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NOTICE OF TESTING OF THOMAS COUNTY ELECTRONIC/ELECTROMECHANICAL VOTING SYSTEMS

Notice is hereby given pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4411(b), 4610(b) that testing of the automatic tabulating equipment will be conducted on Friday, October 16, 2026 between 10:00 a.m. AND 12:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Room of the Thomas County Courthouse, 300 N. Court Ave., Colby, Kansas 67701 to ascertain that the equipment will cast ballots and correctly count the votes cast for the Primary Election, to be held on the 3rd day of November, 2026.

Keesa Mariman, Thomas County Clerk/Election Officer

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5004

A PROPOSITION to amend section 1 of article 5 of the constitution of the state of Kansas to require individuals to be citizens of the United States, at least 18 years of age and a resident of the voting area in which such person seeks to vote in order to vote in this state.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Section 1 of article 5 of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§ 1. Qualifications of electors. Every(a) No person shall be deemed a qualified elector unless such person:

- (1) Is a citizen of the United States who;
- (2) has attained the age of eighteen years; and who
- (3) except as provided in subsection (b) or (c), resides in the voting area in which he or she such person seeks to vote shall be deemed a qualified elector.

(b) Laws of this state relating to voting for presidential electors and candidates for the office of president and vice-president of the United States shall comply with the laws of the United States relating thereto. A citizen of the United States, who is otherwise qualified to vote in Kansas for presidential electors and candidates for the offices of president and vice-president of the United States may vote for such officers either in person or by absentee ballot notwithstanding the fact that such person may have become a nonresident of this state if his or her such person's removal from this state occurs during a period in accordance with federal law next preceding such election.

(c) A person who is otherwise a qualified elector may vote in the voting area of his or her such person's former residence either in person or by absentee ballot notwithstanding the fact that such person may have become a nonresident of such voting area during a period prescribed by law next preceding the election at which he or she such person seeks to vote, if his such person's new residence is in another voting area in the state of Kansas.”

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

“Explanatory statement. This amendment would clarify that only a person who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to vote in this state.

“A vote for this proposition would clarify that only a person who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to vote in this state.

“A vote against this proposition would make no change to the constitution of the state of Kansas, and the language concerning voter qualifications would remain the same.”

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2026, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

S&M Repair, LLC Plaintiff

VS.

TC Trucking, LLC; Sandhills State Bank; Kansas Department of Revenue; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, trustees, creditors, and assigns of such defendants as may be deceased; the unknown spouses of the defendants, whether deceased or living; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors, and assigns of such defendants as are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of such defendants as are or were partners or in partnerships; the unknown guardians, conservators, trustees of such other defendants as are minors or otherwise under legal disability; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any person alleged to be deceased, Case No. SH-2026-CV-000029

NOTICE OF SUIT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED AND DESIGNATED AND ALL OTHER PERSONS WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Sherman County, Kansas by S&M Repair, LLC, praying that title to property stated in the Petition be awarded to the Plaintiff and you are hereby required to plead to the Petition on or before the 17th day of November, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. M.T. If you fail to plead, judgment will be entered upon the Petition.

S&M Repair, LLC, Petitioner

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NOTICE OF PLACES AND DATES OF REGISTRATION AND CLOSING OF REGISTRATION BOOKS GENERAL ELECTION November 3, 2026

Pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2311(c), notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of October, 2026, all registration books for the General Election will close at the end of regular business hours. Registration books will remain closed until the 4th day of November, 2026. Sherman County citizens can register at the Sherman County Clerk's Office at 813 Broadway, Room 102, Goodland, during regular office hours from 8:00 AM-12:00 PM and 1:00 PM-5:00 PM.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of my office this 5th day of October, 2026.

Ashley N. Mannis, County Clerk / Election Officer Sherman County, Kansas

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DECATUR COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALAN SHIELDS, DECEASED CASE NO.: DC-2026-PR-000033 TITLE TO REAL ESTATE INVOLVED (Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that on September 21, 2026, a Petition was filed in this Court by Jaime Shields, the natural parent and next friend of the minor child who is the sole heir of Alan Shields, deceased, requesting Letters of Administration be issued to the Administrator to serve without bond.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before November 6, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the District Court, in Oberlin, Decatur County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of the first publication of this notice, as provided by law, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1657552470?pwd=9QEvCbLuHXD5FIBcvFMITaQ4NogSQV.1 Meeting ID: 165 755 2470 Passcode: 976770 1 (669) 254-5252

Jaime Shields, Petitioner

SUBMITTED BY:

Courtney E. Ress, #29378 Gatz & Ress LLP 505 N. Franklin Ave., Ste. A P.O. Box 346 Colby, KS 67701 Phone: 785-460-3383 Fax: 785-460-7104 Email: courtney@gatzlaw.net Attorney for Petitioner

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ESTATE OF BARBARA ANN POLK WEBB

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS In the Matter of the Estate of ) Barbara Ann Polk Webb, Deceased ) Case No. NT-2026-PR-000019

NOTICE OF HEARING THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Jeffrey Wayne Moreno, a beneficiary of Barbara Ann Polk Webb, deceased, praying that: the foreign will of Barbara Ann Polk Webb, deceased, dated September 19, 2014, be admitted to probate and record in this Court; no administration of the Estate is necessary; the will be construed, and the following Kansas real estate owned by the decedent, situated in Norton County, Kansas:

•Oil and Gas Lease from the Nelson “C” Farm, Dated April 10, 1996, executed by Patricia Crumpton, as Lessor to William M. Webb as Lessee, covering the North Half of the Southwest Quarter (N/2 SW/4); the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW/4 SE/4); the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW/4 NE/4); and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE/4 SW/4), Section Twelve (12), Township Five (5) South, Range Twenty-Two (22) West, Norton County, Kansas. •Oil and Gas Lease from the Archer-Nelson Farm, Dated April 10, 1996, executed by Patricia Crumpton, as Lessor to William M. Webb as Lessee, covering the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Twelve (12), Township Five (5) South, Range Twenty-two (22) West, Norton County, Kansas.

be assigned in accordance with the terms of the Will.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before November 23, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. in the District Court, in the city of Norton, Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

SUBMITTED BY:

/s/ Andrew J. Walter Andrew J. Walter, #25270 WALTER, WALTER & PETERSON 211 E. Main - PO Box 390 Norton, Kansas 67654 785 874-4440 Email: andrew@walterlawks.com Attorneys for Petitioner

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION Tuesday, November 3, 2026

STATE OF KANSAS, DECATUR COUNTY, ss Office of the County Clerk, Oberlin, KS

As required by K.S.A. 25-209, notice is hereby given that there will be a General Election held in Decatur County, Kansas, on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. The candidates for members of the National Offices, State Offices, and District Offices, if composed of more than one County, have been approved by the State Board of Canvassers and certified to this office by the Secretary of State, the names of candidates being arranged in the manner in which they will appear on the Official Ballot in Decatur County, Kansas.

The candidates for County Offices and Township Offices have filed declaration papers in the office of the County Clerk and, being found regular, are entitled to have their names on the Official General Ballot of Decatur County, Kansas, subject to the rotation of names pursuant to law governing the same. The names of the candidates for National, State, and District offices are shown and arranged, as they must appear on all the printed ballots of the County.

ADVANCE VOTING BY MAIL AND/OR IN PERSON

As required by K.S.A. 25-1123, advanced voting by mail shall begin on Wednesday, October 14, 2026; please contact the Decatur County Clerk's office at 785.475.8102 for an application to receive a ballot by mail. ID REQUIRED.

As required by K.S.A. 25-1122(g) -1123, advanced voting in person shall begin at the Clerk's Office of the Decatur County Courthouse, 120 E. Hall St., Oberlin, KS, on Monday, October 19, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please contact the Decatur County Clerk's office at 785.475.8102 for further information. ID REQUIRED.

ELECTION DAY VOTING HOURS AND VOTING PLACES

The voting hours will be from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2026

DRESDEN METHODIST CHURCH

Custer, Lyon, Dresden Township with Dresden City

SUNFLOWER SENIOR CENTER

Allison, Pleasant Valley and Jennings Township with Clayton City and Jennings City

NORCATUR CITY HALL

Garfield, Grant, Lincoln Township with Norcatatur City

GATEWAY CENTER

Altory, Bassettville, Beaver, Center, Cook, Finley, Harlan, Liberty, Logan, Oberlin, Olive, Prairie Dog, Roosevelt, Sappa, Sherman, and Summit, Oberlin City # 1, and Oberlin City # 2

NATIONAL/STATE/COUNTY TICKET –

FOR UNITED STATES SENATE

David C Graham Overland Park – Libertarian

Adam Hamilton Stilwell - Democratic

Roger Marshall St John - Republican

FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, 1ST DISTRICT

Steven Jacob – Lawrence – Libertarian

Tracey Mann – Salina - Republican

Lauren Reinhold – Lawrence - Democratic

FOR GOVERNOR/LT GOVERNOR

Cindy Holscher – Overland Park / KC Ohaebosim – Wichita – Democratic

Ty Masterson – Andover / Jeffrey Klemp – Lansing – Republican

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE

Jennifer Day – Overland Park – Democratic

Scott E. Morgan – Lawrence – United Kansas

Pat Proctor – Leavenworth – Republican

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kris Kobach – Lecompton – Republican

Chris Mann – Lawrence – Democratic

FOR STATE TREASURER

Steven Johnson – Assaria – Republican

Juan C. Luengo – Olathe – Democratic

Eric Lund – Paola – Libertarian

FOR COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

Daniel Hawkins – Wichita – Republican

Ric Koehn – Cimmaron – Libertarian

Dinah Sykes – Lenexa – Democratic

KANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 120th DISTRICT

Adam Smith – Weskan – Republican

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 5TH DISTRICT

Jean Clifford – Garden City - Republican

Lorie Wood – Dresden – Democratic

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Shall Eric S. Rosen, Topeka, Position No. 4, be retained in office?

Shall Larkin E. Walsh, Leawood, Position No. 6, be retained in office?

KANSAS COURT OF APPEALS FOR JUDGE

Shall Lesley Ann Isherwood, Wichita, Position No. 2, be retained in office?

Shall Amy Fellows Cline, Wichita, Position No. 3, be retained in office?

Shall Kim R. Schroeder, Hugoton, Position No. 5, be retained in office?

Shall Lori Ann Bolton Fleming, Weir, Position No. 7, be retained in office?

Shall Jacy Hurst, Lawrence, Position No. 13, be retained in office?

COUNTY-WIDE QUESTION SUBMITTED

Shall sale of alcoholic liquor by the individual drink in Decatur County be allowed in public places without a requirement that any portion of their gross receipts be from sales of food?

Diane Zodrow

Decatur County Clerk/County Election Officer