Governor Stitt sends Constitutional Convention to vote of the people

Governor Stitt took action Aug. 25 to comply with the Oklahoma Constitution and send to a vote of the people of Oklahoma whether the legislature shall call a constitutional convention, as required by Article XXIV, Section 2 of the Oklahoma Constitution.

Article XXIV, Section 2 requires that the people of Oklahoma be given the opportunity at least once every twenty years to decide whether or not to move forward with a constitutional convention. The question last presented to Oklahomans in 1970.

"The Oklahoma Constitution is clear. At least every 20 years, Oklahomans have the right to decide whether it's time to call a constitutional convention," said Governor Stitt. "It's been 56 years since the question was sent to the people. This action puts the question to the people and ensures Oklahomans finally get the opportunity their Constitution guarantees."

The Executive Proclamation sets a special election for April 6, 2027, and was accompanied by Executive Order 2026-30, which instructs the Secretary of State to take any action necessary to submit the question to the people and creates the Oklahoma Constitutional Convention Commission.

The Commission is tasked with studying the Oklahoma Constitution and other state constitutional conventions, then making recommendations about the procedures and rules that would govern a state constitutional convention, should the state question be approved. The Commission will also consider necessary safeguards and proposed legislation needed to implement a convention.

The report will be due no later than Dec. 31, 2026.

"Oklahomans have the right to review our Constitution and determine whether it's time to consider changes," continued Gov. Stitt. "It is time to honor that right and give Oklahomans the choice our state founding fathers intended be guaranteed to them. The Oklahoma founders entrusted this decision to Oklahomans to prevent gatekeeping by the political elite. 56 years of inaction is long enough."

OMRF to study impact of microplastics on ovarian health, fertility

Backed by a grant from the Presbyterian Health Foundation, two Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation scientists will investigate how microplastics affect ovarian health.

By the end of their one-year study, scientists Jake Kirkland, Ph.D., and Michael Stout, Ph.D., hope to determine whether microplastics damage ovarian cells, leading to female infertility. Their $123,000 grant was among 13 projects totaling $1 million in PHF's most recent round of funding to OMRF.

"Previous studies have shown that microplastics cause fibrosis and inflammation in the ovaries," said Stout, whose OMRF lab studies reproductive aging and the role of sex hormones in chronic disease. "The downstream result is impairment to ovulation and fertility. We're trying to better understand that connection."

The effects of microplastics on health is an emerging area of biomedical research. Microplastics are tiny – in some cases, 100 times smaller than the width of a human hair. They come from products like synthetic clothing fibers and cosmetics or sometimes result from larger plastic items like grocery bags or bottles that break apart.

Microplastics in cosmetics can be absorbed through the skin. People can breathe in the tiny plastic particles floating in the air, and we consume them through both food and drink.

"They're in almost every level of the food chain, so you've probably ingested them in your meat or through fruits and vegetables," Kirkland said. "They've also ended up in much of the world's water supply."

Recent research has showed that microplastics can travel through the bloodstream and accumulate in ovarian fluid, eventually finding their way into individual ovary cells.

Their study will involve the effects on the ovaries of female mice from microplastics collected from a beach in Hawaii, where winds and currents cause high accumulations of the debris. Future experiments could involve observing changes in human ovarian cells, Kirkland said.

The OMRF scientists' end goal is to prevent the plastics from entering ovarian cells – and, thus, protecting the reproductive process from their impact.

In addition to this study, PHF's funding package also will support OMRF research of Alzheimer's, heart disease, and abnormal post-surgical scarring.

The Presbyterian Health Foundation was established in 1985 with proceeds from the sale of Presbyterian Hospital in Oklahoma City. Since then, the foundation has awarded more than $240 million to advance biomedical research, medical education, and health innovation in Oklahoma.

The foundation emphasizes funding preliminary research that produces results needed to compete for larger grants. OMRF's microplastics



project typifies that approach, said April Stuart, PHF's director of grants and programs.

"Previous studies have identified a connection between microplastics and ovarian dysfunction, but they haven't yet established causation," Stuart said. "This PHF funding gives Drs. Kirkland and Stout a chance to develop the evidence needed to better understand that connection and potentially position their idea for a longer, more in-depth study."

LEGALS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN RE: The Application of
2-10-1987
TEX410579
TEX410578
To Issue Title

Case No. CV-26-131
Serial #502-04213
Model Unit 525
APPLICATION FOR COURT ORDER

COMES NOW the applicant, Travis Andrews of Afton, Oklahoma, and hereby makes Application to the District Court of DELAWARE COUNTY to issue an order directing Service Oklahoma to issue an Oklahoma Title bearing the VIN #TEX410579 TEX410578 in the name of Travis Andrews for a Mobile Home 2-10-1987 Sunrizon Homes

In support of this application, the Applicant would state under oath that he is the Owner of said vehicle. That the above described property is not stolen. That he/she claims ownership to the above described property as follows:

Both parents are deceased

That ownership of the above described property is not disputed or that an ownership interest may be claimed by _____, whom I will have served with a copy of this application along with summons notifying them of the allegations of this application and date and time of the hearing.

Dated this 21st day of August, 2026.

/s/ Travis Andrews
Applicant's signature
26525 S. 540 Rd.
Afton, OK 74331

IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of
2-10-1987
TEX410579
TEX410578
Property and VIN#

Case No. CV-26-131
ORDER OF SETTING

Now on this 21st day of August, 2026 the Court finds this matter should be set before me the 5th day of October, 2026, at 2:30 p.m.

/s/ Nicholas Lelecas
Judge

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DISTRICT COURT OF DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

JALEN DRY, Plaintiff,

v.

THE HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS, IMMEDIATE AND REMOTE, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN OF TURNER PICKUP, DECEASED, INCLUDING PEARLIE PICKUP, DECEASED, SHAWNDA PICKUP, RODNEY PICKUP, KEVIN PICKUP, AND SHEILA PICKUP,

and

THE HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS, IMMEDIATE AND REMOTE, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN OF PEARLIE PICKUP, DECEASED, INCLUDING SHAWNDA PICKUP, RODNEY PICKUP, KEVIN PICKUP, AND SHEILA PICKUP, Defendants.

No. CV-2026-132
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: The Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Trustees, Devisees and Assigns, Immediate and Remote, Whether Known or Unknown of Tucker Pickup and Pearlie Pickup, deceased

You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the District Court of Delaware County, State of Oklahoma, in Case No. CV-2026-132 by the above-named Plaintiff, wherein the Plaintiff is seeking to quiet title to the interests of Tucker Pickup and Pearlie Pickup, his Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Trustees, Devisees and Assigns, Immediate and Remote, Whether Known or Unknown in the following-described real property situated in Delaware County, Oklahoma:

A tract of land described as beginning at the NW corner of the NE/4 SW/4 NW/4 of Section 25, Township 23 N, Range 22 E, Indian Base and Meridian., Delaware County, Oklahoma, thence East 210 feet; Thence South 210 feet; Thence West 210 feet; Thence North 210 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1 acre more or less and granting the right of ingress and egress over and across the East 450 feet of the North 30 feet of said NE/4 SW/4 NW/4 of Section 25.
(the "Real Property").

You are further notified that unless you answer the Petition of the Plaintiffs on or before October 9, 2026, the allegations of the Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered determining that Plaintiffs are the only persons who are entitled to the above-described real property upon the death of Tucker Pickup and Pearlie Pickup, and a further judgment determining that the unknown successors, heirs, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees and assigns of Tucker Pickup and Pearlie Pickup, deceased, if any, have no right, title or interest in and to the above-described property. You are referred to the Petition for further details.

WITNESS my hand this 21st day of August, 2026.

KARMA SAPP, Court Clerk
Delaware County, Oklahoma
By: /s/ Nikitia Smoke
Deputy

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DISTRICT COURT OF DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JERRY DANIEL SEXTON, DECEASED.

PB-2026-30
ALIAS ORDER AND NOTICE FOR HEARING ON RETURN OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Larry Reamer, Personal Representative of the Estate of Jerry Daniel Sexton, deceased, has presented for confirmation and filed in this Court his Return of Sale of Real Property in which the Personal Representative states as follows:

On August 4, 2026, 2026, the Personal Representative sold the following described real property to Debra Davis for the total sum of $200,000 as more fully shown in the Real Estate Sales Contract attached to the Return of Sale of Real Property and incorporated by reference:

Lot 19, Mohawk Addition #2, Delaware County, Oklahoma according to the recorded plat thereof.

Reference is made to the Return of Sale of Real Property on file with the Court Clerk for further particulars.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that a hearing on the Return of Sale of Real Property has been set September 14, 2026, at 8:45 a.m. in the Delaware County Courthouse in the City of Jay, Oklahoma before the undersigned Judge at which time any person interested may appear and show cause, if any, why the sale should not be confirmed.

Done this 28th day of August, 2026.

/s/ David Crutchfield
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF ESTATE OF RENE DIANE DIXON-JONES, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2026-41
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors having claims against Rene Diane Dixon-Jones, deceased, are required to present same with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to John Paul Jones, Administrator of the Estate of Rene Diane Dixon-Jones, address 25 Skyline Dr., Bella Vista, AR 72714-5713, on or before the presentment date of October 22, 2026, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 20th day of August, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,
By: /s/ John Paul Jones
John Paul Jones, Pro Se
25 Skyline Dr.
Bella Vista, AR 72714-5713
Administrator of the Estate
(918) 542-5524

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of CLAUDINE HILDERBRAND, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2026-88
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO: The Creditors of Claudine Hilderbrand, Deceased

All persons having claims against Claudine Hilderbrand, Deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claim to the named Personal Representative at the law office of John W. Thomas, Attorney at Law, 207 East Central, Miami, Oklahoma 74354, on or before the following presentment date: October 27, 2025, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 26th day of August, 2025.

/s/ Amanda Arneecher
Amanda Arneecher,
Personal Representative

John W. Thomas,
OBA #22445
DAVIS and THOMPSON, PLLC
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of FREDERIC H. LAIR a/k/a FRED LAIR, Deceased

Case No. PB-2026-89
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO: The Creditors of Frederic H. Lair, Deceased

All persons having claims against Frederic H. Lair, Deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claim to the named Personal Representative at the law office of John W. Thomas, Attorney at Law, 207 East Central, Miami, Oklahoma 74354, on or before the following presentment date: October 27, 2026, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 25th day of August, 2026.

/s/ Jeff Lair
Jeff Lair,
Personal Representative

John W. Thomas,
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Attorney for Personal Representative
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