

# LEGALS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF  
HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
IN THE MATTER OF THE HEIRSHIP OF  
MONICA COWANS, DECEASED  
MYAH COWANS, PETITIONER

CAUSE NO. 2020-0006

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
MONICA COWANS, DECEASED  
SHIRLEY COWANS, PETITIONER

## SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
TO: ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF  
MONICA COWANS, DECEASED AND  
ALL UNKNOWN WRONGFUL DEATH  
BENEFICIARIES OF MONICA COWANS,  
DECEASED:

You have been made a defendant in  
this suit in this Court by Petitioner Shirley  
Cowans in the Estate of Monica Cowans,  
Deceased, and Petitioner Myah Cowans in  
the Heirship of Monica Cowans, Deceased,  
seeking a judicial determination that Myah  
Cowans is the sole and only heir-at-law  
and statutory wrongful death beneficiary of  
Monica Cowans, deceased, under the Mis-  
sissippi Wrongful Death Statute.

You are summoned to appear and de-  
fend against said complaint or petition filed  
against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on  
the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020, in the Chancery  
Courtroom of the Yazoo County Courthouse  
at Yazoo City, Mississippi, and in case of  
your failure to appear and defend a judg-  
ment will be entered against you for the  
money or other things demanded in the  
complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or  
other pleading but you may do so, if you  
desire.

Issued under my hand and seal of said  
Court, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

By: /s/ Dominique Bullocks  
CHARLIE LUCKETT,  
CHANCERY CLERK  
OF HOLMES COUNTY,  
MISSISSIPPI

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**Document Management RFP**  
Attention: Document Management Software  
Providers

**Please be advised that due to  
National Emergency, the dead line  
for submitting proposals has been  
extended to March 31, 2020.**

Requesting proposals for Document  
Management services: solicit proposals to  
provide a document management system  
for student records and human resource  
documents.

To obtain a copy of the Request for Pro-  
posals, contact:  
Jason Sargent: jason.sargent@holmesccsd-  
sd.org or visit http://www.holmesccsd.org

Security Management Companies  
should submit proposals to:  
Jason Sargent, Director of Testing,  
Enrollment, and Accountability  
Holmes County Consolidated  
School District  
313 Olive Street  
Lexington, MS 39095

HCCSD reserves the right to reject any  
proposal for a sound, documented reason  
or to reject all proposals if there is an insuf-  
ficient number of proposals.

All proposals must be submitted no  
later than 5:00 pm on March 31, 2020. All  
proposals should be delivered in a sealed  
envelope and addressed to the Holmes  
County Consolidated District and clearly  
marked: Document Management Proposal.

3-26;4-2b

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF  
HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
JOHN M. GILMORE, SUBSTITUTE  
TRUSTEE INTER-  
PLEADER  
VERSUS

CAUSE NO. 26CH1:2020-CV-0023  
ESTATE OF DEMETRICA JOHNSON,  
DECEASED DEFENDANT

## SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
TO: Unknown heirs at law and/or devisees  
and/or lienholders and/or parties of  
interest in and to the Estate of Demetrica  
Johnson, Deceased

You have been made a Defendant in the  
suit filed in this Court by John M. Gilmore,  
Substitute Trustee for Holmes County Bank  
& Trust Company, and Interpleader, seek-  
ing to Determine the Heirs and/or Devisees  
and/or Lienholders and/or parties of interest  
in and to the Estate of Demetrica Johnson,  
Deceased. Parties other than you in this ac-  
tion are Brenda Johnson, Lavern Smith, Su-  
sie M. Johnson, Marion Grott, Cecil John-  
son, Jr., Hellenia Ingram and Ellana Lewis.

You are summoned to appear and de-  
fend against the Complaint filed against you  
in this action at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 5<sup>th</sup>  
day of June, 2020 at the Holmes County  
Circuit Court Building located at 22549 Depot  
Street in Lexington, Mississippi, and in  
case of your failure to appear and defend  
a judgment will be entered against you for  
the money or other things demanded in the  
Complaint or Petition.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND THE  
SEAL OF SAID COURT, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of  
March, 2020.

CHARLIE LUCKETT  
CHANCERY CLERK OF  
HOLMES COUNTY,  
MISSISSIPPI  
Post Office Box 1211  
Lexington, Mississippi 39095  
By /s/ Dominique  
Bullocks D. C.

3-26;4-2,9b

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF  
HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
ROBERT W. WILSON PLAINTIFF  
VERSUS CAUSE NO. 26CH1:20-CV-32  
TERI FORTINO PROPERTIES, ET AL DEFENDANTS

## SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
TO: ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND  
CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING  
ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN  
AND TO A LOT OR PARCEL, IDENTIFIED  
AS PARCEL NUMBER 043-01-038.00 AND  
SOLD FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2009  
AND FURTHER DESCRIBED AS PART OF  
LOTS 3, 6, 7 AND 10 IN THE TOWN OF  
GOODMAN, HOLMES COUNTY, MISSIS-  
SIPPI; AND DOES 1-75, INCLUSIVE

You have been made a Defendant in the  
suit filed in this Court by, Plaintiff, seeking  
Complaint to Confirm Title. Defendants  
other than you in this action are Teri For-  
tino, d.b.a., Teri Fortino Properties, State of  
Mississippi and District Attorney of Holmes  
County.

You are required to mail or hand deliver  
a written response to the Complaint filed  
against you in this action to John M. Gil-  
more, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose post office  
address is Post Office Box 151, Durant,  
Mississippi 39063, and whose street ad-  
dress is 15288 South Jackson Street, Du-  
rant, Mississippi 39063.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED  
OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN  
THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 26<sup>th</sup> DAY OF  
MARCH, 2020, WHICH IS THE DATE OF  
THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUM-  
MONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT  
SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDG-  
MENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED  
AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR  
OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE  
COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Re-  
sponse with the Clerk of this Court within a  
reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of  
said Court, this 20 day of March, 2020.

CHANCERY CLERK OF  
HOLMES, MISSISSIPPI  
Post Office Box 1211  
Lexington, Mississippi 39095  
BY: /s/ Charlie Luckett

3-26;4-2,9b

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF  
HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

KATHERINE WEATHERBY PLAINTIFF  
VERSUS CAUSE NO. 26CH1:20-CV-31  
UNKNOWN HEIRS OF SALLIE MARY  
BENTLEY; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI;  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF HOLMES  
COUNTY; ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS  
AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR  
CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE  
INTEREST IN AND TO A LOT OR PAR-  
CEL, IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL NUMBER  
043-01-038.00 AND SOLD FOR TAXES  
ON AUGUST 31, 2009 AND FURTHER  
DESCRIBED AS PART OF LOTS 3, 6, 7  
AND 10 IN THE TOWN OF GOODMAN,  
HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND  
DOES 1-75, INCLUSIVE DEFENDANTS

## SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF SALLIE MARY  
BENTLEY; ALL OTHER PERSONS,  
FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING  
OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE  
INTEREST IN AND TO A LOT OR PARCEL,  
IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL NUM-  
BER 043-01-038.00 AND SOLD FOR TAXES  
ON AUGUST 31, 2009 AND FURTHER  
DESCRIBED AS PART OF LOTS 3, 6, 7  
AND 10 IN THE TOWN OF GOODMAN,  
HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND  
DOES 1-75, INCLUSIVE

You have been made a Defendant in the  
suit filed in this Court by, Plaintiff, seeking  
Complaint to Confirm Title. Defendants oth-  
er than you in this action are Unknown Heirs  
of Sallie Mary Bentley; State of Mississippi  
and District Attorney of Holmes County.

You are required to mail or hand deliver  
a written response to the Complaint filed  
against you in this action to John M. Gil-  
more, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose post office  
address is Post Office Box 151, Durant,  
Mississippi 39063, and whose street ad-  
dress is 15288 South Jackson Street, Du-  
rant, Mississippi 39063.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED  
OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN  
THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 26<sup>th</sup> DAY OF  
MARCH, 2020, WHICH IS THE DATE OF  
THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUM-  
MONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT  
SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDG-  
MENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED  
AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR  
OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE  
COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Re-  
sponse with the Clerk of this Court within a  
reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of  
said Court, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

CHANCERY CLERK OF  
HOLMES, MISSISSIPPI  
Post Office Box 1211  
Lexington, Mississippi 39095  
BY: /s/ Charlie Luckett

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Please  
submit all  
legal notices  
to  
heraldlegals  
@gmail.com

# Staying afloat: \$2.2 trillion bill offers economic lifeline

Associated Press

In the coronavirus crisis, even  
doctors can face a cash crunch.

Dr. Benjamin Ticho, an  
ophthalmologist in Chicago  
Ridge, Illinois, has seen his  
revenue plunge 80% as pa-  
tients stay home and he can-  
cels non-emergency surger-  
ies. He's cut his staff's hours  
sharply and is negotiating  
with his creditors.

"We've reached out to many  
of our bigger vendors and said,  
'Hey, we may be facing a cash  
crunch — can you give us a  
break, or at least defer pay-  
ments?'" Many have been sym-  
pathetic," said Ticho, who owes  
loans on medical equipment.

## LEGALS

### TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS Dorothy J. Gatson executed  
a Deed of Trust to Gulfco of Mississippi,  
LLC, d/b/a Tower Loan of Richland as be-  
neficiary, with John E. Tucker as Trustee,  
which Deed of Trust is dated October 29,  
2014 and recorded in Book 2014 at Page  
3858 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of  
Holmes County, Mississippi, and;

WHEREAS default having been made in  
the payment under said Deed of Trust and  
the entire debt secured thereby having been  
declared due and payable in accordance  
with the terms thereof, and the holder of  
that Deed of Trust having called upon me  
as Trustee to execute the trust and make  
foreclosure thereof according to law and the  
terms of said Deed of trust for the purpose  
of raising said sum so secured and unpaid,  
together with the expenses of selling same,  
including trustees and attorney fees;

NOW THEREFORE, I, John E. Tucker,  
Trustee, do hereby give notice that I will  
offer for sale at public outcry and sell to the  
highest bidder for cash in hand the following  
described real property at the North Front  
Door of the Courthouse of Holmes County,  
Mississippi at Lexington, Mississippi on  
April 24, 2020 during legal hours between  
11:00 am and 4:00 pm, such property lying  
and being situated in Holmes County, Mis-  
sissippi and more particularly described as  
follows:

Begin at the NE corner of Lot 213, and  
run Westerly along the South side of Old  
Tchula Road 152 feet; thence run South 6  
degrees East 116.5 feet; thence North 82  
degrees East 167.5 feet to Tchula Street;  
thence North 17 degrees 30 minutes West  
along West side of Tchula Street 98 feet  
to the point of beginning and close, being  
a part of Lot 213 in the City of Lexington,  
Holmes County, Mississippi.

SUBJECT TO: All oil, gas, mineral rights  
and rights of way heretofore conveyed and/  
or reserved.

I shall convey only such title as is vested  
in me as Trustee.

Dated this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

/s/ John E. Tucker  
John E. Tucker, Trustee  
P. O. Box 320001  
Flowood, MS 39232-0001  
601-992-0936  
601-992-5176

4-2,9,16,23b

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF  
HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
MARIAH SMITH, DECEASED

CIVIL ACTION NO. 26CH1:15-cv-00135  
BERNICE WILSON, ADMINISTRATRIX  
PETITIONER

### Rule 81 Summons

(Summons by Publication)

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
TO: The known and unknown Heirs-at-Law  
under the provisions of Sections 91-1-27  
and 29 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 as  
Annotated and Amended, of Mariah Smith,  
deceased, and any other person or party  
claiming any legal or equitable interest in  
and to the Estate of Mariah Smith, De-  
ceased.

You have been made a Defendant in the  
petition filed in the Court by Bernice Wilson,  
Petitioner, seeking a determination of heirs-  
at-law of Mariah Smith, Deceased.

Defendants other than you in this action  
are: Any person with a claim as an heir of  
Mariah Smith.

You are hereby summoned and com-  
manded to personally appear before the  
Chancery Court of Holmes County, Missis-  
sippi before the Honorable Robert G. Clark,  
III, at the Madison County in Canton, Missis-  
sippi on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020, at 9:00  
a.m. to respond to said petition and show  
cause why the relief sought and prayed for  
in the petition for Determination of Heirs-at-  
Law should not be granted.

In case of your failure to appear and de-  
fend, a judgment will be entered against you  
for the money or other things demanded in  
the complaint or petition. You are not re-  
quired to file an answer or other pleading,  
but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and seal of said  
Court, the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

Charlie M. Luckett,  
(Seal) Chancery Clerk  
Holmes County  
By: /s/ Dominique Bullocks, D.C.

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He's giving his patients a break,  
too, by holding off for now on  
collecting their unpaid balances.

The record \$2.2 trillion emer-  
gency relief package that Presi-  
dent Donald Trump signed into  
law Friday is aimed at busi-  
nesses like Ticho's and people  
like his patients: Caught in a  
public health lockdown that has  
closed companies and brought  
economic life to a standstill,  
they are at risk of running out of  
money and being unable to pay  
bills or meet daily expenses.

The idea behind the measure is  
to give companies and families  
a cash cushion to better weather  
the health crisis and looming  
recession. When it's safe to go  
back to work, dine out and book  
airline tickets again, the thinking  
goes, they'll be more financially  
ready to return to something  
closer to normal life.

"It will inject trillions of dol-  
lars of cash into the economy as  
fast as possible to help Ameri-  
can workers, families, small  
businesses and industries make  
it through this disruption and  
emerge on the other side ready  
to soar," said Senate Major-  
ity Leader Mitch McConnell,  
R-Ky., who helped negotiate the  
package.

So Congress is sending a  
one-time payment directly to  
most American adults and U.S.  
residents with Social Secu-  
rity numbers. That amounts to  
\$1,200 for single adults earning  
up to \$75,000 a year and \$2,400  
for married couples earning  
up to \$150,000, plus \$500 per  
child. Someone filing as head  
of household would get the full  
payment if they earn \$112,500  
or less.

The payment is reduced by \$5  
for each \$100 that a taxpayer's  
income exceeds those thresh-  
olds, and is completely phased-  
out for single filers with incomes  
exceeding \$99,000, \$146,500  
for head of household filers with  
one child, and \$198,000 for joint  
filers with no children.

The package will also help  
replace the earnings of unem-  
ployed workers for four months,  
providing them with their state's  
unemployment benefits plus an  
extra \$600 a week. For the first  
time, gig economy workers such  
as Uber drivers can claim unem-  
ployment benefits, too.

The support for individuals  
and households is especially im-  
portant because the social safety  
net in America isn't as strong as  
it is in the wealthy developed  
countries of Europe.

The package includes \$50 bil-  
lion in tax credits for businesses  
that keep employees on payroll  
and will cover 50% of those  
workers' paychecks. Companies  
can also defer payment of the  
6.2% Social Security tax, giv-  
ing them an incentive to put off  
layoffs at a time when ordinary  
business has come to a halt.

Also included is \$454 billion  
in seed money that will allow  
the Federal Reserve to make  
roughly \$4.5 trillion in loans to  
larger industries.

At \$2.2 trillion, the money  
that Congress and the Trump  
administration are throwing at  
the economic crisis amounts to  
more than 10% of America's  
gross domestic product — the  
broadest measurement of eco-  
nomic output. By comparison,

President Barack Obama's  
\$787 billion stimulus plan in  
the depths of the Great Reces-  
sion amounted to about 5.5% of  
GDP.

And that doesn't count what  
else the Fed is doing. It has  
slashed its benchmark interest  
rate to zero. It's flooding finan-  
cial markets with cash by buy-  
ing up securities, including gov-  
ernment and, for the first time,  
corporate bonds. It's also buy-  
ing so-called commercial paper,  
short-term IOUs that companies  
issue to cover operating costs  
such as payrolls. And it's ready-  
ing a loan program for small  
businesses.

Federal Reserve Chair Jerome  
Powell has made clear that the  
central bank will do what it takes  
to support the economy. In an  
interview Thursday on NBC's  
"Today" show, Powell said the  
Fed would lend an essentially  
unlimited amount, if necessary,  
to support banks, businesses and  
city and state governments until  
the viral outbreak is brought un-  
der control.

The chairman acknowledged  
that the economy will suffer and  
that unemployment will rise.

"There can also be a good re-  
bound on the other side of that,"  
he said. "By assuring the flow  
of credit in the economy and  
keeping rates low, we want to  
assure that that rebound, when  
it does come, is as vigorous as  
possible."

"Except for wartime expendi-  
tures during World War II there  
is nothing comparable to this in  
U.S. history," said Adam Posen,  
president of the Peterson Insti-  
tute for International Economics  
in Washington, D.C.

This rescue isn't just bigger.  
It's also different in significant  
ways.

In most economic downturns,  
even severe ones, policymakers  
aim at coaxing jittery consumers  
and businesses to start spending  
again by slashing interest rates,  
cutting taxes, or putting people  
to work on public works proj-  
ects and giving them paychecks.

It's not going to work that way  
this time. Nobody is going to  
go out shopping or schedule a  
cruise when they're quarantined  
indefinitely inside their living  
rooms. And businesses aren't  
going to hire, open new offices  
or invest in equipment when  
they aren't collecting revenue  
because they have no customers.

Policymakers now just want  
to keep businesses and individ-  
uals from going under while the  
virus still rages, hoping they'll  
be in shape to drive a recovery  
when the crisis is over.

"They're truly focusing on  
stopping the system from freez-  
ing up," said Louis Hyman, an  
economic historian at Cornell  
University who has studied the  
labor market and gig workers.

For now, it seems, there's no  
way to turn back the forces pull-  
ing the economy into recession  
for the first time in 11 years.  
Economists are expecting the  
April-June quarter to be the  
worst on record. The economy  
may plunge at an annual rate of  
20% or more over those three  
months. Millions of Americans  
are expected to lose their jobs in  
the next few weeks. On Thurs-  
day, the Labor Department re-  
ported that roughly 3.3 million

Americans had filed for unem-  
ployment benefits last week —  
obliterating the 1982 record of  
695,000.

The rescue, cobbled together  
by the Fed, Congress and the  
White House, is designed to  
reach business owners such  
as New York tour operator  
Georgette Blau, who has laid off  
her tour guides and tapped her  
personal savings to keep her On  
Location Tours operating.

Blau is uneasy about seeking  
a loan from the Small Busi-  
ness Administration, saying the  
monthly payments would be too  
high. She would consider look-  
ing into the Fed's plans to pro-  
vide credit to small firms. But it  
won't be easy to calm her finan-  
cial worries.

"Even something like \$75,000  
is not going to last us very long,"  
she said.

The scale of the damage is  
staggering. More than 180,000  
stores are temporarily shuttered,  
accounting for more than 40%  
of U.S. retail space, according  
to GlobalData Retail, a research  
firm.

"Retailers were caught up in a  
nightmare," said David French,  
senior vice president of govern-  
ment relations at the National  
Retail Federation, the nation's  
largest retail trade group. "They  
have people to pay. Rents to pay.  
They have inventories."

No money is coming in at  
Olio, a wedding and event  
venue in Peabody, Massachu-  
setts. Owners Sarah Narcus and  
Ellen Basch have canceled or  
postponed all events through the  
spring. They've asked, and got-  
ten, leniency from their lenders,  
including the bank that holds the  
million-dollar mortgage on their  
building.

"They were very receptive.  
They have deferred payments  
except for interest and escrow  
for 90 days," Narcus says. The  
business still has to pay other  
expenses including taxes and  
utilities.

To keep what could be a steep  
but short recession from turning  
into something worse, econo-  
mists say the government needs  
to move fast.

But it won't be easy.

"No set of existing financial  
pipes was designed for a cri-  
sis requiring payments to more  
than 100 million individuals  
or households within days or  
weeks," write Peterson Institute  
researchers Donald Hammond  
and David Wilcox.

They are worried that the gov-  
ernment will rely on income tax  
rolls to identify recipients; but  
many Americans, especially the  
poorest ones, don't pay income  
taxes and can't be found that  
way. They suggest using Social  
Security records and federal as-  
sistance rolls, too.

"We urge policymakers to  
emphasize the need for speed,"  
Hammond and Wilcox write,  
even if it means some Ameri-  
cans accidentally get more than  
one relief check. "In most cases,  
the people who receive multiple  
payments will be at the lower  
end of the economic ladder and  
thus likely to be in great need of  
help."

Cornell's Hyman expects that  
the government will make mis-  
takes as it tries to roll out so  
much money, so quickly. But  
he's impressed with the rescue  
package anyway.

"It's the biggest intervention  
in human history, and it's all  
done in a week," he said. "It's  
crazy."