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MCLEOD BETHUNE**

Bethune women's history plan

"When I go before a committee of Congress and say that the poll tax has got to be repealed, they're not going to listen to plain Mary Bethune."

BY BEVERLY SMALLS
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

In 1935 the Spingarn Medal, the highest honor of achievement for the American Negro was awarded to Mary McLeod Bethune.

As an educator, school administrator, social services activist, fundraiser, and federal government advisor, she influenced diverse communities.

In 1945 the local Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority presented Mary McLeod Bethune as guest speaker for an evening program at St.

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NEWS ANALYSIS

Building the Black vote for 2022 starts now

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

The N. C. Democratic Party has new top leadership in the person of former State Rep. Bobbie Richardson, of Franklin County, the first Black woman ever to hold that post. Richardson's work is certainly cut out for her, given that the 2022 midterm elections are right around the corner, and, given the mixed results for Democrats in November 2020 general election statewide, observers say mistakes made then cannot be repeated now.

Even though Black voter turnout actually went up 4% in the November election from the 2016 election, voting by Black youth, ages 18-25, was nowhere as dramatic. In fact, according to William Munn, a senior policy analyst with the Health Advocacy Project at the North Carolina Justice Center, "In an election that a lot of people billed as a transformational one, and one where we broke all types of turnout (records), it is up everywhere," Munn says, "but, in terms of African American voters who are younger, it's just a significant dropoff, in fact, a 12 point dropoff since 2012," Munn adds.

Part of the reason is the failure of evidence for Black young people that voting actually helps to change their immediate circumstances when

it comes to improving opportunities to better themselves. Another reason is their simply not feeling part of the political process.

Couple that with the fact that the Democrats' get-out-the-vote (GOTV) efforts, particularly in rural areas of North Carolina, were woefully weak compared to the Republican Party's, which maintained control of the N. C. General Assembly and won several top judicial seats on the State Supreme and appellate courts.

In fact, there are rural areas of North Carolina, such as Lumberton, Robeson County, N.C., where Blacks no longer automatically vote Democratic but now vote Republican. They have become more conservative in their views and values.

So what can be done to better mobilize the Black vote in North Carolina for 2022 and beyond?

The coronavirus pandemic hindered much of the Democratic GOTV efforts for 2020, resulting in Republicans' being able to deliver more of their voters to the polls by Election Day. Voter registration was also hindered.

Observers say that, while the states are different, lessons can be learned from Georgia and the massive success community leaders, such as Stacey Abrams, had there in consolidating and mobilizing the Black vote to elect the first African-American and Jewish U. S. senators in

the Georgia's history last January.

First lesson: Legally challenge any barriers to voting the state puts up that constitutionally cripples the right to vote. Stacey Abrams was able to file suit and win a federal consent decree that eliminated such barriers implemented by the State of Georgia to suppress the Black vote.

Second lesson: Make sure that as many people who are eligible to register are registered to vote.

Thousands of people who had been previously purged from the voting rolls were re-registered, in addition to those who had not been registered before.

Third lesson: Build close relationships with voters in communities. Talk with them about their hopes, dreams and policy concerns. Make sure they know they're being listened to. Hire people within communities to do the work and connect with others when needed.

Other factors certainly lean towards what more can be done to improve Black voter turnout numbers for the 2022 midterm elections. However, with Democrats holding a majority in the U. S. Senate by a razor's edge and by virtually a few in the U. S. House, Democrats can ill afford to wait for the pandemic to blow over totally.

They will have to do the things they did not do during the 2020 election, starting now.

Rep. Adams pushes George Floyd Act, eulogizes Vernon Jordan

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Earlier this week, Rep. Alma Adams (D-NC-12) urged passage of the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act (H.R. 1280) this week.

Adams is an original co-sponsor of the measure. "Since January 1, 2015, at least 175 people have been shot and killed by police in my home state of North Carolina, and more than 6 thousand people have been shot and killed by police

across the United States. The George Floyd Justice in Policing Act is a first step to preventing this from happening to another parent, sibling, friend, or neighbor," said Adams. "This important legislation bans chokeholds, eliminates qualified immunity for police officers, and ends racial and religious profiling. Additionally, it will establish national standards for the operation of police departments

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VERNON JORDAN

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Her major contributions
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 ening Black women's voices
 and networks that improved
 the quality of life.

During President
 Franklin Roosevelt's first
 administration she was a
 Florida delegate to the
 Southern Conference for
 Human Welfare.

Black and White men and
 women discussed, "ways to
 make the South a better
 place to live," according to
 Bethune.

President Roosevelt also
 requested that the educator
 and fundraising activist
 serve as advisor for his New
 Deal National Youth
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Decades earlier in 1904
 Bethune had founded the
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Though the color of her
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 sought to organize Black
 women from a variety of
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The CROWN Act
 Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair.

NC Crown Act advances

BY CASH MICHAELS
 OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

A proposed law in the N. C. House, if passed by the N. C. General Assembly, would "...create a respectful and open world for natural hair."

House Bill (HB)170, otherwise known as the North Carolina CROWN (Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair) Act, is sponsored by Representatives Kandie D. Smith, of Pitt County,

Carolyn G. Logan, of Mecklenburg County, Vernetta Alston, of Durham County, and Amber M. Baker, of Forsyth County.

All are Black women and all are Democrats.

The proposed measure, which passed first reading and was referred to the House Judiciary 2 Committee on March 1, seeks to make "...discrimination against persons based on traits historically associated with race, hair texture, or hairstyle prohibited."

HB 170 adds, "No person,

firm, corporation, unincorporated association, state agency, unit of local government, or any public or private entity shall deny or refuse employment to any person or discharge any person from employment because of traits historically associated with race or on account of the person's hair texture or protective hairstyles.

The proposed law then defines what hairstyles are protected (includes, but not limited to) - bantu, knots, braids, locks and twists.

When referencing race, the bill refers hair texture, hair type and protective hairstyles.

The proposed measure makes clear that "it does not prevent a person...from being discharged for cause, and the act is effective when it becomes law."

The next stop for the NC CROWN Act is the Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House Committee.

The CROWN Coalition is a nationwide group seeking to have CROWN Acts adopted

in all fifty states. Only seven states have passed the legislation thus far.

The U. S. House passed it last year, hoping to make it federal law in all fifty states, but the U. S. Senate did not.

That means that, in a majority of the nation, Black women can still be fired for how they wear their hair to work.

U. S. Rep. Ilhan Omar (D-MN) called the CROWN Act "...an important step forward to combat racial discrimination."

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and mandate data collection on all police encounters. All of these necessary reforms will bring greater accountability and transparency into interactions between the police and the communities they're sworn to protect."

The George Floyd Justice in Policing Act is a bold, comprehensive bill, which takes important steps toward holding police accountable, ending racial profiling, changing the culture of law enforcement, empowering our communities, and building trust between law enforcement and everyone they're sworn to protect by addressing systemic racism and bias.

Rep. Adams also took time to eulogize the passing of veteran civil rights leader, Vernon Jordan, who died on

Tuesday at the age of 85.

Jordan, alumnus of the Howard University School of Law, once served as president of the National Urban League and was a close adviser to President Bill Clinton.

"Vernon Jordan was a civil rights legend," Rep. Adams said in a statement. "He walked with Medgar Evers and helped Black

Americans gain the right to vote in the Jim Crow South. He led the United Negro College Fund and the Urban League. He even survived an assassination attempt only 41 years ago and continued to advance the cause of civil rights in the Clinton Administration. Vernon's legacy is one of resilience and a reminder that the fights for civil rights and

equality were not that long ago but continue to this day.

My prayers are with his wife, Ann, and his family."

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FRONTLINE WORKERS NOW ELIGIBLE FOR COVID SHOT

[RALEIGH] Frontline workers in essential areas

like education, grocery stores, public safety and health care are now eligible to receive their vaccine shot to protect coronavirus. Gov. Cooper announced Tuesday that those in Group 3 can now get their shot. The announcement comes as North Carolina stands by to receive the new Johnson & Johnson single shot vac-

cine, just released earlier this week.

WAKE COUNTY RENAMES MAJOR LIBRARY NAMED AFTER SLAVEOWNER

[RALEIGH] The Wake County Board of Commissioners Monday voted unanimously to change the name of one of

the best known libraries in the county because it was originally named after Duncan Cameron, one of the largest slave owners in the region. That library will now be called the Village Regional Library. Recently, the shopping center where the library is located, was also renamed by its owners as the Village District.

NC HIGHWAY PATROL COMMANDER RETIRES

[RALEIGH] The commander of the NC Highway Patrol, Col. Glenn McNeil, has announced that after almost 30 years with the force, he will step down on April 1st. Gov. Cooper appointed McNeil, the second African-American ever to hold the post, in 2017. "I

am grateful for Colonel McNeill's service to our state and his hard work to keep North Carolinians safe," Cooper said. "He cares deeply for the organization and its members and has been an outstanding leader during difficult times."

COMPILED BY CASH MICHAELS



DR. CHRISTINE JOHNSON MCPHAIL

Saint Augustine's University announces the appointment of Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail as the University's 13th President

RALEIGH, N.C. - February 22, 2021 - The Board of Trustees at Saint Augustine's University (SAU) today announced the appointment of Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail as the University's 13th President effective February 24th. The announcement comes after an extensive national search to fill the vacancy left after the untimely passing of her husband, Dr. Irving Pressley McPhail, in October 2020.

"We are excited and fortunate to have an innovative, proven credential leader of Dr. Christine McPhail's stature to lead St. Augustine's University to the next level of excellence as we reimagine a new model of the HBCU of the future," said Retired Honorable Justice James E. Perry, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Currently serving as the President and CEO of the McPhail Group, LLC, Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail is a nationally recognized, well-respected thought leader in higher education in her own right. Dr. McPhail also currently serves as Professor of Practice at the John E. Roueche Center for Community College Leadership at Kansas State University. She is the Founding Professor and Director of the Community College Leadership Doctoral Program at Morgan State University. Under McPhail's leadership, Morgan State University received R1 Carnegie classification, indicating that the program awarded at least 20 research/scholarship doctoral degrees during the update year.

"I am both humbled and honored to have been selected by the Saint Augustine's University Board of Trustees to serve as its next president," said Dr. McPhail. "I am committed to the success of this University and each of its students. I also feel a responsibility to carry on my late husband's work to establish the University as a 21st Century, learning-centered institution while at the same time leaning on several decades of experience in higher education leadership and strong partnerships with the SAU community to move us forward."

Prior to her role at Morgan State University, she served as President of Cypress College in California. She is a Certified Associate for Emergenetics International, an organizational development company that uses psychometric research and behavioral studies to advise and consult with businesses and individuals on how to assess human capital.





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OUR VOICE

RAINBOW COALITION

The right to vote is under siege

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

The fundamental right in a democracy — the right to vote — is once more under siege. In state after state, Republican legislators have introduced literally hundreds of bills designed to suppress voting. Their passion is fueled by Donald Trump's big lie that the presidential election was "stolen" from him.



Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

Their targets are minorities — African Americans, Latinos and Asian Americans, and the young. They call themselves Republicans,

but their lineage comes not from Abraham Lincoln, the first Republican president, but from Jefferson Davis, the southern Democrat who led the Confederacy in its battle to keep Blacks enslaved. The current debates have a haunting history. After the South was defeated in the Civil War, Congress passed the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments.

Often termed the "second founding," these amendments ended slavery (13th), guaranteed equal protection under the laws (14th) and prohibited discrimination in the right to vote (15th). The defeated south then began what was called Reconstruction. To be readmitted to the Union, they had to create new constitutions that rendered equal rights to all. In some states, newly freed Blacks constituted the majority. In many states, a new fusion politics began, often bringing the newly freed Black citizens together with small farmers and merchants against the old plantation aristocracy.

In states like North Carolina, the new majorities passed remarkable progressive reforms in public education, public works, progressive taxation, land redistribution and more. The white plantation aristocracy could not abide the new order. They organized a systematic effort to suppress the new coalitions. America's first domestic terrorist organization, the Ku Klux Klan, unleashed a wave of violence against newly freed Blacks and the whites who joined them. An estimated 5,000 Blacks were lynched.

The violence that included setting fire to Black stores and neighborhoods was designed to drive Blacks and their allies out of polling booths and the South. The plantation aristocracy successfully took back power, then imposed Jim Crow laws that made it virtually impossible for Blacks to vote. The federal government failed to check the violence, and in 1876, in

a corrupt deal, Republicans agreed to end Reconstruction and remove the remaining federal troops. In 1896, to its lasting shame, the Supreme Court in Plessy v. Ferguson ratified the surrender, declaring separate but equal laws constitutional. It took more than 50 years before the civil rights movement and the Voting Rights Act restored the right to vote to African Americans. Today's Republican Party is founded on the reaction to the civil rights movement.

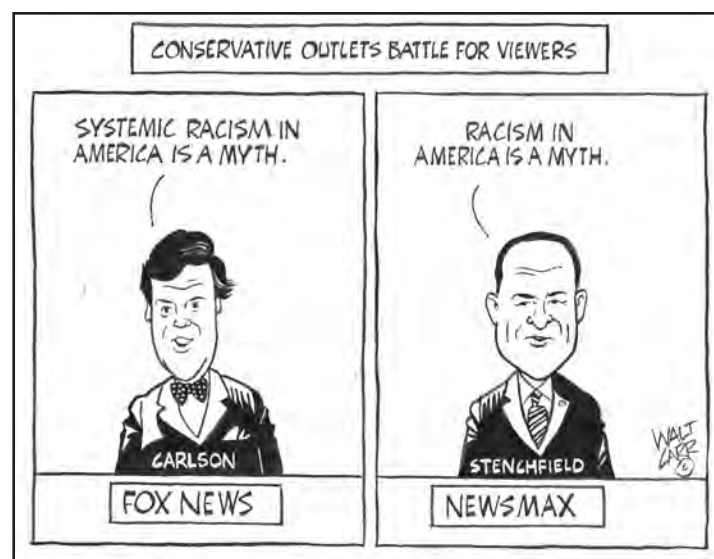
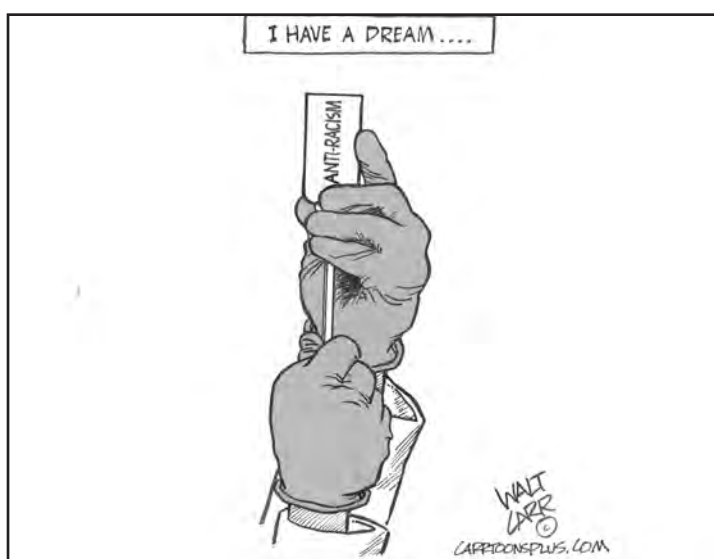
From the 1964 Goldwater presidential campaign on, Republicans traded hats with southern Democrats to become the party of state's rights, white sanctuary and opposition to racial equality. Today's Jefferson Davis Republicans know that they are increasingly a minority party. In Georgia, Arizona, Texas, North Carolina and other states, Republicans fear they will lose control. Once more, intimidation, mass incarceration and violence are used to intimidate. After the last election, Trump rallied his supporters with the big lie that the election was stolen, inciting them to sack the Capitol and to march on state legislatures. Worse, even after the riot, 147 Republicans in the House and Senate voted to overturn the election.

The violence, just as in Reconstruction, is combined with a systemic campaign to suppress the right to vote. In 33 states, legislators have introduced 165 bills to restrict voting, the Brennan Center on Justice reports. In nine states, Republicans have introduced legislation to limit mail-in voting (nearly half of votes in the 2020 election were cast by mail due to the pandemic). In 10 states, Republicans are pushing more stringent voter ID requirements, knowing that these discriminate against minorities (25 percent of African Americans but only 8% of whites have no government-issued photo IDs). Other states are pushing to prohibit the use of student IDs to make it harder for the young to vote, roll back automatic voter registration laws, end Election Day registration or reduce the number of days for early voting.

In Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and Texas, Republicans control all branches of government, giving them power to gerrymander districts in the redistricting after the 2020 census. Once more the Supreme Court has aided and abetted these anti-democratic actions. The rightwing majority gutted the Voting Rights Act in Shelby County v. Holder. For the first time, there will be no prior review by the Justice Department to limit racially discriminatory gerrymandering. Then in Rucho v. Common Cause,

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VISUAL VOICE



MATTERS OF OPINION

Indispensable?

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I often reflect on the stories told by my family and friends. While sometimes amusing, they can give rise to more serious thought and consideration.

One such story was told to me by a friend who was drafted during the Viet Nam War. He related that he had a close-knit family that always demonstrated love, and that he was well-respected among his circle of friends and associates. He admitted being shocked upon reading a large, posted poem entitled "INDISPENSABLE?" when he ventured into his first military Orderly Room. He did not memorize the poem, but remembered that it suggested that his life was no more valuable than the next warm body that could be put in its place. Recalling the transcripts of conversations between President Nixon and Secretary of State Kissinger describing Viet Nam era soldiers as "cannon fodder" added confirmation to his story.

This characterization of his worth was in direct opposition to the value placed on his life for all of his life. It was a sobering reminder that his life only

held situational value. The same value of, say, George Floyd!

In a greater sense, that story relates to our community at large. We've learned from our history that, upon emancipation, most



Dr. E. Faye Williams

institutional and general thought believed that African-Americans, outside of slavery or similar conditions, had become obsolete in their usefulness to society. In a general sense, my experience and observations inform me that the value of OUR humanity, and the humanity of other peoples of color, is based upon a sliding scale of the value that whites perceive we bring to them. This is most obvious in sports and entertainment, and in other skilled areas where we have achieved essential expertise. There is little question that we retain value as long as we can provide a "valued" service or perform the "dirty" jobs that whites are unwilling to do.

The pandemic and last presidential election have highlighted this dynamic as never before. Past administration actions shed light on its intended outcomes. Most respected medical officials agreed that achieving herd-immunity in the manner pursued by the Trump administration would have had an epically destructive impact on Black and Brown communities. With disparate healthcare, circumstantial herd-immunity outcomes of "get well" or "die" favor the unwelcomed "die" option for people of color.

Disregard of voters of color is another issue with which the nation currently struggles. The "BIG LIE" supporting a 2020 Trump victory is sustained by the effort to eliminate votes originating in communities of color. Republicans emphatically supported discarding votes from urban centers in Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Michigan, and Arizona. It doesn't take a genius to know whose votes were under fire.

Rogue police, those who support them, and radical political reactionaries who understand the change that OUR unfettered participation

in the political process predict, have shown their intent to take this country back to a time of 'limited democracy' by virtue of race. OUR immediate and on-going challenge is to ENGAGE to protect OUR true value. We no longer have the luxury of sitting-back while waiting for others to take-up our cause.

For as long as this country has existed, 'slowing-down' or taking 'measured steps' toward full social justice has been the mantra of those who resist constructive social change. We now face a new, more dangerous enemy who is willing to immediately and dramatically throw the legal and social constructs of our 'democracy' into reverse gear. They willingly discard the principles upon which this country was founded to the goal of maintaining racial, social, and cultural superiority. We must match their vigor with an equal vigor for the salvation of our lives and those of our children. We have no other choice!

Dr. E. Faye Williams is President of the National Congress of Black Women and host of "Wake Up and Stay Woke" on WPFW-89.3 FM.

TO BE EQUAL

Americans overwhelmingly support

The George Floyd Justice in Policing Act. Congress has no excuse

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

"And that brings me to the 8 minutes and 46 seconds that America witnessed during which an American man was tortured and killed under the knee of an armed and uniformed police officer. People around our country of every age, of every color, of every gender stood shoulder to shoulder fighting for justice under the law ... Bad cops are bad for good cops. We need reform of our policing in America and our criminal justice system."—Vice President Kamala Harris

In the eight and a half months since the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives, police have fatally shot eight unarmed Black men.

I had to consult a database compiled by The Washington Post for that information, because the federal government does not compile it, as would be required under the Act.

That figure doesn't count people whom police killed by means other than shooting, such as George Floyd himself. Former officer Derrick

Chauvin cut off Floyd's blood flow and breathing as knelt with his weight on Floyd's neck. He will stand trial for murder in state court next month.



Marc Morial

Nor does that figure count people who were killed by self-appointed vigilantes whom law enforcement didn't even bother to investigate until public outcry forced their hands — people like Ahmaud Arbery, gunned down for the crime of jogging while Black, or Trayvon Martin, executed for wearing a hoodie.

Nor does it count people who were injured, but not killed, by unjustified use of excessive force by police — people like Jacob Blake, left partially paralyzed after police shot him in the back as he tried to enter his car.

The U.S. Department of Justice has empaneled a grand jury and called new witnesses in Floyd's death, the New York Times reported this week. But the department almost never charges police in excessive force cases because it must

prove an officer "willfully" deprived a person of their civil rights — a nearly impossible burden. Under the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act, a prosecutor would have to prove an officer acted "recklessly" — a much more reasonable standard.

The millions of Americans who rose up to protest after seeing the video of George Floyd's brutal death were as horrified by the casual expression of disdain on Chauvin's face as they were by Floyd's desperate screams of agony. Chauvin had no expectation he'd face consequences for his cruelty. In 19 years on the force, he'd had 18 conduct complaints filed against him. Only two resulted in any kind of discipline.

We don't know the details of the complaints, or of the disciplinary action, only that he remained on the job. That's not unusual. Of 323,000 accusations of misconduct against current and former New York City police officers that were made public in August, only three percent resulted in a penalty for the officers. Of the 81,550 officers named in the complaints, only 12 were terminated.

In the 2020 presidential election, voters had a choice between a candidate who pro-

moted police brutality and excessive force, and one who condemned it. Donald Trump, who famously urged police, "Please don't be too nice" when making arrests, curtailed the pursuit of consent decrees used to reform police departments that have demonstrated a pattern and practice of racial discrimination and misconduct. Joe Biden promised to reverse this policy. Donald Trump called activists who knelt in protest of racism "sons of bitches." Joe Biden knelt alongside them.

The voters overwhelmingly chose justice over brutality.

Public support for the reforms addressed in the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act range from 74% in favor of banning chokeholds to 91% in favor of requiring body cameras for all civilian interactions.

It could not be any clearer that Americans want police reform. Americans voted for police reform. Americans are demanding police reform. It should not have taken this long to achieve. Congress must pass the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act now.

"Marc Morial is President/CEO of the National Urban League.

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the "gang of five" ruled that the courts would no longer review challenges to partisan gerrymandering. No federal court will stand in the way of discriminatory outrages. It took decades to overcome the Jim Crow laws imposed at the end of

Reconstruction. It required mass demonstrations, immense courage on the part of ordinary heroes, and finally the leadership of Lyndon Johnson and Martin Luther King Jr., among others, to begin to correct the injustice.

We can't wait decades this time. Jefferson Davis Republicans are once more intent on imposing minori-

ty rule, and using the law and a partisan majority on the Supreme Court to enforce it. They're using both terrorist threat and legal measures to intimidate and impede voters. Once more it will take popular opposition — demonstrations, voter registration and mobilization drives, popular education and engagement — to protect the right to vote.

The House of Representatives has passed a law, HR 1, to expand and protect the right to vote. The bill is likely to face universal opposition from Republican senators, unless popular mobilization forces some to stand up. It is time for ordinary heroes once more.

Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr., is the founder of Rainbow Coalition.

Angry Old White Civil Rights Lawyer Not Tired Yet Depose Zeke ASAP

The U.S. Constitution's model for the U.S. Senate was England's Upper Chamber in the 1770s—the House of Lords. It was composed of the King's best friends and supporters, who owned most of the Land in the small island nation, and rented out small plots to family farmers. When the USA ratified its 1789 White Constitution, it renamed its Upper Chamber the Senate. Each new state elected two white gentlemen on the assumption they would put the survival of the new country USA above their personal interests. In the recent attacks on the U.S. Senate, the second Senate Trial of Mr. Trump, and the daily hearings about how the 1621 Assassination Plots against Trump's Constitutional successors—VP Pence and Spaker Pelosi—Sen. Thom Tillis stuck with Mr. Trump. More and more North Carolinians have woken to the Big Truth—we are represented in the U.S. Senate by a corrupt Senator, Thom Tillis.

Did you know that Sen. Tillis approved a racist dirty trick of the National Republican Party (NRP) that involved setting a storefront in Jacksonville, NC, and hiring a mysterious agent named Zeke Patterson to regis-

ter a Political Action Committee they called Faith and Power Pac at the Federal Elections Commission (FEC).



Al McSurely

In March 2020, the NC NAACP filed an FEC complaint which included these facts:
1. On 29 January 2020 someone using the name 'Ezekiel Patterson' electronically signed that name to an FEC Form, "Statement of Organization" and filed it with the FEC. "Zeke Patterson" knew he worked for the NRP in support of the re-election of Sen. Thom Tillis to the U.S. Senate. He knew the FEC prohibited front group scams such as the one described here. "Zeke" and his co-conspirators knew, from the form he signed and filed, that the "Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. d 437g. Any change in information should be reported within 10 days."

2. A few days later, Zeke filed his second form with the FEC,

reporting Faith and Power had received its first contributions from the Senate Leadership Fund, 45 North Hill Drive, Ste 100, Warrenton, Virginia, a NRP fund that sent every penny it collected from rich donors to hold onto Tillis' seat in the US Senate for the Republicans.

3. Sen. Tillis, the NRP, Zeke and his Faith and Power Pac knew their strategy was to drive racist wedges into the Democratic Primary, in this case between a strong Black Candidate and a strong White Candidate. The NAACP is non-partisan and has worked for 112 years to expose and outlaw Tillis' racist tricks to split our efforts to build Black-White Fusion Alliances.

4. Sen. Tillis approved the name "Faith and Power" to confuse older African American voters and their friends. The word "Faith" directly relates to the teachings of Jesus, to Black southern Christians, whose grandparents and ancestors survived slavery and Jim Crow in Communities of Faith, called churches, to pass on slaves and their descendants survive in the south, passing on the spirit, love, music, love, and prophetic truths of Christianity to resist white supremacist politicians who

promote a fake history of Jesus and Moses to justify their terrorist attacks against the Black and Fusion Electorates in NC, the South, and other places.

5. On 1/31/2020 the Senate Leadership Fund contributed \$2.450 million to the two-day old "Faith and Power PAC" working out of a storefront in Jacksonville. Zeke Patterson, swore he was the PAC's Treasurer, certified its 'Independent Expenditures' were immediately 'disbursed or obligated' with \$2,428,265.81 to produce and place ads, to print and mail mailers, and to make phone calls for the "Federal Candidate supported or opposed by the expenditure" who Zeke identified "Erica Danette Smith." Zeke and his co-conspirators knew, when they filed this FEC form, that the \$2.4 million contribution in full support of the Re-Election of Sen. Tillis.

6. On 2/14/20 Zeke Patterson signed, under penalty of perjury, an FEC form that would be posted on the FEC website that the Faith and Power Pac had disbursed \$2,500,118.88 million to Neylan & Partners in Florida, to

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CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES Is the right rejecting God?

We have all heard how the Christian Right is staunchly in support of the former president. (https://www.rollingstone.com/culture/culture-features/capitol-christian-right-trump-1121236/) During the January 6 insurrection, those who had invaded and stormed the Capitol actually stopped to pray in the Senate chamber. (https://religion-news.com/2021/02/25/the-insurrectionists-senate-floor-prayer-highlights-a-curious-trumpian-ecumenism/) For this writer, at



Rev. Susan K. Smith

least, the Senate prayer, where those who were working to topple the government, was troubling. They were lifting up "holy hands." They were calling on God to anoint their work. And I found myself wondering, "whose God are they praying to?"

It is not an anomaly that those who have been rabid racists or bigots in a number of ways have justified their actions by saying it is the will of God. The late Sam Bowers, once the imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan who was convicted for the murders of Andrew Goodman, James Chaney and Michael Schwerner in 1964, and also for the murder of Vernon Dahmer, an African American who registered Black people to vote, was a "devout," regular church-attending Christian, would gather his "soldiers" to pray, sometimes having asked them to fast as they prepared to murder innocent Black people. Bowers gave all credit to God for his "work," recalling that he had a "Damascus Road" experience where God "called" him to save the white race. (https://www.nytimes.com/2006/11/06/us/06bowers.html) (https://www.clarionledger.com/story/journeytojustice/2014/07/09/sam-bowers-mississippi-burning-christian-identity/12394409/)

It has been a toxic Christianity which has fueled racist violence in the past and is doing so now, with adherents lifting up the Christ as the fuel and energy behind all they are doing. Their God, the God of white nationalism, is a far cry, however, from the God of the oppressed. Toxic Christianity, i.e., a religion which supports the oppression and even murder of Black and brown people, surely, but also discrimination against Jews, the LGBTQIA community, women, and against anything, has been at the center of the fight against this country's government, where all people, supposedly, are entitled to equality, liberty, and justice.

The God of toxic Christianity is the God who supports racism and all of the "isms." That same God seems not to respect the tenets of democracy as presented in this nation's founding documents, but is that God the God of the Bible? Is the Religious Right, in spite of their praying and fasting, ignoring or rejecting the God of the Hebrew scriptures and the New Testament?

They would, of course, answer with a resounding "no!" Their argument, with scant Biblical support, would be that they are doing the will of God. But the question is, "the will of God as defined by whom?" Archbishop Desmond Tutu wrote a book, *God is Not a Christian*, in which he juxtaposes the lessons of Jesus the Christ as found in the Gospels against the practices of Christian nationalists. The actions of the Christian Right seem squarely out of alignment with the lessons of the Christ.

This is true in spite of the fact that it was Christianity that first introduced the concept of the equality of all men, based on the words of the Christ. Jesus' embrace of "the least of these" was a primary reason for the growth of the beliefs he taught.

And yet, as time went on, Christianity as taught by Jesus moved further and further away from the ideal of God's intention that all people be treated as equals. The movement reflected a shift from what scholars call the "religion of creation" to the "religion of empire." People in power defined God to fit their political and economic purposes. God was redesigned, so to speak, by those in power to support their quest for power at all costs.

They believe in that God; they have deified their makeover of God. But in so doing, are they actually rejecting the God of the Bible? And if they are, will there eventually be a clash between their God and the God of the Bible?

The people in power are working hard to deepen the subjugation of the oppressed in this country. They are afraid that there is a movement to eliminate white people; diversity, for example, is seen as a tool of white genocide. (https://www.adl.org/education/references/hate-symbols/diversity-white-genocide) (https://www.adl.org/education/references/hate-symbols/diversity-white-genocide) The Christian Right, it seems, is operating out of fear, and fear, mixed with religious beliefs and passion, is dangerous to us all because it rejects the God of the Bible, who taught that we were and are to love and accept each other as God created us.

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produce and buy air-time for tv ads to support a candidate for U.S. Senate seat, "Erica Danette Smith." Zeke, under penalty of perjury, also told the FEC he had re-routed the \$2.5 million the Republican Party sent him from Warrenton, VA, to Naples, FL to buy TV ads and mailers to oppose Cal Cunningham. In other words, the Zeke swore his store front group had spent almost \$2.7 million Republican Party money to support Ms. Smith and almost \$3.0 million to oppose Mr. Cunningham.

7. Zeke swore the independent expenditures reported herein were not made in cooperation, consultation, or concert with, or at the request or suggestion of, any candidate or authorized committee or agent of either, or (if the reporting entity is not a political party committee, any political party committee or its agent. Despite this warning Zeke Patterson reported the Republican funds of \$2.7 million were 'independent expenditures' in 'support' of the leading Black candidate in the Democratic Party, Erica Smith and against the leading White candidate in mid-February, 2020. Zeke A Florida company spent the Republican Funds on tv ads and slick mailers with subtle racist stereotyping to mislead voters about her and intentionally confuse some of her strongest supporters by implying she accepted funds from Republicans.

Zeke, if He Is Alive, Must be Deposed as Soon as Possible

The National Republican Party (NRP) funded a storefront PO Box in Jacksonville NC using the name "Ezekiel Patterson" (Zeke) to sign false FEC filings. The NRP's aim and multi-million funds, at all times in this dirty trick, was to aggravate racial differences in its opponent's primary; to confuse and suppress the Black Electorate; and to imply the strong Black Democratic candidate was funded by the Republicans which is the kiss of death for her with Black voters. The purpose of the FEC is to provide clear accurate pre-election data on funding sources of federal candidates to deter this type of dirty tricks. Ezekiel Patterson, if he exists, should be deposed under oath as soon as possible.

Att. McSurely worked in the *Civil Rights Movement from 1960 to 1968, when his family's home was dynamited in Eastern Kentucky. Margaret Herring and he were charged with overthrowing the Government of Kentucky by building moral fusion alliances with Appalachian coal miners and Black voters. He became a lawyer after 15 years of apprenticeship to Bill Kunstler, Arthur Kinoy, and Morton Stavis while they fought off charges of sedition and contempt. He earned his law degree from NCCU Law School and has been suing racist institutions ever since. He has worked closely with his friend, Bishop William J. Barber II. Five years ago, he married O'Linda Watkins, President of Moore County NAACP Branch.*

Black women's organizations matter

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

March is Women's History Month, and this month is the perfect time to lift the Black women's organizations that make such an essential difference in our lives. Last year, both the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) and the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women (NANBPW) celebrated their 85th anniversary. Thanks to COVID, neither organization had the opportunity to celebrate in the way they planned; now they are celebrating by Zoom. The differently scaled celebration does not diminish the importance that these organizations have.

When I think of NCNW, I think of the late Dr. Dorothy Irene Height, who used to say, "If I tap you with my finger, you may or may not feel it, but if I combine these five fingers into a fist, you will definitely feel it." Dr. Height was not a pugilistic woman, but she was a fervent believer in the power of the collective. And NCNW, an "organization of organizations," certainly fits that bill. Too many times, in modern history, NCNW, the collective, has been present. Many of us, for example, attended Labor Secretary Alexis Herman's confirmation hearings, many wearing the crimson and cream colors of Delta Sigma Theta sorority, Ms.

Herman's sorority (and also mine). Deltas were not the only people in the house. Other Divine Nine sisters joined us, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Zeta Phi Beta, and Sigma Gamma Rho. We made an impression, and those senators prepared to grill Herman had to think twice because we were there.



Dr. Julianne Malveaux

Black women had a tremendous impact on this current election. I think of L a T o s h a Brown, a Black Votes Matter leader, and the tireless work she did to get voters out. I think of Melanie Campbell and the sisters of the Black Women's Roundtable. There are so many more Black women and Black Women's organizations that made a difference in this election. President Biden has acknowledged the Black community and Black women in particular.

It is crucial, though, that our coalition continues to stay active and connected. One Black woman, Kristen Clarke, has been nominated to serve as Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights. Already the right-wing is going after her with their usual smear campaign tactics, taking comments out of

context and blowing them up. The same coalition that worked to get the vote out now must work to support this exceptional woman.

Similarly, two other women of color are being smeared. Vanita Gupta, President of the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, has been attacked by rabid right-wingers. Another woman of color, Neera Tanden, who leads the Center for American Progress, has been attacked for her tweets. Really? Her tweets, some say, are vicious. When have tweets adhered to a civility protocol? The coalition of Black women who have always made a difference must step up to support these women, too.

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, the founder of NCNW, was a firm believer in diversity and inclusion. She reached out to white women who shared our values and worked in coalition with them when she could, given the constraints of the time. She would approve supporting sisters Gupta and Tanden, women of color just like us. While we might not be on the same page as these sisters on everything, we have enough in common to be passionate in their defense. The smear tactics that the rabid right uses to smear these women are unacceptable. They are the same tactics that these people use against Vice President Kamala Harris. We

need to make sure they don't work.

I often wonder what motivated Dr. Bethune to form an organization in the middle of the Great Depression, when overall unemployment rates soared to 25 percent and Black unemployment was two or three times higher. In 1935, food lines snaked around city blocks and down dusty roads in rural communities. Too many Black folks were pushed to the back of the line or denied assistance altogether. The indignities were innumerable, but Bethune shrugged them off to build a powerful organization with unprecedented access to President Roosevelt. She walked into Roosevelt's office with the collective strength of Black women in her fingers or her fist.

Black women's organizations don't get the credit they are due, so these organizations must be lifted in this Women's History Month. What would our nation be without these organizations who get out the vote, raise money for scholarships, provide social and civic services, and do so much more? I don't want to know the answer. All I know is that Black women's organizations matter. We must celebrate them!

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Biden's win means a civil rights lawyer will lead civil rights enforcement

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

Black voters who turned out to elect President Joe Biden were hoping for some real change. We're getting it.

Kristen Clarke is one of the country's most effective civil rights lawyers. She has tackled issues like police accountability, fair housing, educational and economic opportunity, and the school-to-prison pipeline. And Biden has nominated her to lead civil rights enforcement for the federal government.

That is a big change.

Clarke is president of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, a historic and important civil rights group. She has worked at the U.S. Justice Department and headed the civil rights bureau in the New York Attorney General's office. She helped expose Trump's sham Election Integrity Commission, which was designed to create justifications for voter suppression. And she resisted the Trump administration's efforts to corrupt the 2020 census.

Clarke says she is inspired by Thurgood Marshall, the first Black justice on the U.S. Supreme Court, and Constance Baker Motley, the first Black woman to argue a case at the Supreme Court and the first to serve as a federal judge.

Clarke will be the first Black woman to lead the Justice

Department's Civil Rights Division. At times in our history, that division has played a powerful role in protecting the constitutional principle of equal justice under law. Under former President Donald Trump, the division became a shell of its former self.

That is changing. When Biden announced the nomination of Clarke and other senior



Ben Jealous

Justice Department officials, he called the Civil Rights Division "the moral center of the Justice Department." In her remarks accepting the nomination, Clarke pledged her commitment to the core constitutional principle of equal justice. "The clarion call of equal justice under law is what binds us together as a nation," she said. "Now, it's my honor to return to work alongside the dedicated career professionals who give of themselves every day to make that principle real in the lives of families like mine, in my son's life, and in the lives of all of our sons and daughters."

As an experienced civil rights advocate, Clarke knows the forces that she is up against and she is not afraid to challenge them.

In January, she announced that the Lawyers' Committee was suing the violent, extremist Proud Boys and their members for the racist attack on the historic Metropolitan AME Church after a day of pro-Trump protests in Washington, D.C. in December.

She has called out members of Congress who were promoting the "false and baseless claim that there was something wrong with the 2020 election."

That kind of truth-telling is not always welcomed in Washington.

You will not be surprised to know that not everyone is celebrating Clarke's nomination. Not everyone wants a strong civil rights division. Some people were just fine with the Trump administration's hands-off approach to police accountability and civil rights enforcement. And some of them are trying to smear Clarke and other women of color Biden has appointed to top Justice Department positions.

It is not going to work.

Some Republican senators tried to use the confirmation hearing for attorney general nominee Merrick Garland to attack Clarke. Garland wouldn't put up with it. When Republican Sen. Mike Lee of Utah made insinuations of anti-Semitism on the part of Clarke, Garland, who is Jewish, cut him off and defended

Clarke's integrity and commitments to equal justice. Garland told senators that he needs Clarke on his leadership team.

At the ceremony announcing her nomination—which came just a day after the deadly insurrection at the Capitol, Clarke said, "We are at a crossroads. If I am fortunate enough to be confirmed, we will turn the page on hate and close the door on discrimination by enforcing our federal civil rights laws."

Amen. That is a page that needs turning and a door that needs closing! Senators from both sides of the aisle should recognize that Clarke is a brilliant choice for this position. I am confident she will overcome whatever partisan objections are raised against her. And I look forward to watching her get to work.

Ben Jealous serves as president of *People For the American Way and People For the American Way Foundation. Jealous has decades of experience as a leader, coalition builder, campaigner for social justice and seasoned nonprofit executive. In 2008, he was chosen as the youngest-ever president and CEO of the NAACP. He is a graduate of Columbia University and Oxford, where he was a Rhodes Scholar, and he has taught at Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania.*

GET THAT DEED AND FLIP THOSE KEYS!

The bidding wars

With there being such low inventory across the State, bidding wars on homes has become the norm. It is a seller's market, and the buyers are getting desperate. So much so, that they are agreeing to terms that make some of us veteran Realtors cringe.

Who would have ever thought families would bid \$10, 20, \$30,000 over asking price? Who would have ever thought they would agree to non-refundable deposits in the 5-figures? It is happening, but this is not a great position to be in especially if you are a 1st-time with limited savings. You cannot afford to lose any money if the deal goes bad. Recently one of my buyers was in a multiple

offer situation, they bid over \$15,000 the listing price and seller responded to our offer that if they took it, and it doesn't appraise for the offer price, he was not doing any new negotiations and my buyer would have to bring the difference in cash over the appraised price. On top of that seller wanted a very large DD fee that would be non-refundable if the deal did not close. Well, the buyer said no to all of that and that was a smart move.

Brenda Dixon

This market volatile enough,

and some economists are saying it's due for a correction, and some say it will still appreciate. Nevertheless, for a 1st-time buyer with limited savings, if it appraises for the contract price, fine, the buyer will pay that, but if it doesn't, then oh yes there will be some renegotiations. Now in the case where this is not a 1st-home and you have a lot of savings, the buyer is more open to agree to paying cash over an appraised price. I have a family member in real estate in the Wake County area, and she told me of a deal that the buyer paid \$50,000 in due diligence funds (non-refundable) and said that they would pay over the appraised price if it came back lower than their offer amount. That is like writ-

ing a blank check and giving it to the seller.

To each its own, I know it's a jungle out here, but in all you do, do it with some wisdom. Stay encourage 1st-time buyers, you will own. Get your savings up as much as possible and stay in the bidding war game. You will Win one sooner or later.

Until next week, share this article with at least 3 people and tell them to reach out for more information shared in this article, and for their free game plan to own in the next 18 months or less.

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UNCW Office of the Arts launches "Artivism for Social Change" series



Artists have long used their creative endeavors to communicate the truth of their experiences. The UNCW Office of the Arts has curated Artivism for Social Change, a collaborative series of arts events and programs, to expand on this theme.

The series draws its name from the combination "arts" and "activism," reflecting an intentional effort to inspire discussion among members of the campus and the community, according to Fidiyas Reyes, director of arts engagement at UNCW.

"Artivism for Social Change is an on-going initiative aimed at creating a culturally healthy campus through interactive, immersive artistic experiences," she said. "The programming we've created brings together students,

faculty and artists in a space where critical conversations can be expressed through a creative lens."

Several campus and community partners are involved in Artivism for Social Change, including students and faculty in the Department of Art and Art History and Department of Theatre; K-12 students from participating schools in New Hanover County; faculty in the Watson College of Education, regional artists; the Office of Institutional Diversity and Inclusion, the College of Health and Human Services, and the Office of Community Engagement and Applied Learning.

To learn more about Artivism for Social Change, visit www.uncw.edu/arts/artivism.

CFCC earns 2021-2022 Military Friendly® School Designation

WILMINGTON, NC — Cape Fear Community College is pleased to announce that it has earned the 2021-2022 Military Friendly® School designation. Each year, VIQTORY, a service-disabled, veteran-owned business, recognizes higher education institutions that provide the best opportunities for veterans and their families with the Military Friendly® Schools list. Institutions earning the Military Friendly® School designation were evaluated using public data sources and responses from a proprietary survey.

"We are honored to achieve this designation and will continue to uphold the standard for our veterans and their families," said Jason Bocchino, CFCC coordinator of veterans affairs. "We understand the transition into college can often be a challenge for service-members and their families, so it is our mission in Veterans Services to continue to deliv-

er simple processes, quality resources, and support for this population."



CFCC houses a Veterans Center at the Wilmington Campus, as well as two other veteran lounges at the North Campus in Castle Hayne, NC, and the Alston W. Burke Center at Surf City. These spaces provide veterans with numerous resources, as well as a place

to decompress and build friendships with one another. In addition, CFCC offers priority registration to veteran benefit holders.

"CFCC is committed to bringing quality programs to active-duty military, veterans, and their families and to enhance their overall academic experience," said CFCC President Jim Morton. "We are proud to serve those who have done so much for our country."

For more information about Veterans Services at Cape Fear Community College, visit cfcc.edu/veterans.



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Cape Fear Fair and Expo supports CFCC Scholarships



Cape Fear Fair and Expo President Debbie Carter and Fair Manager/Director Skip Watkins (front row) present a scholarship check to CFCC's Vice President for Advancement and the Arts Shane Fernando; Director of Philanthropy Logan Thompson; and President Jim Morton (back row).

Wilmington, NC – The Cape Fear Fair and Expo recently awarded over \$11,000 to the Cape Fear Community College Foundation to be used for student scholarships.

For every ticket purchased at the Cape Fear Fair and Expo, the group donates a dollar to its scholarship fund. Over the past several years, CFCC students have received over \$46,000 in scholarship awards from the Cape Fear Fair and Expo.

"For decades, the Cape Fear Fair and Expo has brought our community together, and their generous spirit continues to impact our community year-round," said CFCC Vice President of Advancement and the Arts Shane Fernando. "Their support makes such an impact for students who are pursuing an education to make a better life for themselves and their families."

"The Cape Fear Fair and Expo has been a

tremendous supporter of Cape Fear Community College for years. We appreciate their longstanding commitment to our students and our community," said CFCC President Jim Morton. "Their investment in the lives of CFCC students will resonate in the Cape Fear region for years to come."

For more information about the Cape Fear Community College Foundation, or establishing a scholarship, visit cfcc.edu/foundation.

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TELL SOMEBODY

"God is a Spirit and those that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." John 4:24

Worship - To honor; To treat with reverence
To admire; To show submissive respect

To stand in his presence and to worship the Lord God is an honor and a privilege. All souls belong to God, and he commands all souls to give him praise. "Let everything that hath breath, praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord." Psalm 150:6.

A True worshipper takes praise to an even higher level because it includes and involves the Spirit of the Lord. God requires "true worship"

from every true Believer. Jesus said in John 4:23-24, "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshipper shall worship the Father; in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

Sylvia Hooper

and in truth."

Many of God's servants today are blessed and highly favored because in addition to their true devotion and loyalty to the Lord, they are also "true worshippers"! For those who are living in this present world

"A true worshipper"

with a heavenly goal, true worship is to be conducted while here on earth, because when we get to heaven, worship is the order of the day, and goes on in the presence of God continuously. "And all the angels stood round about the throne and about the elders, and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God." Revelation 7:11.

Several of God's true servants are recorded in the scriptures as being "true worshippers." These notable men who we read about in the scriptures were greatly used of God and shared the common factor of being a "true worshipper." They were used to do great exploits in the Name of the Lord, but continued to humble themselves before the Lord. Proverbs 15:33 says, "The fear of

the Lord is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility."

Abraham, who is known to some as the "Father of Faith" was a worshipper! He trusted in the mercy of God. Genesis 22:5, "And Abraham said unto his young man, abide ye here with the ass, and I and the lad will go yonder and worship and come again to you." Joshua was a faithful servant of the Lord, who understood the need for humility before greatness. "And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, what saith my Lord unto his servant?" Moses was also a "true worshipper" of God. He was meek, and he was not weak! The Lord God used his servant Moses to perform mighty miracles, signs, and wonders. Moses showed rever-

ence and respect for the God he served. "And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped." Exodus 34:8.

Apostle Paul was a great man. He was an eloquent speaker and a great teacher who traveled extensively and planted churches. He wrote at least thirteen letters that make up much of the New Testament, and yet he acknowledged his unworthiness by having no confidence in the flesh. He was a "true worshipper". He boldly stated in Philippians 3:3, "For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the Spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh."

From his birth, men have sought to find Jesus Christ to

give him true worship. (Matthew 2:11) Christ is worshipped in Hebrews 1:6; and continues. Rev.5:8

Prayer: Lord, I am thy servant. Make me a true worshipper, for your glory. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

.....Tell Somebody
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SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING

This life is about that first step

BY JAMES A. WASHINGTON JR.
PUBLISHER OF THE DALLAS WEEKLY

Do any of you remember that certain Sunday when moved to accept the truth of your own salvation? I did recently. I was asked a very simple question by the new member deacon: "Do I believe in Jesus Christ?"

For all of the angst I was feeling about a very public declaration of faith, hindsight reminds me that such a simple question should have been quickly answered with exhilarating affirmation. But my recollection is that it was not. That story I'll share with you later.

My point here is that then as now, it was all about Jesus. I mean the simplicity of salvation is so easy to comprehend. We tend to complicate things because we live in a world which, in many ways, is influenced by Satan.

As my former bible study classmates used to say, Satan is as slick as they come. He has a 24/7/365 job, which he relishes, and why not. We keep him highly motivated.

One of my favorite parts of the bible, and one that I

would ask you to read and reread is the confrontation between Jesus and the devil. It's all right there. What Lucifer tempts Jesus with is what he traps us with.

The Son of Man is the only human being strong enough to win the battle of good and evil so decisively. We need all the help we can get, and that help is identified in Matthew 4:1-11. Each time the devil tried to get Jesus to prove Himself, or entice Him to worship Satan, Christ's reply was: "...It is written."

Christ's fallback position at this critical moment for all of us was to rely on the scripture. We have it affirmed for us that we win the battle of life and death and life (eternal) with the ammunition provided to us as it is contained in the Word.

If you take nothing else from what I'm saying, take this: Never go to a gunfight with an unloaded gun. For God's sake, (or should I say your own), take some ammunition.

If Christ used the Word to win His battle, I think we're compelled to try and do the same thing with ours. I'm moved by this part of the bible because it shows that by



If Christ used the Word to win His battle, I think we're compelled to try and do the same thing with ours. (Photo: iStockphoto / NNPA)

following Jesus' example, salvation is there for us to share in.

I have also found it ironic that once the devil was defeated in the desert, the bible says "... angels came and attended Him (Jesus)."

Everything — and I do

mean everything and more — that the devil offered, God granted.

Now on my salvation Sunday, I kept thinking that there had to be more to being saved than three simple affirmations of faith: Yes, I believe in Jesus, yes, I believe

He is the Son of God and yes, I believe He died for my sins and rose again, lives and He will return. That's it.

Now, go back and read about the greatest battle in history. Remember who won and why. Now for His sake and your own, arm yourself

with the Word and go fight your battles of this day.

Remember, that's all they are, battles. You'll win some and you will definitely lose some, but read and recognize, the war is over. We win.

May God bless and keep you always.

Civil Rights icon Vernon Jordan dies at 85

BY STACY M. BROWN
NNPA NEWSWIRE SENIOR NATIONAL CORRESPONDENT

Vernon Jordan, the former National Urban League president and civil rights leader, has died at 85.

Vickee Jordan Adams, the icon's daughter, confirmed his death on Tuesday.

"My father passed away last night at around 10 p.m. surrounded by loved ones, his wife and daughter, by his side," Adams noted in a statement.

NAACP President Derrick Johnson said the world lost an influential figure in the fight for civil rights and American politics.

"An icon to the world and a lifelong friend to the NAACP, his contribution to moving our society toward justice is unparalleled," Johnson declared.

"In 2001, Jordan received the NAACP's Spingarn Medal for a lifetime of social justice activism. His exemplary life will shine as a guiding light for all that seek truth and justice for all people."

Added Congressional Black Caucus Chair Karen Bass (D-Calif.): "For decades, Mr. Jordan fought for the advancement of civil rights in this country. His contributions — first challenging segregation and discrimination as an activist in the 1960s and later continuing the fight in the leadership of the NAACP, the United Negro College Fund and then as President of the National Urban League — benefited us all."

The congresswoman continued:

As Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, I had the absolute humbled honor of meeting with Mr. Jordan multiple times to discuss the challenges of our time, but also our hope and optimism for the future. While Mr. Jordan is no longer with us, we continue this fight inspired by his work and his leadership. My thoughts are with the family of Mr. Jordan and the many friends that join me in mourning his loss."

A lawyer and Washington power broker, Jordan was born in Atlanta on August 15, 1935.

He attended the DePauw University in Greencastle, Indiana, where he was the only African American student in his class.

According to his biography posted by The HistoryMakers, Jordan participated in the student senate at DePauw and won statewide honors in speaking competitions.

He played basketball and graduated in 1957.

In 1960, he earned a J.D. from the Howard University School of Law.

Jordan returned to Atlanta, starting his legal career working with the civil rights movement.

"In 1961, he helped organize the integration of the University of Georgia and personally escorted student Charlayne Hunter through a hostile White crowd," The HistoryMakers noted.

They continued:

"Over the next ten years, Jordan held various positions as a civil rights advocate. He served as the Georgia field secretary for the NAACP, director of the Voter Education Project for the Southern Regional Council, head of the United Negro College Fund, and as a delegate to President Lyndon B. Johnson's White House Conference on Civil Rights."

In 1971, Jordan was appointed president and CEO of the National Urban League, spearheading the organization's growth.

On May 29, 1980, a White supremacist attempted to kill Jordan.

After a successful recovery, in 1981, Jordan resigned from the National Urban League to work as legal counsel with the Washington, D.C. office of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer, and Feld.



Vernon Jordan, the former National Urban League president and civil rights leader.

His active practice includes corporate, legislative, and international clients, researchers at the HistoryMakers noted.

Jordan's close friend is former President Bill Clinton, and during Clinton's presidency, Jordan became one of Washington's most influential power brokers, the researchers noted.

He also was a partner in the investment firm of Lazard Frere & Company in New York.

In 2001, Jordan published his autobiography, "Vernon Can Read!," and authored a weekly newspaper column syndicated to more than 300 newspapers and served as a frequent television guest and commentator.

"Mourning the passage of my friend, the extraordinary Vernon Jordan," Stacey Abrams posted on Twitter.

"He battled the demons of voter suppression and racial degradation, winning more than he lost. He brought others with him. And left a map so more could find their way. Love to his family. Travel on with God's grace."

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This the 18th day of February, 2021

Robert Wayne Norris, Executor
1116 Midland Drive
Wilmington, NC 28412

February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2021

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF GLORIA L. MITCHELL,
Deceased.
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
FILE NO: 21E 00010**

The undersigned qualified as the Administrator of the Estate of **Gloria L. Mitchell**, deceased, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them same to Michele Thomas, Administrator, at the address set out below, on or before **May 5, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded as bar to recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the decedent will please make payment to the undersigned at either address set out below.

This the 4th day of April, 2021.

The Law Office of Erma L. Johnson, P.C.
2803 Market Street
Po Box 696
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February 4, 11, 18, 25, 2021

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Shelita Baldwin**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **11th day of May, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 11th day of February, 2021

Daron Baldwin, Administrator
C/O Jenkins Law Firm
Po Box 1554
Leland, NC 28451

February 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2021

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND DEBTORS**

Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **Mark Anthony Mueller**, deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, the undersigned hereby notifies all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said Estate to present them, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before **May 21, 2021** (which date is at least three (3) months from the first publication of this notice), or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said Estate will please make immediate settlement with the undersigned.

This the 18th day of February, 2021.

Kimberly Marie Mueller, Executrix of the Estate of Mark Anthony Mueller, Deceased
2849 Valor Drive
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February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified on the 23rd day of February, 2021, as Administrator CTA of the Estate of **LYNN REYNOLDS SMYTHE**, Deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the decedent to exhibit them to the Administrator CTA, Vivian M. Jarvis, at 1114 Slocum Trail - Atkinson, NC 28421, on or before the **2nd day of June, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the estate should make immediate payment.

This 24th day of February, 2021.

Vivian M. Jarvis, Adm. CTA
Attorney for the Estate:
J. Wesley Casteen, Esq., CPA
Carolina Legal Counsel
P.O. Box 12028
Wilmington, North Carolina 28405
Telephone (910) 256-3364

March 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2021

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified on the 23rd day of February, 2021, as Administrator of the Estate of **PATRICIA MAE SMYTHE**, Deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the decedent to exhibit them to the Administrator, Vivian M. Jarvis, at 1114 Slocum Trail - Atkinson, NC 28421, on or before the **2nd day of June, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the estate should make immediate payment.

This 24th day of February, 2021.

Vivian M. Jarvis, Administrator
Attorney for the Estate:
J. Wesley Casteen, Esq., CPA
Carolina Legal Counsel
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**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
In the Superior Court
File # 20 CVS 4171**

AIPING HU, Plaintiff,

v.

**KEBIN ANTONIO DIAZ,
Defendant**

To: Kebin Antonio Diaz:

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: damages arising from motor vehicular negligence.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than forty (40) days from the first running of this notice, exclusive of such date, which was February 25, 2021, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 25th day of February, 2021.

David F. Turlington
Attorney for the Plaintiff
1516 Dawson Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
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February 25, March 4, 11, 2021

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
In the Superior Court
File # 19 CVS 2825**

**Shayvion D. Robinson,
Plaintiff,
v.
Maurice A. Stoglin and
Consuella A. Hamilton,
Defendants**

To: Consuella A. Hamilton

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: damages in excess of \$10,000.00 for motor vehicular negligence.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than forty (40) days from the first running of this notice, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 25th day of February, 2021.

Rodzick Law Group, PLLC
2309 S. 17th Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
Phone: 910-762-1199
Facsimile: 910-762-1443

February 25, March 4, 11, 2021

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND
DEBTORS
OF GEORGE C. LEWIS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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All persons, firms and corporations having claims against **George C. Lewis**, deceased, are notified to exhibit them to Jane Lewis Hill, Executrix of the decedent's estate, on or before **May 19, 2021** at 6917 Old Bridgesite Road, Castle Hayne, NC 28429, or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Executrix.

Jane Lewis Hill, Executrix
Estate of George C. Lewis
c/o Mark I. Nunalee
MARK I. NUNALEE PC
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 598
Hampstead NC 28443
910-270-4347

February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **LIBBY JOHNSON**, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms or corporations having claims against the Estate to present them to the undersigned on or before **June 2, 2021**, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms or corporations indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This 4th day of March 2021.

EVA JOYCE KOLAJO, c/o/ Nicole Henderson, Law Offices of Nicole Henderson, PLLC 19109 West Catawba Ave. Suite 200, Cornelius, NC 28031

March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2021

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
In the General Court of
Justice Superior Court
Division
20 CVS 4171**

**AIPING HU, Plaintiff,
v.
KEBIN ANTONIO DIAZ,
Defendant.**

To Kebin Antonio Diaz:

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: damages arising from motor vehicular negligence.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than forty (40) days from the first running of this notice, exclusive of such date, which was February 25, 2021, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

February 18, 25, March 4, 2021

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
In the Superior Court
File # 19 CVS 4188**

Lionel Virgil Austin v. Daniel Robert Hewett and Virginia Blair Wolfe

To: Virginia Blair Wolfe:

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: damages for personal injury.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than April 12, 2021 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 25th day of February, 2021.

H. Scott Overholt, attorney for
Lionel Virgil Austin
2505 S. College Road
Wilmington, NC 28412

February 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2021

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Judson Jae Heine**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **11th day of May, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 11th day of February, 2021

Cynthia L. Heine, Administrator
20 Scottsdale Dr. #2
Asheville, NC 28806

February 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2021

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Betty J. Holliday**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **11th day of May, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 11th day of February, 2021

Willie Holliday, Executor
2512 Rock Hill Rd.
Castle Hayne, NC 28429

February 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2021

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF
JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
BEFORE THE CLERK
FILE NO. 20 E 1153
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
LIONEL L. YOW**

Having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of **Lionel L. Yow** of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said Lionel L. Yow to present them to the undersigned on or before **May 13, 2021**, that being three (3) months from the first date of publication of this Notice or same shall be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment.

This the 11th day of February, 2021.

Connie S. Yow
Administratrix of the Estate of
Lionel L. Yow
c/o Stephen E. Culbreth
CULBRETH LAW FIRM
P.O. Box 446
Wilmington, N. C. 28402

February 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2021

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

The undersigned, Rick E. Graves, having qualified on the 15th day of February, 2021, as Executor of the estate of **William Tommie Hill (21-E-0243)**, deceased, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said that they must present them to the undersigned at Graves May PLLC, c/o Attorney Rick Graves, 5700 Oleander Dr., Wilmington, North Carolina, 28403, on or before the **1st day of June, 2021**, or the claims will be forever barred thereafter, and this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 24th day of February, 2021

Rick E. Graves, Executor Estate of
William Tommie Hill
Rick Graves
GRAVES MAY PLLC
5700 Oleander Dr.
Wilmington, NC 28403

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**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
20-CVS-3113**

**JAMES A. BROOKS
vs. JONATHAN HOLLIFIELD
and PATRICIA HOLLIFIELD**

To: Patricia Hollifield:

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed on September 30, 2020, in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: a money judgment for negligence stemming from a dog attack on James A. Brooks.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than Wednesday, April 7, 2021, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This the 25th day of February, 2021.

Ryan G. Cason Crummie
Attorney for James A. Brooks
CASON CRUMMIE LAW FIRM, PLLC
201 N. Front St. Ste 408
Wilmington, NC 28401
Office: 910-769-3789

February 25, March 4, 11, 2021

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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NEW HANOVER COUNTY
20-CVS-3113**

In the Superior Court

**JAMES A. BROOKS
vs.
JONATHAN HOLLIFIELD
and PATRICIA HOLLIFIELD**

To: Jonathan Hollifield:

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed on September 30, 2020, in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: a money judgment for negligence stemming from a dog attack on James A. Brooks.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than Wednesday, April 7, 2021, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This the 25th day of February, 2021.

Ryan G. Cason Crummie
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**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 20 JT 23**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
S.J.N-E. I**

**TO: RESPONDENT:
ANY UNKNOWN FATHER OF A
MALE JUVENILE BORN ON OR
ABOUT JANUARY 28, 2020 IN
NEW HANOVER COUNTY,
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SHERICE NOBLE**

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: Termination of all parental rights you have to the above-captioned minor child.

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following February 11, 2021, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to answer the petition within the time prescribed, your parental rights to the Juvenile will be terminated. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel and can apply for court appointed counsel.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 29, 2021, AT 9:30 A.M. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Department of Juvenile Justice, 138 N. Fourth Street, Wilmington, NC 28401. During COVID-19, all hearings will be heard via Web ex.

This the 11th day of February, 2021

Jill Cairo
Staff Attorney - New Hanover Co.
Department of Health & Human Services
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