

State bar association to reimburse client losses

The Oklahoma Bar Association Clients’ Security Fund will pay nearly \$147,000 to 10 people who lost money or other property from the dishonest conduct of their attorney. The association is reimbursing money to the clients of seven deceased, suspended, or former lawyers whose dishonest actions led to the losses.

OBA President D. Kenyon Williams Jr., of Sperry, said, “The Clients’ Security Fund exists to protect the public’s trust in the legal profession. When former attorneys violate that trust through dishonest conduct, the fund helps to take care of affected clients. By sharing responsibility for these losses, our members reaffirm their commitment to integrity and accountability.”

Claims against the fund result when an attorney misappropriates client funds or property, then is disbarred, suspended or dies, and there is no other source for compensation or recovery.

The OBA Clients’ Security Fund Committee reviews client claims and annually makes recommendations to the OBA Board of Governors on the merits of those claims. Committee Chair Micheal Salem of Norman said claims typically

arise when these former attorneys become unstable as a result of a personal crisis, substance abuse or illness and fail to follow the Oklahoma Rules of Professional Conduct regarding the safeguarding of client funds or property.

“When an attorney acts unethically or illegally, it can harm the reputation of all Oklahoma lawyers,” Salem said. “That’s why every active Oklahoma attorney supports the Clients’ Security Fund through a portion of their annual bar dues. Since its establishment in 1965, the fund has returned more than \$4.4 million to clients who suffered financial losses.”

Former or deceased attorneys for whom the OBA will be paying claims are: Suspended attorney David E. Johnson, Tahlequah; Lee Griffin, Centerton, Arkansas, resigned from the OBA pending disciplinary action; Guy Wade Jackson, Edmond, resigned pending disciplinary action; Chad A. Greer, Tulsa, resigned pending disciplinary action; Michael Arnett, Oklahoma City, deceased; Tamara E. Hurd, Guthrie, deceased; and Michael Brogan, Mustang, deceased.

More information about the Clients’



Security Fund can be found on the OBA website at okbar.org/gc/clients-security-fund.

The 19,000-member Oklahoma Bar Association, headquartered in Oklahoma City, was created by the

Oklahoma Supreme Court to advance the administration of justice and to foster and maintain learning, integrity, competence, public service, and high standards of conduct among Oklahoma’s legal community.

Ottawa County Court Report

Marriages

Charles Edwin Wyrick and Shannon Renee Calhoun
KC Tyler Hopkins and Rhiannon Rose Marie Wammack
Chay Anthony Wiggins and Sharon Kay Munson
Wesley Wade Phillips and Meranda Lynn Wilson
John David Vancuren and Brenda Kay Underhill

Protective Orders

Whitney Ann Smith vs. Grant Donald Bigby
Harley Dustin Heavner et al vs. Danielle Grover

Misdemeanors

State of Oklahoma vs. Whitney L. Blankenship for driving without a valid driver’s license
State of Oklahoma vs. Juan Rodriguez Briscoe for public intoxication
State of Oklahoma vs. Whitney Lyn Buchanan for driving with license canceled/suspended/revoked
State of Oklahoma vs. Shelby A. Daily for failure to maintain insurance or security
State of Oklahoma vs. Jason Dale Estep for driving with license canceled/suspended/revoked

State of Oklahoma vs. Andrew Mark Freeman for obstructing officer
State of Oklahoma vs. Robert Lewis Hilton Jr. for threatening to perform act of violence
State of Oklahoma vs. Jaylun Hunter Howey for obstructing officer
State of Oklahoma vs. Edward Michael Kaczmaroz II for threaten to perform act if violence
State of Oklahoma vs. Bianca D. Kingrey for failure to maintain insurance or security
State of Oklahoma vs. Joshua Lavett Lacure for domestic abuse – assault and battery
State of Oklahoma vs. Benjamin F. McClure for failure to display current tag
State of Oklahoma vs. Daniel Benson Mitchell Jr. for actual physical control
State of Oklahoma vs. Shylena Ruth Pittman for domestic abuse – assault and battery
State of Oklahoma vs. Shelby Sabatucci for transporting an open container
State of Oklahoma vs. Miguel Zamorano Jr. for driving with license canceled/suspended/revoked

Felonies

State of Oklahoma vs. William Hugh Carr for domestic assault, battery, or assault and battery with dangerous weapon
State of Oklahoma vs. Tony Dean Duvall for burglary – second degree
State of Oklahoma vs. Joshua Truman Ferguson for knowingly receiving or concealing stolen property
State of Oklahoma vs. Joshua Dean Gillette for burglary in the third degree
State of Oklahoma vs. Jaylun Hunter Howey for bail jumping
State of Oklahoma vs. Kade Alan Huffman for driving under the influence – second and subsequent
State of Oklahoma vs. David Mollema for eluding/attempting to elude police officer
State of Oklahoma vs. Jerry Clay Sapp Jr. for domestic abuse – assault and battery resulting in great bodily injury
State of Oklahoma vs. Roger Robert Smith for attempting to elude police officer

LEGALS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

INTERNATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, Plaintiff,

vs. RICKY LEE LOVETTE, DECEASED; SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF RICKY LEE LOVETTE; JOHN DOE, OCCUPANT; AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF RICKY LEE LOVETTE, DECEASED Defendant(s).

Case No. CJ-2025-117 Judge Jennifer McAffrey NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA, TO: Spouse, if any, of Ricky Lee Lovette and Unknown Heirs, Successors and Assigns of Ricky Lee Lovette, Deceased, if living or

if dead, and to said Defendant(s) unknown successors, if any.

TAKE NOTICE that you have been sued by International Bank of Commerce, in the District Court of Ottawa County, State of Oklahoma, and that you must answer the Petition on or before March 1, 2026, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered against you awarding Plaintiff a first lien upon the following described real estate, situated in Ottawa County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit:

A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SW1/4 NE1/4 OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 24 EAST OF THE INDIAN MERIDIAN, OTTAWA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SW1/4 NE1/4 THENCE NORTH 385.5 FEET; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY

ON A CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 1909.85 FEET A DISTANCE OF 596.9 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 44° 08' EAST 37 FEET TO A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SW1/4 NE1/4; THENCE WEST 500.5 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. LESS THAT PART DEEDED TO THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA FOR HIGHWAY PURPOSES.

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for the sum of \$ 138,697.00, with interest from May 1, 2025, at 5.625 percent per annum, together with a reasonable attorney’s fee, \$ 225.00 for abstracting, advances for taxes, insurance and property preservation, and the costs of this action, and ordering said property sold to satisfy said judgment, and forever barring you and all persons claiming by, through or under you from ever setting up or asserting any right, title, equity or interest in

and to said real estate adverse to the right and title of the purchaser at said foreclosure sale, and for such other and further relief to which it may be entitled.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL, this 18 day of December, 2025.

Cassie Key, Court Clerk
By: /s/ Deputy Clerk

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

SHELTER MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, as subrogee of Cynthia Rios, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSEPH ANACITO, Defendant.

Case No. CS-2025-258 Judge McAffrey PUBLICATION NOTICE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: JOSEPH ANACITO

You are hereby notified that an action has been filed in the District Court of Ottawa County, State of Oklahoma, styled Shelter Mutual Insurance Company vs. Joseph Anacito, alleging that Plaintiff is entitled to judgment against the Defendant.

You are hereby notified that you have been sued and must answer the Petition filed by the Plaintiff on or before the 8th day of February,

2026, or the allegations contained in said Petition will be taken as true and judgment entered thereon against you as prayed for in Plaintiff’s Petition in the amount of \$6,880.33.

Given under my hand and seal this 10th day of December, 2025.

Cassie Key, Court Clerk
By: /s/ Tisha Nading Deputy

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