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, 20 <u>10</u> , at	<u>2000</u> P.M.
at <u>949 N. 9th St.</u>	
City of Milwaukee Wisconsin, by virtue of this warrant.	
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Law Enforcement Officer Name & Title	
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Travel - \$	<u>0</u>
Total - \$	<u>35.00</u>

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY
Case No. 2009CF006006

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

RECEIVED

Plaintiff,

RICKEY POTTS,

MAR 05 2010

Defendant.

Office of District Attorney
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233

**MOTION TO SUPPRESS EVIDENCE OBTAINED PURSUANT
TO EXECUTION OF VOID SEARCH WARRANT**

FILED
CRIMINAL DIVISION
MAR - 5 2010
JOHN CARRETT
Clerk of Circuit Court
BR 44

The defendant, by his attorney, Lew A. Wasserman, moves the Court for an Order suppressing for use at trial evidence obtained as the result of the execution of an Order issued by a "Circuit Court Commissioner." As more fully developed below, Potts asserts that Circuit Court Commissioners, being creations solely of Wis. Stat. §§ 757.68-69, and SCR 75, are without authority under Article VII of the Wisconsin Constitution to issue "an order signed by a judge" pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 968.12(1), because the statutes and rules expanding the term "judge" are unconstitutional as a violation of the principle of separation of powers. *Smith v. Burns*, 65 Wis. 2d 638, 644-45, 223 N.W.2d 562 (1974). Therefore, the Search Warrant (Order) herein is void *ab initio*. See *State v. Hess*, 2009 WI App 105, ¶27.

As more fully described in the defendant's accompanying Motions to Suppress, on December 18, 2009, at 7:37 p.m., Milwaukee County Judicial

Court Commissioner Barry L. Slagle authorized a “No Knock” search warrant for 3817 West Center Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Warrant authorized searching for “firearms and ammunition” and related materials; the allegations are that the materials sought were evidence of the crime of Felon In Possession Of A Firearm.

In Wisconsin, search warrants are wholly a creation of statute. Wis. Stat. § 968.12(1) provides:

Description and issuance. A search warrant is an order signed by a judge directing a law enforcement officer to conduct a search of a designated person, a designated object or a designated place for the purpose of seizing designated property or kinds of property. A judge shall issue a search warrant if probable cause is shown.

Clearly, the Legislature limited the authority to authorize a search, as the term is used in 968.12, to “an order signed by a judge.” The question then becomes: What provision(s) of Wisconsin law create and define “judge”? Do we look to the various Articles of the Wisconsin Constitution, or to the statutes enacted by the Legislature, or even to the Rules created by the Supreme Court? And what doctrines or theory controls whether one branch or the other has primacy?

We begin by examining the relevant provisions of the Wisconsin Constitution. Article VII, § 2, provides:

Court system. Section 2. [As amended April 1966 and April 1977] The judicial power of this state shall be vested in a unified court system consisting of one supreme court, a court of appeals, a circuit court, such

Exhibit 54

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 09CF006006

-vs-

RICKEY POTTS,

Defendant.

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SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

March 31. 2010

Proceedings Held Before
The Honorable DANIEL L. KONKOL
Circuit Court Judge
Milwaukee County, Branch 44

- CHARGE:
- 1 - Possession of Firearm by Felon
 - 2 - Possession of THC (2nd+ offense)

APPEARANCES: MR. ZACH S. WHITNEY
Assistant District Attorney
Appeared on behalf of State of Wisconsin

MR. LEWIS A. WASSERMAN
Attorney at Law
Appeared on behalf of the Defendant

Defendant present in court.

Karen M. Palis, RMR; CRR
Official Court Reporter

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THE CLERK: State of Wisconsin versus
Rickey Potts, 09CF6006.

MR. WHITNEY: Zach Whitney for the State.
Good morning, Your Honor.

MR. WASSERMAN: Your Honor, Rickey Potts
with Attorney Lew Wasserman. Good morning.

MR. WHITNEY: Your Honor, this matter is
on the calendar at the State's request. We were
going to initially ask for the motion date to be
rescheduled because there was a conflict both with
me as well as with one of the witnesses for the
State.

However, as the State has been preparing
the response to the motions that have been filed by
the defense in this matter, the State has come to
the conclusion that the proper way to deal with
this case is, in fact, to move the Court to dismiss
it at this time. And here's the reason why.

The affidavit in support of the search
warrant, which has been attached and provided to
the Court as part of counsel's amended motion to
suppress evidence obtained pursuant to execution of
search warrant, that affidavit fails to make any
effort to explain why it is that officers were
searching 3817 West Center Street or any effort to

1 make some sort of connection between Mr. Potts as
2 well as that address, 3817 West Center Street.

3 As a result, the State thinks it's pretty
4 apparent that the affidavit itself doesn't state
5 probable cause. And, frankly, because it's such an
6 overt omission, we honestly don't think that this
7 is a matter wherein the State can argue that this
8 would qualify for the good faith exception.

9 In regards to the defendant's standing,
10 the State feels like it could argue that the
11 defendant doesn't have standing in light of the
12 fact that even in the filings he admitted to living
13 somewhere else. But this is a matter where the
14 State is trying to prove that Mr. Potts had
15 possession of the firearm based upon the fact that
16 he lives at that address, the 3817 West Center
17 Street address.

18 And even if it's not judicially estopped,
19 it just simply doesn't make sense for the State to
20 be arguing that Mr. Potts doesn't have standing in
21 order to contest the search there and then turn
22 right around and say that he, in fact, lives there
23 and he is in possession of that firearm.

24 So for those reasons the State believes,
25 frankly, that the evidence that was obtained

1 pursuant to that search warrant would not be
2 admissible in court and, thus, the State has no
3 case. So the State is moving to dismiss at this
4 time.

5 THE COURT: Any objection?

6 MR. WASSERMAN: No.

7 THE COURT: All right. Since the State
8 feels that it cannot succeed in this matter, I will
9 grant the State's request and the charges are
10 dismissed. If there's any bond that's posted, that
11 can be returned to the person that posted the bond
12 upon presentment of proper receipt.

13 And I thank you gentlemen for bringing the
14 case in earlier so that we can use that other
15 time. Where the matter had been set for a motion,
16 we can use that for something else.

17 MR. WHITNEY: Thank you.

18 MR. WASSERMAN: Thank you, Judge

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20 (Proceedings concluded.)
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2 STATE OF WISCONSIN)
3 MILWAUKEE COUNTY) SS:
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7 I, KAREN M. PALIS, RMR, CRR, an official
8 court reporter for the Circuit Court of Milwaukee
9 County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a
10 true and correct transcript of all the proceedings
11 had and testimony taken in the above-entitled
12 matter as the same are contained in my original
13 machine shorthand notes on the said trial or
14 proceeding.
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16 Dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, this
17 19th day of April, 2010.

18 Karen M. Palis
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Exhibit 55

April 8, 2010

To: Officer Michael Vagnini, Milwaukee Police Department (Via US Certified mail)

5th District Police Station

2920 N. 4th Street

Milwaukee, WI 53212

From: Rickey L. Potts

3819 West Center Street

Milwaukee, WI 53210

(414) 817-2750

Re: Request for a copy of the inventory number from MPD report regarding
Police Call #093531722

I, Rickey Potts am requesting a copy of the inventory number for items seized from Police Call #093531722 on December 19, 2009 Created at 19:49:32 and Closed at 22:11:19 relating to the investigation at 1346 W. Hadley Street, Milwaukee, WI 53206.

I would immensely appreciate your assistance in helping me obtain this inventory number. I checked with the Milwaukee Police Department's inventory room, located at 26th and Wisconsin and have been told that in order to obtain a copy of the items seized, I would need the inventory number from you.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



Rickey L. Potts

CC: Officer Erin Lelinski, Milwaukee Police Department

Officer Jason Blichwehl, Milwaukee Police Department

Seven officers, supervisor reassigned

Police powers suspended after complaints of invasive body searches in District 5



By ANNE LAASBY, JOHN DIEGRICH and GINA BARTON
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Seven Milwaukee police officers and a supervisor with a long history of misconduct complaints have been stripped of their police powers after several people complained about invasive body searches on the streets of District 5, according to sources familiar with the internal investigation.

The searches are being investigated as potential sexual assaults and civil rights violations, the sources said.

The supervisor at the center of the investigation is Sgt. Jason Mucha, who has been in-



Mucha

investigated in the past after suspects accused him of beating them and planting drugs on them, according to police and court records.

Mucha has not been disciplined or criminally charged in connection with any of the past complaints. Despite being the focus of a 2006 court case that

opened the door for juries to hear about officers' past wrongdoing and giving inconsistent

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WATCHDOG
LOOKING OUT
FOR YOU

10A Thursday, March 22, 2012

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Case referred to district attorney

testimony that caused a 2010 federal gun case to fall apart, Mucha has continued to supervise a District 5 anti-gang unit.

Mucha could not be reached Wednesday.

Milwaukee police spokeswoman Anne E. Schwartz confirmed in an email that seven officers and a supervisor had been reassigned temporarily. She said the investigation was "related to possi-

ble policy violations" and that the department initiated the probe, but refused to elaborate.

"As is our standard practice, we will have no further comment while the matter is pending," she said in an e-mail.

Schwartz would not name Mucha or any of the officers. The Journal Sentinel confirmed that Mucha is a target of the police investigation through numerous police sources who did not want their names used because they are not authorized to talk with the media. The names of the seven officers could not be confirmed Wednesday. Although only seven officers had been placed on administrative duty and transferred to separate districts as of Wednesday, more officers could become

targets before the investigation is complete.

Sources noted it is unusual for the department to suspend police powers and transfer so many people before the internal investigation is complete.

The case is being investigated by the department's Professional Performance Division and is expected to be referred to the district attorney's office for possible charges, the sources said.

Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm confirmed police had contacted him about the matter.

"I am in communication with the Milwaukee Police Department while they conduct their investigation," he said.

He would not comment further.

Civil rights cases are often

investigated by federal authorities. However, that not happened in this case according to Assistant U.S. Attorney Mel Johnson, who specializes in civil rights prosecutions in Milwaukee.

"This doesn't have anything to do with us, at least not so far," Johnson said.

But Johnson said he was interested to see how this investigation unfolds. He said there have been several instances in the past where U.S. Attorney's Office had questions about searches performed by Milwaukee police officers. None of those cases, however, rose to the level of being actionable, he said. He did not provide details.

Johnson prosecuted former Milwaukee police officer Lamarald Cates, convicted by a federal jury in January

of violating a woman's civil rights by raping her after she responded to her 911 call on July 2010.

Johnson also prosecuted seven Milwaukee police officers convicted in federal court for beating Frank J. Jude recently settled a civil rights case for \$2.1 million. However, the tab is likely to top \$2.5 million when legal fees and other expenses are included.

Johnson and the FBI also reviewed some of the previous allegations against Mucha in 2007 — after the Journal Sentinel reported that at least 10 defendants in unrelated cases had accused Mucha of beating them, planting drugs or both, and that the police failed to investigate the pattern of incidents.

Exhibit 5b

Exhibit 57

September 5, 2012

From : Rickey L. Potts
3819 W Center Street
Milwaukee, WI 53210
414-810-5510
RPZCLPR@wi.rr.com



Jennifer Potts
3819 W Center Street
Milwaukee, WI 53210
414-477-6411
Jpotts1@wi.rr.com



To: Members of the Milwaukee Common Council
Re: Status update of Complaint filed January 6, 2010 by Rickey Potts

This information is being sent to you as a member of the Common Council of Milwaukee spawning from a Milwaukee Journal Sentinel article dated March 22, 2012 relating to "Seven Officers and Supervisor Reassigned" by Gitte Laasby, John Diedrich and Gina Barton. I am a citizen and am submitting information pertaining to an incident with some of the same officers.

- On January 6, 2010, I sent a certified letter of notice to many elected officials, indicating what had happened to Jennifer and me. **(Exhibit 1).**
- On December 18, 2009, the MPD executed a no-knock search warrant at 3817 West Center Street. The search warrant violated our civil rights. This search warrant was obtained pursuant to false information given to Officer Mickal Chemlick from Kalop J. Oliver of whom was a Confidential Informant (CI). **(Exhibit 2).**
- On December 19, 2009, Officers Michael Vagnini, Erin Lelinski, and Jason Blichwehl went to Kalop Oliver's home who had an active arrest warrant and was not taken into custody. This call was an investigation charge. Items were taken from the home. **(Exhibit 3).**
- Jennifer Potts was unfairly taken to jail on December 18, ultimately, no charges were written or filed and was bailed out after 3 days. **(Exhibit 4).**
- A arrest warrant and criminal complaint was issued for my arrest 5-days later (December 23, 2009) for the same marijuana charge that they took Jennifer to jail for as well as an attempt to give me a possession charge for a felon in possession of a firearm. **(Exhibit 5).**
- On March 31, 2010, the state indicted that there was not probable cause to support the affidavit for search warrant and the case was dismissed at the request of the state. **(Exhibit 6)**

This packet of information is being sent to you, as an update to the original "notice" on January 6, 2010. During this entire ordeal, we filed a formal complaint with the MPD Professional Performance Division that was investigated and found inconclusive. **(Exhibit 7).** From there, we filed the case with the United States Attorney's office on March 23, 2012. We have additional documentation of which has been filed with the United States Attorney's office (Mel Johnson and Rick Frohling 414-297-4528) of whom are investigating this complaint. We also have retained a Civil Rights Attorney, Stephen Richards of Chicago, IL (773-817-6927) of whom has been contacted by the United States Attorney's office on our behalf.

Attachment – DVD from search of home. **(Exhibit 8)**



Exhibit 58



Office of the City Clerk

Jim Owczarski
City Clerk

Rebecca N. Grill
Deputy City Clerk

September 25, 2012

Rickey Potts
3819 W. Center St.
Milwaukee, WI 53210

Rickey Potts
4519-21 W. Center St.
Milwaukee, WI 53210

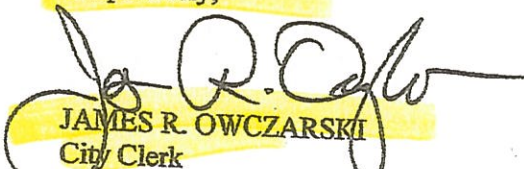
Dear Mr. Potts:

This is to notify you that on Monday, September 10, 2012, the Licenses Committee voted to recommend to the Common Council that your application for a Class "A" Malt & Class "A" Liquor license for the premises located at 4519-21 W. Center St. ("RPZ Convenience Store/Cigarette Depot") be denied. The Committee made this recommendation based on neighborhood objections, aldermanic objection, and overconcentration of alcohol beverage outlets in the area.

On Tuesday, September 25, 2012, the Common Council considered the Committee's recommendation regarding your application. On that date, the Common Council adopted the Committee's recommendation and denied your application for a Class "A" Malt & Class "A" Liquor license based on neighborhood objections, aldermanic objection, and overconcentration of alcohol beverage outlets in the area.

If you previously paid the license fees you may be eligible for a refund, except for a portion of the fee that may be retained, by bringing in your receipt or filing an application for a refund within one year to date of Common Council action with the License Division, Room 105, City Hall.

Respectfully,



JAMES R. OWCZARSKI
City Clerk

cc: City Clerk's Office - License Division
CCF 120407



Profit or Loss From Business

(Sole Proprietorship)

OMB No. 1545-0074

2012

Attachment
Sequence No. **09**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

► For information on Schedule C and its instructions, go to www.irs.gov/schedulec
► Attach to Form 1040, 1040NR, or 1041; partnerships generally must file Form 1065.

Name of proprietor: **Rickey L Potts** Social security number (SSN): [REDACTED]

A Principal business or profession, including product or service (see instructions): **Convenience store**

B Enter code from instructions: **445100**

C Business name. If no separate business name, leave blank: **RPZ Convenience Store & Cigarette Depot**

D Employer ID number (EIN), (see instr.):

E Business address (including suite or room no.): **4519 West Center Street**
City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code: **Milwaukee WI 53210**

F Accounting method: (1) Cash (2) Accrual (3) Other (specify) _____

G Did you "materially participate" in the operation of this business during 2012? If "No," see instructions for limit on losses Yes No

H If you started or acquired this business during 2012, check here Yes No

I Did you make any payments in 2012 that would require you to file Form(s) 1099? (see instructions) Yes No

J If "Yes," did you or will you file required Forms 1099? Yes No

Part I Income

1	Gross receipts or sales. See instructions for line 1 and check the box if this income was reported to you on form W-2 and the "Statutory employee" box on that form was checked. <input type="checkbox"/>	1	252,074
2	Returns and allowances (see instructions)	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	252,074
4	Cost of goods sold (from line 42)	4	196,328
5	Gross profit. Subtract line 4 from line 3	5	55,746
6	Other income, including federal and state gasoline or fuel tax credit or refund (see instructions)	6	
7	Gross income. Add lines 5 and 6	7	55,746

Part II Expenses.

Enter expenses for business use of your home only on line 30.

8	Advertising	8	925	18	Office expense (see instructions)	18	1,075
9	Car and truck expenses (see instructions)	9	5,001	19	Pension and profit-sharing plans	19	
10	Commissions and fees	10		20	Rent or lease (see instructions):		
11	Contract labor (see instructions)	11	8,400	a	Vehicles, machinery, & equipment	20a	336
12	Depletion	12		b	Other business property	20b	6,000
13	Depreciation and section 179 expense deduction (not included in Part III) (see instructions)	13	15,074	21	Repairs and maintenance	21	9,210
14	Employee benefit programs (other than on line 19)	14		22	Supplies (not included in Part III)	22	301
15	Insurance (other than health)	15	880	23	Taxes and licenses	23	284
16	Interest:			24	Travel, meals, and entertainment:		
a	Mortgage (paid to banks, etc.)	16a		a	Travel	24a	
b	Other	16b		b	Deductible meals and entertainment (see instructions)	24b	0
17	Legal and professional services	17		25	Utilities	25	5,100
18				26	Wages (less employment credits)	26	
19				27a	Other expenses (from line 48)	27a	4,478
20				b	Reserved for future use	27b	
28	Total expenses before expenses for business use of home. Add lines 8 through 27a	28	57,064				
29	Tentative profit or (loss). Subtract line 28 from line 7	29	-1,318				
30	Expenses for business use of your home. Attach Form 8829. Do not report such expenses elsewhere	30	0				
31	Net profit or (loss). Subtract line 30 from line 29. • If a profit, enter on both Form 1040, line 12 (or Form 1040NR, line 13) and on Schedule SE, line 2. (If you checked the box on line 1, see instr.) Estates and trusts, enter on Form 1041, line 3. • If a loss, you must go to line 32.	31	-1,318				
32	If you have a loss, check the box that describes your investment in this activity (see instructions). • If you checked 32a, enter the loss on both Form 1040, line 12, (or Form 1040NR, line 13) and on Schedule SE, line 2. (If you checked the box on line 1, see the line 31 instructions). • If you checked 32b, you must attach Form 6198. Your loss may be limited.			32a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All investment is at risk.		
				32b	<input type="checkbox"/> Some investment is not at risk.		

KIA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see your tax return instructions.

Exhibit 59

January 7, 2013

U.S. Department of Justice – FBI
Special Agent Jennifer M. Walkowski
330 E. Kilbourn Avenue, Suite 600
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Agent Walkowski,

I am responding to the conversation that we had on Thursday, January 3, 2013 regarding information that we discussed. I submit the following:

Attachment 1:

- Search warrant for premises located at 3817 West Center Street, Milwaukee, WI dated December 18, 2009 – 1-page.
- Affidavit for aforementioned search warrant sworn in by officer Chemlick. 4-pages

Attachment 2:

- Probable Cause Statement and Judicial Determination – Arrest warrant for Jennifer Potts. 2-pages.

Attachment 3:

- City of Milwaukee Municipal Court Case Information pertaining to Kalop J. Oliver's last known address – data current as of 1/29/2010. 1-page
- Detailed History for Police Call – dated December 19, 2009 with police being dispatched to 1346 W. Hadley, Milwaukee. 1-page.
- Arrest-Bench Warrant for Kalop J. Oliver – dated July 1, 2009. 2-pages.
 - This information will show that Kalop J. Oliver was in MPD custody December 19, 2009 and was not arrested. The arrest warrant was executed February 8, 2010 after I filed the complaint with the MPD Professional Performance Division.

Attachment 4:

- Felony Warrant and Authorization for Extradition for Rickey Potts – dated December 23, 2009.
- Criminal Complaint – State of WI v. Rickey Potts - DA Case No 2009ML030355 – 09CF006006.

Attachment 5:

- Rickey Potts civil rights complaint dated January 6, 2010 to elected officials. 5-pages.

Attachment 6:

- Preliminary Hearing State of WI vs. Rickey Potts – transcript – January 20, 2010 – 27 pages.

Attachment 7:

- Milwaukee Police Dept. Memorandum re: Misconduct in Public Office – Police Officer Mickal J. Chemlick – Dated January 22, 2010 – March 5, 2010. 8-Pages.

Attachment 8:

- Request for a copy of MPD Police Call 093531722 from Rickey Potts to Officer Erin Lelinski, Michael Vagnini, and Jason Bliechwehl. Dated March 20, 2010. 4-Pages.

Attachment 9:

- State of WI vs. Rickey Potts – Scheduling Conference – Date – March 31, 2010 - Case 09CF006006. 5-Pages

Attachment 10:

- April 8, 2010 – Request a for a copy of the inventory number from MPD re: Police Call 093531722 from Rickey Potts to Officer Erin Lelinski, Michael Vagnini, and Jason Bliechwehl. 4-pages

**Please note, officer Vagnini contacted me, via my cell phone 414-817-2750 indicating that Kalop Oliver was in the house when a search warrant was executed on December 19, 2009.

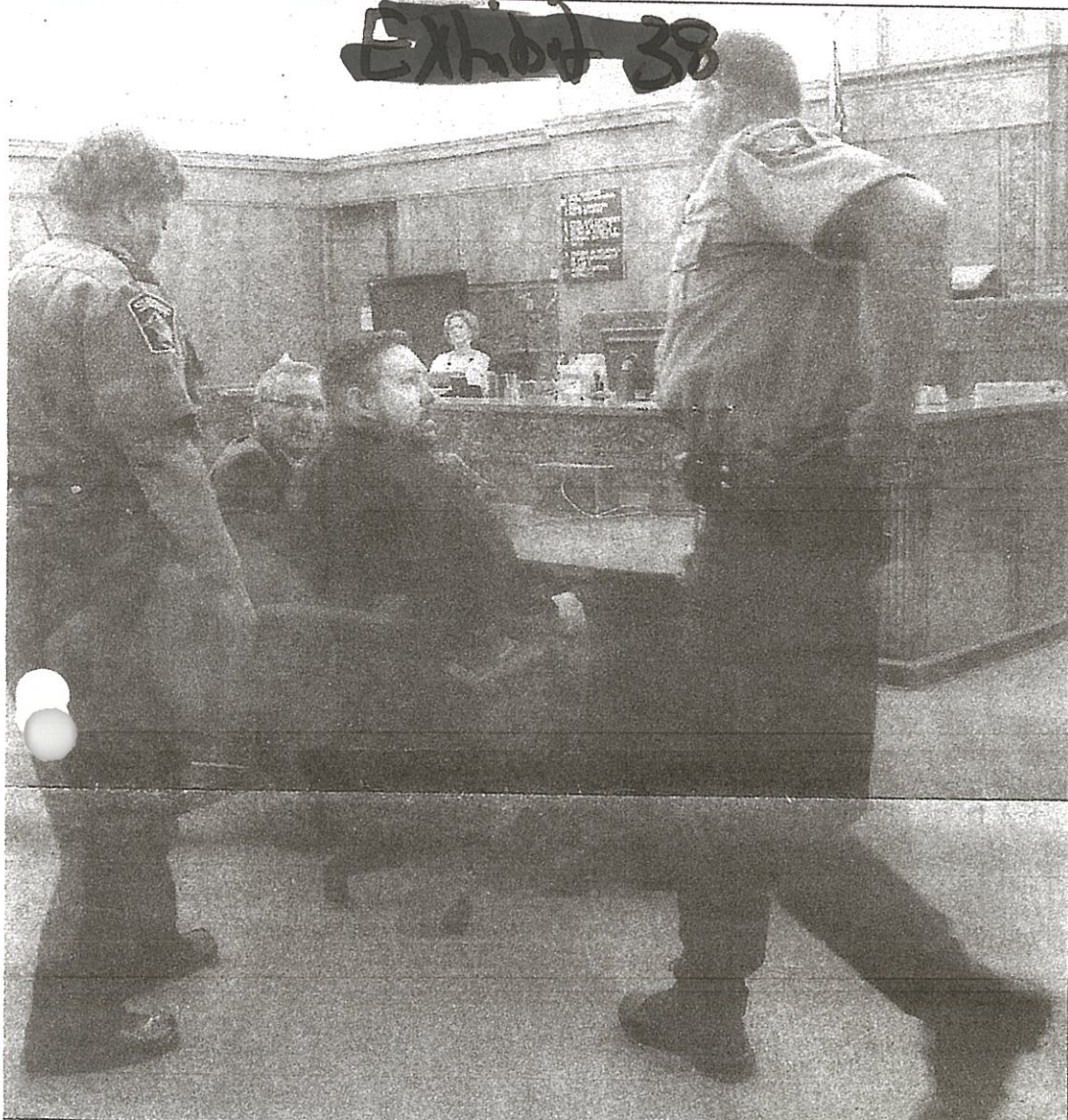
If you need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

Rickey Potts
3819 West Center Street
Milwaukee, WI 53210
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Officer gets 26-month term for strip searches

EXHIBIT 38



Judge calls conduct shocking; his lawyer says aggressive tactics encouraged

By **BRUCE VIELMETTI**
 bvielmetti@journalsentinel.com

A former Milwaukee police officer who performed illegal strip and body cavity searches on dozens of drug suspects was sentenced Friday to 26 months in prison and an additional 34 months of extended supervision.

Michael Vagnini, 34, pleaded no contest in April to four felonies and four misdemeanors stemming from his practice but avoided conviction for sexual assault charges, which were dismissed.

Prosecutors and the judge said Vagnini's actions shocked the conscience of the community, but his own lawyer said the whole system was to blame for encouraging and rewarding Vagnini's aggressive tactics, which he said were no secret within the department and the court system.

"He's left holding the bag for everybody," Michael Steinle told the court, noting that all his client ever wanted to do was stop crime.

Vagnini's family, friends and former colleagues packed one half of the gallery, and had submitted numerous letters of support, citing his otherwise exemplary professional and personal life. His wife broke down sobbing when Circuit Judge Jeffrey Wagner finally announced the sentence at the end of the two-hour hearing, and Vagnini was led away in handcuffs. She and Vagnini's other supporters declined to speak with reporters afterward.

Tory Lowe, a community activist, called the prison term a positive step to rebuilding trust among the population and the police.

"Rogue policing in Milwaukee has to come to an end," he said after the hearing.

While prosecutors agreed to dismiss sexual assault counts as part of the plea deal, Assistant District Attorney Miriam Falk made clear Friday that she believes that offense occurred, repeatedly. She said while Vagnini may not have sought or obtained any sexual arousal or gratification from reaching

KRISTYNA WENTZ-GRAFF / KWENTZ@JOURNALSENTINEL.COM



"I know Michael Vagnini understood the sexual undertones of what was going on. It was intended to degrade and humiliate them, and that's what makes it a sexual assault."

Miriam Falk,
 assistant district attorney

"He's left holding the bag for everybody."

Michael Steinle,
 Vagnini's attorney, who said the system was to blame

Milwaukee police officer Michael Vagnini in court after his sentencing Friday before Judge Jeffrey Wagner.

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daily member
 former officer
 sentenced to 26

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VAGNINI**Other officers charged**

into suspects' rectal areas, he knew the victims could not ignore that element.

"I know Michael Vagnini understood the sexual undertones of what was going on," Falk said. "It was intended to degrade and humiliate them, and that's what makes it a sexual assault."

She also did not believe Vagnini targeted suspects by race, but that their "degradation was exacerbated by the fact that they were black and he was white."

Steinle said the case was never a sexual assault case, and that Vagnini denies he ever penetrated any victim's anus with his finger.

The felony convictions, for misconduct in public office, cost Vagnini his job. The underlying conduct, conducting illegal strip searches, accounted for the misdemeanor charges. Wagner imposed the same sentence — 13 months in prison plus 17 months of extended supervision — on each felony count, but made two of them consecutive, and the rest concurrent. He also

imposed concurrent sentences of 90 days for each misdemeanor count.

Wagner, who presided over a John Doe investigation of the illegal searches, didn't buy Steinle's assertions that Vagnini thought he was within the law.

"You did in fact know better," Wagner told him.

Prosecutors had recommended only unspecified prison time; Steinle suggested 12 to 18 months was appropriate.

Assigned to District 5, Vagnini regularly pulled over drivers on a pretense of not wearing a seatbelt or of having darkly tinted windows and searched them without a legal reason, according to prosecutors.

Vagnini conducted searches of men's anal and scrotal areas, often inserting his fingers into their rectums, according to the criminal complaint. Vagnini acknowledged performing one of the searches, and at least one suspect said Vagnini planted drugs on him.

State law and police procedures prohibit officers from conducting body cavity searches. Only medical personnel are allowed to perform them, and police must first obtain a search warrant.

The searches occurred on the street and in district stations over a period of two years.

The Milwaukee Police Department has said it initiated three separate investigations

into these allegations, with the first beginning in 2010.

The first investigation could not be substantiated with the available evidence, according to the department. A year later, a second investigation could not be completed because of the death of the complainant. In 2012, a third investigation resulted in Internal Affairs referring the case to the district attorney's office, which began the John Doe.

Three other police officers charged with Vagnini — Jeffrey Dollhopf, Brian Kozelek and Jacob Knight — had their cases separated because they face fewer counts and were not charged with sexual assault. They are charged with misconduct in office and be-

ing parties to illegal searches, on-duty presence. Prosecutors say Vagnini misled them.

They also argued for pay, pending this year.

The fallout did lead to reform policies and searches. The union applauded but urged discipline, as well as notice, or ignored, said Chris Ahn, director.

Ashley Luthern of the Sentinel staff contributed to this report.

Exhibit 60



U.S. Department of Justice

United States Attorney
Eastern District of Wisconsin

Federal Courthouse
517 E. Wisconsin Ave, Rm 530
Milwaukee WI 53202

(414)297-1700
Fax (414) 297-1738
www.justice.gov/usao/wie

March, 26, 2014

Mr. Ricky Potts
3817 West Center Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53210-2555

Dear Mr. Potts:

I am writing to inform you that our investigation of your allegations about the search of your residence on or about December 18, 2009 has not revealed any significant evidence of a civil rights violation. Special Agent Jennifer Walkowski of the FBI, working with Milwaukee police detectives and me, interviewed all personnel from the police department and the District Attorney's Office involved in this matter, as well as the person you suspected may have been the informant referred to in the affidavit to obtain the search warrant. None of these witnesses provided any evidence of a willful deprivation of your rights. As a result, while your suspicions may be reasonable, we have no basis for a prosecution in this matter.


I am sorry that this matter took as long as it did to be investigated but a substantial investigation was done. It just failed to reveal evidence which could prove a crime.

I expect you may be disappointed in this result but I would be misleading you if I told you there was any reasonable likelihood that there will be a federal civil rights prosecution in connection with this matter. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

JAMES L. SANTELLE
United States Attorney

By:


MEL S. JOHNSON
Assistant United States Attorney

MSJ/nz

cc: FBI Special Agent Jennifer Walkowski

JOURNAL SENTINEL

F.S.R.F.

Officer in Derek Williams death fired

'Non-disciplinary
reasons' cited by report

By ASHLEY LUTHERN
aluthern@journalsentinel.com

Milwaukee Police Officer Jason Bleichwehl, who spent time in the front seat of a squad car as Derek Williams struggled to breathe in the back and later died, has been fired from the Police Department, records show.

Milwaukee Police Chief Edward Flynn fired Bleichwehl for "non-disciplinary reasons" effective June 20.



Bleichwehl

The chief's personnel order was listed on the city's Fire and Police Commission agenda for Thursday.

A department spokesman said Bleichwehl was terminated for medical-related reasons and had no further comment.

The decision does not affect Bleichwehl's appeal for duty-disability retirement in Milwaukee County Circuit Court.



Williams

He has exhausted the appeals process within the city's Employees' Retirement System and filed the court appeal in January.

William Rettko, a Brookfield-based attorney representing Bleichwehl, declined to comment Thursday.

The initial investigations into Williams' 2011 death — by Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm, the Milwaukee Police Department and the city's Fire and Police Commission — all cleared officers of wrongdoing.

Chisholm reopened the case, named a special prosecutor and sought an inquest after a Milwaukee Journal Sentinel investigation prompted the medical examiner's office to change its ruling in the death from natural to homicide.

In forensic terms, homicide means "death at the hands of another" but does not necessarily mean a crime was committed.

An inquest jury recommended that Bleichwehl and two other officers be charged with misdemeanors in connection with Williams' death. Special Prosecutor John Franke did not charge them, saying he did not think he could prove a case.

Last week, Williams' family filed a civil rights lawsuit against the city and the officers involved, including Bleichwehl.

A Milwaukee Journal Sentinel investigation published in 2013 found that in recent years an increasing number of police officers suspected of wrongdoing have claimed debilitating stress — sometimes citing disciplinary investigations or media coverage as the cause of stress.

When Bleichwehl applied for duty-disability retirement, he cited stress related to the Williams case.

"No human being should have to endure one false allegation in the public domain, public ridicule from your boss, have elected officials use your life as a scapegoat or have your complete life exposed for public consumption," Bleichwehl wrote in his application for duty-disability payments.

"...The Chief of Police in Milwaukee did nothing to dispel or contradict the allegations and to the contrary, the Chief made disparaging remarks regarding my conduct. No person was protecting me in the public domain against the complete destruction of my mental and physical health."

Most officers and firefighters approved for duty disability receive 75% of their salaries, tax free, which results in about the same take-home pay as when they were working. Bleichwehl's annual salary was about \$57,000, according to city records.



Tom Barrett
Mayor, City of Milwaukee

January 18, 2017

Rickey Potts
3819 West Center Street
Milwaukee, WI 53210

Dear Mr. Potts:

Enclosed is a copy of an appointment letter that the Mayor submitted for approval to the Common Council.

It is the policy of the Common Council that mayoral appointees attend a committee meeting regarding their appointment. You will receive notice of this meeting directly from the Council. It is very important that you attend the meeting.

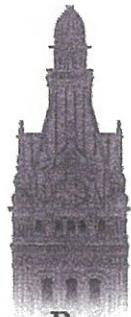
Upon approval by the Common Council, you will need to take the oath of office within ten days. The City Clerk will send you additional information regarding your oath.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 286-2200.

Sincerely,

Marcey Patterson
Staff Assistant to the Mayor

Enclosure



Tom Barrett
Mayor, City of Milwaukee

January 18, 2017

To the Honorable Common Council
of the City of Milwaukee

Honorable Members of the Common Council:

I am pleased to make the following appointment to the Business Improvement District #39
(Center Street):

Rickey Potts – filling a vacancy
3819 West Center Street
Milwaukee, WI 53210

This appointment is pursuant to Section 66.1109 of the Wis. Stats. and Common Council File
050706 as amended by 080620 and 150856. Mr. Potts' term will commence upon taking of the
oath of office.

I trust this appointment will have the approval of your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Barrett
Mayor

CONGRESS.GOV

S.206 - JOBS Act of 2017

115th Congress (2017-2018)

Sponsor: [Sen. Kaine, Tim \[D-VA\]](#) (Introduced 01/24/2017)

Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Action: 01/24/2017 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. ([All Actions](#))

Tracker: Introduced

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Introduced in Senate (01/24/2017)

Jumpstart Our Businesses by Supporting Students Act of 2017 or the JOBS Act of 2017

This bill amends title IV (Student Assistance) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to establish the Job Training Federal Pell Grant Program. The Department of Education must award job training Federal Pell Grants to eligible students.

An eligible student is one who does not have a degree, attends an institution of higher education (IHE), is enrolled in a job training program at such IHE, and meets all other eligibility requirements for a Federal Pell Grant.

The maximum job training Federal Pell Grant award is 50% of the discretionary base maximum award specified in annual appropriations law.

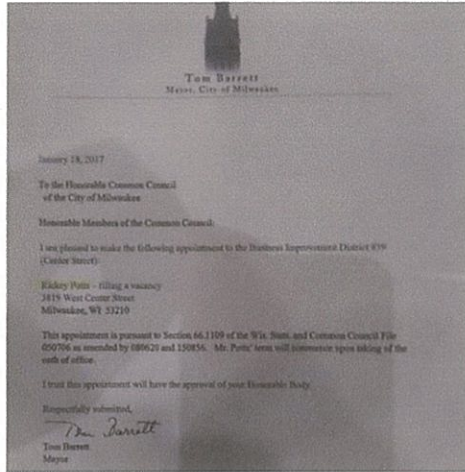
Any period during which a student receives a job training Federal Pell Grant counts toward that student's Federal Pell Grant eligibility period.



Rickey Potts

Jan 25, 2017 · 🌐

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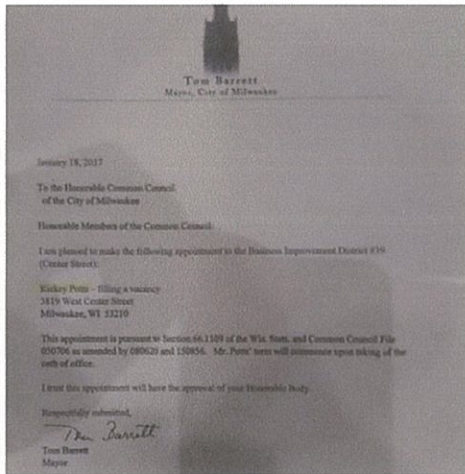
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February 16, 2017

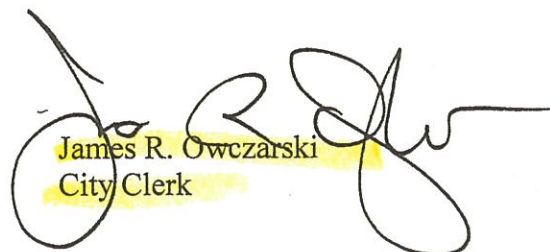
The Honorable, Mayor Tom Barrett
Office of the Mayor
City Hall, Room 201
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Mayor Barrett:

This is to confirm that the following individuals have taken their oaths and are now duly qualified to serve as members of the following boards until their terms of service end as listed below.

Robert Joseph	Business Improvement District #2 Board	February 15, 2020
Daniel Druml	Business Improvement District #35 Board	February 15, 2020
Rickey Potts	Business Improvement District #39 Board	February 10, 2020
Hatel Patel	Business Improvement District #43 Board	February 14, 2020
Patricia Najera	Business Improvement District #43 Board	February 9, 2020
Larry Holland	ERS, Annuity and Pension Board	February 9, 2019
Gerald Pace*	ERS, Annuity and Pension Board	January 27, 2019
Mark Nicolini*	ERS, Annuity and Pension Board	January 23, 2019
Chris Layden	Library Board	April 20, 2020

Sincerely,



James R. Owczarski
City Clerk

cc: Appointees
Boards
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*Revised Term Dates



WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2017 REGULAR SESSION

ENROLLED

Committee Substitute

for

House Bill 2620

BY DELEGATES FRICH, ELLINGTON, SHOTT, HOWELL,

HOUSEHOLDER, STORCH, HANSHAW, KESSINGER,

HOLLEN, SOBONYA AND MR. SPEAKER, (MR. ARMSTEAD)

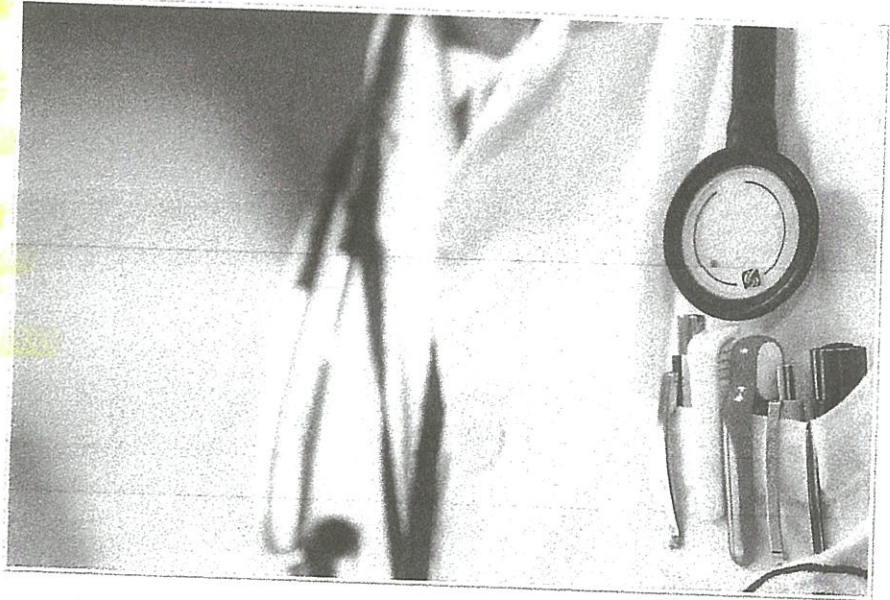
[Passed April 8, 2017; in effect ninety days from passage.]

West Virginia

Department of Health & Human Resources

Office of Drug Control Policy

News - June 14, 2019: Collection and Exchange of Data Related to Overdoses Legislative Rule filed with the West Virginia Secretary of State and open for public comment until July 17, 2019. Click to view the rule.



In 2017, House Bill 2620 was signed into law creating the Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP). Under the direction of West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) Cabinet Secretary Bill J. Crouch, the ODCP leads development of all programs and services related to the prevention, treatment and reduction of substance use disorder, in coordination with Department bureaus and other state agencies. Click to view the Strategic Plan.

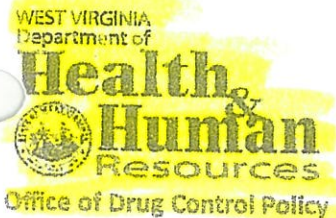
Director,
Assistant Director,
Strategic Planner,
Executive Assistant to the Director,

WV Department of Health and Human Resources
Office of Drug Control Policy
One Davis Square, Suite 100 East
Charleston, WV 25301

Phone: (304) 558-0684

Restoring Lives

Office of Drug Control Policy Strategic Plan



"West Virginia continues to lead the nation in overdose deaths per capita. This drug crisis has attacked our state with a vengeance, deteriorating the foundation of what makes West Virginia strong: our communities and our families."

Bill J. Crouch, Cabinet Secretary

Friday, September 21, 2018 – 5:00PM

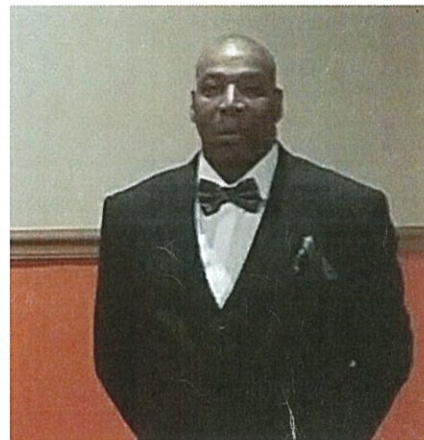
38th and Center Street

The Bible tells us about the day of Judgement. In the class of God - EYE heard if there was justice there would be no need for a day of judgement.

I, RP Former Slave Recently Freed, owner of the Center Street Nail Bar (3817 W. Center Street) am calling for 500 strong Black Men on Friday, September 21, 2018 at 5:00 PM

to stand with me and call for a CEASEFIRE in the High Intense Drug Trafficking Area

#JUDGEMENTDAYRP



PRESS RELEASE

R.P. – September 21, 2018

Deuteronomy Chapter 18 verse 18

I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth: and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

Genesis: Chapter 4

1 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.

2 And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

9 And the LORD said unto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: *Am I* my brother's keeper?

10 And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.

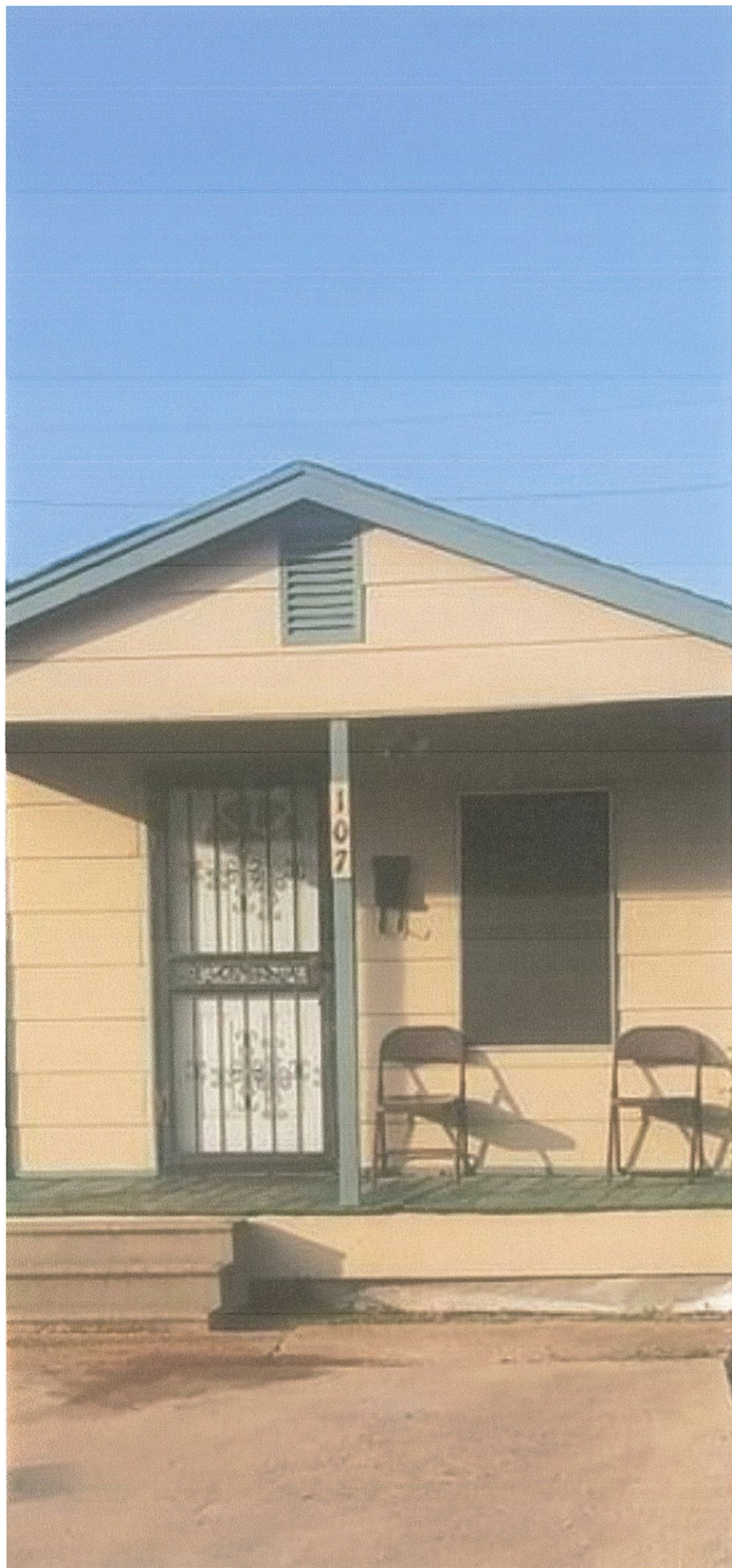
11 And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;

12 When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

13 And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment *is* greater than I can bear.

14 Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that findeth me shall slay me.

15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.



Former Slave Recently Freed – Student R.P.

3819 West Center Street

Milwaukee, WI 53210

414-252-1853

Rpzclpr45@yahoo.com

A “Saviours Day Request”

from RP Former Slave Recently Freed

February 17, 2019

To the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan:

Hello,

I am requesting a meeting with you if you are planning on being in Chicago within the next week. This meeting would be about calling the 10,000 Fearless Soldiers for peace in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to stop the violence. I would like to help improve our business district and need help removing the brand “the high intense drug trafficking area” from our neighborhood that is overseen by all black aldermen. I am the chairman of Business Improvement District #39 in Milwaukee on Center Street and I would like to meet with you at your will.

I have attached a copy of pertinent documentation for your honorable review.

Thank you

 Rickey Potts, Former Slave Recently Freed

S.839 - JOBS Act of 2019

116th Congress (2019-2020) | [Get alerts](#)

Sponsor: [Sen. Kaine, Tim \[D-VA\]](#) (Introduced 03/14/2019)

Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Action: Senate - 03/14/2019 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
(Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR [S1905](#)) ([All Actions](#))

Tracker: **Introduced** Passed Senate Passed House To President Became Law

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Introduced in Senate (03/14/2019)

116TH CONGRESS

1ST SESSION

S. 839

To extend Federal Pell Grant eligibility of certain short-term programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 14, 2019

Mr. KAINE (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. CARDIN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

To extend Federal Pell Grant eligibility of certain short-term programs.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

March 26, 2019

United States Department of Justice
United States Attorney's office
Eastern District of Wisconsin
317 East Wisconsin Avenue, Rom 530
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Mel S. Johnson: Assistant United States Attorney

Dear Mr. Mel S. Johnson (AUSA)

I am writing to inform you as a citizen, husband, father, Blackman, and a former slave recently freed. I reject your letter dated March 26, 2014 and dispute your evidence and request that you provide me and the Potts/Howard family with all witness statements/discovery you know what I mean from the FBI special agent Jennifer Walkowski in your Department of Justice Substantial investigation, which contradicts Assistant District Attorney Zach S. Whitney's statement before the Honorable Daniel L. Konkol on March 31st, 2010 (see exhibit 54)/Exhibits 1-60.

I am so sorry that this matter has took as long as it did but my constitutional rights under the 1st amendment, 4th amendment, 5th amendment, 6th amendment, 14th amendment, 15^h amendment, and civil rights, under Title 18 Chapter 13, ss 241 & 242 is real for all citizens., Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Rickey L. Potts (Former Slave Recently Freed/10,000 fearless)
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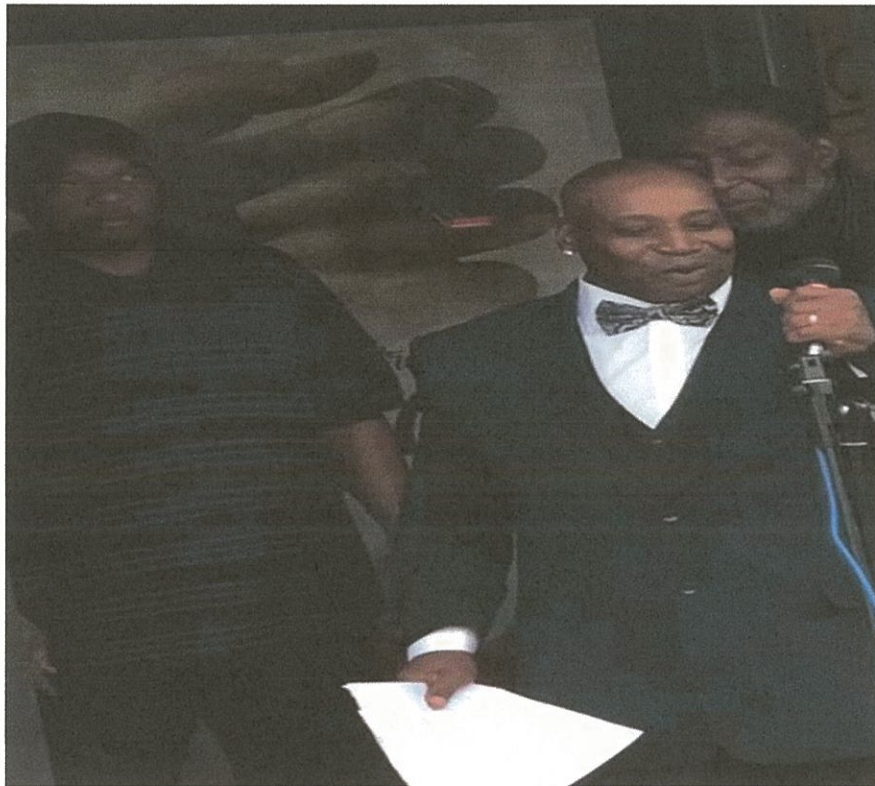
June 19, 2019

R.P. Former Slave Recently Freed is calling for our 116th United States Congress 2 Stop Using My Brothers 2 Kill my Brothers.

In the most Segregated City in America.

"A New Jawbone"

414-252-1853 RPZCLPR45@yahoo.com



H.R.3497 - Jumpstart Our Businesses by Supporting Students Act of 2019

116th Congress (2019-2020) | [Get alerts](#)

Sponsor: [Rep. Richmond, Cedric L. \[D-LA-2\]](#) (Introduced 06/26/2019)

Committees: House - Education and Labor

Latest Action: House - 06/26/2019 Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. ([All Actions](#))

Tracker: **Introduced** Passed House Passed Senate To President Became Law

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Introduced in House (06/26/2019)

116TH CONGRESS

1ST SESSION

H. R. 3497

To extend Federal Pell Grant eligibility of certain short-term programs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 26, 2019

Mr. RICHMOND (for himself, Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. KATKO, and Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

A BILL

To extend Federal Pell Grant eligibility of certain short-term programs.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.



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Community Task Force MKE assisting Rickey Potts in his Press conference @ City Hall

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Press Release

A Call For Justice & Peace

I, RP, Former Slave Recently Freed is calling all Black and Brown Brothers and Sisters here in Milwaukee, on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at 3:00PM to come Stand With Me at the Milwaukee City Hall to call out our 116th United States Democratic controlled Congress and our Wisconsin Democratic Governor Tony Evers and his administration to end this High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Program that use my Brothers to kill my Brothers.....

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Fifteen elected members comprise the Common Council in Milwaukee. Each Council member is elected to a 4 estimate, 2006).



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2nd District



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3rd District



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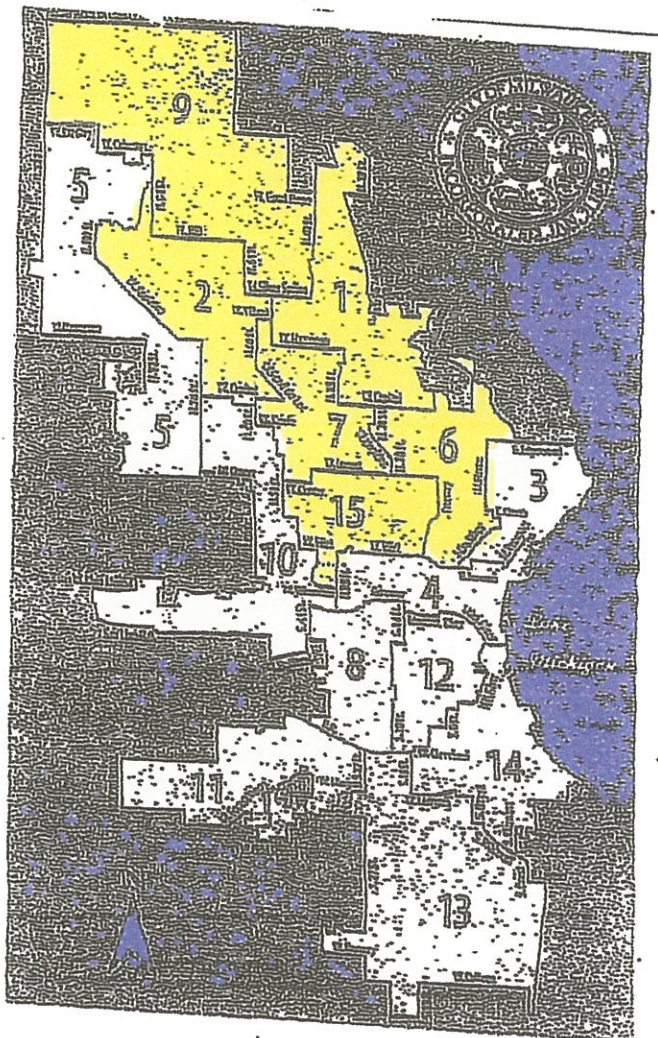
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12th District



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Former Slave Recently Freed / CEO / Student RP presents

Part 1: The Curse of Cain

I am one of the fearless 10,000 black men that Minister Louis Farrakhan called upon to stand up and bring peace and order to the violence that plagues our black neighborhoods here in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and throughout the United States of America. My subject is from the Holy Bible, the first book of Moses called Genesis. Please read chapter 1, 2, 3, and 4. It is talking about God revealing the beginning to Moses, God forming Adam from the dust, Gods commandment to Adam, Adam rebelling against God, end the curse of Cain the son of Adam and eve who killed his brother Able then lied to God. So, with the help of God and by Gods permission, I would like to expose the tools Cain used to operate his wicked corrupt workshop throughout our black neighborhoods. He utilized the war on drugs, the war on violence, grand jury indictments, criminal complaints, affidavits, statements, search warrants, surveillances, confidential informants (C.I.'s), confidential source (C.S.'s) friends, families, and whoever under the color of any law that have a secret agreement with each other to do something harmful, or unlawful that deprives a citizen the rights and privileges secured to them by the constitution of laws of the United States which violates that 14th amendment to the United States constitution and the civil rights act of 1964 under Title 18, chapter 13 (s. 241) conspiracy against rights and Title 18, chapter 13 (s. 242) deprivation of rights under the color of law.

Part 2: The Pattern of Practice

I have 1100 to 1200 more documents that I will release from my indictment dating back from January 1989 to October 1992. This is my foundation of Rickey Potts and 14 other defendants. Eventually, through the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I will ask the government to release documents that I am missing without redaction (notes, statements and any other information available).

R. P. Former Slave Recently Freed Presents
The Blueprint Part 4: THE CURSE OF CAIN
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53218

8/6/2019

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Questions or Comments?

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Center Street Marketplace BID 39

Aug 17, 2019 · 🌐

Mayor John Barrett says a few words about Center Street and upcoming community development!

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Tom Barrett
Mayor, City of Milwaukee

March 3, 2020

To the Honorable Common Council
of the City of Milwaukee

Honorable Members of the Common Council:

I am pleased to make the following reappointment to the Business Improvement District #39
(Center Street):

Rickey Potts
Center Street Nail Bar
3817 West Center Street
Milwaukee, WI 53210

This reappointment is pursuant to Section 66.1109 of the Wis. Stats., and Common Council File
050706 as amended by 080620 and 150856. Mr. Potts' term will commence upon taking of the
oath of office.

I trust this reappointment will have the approval of your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Barrett
Mayor



Department of City Development
City Plan Commission
Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee
Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation

Rocky Marcoux
Commissioner
marco@milwaukee.gov

Martha L. Brown
Deputy Commissioner
mbrown@milwaukee.gov

May 5, 2020

Rickey Potts
Chairperson
Business Improvement District #39
P.O. Box 100511
Milwaukee, WI 53210

Dear Mr. Potts:

By the powers designated to the Commissioner of the Department of City Development (DCD) under Common Council Resolution File 191929, this letter approves the Revised 2020 Operating Plan submitted by Business Improvement District #39.

Additionally, this letter acknowledges that BID #39 has complied with the Department's April 14, 2020 guidance letter in approving the Revised 2020 Operating Plan.

Please contact Natanael Martinez at natanael.martinez@milwaukee.gov if you have any questions about this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux
Commissioner

c: Alderman Michael J. Murphy
Alderman Khalif J. Rainey
Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II



Thursday, May 07, 2020



Notice of Public Hearing

CURRENT OCCUPANT
3817 W CENTER ST
MILWAUKEE, WI 53210

POTTS, Rickey L
Potts Liquor at 3817 W Center St
Class A Malt & Class A Liquor License Application

Friday, May 15, 2020 at 4:00 PM

To whom it may concern:

The above application has been made by the above named applicant(s). This requires approval from the Licenses Committee and the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee. The hearing before the Licenses Committee will take place virtually on 5/15/2020 at 4:00 PM. This is a public hearing. Those wishing to view the proceeding are able to do so via the City Channel – Channel 25 on Spectrum Cable – or on the Internet at <http://city.milwaukee.gov/citychannel>. Those wishing to provide oral testimony will be asked to do so by phone or internet and are asked to contact the staff assistant, Molly Kuether-Steele at (414) 286-2775 or molly.kuether-steele@milwaukee.gov for necessary information. Please make such requests no later than one business day prior to the start of the meeting. You are not required to attend the hearing, but please see the information below if you would like to provide testimony. Once the Licenses Committee makes its recommendation, this recommendation is forwarded to the full Common Council for approval at its next regularly scheduled hearing.

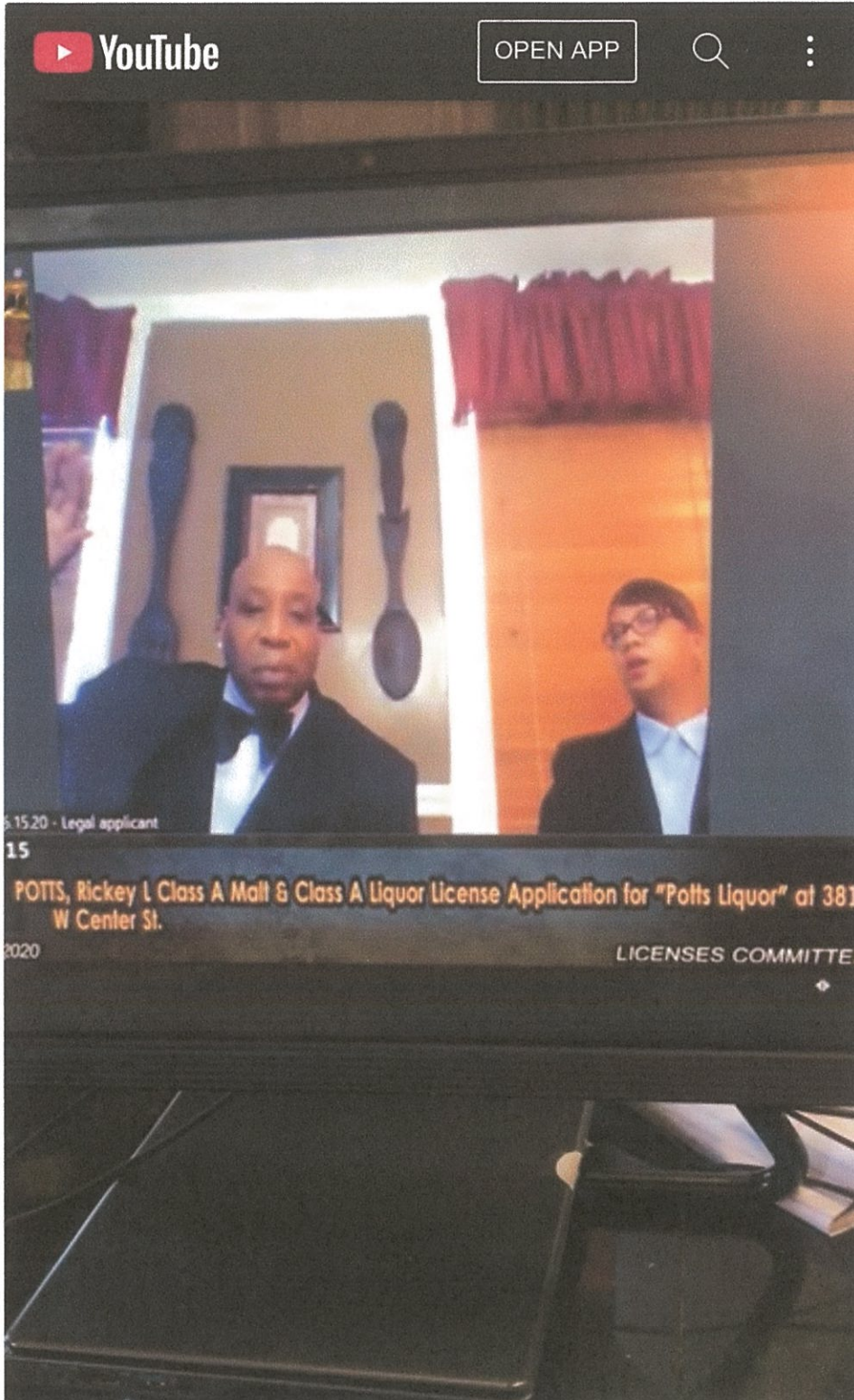
Important details for those wishing to provide information for the Licenses Committee to consider when making its recommendation:

1. The license application is scheduled to be heard at the above time. Due to other hearings running longer than scheduled, you may have to wait some time to provide your testimony.
2. You must testify as to matters that you have personally experienced or seen. (You cannot provide testimony for your neighbor, parent or anyone else; this is considered hearsay and cannot be considered by the committee.)
3. No letters or petitions can be accepted by the committee (unless the person who wrote the letter or the persons who signed the petition are willing to testify).
4. Persons opposed to the license application are given the opportunity to testify first; supporters may testify after the opponents have finished.
5. When you are called to testify, you will be sworn in and asked to give your name, and address. (If your first and/or last names are uncommon please spell them.)
6. You may then provide testimony.
 - a. Include only information relating to the above license application.
 - b. Include only information you have personally witnessed or seen.
 - c. Provide concise and relevant information detailing how this business has affected or may affect the peaceful enjoyment of your neighborhood.
 - d. If by the time you have the opportunity to testify, the information you wish to share has already been provided to the committee, you may state that you agree with the previous testimony. Redundant or repetitive testimony will not assist the committee in making its recommendation.
7. After giving your testimony, the members of the Licenses Committee and the licensee may ask questions regarding the testimony you have given or other factors relating to the license application.
8. Business Competition is not a valid basis for denial or non-renewal of a license.

Please Note: If you have submitted an objection to the above application your objection cannot be considered by the committee unless you personally testify at the hearing.



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POTTS, Rickey L Class A Mall & Class A Liquor License Application for "Potts Liquor" at 381 W Center St.

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LICENSES COMMITTEE

May 20, 2020





Rickey Potts

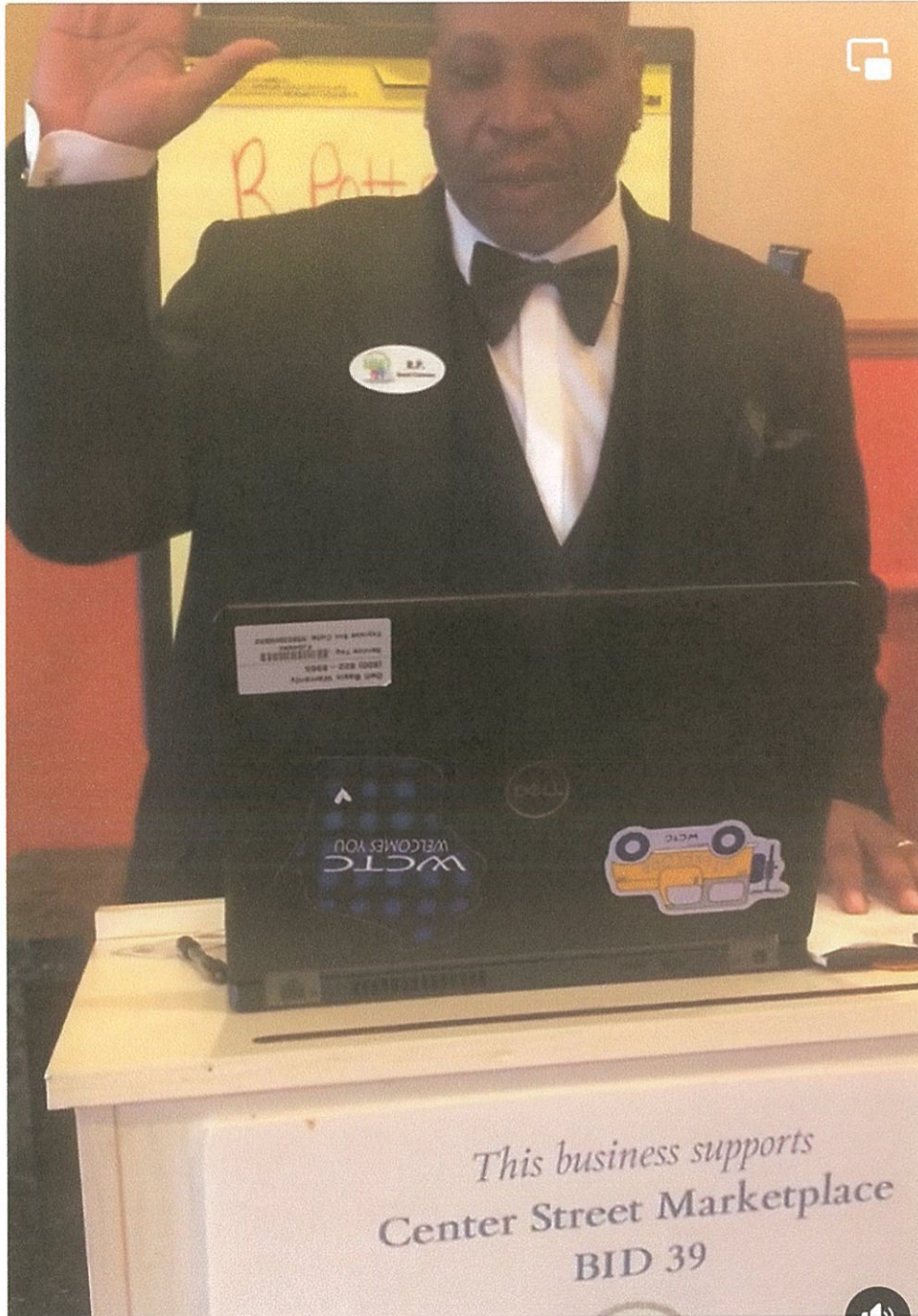


Jennifer Potts



May 21, 2020 · 🌐

Our Board Chair has been reappointed by the Milwaukee Mayor. Today he took the oath of office virtually. Center Street will thrive. [Rickey Potts](#)



Date of enactment: February 18, 2021

2021 Assembly Bill 2 Date of publication*: February 19, 2021

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."

2021 WISCONSIN ACT 1

AN ACT to repeal 71.01 (6) (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i), 71.05 (1) (ae), 71.05 (6) (b) 17. and 18., 71.05 (6) (b) 20., 36., 37., 39., 40. and 41., 71.22 (4) (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i), 71.22 (4m) (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i), 71.26 (2) (b) 3., 4., 5., 6., 7., 8. and 9., 71.34 (1g) (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i), 71.42 (2) (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i), 77.51 (13gm) (a) 1. and 2., 77.51 (13gm) (d) 1. and 77.51 (13gm) (d) 3. and 4.; to renumber and amend 71.05 (6) (b) 4., 71.26 (3) (ag), 71.76 and 77.51 (13gm) (a) (intro.); to amend 48.561 (3) (a) 3., 48.561 (3) (b), 59.25 (3) (i), 66.0602 (3) (h) 2. a., 66.0602 (6) (a), 66.0602 (6) (b), 66.1105 (6m) (d) 4., 70.46 (4), 70.855 (4) (b), 70.995 (8) (c) 1., 70.995 (8) (d), 70.995 (14) (b), 71.01 (6) (k) 3., 71.01 (6) (L) 1., 71.01 (6) (L) 3., 71.01 (6) (L) 4., 71.05 (1) (am), 71.05 (1) (an), 71.05 (6) (b) 19. c., 71.05 (6) (b) 19. d., 71.07 (5) (a) 15., 71.07 (9m) (h), 71.22 (4) (k) 3., 71.22 (4) (L) 1., 71.22 (4) (L) 3., 71.22 (4) (L) 4., 71.22 (4m) (k) 3., 71.22 (4m) (L) 1., 71.22 (4m) (L) 3., 71.22 (4m) (L) 4., 71.26 (2) (b) 10. d., 71.26 (2) (b) 11. d., 71.26 (2) (b) 12. a., 71.26 (2) (b) 12. d., 71.26 (2) (b) 12. e., 71.26 (3) (L), 71.28 (6) (h), 71.34 (1g) (k) 3., 71.34 (1g) (L) 1., 71.34 (1g) (L) 3., 71.34 (1g) (L) 4., 71.42 (2) (k) 3., 71.42 (2) (L) 1., 71.42 (2) (L) 3., 71.42 (2) (L) 5., 71.47 (6) (h), 71.55 (10), 71.77 (7) (b), 71.83 (1) (a) 6., 71.98 (3), 73.0305, 73.09 (4) (c), 73.09 (5), 74.315 (1), 74.315 (2), 74.315 (3), 76.04 (1), 76.07 (1), 76.075, 76.13 (1), 76.13 (3), 76.28 (4) (b), 76.28 (11), 76.39 (4) (d), 76.48 (5), 77.51 (13gm) (b), 77.51 (13gm) (c), 77.51 (13gm) (d) 2., 77.51 (13gm) (d) 5., 77.52 (2m) (b), 77.54 (6) (am) 2., 77.54 (9a) (f), 77.54 (9m), 79.02 (1), 79.02 (2) (b), 79.02 (3) (a), 79.02 (3) (e), 79.035 (6), 79.035 (7) (b), 79.05 (1) (am) and 79.05 (2m); and to create 70.11 (4) (b) 3., 71.01 (6) (j) 3. m., 71.01 (6) (j) 3. n., 71.01 (6) (m), 71.01 (7g), 71.05 (1) (h), 71.05 (1) (hn), 71.05 (6) (b) 4. a. to c., 71.05 (6) (b) 19. cm., 71.05 (6) (b) 19. dm., 71.05 (6) (b) 54., 71.22 (4) (j) 3. m., 71.22 (4) (j) 3. n., 71.22 (4) (m), 71.22 (4m) (j) 3. m., 71.22 (4m) (j) 3. n., 71.22 (4m) (m), 71.22 (5g), 71.26 (2) (b) 13., 71.26 (2) (b) 14., 71.26 (3) (ag) 2., 71.26 (3) (ag) 3., 71.34 (1g) (j) 3. m., 71.34 (1g) (j) 3. n., 71.34 (1g) (m), 71.34 (1k) (af), 71.34 (1k) (ah), 71.34 (1u), 71.42 (2) (j) 3. m., 71.42 (2) (j) 3. n., 71.42 (2) (m), 71.42 (2p), 71.45 (1) (d), 71.45 (1) (dm), 71.45 (2) (a) 22., 71.45 (2) (a) 23., 71.52 (1g), 71.76 (2), 74.315 (1m) and 77.61 (5) (b) 8m. of the statutes; relating to: various changes to the laws administered and enforced by the Department of Revenue.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 48.561 (3) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

48.561 (3) (a) 3. Through a deduction of \$20,101,300 from any state payment due that county under s. ~~79.035, 79.04, or 79.08~~ 79.02 (1), as provided in par. (b).

SECTION 2. 48.561 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

48.561 (3) (b) The department of administration shall collect the amount specified in par. (a) 3. from a county having a population of 750,000 or more by deducting all or part of that amount from any state payment due that county under s. ~~79.035, 79.04, or 79.08~~ 79.02 (1). The department of administration shall notify the department of revenue, by September 15 of each year, of the amount to be deducted from the state payments due under s. ~~79.035, 79.04, or 79.08~~ 79.02 (1). The department of administration shall credit all amounts collected under this paragraph to the appropriation account under s. 20.437 (1) (kw) and shall notify the county from which those amounts are collected of that collection. The department may not expend any moneys from the appropriation account under s. 20.437 (1) (cx) for providing services to children and families under s. 48.48 (17) until the amounts in the appropriation account under s. 20.437 (1) (kw) are exhausted.

SECTION 3. 59.25 (3) (i) of the statutes is amended to read:

59.25 (3) (i) Make annually, on the 3rd Monday of March, a certified statement, and forward the statement to each municipal clerk in the county, showing the amount of money paid from the county treasury during the year next preceding to each municipal treasurer in the county. The statement shall specify the date of each payment, the amount thereof and the account upon which the payment was made. It shall be unlawful for any county treasurer to pay to the treasurer of any town any money

State of Wisconsin
Department of Revenue

Law Change Announcement - 2021 Wisconsin Act 1

February 23, 2021

To: Certified Assessors, Assessor List, Municipal Clerks and Treasurers, County Clerks and Treasurers, Real Property Listers and Registers of Deeds

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR) would like to inform you of [2021 Wisconsin Act 1](#), which includes various changes to simplify DOR administration and improve customer service. Listed below is a summary for each section of the Act, including the state laws impacted and the effective date.

Property Assessment

- **Section 8**
 - Creates a property tax exemption for property owned by a church, exempt under 70.11(4)(a), that is leased to an educational association or institution also exempt under par. (a). Note: The exemption applies regardless of how the lessor uses the leasehold income.
 - Statute created: Sec. 70.11(4)(b)3., Wis. Stats.
 - Effective: Property assessments as of January 1, 2021
- **Section 9**
 - Amends the Board of Review (BOR) member training requirement, starting in 2022, one BOR member must attend training every year
 - Statute amended: Sec. 70.46(4), Wis. Stats.
 - Effective: January 1, 2022
- **Sections 11-12**
 - Changes the filing fee for an appeal of manufacturing property from \$45 to \$200
 - Statute amended: Secs. 70.995(8)(c)1. and 70.995(8)(d), Wis. Stats.
 - Effective: January 1, 2022
- **Sections 97-98**
 - Allows DOR to change the assessor recertification and certification exam fee to reflect actual cost, not to exceed \$75
 - Statute amended: Secs. 73.09(4)(e) and 73.09(5), Wis. Stats.
 - Effective: January 1, 2022

Property Taxes

- Sections 99-102

Sales and Use Tax Exemptions

1. What's exempt?
2. What is the Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate?
3. May a seller obtain other information to document an exemption, instead of an exemption certificate?
4. What if a seller does not obtain an exemption certificate within 90 days after the date of the sale and does not capture and maintain the data elements described in Answer 3?
5. When are occasional sales of taxable products and services exempt from sales or use tax?

1. What's exempt?

Normally, to purchase taxable products or services in Wisconsin without tax, an exemption certificate must be given to the seller.

However, for retail sales of certain exempt property (for example, food sold by grocery stores that does not meet the definitions of "candy", "soft drinks" or "prepared food"), certificates are not required to be given to the seller. For more information, see [Publication 201, Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Information](#).

2. What is the Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate?

[Form S-211, Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate](#), or [S-211E, Electronic Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate](#), [S-211-SST, Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate - Wisconsin version](#) may be used to claim exemption from Wisconsin state, county, baseball stadium and premier resort area sales or use taxes.

- Exemption certificates are signed by purchasers and are given to sellers to verify that a transaction is exempt.
- Sellers should exclude from taxable sales price, the transactions for which they have accepted an exemption certificate from a purchaser as described below.
- Sellers must retain copies of the exemption certificates.

Under Wisconsin law, all sales of taxable products and services are subject to the tax until the contrary is established. However, a seller is relieved of any responsibility for collection or payment of the tax if the seller obtains from the purchaser, within 90 days after the date of the sale, a fully completed exemption certificate which indicates that the purchaser will use the product or service in a manner that is exempt from Wisconsin sales and use tax.



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October 27, 2021

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Why did I get this notice?

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue issued your organization a new 15-digit Certificate of Exempt Status (CES) number. A new CES number will be mailed to you.

Due to a change in state law, we are reviewing CES numbers and issuing new CES numbers to qualifying organizations.

What is a CES number?

A CES number helps retailers identify organizations qualified to make purchases exempt from Wisconsin sales and use tax under sec. 77.54(9a), Wis. Stats.

Your organization will use the new CES number to make purchases exempt from Wisconsin sales and use tax. The old CES number is no longer valid.

What if I have questions?

For additional information and answers to frequently asked questions, search "Certificate of Exempt Status" at revenue.wi.gov.

For further assistance, contact us at any of the following:

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This is your Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Certificate of Exempt Status (CES). Purchases made by your organization or entity are taxable unless you provide the seller a fully completed Wisconsin sales and use tax exemption certificate (Form S-211 or S-211E), listing the CES number shown below.

If your organization makes sales subject to sales tax, it may need a seller's permit. Information on registration requirements can be found in Publication 206, Sales Tax Exemption for Nonprofit Organizations.

Forms and publications can be obtained through our website at revenue.wi.gov or through our forms ordering line at (608) 266-1961. Many questions can be answered by reviewing the Common Questions pages on our website. You may also contact us by telephone at (608) 266-2776 or by email at DORRegistration@revenue.wi.gov.



**WISCONSIN SALES AND USE TAX
 CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPT STATUS (CES)**

(Governmental, Religious, Charitable, Scientific or Educational Organization)

Sales to this organization or entity are exempt from Wisconsin sales and use tax under sec. 77.54(9a) and 77.55(1), Wis. Stats.

This certificate is valid unless cancelled by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

CES NUMBER	008-1029333525-04
DATE ISSUED	10/3/2017

IMPORTANT:

Purchases made by your organization are taxable unless you furnish your supplier with the CES number shown above. Sales by your organization may be subject to tax. If your organization makes taxable sales, it may be required to obtain a seller's permit and remit sales tax to the Department of Revenue.

Questions: Contact the Department of Revenue by telephone at (608) 266-2776, FAX (608) 327-0235, email DORRegistration@wisconsin.gov, or at our website revenue.wi.gov

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HIDTA

High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) program, created by Congress with the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, provides assistance to Federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies operating in areas determined to be critical drug-trafficking regions of the United States. This grant program is administered by the Office of National Drug Control Policy <<https://www.whitehouse.gov/ondcp/>>(ONDCP). There are currently 33 HIDTAs, and HIDTA-designated counties are located in 50 states, as well

<https://www.dea.gov/operations/hidta>

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HIDTA

as in Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia. The DEA plays a very active role and has more than 1,500 authorized special agent positions dedicated to the program. At the local level, the HIDTAs are directed and guided by Executive Boards composed of an equal number of regional Federal and non-Federal (state, local, and tribal) law enforcement leaders. The 2021 HIDTA annual budget is \$290 million.

To qualify for consideration as a HIDTA, an area must meet the following criteria:

- The area is a significant center of illegal drug production, manufacturing, importation, or distribution;
 - State, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies have committed resources to respond to the drug trafficking problem in the area, thereby indicating a determination to respond aggressively to the problem;
 - Drug-related activities in the area are having a significant harmful impact in the area and in other areas of the country; and
 - A significant increase in allocation of Federal resources is necessary to respond adequately to drug related activities in the area.
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News & Updates



ONDCP Director Gupta Issues Statement on Biden Administration's Call to Action on the Overdose Epidemic

THURSDAY, MARCH 3RD, 2022

This week, Office of National Drug Control Policy Director Dr. Rahul Gupta forwarded a communication from The White House that outlined the Biden Administration's comprehensive plan to address addiction and the country's overdose epidemic. The plan's components include:

1. Increasing funding for public health and supply reduction
2. Removing barriers to treatment
3. Reducing harm and saving lives
4. Stopping the trafficking of illicit drugs

The White House specifically mentioned the expansion of the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Program, and its Overdose Response Strategy, funded by ONDCP and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which brings together drug intelligence officers and public health analysts at the local and regional levels to share information and develop evidence-based intervention and support services that reduce overdoses

FACT SHEET: Addressing Addiction and the Overdose Epidemic | The White House (<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/03/01/fact-sheet-addressing-addiction-and-the-overdose-epidemic/>)

Adopted 9/20/2011

Aldermanic District	Total Population	White Population Voting Age (%)	Black Population Voting Age (%)	Hispanic Population Voting Age (%)	Asian Population Voting Age (%)
1	38,515	12.9%	82.3%	2.7%	0.9%
2	41,707	21.3%	67.3%	3.2%	6.9%
3	39,492	84.2%	6.9%	4.3%	3.5%
4	38,607	57.5%	29.8%	5.7%	5.7%
5	38,953	58.7%	33.1%	3.3%	3.3%
6	39,510	16.2%	75.8%	5.7%	1.0%
7	40,029	9.4%	85.8%	2.5%	1.2%
8	39,580	25.7%	6.8%	62.0%	3.5%
9	38,739	34.4%	53.6%	4.5%	6.1%
10	39,467	61.1%	28.8%	5.9%	2.6%
11	40,778	80.8%	3.1%	12.2%	2.5%
12	41,283	20.2%	8.6%	67.8%	1.7%
13	39,703	71.9%	3.3%	19.3%	4.0%
14	39,353	70.0%	2.9%	23.9%	1.4%
15	39,117	5.6%	83.5%	3.3%	6.3%
Total City	594,833	44.6%	36.0%	14.6%	3.4%