New law allowing Juvenile Oversight Office to report threats to police

A ceremonial bill signing highlighted new legislation allowing the Office of Juvenile System Oversight to share critical complaint information with law enforcement when an individual threatens a person or organization.

Before House Bill 4302, authored by Rep. Kevin Norwood (R-Owasso) and Sen. Christi Gillespie (R-Broken Arrow), complaint information was kept confidential unless a court ordered it released. The new law creates a specific exception for safety threats.

"When a complaint escalates into a serious threat of violence, public safety should always come first," Norwood said. "I am thankful to Senator Gillespie for her hard work and to all those who signed on to support it. This legislation replaces inaction with action, helping law enforcement respond to serious threats before dangerous situations escalate."

Gillespie said the new law will help authorities better address future threats and protect public safety.

"Oklahomans should feel secure when reporting concerns within the state's juvenile justice system," Gillespie said. "The new law allows the Office of Juvenile System Oversight to notify law enforcement when a threat appears serious and credible, while keeping other complaint information confidential. It also protects a complainant's privacy while prioritizing public safety when a situation could escalate into violence. I was proud to partner with Representative Norwood on this important measure, and I'm grateful for the Governor's support."

HB4302 takes effect Nov. 1.



LEGALS

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 08/18/2026 AND 08/21/2026

The City of Grove is currently accepting bids for the building expansion and enclosure projects for GMSA and Street Department facilities.

Bids must be in a sealed envelope marked City of Grove SEAL BID GMSA & STREET DEPT EXPANSION and received no later than 10:00 A.M. (CST) on Tuesday, September 29, 2026. Mail or hand deliver to City of Grove – 1201 NEO Loop – Grove, OK 74344 – ATTN: City Clerk, Karyn Pesich. Additional information may be obtained and site visits arranged by contacting Jeremy Brown, Public Works Superintendent at 918-848-0204.

Specifications area available at the above address. The City of Grove reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

Karyn Pesich
City Clerk

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

KENTON COPE and KAREN COPE, Plaintiffs,

vs.

The Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Trustees, Devisees and Assigns, Immediate and Remote, Whether Known or Unknown, of JOSIAH JONES, Deceased, Full Blood Cherokee Citizen, Roll Number 19350; JIM JONES, Full Blood Cherokee Citizen, Roll Number 19353, if living, and if not living, his known and unknown heirs, successors and assigns; and OO-LOO-CHE JONES, Full Blood Cherokee Citizen, Roll Number 19351, if living, and if not living, her known and unknown heirs, successors and assigns, Defendants.

Case No. CV-2026-123
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 Josiah Jones, Deceased, Full Blood Cherokee Citizen, Roll Number 19350; JIM JONES, Full Blood Cherokee Citizen, Roll Number 19353, if living, and if not living, his known and unknown heirs, successors and assigns; and OO-LOO-CHE JONES, Full Blood Cherokee Citizen, Roll Number 19351, if living, and if not living, her known and unknown heirs, successors and assigns;

You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the District Court of Delaware County, State of Oklahoma, in Case No. CV-2026-123, by the above-named Plaintiffs, wherein the Plaintiffs are seeking to judicially determine the Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Trustees, Devisees and Assigns, Immediate and Remote, Whether Known or Unknown of Josiah Jones, Deceased, Full Blood Cherokee Roll Number 19350, and to quiet title against the Defendants to the following-described real property situated in Delaware County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW¼ SW¼) and the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (S½ NW¼ SW¼) LESS AND EXCEPT the East 778 feet thereof, in Section Thirteen (13), Township Twenty-three (23) North, Range Twenty-three (23) East of the Indian Meridian, Delaware County, Oklahoma.

You are further notified that unless you answer the Petition of the Plaintiffs on or before the 25th day of September, 2026, the allegations of the Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered determining the identity of the heirs and all of the persons who are and were entitled to inherit the above-described real property upon the death of Josiah Jones, Deceased, Full Blood Cherokee Citizen, Roll Number 19350, and a further judgment determining that the Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Trustees, Devisees and Assigns, Immediate and Remote, Whether Known or Unknown of Josiah Jones, Deceased, Full Blood Cherokee Roll Number 19350, and the remaining Defendants have no right, title or interest in and to the above-described property. Judgment will further be rendered quieting title to the real property in Plaintiffs. You are referred to the Petition for further details.

WITNESS my hand this 6th day of August, 2026.

KARMA SAPP, Court Clerk
DELAWARE County, Oklahoma
By: /s/ N Smoke, Deputy

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR LETTERS OF APPLICATION

The City of Grove / Grove Municipal Services Authority, 1201 NEO Loop, Grove, Oklahoma 74344, is accepting letters of application from anyone wishing to serve as Trustee to the Grove Municipal Services Authority. Applicants must reside inside the corporate limits of Grove. Applications are available at City Hall or online at cityofgroveok.gov. Applications must be received and in the office of the City Clerk on or before Tuesday, September 8, 2026, by 10:00 AM. Mail or deliver letter of application to City of Grove – 1201 NEO Loop – Grove, OK 74344 – (physical address as same) Attention City Clerk, Karyn Pesich. Additional information is available by contacting General Manager, Darren Cook (918) 786-6107.

Karyn Pesich
City Clerk

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NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that Grove Fireplace Storage, 4601 Hwy 59, Grove, OK 74344, will sell or otherwise dispose of personal property belonging to Melisa Gardner, stored in Unit #4, for nonpayment of storage charges.

The property consists generally of household goods, boxes, furniture, personal belongings, and miscellaneous items.

Amount currently due: $560.00.

The property will be sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Service Storage Facility Lien Act.

Sale/Disposition Date: 8/31/26
Location: Grove Fireplace Storage, 4601 Hwy 59, Grove, OK 74344

The occupant may redeem the property prior to sale or disposition by paying the amount necessary to satisfy the lien and applicable expenses.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of CHRIS D. CHARLES, Deceased

Case No. PB-2026-6
NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR ORDER DETERMINING HEIRSHIP, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE is hereby given that Christy Charles, Personal Representative of the Estate of Chris D. Charles, Deceased, has filed in this Court her Petition for an order determining heirs, determining distribution and discharge of the Personal Representative.

Notice is further given that the hearing on the same is hereby fixed by the undersigned Judge of said Court for the 1st day of September, 2026 at the hour of 2:00 p.m. in the Delaware County Courthouse in Jay, Oklahoma; and all persons interested in said estate are then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why such Petition should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of Chris D. Charles, deceased be determined, the assets of the estate distributed and the Personal Representative thereupon discharged.

DATED this 5th 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 the Estate of Anna Shrum, a/k/a Anna Jane Shrum, Deceased

Case No. PB-2026-8
Judge David Crutchfield
NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND REPORT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, AND PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the above-captioned estate has filed in this Court a Final Account of the administration of said estate and a Petition for Determination of Heirs, Decree of Distribution of said estate and Discharge; hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of the District Court for the 8th day of September, 2026, at the hour of 1:30 p.m. at the Courtroom of said Court, in the County Courthouse at Jay, Delaware County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said Final Account should not be settled and allowed, heirs, legatees and devisees determined, said estate distributed and the Personal Representative discharged.

/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 the Estates of DARREN DEAN FERGUSON, Deceased and CAROLYN ROSE FERGUSON, Deceased

Case No. PB-2026-58
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Carolyn Rose Ferguson

TO: The Creditors of Carolyn Rose Ferguson, Deceased

All persons having claims against Carolyn Rose Ferguson, 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, Jay, Oklahoma 74354, on or before the following presentment date: October 13, 2026, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 11th day of August, 2026.

/s/ Kim Stambaugh
Kim Stambaugh, Personal Representative

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KIT LANCE COUGHRAN, Deceased

CASE NO. PB-2026-67

NOTICE AND ORDER SETTING HEARING ON PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION AND APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR

The Petition for Letters of Administration and Appointment of Administrator having been filed herein, the Court finds that the Petition should be set for hearing and that notice thereof should be given as required by law.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Petition for Letters of Administration and Appointment of Administrator shall be heard before the District Court of Delaware County, State of Oklahoma, at the Jay County Courthouse, located at 327 S. 5th, Jay, Oklahoma 74346 on the 25 day of August, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all heirs and all other persons interested in the Estate of the above-named Decedent that, at the time and place stated above, the Court will hear the Petition and determine:

1. Whether the Decedent died intestate;

2. Whether the Court has jurisdiction over the Estate;

3. The identity of the Decedent's heirs at law;

4. Whether the Petitioner is qualified and entitled to appointment as Administrator;

5. Whether Letters of Administration should issue;

6. Whether bond should be required or waived, and if required, the amount thereof; and

7. Such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Any interested person may appear at the hearing and present evidence, objections, or other matters authorized by Oklahoma law.

The Petitioner shall provide notice of this hearing in the manner and within the time required by the Oklahoma Probate Code and shall file proof of such notice with the Court prior to the hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 5 day of August, 2026.

/s/ David Crutchfield
DISTRICT JUDGE

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on the 6 day of August, 2026, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice and Order Setting Hearing on Petition for Letters of Administration and Appointment of Administrator was mailed, postage prepaid, delivered, or otherwise served upon all persons entitled to notice under the Oklahoma Probate Code.

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ROCKWOOD MINI STORAGE
1300 Rockwood Drive
Grove, OK 74344

Abandoned Property Notification

The following storage unit is in default of the Rental Agreement.

D-32

The storage unit tenant must make financial restitution to satisfy the lien in order to claim their personal property.

Unclaimed personal property will be deemed abandoned and then sold or disposed of at the discretion of Rockwood Storage as of

August 18, 2026

This is not an auction.

Please contact:
ROCKWOOD MINI STORAGE (918) 964-6622

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"NOTICE OF PROPOSED PRESCRIBED BURNS"

The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation will be conducting prescribed burns on portions of the Spavinaw WMA in Delaware and Mayes Counties. Prescribed burns will take place between the dates of August 10th and September 30th, inclusive. For additional information or a copy of the prescribed burn plans, contact the area biologist Russell Perry at 918-629-5286. Burn Plans are also on file with Kenwood, Eucha and Jay Fire Departments, and at the Jay District Forestry Office in Jay, OK.

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