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Alveria Benita Williams 1602 Imperial Drive Silver Spring, MD 20902 J. Coburn Powell Powell & Powell Attorneys PO Box 428 Whiteville, NC 28472 Telephone: 910-642-2728 Jan 29; Feb 5, 12 & 19, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Having qualified as Executor of the estate of BETSY LONG MCKEE, deceased, late of Columbus County, the undersigned hereby notifies all persons having claims against the estate of said decedent to present them to the undersigned within three (3) months from the date of the first publication, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 5th day of February, 2026. MARK EDWARD SCALF Executor of the Estate of BETSY LONG MCKEE 245 REDD BANKS LANE HAMPSTEAD, NC 28443 Feb 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Columbus County, North Carolina RE: THE ESTATE OF DONNICE E RICHARDSON (AKA DONNICE GARDNER-BEY) -10E000135-230 Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Donnice E Richardson (aka Donnice Gardner-Bey), deceased, Columbus County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 28th day of April, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. This the 29th day of January, 2026.

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Fatima X Robinson, Administrator DSR Legal, PLLC PO Box 51596 Durham, NC 27717 Jan 29; Feb 5, 12 & 19, 2026

NOTICE OF SALE

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COLUMBUS COUNTY OF COLUMBUS The undersigned, PAUL EUGENE NANCE, III, has qualified as Executor of the Estate of PAUL EUGENE NANCE, JR., late of Columbus County, and this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned on or before May 5, 2026, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 28A-14-1, or this notice shall be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the following address: This 5th day of February, 2026. PAUL EUGENE NANCE, III, EXECUTOR 6169 Andrew Jackson Hwy. SW Chadbourn, NC 28431 Williamson, Walton & Scott, L.L.P. Attorneys at Law P. O. Box 1467 Whiteville, NC 28472 Feb 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2026

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The undersigned, STACEY LARRIMORE WILLIAMS, has qualified as Executrix of the Estate of BARBARA BULLARD LARRIMORE, late of Columbus County, and this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned on or before May 5, 2026, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 28A-14-1, or this notice shall be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the following address: This 5th day of February, 2026. STACEY LARRIMORE WILLIAMS, EXECUTRIX 595 Gunsmoke Lane Whiteville, NC 28472 Williamson, Walton & Scott, L.L.P. Attorneys at Law P. O. Box 1467 Whiteville, NC 28472 Feb 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NORTH CAROLINA COLUMBUS COUNTY
Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Danny Ray Britt, Sr., 26E000061-230, late of Columbus County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned Executor on or before May 5, 2026, or this notice or same will be pleaded in bar of the recovery. All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment. This 5th day of February, 2026. Danny Ray Britt, Jr. c/o L. Allen Hahn 504-A Red Banks Rd Greenville, NC 27858 Feb 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NORTH CAROLINA COLUMBUS COUNTY
The undersigned, Angela D. Blackwell, having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of James Michael Dallas deceased, late of Columbus County, NC, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned Administratrix on or before May 9, 2026 at Powell & Powell Attorneys, PO Box 428, Whiteville, NC 28472, or this Notice will be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned Administratrix. This the 29th day of February 2026. Angela D. Blackwell 205 Wananish Avenue Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450 J. Coburn Powell Powell & Powell Attorneys PO Box 428 Whiteville, NC 28472 Telephone: 910-642-2728 Feb 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NORTH CAROLINA COLUMBUS COUNTY
The undersigned, Harriet DiNobile, having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Richard Louis Garstka deceased, late of Columbus County, NC, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned Administratrix on or before May 9, 2026 at Powell & Powell Attorneys, PO Box 428, Whiteville, NC 28472, or this Notice will be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned Executrix. This the 29th day of January 2026. Harriet DiNobile 502 Wilkinson Avenue Youngstown, NC 44509 J. Coburn Powell Powell & Powell Attorneys PO Box 428 Whiteville, NC 28472 Telephone: 910-642-2728 Feb 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2026

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE COLUMBUS COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

As required by the Columbus County Land Use Regulation Ordinance, notice is hereby given that the Columbus County Planning Board will hold and conduct a public hearing on **Tuesday, February 24, 2026 starting at 6:30 PM** in the Commissioners Chambers located on the 3rd floor of the County Administration Building at 127 W. Webster Street in Whiteville, NC. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive oral and written comments from the public regarding the following:
1) The rezoning of a one-acre portion of parcel #103553 located within Columbus County and within the property boundary of the Southeastern Community College Zoning Area from the current designation of RA-20 to IND-1.
2) To consider plans for a proposed Planned Unit Development Zoning District, parcel's 012964 and 102694 located at 3200 Dothan Road, Tabor City, NC. The application for Cottonwood Phase 3 PUD is submitted by Philip T. Hornbeck, DRG of the Carolinas.
All interested citizens are invited to attend these Public Hearings to present oral and written comments. Contact the Columbus County Planning Department at 910-640-6608 regarding questions. Feb 12 & 19, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Weldon Lovett, deceased, of Columbus County, State of North Carolina, the undersigned does pur-

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suant to N.C.G.S. § 28A-14-1 hereby notify all persons, firms, associations or corporations having claims against the estate of the said decedent to present them to the undersigned on or before the May 20, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms, associations or corporations indebted to the said estate will please make payment immediately. This the 16th day of February 2026. Roxanne L Bullock Administrator of the Estate of Weldon Lovett Columbus County File No: 26E000015-230 JOHN ALAN HIGH, PLLC Attorney at Law 102 Courthouse Square Whiteville NC 28472 Telephone: 910-640-2111 Facsimile: 910-212-7333 Feb 19 & 26; March 5 & 12, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NORTH CAROLINA COLUMBUS COUNTY
The undersigned, Roderick Deon Waddell, Sr., having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Henry M. Waddell deceased, late of Columbus County, NC, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned Executor on or before May 21, 2026, at Powell & Powell Attorneys, PO Box 428, Whiteville, NC 28472, or this Notice will be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned Executrix. This the 17th day of February 2026. Roderick Deon Waddell, Sr. 1876 General Howe Road Riegelwood, NC 28456 J. Coburn Powell Powell & Powell Attorneys PO Box 428 Whiteville, NC 28472 Telephone: 910-642-2728 Feb 19 & 26; March 5 & 12, 2026

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The public is advised that the Chadbourn Town Council will hold the following public hearing on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 7:00 pm, at Chadbourn Town Hall, 602 Brown St, Chadbourn, North Carolina: Ordinance Amendment 2026-01, Religious Institutions (NAICS code 813110). The proposed amendment will permit Religious Institutions, such as churches, synagogues, mosques and other houses of worship to be established in any zoning district in the Town and its Extraterritorial Jurisdiction, subject to development standards outlined in Article 10.1-11. The Chadbourn Planning Board reviewed the proposed amendment on February 17, 2026, and recommended approval to Town Council. The text of the proposed amendment is available at Town Hall at 602 Brown St, Chadbourn and via email at manager@townofchadbourn.com. Interested citizens are invited to attend and speak at the Council hearing. Jason Robinson Town Manager Feb 19, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Having qualified as Co-Executors of the Estate of Shirley Ann Cribbs, deceased, of Columbus County, State of North Carolina, the undersigned does pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 28A-14-1

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hereby notify all persons, firms, associations or corporations having claims against the estate of the said decedent to present them to the undersigned on or before the May 20, 2026, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms, associations or corporations indebted to the said estate will please make payment immediately. This the 16th day of February 2026. Mark Irvin Frankhouser and Krista Montrose Co-Executors of the Estate of Shirley Ann Cribbs Columbus County File No: 25E001507-230 JOHN ALAN HIGH, PLLC Attorney at Law 102 Courthouse Square Whiteville NC 28472 Telephone: 910-640-2111 Facsimile: 910-212-7333 Feb 19 & 26; March 5 & 12, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COLUMBUS COUNTY OF COLUMBUS
The undersigned, NELLIE CAINES WARD, has qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of JAMES CONLEY CAINES, late of Columbus County, and this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned on or before May 19, 2026, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 28A-14-1, or this notice shall be pled in bar of their recovery. All

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persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the following address: This the 19th day of February, 2026. NELLIE CAINES WARD, ADMINISTRATRIX 2532 Smyrna Road Whiteville, NC 28472 Williamson, Walton & Scott, L.L.P. Attorneys at Law P. O. Box 1467 Whiteville, NC 28472 Feb 19 & 26; March 5 & 12, 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

Annual Resident Advisory Board Meeting We will discuss together the Columbus County Administration Plan and any changes made to the plan for the 2026-2027 FY. Where: Columbus County Public Housing Agency 612 N. Madison St Whiteville, NC 28472 When: April 1, 2026 Time: 4:30 P.M - 5:30 P.M The meeting is open to the public, a copy of the administration plan is available for review at the office



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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS
The undersigned, CHRISTOPHER EDWIN FUNK-HOPKINS, has qualified as Administrator of the Estate of EDWIN SHERMAN FUNK, JR., late of Columbus County, and this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned on or before May 12, 2026, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 28A-14-1, or this notice shall be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the following address:
This the 12 th day of February, 2026.
CHRISTOPHER EDWIN FUNK-HOPKINS, ADMINISTRATOR
1822 Wiley Port Trail
Port Orange, FL 32128-6756
JULIA MOLDOVAN, RESIDENT PROCESS AGENT
4237 Mill Landing Road
Wanchese, NC 27981
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Attorneys at Law
P. O. Box 1467
Whiteville, NC 28472
Feb 12, 19 & 26;
March 5, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ROANE COUNTY, TENNESSEE

ROBERT ALLEN NORTON Plaintiff,
V.
Docket No. 2025-CV-114
LAURA ELIZABETH NORTON Defendant.
NOTICE
In this cause, it appearing from the sworn Complaint for Divorce and Summons, that ordinary Process cannot be served upon the Defendant, Laura Elizabeth Norton; it is ORDERED that the Defendant, Laura Elizabeth Norton, shall file an answer in the Circuit Court of Roane County, Tennessee within 30 days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default may be entered as to the Defendant, Laura Elizabeth Norton. This Notice will be published in The NEWS REPORTER for four successive weeks.
THIS THE 7th DAY OF January, 2026.
Brian E. Nichols, BPR# 023330 Attorney for the Plaintiff FORD, NICHOLS & FRYE P.O. Box 905 Loudon, Tennessee 37774 (865) 458-4301
ANN GOLDSTON, CLERK CIRCUIT COURT ROANE COUNTY, TENNESSEE 200 E. Race Street Kingston, TN 37763 Telephone: (865) 376-2390
Brian E. Nichols, BPR# 023330 Attorney for the Plaintiff FORD, NICHOLS & FRYE P.O. Box 905 Loudon, Tennessee 37774 (865) 458-4301
Feb 19 & 26;
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

25SP001134-230
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust made by Gregory Humphrey, Jr. (PRESENT RECORD OWNER(S): Gregory Humphrey, Jr.) to Michael Lyon, Trustee(s), dated July 1, 2015, and recorded in Book No. RB1112, at Page 140 in Columbus County Registry, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the promissory note secured by the said Deed of Trust and the undersigned, Substitute Trustee Services, Inc. having been substituted as Trustee in said Deed of Trust by an instrument

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duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds Columbus County, North Carolina and the holder of the note evidencing said indebtedness having directed that the Deed of Trust be foreclosed, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at the courthouse door in Whiteville, Columbus County, North Carolina, or the customary location designated for foreclosure sales, at 1:30 PM on March 3, 2026 and will sell to the highest bidder for cash the following real estate situated in Whiteville in the County of Columbus, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:
Lying and being in the City of Whiteville, Whiteville Township, Columbus County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the East margin of the right of way of Franklin Street and the North margin of the right of way of Lewis Street; running thence with said margin of Lewis Street one hundred forty-five (145) feet, about East, to a new corner; thence, paralleling Franklin Street, eighty-nine (89) feet, about North, to a new corner; thence, about one hundred forty-five (145) feet about Westwardly to a new corner in the East margin of the right of way of Franklin Street (at a point ninety-one and six tenths (91.6) feet from the beginning corner); thence with said margin of Franklin St., ninety-one and six tenths (91.6) feet, about South, to the beginning; and being a portion of the lot described in deed dated June 14, 1956, from Mabel M. Prevatte to A.L. Rozier and wife, Agnes Rozier, registered in Book 243, Page 439, Columbus County Registry. Together with improvements located thereon; said property being located at 100 North Franklin Street, Whiteville, North Carolina. Being the same property described on Deed dated July 25, 1978, by Clara Jernigan Cartrette, divorced, of Columbus County, North Carolina, to Taurus, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of North Carolina, and recorded in Book 309, Page 681, Columbus County Registry. Being the same property conveyed by Taurus, Inc., to Walter Sawyer Jones and wife, Lorraine P. Jones, by Deed dated August 4, 1978, recorded in Book 309, Page 838, Columbus County Registry. Being the same property conveyed by Walter Sawyer Jones and wife, Lorraine P. Jones, to Charles L. King and wife, Linda Kaye King, by Deed dated October 26, 2007, recorded in Book 910, Page 520, Columbus County Registry. Linda Kaye King died October 31, 2010, in Columbus County, North Carolina, which vested fee simple title solely in the name of Charles L. King. Trustee may, in the Trustee's sole discretion, delay the sale for up to three hours as provided in N.C.G.S. §45-21.23. Should the property be purchased by a third party, that party must pay the excise tax, as well as the court costs of Forty-Five Cents (\$0.45) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) required by N.C.G.S. §7A-308(a)(1).
The property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS, WHERE IS." Neither the Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust/security agreement, or both, being foreclosed, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of either the Trustee or the holder of the note make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for

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sale, and any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition are expressly disclaimed. Also, this property is being sold subject to all taxes, special assessments, and prior liens or prior encumbrances of record and any recorded releases. Said property is also being sold subject to applicable Federal and State laws.
A deposit of five percent (5%) of the purchase price, or seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, is required and must be tendered in the form of certified funds at the time of the sale.
If the trustee is unable to convey title to this property for any reason, the sole remedy of the purchaser is the return of the deposit. Reasons of such inability to convey include, but are not limited to, the filing of a bankruptcy petition prior to the confirmation of the sale and reinstatement of the loan without the knowledge of the trustee. If the validity of the sale is challenged by any party, the trustee, in its sole discretion, if it believes the challenge to have merit, may request the court to declare the sale to be void and return the deposit. The purchaser will have no further remedy.
Additional Notice for Residential Property with Less than 15 rental units, including Single-Family Residential Real Property
An order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 45-21.29 in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the clerk of superior court of the county in which the property is sold. Any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may after receiving the notice of foreclosure sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days but not more than 90 days, after the sale date contained in this notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.
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Town of Lake Waccamaw RFQ - Building Renovations

The Town is requesting qualifications from contractors for the remodel and renovation of the following town-owned properties:
• 107 Church Street
The project scope will include, but is not limited to, the following work:
Demolition
General construction
Electrical work
Plumbing
Drywall installation and finishing
Painting
Flooring
Contractors responding to this RFQ should have demonstrated experience in similar renovation projects and comply with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations.
Walk through visits will be March 2, at 11:00 am. Please meet at the site.

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Please submit your qualifications, along with relevant references, by March 16, 2026. Site visits can be arranged upon request.
If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Damon Kempfski Town Manager.
Thank you for your interest in this project.
Sincerely,
Damon Kempfski
Town Manager
Town of Lake Waccamaw
1-910-646-3700
dkempfski@lakewaccamawnc.gov
Feb 19 & 26, 2026

TOWN OF LAKE WACCAMAW NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

The public will take notice that the Town Council of the Town of Lake Waccamaw will meet on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 5:00 pm in the Town Hall Council Chambers at 205 Flemington Dr to hold a public hearing on and consider the following item:
1. Lake Shore Drive Structures Text Amendment: The Town of Lake Waccamaw Board of Commissioners will consider a text amendment to the Town's zoning ordinance regarding development standards for structures on the lake side of Lake Shore Drive.
All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Details about the above items are available for public inspection at Town Hall. If you have any questions, please call Town Hall at (910) 646-3700.
Feb 19 & 26, 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BRUNSWICK
IN THE MATTER OF: In Re: D.K.N, A Minor Juvenile
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO.: 26JT000005-090
TO: Unknown Father of a male Juvenile, born on July 9, 2020, in Brunswick County, North Carolina- (Respondent)
TAKE NOTICE that a petition has been filed for the termination of the parental rights of the unknown father of D.K.N. a male juvenile, who was born on July 9, 2020, at Novant Health Brunswick Medical Center, in Bolivia, Brunswick County, North Carolina, to Tara Nicole Nobles, who was a 28-year-old white female American woman living in Brunswick County, North Carolina at the time of birth. You are entitled to attend a hearing affecting your rights. Parents are entitled to have counsel appointed to them if they cannot afford the same, provided counsel is requested at or before the hearing of this matter. This is a new case, and any previous attorney appointed to you will not represent you in this matter.
You are hereby summoned and notified to answer the petition. You must prepare and file with the Clerk of Superior Court of Brunswick County, 310 Government Center Drive, Unit 1, Bolivia, NC 28422, a written response and make a defense to this proceeding within 30 days after the first date of publication. You must also serve a copy of your response upon the Petitioner. If you fail to file a response, your parental rights will be terminated. Your failure to respond will result in the Petitioner applying to the Court for the relief sought.
Provisional counsel has been appointed to represent the unknown father. Matthew Q. Geiger, 5101 Dunlea Court, Suite 202, Wilmington, NC, 28405, phone number (910) 210-0350. You are entitled to attend a hearing affecting your rights. If you desire counsel, you may contact the Assistant Clerk of Superior Court, Courtnee Summey, at (910) 253-3309, to apply for counsel.

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This matter will come on for hearing at the Brunswick County Courthouse, 310 Government Center Drive, Unit 1, Bolivia, NC, on April 8, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. for a pre-adjudication hearing, adjudication hearing, and disposition hearing for the termination of parental rights of the unknown father.
This the 16th day of February, 2026.
Edwin Marti, Jr., Staff Attorney
Brunswick County Department of Social Services
P.O. Box 219
Bolivia, NC 28422
Telephone: (910) 253-1750
Feb 19 & 26; March 5, 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BRUNSWICK
IN THE MATTER OF: In Re: R.C.N, A Minor Juvenile
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO.: 26JT000004-090
TO: Unknown Father of a male Juvenile, born on September 17, 2021, in New Hanover County, North Carolina- (Respondent)
TAKE NOTICE that a petition has been filed for the termination of the parental rights of the unknown father of R.C.N. a male juvenile, who was born on September 17, 2021, at New Hanover Regional Medical Center, in Wilmington, New Hanover County, North Carolina, to Tara Nicole Nobles, who was a 29-year-old white female American woman living in Brunswick County, North Carolina at the time of birth. You are entitled to attend a hearing affecting your rights. Parents are entitled to have counsel appointed to them if they cannot afford the same, provided counsel is requested at or before the hearing of this matter. This is a new case, and any previous attorney appointed to you will not represent you in this matter.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

As required by the Columbus County Land Use Regulation Ordinance, notice is hereby given that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners will hold and conduct a public hearing on **Monday, March 2, 2026 starting at 6:30 PM** in the Commissioners Chambers located on the 3 rd floor of the County Administration Building at 127 W. Webster Street in Whiteville, NC. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive oral and written comments from the public regarding the following:
1) The rezoning of a one-acre portion of parcel #103553 located within Columbus County and within the property boundary of the Southeastern Community College Zoning Area from the current designation of RA-20 to IND-1.
All interested citizens are invited to attend these Public Hearings to present oral and written comments. Contact the Columbus County Planning Department at 910-640-6608 regarding questions.
Feb 19 & 26, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NORTH CAROLINA
COLUMBUS COUNTY
The undersigned, William Maloy Harper, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Foster Maloy Harper deceased, late of Columbus County, NC, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned Administrator on or before May 23, 2026 at Powell & Powell Attorneys, PO Box 428, Whiteville, NC 28472, or this Notice will be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned Administrator.
This the 13th day of February 2026.
Foster Maloy Harper
298 Ward Town Road South Whiteville, NC 28472
J. Coburn Powell
Powell & Powell Attorneys
PO Box 428
Whiteville, NC 28472
Telephone: 910-642-2728
Feb 19 & 26;
March 5 & 12, 2026

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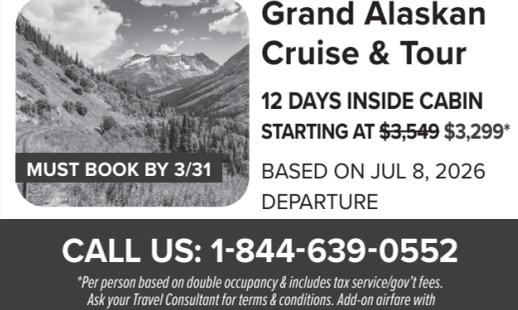
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