

YOUR HEALTH | DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

How to Get Help

Domestic violence affects millions of people worldwide, often leaving victims physically and emotionally scarred.

While the immediate concern may be safety, the long-term health consequences of domestic violence can be severe.

The Centers for Disease Control defines intimate partner violence as including such behaviors as physical violence, sexual violence, stalking or psychological aggression. More than half of all female homicide victims are killed by a current or former male intimate partner. They also stress that it is preventable. It often starts in adolescence — which is dubbed “teen dating violence.”

The National Domestic Violence Hotline reports than an average of 24 people per minute are victims of rape, physical violence or stalking by an intimate partner, more than 12 million men and women each year.

HEALTH RISKS

The health effects of domestic violence can be profound, ranging from acute injuries to chronic conditions. Physically, victims may suffer broken bones, bruises and other injuries that require immediate medical attention. In some cases, domestic violence can lead to severe trauma, internal injuries or even death.

But the dangers are not limited to physical harm. The constant stress and fear can weaken the immune system, making individuals more susceptible to illnesses. Survivors of domestic violence, according to the hotline, are more than three times as likely to meet the criteria for PTSD, two times more likely to develop depression symptoms and three times more likely to have a major depressive episode. They are six times more likely to develop a substance abuse disorder.

Studies have shown that prolonged exposure to abuse can lead to heart disease, gastrointestinal disorders and chronic pain conditions.

HOW TO GET HELP

If you or someone you know is in a domestic violence situation, there are resources available. The National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-7233) provides 24/7 confidential support and guidance. Many communities offer local shelters and services where victims can seek refuge and begin the process of leaving an abusive relationship.

Develop a safety plan, which might include finding a safe place to stay, storing emergency funds, or discreetly packing essential items. Reaching out to friends, family members or trusted individuals can provide emotional support during this difficult time. Additionally, law enforcement agencies can assist by issuing protective orders and connecting victims with local resources.

For those in immediate danger, call 911.

RECOVERY AFTER DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Recovering from domestic violence is a complex and ongoing process that involves healing physically and emotionally. Professional counseling can help survivors process the trauma and regain control over their lives. Support groups can provide a sense of community and shared experience.

Prioritize self-care. Engage in activities that promote mental and physical well-being, such as exercise, meditation or creative outlets. Reclaiming personal independence, whether



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through financial education or career development, is another important step toward long-term recovery.

Remember, there is help available. You don't have to face this alone, and recovery is possible.

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District Court, in Leavenworth County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition. All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of the first publication of this notice, as provided by law, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred. PREPARED AND APPROVED BY: Werring Law, LLC Andrew E. Werring, #22184 Janiece K. Larkin-Baker, Petitioner Attorney for Petitioner 110 N. 5th Street Atchison, KS 66002 P: 913-367-2424 F: 913-367-7017 E: andrew@werringlaw.com Published in the Leavenworth Times, Apr 18, 25, May 2, 2025 3372580

NOTICE OF HEARING PUBLICATION THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED: You are hereby notified that Alina Sistek, filed a Petition in the above court on the 27th day of March 2025 requesting a judgment and order changing his/her name from Alina Sistek to Alina Bergosh The Petition will be heard in Leavenworth 601 S 3rd St Suite 3051 Kansas, on the 23rd day of May Leavenworth, KS 66048, at 12:00 a.m. p.m. 2025 If you have any objection to the requested name change, you are required to file a responsive pleading on or before [Insert date at least 41 days after first publication] in this court or appear at the hearing and object to the requested name change. If you fail to act, judgment and order will be entered upon the Petition as requested by Petitioner.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF Leavenworth County, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT GITSIT Solutions, LLC, not in its individual capacity but solely in its capacity as Separate Trustee of GITSIT Mortgage Loan Trust BBPLC1 Plaintiff, vs. Dean A. Sheets (Deceased), Unknown Heirs of Dean A. Sheets (Deceased), Jane Doe, John Doe, CitiCorp LLC, successor by acquisition of Associates First Capital Corporation successor by acquisition of Associates Financial Services Company, Inc, Jeffrey Sheets, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Monte Sheets, and Stephanie McDonald, et al., Defendants Case No. LV-2025-CV-000121 Court No. Title to Real Estate Involved Pursuant to K.S.A. §60

NOTICE OF SUIT STATE OF KANSAS to the above named Defendants and The Unknown Heirs, executors, devisees, trustees, creditors, and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; and the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability and all other person who are or may be concerned: You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Leavenworth County, Kansas by GITSIT Solutions, LLC, not in its individual capacity but solely in its capacity as Separate Trustee of GITSIT Mortgage Loan Trust BBPLC1, praying to foreclose a mortgage on the following described real estate: A TRACT OF LAND BEGINNING AT A POINT AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION In the Matter of the GUARDIANSHIP and CONSERVATORSHI of: **ZAIN DUSIL SCHULER, a minor. Case No. LV-2025-PR-000066 NATALYA DUSIL-SCHULER, a minor. Case No. LV-2025-PR-000067 PORSCHE DUSIL SCHULER, a minor. Case No. LV-2025-PR-000068 FINN DUSIL-SCHULER, a minor. Case No. LV-2025-PR-000065** THE STATE OF KANSAS TO MATTHEW SCHULER OR ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS You are hereby notified that a Petition for Appointment of Co-Guardians and Co Conservators has been filed in this court by Christopher Dusil,

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praying for the appointment of Co-Guardians and Co-Conservators for Zain Dusil-Schuler, Natalya Dusil-Schuler, Porsche Dusil-Schuler, and Finn Dusil-Schuler; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 23rd day of May, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. of said day, in said court, in the City of Leavenworth, in Leavenworth County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition. Christopher Dusil, Petitioner Benjamin J. Rioux #28318 529 Delaware St., Leavenworth, KS 66048 (913) 370-3524 Attorney For Petitioner Published in the Leavenworth Times, Apr 25, May 2, 9, 2025 3405390

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