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**NOTICE OF HEARING-Publication RL-24-JC47 and RL-24-JC-50**  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RILEY COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE INTEREST OF:

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YEAR OF BIRTH 2006, A MALE

B.B.

Case No. RL-2024-JC-000047

Case No. RL-2024-JC-000050

YEAR OF BIRTH 2010, A FE-MALE

NOTICE OF HEARING-Publication

Pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2237

TO: Joe Bryant, any and all unknown Father, paternal relatives, and all other persons who are

or may be concerned

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court alleging that the children

named above is a Child in Need of Care. The mother of the children is Parthenia Prather. The

Court may find that the parents are unfit by reason or conduct or condition which renders the

parents unable to care properly for a children, the conduct or condition is unlikely to change in the

foreseeable future, the parental rights of the parent should be terminated, and a permanent

custodian should be appointed for the children.

An Adjudicatory and Dispositional hearing on the petition is scheduled for the 15th day of

May, 2025, at 1:00 pm. At the hearing the Court may issue orders relating to the care, custody and

control of the child. The hearing will determine if the parents should be deprived of their parental

rights and the right to custody of the child.

The parent(s), and any other person having legal custody are required to appear before this

Court on the date and time shown, or to file your written response to the petition with the Clerk of

the District Court prior to that time. Failure to respond or to appear before the Court at the time

shown will not prevent the Court from entering judgment as requested in the petition, finding that

the child is a Child in Need of Care, removing the child from the custody of parent, parents or any

other present legal custodian until further order of the Court, or finding the parents unfit, and

entering an order permanently terminating the parents' parental rights.

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An attorney has been appointed as Guardian ad litem for the children: Melissa Richards,

315 Houston St, Ste C, Manhattan, KS 66502 – (785) 992-4123. You have the right to appear

before the Court and be heard personally, either with or without an attorney. An attorney has been

appointed for you: Chris Biggs, 620 Humboldt, Manhattan, KS 66502 – (785) 776-9288.

Clerk of the District Court

By: Tiara Spread

Court Clerk

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**James S. Merritt, Jr. Estate - Notice to Creditors**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RILEY COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION**  
**No. RL-2025-PR-000037**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES S. MERRITT, JR., Deceased**  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: You are hereby notified that on April 16, 2025, a Petition To Issue Letters Of Administration Under The Kansas Simplified Estates Act was filed in this Court by JAMES S. MERRITT III, an heir-at-law of JAMES S. MERRITT, JR., Deceased. All creditors of JAMES S. MERRITT, JR. are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

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NOTICES

**Plant Sale**

Perennials, annuals, vegetables, houseplants, pots, tools, etc. Saturday, May 3, 8:30a-noon, 2620 Rangeview Lane, Manhattan. Annual sale by Town and Country Garden Club. Cash or checks.

**Rummage Sale!**

**Rain or Shine!**

Manhattan Baptist Church  
510 Tuttle St. (behind Northview Elementary school)  
7:30-2:00  
Fri May 2nd  
Sat May 3rd  
(accepting gently used donations Thurs. noon to 2:00)

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The City of Ogden, Kansas is accepting applications for the full time position of Maintenance Worker I. Responsible for assisting in the overall maintenance of the city. Benefits include vacation/sick leave, health/dental insurance, KPERS. Pre-employment drug screen will be conducted along with background check. Must be able to obtain CDL within 6 months. Job description available upon request. Job applications are available at City Hall, 222 Riley Avenue, Ogden, KS 66517. Applications accepted until the position is filled.

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