

CIRCUIT COURT RECORDS

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- Dustin Wayne Stidham, 1990, show cause hearing. Bench warrant.
- Jayden Adam Terrell, 2004, preliminary hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation).
- Carolyn C. T aylor, 1960, status hearing. Enhancement TICS (first degree, first offense, two or more grams methamphetamine), enhancement TICS (first offense, carfentanil or fentanyl derivatives), enhancement TICS (first degree, first offense, 10 or more dosage units, drug unspecified), TICS (third degree, first offense, more than 120 dosage units, drug unspecified), enhancement TICS (third degree, first offense, less than 20 dosage units, drug unspecified), enhancement trafficking in marijuana (less than eight ounces, first offense) and enhancement possession of drug paraphernalia-buy/possess.
- Richard Lee Vanderen, 1956, pretrial conference. Two counts wanton endangerment (first degree), fleeing or evading police (first degree), operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol (first), resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, two counts menacing, possession of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle and contempt of court.
- Harvey Dallas Woosley, 1950, status hearing. Five counts sexual abuse (first degree), three counts rape (third degree), sodomy (third degree), unlawful transaction with a minor (first degree, illegal sex act), human trafficking (commercial sex activity, less than 18 years of age).
- Harvey Dallas Woosley, 1950, status hearing. Five counts sexual abuse (first degree), six counts rape (third degree), sodomy (third degree), unlawful transaction with a minor (first degree, illegal sex act), human trafficking (commercial sex activity, less than 18 years of age).
- Linda S. Harwood, 1988, motion hour, motion to file belated appeal. Motion denied. No jurisdiction and even if we did, way past deadline to appeal and no good cause shown.
- Richard Vanderan, 1956, pretrial conference. Disorderly conduct (second degree).
- Richard L. Vanderan, 1956,

- pretrial conference. Two cases of harassing communications.
- Richard Lee Vanderan, 1956, pretrial conference. Resisting arrest.
- Zachery Joseph Strahm, 1989, status hearing. Guilty plea entered for intimidating a participant in legal process, assault (fourth degree, domestic violence, minor injury), nine counts unlawful imprisonment (second degree), operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and violation of a Kentucky E.P.O./D.V.O.
- Two counts wanton endangerment (second degree) and one count menacing were dismissed.
- Kenneth Wesley Gaunce, 1987, preliminary hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation).
- Kevin Baker Holbert, 1970, preliminary hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation).
- Adam Knipper, 1984, preliminary hearing. Two cases of probation violation (for technical violation).
- Craig Allen Roe, 1988, preliminary hearing. Two cases of probation violation (for technical violation).

CASES BEING HEARD IN CIRCUIT COURT BY THE HON. WILLIAM J. VERAX, IV ON JUNE 16 WERE COMMONWEALTH VERSUS:

- Cody Ray Baker, 1994, arraignment. Strangulation (first degree, domestic violence related), assault (second degree, domestic violence, wanton endangerment (first degree) and persistent felony offender (first degree). Not guilty plea entered.
- Steven Lane, 1965, arraignment. Strangulation (first degree, domestic violence related), wanton endangerment (first degree), assault (fourth degree, domestic violence, minor injury) and persistent felony offender (first degree). Not guilty plea entered.
- Bobby Ray Lynam III, 1989, arraignment. Convicted felon in possession of a handgun and persistent felony offender (first degree). Not guilty plea entered.
- Bobby Ray Lynam III, 1989, arraignment. Enhancement trafficking in a controlled substance (TICS) (first degree, second or subsequent offense, two or more grams methamphetamine), enhancement TICS (second degree, second or subsequent offense, 10 or more dosage units hallucinogen), enhancement trafficking in marijuana (more than eight ounces but less than five pounds), enhancement drug paraphernalia — buy/possess, rear license not illuminated, no rear view mirror and persistent

- felony offender (first degree). Not guilty plea entered.
- Bobby Ray Lynam III, 1989, arraignment. Tampering with physical evidence, receiving stolen property and persistent felony offender (first degree). Not guilty plea entered.
- Zachary Layne Arnold, 1984, status hearing. Possession of a controlled substance (first degree, third or subsequent offense, drug unspecified).
- Zachary Layne Arnold, 1984, status hearing. TICS (first degree, first offense, less than two grams methamphetamine) and persistent felony offender (first degree).
- Michael Jamal Barnes Jr., 1995, status hearing. Aggravated TICS (more than 28 grams fentanyl), TICS (second offense, carfentanil or fentanyl derivatives), TICS (first degree, second or subsequent offense, four or more grams cocaine) and persistent felony offender (first degree).
- Michael Jamal Barnes Jr., 1995, status hearing. TICS (second offense, carfentanil or fentanyl derivatives), trafficking in marijuana (second or subsequent offense, less than eight ounces) and persistent felony offender (first offense).
- Michael Jamal Barnes Jr., 1995, status hearing. Retaliating against participant in legal process, terroristic threatening (third degree) and persistent felony offender (first offense).
- Jeremy Benton, 1983, review.
- Tommy Burton Jr., 1961, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation).
- Aaron Zachary Childers, 2005, review. Admit to marijuana use. Remain on diversion.
- Kenneth Collins, 1987, preliminary hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation).
- Samantha Jo Colvin, 1987, pretrial conference. Fraudulent use of I.D. card or electronic code for benefits. Guilty plea. Two years diverted for three.
- Jeffrey Dean Davis, 1984, preliminary hearing. Two cases probation violation (for technical violation).
- Samantha Leigh Davis, 1993, pretrial conference. TICS (first degree, first offense, less than two grams methamphetamine), drug paraphernalia — buy/possess, license to be in possession, no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance and persistent felony offender (second degree).
- Deviny Rene Delano, 1997, status hearing. Engaging in organized crime-criminal syndicate. Bond taken under advisement.

- Deviny Rene Delano, 1997, status hearing. TICS (first degree, first offense, two or more grams methamphetamine) and complicity TICS (first degree, first offense, two or more grams methamphetamine). Bond taken under advisement.
- Deviny Rene Delano, 1997, status hearing. Two cases TICS (first degree, first offense, less than two grams methamphetamine) and complicity TICS (first degree, first offense, two or more grams methamphetamine). Bond taken under advisement.
- Harly Joseph Delano, 1985, status hearing. Engaging in organized crime-criminal syndicate.
- Harly Joseph Delano, 1985, status hearing. TICS (first degree, first offense, two or more grams methamphetamine) and complicity TICS (first degree, first offense, two or more grams methamphetamine).
- Harly Joseph Delano, 1985, status hearing. Two cases TICS (first degree, first offense, less than two grams methamphetamine) and complicity TICS (first degree, first offense, two or more grams methamphetamine).
- Eric Paul Dingus, 1973, review. Admit to violation of substance abuse. Remain on diversion.
- Cynthia Fain Drake, 1963, sentencing. Possession of a controlled substance (first degree, third or subsequent offense, methamphetamine). Two years probated for five. Substance abuse and mental health assessments.
- Cynthia Lynn Ebeling, 1960, status hearing. Possession of a controlled substance (first degree, first offense, methamphetamine) and drug paraphernalia — buy/possess. Bond taken under advisement.
- Cynthia Lynn Ebeling, 1960, status hearing. Bail jumping (first degree). Bond taken under advisement.
- Ethan Monroe Farrow, 1990, review.
- Kenneth Wesley Gaunce, 1987, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation).
- Elijah Jibril Hamler, 1992, status hearing. Aggravated TICS (28 or more grams fentanyl), aggravated TICS (10 or more grams carfentanil or fentanyl derivatives), TICS (second offense, heroin), TICS (third degree, second or subsequent offense, less than 20 dosage units, drug unspecified), importing carfentanil, fentanyl or fentanyl derivatives, importing heroin and persistent felony offender (first degree).
- Tara Jade Harmon, 1985, probation revocation hearing. Two cases probation violation (for technical violation). Admission to failure to complete treatment and failure to complete drug court.

- Impose sentence and remand to custody.
- Stephen Hicks, 1986, motion hour.
- Kevin Baker Holbert, 1970, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation). Admission to cocaine use.
- Adam Knipper, 1984, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation). Admits failure to complete treatment.
- Adam Ray Knipper, 1984, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation).
- Morgan Ashley Korb, 2002, status hearing. TICS (second offense, carfentanil or fentanyl derivatives), TICS (first degree, second or subsequent offense, methamphetamine), public intoxication controlled substance (excludes alcohol) and persistent felony offender (second degree).
- Logan Caine Lusby, 1999, review.
- Charles Travis Martin, 1978, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation).
- Charles Travis Martin, 1978, status hearing. Strangulation (first degree, domestic violence related), wanton endangerment (first degree), assault (fourth degree, domestic violence, minor injury), alcohol intoxication in a public place, resisting arrest, criminal mischief (second degree) and persistent felony offender (second degree).
- Charles Travis Martin, 1978, status hearing. Assault (second degree, domestic violence), wanton endangerment (first degree) and persistent felony offender (second degree).
- Charles Travis Martin, 1978, status hearing. Assault (second degree, domestic violence), terroristic threatening and persistent felony offender (second degree).
- Kayla Sargent McCoy, 1989, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation). Admits to failure to complete drug court.
- Kevin McCoy, 1982, disposition hearing. Probation

- violation (for technical violation). Remand to impose sentence, two years.
- Bradley Aaron Rice, 1988, status hearing. Custodial interference and persistent felony offender (first degree).
- Bradley Aaron Rice, 1988, status hearing. Bail jumping (first degree) and persistent felony offender (first degree).
- Donna Gail Rice, 1970, status hearing. Custodial interference.
- Craig Allen Roe, 1988, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation). Admits to use of amphetamine and methamphetamine, failure to complete substance abuse treatment, failure to submit to testing.
- Shawn C. Sears, 2005, pretrial conference. Fleeing or evading police (first degree, motor vehicle), reckless driving, operating a motor vehicle with expired operator's license and speeding 26 m.p.h. or greater.
- Kyler Lee Snapp, 1998, show cause hearing.
- Jayden Adam Terrell, 2004, probation revocation hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation). Admission to new misdemeanor arrest. Drug court assessment order.
- Kelly Marie Wiglesworth, 1979, status hearing. Knowingly exploit adult by person resulting in a loss over \$300 and fraudulent use of credit card (\$1,000 but less than \$10,000). Guilty plea. Sentencing on July 7.
- Christopher Warren Williams, 1982, status hearing. Theft by unlawful taking (\$1,000 but less than \$10,000).
- Christopher Yazell, 1983, preliminary hearing. Probation violation (for technical violation). Extend probation five years.
- Wade Lee Montgomery, 1984, arraignment. TICS (second degree, second or subsequent offense, 20 or more dosage units, drug unspecified) and persistent felony offender (first degree). Not guilty plea entered. Bond taken under advisement.

ASK RUSTY

Dear Rusty: Regarding Social Security's financial issues, three people contributing to Social Security for every one beneficiary sounds to me like a surplus. If they had given workers their own accounts, similar to a 401k, where they could manage their own money, it would have worked out more favorably for retirees. President George W Bush suggested these changes, but it was shot down by Congress. The average worker now pays a 6.2% Social Security tax. If the government had bumped it up to say 7%, I don't believe that me or anyone else would have cried too hard. There are ways of correcting this before the SS reserves are depleted and, hopefully, Congress will address Social Security's financing soon. Signed: Skeptical Senior




RUSSELL GLOOR

Dear Skeptical: Believe it or not, putting SS contributions (from payroll taxes) into separate individual accounts is not really a good idea. For information, most people get back all payroll taxes they contributed to Social Security within about five years of receiving SS benefits. Even with decent public market returns, some individual separate accounts would eventually run out of money, causing some to lose Social Security benefits before they die, meaning they would likely live in poverty. People are now collecting benefits (on average) for decades, and the current SS format means that even those who contribute only a small amount will collect benefits no matter how long they live. Remember, the primary purpose of the SS program is to reduce poverty in America. FYI, President Bush's

plan had opposition in the 2005 Congress largely because of the cost to transition to that plan and the fear that investments in the public markets subjected individual retirement savings to unacceptable risk. In any case, few have since advocated investing Social Security funds in the public financial markets because of the risks and the political backlash. And adding a small amount to the FICA/SECA payroll tax rate only somewhat mitigates the problem — it doesn't completely solve it. I'm afraid that Social Security's financial issues are more complex than that and can't be fully solved by a small increase in SS payroll taxes. You are right — Congress

can (and, we are confident, will) address this, and hopefully soon. For its part, AMAC (the Association of Mature American Citizens) and the AMAC Foundation have been evaluating this issue for years and have developed a Social Security reform plan for Congress to consider. And we are actively promoting our reform plan in Washington, D.C. Please know that we share your concerns about the future of Social Security and will continue to work hard to ensure the program is here for many generations. This article is intended for information purposes only and does not represent legal or financial guidance.

GARAGE SALE
Multi Family Yard Sale
1387 Commonwealth
June 25th - 27th
9am to 5pm
Toys, Pocket Knives, Home Decor, Plus Size Clothing (M-3XL), Antique Furniture, Books, Boys & Girls Clothing (NB - Age 7), Kitchen Table, & Much More



LEGAL NOTICE

MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE

The Master Commissioner of the Harrison Circuit Court will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder(s) at the Harrison County Justice Center, in Cynthiana, Kentucky, on Friday, July 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., the following properties listed below: Pursuant to a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Harrison Circuit Court on June 2, 2026, in Civil Action No. 25-CI-00290 styled **PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Preston Spencer and Unknown Spouse of Preston Spencer, Defendants:**
5393 U.S. Highway 27 South, Cynthiana, KY 41031
Parcel ID# 106-0000-018-01-000
See Deed Book 392, Page 472.

The property is being sold to produce a sum sufficient to satisfy the judgments and liens as follows: (a) The costs of this action, including the Master Commissioner's fee, appraiser's fee and advertising costs; (b) Judgment for PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, Plaintiff, in the amount of \$246,893.24 plus interest at the rate of 6.375% per annum from February 6, 2026 until paid, (c) Real estate taxes, plus interest and penalties, if any, for taxes assessed for the year 2025 and previous years. (d) Plaintiff Court costs and attorney fees.

Attorney for Plaintiff: Hon. Maria T. Williams

Terms of Sale:

All properties shall be sold upon the following terms and conditions unless otherwise noted: (1) The property shall be sold free and clear of all liens and claims of the parties to this action; (2) The purchaser shall be required to pay the sum of 10% of the purchase price in cash, certified funds or by other immediately verifiable collectable medium of exchange acceptable to the Commissioner, on the day of sale to apply on the purchase price; (3) The balance of the purchase price shall be due and payable within thirty (30) days after the day of sale; (4) The purchaser shall be required to execute a bond with good and sufficient surety thereon as approved by the Commissioner to secure the unpaid portion of the purchase price, the bond to bear interest at the rate the judgment bears, from the day of sale until paid, the bond to have the same force and effect as a judgment and shall remain a lien on the property as additional security until the purchase price is paid in full; (5) The purchaser shall have the privilege of paying all or any part of the purchase price or paying the bond before maturity by paying the balance of the principal together with all accrued interest thereon until the date of payment; (6) The purchaser shall obtain possession of the property upon confirmation of the sale by the Court and payment of the purchase price in full; (7) All ad valorem taxes on the property for calendar year 2026 and all subsequent years shall be assumed and paid by the purchaser. All real property taxes due and owing to Harrison County or the City of Cynthiana or City of Berry, if applicable, for 2025 and prior years will be paid from the proceeds of sale. (8) The property shall be sold subject to any assessment for public improvements levied against the property and subject to all rules and regulations enforced by the Cynthiana-Harrison County-Berry Joint Planning and Zoning Commission, all applicable health and safety regulations, all restrictions and easements thereon appearing of record in the Harrison County Court Clerk's Office, governmental laws and regulations affecting the property, and shall be subject to any unrecorded easements, discrepancies or conflicts in boundary lines, shortage in area and encroachments, if any there be, which an accurate and complete survey or an inspection of the property would disclose; (9) The purchaser shall bear the risk of loss on the improvements on the property and the risk of loss shall pass to the purchaser as of the day and time of sale; (10) The property shall be sold with any improvements thereon "as is"; and (11) The property shall be sold subject to such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America pursuant to 28 USC Section 2410, and the right of redemption of the Defendants, if applicable, and any rights or requirements imposed by Civil Rule 4.11, if applicable.

All bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Hon. John Lair
Master Commissioner
Harrison Circuit Court