

# District Court News



**Hon. Paul E. Craft**  
**Hon. Benjamin L. Harrison**  
County Attorney  
April 2, 2024

Jeffery L. Allison. Arraignment. (1) No/expired registration plates. (2) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. (3) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. FTA. SC.

Christopher Bloomfield. Preliminary Hearing. Defendant FTA 10-29-19. Flagrant non support. Reset. SC.

Daniel S. Cooper. Preliminary Hearing. Possess controlled substance, 1st degree,

1st offense (methamphetamine) METHBLK. CW amend possession 3rd. 12 months c/d 2 years. No offense. 6 months in home. Bond, release to rehab.

Rodger William Highfield Jr. Arraignment. (1) Improper equipment. (2) Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. Drive Safe. CADP. (3) Failure to produce insurance card. CADP. (4) Inadequate silencer (muffler). (5) Failure to notify address change to Department of Transportation.

Amanda N. Hill. Status Hearing. Defendant was state

inmate and needed to do 7 days on WF, need to check to see if defendant has done so or still serving time. In Greenup County. Reset 60 days. Check status.

Todd A. Marshall. Pretrial Conference. Summons. Public intoxication controlled substance (excludes alcohol). FTA. BW.

Carter Moore. Arraignment. (1) Failure to wear seat belts. FTA eligible. Divert. (2) Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. Dism iss. SP. (3) License to be in possession. FTA eligible. Dismiss. SP. (4)

Failure to produce insurance card. Dismiss. SP.

Angela S. Plank. Status Hearing. 4-16.

Angela S. Plank. Status Hearing. (1) Menacing. (2) Resisting arrest. (3) Terroristic threatening, 3rd degree. (4) Disorderly conduct, 1st degree. (5) Carrying a concealed deadly weapon. (6) Public intoxication controlled substance (excludes alcohol). 4-16.

Joseph A. Stanton. Preliminary Hearing. (1) Possess controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine) METHBLK. CW amend to possession 3rd. 12

months c/d 2 years. (2) Rear license not illuminated. Merge. 6 months inpatient rehab. Bond, release to rehab.

Jeremy Taylor. Arraignment. (1) Improper equipment. Drive Safe. (2) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. Reset 8-6. (3) Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. CADP. (4) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. SP. Dismiss. (5) No/expired registration plates. SP. Dismiss.

Chance C. Thompson. Pretrial Conference. Non support. Enhanceable. Reset

10-8, 10:00.

Chance C. Thompson. Pretrial Conference. Failure to register transfer of motor vehicle. 10-8, 10:00.

Sandra E. Watkins. Pretrial Conference. (1) Failure to wear seat belts. FTA eligible. (3) Drug paraphernalia, buy/possess. Reset 7-9.

Tina M. Waughtel. Pretrial Conference. See how doing in rehab. Public intoxication controlled substance (excludes alcohol). FTA. BW.

All information contained in the "Court News" is directly taken from the dockets of the Lewis County Circuit and District Court.

# Circuit Court News



**Hon. Brian C. McCloud**  
**Hon. Melvin C. Leonhart**  
Commonwealth's Attorney  
April 5, 2024

Commonwealth vs. Corey D. Bertram. Pretrial Conference. (1) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (<2 GMS heroin). (2) Persistent felony offender, first degree. FTA. Issue BW.

Commonwealth vs. Corey D. Bertram. Pretrial Conference. (1) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (<2 GMS methamphetamine) METHBLK. (2) Persistent felony offender, first degree. FTA. Issue BW.

Commonwealth vs. Terry L. Brown Jr. Pretrial Conference. Summons. (1) Receiving stolen property (firearm). (2) Convicted felon in possession of a firearm. (3) Persistent felony offender, first degree. Reset 5-3-24.

Commonwealth vs. Paula R. Burriss. Pretrial Conference. (1) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=10 D.U. opiates). Amend (F) (D) <10. Pled Guilty (PG). 5 years. (2) 1st degree possession of CS/drug unspecified, 1st offense. PG. 5 years. (3) Drug paraphernalia, buy/possess. PG. 12 months.

Commonwealth vs. Johnny H. Colegrove Jr. Motion Hour. Motive to determine competency to stand trial. Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=2 GMS methamphetamine) METHBLK. Sustained.

Commonwealth vs. Austin Cooley. Pretrial Conference. Sexual abuse, 1st degree, victim u/12 years of age. Reset 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Ollin Monroe Driggers III. Pretrial Conference. 1st degree possession of CS/drug unspecified, 1st offense. Reset 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Amber N. Frost. Pretrial Conference. (1) Importing heroin. (2) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=2 GMS heroin). (3) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=4 GMS cocaine). (4) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=2 GMS methamphetamine) METHBLK. (5) Tampering with physical evidence. (6) Drug paraphernalia, buy/possess. (7) Persistent felony offender, 2nd degree. Reset 5-3-24.

Commonwealth vs. Alexis Denise Hale. Pretrial Conference. (1) Attempt murder, Police Officer. (2) Receiving stolen property \$10,000 or more. FTA eligible. (3) Wanton endangerment, 1st degree. FTA eligible. (4) Wanton endangerment, 1st degree. FTA eligible. (5) Wanton endangerment, 1st degree. FTA eligible. (6) Wanton endangerment, 1st degree. FTA eligible. (7) Wanton endangerment, 1st degree. FTA eligible. (8) Wanton endangerment, 1st degree. FTA eligible. (9) Wanton endangerment, 1st degree. FTA eligible. (10) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. (11) Persistent felony offender, 1st degree. Reset 5-3-24.

Commonwealth vs. Douglas C. Hampton. Pretrial Conference. (1) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 2nd or > (>=2 GMS methamphetamine). METHBLK. (2) Persistent felony offender, first degree. Reset 5-3-24.

Commonwealth vs. Charles R. Hobbs III. Arraignment. (1) Make false statement to obtain increase benefit >\$100. (2) Persistent felony offender, 2nd degree. Appoint. Pled Not Guilty (PNG). Set pretrial 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Je-

remy D. Horton. Pretrial Conference. (1) Importing heroin. (2) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=2 GMS heroin). (3) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=4 GMS cocaine). (4) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=2 GMS methamphetamine) METHBLK. (5) 1st degree possession of CS/drug unspecified, 1st offense. (6) No household goods for hire cert-infratstate. (7) Tampering with physical evidence. (8) Drug paraphernalia, buy/possess. (9) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. (10) Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. (11) Improper display of registration plates. Reset 5-3-24.

Commonwealth vs. Robbie A. Jones. Arraignment. (1) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=2 GMS methamphetamine) METHBLK. (2) Persistent felony offender, 2nd degree. \$5,000 cash or property. PNG. Set pretrial 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Cody Lyons. Show Cause Deferred/Installment Payment. Reset 5-3-24.

Commonwealth vs. Cody Allen Lyons. Pretrial Conference. (1) Attempt murder, non family, gun. (2) Convicted felon in possession of a handgun. (3) Tampering with physical evidence. (4) Persistent felony offender, 1st degree. Reset 5-3-24.

Commonwealth vs. Jeremy B. McAdams. Pretrial Conference. (1) Criminal possession forged instrument, 1st degree. (2) 1st degree, possession of CS/drug unspecified, 1st offense. (3) 1st degree possession of CS/drug unspecified, 1st offense. (4) Persistent felony offender, 1st

degree. Reset 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Derek McDavid. Pretrial Conference. (1) Unlawful possession of weapon on school property. (2) Criminal mischief, 1st degree. (3) Criminal trespassing, 3rd degree. Reset 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Nathan A. Reid. Pretrial Conference. (1) Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>=2 GMS methamphetamine) METHBLK. (2) Operate motor vehicle under influence substance (189A.010(1C), 4th or >. FTA eligible. (3) Drug paraphernalia, buy/possess. (4) Failure to wear seat belts. FTA eligible. (5) Failure of non owner operator to maintain required insurance 2nd or >. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. (6) Failure to register transfer of motor vehicle. (7) Persistent felony offender, 1st degree. Reset 5-3-24.

Commonwealth vs. Angela F. Ross. Show Cause Hearing. Reset 5-2-24.

Commonwealth vs. George D. Rowe. Show Cause Deferred/Installment Payment. Probation violation (for felony offense). FTA. Issue BW.

Commonwealth vs. Christopher Owen Smith. Pretrial Conference. (1) Assault, 2nd degree. (2) Assault, 2nd degree. (3) Wanton endangerment, 2nd degree. (4) Terroristic threatening, 3rd degree. (5) Resisting arrest. (6) Criminal mischief, 2nd degree. Reset 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Willis W. Stevenson. Pretrial Conference. Sch. Memo: Sh pf of COVID. Summons. Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (<2 GMS methamphetamine). METHBLK. Reset 5-17-24.

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COVID. Summons. Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (<2 GMS methamphetamine). METHBLK. Reset 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Willis W. Stevenson. Pretrial Conference. Sch. Memo: Sh pf of COVID. Summons. Traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (<2 GMS methamphetamine). METHBLK. Reset 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Katie Taylor. Show Cause Hearing. Sch. Memo: Show Cause entered for FTAT on 3-15-24 welfare fraud. 10-4-24.

Commonwealth vs. Patrick Wayne Tumlin. Sentencing. (1A) Unlawful transaction with minor, 2nd degree. PG. 3 years. (2A) Unlawful transaction with minor, 2nd degree. PG. 3 years.

Commonwealth vs. Mary L. Walters. Arraignment. (1) Assault, 2nd degree. (2) Attempt assault, 2nd degree. (3) Assault, 4th, minor injury, no medical attention. Appoint PD. PNG. Set pretrial 5-17-24.

Commonwealth vs. Wayne Weber. Show Cause Deferred/Installment Payment. Reset 8-2-24.

## Notice Of Appointment

Administration has been granted by the Lewis District Court upon the Estate of Roger Dale Sawyer, whose address was 56 Stone Lane, Vanceburg, KY 41179, and Georgia Fay Sawyer, whose address is 2005 Salt Lick Rd., Vanceburg, KY 41179, was appointed Administrator. Dated April 2, 2024.

All creditors having claims against said estate are notified to present them to said Georgia Fay Sawyer, at the address shown verified according to law, not later than six months after the last publication of this notice. Any person owing said estate should make payment to said Georgia Fay Sawyer.

**Teresa Callahan, Clerk Lewis Circuit & District Courts**

Commonwealth vs. Wayne Weber. Show Cause Deferred/Installment Payment. Reset 8-2-24.

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Commonwealth vs. Jessica Zornes. Pretrial Conference. Convicted felon in possession of a handgun. Amend firearm. PG. 3 years.

Commonwealth vs. Jessica A. Zornes. Pretrial Conference. (1) Burglary, 2nd degree. Amend burglary 3rd. PG. 5 years. (2) Theft by unlawful taking, disposition all others. FTA eligible. PG. 3 years. (3) Criminal mischief, 1st degree. PG. 3 years.

## Notice Of Appointment

Administration has been granted by the Lewis District Court upon the Estate of Michael S. Holder, whose address was 5241 Lower Kinney Rd., Vanceburg, KY 41179, and Kimberly A. Ferguson, whose address is 3157 Carlos Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45251, was appointed Administrator. Dated April 2, 2024.

All creditors having claims against said estate are notified to present them to said Kimberly A. Ferguson, at the address shown verified according to law, not later than six months after the last publication of this notice. Any person owing said estate should make payment to said Kimberly A. Ferguson.

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## Marriages

Skylar Marie Grayson, 30, of Tollesboro to Timothy Dale Moore, 45, of Vanceburg.

Tammy Lou Howard, 52, to Roscoe Wayne Egbert, 47, both of Vanceburg.

Alissa Michelle Evans, 20, of Ashland to Gordon Lee Bloomfield, 22, of Vanceburg.

# KSP Morehead announces February activity report

## Herald Report

Kentucky State Police, Post 8, Morehead announces the final traffic and criminal activity report for February 2024. During February, Post 8 personnel issued 1,466 total citations. Of those citations, seven were for DUI, 422 were for Speeding, 187 for No Seat Belt and four were for Child Restraint. In addition, there were 110 Courtesy Notices issued.

Post 8 also investigated 28 Traffic Collisions, 559 Complaints, opened 29 Criminal Cases, and made 137 Criminal Arrests for the month of February.

Additionally, Captain John Dowdy, Post Commander of the Kentucky

State Police at Morehead, announces that Troopers of the Morehead Post will be conducting Safety Checkpoints in addition to Moving Patrols throughout the Post 8 area which includes Bath, Menifee, Montgomery, Rowan, Fleming, Mason, Lewis, Powell, Wolfe, Morgan, and Elliott counties during the remainder of the year. Motorists are urged to be cautious and obey reduced speeds through road construction zones.

This concentrated enforcement effort will utilize Troopers and Detectives assigned to and working the Morehead Post area. Members of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVE)

will also be utilized. They will focus on enforcing violations of Speeding, No Seat Belt, Child Restraint, Impaired Driving Laws, and Texting While Driving, as

well as other violations of the Traffic Laws of Kentucky.

<https://www.kentuckystatepolice.ky.gov/post8checkpoints>

Commonwealth of Kentucky  
Court of Justice  
Lewis CIRCUIT COURT  
Civil Action No. 23-CI-00172

MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP PLAINTIFF  
v. UNKNOWN HEIRS, LEGATEES AND DEVISEES OF RUFFICE GORDON BROWN, et al. DEFENDANTS

**AMENDED NOTICE OF MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the Lewis Circuit Court on March 15, 2024, to raise the sum of \$7,319.93, plus interest, fees and costs, I will expose for sale to the highest and best bidder, at the Lewis County Courthouse, 112 Second Street, Vanceburg, Kentucky, 41179, on Thursday, April 18, 2024, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., the following property:

A tract of land located at 2198 Briary Road, Quincy, KY 41166 and identified as Lewis Co. P.V.A. Parcel No.: 130-00-00-020.00. The land is more particularly described in the record of this action located in the office of the Lewis Circuit Court Clerk, where it can be reviewed upon request.

Terms of the sale are as follows: (A) At the time of sale, the successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. In the event the successful bidder elects to credit the balance, said bidder shall post bond with surety acceptable to the Master Commissioner and pre-approved by the Master Commissioner at least by noon, two (2) business days before the sale date, as security for the unpaid purchase price, bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of the sale. The surety must be present at the sale and must own real estate in Kentucky, but may not be the successful bidder's spouse. A lien shall be retained by the Commissioner as security for the purchase price; (B) The purchaser shall assume and pay all taxes and assessments for the current fiscal year. (C) All other delinquent taxes and assessments for previous years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser within ten (10) days from the date of sale; (D) If a successful bid is less than two-thirds of the appraised value, the defendant shall retain a right of redemption for six months from the date of sale; the purchaser shall receive an immediate writ of possession and a deed containing a lien in favor of the defendant reflecting the defendant's right of redemption. KRS 426.530; (E) The property shall otherwise be sold free and clear of any right, title and interest of all parties to the action and of their liens and encumbrances thereon, excepting easements and restrictions of record in the Lewis County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America or the Defendant(s); (F) For more particulars, reference is made to the records of the Lewis Circuit Clerk; (G) Bidders are advised to obtain a title examination; (H) Exceptions must be filed not later than ten (10) days following the filing of the Commissioner's Report of Sale; (I) Risk of loss for the subject property shall pass to the purchaser on the date of sale, and possession of the premises shall pass to the purchaser upon payment of the purchase price and delivery of deed.

CLAYTON G. LYKINS, JR., MASTER COMMISSIONER  
21 SECOND STREET, VANCEBURG, KY 41179  
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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**TES SBDM MEETINGS** - The Tollesboro Elementary School Site Based Decision Making Meeting will be held April 15, at 3:30 p.m. The meetings are held the third Monday of each month.

**COVERED BRIDGE CHAPTER APRIL MEETING** - The Covered Bridge Chapter, KPR, will meet Thursday, April 11, at 11:00 a.m. at the Double S Entertainment Center on Foster Street in Flemingsburg. Guest speakers will be G & M Tours. All members are urged to attend.

**WIC WANTS YOU!** - WIC offers health care and free healthy foods for eligible women and children under age 5. Call the Lewis County Health Department to find out if you qualify. Ex. of WIC Program Income Guidelines: A family of 4 can make up to \$51,338 annually. Call today 606-796-2632.

**LEWIS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY** - Will meet the third Saturday of each month at Noon at the Historical Society building on Market Street, Vanceburg.

**BENCHMARK FAMILY SERVICES** - Benchmark Family Services is taking applications for foster parenting. As the largest private foster care agency in the state of Kentucky, we are able to provide our foster parents with an unmatched level of training, support, and financial reimbursement. To learn more about becoming a foster parent, please call 606-783-0268 or go to [www.benchmarkfs.org](http://www.benchmarkfs.org).

**GRASCALS CELEBRATING 20 YEARS RETURNS TO YEARS OF FARMING** - The Grascals are returning to Years of Farming on Sunday, April 14, at 2:00 p.m. at Double S Entertainment, 150 Foster Street, Flemingsburg. Lincoln Mash and Heather Alley will open our 110th show! Tickets are \$20 available in advance on my website [www.yearsoffarming.com](http://www.yearsoffarming.com) or at the door. Children 12 and under accompanied by an adult are admitted free. We hope you will join us at Years of Farming for an afternoon of awesome bluegrass music. It is a terrific opportunity to see this caliber of artists in our area. If you are not familiar with any of our bands, whether a feature band or an opening band, check their websites and/or YouTube for some of their music and history and you will want to attend! For more information contact Paula Hinton at 606-748-0798 or [paulahinton2000@yahoo.com](mailto:paulahinton2000@yahoo.com).

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