

AG warns of contractor fraud after severe weather

Oklahoma Attorney General Gentner Drummond is urging Oklahomans to stay vigilant for contractor fraud following recent severe weather. Reports of scams involving repair work often increase in the weeks and months following damaging storms and tornadoes.

“In the aftermath of severe weather, scammers often target vulnerable homeowners trying to recover and rebuild,” Drummond said. “While it is natural to want to make repairs quickly, taking the time to choose a reputable contractor is critical to protecting your home and

finances.”

Drummond’s Consumer Protection Unit offers the following tips to help avoid contractor scams:

- Ask for referrals from trusted family, friends and colleagues who have recent experience with home repairs. Local recommendations can provide valuable insight into a contractor’s reliability and quality of work.
- Get multiple written estimates from different contractors. These detailed proposals should clearly outline the scope of work, materials and total project costs.

This approach helps homeowners compare options and identify any unusually high or suspiciously low bids.

- Verify the contractor’s local credentials and community standing. Established local businesses with a physical address and proven track record are typically more trustworthy than fly-by-night operators who appear after a disaster.
- Be extremely cautious of contractors who demand large upfront payments or insist on cash transactions. Reputable contractors typically have structured payment plans and accept various payment

methods.

• Watch for red flags like high-pressure sales tactics, unsolicited offers, or contractors who show up uninvited to offer repairs. Legitimate professionals understand that storm victims need time to make informed decisions.

• Take the time to research before signing an agreement or contract. If something seems too good to be true, it probably is.

Consumers can contact the Attorney General’s Consumer Protection Unit at 1-833-681-1895 to check for complaints against a contractor or to file a complaint.

DELAWARE COUNTY COURT REPORT

State of Oklahoma vs. Serena Bernardy for driving without a valid drivers license
 State of Oklahoma vs. Krystal Michelle Dickson for actual physical control of vehicle under the influence
 State of Oklahoma vs. Carol Gilfillen for trespassing after being forbidden
 State of Oklahoma vs. Chelsea Heraldson for breaking and enter dwelling without permission
 State of Oklahoma vs. Jeremy Brian Johnson for possession of controlled dangerous substance
 State of Oklahoma vs. Ashley Jones for possession of

controlled dangerous substance – methamphetamine
 State of Oklahoma vs. Kenneth Kirtley for possession of controlled dangerous substance
 State of Oklahoma vs. Katie Fannie for possession of controlled dangerous substance

Felonies

State of Oklahoma vs. Jason Carl Junior Harsha for trafficking amphetamine of methamphetamine 20 grams or more – after former conviction

Divorces

Jamie Zipter vs. Christopher Fossett
 Eric Glaude Jr. vs. Aimee Nicole Glaude

Protective Orders

Misty Lynn Thomas vs. Ken Burnell
 Amber May Poteet et al vs. Keith Robert Gilbert

Misdemeanors

State of Oklahoma vs. Matthew Adamson for burning in drought emergency conditions

LEGALS

NOTICE OF SALE OF BONDS

In accordance with 62 O.S. 2021, § 354, notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of Elementary School District Number 6 of Delaware County, Oklahoma, will receive bids by: sealed bid, facsimile bid, electronic (Parity®) bid or similar secure electronic bid on the 7th day of May, 2026, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., at the School Library, Cleora School, Cleora Public Schools, 451358 East 295 Road, Afton, Oklahoma, for the sale of \$455,000 of General Obligation Building Bonds of said School District, which Bonds will mature \$455,000 annually in two (2) years from their date. The bids will be opened and read and shall be awarded at the first Board of Education meeting held after the bids are due.

Said Bonds shall be sold to the bidder bidding the lowest rate of interest the Bonds shall bear and agreeing to pay par and accrued interest for the Bonds. Each bidder shall submit with his bid a sum in cash, cashier's or certified check, electronic (wire) transfer or surety bond payable to the Treasurer of the District, equal to two (2%) percent of the amount of his bid. The Board reserves the right to reject all bids.

WITNESS my official hand and seal this 2nd day of April, 2026.

Rick Winfrey
 Clerk, Board of Education
 (SCHOOL DISTRICT SEAL)

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 15 and 22, 2026)
 LPXLP

OKLAHOMA CLASSIFIED AD NETWORK

FOR MORE INFO CALL
1-888-815-2672

WANT TO BUY

OLD GUITARS WANTED! LARRY BRING\$ CASH for vintage USA guitars, tube amps, banjos, mandolins, etc. Fender, Gibson, Martin, Gretsch, others. Call or text 918-288-2222. www.stringswest.com

COW & BULL SALE

McAlester Stockyard Special Cow & Bull Sale! Saturday, April 18th at noon! Quality bred cows, heifers, pairs & bulls. 918-423-2834 mcalesterstockyards.com

AUCTION

April 29th -134 .6 +/- Acres of Prime Cimarron River Hunting & Recreational Land * Dover, Kingfisher Co., OK * Auction Mgr, Kim Allen, Co-Broker, 580-541-3180 * wigginsauctioneers.com * 580-233-3066

AUCTION

April 29th & 30th (Foster Energy Liquidation): Specialty Tools * Light Towers * Shelving * Oil Field Parts * Welders * Propane Tanks * Oxygen-Acetylene Unit * Sandblaster * Wigginsauctioneers.com * 580-233-3066

ADVERTISE STATEWIDE

Put your message where it matters most – IN OKLAHOMA NEWSPAPERS. We can place your ad in 134 newspapers. For more information or to place an ad, contact **Landon Cobb** at (405) 499-0022 or toll-free in OK at 1-888-815-2672.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

CAPITAL ONE, N.A., successor by merger to Discover Bank Plaintiff,

vs.

DILLON BUSS Defendant

CASE NO. CJ-2025-228 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: DILLON BUSS

The Sheriff of DELAWARE County, Oklahoma, Greetings:

You will take notice that the Plaintiff, CAPITAL ONE, N.A., successor by merger to Discover Bank, filed its petition in the District Court of DELAWARE County, Oklahoma, against the above-captioned Defendant, DILLON BUSS, seeking a money judgment against Defendant, DILLON BUSS in the amount of \$11931.93, with post-judgment interest at the statutory rate, and costs of this action, and unless Defendant answers said petition on or before the 18th day of June, 2026, said petition will be taken as true and judgment will be rendered for Plaintiff for \$11931.93, with post-judgment interest at the statutory rate, and costs of this action.

Dated this 6th day of April, 2026.

COURT CLERK

BY: **/s/ Ashlynn Roberson**
 Court Clerk or Deputy Clerk

/s/ Leah Clark
Stephen L. Bruce, OBA #1241
Everette C. Altdoerffer,
OBA #30006
Leah K. Clark, OBA #31819
Roger M. Coil, OBA #17002
Katelyn M. Conner, OBA #36601
 Attorneys for Plaintiff
 P.O. Box 808
 Edmond, Oklahoma 73083-0808
 (405) 330-4110
 brucelaw@brucelaw.com

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 15, 22, and 29, 2026)
 LPXLP

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

ROBERT L. COLE and CHARLENE A. COLE, Husband and Wife, Plaintiffs,

v.

SULLIVAN LONG and MARIE LONG, if living, and if deceased, the unknown heirs, successors, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote, of such deceased persons, Defendants.

Case No. CV-2026-51 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, TO: The Unknown heirs, executors, administrators, successors, devisees, trustees, and assigns, immediate and remote of SULLIVAN LONG and MARIE LONG, husband and wife, deceased;

GREETINGS:

YOU are hereby notified that on the 30th day of March, 2026, the Plaintiffs filed their Petition in the District Court of Delaware County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CV-2026-51, entitled "Robert L. Cole and Charlene A. Cole, Husband and Wife, Plaintiffs, v. Sullivan Long and Marie Long, husband and wife, if living, and if deceased, the unknown heirs, successors, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote, of such deceased persons, Defendants.," and you, to protect your interest MUST answer said Petition on or before the 15th day of May, 2026, or said Petition will be taken as true and judgment will be rendered for the Plaintiffs as prayed for in their Petition on file herein, quieting title to the following described real property, to-wit:

All that part of the S½ SW¼ lying South and East of existing County Road, and all that part of the SW¼ SE¼ lying south of said county Road, all in Section 5, Township 21 North, Range 24 East, Delaware County, Oklahoma, subject to any and all easements.

and forever barring and foreclosing said Defendants and each of them from any right, title, estate, interest or equity of redemption in and to said lands and premises or any part thereof.

Dated this 30th day of March, 2026.

KARMA SAPP, COURT CLERK
DELAWARE COUNTY,
OKLAHOMA

BY: **/s/ Ashlynn Roberson**
 Deputy

Kay Lyn Beauchamp,
OBA #15529
Attorney for Plaintiff
PO Box 451987
524 S. Main Street
Grove, OK 74345-1987
(918)787-5540 (office)
(918)787-6115 (facsimile)

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 1, 8, and 15, 2026)
 LPXLP

DISTRICT COURT OF DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN RE: The name of: Trenton Dayne Enochs

CV-26-55 NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

TO: All interested parties.

Take notice that Trenton D. Enochs has petitioned to change his/her name to Trenton D. Tanner.

A Hearing on said petition is set for 2:30 o'clock P.M. on the 11th day of May, 2026, before Judge Lelecas at 2:30 o'clock in his/her courtroom in the Delaware County Courthouse. Should you know of some reason why this change of name should not be allowed you must file a written protest in the above styled and numbered cause prior to the above date with the Clerk of this Court. Should you fail to do so, the petition for change of name will be granted as prayed.

COURT CLERK
/s/ Nikitia Smoke

By: DEPUTY

APPROVED:
 /s/ Trenton Enochs

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 15, 2026)
 LPXLP

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

IN RE: The Application of 2008 GMC Arcadia 1GKER23778J143831 To Issue Title

Case No. CV-26-56 APPLICATION FOR COURT ORDER

COMES NOW the applicant, Jason Jones of Jay, 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 #1GKER23778J143831 in the name of Jason Jones for a 2008 GMC Arcadia

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:

I bought this from Santos. Right after he went home to Mexico and he signed in the wrong place.

That ownership of the above described property is not disputed or that an ownership interest may be claimed by Jason Jones, 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 13th day of April, 2026.

/s/ Jason Jones
 Applicant's signature
 1534 N Melton Rd
 Jay OK 74346

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

In The Matter of: 2008 GMC Arcadia 1GKER23778J143831 Property and VIN#

Case No. CV-26-56 ORDER OF SETTING

Now on this 13th day of April, 2026 the Court finds this matter should be set before me the 18th day of May, 2026, at 2:30 p.m.

/s/ Nicholas Lelecas
 Judge

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 15, 2026)
 LPXLP

NOTICE OF FILING PERIOD FOR ELECTION OF DISTRICT DIRECTOR

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED:

Notice is hereby given that any person who is a registered voter and a resident of the Delaware County Conservation District and

has entered into or will enter into a Cooperator Agreement with the Directors of said District, may have their name placed on the official ballot of the District Director Election of said District for Position Number E1 by filing a Notification and Declaration of Candidacy with said District located at 2749 West State Highway 20, Jay, OK 74346 between the dates of May 1 - May 14, 2026. Notification and Declaration of Candidacy forms may be obtained at the above location or on the Oklahoma Conservation Commission website. Completed forms must be returned to the above district location before close of business on the last day of the filing period. The Election will be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2026.

Board of Directors Representative: Janice Roberts, Chairman Attest: Maddie Turner, District Manager

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 8 and 15, 2026)
 LPXLP

S.A.& I. 301(1985)

NOTICE TO SELL COUNTY PROPERTY (Acquired at Resale)

Notice is hereby given Pursuant to the receipt of bid, that I, TREASA EARP County Treasurer of Delaware County, Oklahoma, will on the 21ST day of APRIL, 2026, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at my office in the Courthouse at Jay, Oklahoma, sell separately the hereinafter described tracts, parcels, or lots, of land, all situated in Delaware County, Oklahoma, and heretofore acquired by said County at Resale. Following the description of each property separately offered for sale is the name of the bidder and the amount bid, as follows:

DESCRIPTION
 FLINT RIDGE 1 AMENDED LOT 10 BLOCK 6 HIGHLAND AREA (11366)

FLINT RIDGE 1 AMENDED LOT 9 BLOCK 6 HIGHLAND AREA (11767)

BIDDER
 BEAR LAKE CONTRACTING LLC

AMOUNT BID
 \$40.00

The said properties will be separately sold to the highest competitive bidder, for cash in hand, or to the original bidder at the amount bid if there be no higher price offered, subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners in its discretion.

The apportioned cost of advertisement and other expense incident to said sale shall be paid by the purchaser, in addition to the amount bid upon said properties.

Witness my hand this 23RD day of MARCH, 2026

TREASA EARP
 County Treasurer

**Statute requires three(3) consecutive weekly publications preceding the sale.

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 1, 8, and

15, 2026)
 LPXLP

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JERRY LEE DICK Deceased.

Case No. PB-2026-20 NOTICE TO CREDITORS (58 O.S. § 331, 331.1, 331.2)

To the Creditors of Jerry Lee Dick, Deceased:

All creditors having claims against Jerry Lee Dick, 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 Edna Tagg, Personal Representative, at the law offices of Cody Allen Thomas PLLC 22874 St. Hwy. 20 Jay, OK 74346, addressed to Cody A. Thomas, attorney for the Personal Representative, on or before the following presentment date: June 1, 2026, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 31st day of March 2026.

/s/ Cody A. Thomas
OBA No. 30752
22874 State Hwy. 20 East
Jay, OK 74346
Attorney for Personal Representative

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 8 and 15, 2026)
 LPXLP

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of Leslie Frank Branch, deceased.

Case No. PB-2026-21 Notice to Creditors

All creditors having claims against Leslie Frank Branch, 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 Administrator of the estate, c/o Cassandra L. Coats at Coats Law Firm, 120 S. Wilson, Ste. A, Vinita, Oklahoma 74301, on or before the following presentment date: June 5, 2026, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 31st day of March, 2026.

/s/ Nancy L. Schaefer
 Nancy L. Schaefer
 Administrator of the Estate of Leslie Frank Branch, deceased

/s/ Cassandra L. Coats
Cassandra L. Coats,
OBA #22106
Coats Law Firm
120 S. Wilson, Ste. A
Vinita, Oklahoma 74301
tel: 918.256.7234
Attorney for Administrator

(Published in the Delaware County Journal April 8 and 15, 2026)
 LPXLP