

CHARLOTTE COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

--- PUBLIC SALES ---

FIRST INSERTION

Notice Under Fictitious Name

To whom it may concern:
 Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, pursuant to Florida Statute 865.09, will register with the Division of Corporations, Department of State, State of Florida upon receipt of this notice, the fictitious name, to-wit:
 The Aesthetics Lounge and Spa
 Under which we are engaged in business at:
 13435 S. McCall Rd.
 Unit 16 PMB 234
 Port Charlotte, FL 33981
 That the party interested in said business enterprise is as follows:
 Zen Jen Aesthetics and Design, LLC
 Dated at Charlotte County, Florida
 July 14, 2025
 July 18, 2025

25-00714T

FIRST INSERTION

State of Florida
 Department of Environmental Protection
 Notice of Draft Permit

The Department of Environmental Protection hereby provides notice that it has prepared a draft permit for the proposed project as detailed in the application, subject to the conditions specified in the draft permit and summarized below. The applicant, MSKP Town and Country Utility, LLC, William R. Vander May, Vice President, 4500 PGA Boulevard, Suite 400, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33418 applied on Sep 24, 2024, for a Class I injection well construct and operationally test permit. The project is located at MSKP Town and Country Utility Water Treatment Plant, 12150 State Road 31, Punta Gorda, Florida 33982, in Charlotte County (File 0294077-002-UC/1I, WACS ID 99130).

The permittee will construct and operationally test one non-hazardous Class I injection well, IW-1, and associated dual-zone monitor well DZMW-1 for the disposal of reverse osmosis wastewater from the Town and Country Water Treatment Plant and domestic wastewater treated to high-level disinfection standards from a future wastewater treatment facility. The maximum injection rate for IW-1 shall be 5,132 gallons per minute and the maximum injection volume for IW-1 shall be 7.39 million gallons per day. The injection well is constructed with a 24-inch diameter steel casing set to 2,650 feet below land surface (bls), a 16-inch diameter fiberglass-reinforced plastic tubing set to 2,650 feet bls with a cemented annulus, and total depth of 3,600 feet bls. The dual-zone monitor well DZMW-1 will be completed in the Ocala Limestone from 1,050 to 1,100 feet bls Avon Park Formations of the Upper Floridan Aquifer from 1,700 to 1,750 feet bls.

The Department has permitting jurisdiction under Chapter 403 of the Florida Statutes and the rules adopted thereunder. The project is not exempt from permitting procedures. The Department has determined that an Underground Injection Control permit is required for the proposed work.

Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and may request a public meeting within 30 days after publication of this public notice. A request for a public meeting shall be submitted in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the meeting. If a public meeting is later scheduled, there will be another 30-day notice period for that meeting. Written comments or a public meeting request shall be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection, Aquifer Protection Program, 2600 Blair Stone Road, MS 3530, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400, which is the office processing this permit application. All comments received within the 30-day period will be considered in formulation of the Department's final decision regarding permit issuance.

The files associated with this order are available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except state holidays, at the Department of Environmental Protection, South District, and at the Department of Environmental Protection, Aquifer Protection Program office in Tallahassee. Any additional information concerning this project may be obtained by contacting James Dodson, Professional Geologist II, at 850-245-8653.
 July 18, 2025

25-00715T

FIRST INSERTION

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law
 According to Florida Statute
 Number 865.09

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of DBT ENTERPRISES located at 20263 LADNER AVE in the City of PORT CHARLOTTE, Charlotte County, FL 33954 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.
 Dated this 10th day of July, 2025.
 COASTAL PROPERTY LANDSCAPING LLC
 July 18, 2025

25-00701T

FIRST INSERTION

WEST PORT EAST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 PROPOSED BUDGET(S); AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the West Port East Community Development District ("District") will hold a public hearing and regular meeting as follows:

DATE: August 12, 2025
 TIME: 12:00 PM
 LOCATION: Country Inn & Suites by Radisson
 24244 Corporate Court
 Port Charlotte, Florida 33954

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments and objections on the adoption of the District's proposed budget(s) for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026 ("Proposed Budget"). A regular Board meeting of the District will also be held at the above time where the Board may consider any other business that may properly come before it. A copy of the agenda and Proposed Budget may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, Phone (561) 571-0010 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours.

The public hearing and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The public hearing and/or meeting may be continued in progress to a date, time certain, and place to be specified on the record at the public hearing and/or meeting. There may be occasions when Board Supervisors or District Staff may participate by speaker telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at the public hearing or meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the public hearing and meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearing or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

District Manager
 July 18, 25, 2025

25-00723T

FIRST INSERTION

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09,
 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of dba gary bowers located at 18204 Ackerman Ave, in the County of Charlotte, in the City of Port Charlotte, Florida 33948 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Port Charlotte, Florida, this 14th day of July, 2025.
 gary f bowers
 July 18, 2025

25-00713T

FIRST INSERTION

STARLING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET(S); AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Starling Community Development District ("District") will hold a public hearing and regular meeting as follows:

DATE: August 6, 2025
 TIME: 10:30 a.m.
 LOCATION: 26789 Victoria Place
 Punta Gorda, Florida 33955

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments and objections on the adoption of the District's proposed budget(s) for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026 ("Proposed Budget"). A regular Board meeting of the District will also be held at the above time where the Board may consider any other business that may properly come before it. A copy of the agenda and Proposed Budget may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, (561) 571-0010 ("District Manager's Office") or by visiting the District's website, <https://starlingcdd.net/>.

The public hearing and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The public hearing and/or meeting may be continued in progress to a date, time certain, and place to be specified on the record at the public hearing and/or meeting. There may be occasions when Board Supervisors or District Staff may participate by speaker telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at the public hearing or meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the public hearing and meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearing or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

District Manager
 July 18, 25, 2025

25-00709T

FIRST INSERTION

WEST PORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 BUDGET; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, ADOPTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Upcoming Public Hearings, and Regular Meeting

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") for the West Port Community Development District ("District") will hold the following two public hearings and a regular meeting on August 12, 2025 at 12:30 pm, at the Country Inn & Suites by Radisson, 24244 Corporate Court, Port Charlotte, Florida 33954.

The first public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, to receive public comment and objections on the District's proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026 ("Fiscal Year 2025/2026"). The second public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 190, 197, and/or 170, Florida Statutes, to consider the imposition of operations and maintenance special assessments ("O&M Assessments") upon the lands located within the District, to fund the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026; to consider the adoption of an assessment roll; and, to provide for the levy, collection, and enforcement of assessments. At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board will, by resolution, adopt a budget and levy O&M Assessments as finally approved by the Board. A Board meeting of the District will also be held where the Board may consider any other District business.

Description of Assessments

The District imposes O&M Assessments on benefitted property within the District for the purpose of funding the District's general administrative, operations, and maintenance budget. A geographic depiction of the property potentially subject to the proposed O&M Assessments is identified in the map attached hereto. The table below shows the schedule of the proposed O&M Assessments, which are subject to change at the hearing:

General Fund (GF)

Land Use	Total # of Units / Acres	Equivalent Assessment Unit Factor	Annual O&M - GF Assessment(1)
Single Family (SF)	1,266	1.00	\$708.10
Townhome (TH)	172	0.85	\$601.89
Multi-Family	504	0.70	\$495.67
Commercial, Tract K	5.44	1.83	\$1,292.43

Special Revenue Fund (SRF)⁽²⁾

Land Use	Total # of Units / Acres	Equivalent Assessment Unit Factor	Annual O&M - SRF Assessment(1)
Single Family (SF)	766	1.00	\$709.77
Townhome (TH)	172	0.85	\$603.31
Multi-Family	0	0.00	\$0.00
Commercial, Tract K	0	0.00	\$0.00

(1) Annual O&M Assessment may also include County collection costs and early payment discounts.
 (2) SRF applies to units in The Landings, The Hammocks, The Isles, and The Palms.

The O&M Assessments may be collected on the County tax roll or by direct bill from the District's Manager. Note that the O&M Assessments are in addition to any debt service assessments, if any, previously levied by the District and due to be collected for Fiscal Year 2025/2026. Moreover, pursuant to Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, the lien amount shall serve as the "maximum rate" authorized by law for operation and maintenance assessments, such that no assessment hearing shall be held or notice provided in future years unless the assessments are proposed to be increased or another criterion within Section 197.3632(4) is met. **IT IS IMPORTANT TO PAY YOUR ASSESSMENT BECAUSE FAILURE TO PAY WILL CAUSE A TAX CERTIFICATE TO BE ISSUED AGAINST THE PROPERTY WHICH MAY RESULT IN LOSS OF TITLE, OR FOR DIRECT BILLED ASSESSMENTS, MAY RESULT IN A FORECLOSURE ACTION, WHICH ALSO MAY RESULT IN A LOSS OF TITLE.**

Additional Provisions

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with Florida law. A copy of the Proposed Budget and assessment roll, and the agenda, for the hearings and meeting may be obtained by contacting Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, 561-571-0010 ("District Manager's Office"). The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record. There may be occasions when staff or board members may participate by speaker telephone. Any person requiring special accommodations because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

Please note that all affected property owners have the right to appear and comment at the public hearings and meeting, and may also file written objections with the District Manager's Office within twenty (20) days of issuance of this notice. Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the District Manager's Office.

District Manager



July 18, 2025

25-00722T

Q&A

What is a public notice?

A public notice is information intended to inform citizens of government activities. The notice should be published in a forum independent of the government, readily available to the public, capable of being securely archived and verified by authenticity.

The West Orange Times carries public notices in Orange County, Florida.

VIEW NOTICES ONLINE AT
Legals.BusinessObserverFL.com

To publish your legal notice Email:
legal@businessobserverfl.com

--- ESTATE ---

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 25000653CP Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF Eugene Zane Bliss Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Eugene Zane Bliss, deceased, whose date of death was December 20, 2024, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 East Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 25000604CP Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF Edward Donald Hum Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Edward Donald Hum, deceased, whose date of death was February 9, 2025, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 25-371-CP Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF JANET IRENE BULLOCK a/k/a JANET I. BULLOCK Deceased.

The administration of the Estate of Janet Irene Bullock a/k/a Janet I. Bullock, deceased, whose date of death was December 26, 2024, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda, Florida 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

The personal representative has no duty to discover whether any property held at the time of the decedent's death by the decedent or the decedent's surviving spouse is property to which the Florida Uniform Disposition of Community Property Rights at Death Act as described in ss. 732.216-732.228, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 25-803-CP Division: Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF KATHLEEN M. QUENELL Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Kathleen M. Quenell, deceased, whose date of death was May 31, 2025, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Charlotte County Justice Center, 350 E. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. The written demand must be filed with the clerk. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No.: 25000707CP IN RE: ESTATE OF JOHN EDWARD EDMONDSON, Deceased.

The administration of the Estate of JOHN EDWARD EDMONDSON, deceased, whose date of death was January 3, 2025, is pending in the Circuit Court for CHARLOTTE County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E Marion Ave, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. The written demand must be filed with the clerk. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 25000663CP Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF LOUIS F. SCOLASE Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Louis F. Scolase, deceased, whose date of death was February 24, 2025, is pending in the Circuit Court for CHARLOTTE County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Ave, Punta Gorda FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

Florida Statutes, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. The written demand must be filed with the clerk. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Summary Administration) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 25000694CP Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF WAYNE THOMAS CRIMIN, Deceased.

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE: You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of WAYNE THOMAS CRIMIN, deceased, File Number 25000694CP by the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda, Florida 33950; that the decedent's date of death was October 9, 2023; that the total value of the estate is \$70,900.00 [consisting of Non-Exempt Property] and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:

cedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 25-000787-CP Division: PROBATE IN RE: ESTATE OF MARIAN DANIELLE PLASCO, A/K/A MARIAN D. PLASCO, Deceased

The administration of the estate of Marian Danielle Plasco, a/k/a Marian D. Plasco, deceased, whose date of death was December 26, 2024, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

Florida Statutes, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. The written demand must be filed with the clerk. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2025-CP-000695 Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF DOUGLAS W. JONES, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Douglas W. Jones, deceased, whose date of death was September 27, 2024, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Charlotte County Probate Court. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

The personal representative has no duty to discover whether any property held at the time of the decedent's death by the decedent or the decedent's surviving spouse is property to which the Florida Uniform Disposition of Community Property Rights at Death Act as described in ss. 732.216-732.228, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes.

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--- ACTIONS / SALES ---

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE OF ACTION IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO. 25-000803-CC BABCOCK RANCH RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, Plaintiff, vs. JACQUELYN MACDONALD; et al, Defendants.

TO: JACQUELYN MACDONALD 17338 PALMETTO PASS LANE PUNTA GORDA, FL 33982

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to Foreclose a Lien for unpaid homeowners' association assessments on the following real property located in Charlotte County, Florida:

Lot 1402, of BABCOCK RANCH COMMUNITY PHASE 2C, ac-

ording to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 24, Page 2, of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida.

has been filed against you, JACQUELYN MACDONALD, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address is as follows:

Jennifer A. Nichols, Esquire Roetzel & Andress, LPA 999 Vanderbilt Beach Rd., Suite 401 Naples, FL 34108

and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's Attorney or immediately thereafter on or before thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice; or otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint for Foreclosure.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance.

order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated on: July 15, 2025. ROGER D. EATON, CLERK OF COURTS By: D. Gerace (SEAL) Deputy Clerk

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FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE OF ACTION CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No: 25000193CC

Ally Bank v. Terence Elliott Blackshear Defendant(s).

TO: Terence Elliott Blackshear: 17204 Bullhorn Cir, Punta Gorda, FL 33982

Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendants, if either has remarried and if either or both of said Defendants are dead, their respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant(s); and the aforementioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a complaint for monetary damages and writ of replevin on personal property arising from contract has been commenced to recover possession of the following personal property, last known to be located in Charlotte County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

2019 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD (VIN No: 2GB-2CREGOK1214850)

This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, upon LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 750 Park of Commerce Blvd., Suite 130, Boca Raton, FL 33487, before twenty (28) days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance.

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WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 11 day of July, 2025.

Circuit and County Courts By: D. Gerace (SEAL) Deputy Clerk

LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, 750 Park of Commerce Blvd., Suite 130, Boca Raton, FL 33487 25-332402 RP01 AYL

July 18, 25; August 1, 8, 2025 25-00712T

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 25000808CA WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR CASCADE FUNDING RM4 ACQUISITIONS GRANTOR TRUST, Plaintiff, vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF PERLETA V. ROSE, DECEASED, et. al. Defendant(s).

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF PERLETA V. ROSE, DECEASED, whose residence is unknown if he/she/

they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

LOT 27, BLOCK 1571, PORT CHARLOTTE SUBDIVISION, SECTION 15, A SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE(S) 4A THRU 4E, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 on or before 8-20-25 / (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for

the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110 or jembury@ca.cjis20.org, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at Charlotte County, Florida, this 15 day of July, 2025.

ROGER D. EATON CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT (SEAL) BY: BRITTANY LACKEY DEPUTY CLERK

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, AND SCHNEID, PL ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF 6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100 Boca Raton, FL 33487 PRIMARY EMAIL: flmail@raslg.com 25-297539 July 18, 25, 2025 25-00718T

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO. 25000081CA WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF RESIDENTIAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES TRUST II, Plaintiff, vs. SUMMIT CREST CAPITAL, LLC F/K/A CALCAP LLC; DAVID CHESTER HELM, II; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendant(s)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure filed June 13, 2025 and entered in Case No. 25000081CA, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Charlotte County, Florida, wherein WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF RESIDENTIAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES TRUST II is Plaintiff and DAVID CHESTER HELM, II; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; SUMMIT CREST CAPITAL, LLC F/K/A CALCAP LLC; are defendants. ROGER D. EATON, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash BY ELECTRONIC SALE AT: WWW.CHARLOTTE.REALFORECLOSE.COM, at 11:00 A.M., on August 13, 2025, the following described property as set forth in said

Final Judgment, to wit: SEE EXHIBIT A THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE, STATE OF FLORIDA, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 6, BLOCK A, FIRST ADDITION TO PEACE RIVER SUBDIVISION, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN SECTION 12. TOWNSHIP 40 SOUTH. RANGE 23 EAST, CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: TAKE A POINT OF REFERENCE THE NORTH QUARTER (N 1/4) SECTION CORNER OF THE AFORESAID SECTION 12; GO THENCE SOUTH 0° 17' 23" WEST ALONG THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 12, A DISTANCE OF 1317.8 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 12; GO THENCE NORTH 88° 50' 38" WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NE 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4, A DISTANCE OF 978.75 FEET TO AN IRON PIN FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; GO THENCE NORTH 0° 15' EAST A DISTANCE OF 110 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; GO THENCE NORTH 88° 50' 38" WEST A DISTANCE OF 60 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; GO THENCE SOUTH 0° 15' WEST A DISTANCE OF 110 FEET TO AN IRON PIN AT THE WATERS EDGE; GO THENCE

SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG THE SHORELINE A DISTANCE OF 67 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT; GO THENCE NORTH 0° 15' EAST A DISTANCE OF 30 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT OF BEGINNING, LYING IN SAID SECTION, COUNTY AND STATE.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the Clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.

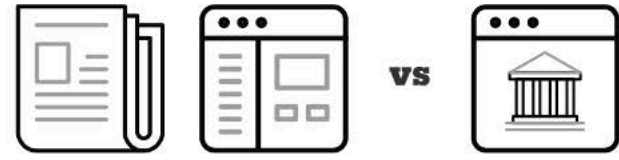
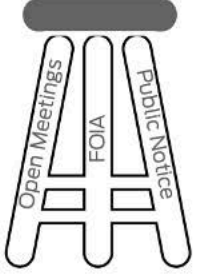
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Dated this day of 07/15/2025. ROGER D. EATON As Clerk of said Court (SEAL) By B. Lackey As Deputy Clerk

Submitted by: Kahane & Associates, P.A. 1619 NW 136th Avenue, Suite D-220 Sunrise, Florida 33323 Telephone: (954) 382-3486 Telefacsimile: (954) 382-5380 Designated service email: notice@kahaneandassociates.com File No.: 24-01451 BSI July 18, 25, 2025 25-00726T

Why Public Notice Should Remain in Newspapers

Along with open meeting and freedom of information laws, public notice is an essential element of the three-legged stool of government transparency



This is not about "newspapers vs the internet".

It's newspapers and newspaper websites vs government websites

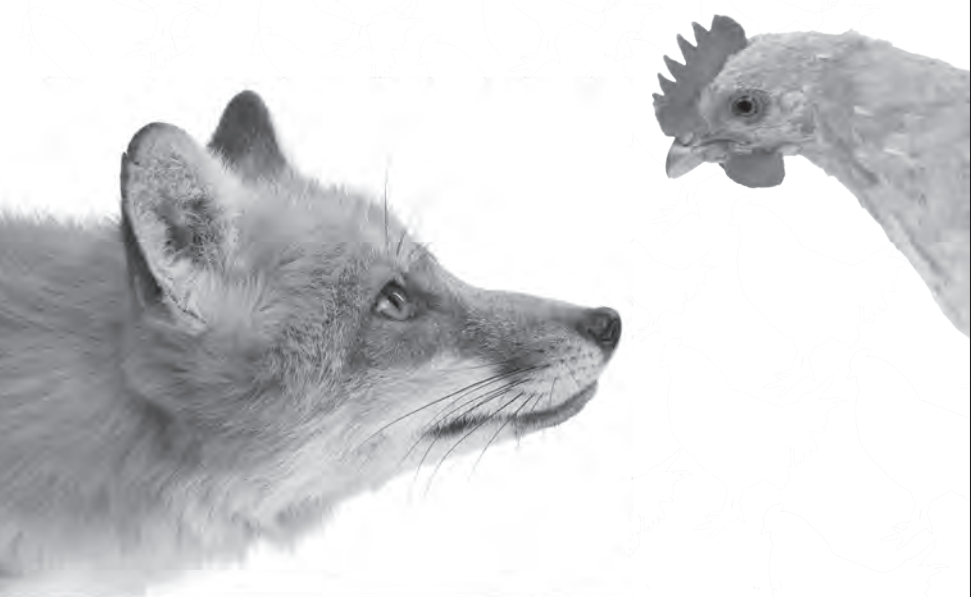
and newspaper websites have a much larger audience. Moving notice from newspapers to government websites would reduce the presence of public notices on the internet

Requiring independent, third-party newspapers to ensure that public notices run in accordance with the law helps prevent government officials from hiding information they would prefer the public not to see

WHEN PUBLIC NOTICES REACH THE PUBLIC, EVERYONE BENEFITS.

Some officials want to move notices from newspapers to government-run websites, where they may not be easily found.

This is like putting the fox in charge of the hen house.



Keep Public Notices in Newspapers



Choices and Solutions

What Should Be Done

Left unchanged, Social Security and Medicare are bankrupting America. Here are practical ways to provide a social safety net for those who need it. Unfortunately, politicians don't show the courage to cross that bridge.

BY MILTON & ROSE FRIEDMAN

Most of the present welfare programs should never have been enacted. If they had not been, many of the people now dependent on them would have become self-reliant individuals instead of wards of the state.

In the short run, that might have appeared cruel for some, leaving them no option to low-paying, unattractive work. But in the long run, it would have been far more humane. However, given that the welfare programs exist, they cannot simply be abolished overnight. We need some way to ease the transition from where we are to where we would like to be, of providing assistance to people now dependent on welfare while at the same time encouraging an orderly transfer of people from welfare rolls to payrolls.

Such a transitional program has been proposed that could enhance individual responsibility, end the present division of the nation into two classes, reduce both government spending and the present massive bureaucracy, and at the same time assure a safety net for every person in the country, so that no one need suffer dire distress.

Unfortunately, the enactment of such a program seems a utopian dream at present. Too many vested interests — ideological, political and financial — stand in the way.

Nonetheless, it seems worth outlining the major elements of such a program, not with any expectation that it will be adopted in the near future, but in order to provide a vision of the direction in which we should be moving, a vision that can guide incremental changes.

The program has two essential components: first, reform the present welfare system by replacing the ragbag of specific programs with a single comprehensive program of income supplements in cash — a negative income tax linked to the positive income tax; second, unwind Social Security while meeting present commitments and gradually requiring people to make their own arrangements for their own retirement.

Such a comprehensive reform would do more efficiently and humanely what our present welfare system does so inefficiently and inhumanely. It would provide an assured minimum to all persons in need regardless of the reasons for their need while doing as little harm as possible to their character, their independence or their incentive to better their own condition.

THE NEGATIVE INCOME TAX

The basic idea of a negative income tax is simple, once we penetrate the smoke screen that conceals the essential features of the positive income tax. Under the current positive income tax you are permitted to receive a certain amount of income without paying any tax. The exact amount depends on the size of your family, your age and on whether you itemize your deductions. This amount is composed of a number of elements — personal exemptions, low-income allowance, standard deduction (which has recently been relabeled the zero-bracket amount), the sum corresponding to the general tax credit, and for all we know still other items that have been added by the Rube Goldberg geniuses who have been having a field day with the personal income tax.



STEPS TO FIX ENTITLEMENTS

- Enact a “negative income tax.”
- Wind down Social Security

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Yet, as Anderson says, “There is no way that the Congress, at least in the near future, is going to pass any kind of welfare reform that actually reduces payments for millions of welfare recipients.”

To simplify the discussion, let us use the simpler British term of “personal allowances” to refer to this basic amount.

If your income exceeds your allowances, you pay a tax on the excess at rates that are graduated according to the size of the excess. Suppose your income is less than the allowances? Under the current system, those unused allowances in general are of no value. You simply pay no tax.

If your income happened to equal your allowances in each of two succeeding years, you would pay no tax in either year. Suppose you had that same income for the two years together, but more than half was received the first year. You would have a positive taxable income, that is, income in excess of allowances for that year, and would pay tax on it. In the second year, you would have a negative taxable income, that is, your allowances would exceed your income but you would, in general, get no benefit from your unused allowances. You would end up paying more tax for the two years together than if the income had been split evenly.

With a negative income tax, you would receive from the government some fraction of the unused allowances. If the fraction you received was the same as the tax rate on the positive income, the total tax you paid in the two years would be the same regardless of how your income was divided between them.

When your income was above allowances, you would pay tax, the amount depending on the tax rates charged on various amounts of income. When your income was below allowances, you would receive a subsidy, the amount depending on the subsidy rates attributed to various amounts of unused allowances.

The negative income tax would allow for fluctuating income, as in our example, but that is not its main purpose. Its main purpose is rather to provide a straightforward means of assuring every family a minimum amount, while at the same time avoiding a massive bureaucracy, preserving a considerable measure of individual responsibility and retaining an incentive for individuals to work and earn enough to pay taxes instead of receiving a subsidy.

Consider a particular numerical example. In 1978, allowances amounted to \$7,200 for a family of four, none above age 65. Suppose a negative income tax had been in existence with a subsidy rate of 50% of unused allowances. In that case, a family of four that had no income would have qualified for a subsidy of \$3,600. If members of the family had found jobs and earned an income, the amount of the subsidy would have gone down, but the family's total income — subsidy plus earnings — would have gone up. If earnings had been \$1,000, the subsidy would have gone down to \$3,100, and total income up to \$4,100. In ef-

fect, the earnings would have been split between reducing the subsidy and raising the family's income.

When the family's earnings reached \$7,200, the subsidy would have fallen to zero. That would have been the break-even point at which the family would have neither received a subsidy nor paid a tax. If earnings had gone still higher, the family would have started paying a tax.

We need not here go into administrative details — whether subsidies would be paid weekly, biweekly or monthly, how compliance would be checked and so on. It suffices to say that these questions have all been thoroughly explored; that detailed plans have been developed and submitted to Congress.

The negative income tax would be a satisfactory reform of our present welfare system only if it replaces the host of other specific programs that we now have. It would do more harm than good if it simply became another rag in the ragbag of welfare programs.

NEGATIVE TAX HELPS POOR

If it did replace them, the negative income tax would have enormous advantages. It is directed specifically at the problem of poverty. It gives help in the form most useful to the recipient, namely, cash.

It is general — it does not give help because the recipient is old or disabled or sick or lives in a particular area, or any of the other many specific features entitling people to benefits under current programs. It gives help because the recipient has a low income. It makes explicit the cost borne by taxpayers. Like any other measure to alleviate poverty, it reduces the incentive of people who are helped to help themselves.

However, if the subsidy rate is kept at a reasonable level, it does not eliminate that incentive entirely. An extra dollar earned always means more money available for spending.

Equally important, the negative income tax would dispense with the vast bureaucracy that now administers the host of welfare programs. A negative income tax would fit directly into our current income tax system and could be administered along with it. It would reduce evasion under the current income tax since everyone would be required to file income tax forms. Some additional personnel might be required, but nothing like the number who are now employed to administer welfare programs.

By dispensing with the vast bureaucracy and integrating the subsidy system with the tax system, the negative income tax would eliminate the present demoralizing situation under which some people — the bureaucrats administering the programs — run other people's lives.

It would help to eliminate the present division of the population into two classes — those who pay and those who are supported on public funds. At reasonable break-even levels and tax rates, it would be far less expensive than our present system.

There would still be need for personal assistance to some families who are unable for one reason or another to manage their own affairs. However, if the burden of income maintenance were handled by the negative income tax, that assistance could and would be provided by private charitable activities. We believe that one of the greatest costs of our present welfare system is that it not only undermines and destroys the family, but also poisons the springs of private charitable activity.

HOW TO FIX SOCIAL SECURITY

Where does Social Security fit into this beautiful, if politically unfeasible, dream?

The best solution in our view would be to combine the enactment of a negative income tax with winding down Social Security while living up to present obligations. The way to do that would be:

1. Repeal immediately the payroll tax.
2. Continue to pay all existing beneficiaries under Social Security the amounts that they are entitled to under current law.
3. Give every worker who has already earned coverage a claim to those retirement, disability and survivors benefits that his tax payments and earnings to date would entitle him to under current law, reduced by the present value of the reduction in his future taxes as a result of the repeal of the payroll tax. The worker could choose to take his benefits in the form of a future annuity or government bonds equal to the present value of the benefits to which he would be entitled.
4. Give every worker who has not yet earned coverage a capital sum (again in the form of bonds) equal to the accumulated value of the taxes that he or his employer has paid on his behalf.
5. Terminate any further accumulation of benefits, allowing individuals to provide for their own retirement as they wish.
6. Finance payments under items 2, 3 and 4 out of gen-



eral tax funds plus the issuance of government bonds.

This transition program does not add in any way to the true debt of the U.S. government. On the contrary, it reduces that debt by ending promises to future beneficiaries. It simply brings into the open obligations that are now hidden. It funds what is now unfunded.

These steps would enable most of the present Social Security administrative apparatus to be dismantled at once.

The winding down of Social Security would eliminate its present effect of discouraging employment and so would mean a larger national income currently. It would add to personal saving and so lead to a higher rate of capital formation and a more rapid rate of growth of income. It would stimulate the development and expansion of private pension plans and so add to the security of many workers.

WHAT IS POLITICALLY FEASIBLE?

This is a fine dream, but unfortunately it has no chance whatsoever of being enacted at present. Three presidents — Presidents Nixon, Ford and Carter — have considered or recommended a program including elements of a negative income tax.

In each case, political pressures have led them to offer the program as an addition to many existing programs, rather than as a substitute for them. In each case, the subsidy rate was so high that the program gave little if any incentive to recipients to earn income.

These misshapen programs would have made the whole system worse, not better.

Despite our having been the first to have proposed a negative income tax as a replacement for our present welfare system, one of us testified before Congress against the version that President Nixon offered as the “Family Assistance Plan.”

The political obstacles to an acceptable negative income tax are of two related kinds. The more obvious is the existence of vested interests in present programs: the recipients of benefits, state and local officials who regard themselves as benefiting from the programs and, above all, the welfare bureaucracy that administers them. The less obvious obstacle is the conflict among the objectives that advocates of welfare reform, including existing vested interests, seek to achieve.

As Martin Anderson puts it in an excellent chapter on “The Impossibility of Radical Welfare Reform”:

“All radical welfare reform schemes have three basic parts that are politically sensitive to a high degree. The first is the basic benefit level provided, for example, to a family of four on welfare.

“The second is the degree to which the program affects the incentive of a person on welfare to find work or to earn more.

“The third is the additional cost to the taxpayers.

“To become a political reality, the plan must provide a decent level of support for those on welfare. It must contain strong incentives to work, and it must have a reasonable cost. And it must do all three at the same time.”

The conflict arises from the content given to “decent,” to “strong” and to “reasonable,” but especially to “decent.” If a “decent” level of support means that few if any current recipients are to receive less from the reformed program than they now do from the collection of programs available, then it is impossible to achieve all three objectives simultaneously, no matter how “strong” and “reasonable” are interpreted.

Yet, as Anderson says, “There is no way that the Congress, at least in the near future, is going to pass any kind of welfare reform that actually reduces payments for millions of welfare recipients.”

Consider the simple negative income tax that we introduced as an illustration in the preceding section: a break-even point for a family of four of \$7,200, a subsidy rate of 50%, which means a payment of \$3,600 to a family with no other source of support. A subsidy rate of 50% would give a tolerably strong incentive to work.

The cost would be far less than the cost of the present complex of programs.

However, the support level is politically unacceptable today. As Anderson says, “The typical welfare family of four in the United States now [early 1978] qualifies for about \$6,000 in services and money every year. In higher paying states, like New York, a number of welfare families receive annual benefits ranging from \$7,000 to \$12,000 and more.”

Even the \$6,000 “typical” figure requires a subsidy rate of 83.3% if the break-even point is kept at \$7,200. Such a rate would both seriously undermine the incentive to work and add enormously to cost.

The subsidy rate could be reduced by making the break-even point higher, but that would add greatly to the cost. This is a vicious circle from which there is no escape.

So long as it is not politically feasible to reduce the payments to many persons who now receive high benefits from multiple current programs, Anderson is right: “There is no way to achieve all the politically necessary conditions for radical welfare reform at the same time.”

However, what is not politically feasible today may become politically feasible tomorrow. Political scientists and economists have had a miserable record in forecasting what will be politically feasible. Their forecasts have repeatedly been contradicted by experience.

Our great and revered teacher Frank H. Knight was fond of illustrating different forms of leadership with ducks that fly in a V with a leader in front. Every now and then, he would say, the ducks behind the leader would veer off in a different direction while the leader continued flying ahead. When the leader looked around and saw that no one was following, he would rush to get in front of the V again. That is one form of leadership — undoubtedly the most prevalent form in Washington.

While we accept the view that our proposals are not currently feasible politically, we have outlined them as fully as we have, not only as an ideal that can guide incremental reform, but also in the hope that they may, sooner or later, become politically feasible.