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THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S plan to convert a lane of traffic on the Queensboro Bridge to a pedestrian path – separating pedestrians from cyclists – was delayed until at least 2024, the agency said last week. The delay surrounds around work that needs to be completed on the bridge's upper deck, which will take until the end of 2023 to complete, according to the DOT. Currently pedestrians and bikers share a narrow walkway that advocates say is dangerous. Queens City Councilmember Julie Won and Manhattan Councilmember Julie Menin wrote a letter to DOT Commissioner Ydanis Rodriguez asking that he speed up the work in order to make the bridge safer for pedestrians and cyclists quicker. "Our constituencies are both concerned about the increased traffic congestion and the safety conditions for bikers and pedestrians during this construction timeline," the letter reads. "We need a shorter timeline to better serve New Yorkers."

QUEENS BOROUGH PRESIDENT DONOVAN Richards and the Queens Borough Board will hear from the Civilian Complaint Review Board on Monday, Feb. 7, at 5:30 p.m. Watch the presentation at queensbp.org.

HUGE MA, THE CREATOR OF TURBOVAX who announced that he would be challenging Assemblymember Cathy Nolan in the upcoming primary, announced that he would be suspending his campaign Friday afternoon. Ma blamed the end of his campaign on the new electoral lines which were passed into law last week, claiming that he would no longer be a resident of the district he plans to represent. "When I started this campaign, I dreamed of representing my childhood home. This week, my home was redrawn well outside of the new District 37," Ma said. "While I currently feel a great sense of disappointment, I remain open to representing my community in the future." New York election law only requires a candidate to live in the county, not the district, their running in for a year during a redistricting year.

NEW YORK METS PITCHER MAX SCHERZER had some choice words Friday for Major League Baseball and its owners, who started a labor dispute this offseason. "We don't need mediation because what we are offering to MLB is fair for both sides: We want a system where threshold and penalties don't function as caps, allows younger players to realize more of their market value, makes service time manipulation a thing of the past, and eliminate tanking as a winning strategy," he said. Multiple players accused the owners of not negotiating in good faith last week.

Court's gun initiative expands



George Grasso, the administrative judge for criminal matters in Queens Supreme Court, is one of two judges leading the court's top count gun initiative, which is gearing up for an expansion. Photo courtesy of Grasso

By Jacob Kaye
Queens Daily Eagle

As Mayor Eric Adams began to lay out his plan to combat the city's rise in gun violence last month, New York City's courts expanded their efforts to make their way through gun cases throughout the five boroughs.

Adams' "Blueprint to End Gun Violence" includes a number of elements spanning the criminal justice system, all in an effort to bring

down the city's 32 percent increase in gun crimes this year. It touches on prosecutors, community violence interrupters, the NYPD and the courts.

Among some of the recommendations he made for the courts was for the state to begin to expedite gun cases and work through backlogs in criminal courts. However, the work was already well underway.

Unrelated to Adams announcement, Chief

Judge Janet DiFiore announced last week that the Office of Court Administration would be expanding its top count gun case initiative, led by Judge George Grasso, administrative judge for criminal matters in Queens County Supreme Court and New York City's Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Deborah Kaplan, who was recently brought on to further expand the program.

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Governor signs redistricting maps into law

By Jacob Kaye
Queens Daily Eagle

New York State's new congressional and state legislative districts were signed into law by Governor Kathy Hochul Thursday night.

The redistricting maps, which many on both sides of the aisle have called a blatant attempt of Democratic gerrymandering, passed in both the Senate and Assembly last week, with lawmakers mostly voting along party lines.

The redistricting process was led by the New York State Legislative Task Force on Demographic Research and Reapportionment, which consists of two attorneys, two assemblymembers and two senators, including Queens Senator and Deputy Majority Leader Michael Gianaris.

The process fell to the task force after the New York Independent Redistricting Commission – a bipartisan group tasked with making the maps per a 2014 amendment to the state's constitution – failed to submit a final set of electoral lines by its January deadline.

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Governor Kathy Hochul signed the state's congressional, State Senate and Assembly redistricting maps into law on Thursday. Photo via the governor's office/Flickr

New electoral lines made official as Hochul signs them into law

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The task force released its congressional maps late on Sunday, Jan. 30, and released its Senate and Assembly maps several days later.

The congressional maps, which have national implications, effectively stripped half of the state's Republican Party's safe districts away, political analysts said.

"If it looks like gerrymandering and sounds like gerrymandering – it's most likely gerrymandering," Brian Browne, an adjunct professor of political science at St. John's University, told the Eagle last week.

Almost immediately after they were signed into law, the maps were the subject of a lawsuit brought by a group of 14 Republican voters, the New York Times reported.

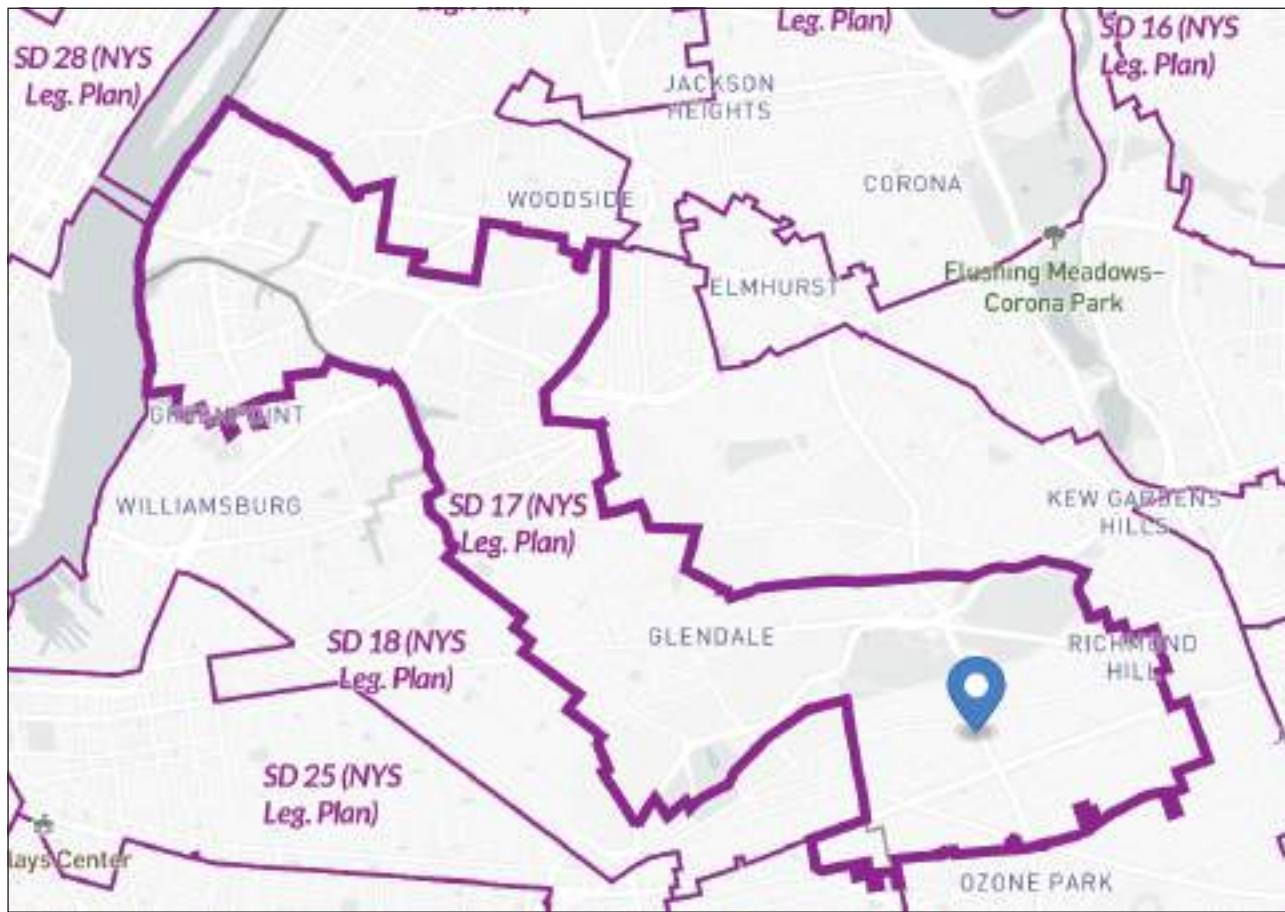
"This court should reject it as a matter of substance, as the map is an obviously unconstitutional partisan and incumbent-protection gerrymander," the lawsuit said.

Gianaris, whose own district moves west into Manhattan and loses a portion of Northwest Queens, defended the maps on the floor of the Senate Thursday and on WNYC's The Brian Lehrer Show last week.

"The important thing to realize is New York is a deep blue state," Gianaris told Lehrer on Tuesday. "We all know this, it's well known nationally. It shouldn't be a surprise that when maps are done fairly, there's going to be a result that reflects that reality on the ground."

"We have very strict rules here in New York that we operate under when these lines are drawn," he added. "Among them is the lines are not drawn for the purpose of benefiting a party or a particular individual. We believe we have complied with those rules."

On the Senate floor Thursday, Gianaris



Queens gets an additional State Senate seat under the new redistricting maps signed into law by Governor Kathy Hochul last week.
Map via Redistricting and You/CUNY Graduate Center

said he was confident the maps, which were reviewed by Senate attorneys, would withstand legal challenges.

Queens' congressional maps look largely similar to the current maps, with the exception of the 3rd Congressional District, which is currently represented by gubernatorial candidate Tom Suozzi.

The district, which currently covers a large portion of Suffolk County and a section of Eastern Queens, will now cover northern Suffolk County, a sliver of Eastern Queens, the Eastern Bronx, and a stretch of Westchester County that runs to the border of New York and Connecticut.

"Any district that spreads across four coun-

ties and includes a bridge to go into the Bronx is going to be some tough campaigning and some tough representation for whoever gets elected to that seat," Browne said.

State Senate and Assembly maps in the borough are similar in that there are few major changes – with one exception. A portion of Northwest Queens will have a new Senate district.

Senate District 17, which is one of two new districts to come to New York City, will cover the southern portion of Long Island City and extend east along the Queens-Brooklyn border, covering neighborhoods including Sunnyside, Woodside, Woodhaven, Maspeth, Ridgewood,

Richmond Hill, Glendale, Ozone Park and Greenpoint.

DSA member Kristen Gonzalez was the first – and currently the only – person to declare her candidacy for the seat.

The once-in-a-decade redistricting process was promised to be a transparent and collaborative process – members of the public were encouraged to testify about their wishes for the redistricting maps when the NYIRC was in charge.

In Queens, a large percentage of testimony given revolved around South Queens' Richmond Hill and Ozone Park neighborhoods, which are home to a growing number of South Asian and Indo-Caribbean residents.

Under the current map, Richmond Hill is divided into seven Assembly districts. Residents say the division dilutes their voting power and makes obtaining government resources for the whole neighborhood difficult.

Under the new maps, the neighborhood is divided into three districts, represented by Assemblymembers David Weprin, Jenifer Rajkumar and

Khaleel Anderson, should they all be reelected.

"At the heart of our concern was the division of the community, which remains, and, in fact, it's right down the middle," Richard David, a South Queens district leader told the Eagle last week. "When you acknowledge that Little Guyana and Little Punjab are actually in three districts, I don't think that that's much progress."

Should they withstand legal challenge, the new maps will go into effect for this year's upcoming primary and general elections. Residents will vote for the representatives running for the new districts they now live in. However, residents won't become constituents of those districts until the start of 2023.

This week's cases of interest in Queens Criminal Court

CASES OF INTEREST - MONDAY, FEB. 7, 2022

Andrew Cato – AP6-V/ Justice Kirschner/ Aggravated Cruelty to Animals (ADA Cafferri) Conference. Charged with keeping pitbull dogs for fighting in dungeon-like conditions. Jahvon Frazier – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA Esposito) Conference. Indicted for shooting and killing man in front of Redfern Houses. Marco Ortiz – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA Finnerty) Conference. Charged in fatal stabbing of daughter's boyfriend. Devante Richards – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA Esposito) Conference. Indicted in shooting death of man at house party in Queens. Steven Campbell, et al – K19/ Justice Knopf / Conspiracy 2° (ADA Schioppi) Conference. Charged with trafficking drugs and guns. Mark Watson/Rodney Dunn – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA DiGregorio) Conference. Charged with shooting to death dice game opponent.

CASES OF INTEREST - TUESDAY, FEB. 8, 2022

Louis Shenker/Taylor Lyne – TAP A/ Justice Cimino/ Placing False Bomb in Arena (ADA Hanophy) Conference. Charged with placing fake bomb in Queens Place Mall. Nithushan Sachchithanatham – AP6-V/ Kirschner/ Grand Larceny 2° (ADA Trager) Conference. Charged with larceny for swiping roughly \$233,000 in crypto currency from two tech entrepreneurs. Edwin Sarmiento – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA DiGregorio) Conference. Charged with stabbing death of woman. James Laverty – AP6-V/ Justice Kirschner/ Grand Larceny 2° (ADA Sullivan) Conference. Access-A-Ride driver charged with bilking MTA out of

\$70,000 in app scam. Jahsheen Osbourne – TAP A/ Justice Cimino/ Attempted Murder 2° (ADA Weinstein) Conference. Indicted for shooting UPS driver whose truck blocked traffic. Trevon Howard – TAP A/ Justice Cimino/ Burglary 2° (ADA Jorgenson) Conference. Charged in deed fraud and squatting scheme to steal home.

CASES OF INTEREST - WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9, 2022

Eric Leon – TAP A/ Justice Cimino/ Assault 2° As A Hate Crime (ADA Brovner) Conference. Indicted for assault on Muslim family. David Galica – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA Zawistowski) Conference. Indicted in fatal butcher knife attack on 78-year-old mother. Desean McCain – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA DiGregorio) Conference. Indicted in shooting death of his mother's boyfriend. Jamie Burke – AP6-V/ Justice Kirschner/ Grand Larceny 2° (ADA Diaz) Conference. Charged with bilking PPP COVID relief and SBA disaster loan. Piotr Wilk – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Manslaughter 1° (ADA Charles) Conference. Indicted in beating death of homeless man. Trevor Bates – K17/ Justice Braun/ Assault 2° (ADA Esposito) Conference. NFL player charged with assault on NYPD Sergeant. Rampersaud Persaud – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA Zawistowski) Conference. Charged with setting fire that killed wheelchair-bound homeowner after being evicted. Julin Liriano – K17/ Justice Braun/ Robbery 1° (ADA Scotto) Conference. Indicted for taking child's french bulldog at gunpoint.

CASES OF INTEREST - THURSDAY, FEB. 10, 2022

James Fitzgerald – K15/ Justice Modica /

Attempted Murder 2° (ADA Wanderon) Conference. Charged with beating girlfriend with nail-embedded piece of wood. Alamin Ahmed – AP6-V/ Justice Kirschner/ Manslaughter 2° (ADA Georgopoulos) Conference. Charged in early morning crash that killed a hospital worker. Rosendo Tejada/Luz Perez-Tejada – AP6-V/ Justice Kirschner / Grand Larceny 2° (ADA Burke) Conference. Couple charged with stealing more than \$500,000 from deaf, blind and bedridden woman. Darius Saunders – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA Esposito) Conference. Charged in shooting death of man in car near Queensbridge Houses. David Griffiths – K11/ Justice Johnson/ Criminal Possession of Weapon 2° (ADA Murphy) Conference. Charged with forgery, assault and having gun after ramming police car at road block. Edwin Vargas – K12/ Justice Miret/ Vehicular Homicide (ADA Burns) Conference. Car wash employee charged with vehicular manslaughter and drunk driving in death of Queens woman. Clarence Smith – AP6-V/ Justice Kirschner/ Assault 2° (ADA LaGreca) Conference. Charged with assault on firefighters that were answering an emergency call. Raymond Kenner/Alexander Stephens – TAP C/ Justice Holder/ Murder 2° (ADA Zawistowski) Supreme Court Arraignment. Pair charged with stabbing death in Queens, first defendant also charged with second murder two days later.

CASES OF INTEREST – FRIDAY, FEB. 11, 2022 COURTS CLOSED

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Strained U.S. hospitals seek foreign nurses amid visa windfall

By Amy Taxin
Associated Press

With American hospitals facing a dire shortage of nurses amid a slogging pandemic, many are looking abroad for health care workers.

And it could be just in time.

There's an unusually high number of green cards available this year for foreign professionals, including nurses, who want to move to the United States — twice as many as just a few years ago. That's because U.S. consulates shut down during the coronavirus pandemic weren't issuing visas to relatives of American citizens, and, by law, these unused slots now get transferred to eligible workers.

Amy L. Erlbacher-Anderson, an immigration attorney in Omaha, Nebraska, said she has seen more demand for foreign nurses in two years than the rest of her 18-year career. And this year, she said, it's more likely they'll get approved to come, so long as U.S. consular offices can process all the applications.

"We have double the number of visas we've had available for decades," she said. "That is kind of temporarily creating a very open situation."

U.S. hospitals are struggling with a shortage of nurses that worsened as pandemic burnout led many to retire or leave their jobs. Meanwhile, coronavirus cases continue to rise and fall, placing tremendous pressure on the health care system. In California alone, there's an estimated gap of 40,000 nurses, or 14% of the workforce, according to a recent report by the University of California, San Francisco.

Hospitals are filling the gap by hiring traveling nurses, but that can be expensive. And hospital administrators say not enough nurses are graduating from U.S. schools each year to meet the demand.

Some hospitals have long brought nurses from the Philippines, Jamaica and other English-speaking countries, and more are now following suit. And both longtime recruiters and newcomers are trying to take advantage of the green card windfall before the fiscal year ends in September.

The U.S. typically offers at least 140,000 green cards each year to people moving to the country permanently for certain professional jobs, including nursing. Most are issued to people who are already living in the United States on temporary visas, though some go to workers overseas. This year, 280,000 of these green cards are available, and recruiters hope some of the extras can be snapped up by nurses seeking to work in pandemic-weary hospitals in the United States.

The Biden administration, which has made moves to reverse Trump-era policies restricting legal immigration, has taken some steps to try to help foreign health care workers so they can assist with the pandemic. U.S. Citizenship and Im-



Faith Akinmade, an ICU nurse at the University of Louisville Hospital in Louisville, Ky., who is originally from Nigeria, poses for a photo in front of the hospital.
Tom Round/University of Louisville Hospital via AP

migration Services said it would speed the renewal of work permits for health care workers, which could help keep some foreign citizens already in the United States on the job. The State Department told consulates last year to prioritize applications for workers at facilities that are responding to the pandemic, an agency official said.

Faith Akinmade, a 22-year-old nurse from Nigeria, is among those hoping for a quick solution. After completing college in the U.S., Akinmade has been working as an ICU nurse for University of Louisville Hospital in Kentucky. But her work permit is set to expire in March. She said she needs it renewed, or her green card approved, to stay on the job.

"At this point and time, I just feel like I have faith that at the end of March something is going to show up to continue to work," Akinmade said. She said the issue affects many of her international colleagues as well as domestic ones, who may be pressed to take on shifts for colleagues if their immigration paperwork doesn't come through.

Dr. Roxie Wells, president of Cape Fear Valley Hoke Hospital in Raeford, North Carolina, said she started trying to bring over foreign nurses before the pandemic, but it wasn't until last year that these recruits started getting consular interviews in larger numbers. So far, about 150 were approved to come work, but Wells said they're still waiting on another 75.

"Obviously it has become more necessary during the pandemic," she said. "The 150, if we didn't have them, we would be in a precarious situation."

The surge in the Omicron variant in the United States has made the strained staffing situation even more apparent in hospitals as health care workers, like so many others, have been sickened by the highly contagious virus and sidelined from work at a time when more patients are coming in.

Sinead Carbery, president of International Nurse Staffing Solutions for AMN Healthcare, said the demand for international nurses has risen between 300% and 400% since the pandemic began. The number of nurses that can be brought into the United States even with the additional green cards won't be enough to meet demand, and many more recruiters are now seeking to hire nurses overseas because there are immigrant visas available, she said.

"This is a window of opportunity," she said. "Because everything is flowing so well, there's a lot of competition for that talent."

National Nurses United, a union representing 175,000 registered nurses, said more scrutiny should be given to international recruitment to ensure foreign nurses aren't brought in and subjected to unsafe working conditions. The union contends hospitals drove away U.S. nurses by keeping staffing levels so low — and this was well before concerns arose about worker safety and protections during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Michelle Mahon, the union's assistant director of nursing practice, said many foreign nurses sign yearslong contracts with employers, which

can make it hard for them to speak up about labor or patient safety concerns. She said hospitals that saw nurses quit during the pandemic are turning to an overseas workforce to replace them.

"This kind of dynamic is particularly attractive right now to employers who have not made any of the changes necessary to ensure patient and nursing safety during this COVID-19 pandemic," Mahon said. "Instead of them addressing the actual problem, they want to go and pivot to this other really fake solution."

Hospital administrators, however, contend there simply aren't enough U.S.-trained nurses to go around. Patty Jeffrey, president of the American Association of International Healthcare Recruitment, said the United States should expand nursing education programs to train more nurses domestically, as well as let more nurses come in from overseas. But she acknowledged bringing in a much larger number of nurses would require legislation.

"The calls are every day ringing off the hook: We need 100, we need 200, we need all these nurses," Jeffrey said.

Jorge Almeida Neri, a 26-year-old nurse from Portugal, arrived in the United States late last year, though he began the process before the pandemic. He said a required international nursing exam was delayed due to the virus and it took four months to get a consular interview, though other international nurses he's met waited much longer. He interviewed for his current job at a Virginia hospital, which he got through a staffing agency, about a year ago.

"After getting everything certified, the immigration process started, and I was like, 'Oh, this is going to be quick.' I was wrong," he said.

Almeida Neri said many Portuguese nurses seek work overseas since wages are low, though many go elsewhere in Europe, which doesn't take as long as the United States.

Despite the demand, there's no guarantee hospitals will in fact snap up more visas. Greg Siskind, an immigration attorney, said U.S. consular offices aren't required to issue visas solely because they're available, and are hampered by limits on remote work and video interviews. He said most employment-based green cards tend to go to professionals already in the United States, not overseas, though more could be done to speed these up, too.



Registered Nurse Jorge Almeida Neri, originally from Portugal, takes his picture on his way to work in Newport News, Va., on Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2022.
Jorge Almeida Neri via AP

Why community college students quit despite being almost finished

By Benjamin Skinner
and Justin Ortagus
The Conversation

Community colleges are designed to make college more accessible, yet 6 out of every 10 community college students cannot reap the full rewards of higher education because they do not earn their degree. For graduates, rewards often include making more money. For society, the reward is citizens who are more likely to vote, volunteer and pay more in taxes.

Among community college students who drop out, there are a few who are really close to being finished. Nationally, about 10% of all students who leave college without a degree are only a few credits shy of graduation. They are also the most likely to re-enroll and graduate. Some colleges are trying to identify former students and persuade them to come back using a variety of methods that include data analytics and discounts on tuition.

Using these tools, however, isn't always easy. Community college students who leave early rarely tell school administrators why they left. If colleges heard directly from students about why they drop out, the schools could help them with targeted resources. Or, better yet, they might be able to prevent students from dropping out in the first place.

In our recent peer-reviewed study, we contacted over 27,000 former students of five large and diverse community colleges in Florida who had left in the prior four years without a degree. They had stopped taking classes despite having a C average or better and at least half the credits necessary for an associate degree. We asked them to choose from a list of possible reasons explaining why they left. As researchers focused on issues of access and equity in community colleges, we identified 11 of the most important reasons they gave.

1. Costs were too high

Direct financial costs were the most common reasons for early exit from community colleges, even though the colleges are typically more affordable than four-year schools. Over half of the former students in our survey, 53%, said they left



Kingsborough Community College in southeast Brooklyn.

Photos courtesy of CUNY

due to the cost of tuition and fees. An additional 25% cited the cost of textbooks. Our findings are in line with prior studies of students at four-year colleges that found students also sometimes leave college due to an inability to pay tuition and fees.

2. Living expenses were also too high

Students sometimes drop out for financial reasons that have little to do with school. For instance, the cost of rent, utilities, health care, child care and food may simply be too much to bear in addition to going to school. This is reflected in the 48% of former students who told us living expenses were a reason they left early.

3. Ran out of financial aid

Just under 43% of students told us they left college because they lost eligibility for financial aid. Students can lose aid for a variety of reasons, such as if they fail to keep their grades up or do not finish their degree fast enough.

4. Unpredictable schedules

One out of every five college students is a parent, and nearly half of those students go to a community college. These students face many demands on their time related to work and child care. Among the leavers, 33% said they left because of problems with unpredictable schedules when it comes to work and family obligations. Those between the ages of 26 and 49 were twice as likely as younger and older students to say that unreliable child care contributed to their leaving. Women of all ages were more than twice as likely as men to cite child care difficulties.



Borough of Manhattan Community College in Lower Manhattan.

5. Students lacked key information

Many community college students say they do not know what they need to do in order to graduate. They also say their academic advising is limited or impersonal. About 24% of former students stopped going to school in part because they were unsure about which courses to take next.

6. Students wrongly thought they had holds placed on their accounts

About 16% of former students said they could not register due to a financial hold on their school account. However, our study was designed so that it did not include any students who had holds that would keep them from taking classes. This indicates that former students had incorrect information, which is possibly due to limited time with advisers or miscommunication. Hispanic and Black former students were over two and three times more likely, respectively, than white former students to say they could not register due to a financial hold.

7. Health emergencies

About 17% of all former students said that a health emergency contributed to their early exit. The percentage was even higher – over 20% – for those over 50.

8. Students got a new job or lost their job

Most part-time community college students work while in college. For that reason, changes to their work life can affect their ability to go to school. About 34% of all former students said they left school due to a switch from part-time to full-time employment. About 15% exited early due to a promotion, and 13% left because they needed to take on a second job. Conversely, 12% said they left early because they lost their job. Men were

more likely than women – 22% to 13% – to say that a change in career led them to leave college before earning their degree.

9. Math and science courses were too difficult

Many community college students, for a variety of reasons, are not prepared to take college-level classes. So many struggle to meet math and science requirements. Indeed, 25% of former students told us they left college because they found the math and science courses too hard.

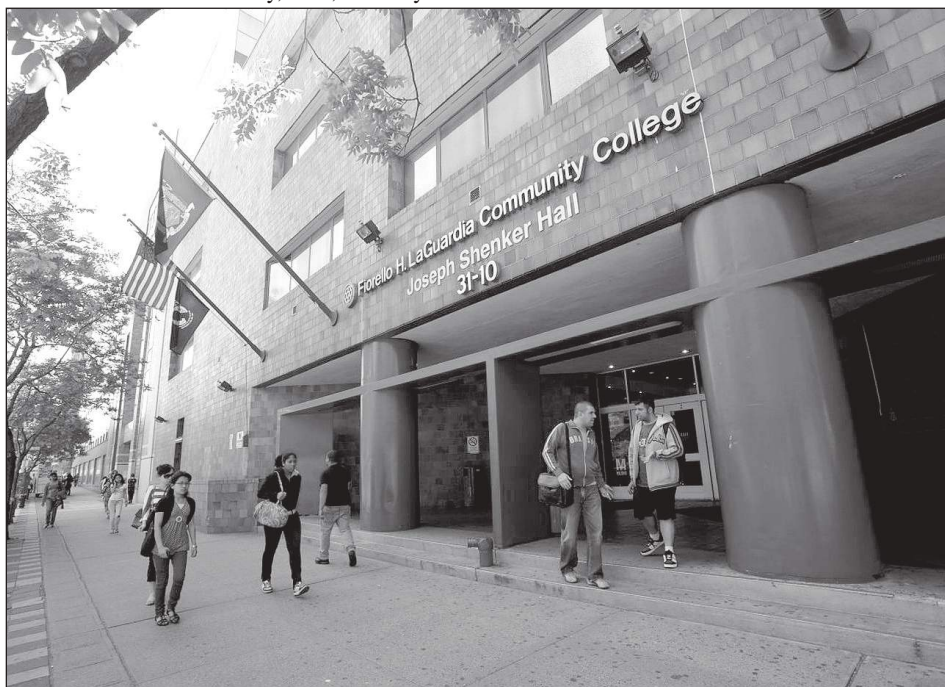
10. Students lacked strong connections to campus

Students often leave college when they do not feel a strong connection to the school or its community. Of the former students we surveyed, 11% said they left in part because they did not have many friends on campus, while 8% said they did not feel welcome on campus.

11. Online coursework and unreliable internet access

Though we surveyed students before the COVID-19 pandemic, which closed campuses and shifted much learning online, many former students indicated that factors related to internet access and online coursework led them to leave without a degree. About 25% of former students cited difficulty learning on their own in an online environment. Another 24% stated they did not have enough interaction with the online course instructor, and 9% said they did not have enough interaction with their peers in online courses. About 7% of all former students and 11% of Black former students said unreliable internet access led them to leave school.

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LaGuardia Community College in Queens.



ROME — Italian newly re-elected 13th president Sergio Mattarella arrives at the Quirinale palace after his swearing-in ceremony in the parliament in Rome, Thursday, Feb. 3, 2022. Andreas Solaro Pool via AP

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SRI LANKA — Independence Day: Sri Lankan soldiers dressed in traditional costumes carried national flags during the Independence Day celebration in Colombo, on Friday. Sri Lankans celebrated their independence day on Friday as the island nation's president made an appeal to the country's expatriates to send money home as the country struggles in the throes of its worst economic crisis.

Photo: Eranga Jayawardena/AP



INDIANA — Snowplow: A snowplow blasted through snowdrifts along New Road on Thursday, in North Liberty.

Photo: Robert Franklin/South Bend Tribune via AP



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC — Celebration: Colombian players celebrated after winning the Caribbean Series baseball final game against the Dominican Republic in Santo Domingo, on Thursday. Colombia won the game 4-1.

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COLOMBIA — Decriminalization of abortion: Abortion-rights activists gathered outside the Constitutional Court as judges continued discussions on the decriminalization of abortion, in Bogota, on Thursday.

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Our World In Pictures

CHINA — Figure skating: Madison Hubbell, right, and Zachary Donohue, of the United States, competed during the ice dance team program in the figure skating competition at the 2022 Winter Olympics on Friday in Beijing. Photo: David J. Phillip/AP



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Queens DA rings in the year of the tiger

By Rachel Vick
Queens Daily Eagle

The office of the Queens District Attorney hosted a virtual Lunar New Year celebration Wednesday afternoon, moderated by Assistant District Attorney Rosemary Chao, who serves as the deputy bureau chief of the trial division.

Executive Assistant District Attorney Colleen Babb attended on behalf of District Attorney Melinda Katz, who was in Long Island City with President Joe Biden.

"Lunar New Year is a very special holiday for the Asian community," Babb said. "It marks a time of happiness, prosperity, health and good fortune, and it is more important than ever before to celebrate a holiday that brings us closer together"

She added that the symbolism of the Tiger is an apt representation of the "spirit of the year" that has just begun, as Queens continues its pandemic recovery process.

"I have hope and full faith that we will be able to celebrate these momentous occasions safely and in-person very soon," Babb added.

Community leaders Sean Minsoo Shin, a Woodside resident and president of the Korean American Law Enforcement Council of Greater New York, and Patsy Fang Chen, the president of the Pan-Pacific and South-East Asia Women's Association and artistic director of the Youth Orchestra at the Chinese Youth Corp of New York, were honored for their contributions to the community.

"I'm so honored to receive this award," Shin



The Office of the Queens District Attorney held a virtual Lunar New Year celebration.

Screenshot via Zoom

said. "Acknowledgement like this gives us additional motivation to support law enforcement agencies.

In 2021, there were 131 confirmed hate crimes committed against Asian New Yorkers, accounting for the second-most hate crimes against any ethnicity in the city, according to NYPD statistics.

U.S. Sen. Chuck Schumer and Councilmem-

ber Sandra Ung stopped by the celebration, congratulating Chen on her award and the holiday that she said "has a really special place in my community and in my heart."

Chen was born in Taiwan and leads the only youth orchestra in Queens. She said the recognition is more close to home "as a New Yorker, especially an activist in the diverse place of Queens County."

"I wish you a present, productive prosperous year of the Tiger," she said.

The celebration included performances from the Yana Ballet School in Flushing, members of the Herricks Chinese Association — high schoolers performed a traditional lion dance and a choir of elementary school students sang while wearing red and gold — and musician Vivian Fang Liu, who was accompanied by a group of students.



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Verizon's aging copper lines leave customers hung up with frustration

By Farah Javed
THE CITY

Dr. Ida Messana, a Queens internist specializing in geriatric medicine, started experiencing internet, fax and landline phone issues in her Forest Hills office last summer and noticed a concerning side effect.

Many of her elderly patients, who depend on phone calls and faxes, as opposed to emails and texts, stopped coming because they could not reach her.

"We lost dial tone on my fax line, so I couldn't receive or send any faxes. Imagine my patients waiting for their CAT scans, X-rays, their reports of blood, all different kinds of things," she explained.

Turned out her fax machine was working, but the line was out. She also relied on the line for DSL internet service to her office.

While her connectivity problems were resolved five months later, Messana fears future service outages. A Verizon technician told Messana that her phone lines are copper, which the company phased out in favor of fiber optic wires.

Most telecommunications companies these days tout their high-speed fiber optic lines, which send light down thin filaments of glass, but copper wires are still in use for some households.

When those metal wires corrode without proper upkeep, New Yorkers who rely on them are left without service.

Out With the Old

Copper wires use technology dating back to the mid 19th century but can actually be more effective in a blackout because they connect customers to a local switching office. Those offices have their own batteries and generators, so old-school calls are less impacted by power outages.

But Verizon has resolved to let those lines wither for business and logistical reasons.

"The copper infrastructure is old, expensive to repair and maintain, and can't support high-speed Internet connections," explained Fraida Fund, a research assistant professor at NYU.

Tandon's Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. "Fiber is technically a much better medium for communications; you can transfer data faster over fiber than over copper."

"For a service provider, the economics favor moving everyone to fiber, especially in urban areas," she noted.

When Messana tried to make the switch to fiber in November, Verizon said her area was due for an installation, but was "postponed." When



The phone and internet cables in Dr. Ida Messana's Forest Hills office, Dec. 8, 2021.

Hiram Alejandro Durán/THE CITY

she asked for an intended start date, she received no answer, and still hasn't.

Verizon maintains that its fiber optic network — marketed as FiOS internet and cable service, among other products — is far more reliable for customers and lower-maintenance for crews than copper.

"Because fiber-optic cables are non-metallic, they're immune to many environmental factors that cause copper cable to deteriorate," company spokesperson Chris Serico told THE CITY.

"As a result, fiber lines are generally more durable, more energy- and space-efficient, have a much longer lifespan, require significantly fewer repairs, and yield fewer outages than copper lines," he added.

When Superstorm Sandy hit in 2012, Verizon's copper lines across the city were damaged by salt water. But instead of repairing those lines, the company started installing fiber optics in their

Forest Hills-based Doctor Ida Messana says she's been unable to get Verizon to provide her with reliable service, Dec. 8, 2021.

place.

In less than seven weeks after the storm, Verizon announced they put more than 5,000 miles of new fiber strands in Lower Manhattan alone.

Copper cables were left by the wayside.

The New York Public Service Commission supported Verizon's switch to fiber-optics to replace the damaged copper network, but noted that copper customers still deserve service.

"In a competitive market with many choices for voice, video and Internet service providers, it is simply uneconomical to expect Verizon to maintain parallel copper and fiber networks," James Denn, a spokesperson for the PSC, told THE CITY.

"However, consumer protections must still be our focus during Verizon's Network Transition to fiber, so we closely monitor migrations to ensure adequate customer notification takes place and expect repairs to copper lines where fiber does not exist," he added.

In early 2017, Verizon issued a public notice identifying 65 company switching centers and thousands of addresses around the city where it would retire service on the old metal wires.

At those locations, the notice read, "Verizon will: (1) no longer offer services over copper facilities; and (2) cease maintaining the copper facilities."

The 2017 list included one location in Forest Hills, on 70th Road, which is about a six minute walk from Messana's office at 71st Road, although Verizon wouldn't confirm that it would be the switching center that served her.

"I think that they should be held accountable for this disaster. It's 10 years later. These copper wires are no better now than they were after Sandy," said the doctor who also lost service after hurricanes Henri and Ida.

"These storms are not under their control. They're not under my control, and clearly they're not the control of the state, but they should be held accountable for maintaining their equipment."

Other Wire Worries

A few years ago, homeowners in eastern Queens had a separate issue with the lack of maintenance on the copper wires. A 2017 complaint with the city Department of Environmental

Protection charged that continuously leaking water pipes costing tens of thousands of dollars were the result of the aging telecom equipment.

DEP investigators in 2018 found that stray current from the copper wires was indeed causing the expensive leaks through a form of metal corrosion known as electrolysis.

Initially, Verizon disagreed with the agency's findings and announced its own investigation.

Ultimately, the company never took responsibility but reimbursed the homeowners in exchange for them dropping their claims. Verizon did not respond to multiple email requests for a comment.

"We're not talking about one or two or five or 10 [busted water pipes], we're talking about dozens," said former City Councilmember Barry Grodenchik, who represented the area at the time, said

in a 2019 press conference on the issue.

"Let me do the math for you: One person having a broken water main into their house is bad luck on one block, two of them is a coincidence, 32 in such a short stretch of 188th Street is a statistical impossibility unless there is an intervening force."

Basic Requirements

Messana had filed a complaint with the Public Service Commission on Aug. 13, and the agency said it would ensure that Verizon keeps in touch with its customers.

"When a system is upgraded to fiber, Verizon is still required to offer a basic service subject to its tariff at the same terms, rates and Commission protections," said the PSC's Denn. "There is no requirement that a customer subscribe to any of Verizon's FiOS-brand services or combination packages," Denn said.

The lack of maintenance for copper lines has a more immediate economic impact on customers: copper service costs far less than fiber, at \$74.99 a month versus plans that start at \$39.99 a month.

Messana concedes that Verizon was in communication with her, as evidenced by her 15 customer service tickets, but her lack of service persisted for months.

On Sept. 10, Messana's internet, which had been out since July, came back but her fax had no dial tone. She reported the problem to Verizon and a representative told her the issue would be fixed by Oct. 25, more than a month away.

"So I said, well, that's not really tenable in a doctor's office, and they said that they would do a workaround," she said. "They sent me this contraption, I guess it was like a wireless system where I could receive and send faxes."

She had no fax service for the two weeks the setup took to arrive, and then more various problems, including internet connectivity in the months that followed.

Despite outages, the doctor was still billed for the time her internet was down.

"It's unconscionable that a public utility is allowed to just run us ragged here," she said.

"When there's a migration of a customer's service from copper to fiber, Verizon works closely with its customers to ensure the transition happens as seamlessly as possible, and there is no charge for the migration of regulated services from copper to fiber," Serico said.

When Messana's office address was put into the company website's FiOS finder on Thursday, it said: "Verizon Home Internet services isn't currently available at your new address."

Messana hasn't had a service issue since November, but she still has the temporary fax machine Verizon sent.

"One of my patients who has been with me during this whole thing and knowing that she's not able to reach me, said, 'Verizon is not your friend,'" Messana recalled. "That really encapsulates that. Verizon is not your friend."

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Dr. Ida Messana Forest Hills office, Dec. 8, 2021.

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KENTUCKY — Tyson-branded shovels rest against a table as dignitaries take turns speaking at the ground-breaking ceremony of the new 400,000-square-foot, \$355 million Tyson Foods plant to be built in the Kentucky Transpark in Bowling Green, Ky..

AP Photo/Dee Calema



WASHINGTON, D.C. — Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., speaks during a Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee confirmation hearing on Thursday, Feb. 3, 2022, in Washington.

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HETHERMAN CONSTRUCTION LLC

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF WRGMANAGINGPARTNERS LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 10/19/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 113 VERNON AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11206. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194752

BROAD DIAGNOSTIC LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BROAD DIAGNOSTIC LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/24/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1403 W 6TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11204. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194753

THREE BROTHERSHIP MANAGEMENT LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THREE BROTHERSHIP MANAGEMENT LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 10/29/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4918 3RD AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11220. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194754

NERE 218 MANAGEMENT HOLDING LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NERE 218 MANAGEMENT HOLDING LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 8/18/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4918 3RD AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11220. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194755

511 E91 LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 511 E91 LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/21/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 667 EASTERN PKWY., BROOKLYN, NY 11213. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194756

KULAYBA X LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF KULAYBA X LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/17/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 15 OCEAN AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11225. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194757

LHS CAPITAL EQUITIES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LHS CAPITAL EQUITIES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/24/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1320 47TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11219. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194758

BLACK ONYX HILLSIDE LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BLACK ONYX HILLSIDE LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/19/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1840 58TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11204. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194759

WAVE24 MANAGEMENT LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF WAVE24 MANAGEMENT LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/14/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1922 52ND ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11204. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194760

JOBRA EQUITIES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF JOBRA EQUITIES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/13/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4503 15TH AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11219. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194761

937 LAFAYETTE AVE LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 937 LAFAYETTE AVE LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/2/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 937 LAFAYETTE AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11221. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194762

LILAC HEALTH, LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LILAC HEALTH, LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/27/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1550 39TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11218. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194763

PTCL EQUITIES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PTCL EQUITIES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/17/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 3207 BEDFORD AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11210. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194764

PMCL CAPITAL LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PMCL CAPITAL LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/7/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1444 53RD ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11219. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194765

ETO STUDIO, LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ETO STUDIO, LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 10/28/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 918 METROPOLITAN AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11211. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194766

MEMO EQUITIES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MEMO EQUITIES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/6/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 336 DAHILL RD., BROOKLYN, NY 11218. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194767

2506 MANAGEMENT LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 2506 MANAGEMENT LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 1/3/22. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 2565 E 13TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11235. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194768

B & Z TECHNOLOGY SERVICES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF B & Z TECHNOLOGY SERVICES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/10/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 3100 BRIGHTON 3RD ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11235. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194769

VYNE PICTURES MEDIA LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF VYNE PICTURES MEDIA LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/28/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 416 STANHOPE ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11237. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194770

MLPS EQUITIES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MLPS EQUITIES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/28/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4915 17TH AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11204. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194771

ABHINAV IT SOLUTIONS LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ABHINAV IT SOLUTIONS LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SECY OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/2/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 250 N 10TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11211. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY. #194772

2ND DEPARTMENT / New Business Formations

SALON 159 LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). NAME: SALON 159 LLC. ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW YORK (SSNY) ON 1/29/2022. NY OFFICE LOCATION: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF THE LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS TO WHICH THE SSNY SHALL MAIL A COPY OF ANY PROCESS AGAINST THE LLC SERVED UPON HIM/HER IS GLADYS GEORGES, 159 ROCKAWAY AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY, 11233. PURPOSE/CHARACTER OF LLC: ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE.

#194924

11238

JUBY AND COMPANY, LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). NAME: JUBY AND COMPANY, LLC. ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW YORK (SSNY) ON 12/8/2021. NY OFFICE LOCATION: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF THE LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS TO WHICH THE SSNY SHALL MAIL A COPY OF ANY PROCESS AGAINST THE LLC SERVED UPON HIM/HER IS CHRISTOPHER M. JUBY, 550 VANDERBILT AVE #1519 BROOKLYN, NY, 11238. PURPOSE/CHARACTER OF LLC: ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE.

#194222

VUE VENTURES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). NAME: VUE VENTURES LLC. ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW YORK (SSNY) ON 12/19/2021. NY OFFICE LOCATION: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF THE LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS TO WHICH THE SSNY SHALL MAIL A COPY OF ANY PROCESS AGAINST THE LLC SERVED UPON HIM/HER IS VICTORIA ENWEMADU, 193 GATES AVE #1 BROOKLYN, NY, 11238. PURPOSE/CHARACTER OF LLC: ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE.

#194727

11249

TIMOTHY AYLWARD LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). NAME: TIMOTHY AYLWARD LLC. ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW YORK (SSNY) ON 12/20/2021. NY OFFICE LOCATION: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF THE LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS TO WHICH THE SSNY SHALL MAIL A COPY OF ANY PROCESS AGAINST THE LLC SERVED UPON HIM/HER IS THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, 337 KENT AVE., APT. 2H BROOKLYN, NY, 11249. PURPOSE/CHARACTER OF LLC: ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE.

#194034

ZUNIGA VENTURES LLC

ZUNIGA VENTURES LLC ARTS OF ORG. FILED SSNY 11/29/21, KINGS CO. SSNY DESIGN AGENT FOR PROCESS & SHALL MAIL TO 10 MONTIETH ST 330, BROOKLYN, NY 11206 GENERAL PURPOSE

#194040

A & G NEW YORK CITY BOUTIQUE L.L.C.

A & G NEW YORK CITY BOUTIQUE L.L.C. ARTS OF ORG. FILED SSNY 12/21/21, KINGS CO. SSNY DESIGN AGENT FOR PROCESS & SHALL MAIL TO ZENBUSINESS INC. 41 STATE STREET, SUITE 112, ALBANY, NY 12207 GENERAL PURPOSE

#194041

BLUE BAYOU PARTY HALL LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BLUE BAYOU PARTY HALL LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/17/20. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1734 NOSTRAND AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11226. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194062

INFINITUM MANAGEMENT V4 LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF INFINITUM MANAGEMENT V4 LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/23/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4918 3RD AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11220. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194063

NECFUND 24 LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NECFUND 24 LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/24/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4918 3RD AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11220. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194064

NERE BEEKMAN MANAGEMENT HOLDING LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NERE BEEKMAN MANAGEMENT HOLDING LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/24/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4918 3RD AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11220. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194065

NERE LENOX HILL MANAGEMENT LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NERE LENOX HILL MANAGEMENT LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/17/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4918 3RD AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11220. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194066

META BLOCKCHAIN TECH LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF META BLOCKCHAIN TECH LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/14/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 4918 3RD AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11220. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194067

CASA CASA LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CASA CASA LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/19/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 2257 EAST 5TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11223. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194068

PRISTINE TEAM LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PRISTINE TEAM LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 9/10/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1494 EASTERN PKWY., BROOKLYN, NY 11233. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194069

D & S ACCOUNTING LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF D & S ACCOUNTING LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/17/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 5413 8TH AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11220. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194070

TK PLANNERS LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF TK PLANNERS LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 8/24/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 225 BROADWAY, NY, NY 10007. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194071

BUMCH TOWERS LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BUMCH TOWERS LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 10/28/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1485 DUMONT AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11208. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194072

EVERYTHING O LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF EVERYTHING O LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/29/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 492 LEFFERTS AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11225. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194073

CULTURE CANVASSING LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CULTURE CANVASSING LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 9/4/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 2840 OCEAN PKWY., BROOKLYN, NY 11235. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194074

ONE HEART FIRE LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ONE HEART FIRE LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 9/24/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 455 GRAHAM AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11222. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194075

UNCLEBUD LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF UNCLEBUD LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 8/26/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1204 AVE U, BROOKLYN, NY 11229. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194076

FSC EQUITIES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF FSC EQUITIES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/22/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1270 55TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11219. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194077

GLR ASSOCIATES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF GLR ASSOCIATES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 12/22/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1419 50TH ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11219. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194078

LG&SB TRANSPORTATION LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LG&SB TRANSPORTATION LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 10/11/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 75 OCEAN AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11225. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194079

FAITE-MAISON LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF FAITE-MAISON LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/29/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 181 LENOX RD., BROOKLYN, NY 11226. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194080

SWIFTHUB SERVICES LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SWIFTHUB SERVICES LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 10/28/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 198 CHESTNUT ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11208. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194081

BLUXUM, L.L.C.,

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BLUXUM, L.L.C., ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 11/8/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 1201 OCEAN PKWY., BROOKLYN, NY 11230. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194082

720 CONEY ISLAND LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 720 CONEY ISLAND LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC'Y OF STATE (SSNY) ON 9/29/21. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO 153 BAY 49 ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11214. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL ACTIVITY.

#194083

557 LORIMER ST, LLC

557 LORIMER ST, LLC. ARTS. OF ORG. FILED WITH THE SSNY ON 01/18/22. OFFICE: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF THE LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO THE LLC, 95-38 72ND AVENUE, FOREST HILLS, NY 11375. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE.

#194513

EMPOWER FITNESS LLC

EMPOWER FITNESS LLC, ARTS OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC. OF STATE OF NY (SSNY) 12/28/2021. CTY: KINGS. SSNY DESIG. AS AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST MAY BE SERVED & SHALL MAIL PROCESS TO 740 DEKALB AVE., UNIT 701, BROOKLYN, NY 11216. GENERAL PURPOSE

#194518

SILVERSTONE 68 REALTY LLC

SILVERSTONE 68 REALTY LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SSNY 1/6/2022. NY OFFICE LOCATION: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT FOR PROCESS. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO: C/O THE LLC, 68 HUNTINGTON ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11231. ANY LAWFUL ACT OR ACTIVITY.

#194507

SILVERSTONE RESIDENTIAL LLC

SILVERSTONE RESIDENTIAL LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SSNY 3/22/2010. NY OFFICE LOCATION: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT FOR PROCESS. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO: C/O THE LLC, 66 HUNTINGTON ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11231. ANY LAWFUL ACT OR ACTIVITY.

#194506

SILVERSTONE REALTY LLC

SILVERSTONE REALTY LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SSNY 3/15/2010. NY OFFICE LOCATION: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT FOR PROCESS. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO: C/O THE LLC, 66 HUNTINGTON ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11231. ANY LAWFUL ACT OR ACTIVITY.

#194505

SILVERSTONE 66 REALTY LLC

SILVERSTONE 66 REALTY LLC, ART. OF ORG. FILED WITH SSNY 1/6/2022. NY OFFICE LOCATION: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT FOR PROCESS. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO: C/O THE LLC, 68 HUNTINGTON ST., BROOKLYN, NY 11231. ANY LAWFUL ACT OR ACTIVITY.

#194503

DIRTY-JERZY SUPPLIES NYC LLC

DIRTY-JERZY SUPPLIES NYC LLC. ARTS. OF ORG. FILED WITH THE SSNY ON 01/19/22. OFFICE: KINGS COUNTY. SSNY DESIGNATED AS AGENT OF THE LLC UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST IT MAY BE SERVED. SSNY SHALL MAIL COPY OF PROCESS TO THE LLC, 26 COMMERCE ROAD, UNIT J, FAIRFIELD, NJ 07004. PURPOSE: ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE.

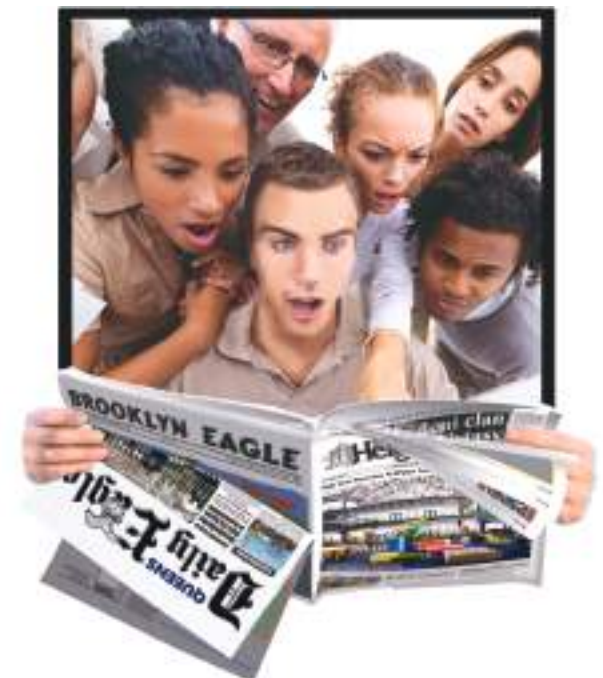
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INDIANA — Indiana guard **Grace Berger** (34) shoots while being defended by Minnesota guard **Gadiva Hubbard** (13) during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game Thursday, Feb. 3, 2022, in Bloomington, Ind.

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2ND DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF QUEENS, VRMTG ASSET TRUST, PLAINTIFF, VS. CONRAD C. CUMMINGS, HENRILIA C. CUMMINGS, ET AL., DEFENDANT(S). PURSUANT TO A JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE DULY FILED ON JANUARY 31, 2020, I, THE UNDERSIGNED REFEREE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT THE QUEENS SUPREME COURT, COURTHOUSE STEPS, 88-11 SUTPHIN BOULEVARD, JAMAICA, NY ON MARCH 4, 2022 AT 11:30 A.M., PREMISES KNOWN AS 120-18 227TH STREET, CAMBRIA HEIGHTS, NY 11411. ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE BOROUGH OF QUEENS, COUNTY OF QUEENS, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK, BLOCK 12811 AND LOT 37. APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF JUDG-

MENT IS \$534,336.09 PLUS INTEREST AND COSTS. PREMISES WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO PROVISIONS OF FILED JUDGMENT INDEX # 710034/2017. THE REFEREE SHALL COMPLY WITH THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT'S COVID-19 POLICIES CONCERNING PUBLIC AUCTIONS OF FORECLOSED PROPERTIES. THESE POLICIES, ALONG WITH THE QUEENS COUNTY FORECLOSURES AUCTION RULES, CAN BE FOUND ON THE QUEENS SUPREME COURT - CIVIL TERM WEBSITE. ALEXANDER V. SANSONE, ESQ., REFEREE MAVRIDES MOYAL PACKMAN SADKIN, 1981 MARCUS AVENUE, SUITE E117, LAKE SUCCESS, NEW YORK 11042, ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF

#194447

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF QUEENS, AJAX MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2020-A, MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES, SERIES 2020-A, BY U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, PLAINTIFF, VS. JAYSON DAVIS AS HEIR AND CO-ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF ARLENE DAVIS A/K/A ARLENE R. DAVIS A/K/A ARLENE SIMONS, ET AL., DEFENDANT(S). PURSUANT TO AN ORDER CONFIRMING REFEREE REPORT AND JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE DULY FILED ON OCTOBER 18, 2021, I, THE UNDERSIGNED REFEREE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT THE QUEENS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, COURTHOUSE STEPS, 88-11 SUTPHIN BOULEVARD, JAMAICA, NY ON MARCH 11, 2022 AT 10:15 A.M., PREMISES KNOWN AS 115-100 228TH STREET, CAMBRIA HEIGHTS, NY 11411. ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR

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Chester Doles, rear center, leader of American Patriots USA, is surrounded by supporters as he makes his way to a 'Stop the Steal' rally outside of the Georgia State Capitol building, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021, in Atlanta

Alyssa Pointer/Atlanta Journal-Constitution via AP

States seek to protect election workers amid growing threats

By Lisa Rathke
Associated Press

Lawmakers in a handful of states are seeking greater protections for election officials amid growing concerns for their safety after they were targeted by threats of violence following the 2020 presidential election.

Widespread threats against those who oversee elections, from secretaries of state to county clerks and even poll workers, soared after former President Donald Trump and his allies spread false claims about the outcome of the presidential election. "Corrupt secretaries will all hang when the stolen election is revealed" is just one example of the vitriol that has come from social media, emails and phone messages.

Even in Vermont, where the outcome wasn't disputed, election workers have faced threats. A caller to the secretary of state's office said in 2020 that a firing squad would target "all you cheating (vulgarity)," and "a lot of people are going to get executed."

To counter the threats, lawmakers have introduced bills so far in Vermont and several other states, including Illinois, Maine, New Mexico and Washington, all of which have legislatures controlled by Democrats. Much of the legislation would create or boost criminal liability for threats and, in Illinois, for assaults against election workers.

More legislation is possible, as election officials warn that the ongoing attacks endanger democracy and that many election workers have quit or are considering doing so because of the abuse they have faced since the 2020 election.

"Nationally, we are seeing longtime experienced election leaders and their staffs leaving their positions for other work because they've had it — this is it, this has crossed the line," said Vermont Secretary of State Jim Condos, a Democrat.

A survey of local election officials commissioned by the Brennan Center last April found one in three felt unsafe because of their job and one in six said they had been threatened. Trump has continued to promote his false claims that the election was stolen from him, despite no evidence of the type of widespread fraud that

would be needed to question the outcome, in which President Joe Biden won by more than 7 million votes.

One bill under consideration in Vermont would expand the definition of criminal threatening to make it easier to prosecute those acts. Another would heighten the penalty for the criminal threatening of election officials, public employees and public servants.

During a recent legislative committee hearing, Condos described how the threatening calls had scared one staffer to the point that he was afraid to leave work and walk to his vehicle. He eventually took time off and sought counseling for symptoms associated with post-traumatic stress.

"No election official should ever need to fear for their life for their role in serving our country's democracy in this or any election," Condos said.

A bill in Maine would make threats against election officials a class C felony, after threats to two local clerks in 2021.

"The message has to be loud and clear that this is a threat to our democracy," said Democratic Rep. Bruce White, the sponsor. "Threatening people who work our elections is entirely unacceptable."

In the immediate aftermath of the 2020 election, New Mexico Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver, a Democrat, left her home for weeks as a safety precaution in response to security concerns. A Democrat-sponsored bill introduced last month expands the felony crime of intimidation to include acts against employees and agents of the secretary of state, county clerks and municipal clerks.

Supporters of the legislation said expanding protections to all election office workers is important because threats haven't been limited to top-level staff.

In Fulton County, Georgia, two election office workers — one a temporary employee — filed a lawsuit in December against a conservative website, accusing it of spreading false stories about them. Their lawsuit said the false claims led to a "deluge of intimidation, harassment, and threats that has forced them to change their phone numbers, delete their online accounts, and fear for their physical safety."

2ND DEPARTMENT / NEW BUSINESS FORMATIONS

GAI 23RD ST. LLC

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SIXTY VEHICLE LLC

SIXTY VEHICLE LLC, ARTS OF ORG. FILED WITH SEC. OF STATE OF NY (SSNY) 12/13/2021. CTY: QUEENS. SSNY DESIG. AS AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST MAY BE SERVED & SHALL MAIL PROCESS TO 54-11 QUEENS BLVD., WOODSIDE, NY 11377. GENERAL PURPOSE

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DA 88 LLC

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#194216

CHEN & HONG REALTY, LLC

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GEM BU COINS AND COLLECTIBLES LLC

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NY AQUATIC OASIS LLC

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SHUFANG PROPERTY LLC

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KBARBER VISUALS LLC

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1940 JEROME AVE HOLDINGS LLC

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FUSHIMI QUEENS LLC

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QUEENS BK TOP LLC

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ANTHONY'S GLOBAL VENDING LLC

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209-11 UNION TPKE LLC

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CAMP AHAVA LLC

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CASA FERREIRA LLC

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HARMONY DENTAL PLLC

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AKENE LLC

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NY boosts medical marijuana access as legal pot market looms

By Jennifer Peltz
Associated Press

While New York's much-anticipated legal pot shops could be a year away from opening, the state is making medical marijuana much more available now.

As of late last month, clinicians can green-light medicinal pot for any condition they think it would help, not just for a limited list of ailments. In the last few months, the state Office of Cannabis Management also has expanded the ranks of providers, started letting dispensaries sell whole marijuana buds for smoking and proposed rules for patients who want to grow their own.

The changes, foreshadowed in legislation last spring, represent a big shift for a medical marijuana program that was once one of the nation's most restrictive. It's now figuring out its future as New York gets ready to launch what's expected to become one of the biggest legal U.S. markets for recreational weed for adult use. Possession and use were legalized in March; the cannabis office is working on regulations for legal sales.

"This is a huge development because it means that instead of having to wait for adult-use, a lot of people are maybe going to be able to get access to cannabis now" to deal with such problems as sleeplessness and stress, said Dr. Stacia Woodcock, a pharmacist who manages a New York City dispensary run by cannabis giant Curaleaf Holdings Inc.

Cannabis office Executive Director Chris Alexander called the change "a huge addition and improvement" to the six-year-old medical marijuana program.

New York ventured cautiously into medical marijuana six years ago, following more than 20 other states at the time (now, over 35 allow it). Unlike many other states, New York requires dispensaries to have on-site pharmacists and physicians to get special training before OKing the drug for patients.

Initially, dispensaries could offer only marijuana extracts in pills and liquids, not the flower in smokable form — a popular choice and relatively inexpensive to produce. Only 10 illnesses qualified, leaving out many that other states allowed.

The rules eased somewhat over the years, allowing more dispensaries, practitioners, products and qualifying conditions. More than 124,000 patients and 3,400 providers are now signed up.

But until late January, the rules excluded such conditions as anxiety and insomnia. They're approved in some other states and are common reasons that people seek medical pot.

With rheumatoid arthritis and other illnesses that made her dependent on a wheelchair and

walker in her 40s, Penelope Hamilton reluctantly tried marijuana in 2015 and found it life-changing, she said. She got her medical cannabis card after New York added chronic pain to the eligibility list two years later. But as a volunteer lobbyist, she often conveyed messages from people whose conditions didn't qualify.

"One of the biggest wins to me was this piece" that gives health care providers free rein to decide who needs the drug, said Hamilton, who lives in the western New York village of Corfu and now works in cannabis marketing.

Dr. Rebecca Siegel, a New York City psychiatrist, has ruefully told many patients they didn't qualify for medical marijuana, worrying that they might obtain pot illegally and take it on their own.

"The best thing is that people have it monitored and administered by somebody who's qualified," said Siegel, who recently published "The Brain on Cannabis," a book that aims to explain what is known about the drug and its pros and cons in medical and recreational use. "I've definitely seen how marijuana can be very helpful for people, and I've also seen how it can be very harmful for people."

There's strong scientific evidence that marijuana or its ingredients can ease chronic pain, chemotherapy-induced nausea and symptoms of multiple sclerosis. Some prescription drugs use cannabis chemicals or synthetic versions to treat certain forms of epilepsy or weight loss and nausea in AIDS or cancer patients.

There is patchy scientific support for many other health claims made about medical mari-



Nate McDonald, General Manager of Curaleaf NY operations, talks about medical marijuana plants during a media tour of the Curaleaf medical cannabis cultivation and processing facility, in Ravena, N.Y., Aug. 22, 2019. AP Photo/Hans Pennink, File

juana, partly because of decades of U.S. research limitations on a substance that is federally illegal. Some doors to more study have been opening in

recent years.

Some states that have legalized recreational pot have seen their medical marijuana programs dwindle, dismaying some patients who rely on specialized products from dispensaries.

Aiming to prevent that, New York's adult-use legalization last spring also boosted the medical program.

The legislation called for expanding eligibility and letting patients grow their own before recreational users can. The company-paid medicinal marijuana tax is lower than the upcoming recreational pot taxes, to be paid by wholesalers and consumers. And medical marijuana companies will get a leg up in the recreational marketplace.

Some observers argue that medical pot companies' advantages will make it harder for smaller and diverse hopefuls to thrive, despite other provisions meant to benefit them.

Patients say New York needs to ensure the medical program continues.

"A lot of people say, 'Well, what do you need a medical card for now? It's legalized,'" Hamilton said. But she expects many patients will continue to prize the pharmacists, precise formulations and tax break at dispensaries.

"It's very important that we do have some."



A customer at MedMen listens to an employee describe medical marijuana products in the new store on New York's Fifth Avenue, April 20, 2018. AP Photo/Richard Drew, File



Queens-based theater troupe Rude Grooms is putting on a production of "The Winter's Tale." Photo courtesy of Rude Grooms

CultureLab hosts Shakespeare performance

By Rachel Vick
Queens Daily Eagle

A Queens-based theater troupe is teaming up with Culture Lab LIC for a series of performances of "The Winter's Tale."

Theater troupe The Rude Grooms' series kicks off Feb. 17 and runs through Feb. 27 bringing the Shakespeare play to life in the Long Island City cultural institution.

The play tells the story of deception, drama and relationships between two royal families over a decade.

The Rude Grooms' site-specific performance will include audience engagement and live music.

Masks must be worn whenever patrons are not eating or drinking, and proof of vaccination is required.

Tickets are on sale at rudegrooms.com



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QUEENS SUPREME COURT COMPLIANCE CONFERENCE PART

Hon. Tracy Catapano-Fox - CSCP1
Hon. Laurentina McKetney-Butler - CSCP2
Hon. Sally Under - CSCP3

Effective February 7, 2022, Compliance Conference Orders will be automatically generated by the assigned Compliance Conference Part. The So-Ordered Compliance Conference Order will be forwarded to the County Clerk. A copy of the Order can be obtained via NYSCEF (if it is an e-filed case) or from the County Clerk (if it is a non-e-filed case). **No appearance is required.**

Where the Court directs, or if discovery is not complete or the parties require a judicial ruling on a discovery issue prior to the Certification Order date, a virtual conference with the Compliance Conference Part will be held via Microsoft Teams. The parties shall request a conference via email to the address provided in the generated Compliance Conference Order. **E-mails forwarded to any email address other than the email address set forth in the Compliance Conference Order will not be processed.** A So Ordered Stipulation will be generated at the conference resolving outstanding discovery and extending the Certification Order date if necessary.

Parties should refer to Justice Catapano-Fox's, Justice McKetney-Butler's, and Judge Unger's Part rules for further guidance.

Chief judge announces expansion of court's gun initiative

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"We have asked...Kaplan and Judge George Grasso...to expand the multi-prong initiative that Judge Grasso has been overseeing since last August to reduce the backlog of felony gun possession cases in New York City," DiFiore said in her bi-weekly message to court employees and judges last week. "Judge Kaplan has convened all of the administrative judges who oversee criminal court operations in New York City, and is working with Judge Grasso in order to develop an effective plan to prioritize and expedite the resolution of gun cases."

The top count gun case initiative addresses what its title suggests – it's program that focuses on cases in which the top count against a defendant is a gun charge. The initiative began in August, and aims to fast-track top count gun cases in both New York City Criminal Court and Supreme Court.

At the start of the program, and up until this month, several judges in each borough were assigned to drive as many pleas and as many suppression hearings as possible in relation to top count gun cases. Then, in cases where it was applicable, the case would move to trial.

As part of the initiative's upgrade, additional judges have been assigned to what Grasso calls "the top count team." There are now 20 judges throughout the city's five counties assigned to the team, according to the OCA. Additionally, some of those judges will work exclusively on top count gun charge cases – prior to the upgrades, the judges assigned to the team heard other cases, as well.

In Queens, the judges assigned to the team are all newly assigned judges, who don't have calendars – they include Judges Karen Gopee, David Kirschner, Mary Bejarano and Frances Wang.

Grasso said the initiative wasn't necessarily expanded because of Adams' announcement, but it was instead the natural progression the program was always going to take.

While the initiative has mostly been moving through hearings, it has now moved to a point where trials are ready to begin and the operations of the program need to be increased, Kaplan said.

"It's time to take it to the next phase," Kaplan said. "A lot of the concentration was, of course, in Criminal Court cases that are now



Deborah Kaplan, New York City's deputy administrative judge, has been brought on to help lead the court's top count gun charge initiative. Photo via NY Courts

pending in Supreme Court – they've been indicted."

"The focus right now, and this is the strategic part of the plan, is to be able to move forward and maximize our ability to do hearings and trials," she added. "And we're prepared to do that."

Though the initiative was started under Mayor Bill de Blasio, the former mayor made a habit of criticizing the court's speed during his final months in office. Grasso said that with Adams at the helm, he feels the program is getting more support.

"[Adam's Blueprint to End Gun Violence was] setting up a game plan that we've already had in effect," Grasso said. "The beauty of that is now we have a mayor that is interested in problem solving and working with the court

system to solve these problems."

"It puts us in a much stronger position to advance something that we were already doing," he added.

Also behind the program's expansion is its success. The city's backlog of top count gun cases was reduced by a little less than 800 cases over the course of its first five months, according to the judge.

When the program began in August, there were 384 pending top count gun cases in Queens – there are now 180, as of Jan. 24.

Similar reductions have been seen in all five boroughs. Richmond County has seen a reduction from 23 to 9 cases, Manhattan has gone from 135 backlogged cases to 106, the Bronx had 317 cases in August and now has 191 and Kings County, which had the highest number of back-

logged cases, dropped from 943 to 519 cases.

The goal of the program is accountability, the judges said. Their theory is that if people know that the courts are prioritizing, quickly processing and taking gun charges seriously, they may be less likely to commit a crime using a gun.

"It's to restore a sense of accountability in this city with respect to gun crimes," Grasso said. "If someone is arrested in the city of New York, and they're illegally in possession of a firearm, and they're charged with that top count gun crime, those cases are not going to languish for a period of years."

"A lack of accountability plays right into crime and the sense of crime and disorder," he added. "If it's indictable, it's going to be indicted."

Opinion: Add dangerousness standard to bail laws

By Steven Orlow
Special to the Eagle

I recently received a solicitation for a campaign contribution from a New York State legislator, and I only have one question.

I would truly like to know where you stand on amending the bail reform laws, to permit judges to evaluate the potential danger of a defendant to the community, in determining whether or not to set bail. Would you be willing to participate in drafting and then co-sponsoring such legislation?

Manhattan has, arguably, the most prominent local prosecutor's office in the United States. Today, it is headed by an individual who has established a prosecutorial approach that appears to place his office's policies in direct contravention of New York State criminal statutes.

We all recognize that prosecutorial discretion is applicable, to meet special circumstances, in individual cases. Such discretion was never intended to be applied to entire categories of cases, without regard to the history or character of the defendant.

Alvin Bragg, the Manhattan district attorney, has said that his office will "vigorously prosecute cases of violence against the police."

This district attorney is far too intelligent not to realize the drivel he is serving up to the public with this statement. The time to act to



Steven Orlow, a personal injury attorney and the former president of the Queens County Bar Association. Photo via The Orlow Firm

protect our police, and in fact, every resident of this great city, as well, is most certainly not after the harm has been done. We must do all we can, district attorneys included, to prevent these tragedies before they occur.

There are many facets of our criminal justice system that need rapid and serious rectification. Much will fall within the purview of Mayor Eric Adams who, by word, disposition and experience seems well suited to tackle these failings.

Bail reform, as relatively recently enacted in New York, requires a serious reexamination.

An interim step that could be expeditiously enacted, as a "fire-wall" of sorts against misguided actions such as exhibited by the Manhattan DA, is to give judges the final say, at the time bail is set, as to whether a particular defendant will pose a danger to our community if released, and to set bail accordingly.

The fact that danger to the community posed by a defendant, under the current law, may not even be considered in determining the amount of bail, is both bizarre and reprehensible.

It is time to prevent the obscenity of defendants with a record of multiple violent offenses being released only to cause even more serious violent crimes. This madness must stop now.

Steven Orlow, Esq., is a personal injury attorney and the former president of the Queens County Bar Association.