



District Court News

**Hon. Paul E. Craft
Hon. Benjamin L. Harrison
County Attorney
March 11, 2025**

Leah Cooley. Arraignment. Violation of Kentucky E.P.O./D.V.O. Pled Not Guilty (PNG). Appoint PD. PTC 3-18.

Anthony Flinders. Other Hearing. BW served for FTA 1-22-2019 money due \$273 an additional \$30 fee if arrested by sheriff. Credit 5 days served. Discharge remainder of fines and costs.

Anthony Flinders J/S. Other Hearing. BW served for FTA 1-22-2019 money due \$2,214.45 (\$1,944.24 in restitution) an additional \$30 fee if arrested by sheriff. Credit 5 days served. Discharge fines and costs.

Wayne L. Puckett. Other Hearing. BW served for FTA 6-25-24 for money due \$273. Waive fines and costs.

Ira T. Williams. Arraignment. (1) Inadequate silencer (muffler). (2) No operators/moped license. FTA eligible. (3) Operate motor vehicle under influence alcohol .08 (189A.010(1A) 1st. FTA eligible. 4-8.

Savannah Joanne Ander-

son. Diversion Completion. Dismissed/Diverted.

Amanda Bauer. Diversion Completion. Dismissed/Diverted.

Karter Bentley. Diversion Completion. Dismissed/Diverted.

Johnny Ray Bevins. Diversion Completion. Dismissed/Diverted.

Stephanie Arlene Buff. Arraignment. (1) Careless driving. FTA eligible. (2) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. (3) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. (4) Improper registration plate. (5) Failure to produce insurance card. (6) No/expired registration plates. PNG. 4-15.

Michael Byrd. Diversion Completion. Dismissed/Diverted.

Frank Coburn. Status Hearing. See how doing in rehab. Waive fines and costs.

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Roberta Ruth Colby. Diversion Completion. Dismissed/Diverted.

Timothy Wayne Evans. Diversion Completion. Dismissed/Diverted.

Jodiha B. Gifford. Diversion Completion. Drive Safe. Redocketed.

Joshua Gilliam. Status Hearing. Flagrant non support. Reset 5-20.

Darla Gore. Arraignment. (1) Criminal mischief, 2nd degree. (2) Local county ordinance. No contact. PNG. 3-25, 10:00.

Trent Gore. Arraignment. (1) Criminal mischief, 2nd degree. (2) Local county ordinance. No contact. PNG. 3-25, 10:00.

Raymond Britt Grant. Show Cause Hearing. (1) Speeding 23 mph over limit. FTA eligible. (2) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. FTA. NF. BW.

Charles Hall. Arraignment. (1) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. (2) Failure of non owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1st. FTA eligible.

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hanceable. (3) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. (4) Failure to produce insurance card. (5) Failure to notify address change to Department of Transportation. Reset.

Charles Hall I. Show Cause Deferred/Installment Payment. Reset.

Dalton R. King. Arraignment. Operate motor vehicle under influence alcohol <21 YOA. FTA eligible. Amend to public intoxication. Reset 3-18.

Roger Michael Massengale. Show Cause Hearing. (1) Rear license not illuminated. (2) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. (3) Failure to notify address change to Department of Transportation. (4) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. (5) Failure to produce insurance card. FTA. NF. BW. OR bond.

Randy Blake Morgan. Diversion Completion. Redocketed.

Erin Pitts. Diversion Completion. Harboring a vicious animal. Dismissed/Diverted.

Jared None Rankins. Show Cause Hearing. Disregarding traffic control device, traffic light. FTA eligible. FTA. NF.

Christopher Greg Sumrall. Diversion Completion. Redocketed.

Kenton Swingler. Arraignment. All terrain vehicles violations. Reset 3-18.

Thomas Tolle. Arraignment. (1) One headlight. SP. (2) No tail lamps. SP. (3) Rear license not illuminated. SP. (4) Failure to produce insurance card. SP. (5) Failure of non owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1st. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. Diversion Program. (6) Failure to reg-

ister transfer of motor vehicle. SP, dismiss. (7) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. SP, dismiss. (8) No/expired registration plates. SP, dismiss. (9) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. SP, dismiss. Christopher A. Webb. Diversion Completion. Dismissed/Diverted. Waive BFF. Jonathan Tyler Wheeler. Diversion Completion. Anger Management classes must be complete. Dismissed/Diverted. Matthew David Willis. Status Hearing. See how doing in rehab. 4-9. Matthew David Willis. Status Hearing. See how doing in rehab. 4-9. Anthony James Burton. Pretrial Conference. (1) One headlight. (2) Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. FTA eligible. (3) Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. (4) No/expired registration plates. (5) Possession of marijuana. (6) Drug paraphernalia, buy/possess. Appoint PD. Pled Guilty (PG). C/d 5 days WF, wants to do 7. Reset. 5-2. William Carver. Preliminary Hearing. Criminal mischief, 1st degree. Amend criminal mischief 2nd. PG. 12 months, c/d 2 years. Restitution \$500. Violate no law. SC. Lola Chen. Revocation Hearing. Withdraw. Lola D. Chen. Pretrial Conference. (1) Operate motor vehicle under influence controlled substance (189A. 010(1D) 3rd. FTA eligible. PG. 12 months, serve 30, credit 27, c/d 2 years, violate no law. (2) Leaving scene of accident/failure to render aid or assistance. FTA eligible. Merge. (3) Endangering the welfare of a minor. 12 months, serve 30 days consecutive. Total of 60 days. C/d 2 years, violate no law, cooperate with cabinet. Report 4-11, 6:00 p.m. William Coburn. Revocation Hearing. Amend bond, attend inpatient rehab. 4-8. William J. Coburn. Revocation Hearing. Amend bond, attend inpatient rehab. 4-8. Cydnie Cook. Pretrial Conference. (1) Facilitation assault, 2nd degree. (2) Facilitation unlawful impris-

onment, 1st degree. Appoint PD. 4-15, 10:00. Leslie Eldridge. Pretrial Conference. Harassing communications. PG. 90 days serve 10, credit 10. Appoint PD.

John Everman. Preliminary Hearing. Criminal mischief, 1st degree. Def waives time. 4/8. John Everman. Preliminary Hearing. Criminal mischief, 1st degree. Def waives time, 4-8.

John Everman. Preliminary Hearing. (1) Operate motor vehicle under influence alcohol (189A.010(1B) 1st. FTA eligible. (2) Fleeing or evading police, 1st degree (motor vehicle). FTA eligible. (3) All terrain vehicles violations. (4) Disorderly conduct, 1st degree. Def waives time, 4-8.

John Everman. Pretrial Conference. Harassment, no physical contact. 4-8.

Amber N. Gillum. Pretrial Conference. Operate motor vehicle under influence alcohol .08 (189A.010(1A) 1st. FTA eligible. PG.

Christina Kilgore Lykins. Pretrial Conference. (1) Speeding 10 mph over limit. FTA eligible. (2) Possession of marijuana. 5 days WF. 3-18, 10:00.

Fred Pollard. Preliminary Hearing. (1A) Torture of a dog or cat. (2) Torture of a dog or cat. 4-8, 10:00.

Marshall Dustin Stone. Pretrial Conference. (1) Disregarding stop sign. FTA eligible. (2) Failure to wear seat belts. FTA eligible. (3) Operate motor vehicle under influence alcohol .08 (189.010(1A) 1st. FTA eligible. Reset 3-25, pretrial.

Melissa Stone. Motion Hour. Motion for restitution. \$500 deductible. Russell Eugene Cottingham. Court Trial. Bench Trial. (1) Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. (2) Improper equipment. (3) Failure to produce insurance card. (4) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. (5) No/expired registration plates. CW move to dismiss without prejudice.

Russell Eugene Cottingham. Court Trial. Bench Trial. (1) Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st. FTA eligible. Enhanceable. (2) Improper equipment. (3) Failure to produce insurance card. (4) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. (5) No/expired registration plates. CW move to dismiss without prejudice.

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Property Transfers



The City of Vanceburg, Kentucky to Dana L. Blankenship and Deborah J. Blankenship. 53 Fairlane Drive, Vanceburg, \$7,900.

Michael David Crawford to Dana L. Blankenship and Deborah J. Blankenship. Two parcels Vanceburg, Lexington Ave. \$8,000.

Penny Lee Johnson to Mark Andrew Mitchell and Tamara Darlene Sohn. Lot #37 Jordan Estates, Garrison.

\$10,000.

Brenda J. Byard, John M. Byard, Roger Duane Thomas, Mary Carol Thomas, Melanie Joan Stillwell, Joseph Edward Stillwell, Julie Marie Porter, Gregory Lee Porter II, Brandon Todd Elliott, Karyn Elizabeth Jimenez-Elliott, Lori Nicole Elliott, Christopher Bryan Elliott, Delaney Brian Elliott, Rachel Marie Elliott, Arthur Brent Moore, Elva Louise Moore, Pam J. Moore-

Scheaffer, and Frederic M. Scheaffer to Orus L. Weaver and Lydia A. Weaver. Three parcels near Buck Lick Creek. \$90,000.

Barbara Mitchell and Michael R. Mitchell to Makayla Danielle Moore. Lots #50 and #51 Sunny Heights Addition. \$44,000.

William E. Ginn II and Renee L. Ginn to William Ginn. 3.077 acres KY 1306 Kinniconick. \$1.00.

Legislative Update

State Representative Patrick Flannery



Week In Review: House continues advancing legislation as regular session enters final days

The legislature is scheduled to adjourn the 2025 regular session by midnight, March 28. As this date now draws closer, the House has continued its passage of many key measures related to education, Medicaid, criminal justice, and more. The following bills were passed and will now move to the Senate for consideration:

Protecting the rights of property owners: House Bill 10 is aimed at protecting property owners from unlawful occupation and damage caused by squatters. Kentucky property owners have increasingly faced challenges with squatters who illegally occupy homes, commercial properties, railroads, and land, often leaving behind immense destruction and costly repair bills. This measure would establish a streamlined process for law enforcement to remove unauthorized occupants from private property while enhancing penalties for those who unlawfully damage real estate.

Providing additional student and school safety measures: House Bill 14 would allow school districts to employ an enhanced security system that includes a wearable alert alarm system and direct the Center for School Safety to establish the Wearable Panic Alert Grant Program to support districts as they seek access to these devices.

Reducing red tape for teachers: House Bill 48, otherwise known as the Red Tape Reduction Act, would remove burdensome administrative policies and standards that take a teacher's time away from the students in the classroom. This legislation would standardize professional development schedules, reduce the frequency of summative evaluations, and remove unnecessary requirements set by the Kentucky Department of Education to give teachers more time to focus on instruction.

Amending landowner liability: House Bill 114 would amend the landowner liability exemptions list to include rock climbing, bouldering, and rappelling.

Expanding options for high achieving students: House Bill 190 would require school districts to establish an advanced coursework pathway policy for distinguished high-potential students in grades 4-12.

Improving farm-to-table poultry access: House Bill 278 would align state law with federal policy by allowing small poultry farms and processors to use an exemption from the United States Department of Agriculture to sell poultry directly to consumers at farms, farmers markets, and roadside stands. Currently, Kentucky is one of two states in the nation that does not utilize this exemption.

Strengthening DUI penalties: House Bill 456 would toughen the penalties for repeat offenders who drive under the influence of drugs and enhance requirements for ignition interlock devices. The measure would also clarify testing protocols and enhance legal consequences for aggravated circumstances, such as excessive speeding, driving the wrong way on highways, and DUI incidents resulting in serious injury or death.

Ensuring continuity of care: House Bill 501 would ensure that patients still have access to their necessary prescription medications in the event that their prescribing doctor passes away. The measure establishes guidelines for pharmacists to follow when a prescribing doctor passes away.

Protecting highway workers: House Bill 664 would establish a framework for the use of automated speed enforcement devices in highway work zones. Under this bill, a peace officer may issue a citation in a highway work zone at the time of an offense based on images transmitted by an automated speed enforcement device if a

motor vehicle is detected traveling more than 10 mph over the posted speed limit, at least one bona fide worker is present in the highway work zone, and a certified peace officer is stationed in or near the end of the work zone in a marked vehicle.

Addressing election issues and concerns: House Bill 684 would make a wide variety of adjustments in response to issues that arose during the 2024 election cycle. Changes under this bill include the roles of county clerks and county boards of election, filing deadlines, absentee voting, polling places, filing requirements, and candidate information.

Expanding child welfare data reporting: House Bill 805 would expand the scope of the child welfare data reporting process to include situations where children are identified as at risk of harm in a child safety plan negotiated between a family and the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, establish a timeline for the location of children who have been re-

ported to be at risk of harm, include children who are alleged victim of domestic violence, abuse, or sexual assault for automatic investigation of reports, and require the Cabinet to track and analyze data on relative and fictive kin caregiver placements.

Reducing red tape for student athletes: House Joint Resolution 49 would direct the Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) to submit a report to the Legislative Research Commission on the transfer information of student athletes from past two full academic and athletic years in order for the General Assembly to investigate governing policies and address concerns.

As always, I can be reached anytime through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181. You can also contact me via email at Patrick.Flannery@kylegislature.gov and keep track through the Kentucky legislature's website at legislature.ky.gov.

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Notice is hereby given that Texas Eastern Transmission, LP, 915 N. Eldridge Parkway Suite 09.107.C Houston, TX 77079, has filed an application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to investigate one (1) anomaly on an existing natural gas pipeline within the 100-year floodplain of a USGS-mapped perennial stream Indian Creek. Project components within the floodplain include approximately 150-feet of project access and one (1) staging area measuring 100'x100'. Indian Creek will be avoided by construction activities. The Project is located northwest of McCless Hollow Road, Vanceburg, KY 41179. Any comments or questions concerning this application shall be directed to: KY Division of Water, Surface Water Permit Branch, Flood Plain Management Section 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone (502) 564-3410.

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CHUCK MARSHALL Auctions

Vehicle Auction

April 4th, 2025 @ 5:00 Pm.

Live & On-Line Bidding

Location: 4565 Maysville Rd. Flemingsburg, Ky. (Chuck Marshall's Sales Lot)

20 Plus Vehicles Consigned By Licking Valley Community Action Program. Consist of Handicap Vans- Cars- Trucks

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