint Himself'

A New York federal judge formally cut a Reagan-era prosecutor and legal commentator from Nicolás Maduro's defense team, observing that the attorney "cannot appoint himself" to defend the ousted leader.

U.S. District Judge Alvin Hellerstein said there was reason to accept Bruce Fein's request to represent Maduro, after Fein admitted he was neither retained by Maduro, nor Barry Pollack, Maduro's actual attorney.

"Fein's application to join the defense team has no legal basis. Unnamed persons cannot appoint counsel; only a defendant can do so," Hellerstein wrote in a succinct Monday order. "Fein cannot appoint himself to represent Maduro."

Neither Fein nor Pollack immediately responded to requests for comment.

Fein had entered an appearance for Maduro and applied pro hac vice to practice before the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. Hellerstein had initially accepted those requests, only for Pollack to inform the court that neither he, nor Maduro, had retained Fein.

After Pollack's swift rebuke, Fein told the court that he had been approached by members "credibly" within Maduro's inner circle or family. He didn't identify those individuals to the court and didn't respond to questions from Law.com and the New York Law Journal seeking that information.

In an apparent attempt to salvage the situation, Fein urged Hellerstein to arrange an in-camera meeting where Maduro could be directly asked if wished to retain Fein. The judge also rejected that request.

"There is no reason to bring Maduro into court in order to ask him in camera if he would like to add Fein to his defense team, as Fein requests. If Maduro wishes to retain Fein, he has the ability to do so," the judge wrote.

Fein had been an associate deputy attorney general for the Reagan administration in the 1980s. Since then, Fein has been better known for his legal commentary, with his last

known high-level representation being that of Lonnie Snowden, the father of whistleblower Edward Snowden.

The drug-trafficking case against Maduro is being closely watched by observers all over the world, with the defense expected to focus on Maduro's status as a foreign sovereign and the legalities of the military operation that seized him. The U.S. doesn't recognize Maduro as the lawful president of Venezuela.

—Alyssa Aquino

CFPB Withdraws Biden-Era Guidance on Immigration Status in Lending

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau on Monday withdrew a Biden-era statement warning against overbroad use of immigration status in lending denials, a move that critics said continues the Trump administration's retreat from fair lending enforcement.

The Equal Credit Opportunity Act prevents lending discrimination based on an individual's immutable characteristics like race, sex and national origin but explicitly allows lenders to consider immigration status in a loan application. But a 2023 joint statement from the CFPB and the U.S. Department of Justice under the Biden administration stated that blanket loan denials based on citizenship or immigration status could lead to unlawful discriminatory practices.

The Biden administration's statement discouraged lenders from seeking relevant information about a borrower's residency status, the CFPB stated in its withdrawn guidance.

"For decades, ECOA regulations have permitted lenders to consider a borrower's lawful residence status and other information necessary to protect their rights and remedies with respect to repayment," acting CFPB Director Russell Vought said in a statement. "We are correcting the last administration's attempt to ignore these well-accepted and common-sense principles of

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Second Circuit Upholds Gun Ban In Times Square and Subways

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Lawmakers Aim To Seek Special Master To Oversee Epstein Files Production

BY EMILY SAUL

THE LAWMAKERS who co-sponsored the Epstein Files Transparency Act are asking a judge to allow them to appear amici curiae in Ghislaine Maxwell's case and appoint a special master, alleging the Department of Justice has failed to comply with the Act as it works to unseal documents in the matter.

Counsel for U.S. Representatives Ro Khanna, D-California, and Thomas Massie, R-Kentucky, on Tuesday sought leave to urge the judge to appoint a special master and an independent monitor

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Thomas Massie and Ro Khanna

Client Prep, Unusual Defense Tactic Helped Attorneys Secure \$19 Million Verdict for Construction Injury

BY EMILY SAUL

WHEN Alen Begonja fell from a ladder while working construction at Chelsea Piers in Manhattan in 2020, the resulting brain injury left him with "crippling anxiety," his attorney Helina Manesis said.

Despite that challenge, Begonja was able to testify at trial and in December was awarded more than \$19 million in damages by a Manhattan jury.

Manesis, a partner at Zaremba Brown, said her client made it through his necessary testimony with careful preparation and slow, calm examination.

"It had a lot to do with tone and using the documents to really take it out of [Begonja's] hands," she explained. "You're talking about somebody who doesn't remember falling, you're talking about somebody who doesn't remember the treatment he's had."

"It may be a little boring for the jury, but it felt like the only way to keep the plaintiff calm

Hochul's State of the State Promises Crackdown on Auto Insurance Fraud

BY BRIAN LEE

NEW YORK Gov. Kathy Hochul's fifth State of the State address on Tuesday pledged a full-on attack on auto insurance scams, hoping to reduce the Empire State's nation-leading rates of \$336 monthly, a result of what the Democrat said is "rampant fraud and runaway litigation."

In a policy message that stressed making New York more affordable, Hochul said her administration had identified fraud as a major driver of elevated auto insurance premiums, with staged crashes allowing for "jackpot" payouts from insurance companies or juries.

"When the system allows out-of-control payouts, the costs are passed onto you in the form of higher monthly premium bills," she said during her nearly hour-long address at the Empire State Plaza in Albany.

"We're putting the brakes on fraud, branding a system that rewards illegal behavior," she added. "If you are driving drunk, driving without a license, or committing a felony at the time of the crash, you should not get a payday. This is about finally standing up for



Gov. Kathy Hochul delivers her 2026 State of the State Address on Tuesday in Albany.

millions of New York drivers who deserve a break."

Hochul's remarks from the Empire State Plaza drew strong criticism from the state's personal-injury bar, which suggested Hochul's plan would let Big Insurance off the hook.

Her administration said there were 1,729 staged crashes in 2023—the latest stats available—ranking New York second-highest in the nation in the dubious category.

Judge Dismisses Lawsuit Blaming KuCoin, Chainalysis for Hack Losses

BY MICHAEL A. MORA

A NEW YORK federal court dismissed on Monday a proposed class action that sought to hold a cryptocurrency exchange and a blockchain analytics firm liable for hackers' theft of digital assets, rejecting a theory to extend anti-money-laundering lapses into civil RICO liability.

In the 31-page memorandum opinion and order, U.S. District Judge Gregory H. Woods of the Southern District of New York ruled that investors who lost crypto in hacks failed to plausibly allege that the defendants, the exchange KuCoin and the firm Chainalysis Inc., proximately caused their injuries under the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act.

Florida resident Sophia Reca and Puerto Rico resident James Supples alleged that unknown bad actors stole millions of dollars in cryptocurrency from their accounts and routed portions of the stolen

insurance carriers reported a record high of 38,270 incidents of suspected motor vehicle insurance fraud in 2023 to a state regulatory watchdog, the Department of Financial Services.

Hochul vowed to take a "whole-of-government" approach to cracking down, galvanizing the state's Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention Board to "zealously" probe and prosecute fraud across the state.

The governor's plan

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loot through KuCoin, a crypto exchange. The plaintiffs sued KuCoin and subsequently added Chainalysis, a vendor that supplied KuCoin with cryptocurrency-tracing software.

The investors alleged that KuCoin and Chainalysis enabled the laundering of the stolen cryptocurrency through their failure to adequately implement know-your-customer and anti-money laundering safeguards, depriving them of the ability to trace and potentially recover their assets on the blockchain.

And in the ruling, Woods largely agreed with the report

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Judge Woods

Online

★ The Southern District decision is posted at [nylj.com](https://www.nylj.com).

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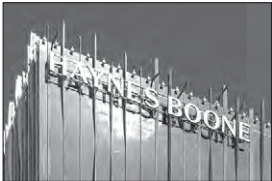
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Justices Hear Big Oil’s Effort To Fight Environmental Claims in Federal Court

BY JIMMY HOOVER
WASHINGTON, D.C.

A CLOSELY guarded U.S. Supreme Court on Monday considered a request from Chevron and other oil companies to allow them in federal court as they fight claims from a Louisiana parish that Big Oil's crude production harmed coastal lands.

The justices were at times receptive and at other times skeptical of the companies' argument that they should be allowed to defend the cases in federal court under a law typically invoked by federal officers.

The case is the latest test at the high court involving potential civil liability for federal contractors.

The oil companies say they have reason to fear facing a state jury in the cases after similar litigation resulted in a state court judgment

of nearly \$750 million. Louisiana says the lawsuit involves a straightforward matter of state liability and should be heard by the "experts" in the state's own judiciary.

At issue in the case is the massive amount of crude oil the companies produced in Louisiana around the time of World War II in order to fulfill their contracts with the U.S. government to supply high-octane aviation fuel used in the war effort.

The state has argued—and a lower federal appeals court agreed—that the U.S. government merely contracted for refined avgas, and not the companies' allegedly environmentally destructive crude oil production. In fact, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit said the government gave the companies' "complete latitude" to forgo crude production and even procure it on the open market to fulfill the avgas contracts.

The companies' attorney, veteran high-court lawyer Paul Clement, urged the the justices to "remove," or transfer, the cases to federal court, under the removal law, 28 U.S.C. §1442(a)(1).

That law, amended by Congress in 2011, establishes federal court jurisdiction over claims against federal contractors "relating to any act under color of [the U.S. government]."

Clement said the words "related to" are "capacious" and have "substantial breadth" and should therefore be read to include the necessary aspect of the production supply, i.e., crude oil. Without that production, "the federal government's efforts, the war effort, would have suffered," added Clement, of Clement & Murphy.

But several justices wanted to understand the limit of Clement's argument. Justice Clarence Thomas wondered "how far upstream" in a



The oil companies' attorney, veteran high-court lawyer **Paul Clement**, urged the justices to remove the cases brought by a Louisiana parish to federal court.

supply chain could a company seek to take advantage of the removal statute to extract a case from state court litigation.

Chief Justice John Roberts Jr. agreed the words "related to" are "very broad" but voiced concern about recognizing a limitless "butterfly effect" of cause and effect.

Assistant to the U.S. Solicitor General Aaron Roper said courts would be able to use their common sense to weed out overly attenuated removal claims by contractors. The federal government is supporting the companies' efforts to move the litigation to federal court.

Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson noted that Congress only added

the words "related to" in the statute through a "conforming amendment" and pointed to legislative history suggesting that lawmakers were not seeking to change the test for when a contractor can take advantage of the federal removal statute.

Louisiana Solicitor General Benjamin Aguiñaga, seeking to have the cases remain in state court, said the justices should ignore claims that allowing the litigation to proceed would end federal contracting "as we know it" or hamstring the federal government's efforts to contract during times of war or national crises.

"I think you should take the rhetoric from lawyers' pens for what it is," Aguiñaga said.

Justice Samuel Alito Jr. did not participate in Monday's hearing in light of a financial conflict of interest.

The Supreme Court is expected to announce its decision by July.

The case is *Chevron USA v. Plaquemines Parish*, No. 24-813.

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Monsanto Moves To Dismiss Most Roundup Lawsuits in New Jersey: ‘No Connection to New Jersey Whatsoever’

BY AMANDA BRONSTAD

BAYER'S Monsanto moved to dismiss nearly 90 Roundup lawsuits in a newly formed New Jersey state court docket based primarily on jurisdictional grounds.

Bayer, which opposed the designation of Roundup lawsuits in New Jersey as Multicounty Litigation, claims plaintiffs who live in other states do not have jurisdiction to sue in New Jersey.

"These plaintiffs are residents of states other than New Jersey who were injured outside of New Jersey," Stephen Matthews, of DLA Piper in Short Hills, New Jersey, wrote in Bayer's dismissal motion last month. "Accordingly, these plaintiffs have no basis for asking this court to assert personal jurisdiction over Monsanto and Bayer CropScience LP, which are not citizens of New Jersey."

Both companies are registered in Delaware and are based in Missouri. Bayer AG is based in Germany.

On Tuesday, lead plaintiffs' counsel called the motion "meritless," insisting that the nerve center of Bayer's U.S. operations is based in Whippany, New Jersey, where it has a "permanent, established corporate presence in New Jersey—a dedicated facility serving



Bayer's Monsanto moved to dismiss 89 of the 121 Roundup lawsuits in New Jersey state courts, citing jurisdictional problems.

as the operational headquarters for the entire Bayer Group's U.S. glyphosate business."

"Defendants are attempting to escape accountability in the very state where, based on their own public records, they now direct their entire U.S. Roundup operation," colead counsel Asim Badaruzzaman, of Sbaiti, in Newark, New Jersey, said in a statement. "Our opposition demonstrates that jurisdiction is proper on multiple independent grounds and that our clients' claims are meritorious. We look forward to vindicating the

rights of the thousands affected by Roundup exposure."

The New Jersey fight comes as Roundup trials are taking place in new jurisdictions, such as Georgia's Cobb County State Court, where a jury awarded \$2 billion last year, and Florida's Broward Circuit Court, where the first trial is planned within three months. Monsanto also has a pending petition before the U.S. Supreme Court to decide whether state law claims alleging it failed to warn about Roundup's ingredient, glyphosate, and its link to non-Hodgkin

lymphoma are preempted by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act. Last month, U.S. Solicitor General D. John Sauer supported Monsanto's petition, which seeks to overturn a \$1.25 million Roundup verdict in 2023 in Missouri's St. Louis City Circuit Court. In a supplemental brief, plaintiffs' attorney David Frederick, of Washington D.C.'s Kellogg, Hansen, Todd, Figel & Frederick, called the government's filing "incomplete and unpersuasive."

On Punitive Damages: ‘Clear Disregard for Human Lives’

Roundup cases were coordinated in state courts in California in 2018 and in Pennsylvania in 2022, and juries in both states have returned verdicts as large as \$2 billion, although many of those awards were reduced after trial.

The New Jersey Supreme Court created the Roundup docket last year, assigning Bergen County Superior Court Judge Gregg Padovano to the cases, which name five defendants: Monsanto Company, Bayer AG, Bayer CropScience, Bayer Corporation and Bayer U.S. On Nov. 24, Padovano appointed lead counsel: Badaruzzaman and Chantal Khalil Levy, of New York's Weitz & Luxenberg, as colead for the plaintiffs; and liaison counsel

Daniel Lapinski, of Motley Rice in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. He also named an executive committee: Jo Anna Pollock, of Simmons Hanly Conroy in Alton, Illinois; Lynne Kizis, of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer in Woodbridge, New Jersey; Alison Ashmore, of Rogge Dunn Group in Dallas; Jennifer Emmons, of Cohen, Placitella & Roth in Red Bank, New Jersey; and Christopher Schnieders, of Napoli Shkolnik in Overland Park, Kansas.

Monsanto filed its dismissal motion on Dec. 19.

"Monsanto is urging the court to dismiss all out-of-state plaintiffs as they have no connection to New Jersey whatsoever and the company is similarly not a citizen of the state," Bayer said in a statement. "We are also asking the court to narrow the remaining claims to align with applicable state product liability law, and dismiss the plaintiffs' request for punitive damages, as they have failed to allege facts to support the requisite level of intent to support these damages."

The motion argued that plaintiffs in 89 of the 121 Roundup lawsuits lacked jurisdiction to sue in New Jersey state courts, citing, in part, the U.S. Supreme Court's 2017 decision in Bristol-Myers Squibb v. Superior Court, which concluded that out-of-state plaintiffs suing in California state courts over Plavix

had not established specific jurisdiction over the cases because there wasn't enough of a connection between their claims and New York-based Bristol-Myers.

Bayer's motion also sought to toss most of the 13 claims in a Nov. 26 master complaint as subsumed by the New Jersey Products Liability Act, plus punitive damages, because plaintiffs "have failed to allege facts to support that defendants acted with the requisite level of intent to support punitive damages."

In this week's response, lead plaintiffs' attorneys pushed back on those arguments.

"Having made a calculated decision to access this state's markets and legal protections, defendants cannot now disclaim the reciprocal obligation to answer for their conduct in New Jersey's courts," Badaruzzaman wrote. "If this court declines to exercise jurisdiction, plaintiffs would be forced to sue in Delaware or Missouri—states with no connection to where the wrongful conduct was directed and controlled—while the actual decision-makers in New Jersey remain beyond reach."

As to punitive damages, he added, "Plaintiffs identify defendants' decades-long schemes to manipulate the science, and deceive regulators and the public, to deliberately hide the cancerous effects of Roundup exposure to maximize their profits in a clear disregard for human lives."

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Lateral Activity From ‘Perfect Storm’ of Market Factors Expected To Surge in 2026

BY ABIGAIL ADCOX
WASHINGTON, D.C.

LAW FIRMS and recruiters are already seeing a surge in the new year in lateral movement and lateral hiring appetite among firms in Washington, D.C. A string of law firm mergers, the Trump administration's upcoming one-year mark and midterm elections later in the year will all help to create a "perfect storm" of lateral activity in 2026, industry observers say.

Already, several law firms have kicked off hiring in the nation's capital in 2026, including Cooley; Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr; Gibson Dunn & Crutcher; Baker Botts; Barnes & Thornburg; Paul Hastings; and DLA Piper. Meanwhile, litigation boutiques with Big Law alums continue to launch.

"We think 2026 is going to be on fire, and we have a number of partners who are just getting ready to give notice and start at their new firms in the very, very near future, and we're seeing that all across the country," said Jeffrey Lowe, a D.C.-based recruiter at CenterPeak. "Like the end of 2025, firms are going to be extremely aggressive in their lateral partner hiring."

Amy Savage, a D.C.-based recruiter at Garrison & Sisson,



Merger activity and continued departures from the Trump administration are likely to drive attorney movement in D.C. this year.

echoed that she is already seeing a surge in demand for laterals, predicting 2026 might be a record year in terms of lateral hiring.

Law firm combinations, in particular, will drive some activity, as attorneys whose practices don't quite fit with the combined firms look for the exit, recruiters said. "The law firm merger mania will drive a lot of lateral movement; any time firms merge, there is duplication of expertise as well as conflicts that arise," Savage said.

Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft and Hogan Lovells announced in December that they intend to merge, creating Hogan Lovells Cadwalader, with the firms aiming to complete their combination and launch on July 1, 2026. Perkins Coie and Ashurst, meanwhile, announced in November that they plan to merge to create Ashurst Perkins Coie, with completion expected by mid-year. And Winston & Strawn and Taylor Wessing's UK-led business announced last month their intention to combine.

Justine Donahue, managing director of Macrae's D.C. office, noted that fallout from mergers tends to be earlier on.

"Often it's on the early side of [mergers], you'll start to see the shakeout," said Donahue. "And then a lot of times too, there are guarantees in place that lock people in for a couple of years. So that fallout can come years after a pretty significant merger, and so people sort of keep their eyes on that too."

Prior to the merger announcement with Hogan Lovells, Cadwalader saw about 35 partner departures over the course of 2025 and lost a group of 37 attorneys to Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe in October amid news of its merger talks.

Trump Admin Exits

In addition to merger activity spurring lateral movement, the Trump administration's one-year mark will further prompt some lateral hiring, as government attorneys head for the exit, recruiters say.

It follows a year that saw record departures from the federal government and massive hiring by Big Law firms of those government attorneys. The number of govern-

ment attorneys who moved to law firm offices in the Washington, D.C., and Northern Virginia region in the first 10 months of 2025 rose by more than 225%, compared with the same period in 2024, as Law.com reported.

Even after the record hiring, some law firms still have an appetite for government laterals because they want talent with connections with the Trump administration to further boost their regulatory and corporate practices. Meanwhile, government attorneys are aiming to leverage their experiences after a year in the Trump administration.

"It is a perfect storm of factors, and we are going to see significant movement. On the attorney side, some government lawyers have gained a critical mass of relevant experience that is concrete, current, and translates into value for firm clients," said Savage. "On the law firm side, they have had a year to integrate some of the people they have hired from government. They have also had a year to see what direction the administration is going to go. There is more certainty about which practice areas are going to remain busy and active, and firms are ready and willing to invest."

Right now, firms are focusing their hiring efforts within practices

that are in high demand under the Trump administration.

Trade, national security, anti-trust, health care and private equity are a few of the in-demand practice areas that firms are focusing their hiring efforts on in the D.C. market, recruiters said.

"[Firms] have a good sense for where the administration is going, and firms are adjusting their business plans to meet those needs," said Lowe.

For some firms, that has meant shifting the type of workload that certain attorneys are focused on within their regulatory practices. For instance, some firms have white-collar defense attorneys who previously handled Foreign Corrupt Practice Act cases and are now handling False Claims Act cases, following the Trump administration's actions to weaken FCPA enforcement.

"Regulatory groups and practices are pivoting," Donahue said.

Firms are also keeping in mind how the outcome of the midterm elections this November could change the dynamics in Washington and what that could mean for certain practices, including congressional investigations.

"We're heading straight into a midterm election in November, where there's anticipation that at least the House [of

Expert Analysis

PATENT AND TRADEMARK LAW

Why AI & Computing Innovators Should Reevaluate Patent Portfolio Strategies

In the early 2000s, following the Federal Circuit’s 1998 decision in *State Street Bank v. Signature Financial Group*, the floodgates opened to patenting computing inventions. Those floodgates were abruptly closed in the wake of the Supreme Court’s decisions in *In Re Bilski* in 2010 and *Alice Corp. v. CLS Bank* in 2014, after which the landscape of subject matter eligibility under 35 U.S.C. §101 has presented difficult challenges for innovators, particularly those in emerging computing fields such as artificial intelligence (AI).

However, recent actions by United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Director John Squires, who in 2025 assumed the role as the 60th Director of the USPTO, signal a significant shift back toward a more patentee-friendly environment. This shift presents an opportunity for innovators to reconsider patent protection for AI and other leading-edge computing inventions, which previously may have been rejected under Section 101 as directed to unpatentable subject matter.

Background: Patent Eligibility Under 35 U.S.C. §101

35 U.S.C. §101 acts as a threshold inquiry defining what types of inventions are eligible for patent protection. Pursuant to Section 101, patent protection is limited to processes, machines, manufactures, and compositions of matter. However, to prevent the monopolization of “basic tools of scientific and technological work,” the Supreme Court has carved out three judicial exceptions to these otherwise patent-eligible categories: abstract ideas, laws of nature, and natural phenomena. See *Alice Corp. Pty. Ltd. v. CLS Bank Int’l*, 573 U.S. 208, 216 (2014). The Court has

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emphasized that an invention is not *per se* ineligible for patent protection simply for incorporating a judicial exception. Instead, claims which recite a judicial exception, but contain additional elements that amount to “significantly more” than the judicial exception itself, are still patent-eligible.

In recent years, AI and other advanced technologies have often been considered “mathematical algorithms” or “mental processes,” both of which were deemed to fall into the patent-ineligible category

These voluntary submissions made by applicants during examination of patent applications could be used to introduce factual evidence to support the eligibility of their claims.

of abstract ideas. As a result, many companies in this space have opted not to bother seeking patent protection for these types of inventions, but instead have made the strategic decision to instead seek to protect these inventions as trade secrets.

The History of Subject Matter Eligibility Declarations

In 2018, the Federal Circuit held in *Berkheimer v. HP, Inc.* that whether a patent claim element is “well-understood, routine, and conventional” (as part of the Section 101 analysis) is a question of fact. *Berkheimer v. HP, Inc.*, 881 F.3d 1360, 1368 (Fed. Cir. 2018). Following this decision, the USPTO issued a memorandum explicitly instructing patent examiners that they must provide factual support

if they assert a claim element was “routine.” This implicitly opened the door for applicants to submit evidence of facts to the contrary. Thereafter, in 2019, the USPTO issued revised guidance regarding patent subject matter eligibility. USPTO, *October 2019 Update: Subject Matter Eligibility*. That revised guidance further solidified the procedure, noting that under MPEP Section 2106.07, applicants could submit evidence under 37 CFR 1.132 to traverse Section 101 rejections. As a result, subject matter eligibility declarations (SMEDs) became somewhat more popular. These voluntary submissions made by applicants during examination of patent applications could be used to introduce factual evidence to support the eligibility of their claims. However, even now, SMEDs have been underutilized, and practitioners have primarily relied on attorney argument to combat subject matter eligibility rejections made under Section 101. In contrast, SMEDs provide the advantage of introducing perhaps more persuasive objective evidence, such as expert testimony, performance data, and trade publications, to establish that a patent claim includes additional elements which amount to “significantly more” than one of the three judicial exceptions to eligible subject matter.

The 2025 Subject Matter Eligibility Declaration Memos

On Dec. 4, 2025, Director Squires published two memoranda focused on SMEDs: one directed to patent examiners and another setting forth best practices for patent practitioners. John Squires, Subject Matter Eligibility Declarations, (Examiner memo); John Squires, *Best Practices for Submission of Rule 132 Subject Matter Eligibility Declarations (SMEDs)*, (practitioner memo). These memos encourage the use of SMEDs to proactively address and overcome rejections based on subject matter ineligibility. This initiative, along with other pro-patentee measures taken by Director Squires, under-

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COVID Brought Unexpected Efficiencies In Tax Certiorari Proceedings

The COVID-19 pandemic required New York’s court system to modify longstanding practices in the management of litigation in order to maintain operations while addressing public health concerns. These adjustments occurred against the backdrop of an already strained judicial system, particularly as it addressed high-volume, high-specialization fields of law such as tax certiorari.

Before 2020, courts throughout New York State faced significant backlogs driven by increasing case-loads and constitutional limitations on the number of Supreme Court justices per judicial district. Those constraints remain the subject of ongoing reform efforts, including proposals such as the Uncap Justice Act. Regardless of the outcome of such initiatives, the Unified Court System continues to emphasize the timely and fair resolution of matters as a core institutional objective.

Many of the procedural and technological changes adopted during the pandemic have proven effective beyond their original purpose. In tax certiorari proceedings in particular, these changes have improved efficiency without diminishing substantive review or due process. There remains a long way to go before tax certiorari might be viewed as efficacious, but it is improving.

Several aspects unique to tax certiorari practice have made it particularly well suited to the approaches adopted by many courts throughout New York State, resulting in more efficient use of both attorney and court resources. As discussed below, the relatively small number of practitioners who devote a significant portion of their practice to representing municipalities or aggrieved taxpayers, combined with the fact that many property owners hold portfolios spanning multiple jurisdictions, historically led to significant and inefficient travel time. Today, that

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time is far better spent actively managing and moving cases than driving for hours to and from the courthouse, looking for parking, and waiting unproductively the better part of the morning for what is often an appearance that lasts a few minutes.

The benefits of these changes are evident in the markedly shorter

Remote appearances have allowed courts to obtain the same information needed for effective case management while reducing logistical burdens that have nothing to do with the substance of a proceeding.

case turnaround times compared to the pre-pandemic period, when it was not uncommon for matters to remain unresolved for more than five years. Such prolonged cases are now rare and typically result from unusual intervening factors such as appeals to another level of the court. Virtual court appearances have proven effective in keeping matters moving forward, allowing courts to closely monitor progress and promptly address issues as they arise.

These issues often include conflicting property information—such as discrepancies in building measurements—or, most commonly, the timely engagement of qualified and suitable expert appraisers who are willing to take on the extreme burdens of a tax certiorari appraisal in comparison to more lucrative and less demanding work such as

mortgage appraisals. Given the rapidly shrinking pool of appraisers with the requisite experience in tax certiorari matters, many of whom are already overburdened with existing assignments, coordination of experts is essential but more of a challenge than ever before.

Remote Appearances in Tax Certiorari Proceedings

The widespread use of virtual appearances by videoconference and telephone was implemented rapidly in 2020 and has since become a routine feature of the vast majority of tax certiorari practice throughout much of the state. As with most civil matters, tax certiorari proceedings are venued in Supreme Court, but their administration varies by county.

In Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester, and the boroughs of New York City, tax certiorari cases are generally assigned to a single judge or dedicated part. These are not specialized tax courts in the statutory sense, and judges assigned to these matters typically handle other categories of civil litigation as well.

In contrast, counties such as Albany, Monroe, and Erie assign tax certiorari cases “off the wheel,” distributing them among multiple civil part judges. In both models, courts must manage tax matters alongside a wide range of other cases, often under significant case-load pressure.

Case Volume and Calendar Management

The volume of tax certiorari filings in certain counties is substantial. Nassau County regularly calls initial calendars consisting of hundreds of newly filed cases multiple times per year. Westchester County, which has among the highest effective property tax rates in the state, experiences a similarly high volume of annual filings.

It is common for multiple filing years relating to a single property to remain pending simultaneously. The limited number of appraisers and attorneys, as well as short-staffed assessors’

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Deal Watch

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Among other big deals since Jan. 1, there were at least five announced deals over \$1 billion, though with no announced mega-deals (over \$10 billion), which is a change of pace from 2025. There were at least 400 debt offerings over \$500 million.

Deals

The information regarding the deals below was derived exclusively from Law.com Radar.

OneStream Inc., an enterprise financial management platform that unifies financial and operational data with AI, has agreed to be acquired by Hg, an investor in software, services, and data businesses. The all-cash transaction values OneStream at approximately \$6.4 billion in equity value. OneStream was represented by Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. London-based Hg Capital was advised by a Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom team that included partners Sean Doyle and Blair Thetford. Jones Day counseled KKR & Co. in its capacity as the holder of a majority of OneStream’s voting power. The Jones Day team was led by partners Timothy Curry, Andrew Levine and Bret Stancil.

VistraCorp. has agreed to acquire Cogentrix Energy, consisting of 10 modern natural gas generation facilities totaling approximately 5,500 MW of capacity. Cogentrix is indirectly owned by funds managed by Quantum Capital Group. The transaction, announced on Jan. 5, is valued at approximately \$4 billion. Vistra was advised by Latham & Watkins; Sidley Austin; and Cleary

Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton. Cogentrix Energy was represented by King & Spalding.

Anheuser-Busch InBev SA/NV announced that it has exercised its right to reacquire the 49.9% minority stake in AB InBev’s U.S.-based metal container plants from a consortium of institutional investors led by affiliates of Apollo Global Management for approximately \$3 billion. Anheuser-Busch, based in Leuven, Belgium, was advised by a Sullivan & Cromwell team led by partners Francis Aquila, Matthew Goodman, and S. Eric Wang. Counsel information for Apollo was not immediately available.

Cable One Inc. has agreed to acquire all of the equity interests in Mega Broadband Investments Holdings for \$1.3 billion. Cable One was advised by a Cravath, Swaine & Moore team led by partners Matthew Ploszek and Joseph Zavaglia. Counsel information for Mega Broadband was not immediately available.

Eli Lilly has agreed to acquire Ventyx Biosciences, a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on immune-system diseases for about \$1.2 billion in cash. The deal is expected to close in the first half of 2026. Eli Lilly, based in Indianapolis, was advised by a Ropes & Gray team led by M&A partners Emily Oldshue and Michael Beauvais. Ventyx Biosciences, based in San Diego, was advised by Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. Jefferies LLC, lead financial adviser to Ventyx, was advised by a Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher team led by partners Ryan Murr and Sebastian Fain.

IPOs

PicS N.V., which operates a digital banking platform in Brazil, filed

with the SEC to raise up to \$500 million in an initial public offering. PicS, which is based in São Paulo, was advised by White & Case partners Donald Baker, John Guzman, and Karen Katri, as well as Loyens & Loeff and Pinheiro Neto Advogados. Citigroup and BofA Securities, as underwriters, were advised by Davis Polk & Wardwell partner Manuel Garciadiaz, as well as Linklaters.

Debt Offerings

The Central Bank of the Republic of Argentina was advised by Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton on a \$3 billion debt offering. The Cleary team included partner Ignacio Lagos and associate Martin Sasson.

Realty Income Corp., a commercial real estate investment company, announced a \$862.5 million aggregate principal convertible senior notes offering. San Diego-based Realty Income was advised by a Latham & Watkins capital markets team led by partners Darren Guttenberg and Lewis Kneib.

Simon Property Group announced an \$800 million aggregate principal notes offering. Indianapolis-based Simon Property was advised by a Latham & Watkins corporate team led by partners Julian Kleindorfer, Lewis Kneib and Jonathan Sarna.

Clearway Energy Operating, a subsidiary of Clearway Energy, announced a \$600 million aggregate principal senior notes offering. New York-based Clearway Energy was advised by Baker Botts partners Preston Bernhisel, Steve Marcus and Luke Weedon.

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Epstein Files

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to oversee mandatory document production. The Congressmen allege the DOJ has violated the law by so far releasing less than 1 percent of all files, despite the Act’s deadline of Dec. 19.

In an order docketed on Tuesday morning, U.S. District Court Judge Paul Engelmayer said he received an email from the lawmakers’ attorneys and ordered them to file their submissions on the public docket. Khanna and Massie last week announced they intended to contact the court.

“As the leads of the Epstein Files Transparency Act, we have urgent and grave concerns about DOJ’s failure to comply with the Act as well as the Department’s violations of this Court’s order,” the letter stated. “Put simply, the DOJ cannot be trusted with making mandatory disclosures under the Act.”

In a filing last week, Manhattan

U.S. Attorney Jay Clayton’s office told the court it was working to produce the files and had so far made published some 12,285 documents of the estimated 2 million online. Over 400 DOJ lawyers are working on the case, per the submission, including some 125 of the approximately 300 attorneys working at SDNY.

“Because these figures are self-reported and internally inconsistent with prior representations, there is reasonable suspicion that the DOJ has overstated the scope of responsive materials, thereby portraying compliance as unmanageable and effectively delaying disclosure,” the lawmakers wrote.

Maxwell, who is serving a 20-year sentence for sex trafficking, takes no position on the congressmen filing a brief, they told the judge.

Khanna and Massie are represented by Aaron Siri, Elizabeth Brehm and Sonia Jain of Siri & Glimstad.

Engelmayer has not yet ruled on the motion and directed pros-

ecutors to respond to the filing.

The judge asked prosecutors to address the implications of the motion, including whether or not Engelmayer has the authority to rule on whether or not DOJ is compliance with the Act.

Congress passed the Act in November, which required DOJ to make all files related to the prosecution of late sex offender Jeffrey Epstein public, with redactions to protect victim information.

Epstein died by suicide while awaiting trial in 2019 in Manhattan and Maxwell, his longtime associate, was subsequently indicted and convicted in the SDNY for sex crimes.

Prior to the passage of the Act, the DOJ asked the federal judges overseeing the Epstein and Maxwell matters to unseal grand jury materials in each case. The judges first declined, but granted a second motion following the passage of the Act.

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KuCoin

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and recommendation issued in November by U.S. Magistrate Judge Sarah L. Cave. Woods rejected that two-phase injury theory and concluded that the alleged harm flowed from the initial theft, rather than any subsequent conduct by the defendants.

“Judge Cave properly concluded that ‘absent the bad actors’ theft, Plaintiffs would not have been in the position of needing to [track and] recover their cryptocurrency;” the court found in the memorandum opinion and order.

The court ruled that the complaint failed both prongs of RICO causation. First, the proximate cause was lacking because the plaintiffs’ theory required courts to look beyond the first step in the causal chain and speculate about intervening acts by third

parties. Second, but-for causation failed because the inability to track assets would not have existed without the theft itself.

The court’s ruling also rejected the plaintiffs’ attempt to characterize KuCoin, its affiliates and Chainalysis as a RICO enterprise because it was indistinguishable from the exchange’s ordinary business operations and lacked a separate organizational structure or common criminal purpose. The court wrote that this defect independently doomed the RICO claims.

The court also found that the claims against Chainalysis were weak because the plaintiffs failed to allege that the company committed even two predicate acts of racketeering. In addition, they conceded at oral argument that their theory against Chainalysis was stronger as a conspiracy claim than as a direct violation, an admission that proved fatal

once the underlying RICO claim collapsed.

Although the court adopted the report and recommendation in large part, it retained subject-matter jurisdiction over the plaintiffs’ state-law claims pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act. Still, the court dismissed the state-law claims against Chainalysis with prejudice and without leave to amend and those against KuCoin without prejudice with leave to amend.

David C. Silver, a partner at Silver Miller in Florida and lead attorney for the plaintiffs; Matthew L. Craner, a partner at A&O Shearman and lead attorney for KuCoin; and Alexander C. Drylewski and Lara A. Flath, partners at Skadden, Arps, Meagher & Flom and attorneys for Chainalysis, did not respond to requests for comment.

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Second Circuit Upholds Gun Ban In Times Square and Subways

BY ERIC TIRSCHWELL AND JANET CARTER

Sensitive places” restrictions on guns—laws that prohibit everyone, including concealed-carry permit holders, from entering specific places while armed—have been a key target of gun-rights litigants since the Supreme Court upended Second Amendment doctrine in *New York State Rifle & Pistol Ass’n v. Bruen*.

In the first two years after *Bruen*, many of those sensitive places challenges succeeded in front of district court judges. But once those cases reached the courts of appeals—and especially after the Court announced in *United States v. Rahimi* that some lower courts had been taking *Bruen* too far—the tide turned in favor of those restrictions.

A recent Second Circuit decision, *Frey v. City of New York*, is emblematic of the current approach. It relied on a robust historical tradition of banning firearms in “quintessentially crowded” public places to reject challenges to gun bans in two iconic (if not always beloved) features of our city: Times Square and the subway.

In *Bruen*, the Supreme Court struck down the approach to licensing concealed-carry permit holders that New York had used for almost a century. Faced with the possibility that far more people would be carrying in public under the more lenient standard for granting permits the Second Amendment now required, New York moved quickly to identify places where *nobody* should carry guns—places whose nature or uses made the presence of guns a

particular risk. The Concealed Carry Improvement Act generally prohibited guns from, among other places, “subway cars” and “the area commonly known as Times Square.” N.Y. Penal L. §265.01-e(2)(n), (t).

This effort was well-grounded in Second Amendment law. Ever since *District of Columbia v. Heller*, the decision that first recognized an individual right to arms unconnected to militia service, the Supreme Court has made clear that it cast no doubt on laws prohibiting guns in “sensitive places like schools and government buildings.” Then, in *Bruen*, the court added courthouses, legislative assemblies, and polling places to the list of places in which historical tradition supports banning guns.

The decision relied on a robust historical tradition of banning firearms in “quintessentially crowded” public places to reject challenges to gun bans in two iconic features of our city: Times Square and the subway.

Times Square, of course, is not a government building, and the subway is not a polling place. So the question the courts confronted in *Frey* was whether the government could justify its restriction either by analogy to any of the places the Supreme Court discussed, or by analogy to other strands of historical place-based restrictions.

The plaintiffs, who also challenged New York’s open-carry law, the requirement for a City-specific carry license, and the application of the public transit ban to MetroNorth, sought a preliminary injunction.

Judge Nelson Román in the Southern District concluded that the government likely would succeed in showing that its laws were consistent with history and

denied the plaintiffs’ motion, and their appeal landed in front of Judges Reena Raggi, Joseph Bianco, and Robert Sakc.

Judge Bianco wrote the opinion for a unanimous panel. He concluded that New York is likely to prevail in defending its location restrictions in light of the well-established tradition, identified in an earlier circuit decision, of “regulating firearms in public forums and quintessentially crowded places, enduring from medieval England to Reconstruction America and beyond.”

Upholding restrictions in Times Square and on the subway was “straightforward” under that principle. Times Square is “our modern-day, electrified, supersized equivalent of fairs, markets, and town squares of old,” and it “serves as a civic commons where thousands gather to exercise their fundamental democratic and First Amendment rights—to speak, demonstrate, and protest.” Our subway is “the place where millions of diverse New Yorkers and visitors stand elbow to elbow as they traverse the metropolis,” and once the train doors close, “riders are sealed within the slender metal tube.”

Judge Bianco’s evocative descriptions of Times Square and the New York City subway reflect the power these two places hold in our imaginations. They were on the Justices’ minds during oral argument in *Bruen*, too. Justice Elena Kagan asked whether it would be permissible for the state to ban guns on New York City subways; Justice Samuel Alito speculated about illegal guns there. Justice Amy Coney Barrett asked about Times Square on New Year’s Eve.

The lawyer for the individuals challenging New York’s law appeared well aware of the force these examples held, saying “I suppose I could give away the subway” on behalf of his clients because they lived in Rensselaer County, not Manhattan, and suggesting that prohibiting guns from Times Square on New Year’s Eve could be a reasonable time, place, and manner restriction.

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IN BRIEF

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our nation’s fair lending laws.”

A credit applicant’s immigration or citizenship status may present risks that assessments of financial capacity alone will not fully resolve, the CFPB stated.

The Biden-era guidance implied standards for civil rights laws that lack statutory and regulatory basis, said Assistant U.S. Attorney General Harmeet Dhillon, who heads DOJ’s Civil Rights Division.

“This administration is restoring alignment with established federal civil rights law rather than continuing the prior administration’s ideologically driven departures,” she added in a statement.

Trouthman Pepper Locke partner Chris Willis said that, at the time of the 2023 statement, an industry effort was under way to examine eligibility criteria in response to litigation in California challenging lenders’ use of immigration status in loan applications.

The 2023 joint statement, in practice, “wasn’t that big of a deal,” Willis said.

He called the withdrawn guidance a “natural outgrowth” of the Trump administration’s hostility toward disparate impact claims. President Donald Trump signed an executive order in April directing federal agencies to end disparate impact liability enforcement.

In November, the CFPB announced it would rewrite Regulation B of ECOA to eliminate disparate impact liability claims, which allow regulators and courts to challenge facially neutral policies that disproportionately harm protected groups. Without disparate impact liability, a policy or practice can be challenged only by proving discriminatory intent.

The Biden administration was making the argument in the joint statement that considering immigration status in credit eligibility could create a disparate impact on the basis of national origin, Willis said.

The Trump administration’s latest move “is just the next step in the withdrawal of any sort of industry guidance that’s based on disparate impacts that followed that April 2025 executive order,” Willis said.

—Dan Novak

Paramount Sues Warner Bros. Discovery, Announces Plans for Proxy Fight

Paramount Skydance Corp. filed a lawsuit in the Delaware Court of Chancery on Monday, claiming Warner Bros. Discovery Inc. didn’t give its shareholders enough information about the value of Paramount’s acquisition offer.

Paramount, represented by Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan and Cravath, Swaine & Moore, claims the Warner Bros. Discovery board breached its fiduciary duties by failing to disclose material information when recommending investors reject Paramount’s offer, and it asks the court to order Warner Bros. Discovery to add to and correct its Schedule 14-D filings accordingly.

The complaint states that, while disclosure is the remedy Paramount is seeking currently, the company reserves the right to seek further relief later on. The lawsuit does not ask the court to halt Warner Bros. Discovery’s pending deal with Netflix Inc., and Netflix is not a party in the Chancery litigation.

“This additional material information, including information that the board purports to rely on but has withheld from view, will confirm what many already know: WBD stockholders should reject the recommendation of the board and accept Paramount’s value-maximizing tender offer for their shares,” the complaint stated.

In December, Warner Bros. Discovery announced that following the spinoff of Discovery Global into a separate company, Netflix would acquire the rest of Warner Bros. Discovery for the equivalent of \$27.75 per share, \$4.50 of which would be in the form of Netflix stock.

Paramount’s offer consists of an all cash payment of \$30 per share to acquire the entirety of Warner Bros. Discovery, which Paramount maintains is a better deal for Warner Bros. Discovery shareholders than Netflix’s offer.

The information Paramount is asking to be disclosed involves the valuation of the business segments that are planned to be spun off under the Netflix deal, as well as details on how Warner Bros. Discovery assessed the

value and risk of the two competing offers.

“Despite six weeks and just as many press releases from Paramount Skydance, it has yet to raise the price or address the numerous and obvious deficiencies of its offer,” a spokesperson for Warner Bros. Discovery said. “Instead, Paramount Skydance is seeking to distract with a meritless lawsuit and attacks on a board that has delivered an unprecedented amount of shareholder value. In spite of its multiple opportunities, Paramount Skydance continues to propose a transaction that our board unanimously concluded is not superior to the merger agreement with Netflix.”

Paramount sent a letter to investors stating the lawsuit is being brought to enforce Delaware law’s requirements for information that’s to be provided to shareholders considering a deal.

“We do not undertake any of these actions lightly,” stated the letter, signed by Paramount CEO David Ellison. “Make no mistake, our goal remains to have constructive discussions with WBD’s Board to reach an agreement that is in the best interests of WBD shareholders. Our objective from the moment we approached WBD was for a collaborative negotiation and a successful transaction that would be a win for both companies, both shareholder groups and all stakeholders.

The letter stated Paramount intends to launch a proxy fight at Warner Bros. Discovery.

“The ‘advance notice’ window for WBD’s 2026 annual meeting opens in three weeks, and Paramount will nominate a slate of directors who, in accordance with their fiduciary duties, will exercise WBD’s right under the Netflix agreement to engage on Paramount’s offer and enter into a transaction with Paramount,” the letter stated.

As of Monday afternoon, no counsel appearances for Warner Bros. Discovery had been filed.

—Ellen Bardash

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By
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Real Estate Tax Assessments—Class Action Seeking a Judgment Declaring Nassau County’s Tax Assessment Method Invalid Because It Is Discriminatory and Unconstitutional—Trial Court Order Dismissing the Complaint Reversed—Plaintiffs Alleged That More Than \$1.7 Billion Was Shifted In the Property Tax Burden Onto the Plaintiffs and Those Similarly Situated—Plaintiffs Claimed That Grievances Were Settled In An Unscientific Manner Unrelated to Property Values—Appellate Division Held That Plaintiffs Had Standing and Were Entitled To Seek Monetary Damages—Motion To Transfer Venue to Queens County Granted

The plaintiffs, Nassau County homeowners, had commenced an action individually and on behalf of those similarly situated, “seeking declaratory, monetary, and injunctive relief for homeowners in predominantly nonwhite census tract communities in the County, alleging that the County’s tax system was irrational, discriminatory, and unconstitutional.”

They claimed that the County’s tax assessment “policies and procedures, i.e., its freeze on reassessments from January 2010 until January 2018 and its use of a grievance procedure which was voluntary and yielded unscientific results unrelated to property values, shifted the property tax burden from wealthier, predominantly white communities in the County to lower income, predominantly non-white communities.”

The plaintiffs alleged that between 2010 and 2016, “property taxes on 61% of the County’s residential and commercial properties increased by only \$466, or 5%, on average, whereas the average increase for the other 39% of County properties was six times that amount: \$2,748, or 35.7%.” They argued that “most properties in predominantly nonwhite communities comprised that 39%, which amounted to an aggregate shift in the property tax burden onto the plaintiffs and those similarly situated in a sum in excess of \$1.7 billion.”

The defendants had moved to dismiss the complaint, pursuant to CPLR 3211(a), on the grounds that the plaintiffs lacked standing. The plaintiffs opposed the motion and cross-moved pursuant to CPLR 510(2) to transfer venue from Nassau County to Queens County. The trial court

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Florida Real Estate Legislation to Watch In 2026

BY ANNIE MAYNE

WITH just days until the start of Florida’s 2026 legislative session, Sunshine State lawmakers have already drafted hundreds of bills.

More than 100 pieces of proposed legislation center on real estate matters, according to Carlton Fields shareholder and real estate litigation expert William “Bill” Sklar. Of those, Sklar said there is an obvious trend: many take an axe to ad valorem real estate taxes, per a request from Gov. Ron DeSantis.

“I see that as one of the most significant priorities of both [legislative chambers] and the governor’s office,” Sklar said. “That seems to be the biggest concentration of bills thus far filed that have committee referrals.”

The governor began calling for the elimination of property taxes last year—an idea Sklar said is great in theory but hasn’t been backed by a complete plan to offset the lost revenue for local governments.

“Although we’re all in favor of reducing tax burdens, roughly 25% of all essential services of local budgets are from real property taxes,” Sklar observed. “So that would have to be made up somewhere else.”

Lawmakers have proposed a range of measures to reduce what Floridians pay in property taxes.

One bill proposes eliminating non-school property taxes for all homesteaded properties outright, while another proposes phasing out those taxes over time. Other ideas include a complete exemption from non-school taxes on homesteaded properties owned by people over the age of 65; the creation of tax benefits for homeowners for the longer they live in a homesteaded property; and the elimination of ad valorem taxes for disabled veterans.

Sklar said of all the proposals aimed at cutting property taxes teed up this session, one suggestion for a “First Time Buyer” exception has caught his eye since it has sponsors in both chambers and both parties. Sklar said the idea, sponsored in the state Senate by Republican Sen. Nick DiCeglie and in the state House by Democratic state Rep. Fentrice Driskell, would exempt first-time home buyers within a certain income range from paying full property taxes.

“You’re going to see that [bill] travel, especially in the rare time you see in this state a bipartisan bill, where you have, from both parties, sponsors, both in leadership level,” he said.

Sklar said that over the next few months, the dozens of proposals to cut ad valorem real estate taxes will likely be consolidated into a single package presented to DeSantis. What’s unlikely, he said, is that the proposal will call for the complete elimination of property taxes, as the governor has requested.

“There is a desire in both the house and the senate to favorably respond to the gov-

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LIEN LAW

NYC’s Legislative and Regulatory Framework Can Alter Lien Priority

BY JEFFREY B. STEINER,
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New York City laws and regulations relating to buildings provide for many different fees and charges payable to the city which can become liens on the property. While most of these liens (other than those for real estate taxes and water and sewer charges) will be subordinate to prior recorded mortgages and thus extinguished in a mortgage foreclosure, that is not universally the case, and lenders should carefully diligence each property before lending and monitor its condition and performance during the loan term to avoid losing priority.

New York’s foreclosure distribution statute, RPAPL §1354, governs the application of proceeds in a foreclosure action. It requires the officer conducting a sale to pay taxes, assessments, and water rates first and, in large cities including New York, to pay city agency liens that have priority over the foreclosed mortgage.

That statutory backdrop is what makes municipal charges, once converted to tax lien status or expressly granted priority, functionally senior at foreclosure. Sophisticated lenders that scrutinize tax liens and filed mechanics’ liens during their due diligence process must be aware that other municipal charges can ripen into liens with priority, even if occurring after recordation of their mortgage.

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One example is a relocation charge. The NYC Administrative Code empowers the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) to relocate tenants displaced by the enforcement of safety and habitability laws (§26-301) and to recover expenses via liens (§26-305). These provisions are well developed in case law, where courts have consistently treated relocation expenses as valid liens, with disputes over amounts reserved for foreclosure trials rather than summary discharge so long as the lien notice is “facially valid” (*Rivera v. Department of Hous. Preserv. & Dev. of the City of N.Y.*, 29 N.Y.3d45 (2017) (Court of Appeals); *City of New York v. Tuesdai Family Irrevocable Living Trust*, 2025 NY Slip Op 06306 (2d Dept. Nov. 19, 2025)). Not only do relocation liens exist, they have also changed from liens that were subordinate to recorded mortgages to obligations that must be paid out of foreclosure proceeds, due to Local Law 159 which was introduced in 2019 and became effective in 2021.

Relocation expenses associated with vacate orders issued prior to Sept. 14, 2021 are enforced in the same manner as a mechanics’ lien pursuant to NYC Administrative Code §26-305(4)(a)-(c), and they were historically viewed as subordinate unless perfected and prioritized prior to mortgage recordation. These must be filed within one year of the last covered expense (with the total amount dated to the latest date of expense).

Notices must satisfy Lien Law §9 requirements (including the following components: name and address of lienor and any attorney representing lienor, name of owner of real property, name of lienor’s employer, labor performed or materials furnished and agreed price or value, amount unpaid to lienor, time when first and last items of work were per-

formed, and description of property subject to lien) and include a statement that expenses were incurred for relocation services.

Relocation charges associated with vacate orders issued on or after Sept. 14, 2021 are treated as a debt with the same effect as a tax lien pursuant to NYC Administrative Code §26-305(4)(d), enforced through Department of Finance (DOF) statements of account and with priority except over taxes and assessments.

Furthermore, delinquent charges accrue interest pursuant to §26-305(4)(d)(6). DOF can record the relocation charge within 30 days of each payment, then send a notice for payment at intervals determined by the commissioner of finance (stringent Lien Law §9 requirements no longer necessary) with Article 78 judicial review available, but a failure to send notice does not invalidate the lien.

In other words, these charges are collected ahead of the foreclosed mortgage consistent with RPAPL §1354’s scheme. On top of RPAPL §1354, NYC Administrative Code §27-2144 provides that certain HPD

the City does publish the Local Law 159 of 2019 dataset that aggregates vacate order-related relocation payments by building.

To confirm for a specific property, direct inquiry to HPD is suggested. Lenders should closely monitor a mortgaged property during the loan term, especially in the event of any casualty, to ensure city action is not needed to relocate tenants.

The 2021 change to relocation liens is not uncommon, as an amendment to the NYC Administrative Code simply needs to go through a legislative process. A local law is first introduced by City Council members, then must pass through a majority vote of the City Council before presentation to the Mayor (NYC Charter §37). If the Mayor vetoes a local law, it can be overridden by a two thirds Council vote. Critically, if the Mayor neither signs nor vetoes the local law within 30 days, it is deemed adopted.

A faster route to change involves agency rulemaking through the City Administrative Procedure Act (CAPA), which requires notice, public comment, and at least one hearing; the process generally takes a

Sophisticated lenders that scrutinize tax liens and filed mechanics’ liens during their due diligence process must be aware that other municipal charges can ripen into liens with priority, even if occurring after recordation of their mortgage.

expenses and judgments constitute liens with specified durations and priority when vacate orders are filed.

Since relocation charges can be incurred after a loan closing and later turn into liens, a conventional title search at closing will not fully protect a lender. There does not seem to be a single public portal that definitively confirms whether relocation liens can arise for a given property, but

minimum of 60 days. CAPA doesn’t change the text of the Code, but it can affect enforcement and procedures under existing authority.

Recent news reporting surrounding the new mayoral administration highlights assertive early-term housing actions, including interventions around distressed assets (e.g., the Pinnacle Group bankruptcy and sale). NYC reordered lien prior-

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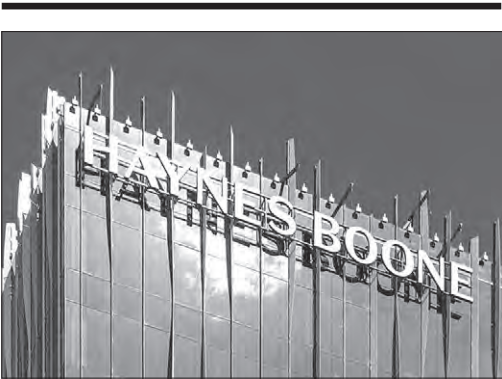
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Haynes and Boone’s new office includes lawyers in investment management, business litigation, and securitization.

Haynes and Boone Adds Boston Office Amid Focus on Northeast Expansion

BY BRENDA SAPINO JEFFREYS

HAYNES and Boone has opened an office in Boston, the Dallas-founded firm’s 20th, and hired three partners for the launch in the New England region.

The firm announced the opening of the new office on Monday, although lawyers launching the office joined the firm earlier. The office will focus on investment management and regulatory matters, complex business litigation and asset securitization.

Richard Kerr, an asset management and investment funds partner who joined from K&L Gates in November, will manage the office. Additionally, trial partner Dan Rosenfeld joined from Sullivan & Worcester in December, and K&L Gates associate counsel Donela Qirjazi, also an asset management and investment funds lawyer, joined this month as a partner in the new Boston office.

Two others who joined Haynes and Boone in 2025 will also work out of the Boston office—litigation partner Lauren Coppola and asset securitization counsel David Sagalyn.

“We have long seen Boston as a natural complement to our strengths across the Northeast,” managing partner Taylor Wilson wrote in a press release.

The new office, he said, reflects the firm’s commitment to expanding in key financial and innovative markets.

Kerr and Qirjazi focus on investment management for registered investment companies, investment advisers, broker-dealers and digital assets. They also counsel clients on mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, bank collective investment trusts, tokenization projects and staking vehicles. Rosenfeld handles complex business disputes in state and federal courts and in arbitrations.

Kerr said in an interview on Monday that he started talking to Haynes and Boone about its Boston plans nearly two years ago, and the Boston native said he is excited to help build the office.

“The thing that comes across is

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includes tasking DFS, the DMV, the Division of Criminal Justice Services and the New York State Police to coordinate enforcement.

The Hochul administration says the current law handcuffs insurers' ability to protect law-abiding customers against fraud and abuse by capping to just 30 days the time they have to identify, investigate, and report instances of fraud.

Although New York's auto insurance rates average just over \$4,000 a year, about \$1,500 more per year than the national average, Hochul said most drivers here are not to blame.

The governor's office, which notes that during the past two years, both commercial and private auto insurance companies have paid out more in claims than they collected in premiums, proposes what it says are "common-sense reforms" to target fraud and halt bad actors.

The administration said the hefty rates are a result of a morass of outdated, overly complex laws that don't necessarily translate to fairer outcomes regarding accidents.

There was pushback, and one point of agreement on consumer costs, from the leader of a major attorneys' group.

Listening to the governor's address, New York State Trial Lawyers Association President Andrew Finkelstein said her plan would only stand to stick New Yorkers with the bill, limiting the rights of injured residents

and shifting the cost of medical care onto them "while insurance companies ride free."

"Car insurance premiums are too high, and the insurance industry's playbook of fraud, delay, and denial must be stopped," Finkelstein agreed before transitioning to criticism.

"The Governor's proposals not only fail to address affordability for New Yorkers, they simply shift costs from Big Insurance to taxpayers. This address asks New Yorkers to believe that billion-dollar insurance companies will lower premiums if crash victims get less care. History shows the opposite. Insurers cut costs, pocket the savings, and premiums never go down."

The association president went on to call Hochul's plans on car insurance "nothing more than a Victim Tax."

In other topics, Hochul, who has been in office as the state's 57th governor since 2021, and is in an election year, criticized federal policies, including tariffs and immigration actions, and stressed the need for responsible fiscal management.

"This moment carries real threats from Donald Trump and his enablers in Congress, driving up costs on everything from groceries to farm equipment with these reckless, reckless tariffs, killing major infrastructure projects that put union members to work," the governor said.

Yet, during the year of uncertainty due to federal policies, Hochul expressed that the state was prepared, having "built the boat to withstand the storm."

She vowed to make transforma-

tive investments without raising taxes, nor thrusting "the next generation with mounds of debt."

Any of Hochul's policy initiatives during the 2026 legislative session, which commenced on Jan. 7 and runs through June, would need approval by the state's two legislative chambers.

Hochul said she also wants to:

- Enable legal accountability for Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents who act outside their lawful scope by allowing New Yorkers to bring civil lawsuits when federal agents violate their constitutional rights, and require judicial warrants for civil immigration raids in schools, hospitals, daycare centers and houses of worship. The governor has yet to take a stance on the New York For All Act, a bill that would restrict local New York law enforcement from cooperating with ICE.
- Require disclosures on artificial intelligence-generated images and videos used in election contexts, and strengthen laws prohibiting deep fakes that impersonate candidates or deceive voters; and
- Automatically extend orders of protection when defendants fail to appear in court. Her administration said during such instances, the orders lose their enforceability, when victims are most at risk.

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Lawyer's Bookshelf

Nonprofits at a Crossroads:
A Review of Greg Berman's 'The Nonprofit Crisis: Leadership Through the Culture Wars'

REVIEWED BY JEFFREY WINN

By Greg Berman, Oxford University Press, 224 pages

The nonprofit sector employs nearly 10% of the U.S. workforce (about 12.8 million). Over 80% of these are engaged in healthcare, social assistance, and education. Yet, for all its positive contributions, the sector suffers from declining public trust and other persistent challenges. As the longtime director of the Center for Court Innovation (now the Center for Justice Innovation), Greg Berman gained decades of insight as to these problems. In his new book, he shares his wisdom as to "lessons learned" and the traits that future nonprofit leadership should demonstrate to steward their organizations through "culture war strife" and toward a greater public trust.

The author is a graduate of Wesleyan University who was part of the founding team that created the Center for Court Innovation, a New York nonprofit which employs attorneys, community organizers, researchers, urban planners, and folks with "lived experience in the justice system" to work in communities identifying local problems and operating programs both inside and outside the courts.

As the director of the Center between 2002 and 2020, Berman helped grow the annual budget to \$80 million, was awarded the Peter F. Drucker Prize for Nonprofit Innovation, and worked with New York court officials on such successful projects as problem-solving courts and community justice centers. He has also authored or co-authored several prior books focusing on social and restorative justice. He is currently a distinguished fellow of practice with the Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation.

Berman starts with the premise that "nonprofits are essential to the health of our democracy. Nobody wins when nonprofits aren't able to do their jobs effectively."

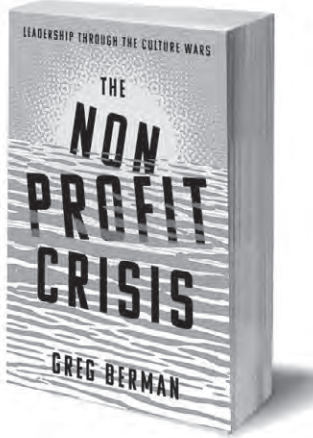
The nonprofit sector has always been an important part of the U.S. As recounted by the author, in the 1830s Alexis de Tocqueville observed in *Democracy in America* that "public associations" abound to entertain, educate, diffuse books, fund missionaries, and build houses of worship, hospitals, schools, and prisons. According to Berman, de Tocqueville viewed these "public associations as important democratic institutions, taking up a variety of tasks that government never would and offering ordinary citizens a kind of collective power that they could never achieve individually."

Critics of the sizeable nonprofit sector derisively refer to it as the "nonprofit industrial complex." As explained in the book, leftist critics assert that American nonprofits aren't "performing work independent of the government" or "harnessing the power of the people," because too many nonprofits are "deeply intertwined with the state" and rely on "government grants." As for the rightist critics, they tend to agree with the British conservative, John O'Sullivan, who in 1989 opined that: "All organizations not

actually right-wing will over time become left-wing."

In measuring the nonprofit sector's public distrust problem, the author cites to recent surveys conducted by the Independent Sector, a nonprofits membership organization. By 2023, nonprofits were trusted by only 52% of the respondents. Although 67% of the Baby Boom Generation (born 1946 to 1964) expressed trust in nonprofits, only 46% of Gen Z adults (born 1997 to 2005) expressed such trust.

The author observes that running a nonprofit "has always been difficult work." He explains that a leader "must be able to articulate



a vision, raise money, recruit and retain staff, manage a budget, establish an organizational culture," and much more. In recent years, however, the job has become more challenging because societal developments have opened up six new fault lines or exacerbated existing ones.

The first has been Donald Trump's political success and "the perception among many progressives that he is guilty of racism, xenophobia, and even fascism." This has created "pressure on nonprofits to take a public stand." In the eyes of some, the failure to condemn Trump is viewed as complicity "with the harms wrought by his administration." The resultant "nonprofit crusading" has led even apolitical organizations "into issuing public statements and engaging in social media activism."

The second has been the #MeToo Movement, which forced many nonprofits "to confront bad, and sometimes criminal, behavior on the part of some male supervisors."

The third has been the COVID-19 pandemic, which the author observes "exposed a significant gap between nonprofit staff who could easily work from home and those who could not. It also highlighted a generational divide in terms of expectations of workplace culture."

The fourth has been Black Lives Matter, which forced nonprofits to look at their own "racial disparities." The author recounts that nonprofits increased "antiracist statements" and made "massive investments" in DEI programming that "transformed the language, goals, and operations of many nonprofit organizations." Still, "the leadership of many nonprofits, both at the staff and board level, tends to be dominated by white people." While younger staffers are more likely to be folks of color and

seek "race-conscious policymaking," those "concerned about the leftward drift of nonprofits tend to be white and older."

The fifth has been the "surge in unionization at American nonprofits." The author opines that this "has been part of a larger dynamic, fueled by an era of low employment, that has tilted the scales of labor relations in the direction of labor."

The sixth has been the War in Gaza, which has "aroused strong passions within the American nonprofit sector." The author posits that this exposed a "rift" not just between those sympathetic to Israel or Palestinians, but also "between liberals concerned about antisemitism and social justice activists who do not tend to view Jews as a vulnerable minority group."

The author also warns against the dangers of "groupthink." He observes that humans tend to seek out people who think like they do. However, while this instinct might make sense for individuals, it is perilous for an organization. When an organization becomes "less ideologically diverse," the pressure to conform becomes overwhelming. Dissenters remain silent, "even if they have valid critiques or suggestions." Meanwhile, those who already hold the "dominant viewpoint" become increasingly "confident and extreme in their beliefs." In the end, the urge to conform undermines the health of the organization.

The author believes "that a moderate, thoughtful brand of management that resists capitulation to both internal and external critics is the best to deal with" this myriad of challenges.

To restore public trust, the book recommends that nonprofit leaders need to be "flexible and adaptive." The "my way or the highway" brand of leadership has run its course. The modern leader must display "an ability to bring employees along with them – leaders can no longer count on a paycheck to guarantee loyalty or performance."

In so recommending, the author further suggests that while nonprofit leadership exhibits "greater sensitivity to the needs and demands of staff," they "must also strenuously resist the dangers of mission creep, ensuring that their organizations remain focused on what they do best and avoid getting ensnared in activities (political controversies) beyond their ken." Effective leadership is able to find the effective "middle ground between autocracy and organizational chaos."

Finally, the book observes that "good stewardship" is found where nonprofit leaders "sublimate their personal goals and ideas to the need of their organization." This not only means avoiding the use of an organization as a "stepping stone," but also in resisting "opportunities to enhance their personal brand." If leaders adopt a "humble, servant mentality," they can build staff morale and help improve public trust in the nonprofit sector.

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May 2020, mere days after he fell from a ladder while doing duct work as a subcontractor at a City Winery NYC location. In addition to Manesis, he was represented by Zaremba Brown founding partners Brian Brown and John Zaremba and Pollack, Pollack, Isaac & DeCicco partner Brian Isaac.

"It was a rush job and the trades weren't coordinated," Menesis explained, meaning that when plaintiff was called in to do the duct work most everything was already installed – including the drop ceiling.

Begonja's employer, John's Insulation, didn't bring enough ladders, and so he was forced to borrow one, she said. He was never given a lanyard or a safety harness, according to court papers. After using the ladder for around 4 hours, Begonja testified he felt the ladder jerk out from under him.

"It was a very violent fall," Manesis said. "He hit his knee on the steel counter top, he hit his head...the testimony was he hit the ground like a pancake."

Begonja suffered life-changing injuries to his spine, knee and head, she said.

Under New York law, Begonja was not able to sue his employ-

ers, but he could pursue claims against other entities he alleged were liable.

Those defendants, including RXR Construction and City Winery, realized they could shift liability to John's Insulation's insurance by filing an impleader. Manesis said. They did so, but that put the RXR and City Winery in a unique position. In order to win their common law indemnification claim and shift damages, they had to back-up plaintiffs traumatic brain injury claim, Manesis said.

"Typically, you don't have a defendant supporting your claim," she said. "That was atypical; I've never had a trial like this before."

Another unusual feature of this case was that the judge overseeing the matter, Manhattan Supreme Court Justice John Kelley, bifurcated the verdict to allow jurors to separately weigh damages and the third-party claims.

So, despite a single trial, there were two verdict sheets: one for damages and one to determine whether defendants established a grave injury that prevented Begonja from returning to work had occurred, therefore triggering common law indemnification.

The jury on Dec. 17 returned a unanimous verdict finding that Begonja suffered a grave injury, that John's Insulation was negligent and that their negligence was

a substantial factor that contributed to his injuries.

The panel awarded Begonja \$3 million in past pain and suffering, \$944,089 for passed lost earnings, \$10 million for future pain and suffering over his remaining life expectancy, \$1.6 for future medical expenses over his lifetime, and more than \$3.4 million in future lost earnings. Manesis said jurors pulled the lost and future earnings numbers directly from their economist's charts and tables.

As for jury selection, Menesis said she didn't want to give away "any tactics and secrets," but she felt like her team did a great job during voir dire weeding out what they call the "shit happens" jurors.

Those people, she said, look at construction as a dangerous job and believe those who take it know the risks and bear the burden.

"Others feel like, hey, it's a dangerous job, but that's why you know safety is even more paramount," she explained. "We look for people who are optimistic."

Attorneys for RXR Construction Services, City Winery NY, John's Insulation and State Farm did not immediately return messages seeking comment.

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Haynes

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sort of the tremendous culture of the firm—the desire to do things right—and it really impressed me with the strategic nature of looking at Boston," he said. "The question really for me was why wouldn't I want to do this?"

Already, Kerr said, he has felt the firm's "positive energy."

As for growth strategy in Boston, Kerr said they aim to build out the investment management, business litigation and securitization practices, but other targeted

areas include general business and corporate, and intellectual property.

Kerr declined to identify his clients, but said they are registered investment companies, including mutual funds and exchange-traded funds, and investment advisers and broker-dealers.

Haynes and Boone, an Am Law 100 firm, has been expanding strategically in the Northeast, growing its lawyer head count in New York by 35%, including the addition of a dozen lateral partners, and planning expansion of its office at 30 Rockefeller Plaza. The firm also relocated to a larger space in Wash-

ington, D.C., in 2025 and opened an office in Northern Virginia in 2023.

The Boston office is in a temporary space in One Financial Center, but plans call for moving into a permanent space in that building in April.

Spokespersons for K&L Gates did not immediately respond to a request for a comment on the departures of Kerr and Qirjazi. The contacts for Sullivan & Worcester's Boston office did not immediately respond to a request for comment on Rosenfeld's departure.

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Florida

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ernor's proposal, but without the complete elimination of ad valorem taxes," he said.

Aside from the attempts to slash property taxes, Sklar said the other real-estate-related bills he'll be tracking this session include:

- SB 48 and HB 313 would require local governments to allow accessory dwelling units (ADUs) in single-family neighborhoods.
- HB 65 would require home inspectors to meet specific

requirements set by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and to hold an errors and omissions insurance policy.

- Overlapping bills that aim to create greater safety features in swimming pools, including SB 606, SB 608, and SB 610.
- SB 208 and HB 399 would remove zoning barriers to promote infill development.
- HB 465 and SB 822 would require community associations with revenue over \$500,000 to contract with a licensed community association management firm.

- SB 750 and HB 803 would bar local governments from charging an administrative fee when an owner or contractor hires an outside provider for property inspection or plan review.
- SB 832 and HB 767 aim to increase transparency in residential property insurance rates.
- HB 837 and SB 962 would revise the definitions of certain land-use categories in Florida to exclude farmland.

The session began on Jan. 13.

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Judicial Ethics

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Opinion: 25-115

Digest: A county court judge who is disqualified from presiding over a matter is also disqualified from reassigning the matter from one local justice court to another.

Rules: 22 NYCRR 100.2; 100.2(A); 100.3(C)(1); 100.3(E)(1); Opinions 21-172; 21-151; 20-73; 17-169/17-170; 14-192; 08-71.

Opinion: The inquiring county court judge is sometimes asked to reassign criminal matters from one local justice court to another, after the justices in the original court have recused themselves. The judge asks if it is ethically permissible to do so in situations where he/she would be unable to preside due to a conflict, such as when the defendant is a former client from the judge’s prior employment as an assistant public defender.

A judge must always avoid even the appearance of impropriety and act to promote public confidence in the judiciary’s integrity and impartiality (see 22 NYCRR 100.2; 100.2[A]). A judge must therefore disqualify in any proceeding where the judge’s impartiality might reasonably be questioned (see 22 NYCRR 100.3[E][1]). A judge must also diligently discharge his/her administrative duties without bias or prejudice (see 22 NYCRR 100.3[C][1]).

Prior Employment as Assistant Public Defender – Quick Review of General Principles

A judge who previously represented clients as an assistant public defender is permanently disqualified, without the possibility of remittal, in any case where the judge previously participated in any way as an attorney, including minimally (see Opinions 21-172; 21-151). This disqualification extends to the exercise of supervisory authority over an attorney who was personally involved in the case (see Opinions 21-172; 20-73). Indeed, a judge who headed the Public Defender’s office is deemed to have been “directly involved in each matter of the office,” and is therefore disqualified from all cases pending in the office during his/her tenure (Opinion 17-169/17-170).

A judge is also disqualified, subject to remittal, from all matters involving the judge’s former clients, for two years after the attorney-client relationship completely ends (see Opinions 21-172; 21-151; see also Opinion 20-73 [disqualification is required only if the judge recognizes a party as a former client or if such former representation is otherwise brought to the judge’s attention]). Where the judge worked for a public sector

agency such as the Public Defender’s office, the two-year period runs from the date the judge left the agency (see Opinion 21-151). After that period has elapsed, the judge has no further obligation with respect to the former clients; the decision whether to disclose or recuse in such matters is confined solely to the judge’s discretion after considering all relevant factors (see id.).

Analysis of Current Inquiry

When a judge is disqualified from presiding over a matter, the disqualification precludes involvement in the matter “even if the judge deems these appearances to be ‘routine’ or ministerial in nature” (Opinion 08-71). Thus, we have advised that “if a supervising judge is required to exercise any discretion in assigning or re-assigning a case, the judge should disqualify him/herself from doing so in any case over which he/she could not personally preside” (Opinion 14-192). Where, as here, it appears that there is more than one local court in the county to which the inquiring judge could reassign a case, the judge may not reassign a matter from which he/she is disqualified but must instead allow another county court judge to make the assignment.

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case management while reducing logistical burdens that have nothing to do with the substance of a proceeding.

Tax certiorari matters are primarily valuation-driven and typically involve limited motion practice and discovery. Resolution is often influenced by the cost of appraisal preparation and the desire to avoid trial where possible. Remote proceedings allow counsel to devote more time to substantive evaluation and negotiation, while enabling courts to concentrate their attention on cases that require closer judicial involvement.

In our experience across all parts of New York State, courts have implemented a variety of hybrid approaches to court appearances in tax certiorari proceedings, often depending on the needs of the case. For

since implemented comparable systems, ranging from comprehensive electronic portals to simplified spreadsheet-based submissions.

These developments have reduced administrative burdens at both the court and assessor levels and improved coordination across stages of the property tax appeal process.

Conclusion

The procedural adaptations adopted during the COVID-19 period have had a lasting impact on the administration of tax certiorari proceedings in New York. Remote appearances and electronic filing have improved efficiency in a high-volume practice without reducing substantive oversight or fairness. In fact, these changes have tended to advance

The widespread use of virtual appearances by videoconference and telephone was implemented rapidly in 2020 and has since become a routine feature of the vast majority of tax certiorari practice throughout much of the state.

example, for quite a number of courts, routine appearances such as to report status and steps being taken to engage an appraiser are handled virtually. When a case is deemed to be stalling in making progress, or where the court believes greater intervention may lead to settlement, the attorneys may be instructed to make a special in-person appearance for conferencing. Some courts resolve many of the logistical challenges by dedicating a day or two each month to the in-person conferencing of tax certiorari matters.

Electronic Filing and Administrative Coordination

Another significant development accelerated during the pandemic was the expansion of electronic filing and online calendar systems. While this transition has affected civil practice generally, it has been particularly well suited to tax certiorari proceedings, which rely on standardized pleadings governed by statute.

Administrative bodies have similarly adopted electronic processes. Nassau County permitted bulk electronic grievance submissions prior to 2020, and many other jurisdictions have

firms’ interest in candidates with ties to the Trump administration could change depending on how the midterm elections go.

“Some of the higher-up people you tend not to see leave until at least two years into the administration. But I think for those who only wanted to spend a year now is probably the optimal time for them to take advantage of their

closeness to the administration,” said Lowe. “A lot can change depending upon what happens in November at the midterm elections, and it can affect the desirability of different people from the administration depending on how that election goes.”

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Calendar of Events

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14

Federal Bar Council
Antitrust in Healthcare: Can the Antitrust Laws Be Used to Help Control Healthcare Costs?
5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Live Webinar
1.5 CLE credits
<https://fbc.users.membersuite.com/events/a5720928-0078-cc90-5872-0b4902a346e2/details>

NY City Bar (CLE)
Understanding and Leveraging Neurodiversity in the Legal Profession
9 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
2 CLE credits
Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_WEB011426&mcode=NYLJ
Location: Zoom

NY City Bar (Non CLE)
Small Law Firm Luncheon: Cybersecurity Without the Jargon: A Practical Guide for Solo and Small Firms to Safeguard Client Trust in the Digital Age
12 p.m. – 2 p.m.
In-Person Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_SLF011426&mcode=NYLJ
Location: 42 West 44th Street
Contact: Customer Relations Department, 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

Practising Law Institute
Intellectual Property Rights Enforcement 2026
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/intellectual-property-rights-enforcement/>

FRIDAY, JAN. 16

Practising Law Institute
Securities Law and Practice 2026: How the SEC Works
9 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/securities-law-and-practice/>

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 21

NY City Bar (Non CLE)
Thinking of Going Solo: Lessons, Challenges, and Tips from Lawyers Who Went Solo
Program: 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.; Reception: 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
In-Person Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_SLF012126&mcode=NYLJ
Location: 42 West 44th Street
Contact: Customer Relations Department, 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

Practising Law Institute
Fundamentals of Broker-Dealer Regulation 2026
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/fundamentals-of-broker-dealer-regulation/>

Ethics for Government Lawyers 2026
2:30 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/ethics-for-government-lawyers/>

THURSDAY, JAN. 22

NY City Bar (Non CLE)
Small Firm Chats – Stay Connected with Your Peers and Us!
12 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_SLFC012226&mcode=NYLJ
Location: Zoom
Contact: Customer Relations

Department, 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org
Understanding Chronic Absenteeism and School Avoidance: Law, Policy & Practice in Public Schools
6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
In-Person Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_EDU012226&mcode=NYLJ
Location: 42 West 44th Street
Contact: Customer Relations Department, 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org
Mental Health Reform at a Crossroads
6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_MHL012226&mcode=NYLJ
Location: Zoom
Contact: Customer Relations Department, 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

THURSDAY, JAN 22 FRIDAY, JAN. 23

Practising Law Institute
Artificial Intelligence Law 2026
8:30 a.m. – 5:15 p.m. (Day 1)
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Day 2)
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/artificial-intelligence-law/>

MONDAY, JAN. 26

Practising Law Institute
Recent Developments in Distressed Debt, Restructurings, and Workouts 2026
9 a.m. – 4:35 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/recent-developments-in-distressed-debt-restructurings-and-workouts/>
Wage & Hour Litigation and Compliance 2026
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/wage--hour-litigation-and-compliance/>

MONDAY, JAN. 26-TUESDAY, JAN. 27

NY City Bar (CLE)
16-Hour Bridge-the-Gap: Practical Skills, Ethics & More...
Time Day 1: 9:00 am – 5 p.m. (Virtual)
Time Day 2: 9:00 am – 5 p.m. (In-Person)
CLE credits both days: 16
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Day 2 CLE credits: 8
Both Days Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_BTG262725&mcode=NYLJ
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Day 2 In-Person Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_BTG012726&mcode=NYLJ
Location: Zoom
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TUESDAY, JAN. 27

NY City Bar (Non CLE)
From Dred Scott, the 14th Amendment, to the Wong Kim Ark’s Journey Toward Citizenship
Program: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.; Reception: 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
In-Person Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_EAF012726&mcode=NYLJ
Location: 42 West 44th Street
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WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28

NY City Bar (Non CLE)
A Day in the Life of an In-House Counsel
12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_NLI012826&mcode=NYLJ
Location: Zoom
Contact: Customer Relations Department, 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org
Coloring Outside the Law
The Full Spectrum of Tech Law—Pixels, Privacy and Progress
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_DEI012826&mcode=NYLJ
Location: Zoom
Contact: Customer Relations Department, 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

Practising Law Institute
Bridge-the-Gap I: Ethics and Skills for Newly Admitted New York Attorneys 2026
8:45 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/bridge-the-gap-i-ethics-and-skills-for-newly-admitted-new-york-attorneys/>

THURSDAY, JAN. 29

NY City Bar (CLE)
CLE Title: *Artificial Intelligence and Federal Courts: What Lawyers Need to Know*
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
CLE Credits: TBD
Registration Link: https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=_WEB012926&mcode=NYLJ
Location: Zoom
Contact: Customer Relations Department, 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

Practising Law Institute
Private Fund Regulatory Developments and Compliance Challenges 2026
1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/private-fund-regulatory-developments-and-compliance-challenges/>

FRIDAY, JAN. 30

Practising Law Institute
Addressing Domestic Violence 2026: Representation in a Complex Custody Case
1:30 p.m. – 5 p.m.
<https://www.pli.edu/programs/domestic-violence/>

TUESDAY, FEB. 10

New York Women’s Bar Association
NYWBA Elder Law and Disabilities Committee Lunch and Learn 1 p.m.; On Zoom
Bring your questions for City Council Member Crystal Hudson, who in February 2025 introduced a resolution to call upon the State Legislature to introduce and pass legislation to create a statewide public guardianship system.
RSVPtoelderlawchairs@nywba.org

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

New York County Lawyers Association
2026 Annual Gala Honoring the Judiciary at the Pierre Hotel.
6 p.m.; In-Person

Have an event to list?
E-mail the details to pkane@alm.com

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offices, is unlikely to change at any foreseeable point and efforts to compress the turnaround time for most tax certiorari proceedings without addressing these circumstances will only result in low-quality outcomes for both the taxpayer and the affected jurisdictions.

The key mechanism used by courts to advance these cases to resolution is the scheduling of an appraisal exchange and generally allowing the attorneys and parties to chart their course to resolution with the exchange date serving as the “stick”. In counties such as Nassau and Westchester, appraisal exchange deadlines are routinely ordered at the initial appearance.

These deadlines are typically structured over a one- to two-year period, with intervening status conferences. Although most cases resolve before formal appraisal exchange, the conferences serve an important function by requiring counsel to report on negotiations, appraiser retention, and discovery status. Discovery in tax certiorari proceedings is limited by statute, as these matters are special proceedings brought under Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law, but voluntary exchange of relevant information is the norm.

With the court’s periodic involvement, some degree of flexibility is allowed where it is evident that progress is being made and an exchange of appraisals would be a blunt instrument that may create more harm than good. Obtaining an appraisal – whether an initial “restricted” report or moving the appraisal to the more rigorous standard (and more costly to the client) of “trial-ready” poses a challenging determination involving timing for both the property owner and the jurisdiction. The true need for an appraisal varies greatly with the property type and use, and the attorneys often know best which cases will move faster with the aid of at least a restricted report.

Efficiency Gains From Remote Proceedings

Remote appearances have allowed courts to obtain the same information needed for effective

‘Storm’

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Representatives] might switch to Democrats, and that could be a huge driver for congressional investigations,” Donahue added.

Indeed, some attorneys could be up against a deadline if they are looking to exit, Lowe said, as

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Realty Law

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granted the defendants’ motion to dismiss and denied, as academic, the plaintiffs’ cross-motion. The plaintiffs appealed.

The plaintiffs asserted that they were residential property owners since prior to 2010. They alleged that they are part of a “proposed class of all persons who owned residential property at any time from 2010 through the present that was located in a census tract... in Nassau County in which most residents were nonwhite during any year when said persons owned that property.”

They noted that the County real estate taxes are determined “by calculating the amount of tax revenue needed for the budget and then dividing that amount pro rata among properties based upon property value.” They argued that “[w]hen tax assessments are frozen, as they were in 2010 through 2018, and 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024, all property owners continue to pay the same proportion of tax revenue each year, even if certain properties appreciated in value faster than others.”

Although individual taxpayers could challenge their assessments through a grievance procedure, the plaintiffs alleged that “grievances were settled in an unscientific manner unrelated to property values.

They argued that a “discriminatory impact allegedly resulted in shifting more than \$1.7 billion in property taxes from approximately the top 61% of properties based upon market value to the remaining 39% of properties, resulting in more expensive properties increasingly shouldering less of a tax burden than properties worth far less.” They claimed that they were “being treated differently from other, similarly situated property owners, and ...that no rational basis exists for the allegedly disparate treatment.”

The plaintiffs contended, *inter alia*, that “the moratoriums on reassessment have had a disparate effect on properties with nonwhite owners in areas with less expensive residential homes, because more expensive residential homes appreciate at a faster rate.”

Judicial precedent held that “no assessment system can be equitable if, as plaintiffs allege, the community variations are substantial and the redress is confined to certiorari proceedings, which... are...voluntary...and must be commenced by individual taxpayers.”

The plaintiffs cited the Federal Fair Housing Act, the Equal Protection and Due Process clauses of the US Constitution, State law requiring “that ‘all real property in each assessing unit shall be assessed at a uniform percentage of value’ 42 USC 1981 prohibiting discriminatory taxation, Nassau County Charter §603, which ‘requires an equitable and scientific system of assessing property’, and 42 USC §2000d” barring discrimination in federally assisted programs.

The Appellate Division (2nd Dept.) (Court) held that “contrary” to the trial court decision, “allegations in the complaint, if true, do establish standing, including that the plaintiffs suffered an injury-in-fact....”

The plaintiffs had alleged “‘that publicly criticized systematic inequities have resulted in more expensive properties increasingly shouldering less of a tax burden than properties worth far less’... and alleged that ‘they were being treated differently from other, similarly situated property owners, and

that no rational basis exists for this allegedly disparate treatment....”

The trial court held that the “complaint on its face is insufficient to allege standing” and “nothing is said of their property values, tax burden, over or under payment, or whether they have utilized the grievance procedure and to what result.”

The trial court found that there was no allegation “of negative impact of the property tax assessment on the individual plaintiffs,” and stated that the court “cannot simply presume that they personally have suffered an injury.”

The Appellate Division noted, however, that “the plaintiffs are homeowners in predominantly nonwhite census tract communities in the county.”

The court reviewed RPTL §729(4), which defined unequal assessment. It explained that “[t]he general rule is that ‘to make such a showing, the homeowner must first prove the full market value of his or her own property, which may be established by such methods as proof of a recent purchase price for the property, a professional appraisal, or proof of the sales price or appraised values of comparable properties....”

The court explained that the plaintiffs were “not challenging a single tax assessment as applied to each plaintiff’s own home, but are instead challenging the legality of the County’s tax assessment scheme.” It noted that such challenge “will require a comparison with the assessments and market values of other properties allegedly granted favorable treatment by the tax scheme.”

The court also explained “that where challenges to ‘assessments are based upon a method employed in the assessment of several properties rather than the overvaluation or undervaluation of specific properties, the taxpayer may forego the statutory certiorari procedure and mount a collateral attack on the taxing authority’s action’ through a declaratory judgment action....”

The court explained that “[a] collateral attack may be ...mounted where the challenge is based upon the method employed in the assessment involving several properties rather than the overvaluation or undervaluation of specific properties....”

The plaintiffs alleged more than a “statistical probability of harm; rather, they have alleged a ‘factual showing of perceptible harm’....” The court noted that there is no “requirement that the harm necessary to confer standing be actual and in the present rather than potential and in the future as long as it is reasonably certain that the harm will occur if the challenged action is permitted to continue....” Here, the allegations “indicate that the harm will be exacerbated if the challenged action is permitted to continue.”

The court reasoned that the plaintiffs “are property owners and, thus, directly bear the costs of the property tax burden placed on their properties. Their burden is not speculative.... Their allegations that they paid a disproportionate share of property taxes pursuant to an illegally imposed assessment system are sufficient to establish standing....”

The court also held that the plaintiffs have standing to seek monetary damages. It stated that the “recovery of monetary damages requires the participation of individual homeowners, who ultimately would be required to prove the market value of their individual

homes to determine whether they overpaid taxes....”

Accordingly, the court reversed, denied the motion to dismiss and also granted the plaintiffs’ motion to transfer venue from Nassau County to Queens County.

Disclosure: My law firm previously commenced a lawsuit which challenged Nassau County real estate assessment procedures. That case was settled, after the court held that it could proceed as a class action.

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Hall v. Nassau County, Appellate Division, Second Department Case Number: 202403434. Decided Oct. 22, 2025. Barros, J.P., Warhit, Wan, Hom, J.J., concur. Opinion & Order by Barros, J.P.

Landlord-Tenant—Rent Stabilization—Article 78 Proceeding To Review DHCR Decision That Building Was Not Rent Stabilized—Petition Granted—Building Was Rent Stabilized Based On It Having Been Rehabilitated With Assistance of Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Program and the Participation Loan Program—Statute of Limitations Argument—The Only Delay Arose From a “Clerical Processing Delay On the Part of the Court” and Such Delay Should Not Be Held Against, “A Litigant Who Timely Filed Documents”—“As a General Proposition, Administrative Agencies Are Required To Follow Their Own Precedent”—DHCR’s Determination That Building Was Not Rent Stabilized Failed To Consider Documents in the Record and Was Contrary to DHCR’s Own Precedent Without Explanation for Such Deviation

The petitioner had commenced an Article 78 proceeding, seeking “review and annulment, vacatur and/or modification” with respect to a DHCR order issued Nov. 16, 2023. The respondent DHCR moved to dismiss.

The plaintiff lived in the subject premises, which is a class “A” multiple dwelling built in 1915. The building contained 35 residential units.

On or around Dec. 27, 1984, the owner purchased the building from the City of New York. The owner allegedly performed rehabilitation work from January 1985 until February 1986. The rehabilitation work “utilized funding from a Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Program government loan (§8 Loan).” The premises was also rehabilitated with the help of a loan pursuant to the Article XV of the Private Finance Housing Law (PHFL) (Participation Loan Program (PLP)).

In or about May 19, 1986, the NYC Dept. of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) advised the tenants in writing that the building was being rehabilitated through the §8 Loan program, and advised them that after the rehabilitation, the initial legal regulated rent would become effective June 1, 1986.

The PFHL required that, after the establishment of rents, the owner offer all Section 8 assisted tenants a one-year lease at the new rents. Moreover, “all units will be subject to the rent stabilization system.”

In March 1986 the owner applied for a tax exemption based upon the rehabilitation work funded by the §8 Loan. In 1987, HPD issued a Certificate of Eligibility, for the building, granting the owner a tax abatement for its rehabilitation work. In October 1986, HPD issued an order setting the “initial regulated stabilized rent” for the plaintiff. In May 1987, the owner and HPD executed a mortgage agreement, pursuant to which the owner acknowledged, that the rents were now structured

pursuant to the PHFL.

On and around March 11, 2022, the plaintiff filed a lease renewal complaint to the respondent DHCR. DHCR granted the plaintiff’s lease complaint and ordered the owner to provide the plaintiff with a proper rent stabilized renewal lease. The owner thereafter filed a PAR arguing that the building is not subject to rent stabilization. DHCR granted the owner’s PAR and revoked DHCR’s prior order.

The plaintiff argued that the building is subject to rent stabilization law. The plaintiff argued that Class “A” multiple dwellings which were rehabilitated with help from the §8 Loan program are subject to rent stabilization, and multiple dwellings whose rehabilitation was helped by a PLP loan are also subject to rent stabilization.

The plaintiff argued that “the fact that the owner is a corporation organized under Art. XI of the PHFL, ‘does not render the...building exempt from rent stabilization, as the specific statutory language of PHFL 608, governs over the more general regulation 9 NYCRR 2520.11.” The plaintiff cited a prior DHCR determination in *310 East 4th Street HDFC/Junge Capital, DHCR Adm. Rev. Docket No. FQ 410007 RP (3/17/18)*. The plaintiff also argued that DHCR’s reliance on *Grimmet, 512 East 11th Street HDFC v. Grimmet (Grimmet)* was incorrect.

DHCR argued that the subject proceeding should be dismissed since the PAR determination was neither arbitrary nor capricious and the petition was untimely.

DHCR cited the “owner’s contention that properties transferred from New York City to bodies created under PHFL Article XI cannot be subject to rent stabilization, ‘because of the ongoing entanglement between the City and the HDFC buildings.’” DHCR asserted that the building is “co-owned and operated by the Housing Development Fund Corporation, created under (PHFL) Article XI, Section 576, which would exempt the building from rent stabilization.”

The court rejected the defendants’ claim that the proceeding is barred by the statute of limitations, (SOL). It noted that the “only delay that happened was a clerical one by the court.” The court reasoned that it would be “highly prejudicial to hold the clerical processing delay on the part of the court against the litigant who timely filed documents.”

The court then explained that “any building, regardless of ownership, whose rehabilitation was aided by a loan under the (§8 Loan program), and/or the (PLP) program, is subject to the Rent Stabilization Law from 1969....”

The court reviewed PHFL §§608 and 804 in Art. XV. HPD had “established the initial rents at

the...building, all of which clearly subject this property to the rent regulations contemplated in PHFL §§608 and 804....” It stated that the standards of PHFL §§608 and 804 are unambiguous and found that there was “no exemption to rent stabilization here.”

The only legal authority that DHCR cited in its order was 9 NYCRR 2520.11 and *Grimmet*, 181 AD2d 488, 581 NYS2d 24 (1st Dept. 1992). DHCR “implied that 9 NYCRR 2520.11(b)’s exemption from rent stabilization for, ‘housing accommodations owned, operated or leased by the United States, (NYS), any political subdivision, agency... any municipality or any public authority,’ applied to the building.”

However, even though the record in the present case contained no factual evidence to indicate that the building fell under that exemption, DHCR had argued that *Grimmet* held that, “the City’s entanglement with HDFC buildings renders said HDFC buildings exempted from rent regulation.”

The court noted that in *Grimmet*, the HDFC owner organized under the PHFL Article XI, “actually converted the subject property to a cooperative building, while the subject building...never underwent such a conversion and remains a standard rental building.” Moreover, the building in *Grimmet* was not “just owned by an HDFC organized under PHFL Article XI, as is the subject premises; it was a cooperative organized under General Business Law, §352-4eccc.”

The *Grimmet* building was not subject to rent stabilization because of its status as a cooperative. *Grimmet* did not hold that the building’s, “entanglement with the City exempts it from rent stabilization; it holds that the building’s entanglement with the City, triggers constitutional due process guarantees, including the requirement that the owner allege a cause for the removal of the tenant.”

In contrast, the subject building is a “residential building owned by an HDFC, the record demonstrates and the Owner, and admits that it is not a cooperative, and *Grimmet*, therefore does not apply to the present case....”

The court also found that the DHCR’s determination “reads an exception into the clear language of the PHFL statutes, exempting all HDFC-owned buildings from the mandates therein....” The Legislature had “explicitly rejected such exception when it crafted the statutes to read, ‘notwithstanding any contrary provisions of, or regulations adopted pursuant to, ... the rent stabilization law,’ which includes the exception that HDFC-owned buildings sometimes fall under, RSC §2520.11(j) (PHFL) §§608 and 804.”

The court found that DHCR had not referenced or considered, “plaintiff’s documentation, precedents cited or facts set forth in her filings....” DHCR failed to consider “all of the facts before making its determination,” and had “neglected to address plaintiff’s reference to DHCR proceedings, wherein the Agency determined that buildings owned by HDFCs were rent stabilized....”

Moreover, DHCR’s Nov. 16, 2023 order, “was silent as to why they deviated from the above referenced proceedings.” That order was also “silent as to plaintiff’s contention that...building’s regulatory status renders it rent-stabilized in the same way that the property in *310 E 4th St. HDFC/Junge* was determined by DHCR to be rent-stabilized; that is, where the owner HDFC had rehabilitated the property with

federal funding under PHFL §607. DHCR found that the generalized charitable purposes exemption to rent stabilization found in 9 NYCRR 2520.11 was superseded by the more specific statutory language in PHFL §607....”

Additionally, DHCR’s Nov. 16, 2023 order “did not address its prior determination that ‘to the extent the DHCR regulation conflicts with the applicable statute, in this case PHFL §607, the statute applies and not the regulation,’ let alone provide reasons or explanations for why it reached a different result in this case with such similar facts and law.”

DHCR’s order also did not address or acknowledge plaintiff’s argument that the subject building is rent stabilized based on the fact that it was rehabilitated with assistance from the PLP program.

The court explained that “as a general proposition, administrative agencies are required to follow their own precedent....” When an agency’s determination “deviates from its prior stated course and fails to provide an explanation for same, ‘a reviewing court will be unable to determine whether the agency has changed its prior interpretation of the law for valid reasons, or simply overlooked or ignored its prior decision....”

Thus, the court stated that an administrative decision, which, “neither adheres to its own prior precedent nor indicates its reason for reaching a different result on essentially the same facts is arbitrary and capricious....” DHCR had not followed its own precedent when buildings owned by HDFCs have been found to be rent stabilized and failed to explain or acknowledge its deviation from its own established precedent.

The court also rejected DHCR’s argument that the building is exempt from rent stabilization because HPD set the rent. HPD documents explicitly stated that the “subject building is rent stabilized as a result of its rehabilitation and similarly indicate that it was not preempting rent stabilization.” Thus, the court held that the DHCR’s determination that the building was not rent stabilized “was taken without regard and consideration of the facts in the records, documentation in the record, and contrary to DHCR’s own precedent without explanation for such deviation....”

Accordingly, the court held that building is rent stabilized since it had been rehabilitated with the assistance of the §8 Loan program, and the PLP program. It granted plaintiff’s Article 78 proceeding and denied the defendants’ cross-motion. It further remanded the matter back to DHCR for DHCR to make a determination consistent with the property being rent stabilized and ordered that the plaintiff receive a rent stabilized lease.

Avaya v. Viskanaskas, Supreme Court, Kings County, Case No. 501364/2024. Decided Oct. 17, 2025. Velasquez, J.

Liens

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ity through a targeted amendment, converting what many regarded as subordinate charges into prioritized obligations in foreclosure, so with the Charter’s 30 day “deemed adopted” rule and the speed of CAPA rule-making, lenders should be aware that the lien priority landscape can change quickly in a housing-reform focused administration.

Strategies

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scores a commitment to making sure the USPTO is “wide open to transformative technologies.” USPTO, *Remarks by Director Squires at the 2025 AIPLA Annual Meeting*.

The Examiner Memo: Mandatory Consideration

Director Squires’s first memo, directed to patent examiners, seeks to raise awareness regarding SMEDs and reminds examiners that applicants may voluntarily submit SMEDs to provide evidence of subject matter eligibility. John Squires, *Subject Matter Eligibility Declarations*. The memo instructs examiners that when an SMED is timely and compliant, the examiners must consider the submission on the merits and weigh all relevant evidence of record under the preponderance of the evidence standard. If a Section 101 rejection is maintained, the examiner must explain why the record evidence, including the SMED, did not overcome the rejection. Further, the memo provides examples of how SMEDs can be used to demonstrate subject matter eligibility, including by showing that the claims are not directed to abstract ideas because they cannot practically be

performed in the human mind or result in the improvement of the underlying technology, or that the claims amount to “significantly more” than a judicial exception.

The Practitioner Memo: Best Practices for Best Impact

Director Squires’s second memo, directed to practitioners, addresses best practices for submitting SMEDs. John Squires, *Best Practices for Submission of Rule 132 Subject Matter Eligibility Declarations (SMEDs)*. Most significantly, Squires encourages practitioners to file SMEDs as separate, stand-alone submissions focused solely on Section 101 issues. The memo further advises that while it is technically permissible to include testimony alongside other arguments in an office action response (as opposed to an SMED), such an approach risks intertwining issues. Further, it notes the combination of evidence and attorney arguments in an office action response can lead to confusion regarding evidentiary weight and may diminish the probative value of the evidence. Submitting a stand-alone SMED avoids these issues and ensures the evidence is clearly tied to the specific subject matter eligibility rejection being traversed.

The memo further emphasizes that when submitting an SMED,

practitioners should ensure that there is a nexus between the claimed invention and the evidence, and that the evidence does not improperly supplement the specification.

The Broader Context

These memos are a direct extension of Director Squires’ broader strategy to curb “overbroad Section 101 rejections” and promote

Submitting a stand-alone SMED avoids these issues and ensures the evidence is clearly tied to the specific subject matter eligibility rejection being traversed.

US. innovation in transformative technologies. John Squires, *Subject Matter Eligibility Declarations*, at 1. Squires has made it a priority to embrace advanced technologies, including AI, blockchain technology, and medical diagnostics; in September 2025, in his first official act as Director, Squires ceremonially signed into issuance two patents in these fields.

Additionally, in that same month, Squires convened the USPTO Appeals Review Panel (ARP) to review and subsequently vacate a Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) rejection of claims directed to training machine learn-

ing models. *Ex Parte Desjardins*, Appeal No. 2024-000567 (Sept. 26, 2025) (ARP decision). In *Ex Parte Desjardins*, the claims involved training a machine learning model on multiple tasks while protecting the knowledge gained from previous tasks. The original PTAB panel found that the claims were broadly directed to a patent-ineligible mathematical algorithm, and treated the remaining claim elements as “generic computer components,”

ultimately determining those claims would be invalid. Squires rejected this approach and vacated the PTAB’s new ground of rejection.

In its decision, the ARP credited the claims for achieving technical improvements to the machine learning model itself, specifically citing advantages such as reduced storage requirements, lowered system complexity, and preventing “catastrophic forgetting.” Squires stressed that a policy categorically excluding AI innovations would jeopardize America’s leadership in this critical technology area, and reaffirmed that novelty, obviousness, and written description are

the “traditional and appropriate tools to limit patent protection to its proper scope”—*not* Section 101.

This echoes a functionalist approach that commentators have debated for years, with many supporting such an approach under which Section 101 should be interpreted as a coarse filter to broadly allow patenting of subject matter, while the true gating function for patent issuance should instead be relegated to Sections 102, 103, and 112 of the Patent Act. See, e.g., David Swetnam-Burland & Stacy O. Stitham, Patent Law 101: The Threshold Test as Threshing Machine, 21 TEX. INTELL. PROP. L.J. 135, 138-140 (2013).

Ultimately, Squires’s encouragement of the filing of SMEDs by applicants—and his directive to examiners to consider such submissions with care—are clearly designed to further his stated policy goals of promoting innovation and patenting in these technology areas.

Conclusion: An Opportunity for Innovators

Director Squires’s strong pro-patentee approach, especially with respect to AI and other transformative technologies, presents an opportunity for innovators that previously may have assumed pat-

ent ineligibility for their inventions and therefore opted not to pursue patent protection. These innovators may now consider reassessing their technology and research portfolios—and their efforts to file patent applications to protect innovations in those portfolios—in light of these latest developments which may reduce the difficulty of overcoming Section 101 rejections. Armed with the USPTO’s rejuvenated enthusiasm for SMEDs, patent practitioners may well find increased success protecting innovations that in recent years had seemed a lost cause.

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Even as the justices have already started thinking about these questions, it seems they will not be asked to resolve them imminently. In October, the *Frey* plaintiffs told the district court they did not plan to appeal the Second Circuit’s decision further, and their time to petition for certiorari expired in mid-December. But if and when the issues do reach the high court, Judge Bianco’s opinion will provide a compelling road map.

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

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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 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*

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
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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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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 operation 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)—Motion is adjourned to Room 119 on date indicated, only for submission of papers.

SUBM 3—Adjourned to date indicated in Submission Courtroom (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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(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.

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ACCOUNTING CITATION File No. 2018-2448/A SURROGATE'S COURT BRONX COUNTY CITATION THE PEOPLE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God Free and Independent, TO: Denise Fowler; Angela Fowler; Gladys Fowler; Marion Fowler; Michael Fowler; Craig Fowler; Ronald Fowler; David Fowler; Estate of Walter C. Wood; Attorney General of the State of New York; and ILKFORD HARPER a/k/a RUDOLPH HARPER, whose whereabouts are unknown, if living or dead, to their respective heirs, legatees, creditors in interest whose names are unknown and cannot be ascertained after due diligence and The unknown distributees, next of kin and heirs at law of WALTER E. HARPER a/k/a WALTER EUGENE HARPER, deceased, if living, or if dead, to their respective distributees, next of kin, heirs at law, legatees, devisees, beneficiaries, fiduciaries, assignees, creditors or other successors in interest, whose names and post office addresses are unknown and cannot be ascertained after due diligence; A Petition having been duly filed by the Public Administrator of the County of Bronx, having offices at 851 Grand Concourse, Room 336, Bronx, New York 10451; YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE by making a virtual appearance before the Surrogate's Court of the State of New York, Bronx County, at 851 Grand Concourse, Room 406, Bronx, New York 10451 on February 24, 2026 at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the Court should not grant the following relief: (1) that the account of the Public Administrator of the County of Bronx, a summary of which will be served therewith, as Administrator of the Estate of WALTER E. HARPER a/k/a WALTER EUGENE HARPER, deceased, who at the time of his death was a domiciliary 6585 Broadway, Bronx, NY, be judicially settled; (2) that legal fees of \$134,184.01 as listed in Schedule C-1 of the account, of which \$67,092.01 will be paid upon the completion of jurisdiction herein and the remaining \$67,092.00 will be paid upon the entry of a Decree herein, to Rodman & Campbell, P.C. as attorneys for the Public Administrator be allowed; (3) that the Administrator be allowed its statutory charges calculated pursuant to SCPA 1106(3); (4) that the commissions calculated pursuant to SCPA 2307 and 1106 (1) & (2) be allowed; (5) that, in the absence of anyone appealing and filing objections hereto, the entire net estate be paid to NYC Commissioner of Finance for the benefit of the decedent's unknown heirs; (6) that, in the event objections are filed herein, the Court hold a hearing to establish the identity of the decedent's distributees and grant pursuant to SCPA 2225 if appropriate; (8) that such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper be granted. PLEASE CONTACT THE COURT AT (718) 618-2373 OR VIRTUAL-BRONXSURROGATESCOURT@NYCOURTS.GOV FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO APPEAR ON THE COURTS VIRTUAL PLATFORM. HON. NELIDA MALAVE-GONZALEZ, Surrogate Judge. HANNA O'BRIEN, Acting Chief Clerk Dated, Attested and Sealed, December 24, 2025 (Seal) Attorney for Petitioners: RODMAN AND CAMPBELL, P.C. Tel. (718) 882-2681 Address of Attorney: 1428 East Gun Hill Road, Bronx, New York 10469 Email: info@rodmanandcampbellllaw.com or hwc@rodmanandcampbellllaw.com This Citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney-at-law appear for you, and you or your attorney may request a copy of the full account from the petitioner or petitioner's attorney. 19124 j17-W j28

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that a license, number NA -0267-25-138344 for wine & beer has been applied for by the undersigned* to sell wine, beer at retail in a flower cafe Sa-hola Coffee Inc under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 108 E 31 St, Manhattan, NY, 10016 for on premises consumption. (Sa-hola Coffee Inc) j14-W j21

LIQUOR LICENSES

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that an On-Premise Restaurant Full Liquor License, NY Application ID: NA-0340-26-100422 has been applied for by Present Momentz LLC serving beer, wine, cider, mead and liquor to be sold at retail for on premises consumption in a restaurant for the premises located at 96 Orchard St New York NY 10002. j14-W j21

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THE ANNUAL RETURN OF THE CARL E. and LUDMILA S. Hess Foundation. For the calendar year ended 2023 is available at its principal office located at 321 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 for the inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days hereof. Principal Manager of the Foundation is Lawrence F. Gilberti. 19474 j14

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LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of THE TRAVELING ORTHODONTIST, PLLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/10/2025. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent for process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Michael Mourkakos, 8 Boxwood Way, Manhasset, NY 11030. Purpose: Any lawful act. 18861 D17 W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION of MATTHIAS ALTWICKER ARCHITECT PLLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, c/o Matthias Altwicker, 580 Main St., Ste 474, NY, NY 10044. Purpose: to practice the profession of Architecture. 19119 d31-W j4

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of SUSAN S. PARK M.D., PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of PLLC, 511 E 20th St., Apt. 10C, NY, NY 10010. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 220 5th Ave., Fl. 11, Rm. 2, NY, NY 10001. Purpose: Medicine. 18959 Dec24 w Jan28

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of WENDY HEILBUT PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of PLLC: 435 E. 52nd St., Apt. 4B, NY, NY 10022. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Legal services. 19044 Dec24 w Jan28

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of ADM ENGINEERING, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/23/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of PLLC: 1045 Park Ave., 10th Fl., NY, NY 10028. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the princ. office of the PLLC. Purpose: Professional Engineering. 19226 Dec31 w Feb4

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of ON PURPOSE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY PLLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/23/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of PLLC: 1045 Park Ave., 10th Fl., NY, NY 10028. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the princ. office of the PLLC. Purpose: Professional Engineering. 19226 Dec31 w Feb4

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LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

BOXWOOD WAY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/02/25. 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 Michael Mourkakos, 8 Boxwood Way, Manhasset, NY 11030. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 18333 d10-W j14

ENLARGED BORDERS AVIATION, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/25/25. 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, 144 Woodbury Road, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 18334 d10-W j14

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

HYDERABADI ZAIQA 2 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 12/05/2025. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 785 9TH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10019. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 18339 d10-W j14

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

JFK MEI GUO 34 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/09/2025. 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, 420 Great Neck Road, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 18343 d10-W j14

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

RIU MINHO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/04/2025. Office loc: Bronx County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 340 Tiffany St, Bronx, NY 10474. Reg Agent: Rachel Rodrigues, 340 Tiffany St, Bronx, NY 10474. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 18336 d10-W j14

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

Formation of D'Annunzio - Servidone, JV. LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/2025. Office loc.: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 135 Woodhill Ln, Manhasset, NY 11030. Purpose: Any lawful act. 19238 d31-W j4

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

2291 REO LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/02/25. Office in Nassau Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to C/O Harry Zubli Esq 175 Great Neck Rd Ste 403 Great Neck NY 11021. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19001 Dec24 w Jan28

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

28ADAR 2 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/16/25. Office in Nassau Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to C/O Harry Zubli Esq 175 Great Neck Rd Ste 403 Great Neck NY 11021. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19001 Dec24 w Jan28

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SALES

NOTICE OF SALE OF COOPERATIVE APARTMENT SECURITY BY VIRTUE OF A DEFAULT BY VIRTUE OF DEFAULT in a security agreement filed on SEPTEMBER 10, 2008, with indebtedness due by NOVEMBER 01, 2038, by Ruben Azrak in accordance with its rights as holder of the security. HSBC Mortgage Corporation (USA), by Dovenmuehle Mortgage, Inc., as servicer for the loan, by its successors and assigns, by Kim Carrino, auctioneer(s), will conduct a public sale of the security consisting of 282 shares of stock issued by Finch Apartment Corp., and all right title and interest in and to a proprietary lease in a building known as and by the street address 52 East 78th Street, Unit 7C, New York, NY 10075, with an estimated value of \$500,000.00, together with fixtures and articles of personal property now hereafter affixed to or used in connection with said apartment on FEBRUARY 4, 2026 at 11:30 AM, at the New York County Courthouse on the portico, located at 60 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007; in satisfaction of an indebtedness in the original principal amount of \$291,200.00, on which there remains an unpaid principal balance of \$211,105.46 plus interest from MARCH 01, 2025, subject to open maintenance charges. Notice is hereby being given to Ruben Azrak that payment of the debt is due in full by January 19, 2026. Further, that if Ruben Azrak or any person(s) has a dispute of validity of the lien or amount claimed herein, it may be brought to proceeding under Lien Law, Section 201-a, within 10 days of the service of this notice. You are entitled to an accounting of the unpaid indebtedness secured by the property that we intend to sell. You may request an accounting by calling us at (585) 232-7400 Ext. 312. The secured party reserves the right to bid on the security interest, to set the minimum sale amount and to reject any and all bids. The secured party makes no warranties or representations. Each bidder must make his/her own inquiry regarding the apartment and any liens or debts in connection therewith. The sale is subject to the Terms and Conditions, including ten (10%) percent deposit by certified funds at the auction; balance due upon closing within thirty (30) days; the payment of all sums due to the cooperative corporation; and any existing tenancy. The apartment will be sold AS IS, possession is to be obtained by purchaser(s). Dated: January 9, 2026 FEIN, SUCH & CRANE, LLP ATTORNEYS FOR SECURED CREDITOR, HSBC Mortgage Corporation (USA), 28 East Main Street, Suite 1800 Rochester, NY 14614 (585) 232-7400 88519 j14-W J28 19577

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO PURCHASE OUTSTANDING COMMON UNITS OF STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. (CUSIP: 85814R107)

Steel Partners Holdings L.P. (the “Company”) provides notice that the General Partner of the Company has assigned to its affiliate, Steel Excel, Inc., the right under the company’s Eleventh Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement to purchase all outstanding common units of the Company not held by the General Partner of the Company or its affiliates (the “Common Units”), and on January 6, 2026, Steel Excel, Inc. elected to exercise its right to purchase all outstanding Common Units in exchange for a purchase price of \$50.0 per Common Unit in cash. The purchase price will be payable to holders effective as of January 16, 2026, which shall be the purchase date, upon surrender by a holder of the certificates representing its Common Units, if any, at such office or offices, if any, as the Transfer Agent set forth below may specify. Additional information can be found in the Notice of Election to Purchase Outstanding Common Units and Appraisal Rights dated January 6, 2026 that has been mailed to Record Holders of Common Units by the Transfer Agent. Holders in “street name” should contact their broker, bank, or nominee for procedures. Holders of record will be contacted by the Transfer Agent: Equiniti Trust Company, L.L.C., Operations Center, Attn: Onbase - Reorganization Department, 1110 Centre Pointe Curve, Suite #101, Mendota Heights, MN 55120. j12-MTuW j14 19576

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF TALCOTT GARDENS PRESERVATION L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/01/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Hudson Yards, 72nd Fl., NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18956 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF TR CREATIVE LAB L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/10/2025. Office location: Nassau SSNY desg. 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 11554. Any lawful purpose. 19018 Dec24 w Jan28

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 of LLC upon whom process against it 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

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 383 CLINTON AVE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/22/2025. 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, 383 W Broadway, Woodmere, NY 11598. Reg Agent: Segal Dov, 885 W Broadway, Woodmere, NY 11598. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 18659 d17-W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION Notice of Formation of LEGACY SANDWICH 14TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/05/2025. Office location: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: THE LLC, 240 WEST 40TH ST., NEW YORK, NY 10018. Purpose: any lawful activities. 18657 d17-W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of Earnest Pursuit Coffee Roasting, LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/11/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 525 W 52nd Street, 20AN, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: any lawful act. 18649 D17 W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of Greenfield PF Holdings LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/03/2025. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the Company, 444 Woodbury Rd., Plainview, NY 11803. Purpose: any lawful activities. 18658 d17-W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LEGACY DONUT 14TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/03/2025. Office location: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: THE LLC, 240 WEST 40TH ST., NEW YORK, NY 10018. Purpose: any lawful activities. 18656 d17-W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of Myzi 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 417 W 120th St, Apt 2B, NY, NY 10027. R/A: US Corp Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave, #202, BK, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful act. 18577 D17 W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of One World Brans LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 3/21/23. Office location: New York County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 214 West 39th St, Ste 204, NY, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 18669 D17 W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of Revive Hair Co. LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/2025. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 360 Briarwood Rd, Massapequa, NY 11758. Purpose: any lawful act. 18648 D17 W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of Schwartz Strategies LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/10/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 228 Park Ave S, PMB 271526, New York, NY 10003. R/A: US Corp Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave, #202, BK, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful act. 18663 D17 W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of The Drop House NYC 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 150 East 18th St, #1B, New York, NY 10003. Purpose: any lawful act. 18651 D17 W J21

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF HIPIVE CREATIVE LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/3/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 626 E 14th St, Apt 17, New York, NY 10009. Purpose: any lawful act. 19225 D31 W F04

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROGRESS BOOKS LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/4/2025. 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: eResidentAgent, Inc., 1 Rockefeller Plz, #1204, New York, NY 10020. Purpose: any lawful act. 18742 D31 W F04

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SPARK DIGITAL CONSULTANTS LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/4/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 208 E Broadway, Apt J806, New York, NY 10002. Purpose: any lawful act. 15008 D31 W F04

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THE BAREFOOT BALLET LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/24/2025. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to 200 Spring Street, Unit 11, New York, NY 10012. Purpose: any lawful act. 16713 D31 W F04

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 175 FRANKLIN HOLDER LLC Arts of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/25/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18313 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 63RD STREET 10C LLC Arts of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Loeb Block & Partners LLP, 505 Park Ave., 8th Fl., NY, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18311 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF AURORA CARLETON AVE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: Nassau County. Princ. office of LLC: 1295 Northern Blvd., Ste. 21, Manhasset, NY 11030. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18289 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CITIZENSHIP APARTMENTS PRESERVATION CLASS A LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/21/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Hudson Yards, 72nd Fl., NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18295 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF COURTLANDT WORKFORCE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: Phipps Houses, 257 Park Ave. South, 12th Fl., NY, NY 10010. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18307 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CPW WORKFORCE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/01/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: Phipps Houses, 257 Park Ave. South, 12th Fl., NY, NY 10010. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18309 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF IKH 1225 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/21/25. Office location: Nassau County. Princ. office of LLC: 1675 Westmoreland Rd., Merrick, NY 11556. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18327 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF KMFS PAYROLL LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/20/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18292 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MARBLE OPCO II LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/08/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Russell Leaf, Parkville, Farr & Gallagher LLP, 787 Seventh Ave., NY, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18328 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MARBLE PROPERTY HOLDING II LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/08/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Russell Leaf, Parkville, Farr & Gallagher LLP, 787 Seventh Ave., NY, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18329 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MELROSE SOUTH WORKFORCE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: Phipps Houses, 257 Park Ave. South, 12th Fl., NY, NY 10010. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18317 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NYCNC SUB-CDE 26, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: One Liberty Plaza, NY, NY 10006. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o New York City Economic Development Corp., Attn: General Counsel at the princ. office of the LLC. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18322 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SARU 29B LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/27/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18302 Dec10 w Jan14

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NYCNC SUB-CDE 27, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: One Liberty Plaza, NY, NY 10006. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o New York City Economic Development Corp., Attn: General Counsel at the princ. office of the LLC. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18323 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NYCNC SUB-CDE 28, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: One Liberty Plaza, NY, NY 10006. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o New York City Economic Development Corp., Attn: General Counsel at the princ. office of the LLC. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18324 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NYCNC SUB-CDE 29, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: One Liberty Plaza, NY, NY 10006. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o New York City Economic Development Corp., Attn: General Counsel at the princ. office of the LLC. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18325 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NYCNC SUB-CDE 30, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: One Liberty Plaza, NY, NY 10006. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o New York City Economic Development Corp., Attn: General Counsel at the princ. office of the LLC. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18321 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PHIPPS PLAZAS WORKFORCE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: Phipps Houses, 257 Park Ave. South, 12th Fl., NY, NY 10010. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18320 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF RADIANT HEALTH PARTNERS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/25. Office location: Bronx County. Princ. office of LLC: 1250 Waters Pl., PH-1, Bronx, NY 10461. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18279 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SDC SAW MILL MEMBER LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/21/25. Office location: Bronx County. Princ. office of LLC: 1250 Waters Pl., PH-1, Bronx, NY 10461. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18282 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SIMONE SAW MILL MEMBER LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/21/25. Office location: Bronx County. Princ. office of LLC: 1250 Waters Pl., PH-1, Bronx, NY 10461. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18281 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THOMPSON 2E LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/09/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Lindsey Rollman, 300 Park Ave., Ste. 530, NY, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18297 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF WEST FARMS WORKFORCE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18303 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF WILLCHAR LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/01/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 145 Nassau St., #9D, NY, NY 10038. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18300 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of Magid Condo LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/3/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr: 8500 Normandale Lake Blvd., Ste. 630, Minneapolis, MN 55437. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: CT Corporation System, 28 Liberty St., NY, NY 10005. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 18580 Dec17 w Jan21

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BCE FRANKLIN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/05/2025. Office location: Nassau SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 71 ROCKCREST ROAD, MANHASSET, NY 11030. Any lawful purpose. 19015 Dec24 w Jan18

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF FORMATION Of 6 Gemstone LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/12/25. Office location: NY County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to the principal business address: 56 Woodland Dr., Brightwaters, NY 11718, Attn: Carl Adams, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 19021 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BASS REAL ESTATE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/15/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19045 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CAMILA HOLDING LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 110 East 57th St, NY, NY 10022. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Holding of real estate. 18964 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CONEY REMICA PROPERTY HOLDING, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/09/2025. Office location: New York SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 229 EAST 85TH STREET #1010, NEW YORK, NY 10028. Any lawful purpose. 19016 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DRMEK, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to David Mekles, 67 Fairway Terrace, Norwood, NJ 07048. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19034 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF FIPA PRODUCTIONS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 630 9th Ave., Ste. 1409, NY, NY 10036. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19029 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF JE 2024 NO. 1 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/11/2025. Office location: New York SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 10 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, APT. 3F, NEW YORK, NY 10024. Any lawful purpose. 19017 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF JWB 211 WEST 84TH LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Wendy Balter, 271 West 84th St, Apt. 1405, Hollywood Fl, 33019. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19033 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LANDR LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/25/25. Office location: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18951 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NEWMARK LIVELIHOOD LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/25. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19032 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SUNNYSIDE IL DEVELOPER, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Hudson Yards, 72nd Fl., NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18953 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF TALCOTT GARDENS DEVELOPER, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/01/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Hudson Yards, 72nd Fl., NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18955 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF TALCOTT GARDENS PRESERVATION CLASS B, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/01/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Hudson Yards, 72nd Fl., NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18957 Dec24 w Jan28

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 shall mail process to 600 MAMARONECK AVENUE #400, HARRISON, NY, 10528. Any lawful purpose. 19677 Jan14 w Feb18

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

BRIGHTSPARK CONSULTING LLC Arts. of Org. filed SSNY, 12/10/2025 New York Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 41 STATE ST, #112, ALBANY, NY, 12207 General Purpose 18997 Dec24 w Jan28

BT3 EQUITIES LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/16/25. Office in Nassau Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to The LLC 5 Crosswood Rd Great Neck NY, 11023. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19006 Dec24 w Jan28

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: The LLC, 20 Water Grant St, Ste 346, Yonkers, NY 10701. Reg Agent: Joseph A Camilo, 300 Water Grant St, Ste 346, Yonkers, NY 10701. 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: Jennifer Pirozzi, 2464 Putnam Drive, East Meadow, NY 11536. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19686 j14-W f18

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 12/29/25. Office: Nassau County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19221 Dec31 w Feb4

JAVI HOLDINGS LLC, a Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/23/2025. 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, 40 Queens Street, Suite 415, Syosset, NY 11791. Reg Agent: Chris Corio, 330 Motor Parkway, Suite 300 Hauppauge, NY 11788. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19437 j7-W f11

MARSOL LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/26/25 with an existence date of 01/01/26. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 15 West 29th Street, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 19433 j7-W f11

STUYTOWN ONE 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: Wen Biao Li, 1 Great Neck Rd, Ste 8, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 19438 j7-W f11

ACROPOLIS CONDO UNIT LLC. Filed 12/17/2025. Office: New York Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: MR BENJAMIN KAUFMAN ESQ C/O WOLFF HALDENSTEIN ADLER FREEMAN & HERZ LLP 270 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10016. Purpose: General. 19377 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CREST FACTOR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/19/2025. Office location: Nassau County.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF Orvyenza Trade Group LLC. Arts of Org. filed with SSNY on 09/15/2025. Office location: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy to 353 Lexington Avenue, 4th floor, Suite 400 #290, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful act. 18326 D10 W J14

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 115 Central Park W, Apt 6CE, New York, NY 10023. Purpose: any lawful act. 19568 J14 W F18

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 171 STONY HOLLOW LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sec'ty 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 CLOVEBROOK LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sec'ty 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, 28 CLOVEBROOK RD VALHALLA, NY, 10595. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 19663 Jan14 w Feb18

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 of LLC: 350 West 88th St., NY, NY 10024. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19670 Jan14 w Feb18

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360 W 119 ST LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 12/12/25. Originally filed with the Secretary of State of New Jersey on 12/08/25. 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, 161 Western Drive, Short Hills, NJ 07078. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 18905 d24-w j28

APOLLO LANDMARK, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 12/12/25. Originally filed with the Secretary of State of New Jersey on 12/08/25. 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, 161 Western Drive, Short Hills, NJ 07078. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 18904 d24-w j28

PUBITY GROUP LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 12/16/25. Originally filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware on 08/20/24. Office: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o The LLC, 21 Underwood Avenue, Fort Washington, NY, 11050. DE address of LLC is c/o Corporation Service Company, 251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808 . A copy of the Cert. of Form. on file with State of DE, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 19233 d31-w f4

686 PORT LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed with SSNY 12/17/25. Office location: Nassau County. LLC formed in DE 7/9/2020. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 21 Underwood Avenue, Fort Washington, NY, 11050. DE address of LLC is c/o Corporation Service Company, 251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808 . A copy of the Cert. of Form. on file with State of DE, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 19233 d31-w f4

7614 4TH LENDER LLC. Authority filed SSNY 12/11/2025 Office: New York Co. formed DE 12/18/2019 exists 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801 SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 424 MADISON AVE 16TH FL, NEW YORK, NY, 10017 Cert of Regis Filed DE SOS 401 Federal St #4 Dover DE 19901 General Purpose: 18999 Dec24 w Jan28

FARM HORSE, LLC. Authority filed SSNY 12/1/2025 Office: New York Co. formed DE 11/15/2011 exists 555 E. LOOCKERMAN ST., #320, Dover, DE 19901 SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to 99 W. HAWTHORNE AVE., # 408, VALLEY STREAM, NY, 11580 Cert of Regis Filed DE SOS 401 Federal St #4 Dover DE 19901 General Purpose 18998 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF Green Day Solution LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/2025. Office location: New York County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/08/2025. 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. Address required to be maintained in DE: 16192 Coastal Hwy., Lewes, DE 19658. Arts of Org. filed with the Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 18348 d10-w j14

NOTICE OF QUAL OF ALLEYWORKS LLC. Auth. filed with SSNY on 12/05/2025. Office location: NEW YORK. LLC formed in DE on 11/21/2025. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: 220 5TH AVENUE 17TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, 10001. Arts. of Org. filed with DE SOS, 401 Federal St. Ste 3 Dover, DE 19901. Any lawful purpose. 18342 Dec10 w Jan14

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NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF 535 E. Broadway CE LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/2025. Office location: New York County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/03/2025. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 525 7th Ave., 20th Fl., New York, NY 10018. Address required to be maintained in DE: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts of Org. filed with the DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 18655 d17-W j21

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF Green Day Solution LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/2025. Office location: New York County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/08/2025. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Registered Agents Inc., 418 Broadway, Ad. R, Albany, NY 12207. Address required to be maintained in DE: 16192 Coastal Hwy., Lewes, DE 19658. Arts of Org. filed with the Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 18654 d17-W j21

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF BLUE SPARTAN LLC, fictitious name BLUE SPARTAN RESTAURANT NEW YORK LLC. Application for authority filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/29/2025. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE on 10/31/2024. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 100 SE 2nd St, Ste 2000, Miami, FL 33131. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St, Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 18482 D31 W F04

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF LINDBROOK PARTNERS, LLC. App. for Authority filed with SSNY on 10/10/2025. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE on 4/16/2025. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to 1 Rockefeller Plaza, Ste 1204, New York, NY 10020. C/PB/A: 2029 Century Park East, 1400, Los Angeles, CA 90067. DE address: 1013 Centre Rd, Ste 403S, Wilmington, DE 19805. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St, Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act. 16604 D31 W F04

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF SHOUT AND YELL LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/27/2025. Office Location: New York County. LLC formed in Washington (WA) on 07/28/2025. Princ. office of LLC: 1224 26th St #5C, New York, NY 10010. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 10822 168th Ct NE, Redmond, WA, 98052. Cert. of Form. filed with WA Secy. of State, 416 Sid Snyder Ave SW, Olympia, WA 98501. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 19235 D31 W F04

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF WINDSOR DRIVE LLC. Application for authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/18/2025. Office location: Nassau County. LLC formed in California (CA) on 4/10/2025. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 1390 Century Park East, Ste 950, Los Angeles, CA 90067. R/A: EResident Agent, Inc., 1 Rockefeller Plz, #1204, New York, NY 10020. Arts of Org. filed with Secy of State of CA, 1500 11th St, Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activity. 19211 D31 W F04

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF 100 GOLD NW OWNER, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/25/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/25/25. Princ. office of LLC: 1700 Broadway, 25th Fl., 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 Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18310 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF TECHNOLOGY SERVICES GROUP TRS LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/25/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 01/07/25. Princ. office of LLC: c/o Brookfield Properties, 225 Liberty St., 43rd Fl., NY, NY 10281. 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., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18314 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF 88-90 LEXINGTON OWNER LLC. For Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/10/24. Princ. office of LLC: Glacier Equities, 152 57th St, 10SE, 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 Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18925 Dec24 w Jan28

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF ADRENALINE ADMINISTRATORS, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/10/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 08/12/21. Princ. office of LLC: 205 W. 28th St, 9th Fl., Ste. B, NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Charuni Patibanda-Sanchez, Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18299 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF AHM AVIATION II, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/21/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/19/25. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co. 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. 18285 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF AUNT DOROTHY'S PLACE LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/10/25. 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 NY Dept. of State, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18316 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF BLACKLINE NEW YORK, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/01/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Illinois (IL) on 11/17/25. Princ. office of LLC: 15 Park Row, NY, NY 10038. 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. IL addr. of LLC: 1751 West Diehl Rd., Ste. 185, Naperville, IL 60563. Cert. of Form. filed with IL Secy. of State, 213 State Capitol, Springfield, IL 62756. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18298 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF ESCENTRIC MOLECULES LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/20/25. 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 Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18312 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF FRED AT HOME, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/18/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/3/25. 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. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18318 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF NFI FINANCIAL, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/18/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 03/22/24. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 121 W. 36th St., Ste. 515, NY, NY 10018. DE addr. of LLC: c/o Corporation Service Co., 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. 18286 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF TD FINANCIAL PRODUCTS LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/18/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 07/21/10. 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: CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State of the State of DE, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18296 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF THE PROSPERITY CONSULTING GROUP, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/12/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 08/01/23. 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 19805. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18290 Dec10 w Jan14

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF TMV ALPHAS US, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/19/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/28/23. 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 DE, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18291 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF YENDO AUTO SERVICING, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/17/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 06/20/23. 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, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18293 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUAL OF KPMG PERFORMANCE HUB LLC, Auth. filed with SSNY on 12/04/2025. Office location: NEW YORK. LLC formed in DE on 04/25/2025. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: 600 MAMARONECK AVENUE #400, HARRISON, NY 10523. UNITED STATES, 10523. Arts of Org. filed with DE SOS, 401 Federal St Ste 3 Dover, DE 19901. Any lawful purpose. 18341 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF Vineyard Point Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 11/25/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in DE: 11/21/25. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 250 W. 34th Pl., NY, NY 10019. principal business address. DE address of LLC: Cogency Global Inc., 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18579 Dec17 w Jan21

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF 4275 BOSTON SG LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/15/25. Office location: Nassau County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/10/25. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co. (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, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18965 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF AT LAST SPORTSWEAR LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/29/25. 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: CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19040 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF BRIO REAL ESTATE L.L.C. Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/01/24. 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. 18963 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF 1890 ADAMS HOUSE HOLDINGS LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/25. Office location: Nassau County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/18/24. Princ. office of LLC: 333 Earle Ovington Blvd., Ste. 900, Uniondale, NY 11553. 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: 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. 18949 Dec2 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUAL OF A LONGCHAMP PHOTOGRAPHY LLC. Auth. filed with SSNY on 12/18/2025. Office location: NJ on 09/19/2023. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: 528 EAST MEADOW AVE, EAST MEADOW, NY 11554. Arts of Org. filed with NJ SOS. PO Box 450, Trenton, NJ 08646. Any lawful purpose. 19206 Dec31 w Feb4

NOTICE OF QUAL OF KESKIN INVESTMENT HOLDINGS LLC. Auth. filed with SSNY on 12/19/2025. Office location: New York. LLC formed in DE on 06/17/2025. SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mails process to: 343 E 30TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10016. Arts. of Org. filed with DE SOS, Townsend Bldg. Dover, DE 19901. Any lawful purpose. 19209 Dec31 w Feb4

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF DHABAWALA LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/20/25. Princ. office of LLC: 1279 Rt. 46, Ste. C202, Parsippany, NJ 07054. 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 DE Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19042 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF EVERGREEN PEAK LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/20/25. NYS fictitious name: EVERGREEN PEAK (DE) LLC. 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: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18961 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF GREEN GATE CAPITAL LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/22/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/04/25. 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: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18960 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF LEGACY VALUATION & FORENSICS, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 08/18/25. Princ. office of LLC: 4350 W Cypress St., Ste. 100, Tampa, FL 33607. 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: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18950 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF MF AMERICA LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 01/23/24. 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 Reg. filed with PA Sec. of the Commonwealth, 302 N. Office Bldg., 401 North St., Harrisburg, PA 17120. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 19030 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF MJPH2 COMPANY, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/15/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/24/25. 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, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19043 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF NFMV SPV LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Cayman Islands (C.I.) on 10/02/25. 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. C.I. addr. of LLC: 71 Fort St., Box 500, Grand Cayman, C.I. KY1-1106. Cert. of Form. filed with Assistant Registrar of Limited Liability Companies, Ground Fl., Government Administration Bldg., 133 Elgin Ave., Grand Cayman, C.I. KY1-9900. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19039 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF NORVIN THOMPSON LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/04/25. Princ. office of LLC: 845 Third Ave., 6th Fl., NY, NY 10022. 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 DE Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19037 Dec24 w Jan28

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 NWH HOTEL MANAGEMENT LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/08/25. Princ. office of LLC: 1819 Wazee St., Denver, CO 80202. 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, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Management company. 19035 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF RAVE HEROES LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/02/25. 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: CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18954 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF RMC FUND B FN RES LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/22/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 05/22/25. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, c/o Roosevelt Management Company LLC, 1540 Broadway, Ste. 1500, NY, NY 10036. DE addr. of LLC: Corporation Service Co., 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19046 Dec2

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

801RS05H LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/08/2025. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 732 Central Avenue, Woodmere, NY 11598. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 18335 d10-W j14

ALLISON SCHOER INSIGHTS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/08/2025. Office loc: Nassau County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Gary Schoer, Esq., 6800 Jericho Turnpike, Ste 108, Syosset, NY 11791. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 18337 d10-W j14

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, #6B, New York, NY 10025. Purpose: any lawful act. 19676 J14 W F18

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of 26C MEZZ, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/21/25. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Tarter Krinsk & Drogin LLP, Attn: Brian J. Beller, Esq., 1350 Broadway, NY, NY 10018. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr. Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18319 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of 7-1 REO, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/19/25. Office location: NY County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 07/29/25. Princ. office of LLC: 4530 S. Eastern Ave., Ste. 10, Las Vegas, NV 89119. 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, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18294 Dec10 w Jan14

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 #167, 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 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 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

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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 Hatcher & 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

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. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr. Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 19382 Jan7 w Feb11

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of JBG SMITH Management Services, L.L.C. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/11/25. 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 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. 19693 Jan14 w Feb18

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of NOMURA COMMERCIAL 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

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

Notice of Formation of EMPIRE LLC. Cert. of Conversion filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/20/2003, converting EMPIRE ASSOCIATES L.P. to EMPIRE LLC. Office location: New York County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Mr. Alan B. Abramson, 501 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10017, USA. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18345 D10 W J14

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of TALCOTT GARDENS PRESERVATION, L.P. Cert. of LP filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/01/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. office of LP: 30 Hudson Yards, 72nd Fl., NY, NY 10001. Latest date on which the LP may dissolve is 12/31/2125. 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. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18958 Dec24 w Jan28

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITIES

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of ICNY TIMES SQUARE PROPCO FEE OWNER, LP Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/25. Office location: NY County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/30/25. NYS fictitious name: ICNY TIMES SQUARE PROPCO FEE OWNER, 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., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Name and addr. of each general partner are available from SSNY. DE addr. of LP: 251 Little Falls Dr. Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18962 Dec24 w Jan28

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of GBEYCROFT CONSUMER PRODUCTS FUND II, L.P. Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/25/25. Office location: NY County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/12/25. Princ. office of LP: 292 Madison Ave., 8th Fl., NY, NY 10017. 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: CSC, 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of LP filed with Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 18315 Dec10 w Jan14

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of Key Star Capital Fund IV, L.P. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/5/25. Office location: NY County. Princ. bus. addr.: 4100 Greenbriar, Ste. 130, Stafford, TX 77477. LP formed in DE: 7/23/24. NY 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. DE addr. of LP: 850 New Burton Rd., Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Name/addr. 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: all lawful purposes. 18581 Dec17 w Jan21

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of 400 CAPITAL ABTF IV ANNEX FUND I LP Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/25. Office location: NY County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/01/25. NYS fictitious name: 400 CAPITAL ABTF IV ANNEX FUND I 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 the Partnership, 660 Fifth Ave., 27th Fl., NY, NY 10103. Name and addr. of each general partner are available from SSNY. DE addr. of LP: c/o Corporation Service Co., 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of LP filed with Secy. of State of the State of DE, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 19028 Dec24 w Jan28

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Justice N. Ross
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The Following is the List of Sitings in the Ex Parte Urgent Motions Part on the Dates Specified:
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Day Calendar
Court Notices
Key to Submission Motion Calendar
FS = Fully submitted.
FSN = Fully Submitted, No Opposition
ADJ=adjourned to the marked date for oral argument in the above calendar part. Answering papers are to be submitted on the original return date in Room 217.

Mental Hygiene Part
Justice TBA
A Supreme Court calendar will be called and Mental Hygiene Hearings will be conducted virtually at Bronx Supreme Court-Civil Term, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10451, Room TBA, every Wednesday, commencing at a time TBA.
A Supreme Court calendar will be called and Mental Hygiene Hearings will be conducted in person at Bronx Supreme Court-Civil Term, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx NY 10451, Room TBA, every Thursday, commencing at a time TBA.
A Supreme Court calendar will be called and Mental Hygiene Hearings will be conducted virtually for the Community Assisted Outpatient Treatment Calendar at Bronx Supreme Court- Civil Term, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10451, Room TBA, every 2nd and 4th Friday of each month, commencing at a time TBA.

Mortgage Foreclosure Sales
Mortgage foreclosure sales in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Bronx, are conducted at the Bronx County Courthouse, located at 851 Grand Concourse, Courtroom 711, commencing at 2:15 p.m.
Auction information is available at the following link: https://ww2.nycourts.gov/courts/12jd/Bronx/Civil/civil_Foreclosure_Information.shtml.
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