

LEGAL NOTICE

Michelle R. Lilly, Proper Person
190 Cullen Drive
Earleville, Maryland 21919

**Notice of Appointment
Notice to Creditors
Notice to Unknown Heirs**

To all Persons Interested in Estate No. 20001, the

Estate of Brian G. Lilly

AKA: Brian Gary Lilly

Notice is given that Michelle R. Lilly of 190 Cullen Drive; Earleville, Maryland 21919 was, on August 06, 2015, appointed personal representative of the estate of Brian G. Lilly who died on July 09, 2015 without a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representative or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment (or to the probate of the decedent's will) shall file their objections with the Register of Wills on or before the 6th day of February, 2016.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representative or file it with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

- 1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or
- 2) Two months after the personal representative mails, or otherwise delivers, to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claim will be barred unless the creditor presents the claims within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice.

A claim not presented or filed on or before that date, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter. Claim forms may be obtained from the Register of Wills.

By: Michelle R. Lilly
Personal Representative

True Copy
Test: **Michael W. Dawson**
Register of Wills for Cecil County
Circuit Courthouse
129 E. Main Street, Rm. 102
P.O. Box 468; Elkton, Maryland 21922-0468
Phone: (410) 996-5330

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In the Orphans' Court for Cecil County, MD
Circuit Courthouse
129 E. Main Street, Rm. 101
Elkton, Maryland 21921

Notice of Judicial Probate

To all Persons Interested in Estate No. 19989, the

Estate of Bonnie Agnes Weller

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in the court by:

Denise Landis
4794 Murfreesboro Road; Arrington, Tennessee 37014

for judicial probate of the will dated May 1, 2013, including the appointment of a personal representative for the estate;

and that the Petition will be heard at 10:45 a.m. on the 29th day of September 2015 in the Orphans' Court of the Cecil County Circuit Courthouse, Room 101 located at 129 East Main Street; Elkton, Maryland 21921;

or at a subsequent time or other place to which the hearing may be adjourned or transferred. Further information may be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills.

Michael W. Dawson
Register of Wills for Cecil County

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CECIL COUNTY
Civil No.: C-15-001104**

IN THE MATTER OF:
SANIYA WILLOW GORTMAN

FOR CHANGE OF NAME TO:
WILLOW JORDYN NSONGKA

BY AND THROUGH HIS/HER MOTHER/FATHER/GUARDIAN:
MORGAN A. SPRATT

NOTICE
(Minor)
(DOM REL 65)

The above Petitioner has filed a Petition for Change of Name in which he/she seeks to change the name of a minor child from SANIYA WILLOW GORTMAN to WILLOW JORDYN NSONGKA

The petitioner is seeking this name change for the child for the following reasons:

Name correction

Any person may file an objection to the Petition on or before 27th day of September, 2015. The objection must be supported by an affidavit and served upon the Petitioner in accordance with Maryland Rule 1-321. Failure to file an objection or affidavit within the time allowed may result in a judgment by default or the granting of the relief sought. A copy of this notice shall be published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the county/city at least fifteen (15) days before the deadline to file an objection.

Charlene M. Notarcola
Acting Clerk of the Circuit Court

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Save The Bay

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on the earth that we are doing nothing with," Tusha said.

He also saw that there are several hundred non-profit groups in the region established to support the bay, but that with all of the talk and all of the plans and all of the state regulations, not enough meaningful progress has been made.

"It's an economic and ecological disaster in the Bay," Tusha said.

People interested in Bay resources as a business and conservationists have been at odds, he noted.

Tusha feels that the economic benefits of the Bay can be meshed with the conservation efforts for a successful program.

"I went out and found the best and the brightest," Tusha said, nodding toward Stark. He has also approached several corporations and said several are interested in supporting the Chesapeake Renaissance Project.

Stark said that groups that only take a conservation approach to the health of the Bay are missing the point.

"That ignores the human side of the equation," he said, noting that conservation efforts to improve the resources for economic benefits is a holistic approach that will work.

The Chesapeake Renaissance Project is planning three initiatives to improve the Bay.

"We will be working with watermen," Stark said. "Watermen have a hard time making a living with regulations and scarce resources."

It costs a lot to work on the Bay, he said. There are the costs of obtaining a boat, buying traps and other gear, stocking the boat with ice to preserve the catch and filling the boat with fuel.

When they pull back into the dock, a wholesaler gives them a low price for their catch and then heads down the road and sells the waterman's catch for about five times

what the waterman received for his efforts.

"Our argument is that this is not good," Stark said. "What we'd like to do is re-establish the fish markets."

"Cecil County people used to be able to literally eat fish that was caught that morning," Tusha said. He said the non-profit will work throughout the Chesapeake Bay region to encourage communities to work to re-establish the local fish markets and to educate the watermen on how they can have a good profit margin by selling to consumers and even using technology like social media to let their customers know what they are bringing to the dock and when they will be there.

The second focus of the Chesapeake Renaissance Project is tourism.

"This is to give people access to the Bay," Tusha said, noting that while the Chesapeake Bay region is a beautiful place to visit, there are too few locations where the average person can get close to the Bay and too few opportunities for people to get onto the Bay to enjoy the waters.

Tourism is an important economic engine, Stark said. The non-profit wants to work with entities interested in tourism to give them tips as to how to work the attraction of the Chesapeake Bay with the heritage, ecology, agriculture, historic and other facets of tourism programs.

The third goal of the Chesapeake Renaissance Project is to address the need for improved wetlands along the Bay. The restorative benefits of wetlands to the health of the watershed has long been realized, Stark said, noting the wetlands help cleanse the water coming into the Bay and are places that encourage the growth of fish and crab populations. He said there are no concerted efforts to re-establish wetlands that have been lost through development.

These wetlands would not remove development, but would be placed in undeveloped areas, he said.

"You place strategically-created wetlands that will be held in a trust," Stark said. These would be wetlands banks that would be build through tax-deductible donations and could be sold to developers to off-set the impact of development near the water.

The value of these wetland trusts has long been recognized, but no workable plan has ever been established to keep the wetland projects affordable and sustainable, Stark said.

Corporations should be looked at as partners in Bay restoration instead of as villains, Tusha said. He pointed

to the condemnation of Exelon, the corporation that now owns the Conowingo Dam. He said Exelon did not build the existing dam and is not responsible for the practices up the river that have resulted in all of the sediment coming down the Susquehanna, but that conservation groups have latched onto the idea that the corporation is some sort of enemy instead of a partner to improve the Bay.

He also pointed to a multi-million dollar state program that brought imported oyster shells to the Bay to help build oyster beds, but the native oysters wanted no part of the alien shells.

Farmers are also frequently under unfair attack from conservation groups, he said.

"They vilify the farmers for fertilizer run-off," Tusha said. "The cost of fertilizer is staggering. Farmers today are only using just enough fertilizer."

Many non-profit groups are doing a good job of working to improve their areas of focus in the Bay, but the Bay needs an overall holistic approach that the Chesapeake Renaissance Project is planning, Tusha said.

The Chesapeake Renaissance Project, LLC has all of their 501 C 3 non-profit paperwork filed and pending, Tusha said.

There is a founding board of directors for the organization and there are plans to grow the board.

The organization is working on raising money, building coalitions and other tasks.

A fundraiser is planned for the Chesapeake Renaissance Project on August 23. Elk Manor will hold a car show and attendees will be asked to donate \$10. Tusha said there will be a number of interesting cars there.

Fans of the cable television show about charter boat vacations, "Below Deck," will be able to meet Captain Lee.

There will be refreshments at the August 23rd fundraiser, including local wine.

Early next year, the Chesapeake Renaissance Project plans to bring up a former corporate floating office barge up from Florida. This 10,000 square foot glass and metal floating structure will be outfitted with information about the Bay and the non-profit plans. It will visit towns and cities along the Chesapeake Bay to inform people about the Chesapeake Renaissance Project's plans and how they can get involved in this effort.

"This is going to be transformational," Tusha predicted.

Go to www.chesapeakerenaissance.com for more information.