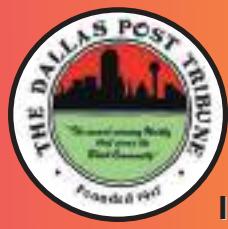


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Jury Begins Deliberations in Trial of Dallas County Leader



Longtime Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price/ AP Photo

(AP) — Jurors have begun deliberating in the corruption trial of longtime Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price.

The deliberations began Wednesday after the jury a day earlier listened to closing arguments that capped eight weeks of testimony in the federal trial.

Price is charged with mail fraud, conspiracy to defraud the Internal Revenue Service and filing a fraudulent income tax return.

The longtime political leader and civic activist would spend decades in prison if convicted of all 11 counts against him.

Price was portrayed on the one hand as a hardworking public servant who helped his close friends in need, and on the other as a greedy man who enriched himself by selling his vote.

Three others earlier were convicted of charges related to the Price corruption probe.

Funeral for Facebook shooting victim scheduled in Ohio



Robert Godwin Sr. in Cleveland moments before being fatally shot. (Facebook via AP)

(AP) — The family of a man killed in a shooting that was broadcast on Facebook says his funeral will be Saturday.

Seventy-four-year-old Robert Godwin Sr. was gunned down Sunday afternoon while collecting aluminum cans shortly after spending time with some of his children for Easter.

The man who randomly killed Godwin posted a video of the shooting on Facebook. Thirty-seven-year-old gunman Steve Stephens fatally shot himself after a 2-mile police chase in Erie, Pennsylvania, on Tuesday.

Godwin was a retired foundry worker and a father of 10. Former neighbors, friends and relatives described him as a good man at a memorial set up at the site of his death.

The funeral will be open to the public.

MINORITY-OWNED COMPANIES FIGHT FOR EQUITY IN ADVERTISING



Black and Hispanic newspaper publishers have joined forces to investigate unfair advertising practices in the newspaper industry. In this photo, the NNPA President Benjamin Chavis speaks outside of the U.S. Capitol during a joint press conference between NNPA and NAHP in March 2016. Washington, D.C. Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (wearing the black and white print coat), Denise Rolark Barnes, the chair of the NNPA (wearing all black) and Martha Montoya, the president of the NAHP (far right), also delivered remarks. (Freddie Allen/AMG/NPPA)

By Stacy M. Brown (NNPA Newswire Contributor)

Retailers, restaurants, healthcare companies and technology firms often turn to newspaper inserts, as a tried-and-true method to reach consumers, especially minority consumers.

A major anti-trust lawsuit has been filed by the owner of an independent marketing company, who says that, if he's victorious, millions—if not billions—of dollars in pre-print advertising (inserts) could begin to flow freely to minority-owned publications that serve minority communities; publications that are often locked out of the market due to "forced buys."

Redan Bilingual Media, a Dallas-based strategic marketing company that specializes in helping companies reach the Hispanic-American community through out-of-home Hispanic marketing programs, bilingual employment recruiting, and translations services, has filed an action against the "Fort Worth Star-Telegram" and its parent company, McClatchy, alleging fraud.

Further, the 15-page lawsuit filed in the District Court of Tarrant County, Texas, notes that Redan and its founder, Brent Murphy, believe that publications that serve the Hispanic, African-American and general markets may not be aware that they're losing opportunities to compete for millions in advertising dollars, due to the actions of a few publishing conglomerates, who dominate the industry and might be colluding with some advertisers, while others are unaware of the controversy.

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UNT computer science: 45 years of changing lives and technology

For decades, the University of North Texas has helped lead the way in computer science. UNT's program is one of the oldest in the nation, turning 45 this year. To commemorate that anniversary, the College of Engineering will host a dinner reception at Apogee Stadium on April 28 (Friday) starting at 6 p.m. Tickets to the event cost \$10. That evening, current students and returning alumni will be celebrated. Alumni like Willie Barber, Greg Thurman and Tyseanah Spell, who together, tell the enduring story of UNT's computer science program.

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UNT Computer Science Alumni (left to right) Willie Barber, Greg Thurman and Tyseanah Spell

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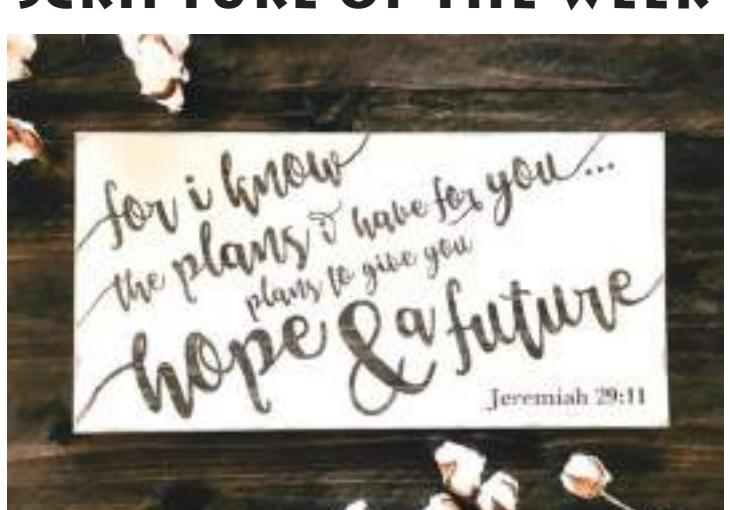


(AP) - Romo basks in honorary day with Mavs before Nuggets' win

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

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Part II: THE MANY LAWSUITS AND "SINS OF WELLS FARGO BANK"

by Dr. John E. Warren,
Publisher, San Diego Voice &
Viewpoint Newspaper

Intergovernmental Affairs
Contributing Writer, NNPA

During the last ten years, a reported 109 lawsuits have been filed against Wells Fargo Bank covering 43 subject areas. Some of these are:

Breach of Contract, Breach of Fiduciary Duty, Breach of Good Faith, Collusion to illegally set ATM Rates, Conspiracy, Discrimination against Minorities, Employee Unpaid Overtime, Excessive ATM Fees, Excessive Overdraft Fees, False Certification Falsified Documents, Hidden Illegal Fees. Improper Investment Advice, Inflated Insurance to Pay for Kickbacks, Insurance Overcharges; Loan Modification Denials; Mortgage Origination Fraud,

Predatory Lending Practices, Property Conversion, Racial Discrimination; Recording False Affidavits; Robosigning, Securities Fraud; Selling Properties they did not own, Unlawful Termination of Employees; Violating Truth in Lending Laws and Wrongful Foreclosures.

The following highlights a few of the cases related to the above mentioned specific lawsuits: November 2007, in Gipson et. al. vs. Wells Fargo, the bank was sued for Breach of Fiduciary Duty by allegedly engaging in prohibited transactions. In October 2008 Hagens Berman sued Wells Fargo for excessive overdraft fees charging that customer transactions were illegally reordered so as to maximize late and overdraft fees.

In 2010, the City of Baltimore, Md. sued Wells Fargo for Predatory Lending-

Ghetto Loans. The judge dismissed the case and blamed the recession; In 2012 in the case of Ward et al. vs. Wells Fargo, the bank, was sued for Breach of Contract-Wrongful Foreclosure; in February 2011, in a class action lawsuit brought in the State of Georgia on behalf of veterans, the court found that Wells Fargo overcharged veterans on mortgages and was forced to pay \$10 million.

In October of 2012, the U.S. Department of Justice brought suit against Wells Fargo Bank in the U.S. District Court of Manhattan on charges of "a decade of misconduct under the Federal False Claims Act - false certification, mortgage lies, seeking \$100s of millions of dollars. In August of that same year, the Security Exchange Commission fined Wells Fargo Bank \$6.5 million for violation of section 8A of

the Securities Act of 1933. In the February 2013 case of Malta vs. Wells Fargo Bank brought in California, Wells Fargo was sued for alleged violation of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act by calling cell phones without prior consent using an automated dialer or with a prerecorded voice message.

Denying any liability, Wells Fargo Bank agreed to pay \$17.1 million to fully resolve the matter.

In 2014 in the case of Garcia et al vs. Wells Fargo, the bank was sued for violating the California unfair competition law by deceiving its customers that debit card purchases would be posted chronologically to their accounts when in fact Wells Fargo posted them in a high-to-low order for the sole purpose of generating overdraft fees. The bank was ordered to pay \$203 million

In 2015 in the case of Militello vs. Wells Fargo Bank suit was brought for Trust Fraud alleging (1) Breach of Fiduciary Duty, (2) Conspiracy to Defraud and (3) Negligence and Gross Negligence. The bank was ordered to pay \$8 million.

In January of 2016 in the case of Manuel vs. Wells Fargo, the bank agreed to a settlement of \$12 million to resolve a class action lawsuit that claimed the financial institution allegedly violated the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) after denying employment to a job applicant based on the results of a background check report.

In August of 2016, the U.S. Consumer Fair Practices Board sued Wells Fargo bank for charging illegal fees on student loans. The bank was fined \$3.6 million. In February of that same year, the same federal

agency charged Wells Fargo mortgage brokers with receiving illegal kickbacks in return for borrower referrals for title insurance and settlement services, from 2009 to early 2014. The settlement fine was \$16.2 million.

Coming up to September 2016, the same U.S. Consumer Fair Practices Board and the case of People vs. Wells Fargo & Co. in the Los Angeles Superior Court brought suit against Wells Fargo for "secretly ramming phony accounts down customer's throats". The bank agreed to a settlement of \$185 million.

Wells Fargo is bracing for its April 25 Shareholders meeting and the results of an investigation ordered by the board in relationship to the many problems that have become public.

Contributing research from Vaughn's Summaries.

Thousands in Dallas may be Affected by Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD)

PAD is the biggest disease that most people have never heard about. Up to a staggering 18 million Americans suffer from PAD, a potentially life-threatening disease. As many as 93,000 people in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington metro area may have PAD, a condition where plaque builds up along blood vessel walls, narrowing the arteries and reducing blood flow to the legs and feet.

There are more than 160,000 PAD-related amputations in the U.S. each year, so when left untreated, PAD can lead to amputation. And the rate of amputation for African-American and Hispanic-Americans with PAD is higher than for white Americans.

• African-Americans are twice as likely to be amputated as a result of advanced PAD as Caucasians.⁵

• Hispanics receive an amputation for PAD at a rate 50 percent higher than Caucasians.⁵

A new study published in the Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities, "Explaining Racial Disparities in Amputation Rates for the Treatment of Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD) using Decomposition Methods," concludes that compared to Caucasians, African-Americans and Hispanic-Americans have less access to limb-saving PAD procedures because they are being admitted to the hospital for treatment when they are sicker and more likely on an emergency basis.⁵

Some studies suggest that African-Americans may not feel the symptoms as early as Caucasians, therefore they do not seek treatment as early.⁶ A simple screening test, called an ankle-brachial index (ABI), in which the blood pressure in a person's ankle is compared to the blood pressure in the arm, can be used to identify PAD in people who are at risk.

A national campaign, Take A Stand Against Amputation, is seeking to raise awareness of PAD and to encourage people with symptoms to talk to a doctor about the disease. The campaign website, www.StandAgainstAmputation.com, contains useful information about the disease, its risk factors, symptoms and treatment options. The campaign is gaining visibility in the Dallas area.

About National Minority Health Month

The U.S. Office of Minority Health's theme for this year's National Minority Health Month is Bridging Health Equity Across Communities. Throughout April, the office will work with its partners to raise awareness about efforts across health, education, justice, housing, transportation and employment sectors to address the factors known as the social determinants of health – environmental, social and economic conditions that impact health. More information is available on the office's website, www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov.

PAD FACTS Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington Metropolitan Area

PAD is more common than you realize:

- As many as 18 million Americans suffer from this potentially life-threatening disease¹
- 1 in 20 Americans over the age of 50 has PAD²
- 1 in 3 people with diabetes over the age of 50 likely has PAD³
- That means as many as 93,600 people in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington metro area could be affected by PAD^{2,4}
- Each year 160,000 - 180,000 Americans undergo amputation

of a limb as a result of complications associated with PAD⁵

Some PAD facts:

• Peripheral artery disease (PAD) is a condition where plaque builds up along blood vessel walls, narrowing the arteries and reducing blood flow to the legs and feet, if left untreated, PAD can lead to amputation.

• PAD patients have more than 6 times the risk of death from coronary heart disease as those without PAD.⁶

• Smoking, the single greatest risk factor, increases the chance of developing PAD three to five times. Other common risk factors include diabetes, high blood pressure, abnormal cholesterol levels, kidney disease and heart disease.⁷

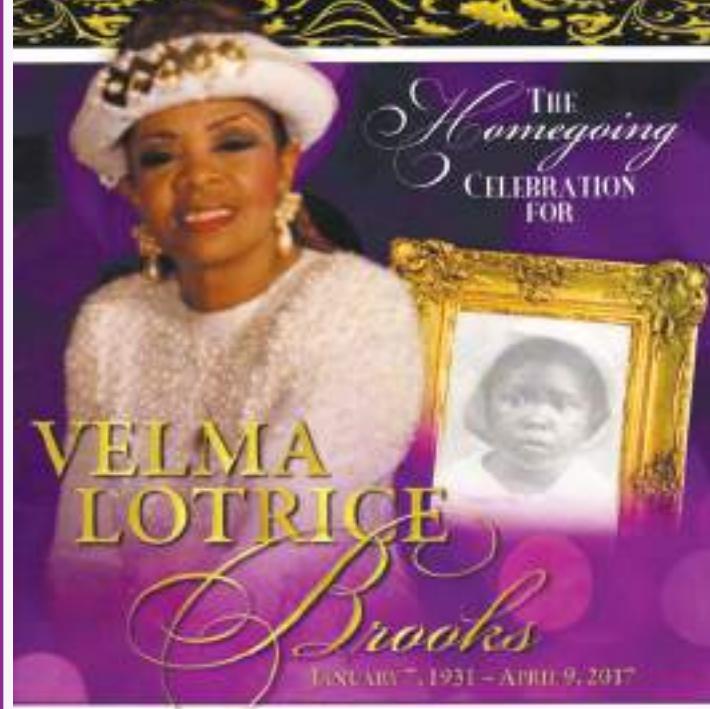
• People with diabetes and PAD have a ten times greater risk of amputation than people without diabetes.⁸

Symptoms of PAD

Many people think symptoms of PAD are just symptoms of aging. Therefore, they may ignore the symptoms and it may allow the disease to progress to a more severe state before it is diagnosed. The most common symptoms are:

- Leg pain that occurs when walking or exercising and disappears when the activity stops
- Leg muscle tiredness, heaviness, or cramping
- Leg and/or foot pain that disturbs sleep
- One leg/foot feels cooler than the other
- Toes or feet that look pale, discolored or blue
- Thick or yellow toenails that aren't growing
- Sores/wounds on toes, feet, or legs that heal slowly, or not at all (more associated with Critical Limb Ischemia, the most advanced form of PAD)

THE LIFE AND REFLECTIONS OF VELMA LOTRICE BROOKS



Velma (Hurdle) Brooks was born in Center Point, Texas on January 7, 1931 to the late Elmer and Catherine Hurdle. She was raised in the rural town of Neylandville, ten miles northeast of Greenville, Texas.

In 1940, Ms. Velma Brooks moved to Dallas with her parents at the age of ten. The entire family united with Boll Street Christian Church. In her youth, she was active in the youth Sunday school class and the junior choir.

On June 4, 1948, Velma married Fines Brooks. They were wed for 30 years and from this union three children were born.

In November 1957, Velma enrolled in Madame C.J. Walker Beauty College in Dallas, Texas. While a student at the beauty college, Ms. Brooks won first place in student hairstyling competitions including 1st place at the 1958 Dallas Beauticians Annual Hairstyle Show and Dance. Ms. Brooks won countless

competitions and received over 100 awards for outstanding work in the field of cosmetology including; Paris Rose D'Ore (1974), Business Woman of the Year (1971 and 1976), Who's Who in Black America (1977-1978), Clairol Presidential Hair Colorist Council (1983), Dedicated Service Award from Bethune Cookman College (2003), Special Entrepreneur Award - Dallas Morning News (2004), Living Legend Award Dallas Urban League (2004), Black History Chronicles Legends in Business sponsored by Bank of America (2004). She was a member of numerous organizations including: Alpha Chi Pi Omega Sorority and Fraternity, Inc., National Hair Weavers Association-Founder, National Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association, Texas Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association, Dallas Beautician Association.

Velma L. Brooks will be remembered as a trailblazer, top ranking professional cosmetologist and expert hair weaver who has been a pace-setter in the beauty profession throughout her career. Being a leading innovator of newer concepts and techniques of hairstyling, Velma has been an inspiration to thousands of young women and men who have entered into the beauty industry.

Alcohol most commonly abused substance, North Texas Poison Center reports

It may not capture as many headlines as opioids, spice or fentanyl, but alcohol continues to pose a serious health hazard to more Americans than the drugs du jour featured in the daily news. From binge-drinking college kids to aging alcoholics, people who abuse alcohol create a deadly and costly public health problem.

With April designated as Alcohol Awareness Month, what should we be aware of?

In a nutshell, experts agree that if you choose to drink, do so only in moderation. From cancer risk to car crashes, statistics show that excessive drinking does not end well for alcohol abusers.

An estimated 88,000 people (approximately 62,000 men and 26,000 women) die from alcohol-related causes annually, making alcohol the fourth leading preventable cause of death in the United States. Teen alcohol use kills 4,700 young people each year – more than all illegal drugs combined, according to Mothers Against Drunk Driving. And the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that every 51 minutes, someone dies in the U.S. in a vehicle crash involving an alcohol-impaired driver.

"Alcohol tops the list of toxic agents we see at Parkland," said Kurt Kleinschmidt, MD, Toxicology Fellowship Program Director at the North Texas Poison Center at Parkland Health & Hospital System and Professor of Emergency Medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center.

"Alcohol causes well-known health problems like cirrhosis of the liver and traumatic injuries sustained in car crashes," Dr. Kleinschmidt said. "But excessive drinking is also linked to more than 60 diseases and shortens the lives of heavy users by an average of 30 years."

Anemia, heart disease, stroke, dementia, depression, gout, epilepsy, pancreatitis and nerve damage are some of the diseases linked to heavy drinking. Alcohol use also increases the risk of cancers of the mouth, esophagus, pharynx, larynx, liver, colon, rectum and breast. Alcohol-related liver disease was the primary cause of almost 1 in 3 liver transplants in the U.S. in 2009.

Addiction occurs due to various factors including genetics, social situations, and psychiatric illnesses. Alcohol Use Disorder is a chronic disease that requires medical treatment as well as psychological and social support. "The earlier people get help, the easier it is to stop," Dr. Kleinschmidt said. "People

need to understand that addiction is a lifelong disease of the brain; stopping is not simply a 'willpower' issue...not even close. The important thing is to provide the medical and social resources needed to save lives."

It's also important to know that drinking heavily does not mean a person is an alcoholic, Dr. Kleinschmidt added. A study by the CDC revealed that around 90 percent of

Americans who drink heavily are not actually considered alcoholics. Alcohol misuse is defined as drinking too much, too often, whereas alcohol dependence, or alcoholism, is the inability to quit drinking.

Experts in the field recommend a comprehensive approach to reducing excessive drinking combining evidence-based community strategies, screening and counseling in healthcare settings, along with quality substance abuse treatment.

Shalonda Hill struggled with depression as a teen, using alcohol to cope with the difficulties in her life. Her cycle of alcohol dependence continued into her early twenties when she turned to her church for help and found support to recover. Today, Hill is a Certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist at Parkland. As a peer navigator, she works with patients with substance abuse and other mental health issues to help them receive the care they need.

"I've dedicated my life to helping others find and maintain recovery," Hill said. Because she has experienced the problems facing patients she encounters at Parkland, she can relate to them and serve as both a credible listener and adviser.

How much alcohol is too much? Dr. Kleinschmidt said that for women, more than 3 drinks at one time or more than 7 drinks in a week indicate a problem. A man who has more than 4 drinks at one time or 14 drinks a week is at risk.

Signs of alcohol abuse or dependence include behaviors like:

Drinking in the morning, being drunk frequently or drinking alone

Switching from one type of alcohol to another because you think you will drink less or not get drunk

Making excuses for your drinking, feeling guilty about drinking or doing things to hide your drinking, such as buying alcohol at different stores

Not remembering what you did while you were drinking (blacking out).



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“The Psalmist’s Passion for God’s Word”

Psalm 119:1-176

With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."

The great emphasis in this psalm is on God's word because God's word is authoritative and is eternal. The eternal aspect of God's word is brought out in Psalm 119:89 that says: "For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven."

The psalmist begins this marvelous psalm in verses 1-8 by recognizing that those who walk in God's word wholeheartedly will be blessed. The blessings in verses 1 and 2 are as follows: "Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD. Blessed are they that keep His testimonies, and that seek Him with the whole heart." The psalmist even desired to be more obedient and learn more of God's word. Through meditating and obedience to God's word, the psalmist declares that a person can cleanse his way (vv. 9-16). This highly regarded admonition is found in verses 9-11: "Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word."

Having called on God's deliverance and a promise to testify (vv. 41-48), the psalmist declares the wonderful hope of God's word (vv. 49-56). The promise in verse 44 states, "So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever." Continuing to express his zeal and

love of the word (vv. 57-64), the psalmist's trust in God's word is affirmed (vv. 65-72), and his hope was in God's word (vv. 73-80). He expresses his plight - "I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies. I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments" (vv. 59-60) and "Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed" (v. 80).

Continuing to maintain a steadfast hope in God's word (vv. 81-88), the psalmist affirms that God's word is durable and has inestimable value (vv. 89-96). The psalmist is for certain as he declares "For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven. Thy faithfulness is unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth" (vv. 89-90). The psalmist supremely loved God's word that gave him understanding (vv. 97-104), and great direction "a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (vv. 105-112). He exclaims, "O how I love thy law! it is my meditation all the day" (v. 97).

Having a great reverence for God's word (vv. 113-120), the psalm asked God to deliver him

from his enemies (vv. 121-128). In verse 117 he asked of the God, "Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually." As the psalmist expressed his wonderful pleasure for God's word (vv. 129-136), the psalmist expressed that God is righteous and so is His word (vv. 137-144).

Attesting to the fact that God's word is reliable (vv. 145-152), the psalmist expressed his affection for God's word (vv. 153-160), and his unusual value for God's word (vv. 161-168) - "Great are thy tender mercies, O LORD: quicken me according to thy judgments" (v. 156).

Finally, the psalmist concludes this marvelous psalm by praising God for rescuing him through the word (vv. 169-176) - "Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy precepts. I have longed for thy salvation, O LORD; and thy law is my delight" (vv. 173-174).

This is indeed an awesome psalm.

May God Bless!

Minority-owned Companies Fight for Equity in Advertising

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"We believe that the national advertisers are not aware of this issue," Murphy said. "We believe that national advertisers may not understand how their own agencies may be working in concert with conglomerate publishers."

Murphy continued: "We believe national advertisers will be very interested to learn how 'forced buys,' fraudulent audit reports and industry collusion may have forced these national advertisers to spend millions over the last four years on products that they could have obtained at a much lower rate."

As much as \$6.24 billion in revenue was generated by the local media industry from advertising inserts, also known as "circulars," in 2014, according to the latest figures published by Borrell Associates, a research and consulting firm that tracks local advertising and helps media companies develop executive strategies.

The suit alleges that the Star-Telegram provided Redan with outdated media kits, which did not contain current and accurate audit results. The newspaper had misrepresented and mischaracterized the distribution of past products, the suit said.

Redan said it relied on accurate information when selling advertising in "En Casa" or "Mercado," both Spanish-language publications.

Also, after promising not to convert En Casa from a Spanish-lan-

guage publication to a bilingual one, the Star-Telegram did proceed with those plans, resulting in significant economic loss to Redan, including the ultimate shuttering of Mercado.

Further, Redan said it had a long-standing business relationship with the marketing and advertising company, Motivate, Inc.

Motivate, Inc., agreed to place multiple pre-print and run of paper advertising orders for its customers through Redan, but the Star-Telegram, in breach of its agreement to extend an exclusive rate structure to Redan for the sale of advertising in "En Casa," offered significantly lower prices to Motivate, Inc. in order to persuade the company to place insert orders through the Star-Telegram.

The Star-Telegram did so despite the knowledge that Redan had an existing agreement with Motivate, Inc., which caused Redan to lose an entire year's worth of insert orders and run of paper advertising in En Casa and Mercado, which contributed to the ultimate loss of Redan's publication, Mercado, among other costs and expenses.

Further, the suit states that Redan and Valassis had an agreement that Valassis was to place multiple pre-print insert orders for En Casa and Mercado from 2015 through 2017.

In October 2015, Redan received insert orders from Valassis for placement of pre-print inserts in En Casa, orders which were filled, but went unpaid by Valassis, the law-

suit alleges.

Leaders at the National Association of Hispanic Publications (NAHP) and the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) said that they're keeping a close watch on the court proceedings.

Leaders from both groups said that they believe insert advertising in the print industry may be skewed, due to forced circulation buys, which don't put the advertiser's best interest first and restrict the advertiser's ability to work with media companies that specialize in the Hispanic and Black markets; that omission could also inhibit the buyer from choosing the best consultant and publication for a campaign, the leaders from the NNPA and NAHP said.

That practice, the organizations said, decreases the equal opportunity for all publishers to compete and those serving minority communities are mostly affected.

"Insert ads are very important because obviously, all publications, minority-owned and other companies, rely on this advertising to remain afloat," said John Trainor, who runs the innovation and marketing company, Kreativa in Chicago, Ill.

Trainor is also the former CEO of Papel Media, a Hispanic advertising agency that also has history with Valassis.

"I've been involved in the insert industry for two decades and the problems that I saw 20 years ago,

are similar to what we see today," Trainor said. "Minority publications tend not to be home delivered and have a small subscription base and a lot of them are free, so advertisers, who have coupons of value are going to try and stay with publications that give them a little more control on inserts and the costs add up."

Trainor said that today the goal is to win the digital age.

Still, the Redan lawsuit could potentially open a Pandora's box that major publishers and some advertisers fear could leave them exposed to even more lawsuits from minority-owned publishing firms serving the Hispanic and African-American communities, according to court documents.

"The National Newspaper Publishers Association and the National Association of Hispanic Publications have established an ongoing strategic alliance to increase the advertising business opportunities for our member publishers across the nation," said Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr., the president and CEO of the NNPA.

Chavis continued: "We are very interested in the Texas case concerning advertising inserts. We support all efforts to establish more economic equity and parity in the marketplace for Black and Hispanic publishers with specific reference to the billions of dollars annually spent on newspaper inserts."

Attending a College of Engineering career fair, she got not one but two job offers before she had even graduated with her undergraduate degree. She decided to accept a position with L3 Technologies in Rockwall.

"I'm really using my degree in this job. I'm a software engineer and L3 gave me the background I needed," said Spell. "At L3, we modernize planes, and I help with updating them with the latest technology. Our biggest customer is the U.S. government, the military in particular. I work a lot with coding, always trying to make it better and keep advancing what's out there. I'm still learning on the job, but I know I'm in the right place."

It's not just the work that Spell says students should keep advancing, she worked hard to advance herself. While at L3, she found joining organizations helped her broaden her horizons and make friends.

"I learned so much in class," said Spell. "But in those organizations I learned about leadership and resumes and really life lessons."

Spell was part of the Society of Black Engineers, the Society of Women Engineers and the NAACP. She was also a student tutor, helping others who struggled with math, physics and, of course, computer science. While Spell is part of the latest generation of computer scientists, there are many more to come and she has advice for them.

"Keep a list of goals," said Spell. "Always keep them around, update them and mark them off as you go. Remind yourself of where you are going and the goals you want to achieve."

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"I was on my way, but I realized I had not completed a master's degree," said Barber. "It was an unfinished personal achievement that haunted me every day."

With a family to support, Barber and his friend Roy Rogers, another programmer at Mobil, decided to try out a new program at what was then called North Texas State.

"Roy and I decided to try out this new computer science program. We commuted from work to Denton daily. Sometimes we were even in the computer lab all night."

While his friendship with Rogers grew, the newness of the school led to several other friendships and even a close relationship with his professor.

"Everyone was so friendly," said Barber. "Dr. Dennis Conrad especially, he was one of the kindest gentlemen I ever met. He invited me to his house to talk about my thesis while we sat in his backyard by his pool. It was an ideal time to be a student. It is really amazing to know that we were the first students in this program."

After graduation, Barber saw his career flourish. He worked for numerous companies along the way and was part of an industry that was always evolving.

"Computer science changes so fast and you have to be flexible and change with it," said Barber. "When I started, we were working with card punches and binary fields. Now, one tiny chip can hold a massive amount of memory. We were the forerunners of it all."

While he loved it, college wasn't always easy, yet he says he still had a good time even when it was difficult.

"I had a lot of good teachers," said Thurman. "Don Retzlaff, a retired lecturer, was one of the

best. A lot of the coursework is very difficult so you can't equate it as fun, but he could actually make it fun. I ran into him at Apogee Stadium recently and told him how much impact he made on my life. He stopped me and ran and got his wife so I could tell her. It was so funny!"

After getting his degree, Thurman spent 10 years as a developer/programmer. Now he's the director of Clinical Information Systems for Sonic Healthcare USA. While he's in more of a leadership role than hands-on work these days, he says he still has to keep up with the technology.

"As for computer science, the fundamentals are always the same, but what changes is the framework and additions to the technology," said Thurman. "It's an ever evolving thing. Today we focus more on user experience, we also mine a lot more data, we do more intelligent business and figure out how to let computers help us do things in more effective and efficient ways."

Not only is Thurman keeping up with the ever-changing world of computer science, he's making sure he can help the next generation.

"The thing about my profession is that it is rapidly changing," he said. "The things I learned in college were in a lot of ways theoretical. I serve on a UNT advisory board to help keep them knowing what the industry is using. It's changing just so much."

What has never changed is Thurman's love for computer science.

"I feel so grateful that I've been able to be in computer science for 20 years and that's what my

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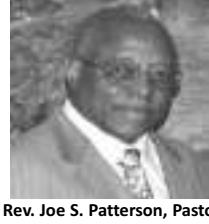
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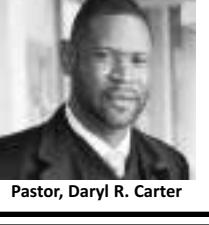
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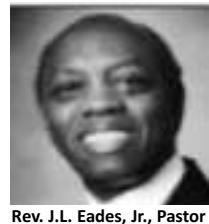
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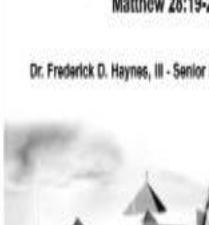
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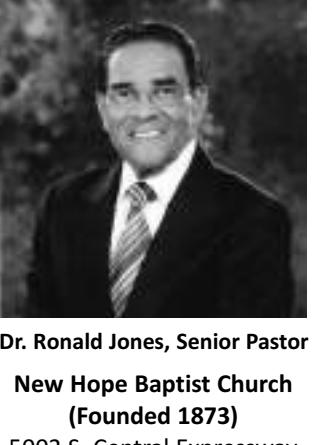
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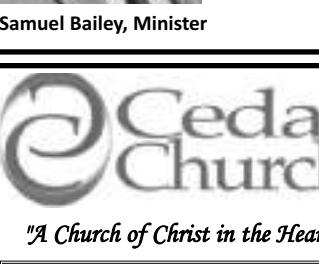
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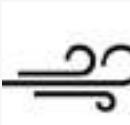
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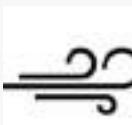
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Romo basks in honorary day with Mavs before Nuggets' win



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By SCHUYLER DIXON

"Dallas" across the front of the jersey just once — when he was introduced with the starters before the game.

"Obviously we knew we couldn't check him in," said star Dirk Nowitzki, who helped hatch the plan to honor Romo. "We were faking it and the crowd was loving it. And they wanted to see him out there so bad. We just couldn't pull it off."

Gary Harris scored 20 points in the first game for the Nuggets (39-42) since getting eliminated from the playoffs. Nowitzki led Dallas with 21 points.

With nothing at stake in a lost season that will be the worst for Dallas (32-49) since going 20-62 in 1997-98, the Mavericks followed

through with an idea that Nowitzki and owner Mark Cuban discussed weeks ago at a party after the 19-year veteran reached 30,000 career points.

Even then, it was clear Romo wasn't returning to the Cowboys. Ultimately, he decided not to play for another team after losing the starting job he held for 10 years to rookie Dak Prescott following a back injury in the preseason last year.

Romo, who turns 37 this month, had his honorary day with the Mavericks exactly a week after he announced he was leaving football to become the No. 1 NFL analyst at CBS.

After going through the morning shootaround, pregame warmups and the

pretend starter introduction, Romo took the floor to address fans at the end of a brief ceremony in which Carlisle and Nowitzki also spoke.

"This is an honor that I could never dream of," said Romo, who rose to fame as an undrafted player out of lower-division Eastern Illinois in 2003. "It's a little embarrassing, but I'll tell you what, I'm a very lucky guy. Thank you, Dallas. I love you."

Wearing a dark blue warmup top, Romo sat next to Cuban, who tried to persuade Commissioner Adam Silver to let Romo play. Instead, Cuban was the one pulling Romo back to his seat with the crowd roaring and chanting his name in the final minutes.

"I told him what I was going to do and said, 'Fine me if you don't like it,'" Cuban said of his conversation with Silver. "But once he said the contract wasn't getting approved, then he kind of killed that."

The sidelines were packed with fans taking pictures and videos while Romo went through pregame warmups. He drew the biggest cheer when he hit a jumper over Devin Harris, and he hit a 3-pointer as well. But he couldn't match Harris' swish from midcourt, and shook his head over an airball on a 3-pointer.

"I feel like they're all 7 feet tall," Romo said after participating in the morning shootaround. "And they'll all long and lean. I look like a turtle out there next to these guys."

For Carlisle, the Romo plan was never about the former high school basketball standout in Wisconsin actually playing. He wanted to recognize a frequent front-row fan who always has a seat right behind where Carlisle roams the sidelines.

"There is a circus surrounding this because everybody wants to get a glimpse," Carlisle said. "We understand that. This is how we feel about a special guy who's been a very special competitor in really a very special sports market."

Longtime friend and tight end Jason Witten had a seat in the first half behind the Dallas bench near Cowboys coach Jason Garrett and Romo's last offensive coordinator in Dallas, Scott Linehan.

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By Julianne Malveaux
(NNPA Newswire Columnist)

As a journalist and political commentator, who covers issues important to the African American community and other marginalized communities, I have taken on powerful forces over the years. I have provided a voice for underrepresented communities and engaged both the private and public sector and I always strive to be accurate and respectful. After all, how can I demand civility and fairness from others if I don't practice it myself?

Earlier this year, I wrote a commentary about the rooftop solar business, and expressed concerns that some bad actors in the industry were misleading consumers. I focused on three aspects that worried me: First, that new customers may be unaware that the panels can cost upwards of \$15,000 and can generate an additional lien against their home, making it harder to sell. Second, rooftop solar salespeople often tell customers that they will save a lot of money on their utility bill, which is not always true. Third, salespeople engaging in high-pressure tactics often do so in the hope that a customer will sign a contract before they understand all of the complexities of a long-term financial agreement.

About a week later, the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA), which represents the rooftop solar industry in Washington, D.C., wrote a response to my commentary. I didn't fully agree with SEIA, but I respected their right to voice their opinion. I saw their response and was hopeful that going forward the industry would take more steps to protect minority consumers. I decided to move on

and continue writing about the other issues important to me.

However, in the last few weeks, I have become a target of an intimidation campaign led by SEIA. Specifically, a gentleman named Michael Schmidt, a Senior Vice President at Crosscut Strategies, who claims to be an agent of SEIA, has repeatedly called and emailed me and my staff. In one call, he even asked a staff member why I had not responded to him, as if I was afraid to respond.

In his correspondence to a woman in my office, Mr. Schmidt states that I wrote, "that solar companies are targeting communities of color." Mr. Schmidt went on to write that: "The SEIA team finds this abhorrent and they wanted to follow up with her about what she knows, since the column didn't provide details. SEIA takes this issue and consumer protection generally very seriously. Would it be possible to arrange a quick call between Dr. Malveaux and SEIA's general counsel about this?"

I believe that Mr. Schmidt's suggestion that I speak with SEIA's general counsel, Tom Kimbis, is an attempt to assert that my comment about "targeting communities of color" could be libelous. If SEIA wanted to provide me with facts to change my mind, why couldn't Mr. Schmidt provide me with that information, or connect me with SEIA's communications or policy experts? The suggestion that I speak with SEIA's in-house attorney was designed to intimidate.

Be assured, I take this threat seriously. I believe I did nothing wrong, but I do not have millions of dollars to defend myself. SEIA represents companies like Tesla that are worth billions of dollars. It

wouldn't be a fair fight.

I want to be clear: I wrote the rooftop solar piece based on recent correspondence sent by three Democrats in the Congress to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB). The letter was read by Rep. Henry Cuellar of Texas, who is Hispanic, and Reps. Emmanuel Cleaver of Missouri and Bennie Thompson of Mississippi, who are African Americans.

At the end of the letter sent by those Congressmen, they stated that the high-pressure sales tactics used by bad actors in the rooftop solar industry are often targeted towards the least sophisticated consumers. Therefore, the matter is a "particular concern for minority communities in our districts and around the nation." That is where I got the line in my piece that SEIA seems to be so upset about.

If Abigail Ross Harper, the head of SEIA, or anyone at the association has an issue with what I said in my piece, then they should have reached out to me and asked to speak. I would have agreed and had an open mind. But the fact that they decided to try and intimidate me and my staff only makes me believe that my original piece—that the rooftop solar industry does not respect minorities—was sadly all too accurate.

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Representative Yvonne Davis to Host Legislative Town Hall Meeting

State Representative Yvonne Davis will hold a Legislative Town Hall meeting on Saturday, April 22, 2017. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending legislation currently before the Texas House of Representatives as well as other community issues.

If you have any questions concerning the upcoming Legislative Town Hall Meeting, please feel free to contact Representative Davis' District office at (214) 941-3895.

DATE & TIME

Saturday, April 22, 2017 at 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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12TH ANNUAL HAT & TEA EXTRAVAGANZA By Dr. Cynthia Marshall-Biggins

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Top Row:
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Dr. Dinah Marks; and
Dallas County District
Attorney Faith Johnson.



On, Sunday, April 30, 2017, the Minnie H. Goodlow Page Section of The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. (NCNW), will celebrate their 12th Annual Hat & Tea Extravaganza: A Salute To Women of Distinction. This will certainly be an occasion full of excitement and joy as the Section will honor ten extraordinary women for their exceptional commitment and service in making a valuable contribution to society and to the uplifting of mankind.

The Section will honor and recognize, the "Women of Distinction" for their contributions in one or more of the areas listed: Business, Church, Community, Education, Family, and Government. The honorees for this year will be: Mrs. Ella Frances Langston, Lady Toy Sargent, Dr. Delores Seamster, Lady Sharon Beard, Dr. Karen Hollie Thibodeaux, Lady Cheryl Crittenden Glaspie, Mrs. Vivian Moore, Lady Lennie J. Whitehead, Dr. Dinah Marks and Dallas County District Attorney Faith Johnson.

The Hat & Tea Extravaganza, which is a signature

occasion for the Minnie H. Goodlow Page Section, will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, 800 North Main Street, Duncanville, Texas 75116. Tickets for the occasion may be purchased at a cost of \$50.00 each. Additionally, there is the opportunity to purchase a Congratulatory Ad in support of the honorees to be placed in the Souvenir Journal. Please contact Dr. Mollie Johnson Williams (Chair), at 972-296-1900 for ticket and/or Ad information.

Mrs. Dorothy Allen Chimney is the National Council of Negro Women, Inc., Texas State Convener. Ms. Chimney is a Life member of the organization and the Eighth National President of the Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.

The Section President is Mrs. Ruby Randall Henson. She is a Charter member, Life member and served on the Committee for Organization for the Section.

Mrs. Isabell Cottrell, who has spent the majority of her life on the development of entrepreneurial, philanthropic and community, based initiatives, and experienced phenomenal entrepreneurial success with the development of Proline, a hair and skin care manufacturer of Ethnic personal care products, will serve as the Honorary Chair.

The program Chair is Dr. Mollie A. Johnson Williams, who is a Life and Legacy Life member of the organization, as well as the Organizer and First President of the Minnie H. Goodlow-Page Section. Dr. Williams is also the Northeast Texas Coordinator for The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

Ms. Esther Davis, host of ION Media's syndicated Ester Davis Show, which can be seen on channels 68 and 42 of the ION Media Network will provide commentary during the Modeling of the Hats.

It is our sincere hope that you will be able to join us in recognizing the remarkable work of this year's honorees. The "Women of Distinction" go above and beyond, in their service, to ensure that doors are opened for others, not only today, rather continuously.

The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. (NCNW) is a voluntary nonprofit membership organization helping women to improve the quality of life for themselves, their families and community. The organization was founded in 1935 by Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune. The Mission of the organization is to lead, develop, and advocate for women of African descent as they support their families and communities.

The Minnie H. Goodlow Page Section of the NCNW was named in honor of the late Mrs. Minnie H. Goodlow Page, who was an outstanding Christian woman. She lived a very meaningful life full of service and prayer. The section was charted in 2001.

The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. (NCNW), Minnie H. Goodlow Page Section meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at Charlton Methodist Hospital located at 3500 W. Wheatland Road, Dallas, Texas 75237. For additional information please visit the website at www.ncnw.org

REMEMBER THE CHIBOK GIRLS

By Congresswoman Frederica S. Wilson (D-Fla.)

Three years ago, Boko Haram terrorists burst into dormitory rooms at the Government Secondary School in the northern Nigerian town of Chibok and kidnapped nearly 300 girls simply because they dared to get an education. In the days leading up to anniversary of their kidnapping, there were plenty of headlines devoted to the "Chibok girls," as these now young women are famously known. On April 14, 2017, we reached another sad milestone. Some of us paused to remember the anniversary of this horrific, ongoing tragedy. Soon the news reports will fade and the story of the still missing Chibok girls will slip once more to the backburner.

The 195 Chibok girls who haven't been able to escape their captives or were not among the 21 released last October, are still the most compelling symbols of the Boko Haram insurgency, but we must never forget that the group has committed increasingly heinous acts in the past three years from which innumerable victims may never recover. Let me count the ways.

More than 2.6 million people are currently displaced across Nigeria and its neighbor nations in the Lake Chad region, and Nigeria is in the process of building a comprehensive orphanage to house approximately 8,000 children who've been separated from their parents. At least one million children have been forced out of school. Millions more Africans are at risk of starving to death and countless men, women and children all of ages, both Christians and Muslims, have been kidnapped, tortured, and/or killed.

It gets worse. In addition to engaging in the human trafficking of women, forcing them into sexual and domestic slavery, the insurgents also use children as suicide bombers. Even ISIS, to whom Boko Haram has pledged allegiance, has expressed concern that the group goes too far.

As a mother, a former educator, and indeed, a human being, I have felt heartbroken, shocked and angered by the daily horrors our West African sisters and brothers have been forced to endure. The actions of the world's most deadly terrorist group have also emboldened me to use my voice and every resource available in the fight to ensure that the Chibok girls are not forgotten and to help eradicate Boko Haram and repair the damage it has caused.

I have traveled twice to Nigeria to meet with victims' families and government officials and brought the #BringBackOurGirls movement to the United States. Each week that Congress is in session, lawmakers from both sides of the aisle participate in a "Wear Something Red Wednesday" social media campaign that helps maintain pressure on the Nigerian government to keep working to negotiate the release of the remaining Chibok girls and pull out all stops to defeat Boko Haram.



Congresswoman Frederica S. Wilson (D-Fla.) says that the terrorist group Boko Haram may be down, but it is far from out. In this photo, Rep. Frederica Wilson (D-Fla.) (at the podium) speaks during a candlelight vigil for the missing Chibok schoolgirls in front of the State Department in Washington, D.C. on April 20, 2016. Wilson was joined by several members of Congress and some of the schoolgirls that escaped and have relocated to the Washington D.C. metro area. (Freddie Allen/AMG/NNPA Newswire)

On December 14, 2016, President Barack Obama signed, into law, legislation that Senator Susan Collins (R-Maine) and I sponsored that directs the U.S. secretaries of State and Defense to jointly develop a five-year strategy to aid the Nigerian government, the Multinational Joint Task Force created to combat Boko Haram, and international partners who've offered their support to counter the regional threat the terrorists pose.

In a telephone conversation between President Donald J. Trump and Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari in February, the two leaders pledged "to continue close coordination and cooperation in the fight against terrorism in Nigeria," according to a readout from the White House. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson also has reportedly praised the Multinational Joint Task Force's efforts to defeat Boko Haram a "success story," but while the terrorist group may be down, it is far from out.

On June 12, we will mark another milestone in this terrible saga. That is the day the State and Defense departments' five-year plan is due. It also is the deadline for the director of National Intelligence to assess the willingness and capability of Nigeria and its regional partners to implement the strategies outlined. We

must use our collective voice to ensure they don't miss this urgent deadline.

By now you may be asking yourself why any of this should matter to African Americans who are fighting their own battles to close the economic and opportunity gaps that still exist here at home and to exercise fundamental rights like the right to vote. Some of you may have never even heard of the Chibok girls. But if we don't, who will? If we don't teach the world to acknowledge that Black lives matter across the globe, who will? Until then, it will continue to cry for victims of terrorism in European nations, the Middle East and even Russia, while African and African-American lives lost go ignored.

Congresswoman Frederica S. Wilson is a member of the Congressional Black Caucus and represents parts of northern Miami-Dade and southeast Broward counties. She serves on the House Education and the Workforce Committee and the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. To learn more about Congresswoman Wilson's work in Congress, please visit her Facebook and Twitter pages and congressional website.

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