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Charles Sergent, (1) trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>= 2 GMS methamphetamine); (2) tampering with physical evidence; (3) convicted felon in possession of a handgun; (4) possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense – drug unspecified. Status Hearing August 21, 2026.

Devon Shelton, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (opiates). Status Hearing August 21, 2026.

Asa Simmons, (1) trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>= 2 GMS methamphetamine); (2) trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>= 4 GMS cocaine); (3) trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st offense; (4) engaging in organized crime-criminal syndicate. Status Hearing August 21, 2026.

Jonathan B. Smith, (1) operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, .08, 1st; (2) trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st offense (heroin); (3) drug paraphernalia – buy/possess. Status Hearing August 21, 2026.

Pamela Sullivan, (1) trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st offense; (2) possession of a defaced firearm. Jury trial set November 9, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. – Status Hearing October 16, 2026.

Paula Nicole Tuggle, flagrant non-support. Status Hearing September 18, 2026.

Dakota Tunnell, wanton endangerment, 1st degree. Status Hearing August 21, 2026.

Talina Williamson, (1) operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, .08, 1st; (2) possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine); (3) failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st. Status Hearing August 21, 2026.

Destind Wilson, (1) enhancement traffic in marijuana, 8 oz to <5 lbs, 1st offense; (2) engaging in organized crime-criminal syndicate. Motion Hour – motion for discovery and inspection; Status Hearing September 18, 2026.

Danny Ray Winburn, Probation Revocation Hearing – remain on same terms of probation, pay \$25/month beginning September 18, 2026.

Tanya Yocum, possession of a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (methamphetamine). Status Hearing August 21, 2026.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE OLIVER JULY 20, 2026

Jonathan S. Begley, (1) no/ expired registration plates - dismissed on proof; (2) operating on suspended/revoked operator's license - plea of not guilty, continue to October 1, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

Christian Bowling, (1) failure to wear seat belts; (2) failure to notify address change to Department of Transportation; (3) failure to produce insurance card; (4) no/expired Kentucky registration receipt. Plea of not guilty, continue to August 20, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

David Chadwell, alcohol intoxication in a public place, 1st & 2nd offense. Plea of guilty, \$25 fine/costs, to pay by August 12, 2027.

Richard B. Chappell, (1) speeding 10 mph over limit; (2) operating on suspended/revoked operator's license; (3) license to be in possession. Plea of not guilty, continue to August 20, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

Franco Claver, (1) speeding 15 mph over limit — plea of guilty, \$30 fine; (2) no operators/moped license — plea of guilty, \$100 fine, to pay by August 12, 2027.

Robert R. Daniel, (1) speeding 15 mph over limit; (2) no/ expired registration plates; (3) no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; (4) operating on suspended/revoked operator's license. Plea of not guilty, continue to September 3, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

James W. Hager, (1) no/ex-

pired registration plates; (2) no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt. Both counts dismissed on proof.

Sidney S. Hall, violation of Kentucky emergency protection order / domestic violence order. Plea of not guilty, continue to September 3, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

Courtesy Hensley, assault 4th degree, domestic violence, minor injury. Plea of not guilty, Public Defender appointed, continue to August 10, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Ryan Morgan Jennings, speeding 10 mph over limit. Amended to 16 over. Failed to appear, notify Department of Transportation.

Jamie Lashae Messer, (1) speeding 25 mph over limit - plea of not guilty - Traffic School Program - continue to September 3, 2026 at 1 p.m.; (2) no/ expired registration plates - dismissed on proof; (3) no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - dismissed on proof; (4) failure to produce insurance card - dismissed on proof. Failed to appear - dismissed.

Marco A. Ortega Baez, speeding 20 mph over limit. Plea of not guilty, Traffic School Program - continue to September 3, 2026 at 1 p.m. Failed to appear - dismissed.

Kirkland Reed, (1) speeding 26 mph over/greater, plea of guilty, to 25 mph over - \$50 fine, to pay by August 12, 2027; (2) failure to wear seat belts, plea of guilty - \$25 fine; (3) no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt - dismissed on proof. Failed to appear - dismissed.

James Robert Ritchey, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, .08, 1st offense. Plea of not guilty, continue to September 3, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Madison Roberts, endangering the welfare of a minor. Plea of not guilty, continue to September 3, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

Zachary David Setness, speeding 15 mph over limit. Failed to appear, notify Department of Transportation.

Richard Thair Stout, (1A) all other traffic offenses not listed - dismissed on proof; (2) no/ expired registration plates - dismissed on proof. Failed to appear - dismissed.

Marco Antonio Vronez Hernandez, (1) failure to wear seat belts — plea of guilty, \$25 fine; (2) operating a vehicle with expired operator's license - amended to no licenses in possession - plea of guilty - \$25 fine and costs. To pay by August 12, 2027.

John A. Walker, (1) no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; (2) no/expired registration plates. Both counts dismissed on proof.

Ashley Welch, (1) operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, .08, 1st offense; (2) passing a loading/unloading school/church bus, 1st offense; (3) reckless driving. Plea of not guilty - continue to September 3, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Keith Allen Agee, (1) disregarding compulsory turn lane; (2) trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (>= 2 grams methamphetamine); (3) drug paraphernalia – buy/possess. Waived to Grand Jury.

Dudley Brummett, violation of Kentucky Emergency Protection Order / Domestic Violence Order. Plea of not guilty, Public Defender appointed, continue to August 6, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

Jeffery Anthony Clark, (1) trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense (<2 grams methamphetamine); (2) drug paraphernalia - buy/possess. Plea of not guilty, Public Defender appointed - Preliminary Hearing set for July 27, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

Isaiah Contreras, (1) trafficking in marijuana, 8 oz to <5 lbs, 1st offense; (2) tampering with physical evidence; (3) reckless driving; (4) wanton endangerment 1st degree — police officer; (5) fleeing or evading police, 1st degree (motor vehicle). Waived time. Preliminary Hearing on August 17, 2026 at 10 a.m.

Darryl Yancey, (1) trafficking in a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a school; (2) traf-

ficking in marijuana, 8 oz to <5 lbs, 1st offense; (3) endangering the welfare of a minor. Preliminary Hearing set for August 17, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

Darryl Yancey, drug paraphernalia, deliver/manufacture. Continue to August 17, 2026 at 10 a.m.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE OLIVER JULY 23, 2026

William Todd, public intoxication controlled substance (excludes alcohol). Plea of guilty - time served.

Michael Benedict, Status Hearing to be dismissed if complete anger management assessment. Proof filed.

Jessica M. Blackwell, (3) failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1st - plea of guilty - \$1,000, \$900 probated plus costs; (4) no operators/moped license - amended to no licenses in possession - \$25 fine. To pay by August 12, 2027.

Philip Scott Davis, (1) harassing communications; (2) harassment (physical contact), no injury. Continued to October 1, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Jovan Fischer, (1) speeding 26 mph over/greater - amended to 25 mph over - plea of guilty - standard fee and costs - to pay by August 12, 2027; (2) failure to wear seat belts - dismissed with leave to reinstate; (3) license to be in possession - dismissed; (4A) failure of owner to maintain required insurance, 2nd or greater - dismissed on proof.

Levi C. Henderson, operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, 2nd (agg cir). Continued to August 6, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Kevin Michael Higgins, operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol .08, 1st - amended to reckless driving - plea of guilty - \$100 fine and costs - to pay by August 12, 2027.

Jessica Honeycutt, torture of a dog or cat. Continued to September 3, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Jessica A. Honeycutt, operating on suspended/revoked operators license. Plea of guilty - \$100 fine. To pay by August 12, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Quinton Omar Johnson, (1) speeding 19 mph over limit - Traffic School Program - continue to August 20, 2026 at 1 p.m.; (2) no/expired registration plates - dismissed on proof; (3) no/expired KY registration receipt - dismissed on proof; (4) failure to wear seat belts- dismissed on proof.

Dalton Anthony Kelley, (1) speeding 19 mph over limit; (2) failure to wear seat belts; (3) license to be in possession; (4A) failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st; (5) rear license not illuminated. Bench Trial on September 3, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Sandra Lewis, (1A) alcohol intoxication in a public place 3rd or > offense within 12 months; (2) disorderly conduct, 2nd degree. Continued to August 6, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Sandra Lewis, assault 4th degree, no visible injury. Continued to August 6, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Vladyslav Lyzanets, (1) speeding 26 mph over/greater - dismissed with leave to reinstate; (2) reckless driving - dismissed with leave to reinstate; (3) failure to produce insurance card - dismissed with leave to reinstate; (4) failure of owner to maintain required insurance/ security, 1st. Plea of not guilty - Pretrial Diversion - status on January 21, 2027 at 1 p.m.

Marjorie McHone, (1) operating on suspended/revoked operators license; (2) no/expired KY registration receipt; (3) no/ expired registration plates; (4) failure to produce insurance card; (5) failure of owner to maintain required insurance/ security, 1st; (6) possession of marijuana; (7) drug paraphernalia - buy/possess. Public Defender appointed. Pretrial Conference on September 3, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Adrian Marquez, (1) no/expired KY registration receipt - dismissed on proof; (2) no/ expired registration plates - dismissed on proof; (3) no op-

More Flooding

From Front

ed along U.S. 27 north of Lancaster, where high water created hazardous travel conditions.

The latest flooding still warranted warnings and guidance from local Emergency Management officials. Garrard County Emergency Management issued a countywide flood safety alert after multiple areas experienced flooding. Officials urged motorists to avoid water-covered roadways, emphasizing the “Turn Around, Don’t Drown”

Investigation

From Front

The preliminary investigation found that two boats collided, a wake boat being operated by Cody Casey, 34, of Harrodsburg, Kentucky, and a pontoon boat being operated by Alex Svintozelskiy, 58, of Nicholasville, Kentucky. A passenger on the pontoon, Nazar Svintozelskiy, 25, of Nicholasville, was ejected into the water. His body was recovered from the lake two days later.

The investigation remains active and ongoing. Investigators are continuing to gather and evaluate evidence to determine the circumstances surrounding the

erators/moped license. Plea of guilty - \$100 fine plus costs, to pay by August 12, 2027.

Marion Dewayne McClure, speeding 15 mph over limit. Traffic School Program - continued to August 20, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Marjorie McHone, Pretrial Conference. Continue to September 3, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Ryan Myers, (1) leaving scene of accident/failure to render aid or assistance - plea of guilty - \$100 fine plus 30 days probated for 2 years on condition of no other offenses - restitution reserved; (2) criminal mischief, 2nd degree - dismissed with leave to reinstate; (3) driving on DUI suspended license, 1st offense - plea of guilty - \$100 fine - to pay by August 12, 2027.

Laney M. Pinkston, Status Hearing - Pretrial Diversion not completed. Dismissed with prejudice.

safety message and warning that even a small amount of moving water can sweep a vehicle off the road.

During the event, Deputy Director Dustin Price and Judge-Executive Elleman traveled throughout the county to assess flood damage and monitor road conditions in the areas that the rising waters impacted.

The following day, Garrard County Emergency Management asked property owners whose homes, businesses, farms or other properties sustained storm damage to report the impacts. Officials encouraged residents to submit

incident.

As part of the investigative process, search warrants have been and are continuing to be sought and executed, witnesses interviewed, and multiple items of evidence have been submitted for forensic and evidentiary testing. Those results are pending and are an important part of ensuring the investigation is complete and accurate.

At this time, investigators are not releasing additional details regarding the evidence collected, the results of any testing or potential investigative findings. Releasing that information prematurely could compromise the integrity of the investigation and any subsequent legal proceedings.

Kristina Bernice Swofford-McKnight, operating on suspended/revoked operators license. Amended to no licenses in possession. Plea of guilty - \$25 fine and costs. To pay by August 12, 2027.

Jonathan Reeves Terry, (1) operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/substances, 1st, amended to careless driving - Public Defender appointed - \$100 fine paid today; (2) failure to wear seat belts - dismissed with leave to reinstate; (3) failure to produce insurance card - dismissed with leave to reinstate; (4) no/ expired KY registration receipt - dismissed with leave to reinstate.

Steve Allen Willoughby, violation of Kentucky Emergency Protection Order/ Domestic Violence Order. Continued to October 1, 2026.

Zona Mink, (1) no/expired registration receipt; (2) no/ex-

ports through the agency’s Facebook page or by calling the emergency management office, explaining that damage reports help officials assess the storm’s overall impact and identify resources that may be available to assist the community.

Despite Tuesday’s heavy rain and localized flooding, officials said the county avoided the widespread damage seen during the June flooding. Authorities continue to remind drivers to use caution during periods of heavy rainfall, avoid flooded roadways and remain alert for changing weather conditions.

Once the investigation is complete, the findings will be reviewed in accordance with applicable law and prosecutorial procedures.

Additional information will be released as confirmed facts become available and when it is legally appropriate to do so.

This investigation is being led by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Law Enforcement Division in collaboration with the Commonwealth Attorney’s Office. Anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement via Kentucky State Police Post 7 at 859-623-2404.

pired registration plates; (3) failure to maintain required insurance 1st; (4) failure to produce insurance card; (5) failure to register transfer of motor vehicle; (6) operating a motor vehicle with expired license; (7) failure to notify address change to Department of Transportation. Continue to August 6, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Elijah Couch, operating on suspended/revoked operators license. Time served.

Austin Bryan Crowe, (1) operating motor vehicle under the influence of substances, 3rd offense, amended to careless driving - \$100 fine; (2) possession of marijuana. plea of guilty - \$100 fine - to pay by August 12, 2027.

Stanislav Volosiuk, violation of bridge weight, vehicle operating u/ext weight. Amended to ordinance violation. Plea of guilty - \$25 fine plus costs, paid today.

MASTER COMMISSIONER’S SALE FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2026 AT 10 A.M. GARRARD COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER 54 STANFORD STREET

In order to comply with judgments and orders of the Garrard Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner of the Garrard Circuit Court will sell the properties identified below in the Garrard County Justice Center, District Courtroom, 54 Stanford Street, Lancaster, Kentucky. The properties will be sold to raise funds to satisfy the amounts of judgments set forth below plus interest and other costs. The sale of said properties are subject to the following terms and conditions:

The winning bidder must pay a minimum of ten (10%) percent of the purchase price by check drawn on a recognizable bank (preferably local) at the time of sale. The balance of the purchase price is due in 30 days. **If the purchaser elects to pay less than the full purchase price, then the purchaser will be required to post bond and furnish acceptable surety thereon.** Said bond shall be for the unpaid balance of the purchase price and bear interest at the rate set forth in the judgment from the date of sale until paid.

The purchaser is responsible for all taxes levied against said property for the current tax year and all subsequent years. The sale of the real estate is subject to all zoning and building regulations, restrictions, ordinances, easements, covenants, and rights-of-way, of record, or otherwise. All properties are sold “as is”, and possession shall pass to the purchaser upon delivery of deed. Risk of loss passes to the purchaser upon execution of bond of sale or payment of the purchase price whichever should occur first.

A right of redemption may exist in favor of any party. Possession of the real property will be given to the purchaser upon confirmation of the report of sale by the Garrard Circuit Court, delivery of a Commissioner’s Deed to the purchaser and full payment of the purchase price plus interest as herein before described.

IF WINNING BIDDER IS NOT ABLE TO DELIVER DEPOSIT AND SIGN BOND WITH SURETY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SALE, PROPERTY WILL BE IMMEDIATELY RE-SOLD.

PROPERTIES ARE IDENTIFIED HEREIN BY PARCEL/MAP ID AND ADDRESS ONLY. COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS ARE FOUND IN THE COURT FILE. IF THE MAP/ID ADDRESS IS DIFFERENT IN ANY WAY FROM THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION, THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION CONTROLS.

Johnny O. Bolton, Master Commissioner
Garrard Circuit Court
(859) 792-8844

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD:

SALE NO. 1:

Case No: **25-CI-00269: PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC vs RUSSELL W. KIDDER, ET AL.**; Judgment Date: **March 6, 2026**; Judgment Amount: **\$121,548.46**; Property Address/Description: **310 RICHMOND STREET**; Parcel ID: **L4-11-019**

SALE NO. 2:

Case No: **26-CI-00046: WHITAKER BANK, INC. vs BARRY L. BALLINGER, ET AL.**; Judgment Date: **May 1, 2026**; Judgment Amount: **\$13,191.30**; Property Address/Description: **1975 CALICO ROAD (BEREA)**; Parcel ID: **70-007**

SALE NO. 3:

Case No: **25-CI-00333: KY LIEN HOLDINGS, LLC vs MIKE LONG, ET AL.**; Judgment Date: **July 2, 2026**; Judgment Amount: **\$8,338.05**; Property Address/Description: **194 TOTTEN AVE.**; Parcel ID: **L4-15-048**