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The brand-new Toyota ambulances are scheduled to arrive in St. Kitts and Nevis by the end of October.

Five new ambulances to boost emergency care in St. Kitts and Nevis

Prime Minister and Minister of Health, Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew, has confirmed that five brand-new Toyota ambulances will arrive in St. Kitts and Nevis by the end of October, marking a major step forward in the government's ongoing efforts to modernize the nation's healthcare system.

The new fleet is expected to significantly enhance the country's capacity to deliver timely and reliable emergency medical services. Units will be strategically deployed across the Federation, with ambulances stationed at Mary Charles Hospital, Pogson Hospital, and the Joseph N. France General Hospital.

The decision to source Toyota ambulances was intentional, aligning with the government's focus on long-term reliability and local serviceability. The vehicles will be supported by the local dealership, ensuring access to maintenance and spare parts—an improvement over previous fleets that often faced service delays and reliability issues.

"By consolidating the fleet under a single brand with dealership support, St. Kitts and Nevis will be better positioned to maintain consistency, improve service response times, and reduce costly downtime," Dr. Drew stated.

He also addressed the temporary use of refurbished ambulances, describing them as a responsible interim solution to ensure uninterrupted emergency services. The delay in delivery, he explained, was due to global supply chain disruptions and the ongoing war in Ukraine—factors beyond the government's control.

The new ambulances form part of a broader healthcare transformation agenda being led by Dr. Drew, who reaffirmed his administration's commitment to strengthening public health infrastructure and ensuring that citizens receive quality care when it matters most.

The Government of St. Kitts and Nevis Invites Contractors to Bid on the following Project:

NATIONAL SECURITY TRAINING FACILITY

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LIME KILN RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Tender Documents can be obtained at the Public Works Department, Wellington Road, Basseterre, St Kitts, as of Thursday 7th August, 2025 for a non-refundable fee of EC$2,500.00 each.

Completed bid shall be delivered in sealed envelope to the office of:

Director of Public Works Department
Wellington Road, Basseterre, St Kitts
at or before 1:00pm Friday 3rd October, 2025

Contractors or their representatives are invited to the Tender Opening.

Eligibility

It is mandatory that Contractors be locally registered in the Federation of St Kitts & Nevis. Business License MUST be presented before receipt of Tender Document.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT 31/7/2025 ST. KITTS WEST INDIES

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Holness wins third term as Jamaica's PM

Prime Minister Andrew Holness has won a third term in Jamaica, according to early election results. His Jamaica Labour Party (JLP) secured at least 34 out of 63 seats in parliament, while the opposition People's National Party (PNP), led by Mark Golding, won 29 seats.

Holness told supporters that the win was hard-fought, calling it "a win for you, the people." Golding conceded defeat, saying he was disappointed but respected the outcome.

Turnout was low, with just 38.8% of voters casting ballots, a slight rise from the 2020 pandemic election. More than two million Jamaicans were eligible to vote on the island of 2.8 million people.

The JLP highlighted a 43% drop in killings this year, tighter firearm controls, and improved security. Holness also promised to double the minimum wage. The opposition focused on economic hardships, proposing higher tax thresholds to help working families and accusing the government of corruption and mismanagement. Holness has denied wrongdoing.

Nevis South Coast Development targets environmental renewal and sustainable growth

The Nevis Island Administration (NIA) is advancing plans for a major development along the island's South Coast, with a strong emphasis on environmental sustainability and long-term resilience. Premier of Nevis, the Honourable Mark Brantley, has described the initiative as a "potential game-changer" that could not only drive economic growth but also rehabilitate a vulnerable coastal region.

Speaking at his monthly press conference on August 28, Premier Brantley—who also serves as Minister of Finance, Foreign Investment and Economic Planning—highlighted the broader vision behind the project. "We need to imagine a future for this island where we can provide for our people, especially our young people," he said. "There are some of us who are here today, people like me who are now in our middle age and we may feel that well things are good, but what about our grandchildren and our great grandchildren? What about the next generations that are to come?"

The proposed development, which is envisioned to rival the scale and quality of the Four Seasons Resort Nevis, is set to include multiple luxury hotels, resort communities, retail spaces, and a marina. Premier Brantley urged the public to consider the transformative potential of the project: "I'm asking the people of Nevis therefore imagine a development that is multiple times the size of Four Seasons but the same quality. A development which is promising shops, restaurants, they're saying up to three luxury hotels, a minimum of three resort communities anchored by some of the best name high-end resort hotels that the world has to offer, the possibility of a marina development in that area for those who have yachts and want to come in to Nevis. We now have a growing yachting sector, but we do not have a marina to accommodate them on Nevis."

Beyond its economic promise, the development is being positioned as a solution to environmental degradation along the South Coast. The Premier pointed to the urgent need for intervention: "There's absolutely nothing there, thousands of acres of land with absolutely nothing on it. There's no road, there's no water, there's no electricity, there is nothing on it. And that barren area of Nevis where the lands are being eroded every day by the sea and huge tracts of Nevis are falling into the ocean, that is the area that these developers say they can transform."

The project is expected to generate billions in investment and hundreds of millions in direct revenue for the government, enabling improvements in infrastructure and public services. "I just want to make the record clear that this is an opportunity for development. This promises to generate the type of activity which will see hundreds of millions of dollars flowing directly to the Nevis Island Administration. What that does is it allows us to better provide roads, water, electricity, it allows us to finish the hospital. It allows me to build better schools. It allows the government—whoever is in government—the opportunity to use resources to develop the country… making better provisions for our people. That is what we're seeking to do."

According to the NIA, the inves-

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COURTESY PHOTO

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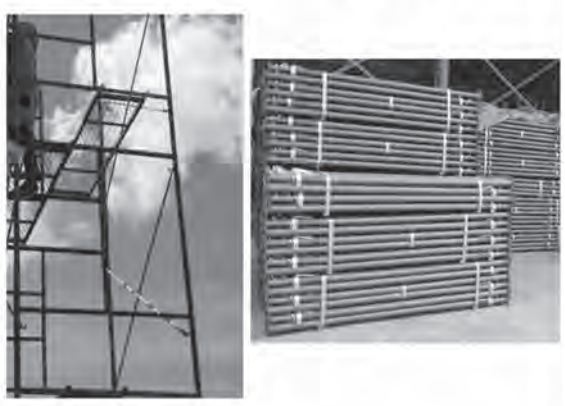

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT
A.D. 2025
(PROBATE)

SKBHPB2025/0088

In the Matter of the Application of **HUBERT ADDISON DOUGLAS** for the issue of a Grant of Probate of Will in the Estate of **CATHERINE REBECCA DOUGLAS**, late of 3100 Lower John Dunkoe, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin islands, deceased

-and-

In the Matter of Rules 44 and 8 of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (Non-Contentious Probate and Administration of Estates) Rules

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PROBATE

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **HUBERT ADDISON DOUGLAS** of 7306 Kilnstone, CT, Reynoldsburg, OH, 43068, United States of America for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 13th day of April 2015 without revoking a Will bearing the date of the 4th day of August 2006 wherein the Applicant is the sole executor.

Any person having an objection to the Grant of Probate to the Applicant shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 15th day of July, 2025.

Filed by **GRANT, POWELL AND CO.,** ***(Attention: Mr. Kamau Z. Grant)***, Solicitors for the Applicant whose address for service is Richards's House, #3 Church Street, Basseterre, Saint Kitts.

[SECOND PUBLICATION]

EDITORIAL

A seismic shift in global finance with far-reaching consequences

If the U.S. Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) recent deployment of the John Doe summons has its intended effect, the Caribbean could face unprecedented challenges – the fragile financial ecosystems of CARICOM nations will be thoroughly tested. The enforcement action is not merely a legal move; it represents a seismic shift in global finance that would undoubtedly reverberate throughout our region for years to come.

The John Doe summons has been described as a tool designed to pierce the veil of secrecy that has historically surrounded offshore financial activities, but while it aims to combat tax evasion by targeting unidentified individuals, its implications for Caribbean banks and service providers are profoundly troubling.

It casts a wide net that could ensnare clients who have no direct connection to the United States, yet fall within the grasp of U.S. jurisdiction through the use of American addresses or mobile numbers. The prospect is unsettling. This sweeping approach essentially threatens to destabilize banking operations across the region. For small nations heavily reliant on tourism, remittances, and trust services, the loss of correspondent banking relationships could be disastrous.

The irony is not lost on those observing the situation. While the U.S. and European financial hubs continue to thrive as secrecy jurisdictions, it is the smaller Caribbean nations that bear the brunt of regulatory crackdowns. The enforcement actions against significant players in the offshore services market, spotlight the asymmetry in global finance.

The IRS's actions are reshaping the Caribbean banking landscape without any democratic dialogue or consideration of the region's unique challenges. For CARICOM nations, the path forward is fraught with urgency. Adapting to the new compliance landscape is no longer optional—it is a matter of survival. Banks must implement comprehensive and robust compliance programs capable of detecting suspicious activities and beneficial ownership in real-time. This will require significant investment in technology and human resources, which may be a daunting task for economies still recovering from the pandemic's impact.

While some regional voices advocate for a unified response—potentially through a shared correspondent banking hub or the adoption of central bank digital currencies—the reality is that time is running out. The window for proactive measures is closing, and many in CARICOM may find themselves unprepared for the seismic shifts approaching their financial systems.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The premier of Nevis stated in his address to the nation and press conference that developers in the SS zone will be supplying their own water and electricity.

I have read the SSZA Bill.

The Bill states no such thing.

Merely that some water capture is required (a normal development requirement)and 70 percent of power use is sourced ecologically.

To my mind that means the recent tapping into the limited Nevis artesian waters, and the recently increased focus on geothermal power will be accessed to supply the power and water needs of the SSZ, not as previously advised to meet and perhaps exceed the requirements of SKN. In the case of geothermal much has been said about selling excess power to other islands. (An economically and practically dubious idea).

It is my understanding that SKN taxpayer monies are repaying the loans on water and power drilling and future implementation.

It makes me wonder if transparency in these matters is in fact paramount, and if in fact this SSZ has been negotiated quite a few years ago, around the time the unnamed SKN citizen, said to have made a proposal, purchased a citizenship.

Pen Name: Tom Smith

COMMENTARY

CARICOM's banking sector at the Brink:

The John Doe summons and the coming financial apocalypse

Femi Tex Ogun
Columnist

One morning soon, a bank card issued by a Caribbean lender may simply stop working in New York. A remittance wire from a son in Florida to his mother in Grenada may vanish into the ether. Tourists landing in Antigua could find their cards being declined at the hotel check-in desk. These will not be tech glitches. They will be the tremors of a financial earthquake triggered not by a credit crisis, but by an insidious legal instrument wielded not with SWAT teams but by court orders.

The U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) aided and abetted by the US Department of Justice (DoJ) has unleashed its most existential weapon yet on the offshore finance world. It is known as the John Doe summons. And for the fragile financial ecosystem of CARICOM, the Caribbean Community of 15 states and territories it is no longer a question of managing damage.

It's a question of the last person out turning off the lights. Perhaps, the final nail in the coffin and the end of what can only be described as an inglorious era.

A Weaponized Summons with Global Reach

The John Doe summons is the IRS's scalpel for slicing through secrecy. It's used when U.S. authorities suspect wrongdoing by a group of unnamed individuals and want third parties such as banks, service providers, trust companies, and lawyers, who for years have quietly toiled away earning their income by assisting individuals and perhaps turning a blind eye to the realities to their questions and instructions.

Easy money earned by them may now be the very invoices that lends them jail time. Similarly, the summons covers couriers, and even clearinghouses and obligates them to hand over the documents that will help identify the tax cheats. In short

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'Chip in with Taiwan' for global peace and prosperity

H.E. Dr. Lin Chia-lung
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Republic of China (Taiwan)

Today, the world faces mounting uncertainties and challenges—from prolonged conflicts and democratic backsliding to economic coercion and disinformation campaigns. Authoritarian regimes increasingly employ gray-zone tactics that undermine the rules-based international order. In this fragile global environment, peace cannot be taken for granted. Democracies must unite to bolster resilience and safeguard our cherished values and way of life.

Taiwan is a key player and an indispensable partner in the Indo-Pacific region, working toward global peace, stability, and prosperity. It stands on the front line of the Indo-Pacific's first island chain, defending democracy and freedom from authoritarian expansionism. Taiwan also contributes significantly to stability and prosperity through its robust economy and semiconductor ecosystem. As the 21st-largest economy, Taiwan leads in artificial intelligence and semiconductors—producing over 60 percent of the world's chips and 90 percent of its most advanced ones. This economic strength fuels global growth and makes Taiwan an indispensable partner for global development in various fields.

Taiwan is determined to defend democratic values, both at home and abroad. President Lai Ching-te launched the Four Pillars of Peace ac-

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Int'l romance feature film being produced in Nevis

Project features the active participation of local talent, both on and behind the scenes

In the government's ongoing efforts to market Nevis as a premium film destination, Premier Mark Brantley highlighted at his monthly press conference that an international romance feature film is currently being produced in Nevis, by Chuck and Bree West of OCTET Productions.

"I'm very proud to report that an international full-length romance feature film is currently in production on Nevis," Premier Brantley stated. "This initiative reflects the ongoing efforts to position Nevis as a premier destination for film production in the region, offering both scenic beauty and professional local capacity."

Local actors Winston Crook and Kayla Mallalieu have secured active speaking roles in the film, contributing to the authentic representation of our people and culture. Additionally, Tesean Wilkin, Jamal Jean-Jaques and Nyala Daniel are part of the local crew. The film aims to promote Nevis to the international community as a destination with future tourism potential by showcasing its hotels, villas, coastal and landscape scenery, as well as its local talent both on and off screen.

"Significantly, this project features the active participation of local talent, both on screen and behind the scenes," Brantley said. "Local actors like Winston Crook and Kayla Mallalieu have secured speaking roles, contributing to the authentic representation of our culture and people. Additionally, the local crew includes Tesean Wilkin, Jamal Jean-Jacques, and Nayala Daniel. I believe Nayala is handling all the makeup and all of that."

Brantley emphasised the importance of Nevisians being involved in every aspect of production, noting the growing skills and contributions of the island's youth. "Demonstrating the growing skills and involvement of Nevisians in the creative industries, the film prominently showcases various locations across Nevis, including our hotels, villas, natural landscapes, and coastal scenery, providing valuable international exposure and future tourism potential."

He also referenced the recent filming of The Real Housewives of Potomac on the island, underscoring Nevis' growing appeal to international producers. "So I want to just pause there, members of the press. I really do think that's headline-worthy, because we just completed the filming for an important television series—The Real Housewives of Potomac. And here we are now, engaged

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PHOTO COURTESY NEVIS FILM COMMISSION

Premier Mark Brantley recently joined producers Chuck and Bree West on the set of the latest production in process on Nevis. The island is currently hosting an international romance feature film.

Cotton Ground resident fined for battery charges

A Cotton Ground man has been fined for committing battery following an incident in Cherry Garden last December.

Tyarrie Sargeant of Cotton Ground Village appeared before the District "C" Magistrate Court, presided over by His Worship Mr. Benjamin, where he faced two charges of battery committed on 13 December 2024.

Sargeant pleaded not guilty but was later convicted. He was fined $2,000, to be paid within one month, or serve two months in prison.

The prosecution, led by Crown Counsel Ms. Campbell, called Romaine Clarke and Roquanna Clarke as witnesses. Romaine Clarke testified that she heard Sargeant calling her granddaughter's name and later witnessed a struggle outside. She said she heard her daughter scream and saw the baby on the ground crying. Clarke told the court that Sargeant then approached her, said "I fed up of aru", and held her in a headlock before releasing her.

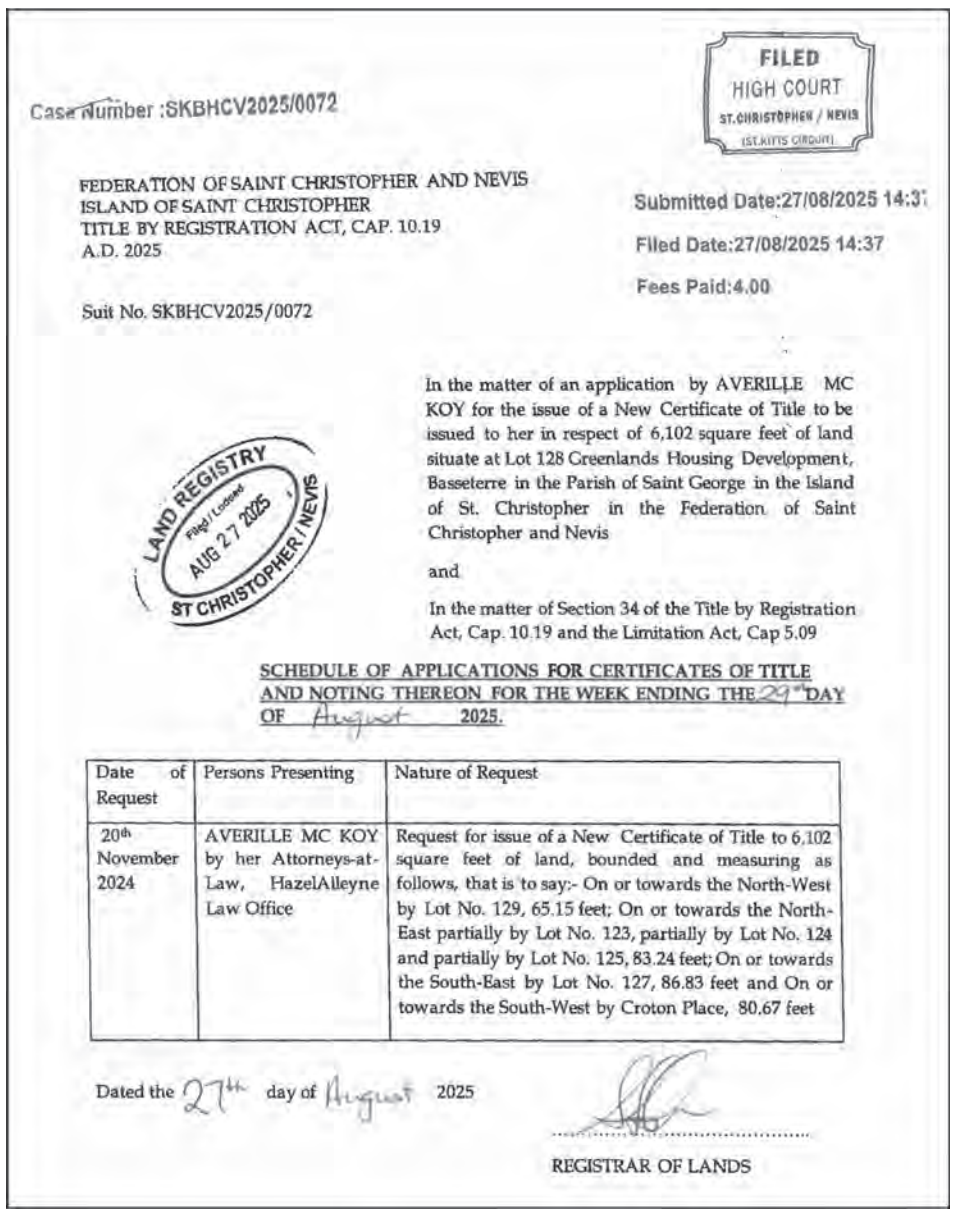
Roquanna Clarke testified that when she tried to prevent Sargeant from leaving with their child, he struck her.

In his defence, Sargeant said: "I only pushed the mother a few times because she held my hand, I never put her in no chokehold. Roquanna put her hand on me and that's when I swing my hand and hit her."

After hearing both sides, Magistrate Benjamin said he believed Sargeant had held Romaine Clarke in a chokehold and struck her daughter. He was found guilty on both counts.

For the offence against Romaine Clarke, he was fined $2,000. For the offence against Roquanna Clarke, he was placed on a $2,500 bond for six months, during which he must be of good behaviour, commit no offences, and show respect when visiting the Clarkes' residence.

The court warned that any breach of these conditions would result in his return for sentencing.



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LAND REGISTRY
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In the matter of an application by AVERILLE MC KOY for the issue of a New Certificate of Title to be issued to her in respect of 6,102 square feet of land situate at Lot 128 Greenlands Housing Development, Basseterre in the Parish of Saint George in the Island of St. Christopher in the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis

and

In the matter of Section 34 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19 and the Limitation Act, Cap 5.09

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND NOTING THEREON FOR THE WEEK ENDING THE 29th DAY OF August 2025.

Date of Request	Persons Presenting	Nature of Request
20th November 2024	AVERILLE MC KOY by her Attorneys-at-Law, HazelAlleyne Law Office	Request for issue of a New Certificate of Title to 6,102 square feet of land, bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North-West by Lot No. 129, 65.15 feet; On or towards the North-East partially by Lot No. 123, partially by Lot No. 124 and partially by Lot No. 125, 83.24 feet; On or towards the South-East by Lot No. 127, 86.83 feet and On or towards the South-West by Croton Place, 80.67 feet

Dated the 27th day of August 2025

REGISTRAR OF LANDS

Hanley applauds students' success, sets tone for new year

By Loshaun Dixon
St. Kitts-Nevis Observer

The 2025/2026 academic year officially commenced Monday, and with it came a powerful back-to-school address from Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Dr. Geoffrey Hanley.

Speaking to students, teachers, and parents across the Federation, Dr. Hanley welcomed the school community into a new chapter marked by academic promise, personal growth, and national pride.

In his remarks, the education minister shared a preliminary overview of the Caribbean Secondary Education Certificate (CSEC) results from the summer examinations, highlighting several schools for their outstanding performances.

Among the top achievers was Verchilds High School, which emerged as the most outstanding institution for the 2025 CSEC cycle. The school returned exceptional results in 21 subjects and earned the highest number of overall grade 1s, including an impressive 59 grade 1s in Physical Education.

Basseterre High School led in subject entries and was commended for its strong showing in Theatre Arts, Mathematics, and English A. The school returned outstanding results in ten subjects and ranked third in overall grade 1s.

Washington Archibald High School followed closely, with the second-highest number of subject entries and the largest number of students entered for Mathematics and English A. The school achieved outstanding results in 14 subjects, including 32 grade 1s in English A and 44 in Physical Education.

Other schools receiving praise included:

• Charles E. Mills Secondary School, with outstanding results in 14 subjects and 14 grade 1s in English A.

• Cayon High School, with eight subjects returning strong results, particularly in Agricultural Science.

• Saddlers Secondary School, with seven subjects showing excellence, especially in Agricultural Science and Food and Nutrition.

• Immaculate Conception Catholic School, recognized for its performance in six subjects and commendable pass rates in Mathematics and English.

Dr. Hanley expressed heartfelt gratitude to teachers and parents for their unwavering support during the exam period, noting that their dedication played a vital role in student success.

COURTESY PHOTO

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Dr. Geoffrey Hanley, delivering his back-to-school message to students, teachers, and parents across the Federation

Beyond academics, the Minister used the occasion to inspire students with a message centered on four core values: honesty, kindness, respect, and excellence.

"Honesty is more than just telling the truth," Hanley said. "It's about owning your actions and having the courage to speak up when something doesn't feel right."

He encouraged students to let kindness be their "superpower," reminding them that small, intentional acts of compassion can build stronger, more connected school communities.

Respect, he emphasized, is the foundation of safe and inclusive learning environments. "When we respect ourselves and each other, we create a school where everyone feels safe, seen, and supported."

On the topic of excellence, Hanley urged students to show up not just physically, but mentally and emotionally prepared to learn. "Excellence is about giving your best, setting goals, and working towards them—even when it's hard."

The Minister also reinforced expectations around discipline and readiness. Students are expected to attend school regularly, be punctual, and come equipped with the necessary materials. He reminded students that their behavior reflects their character and called on them to uphold integrity, empathy, and pride in their school communities.

"As we begin this year," Hanley concluded, "let us do so with purpose, preparation, and pride."

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tion plan last year, which commits to raising Taiwan's defense spending and boosting whole-of-society resilience. Taiwan does not seek conflict with China and will not provoke it. In fact, Taiwan is urging Beijing to resume dialogue on the basis of parity and dignity.

In addition, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs adopted an "Integrated Diplomacy" to leverage Taiwan's diplomatic, defense, technological, and economic strengths. With this smart power approach, Taiwan is navigating complex international relations, enhancing its global presence, and contributing to a more stable and prosperous world.

Through the global democratic values chain, Taiwan strengthens partnership with democracies facing uncertain geopolitical risks to resist authoritarian influence, promote human rights, advance digital governance, and uphold the rules-based international order. Taiwan's resilience in the face of authoritarian threats proves that democracy can endure and thrive under pressure.

As a thriving economic powerhouse, Taiwan leads in semiconductor production and advanced technologies. Its economic strengths fuel innovation and growth in sectors of AI, digitalization and healthcare. To reinforce this position, Taiwan has launched an economic diplomacy strategy focused on non-red supply chains, aiming to build trusted and transparent networks that safeguard critical industries from authoritarian interference.

Taiwan also actively advances the Diplomatic Allies Prosperity Project, harnessing public-private collaboration to consolidate government resources and leverage Taiwan's industrial strengths to promote mutually beneficial development. Initiatives include collaborating with Paraguay to develop an integrated hospital information system (HIS) to enhance nationwide medical information management; partnering with Eswatini on an oil reserve facility project to strengthen energy security and stimulate local industry; and assisting Palau in becoming a smart and sustainable island nation to exemplify Taiwan's commitment to sustainable international cooperation.

Regrettably, despite Taiwan's significant global contributions, it remains largely unrecognized by the international community and is unable to participate in the United Nations system. Taiwan's unwarranted exclusion stems from China's deliberate misrepresentation of United Nations General Assembly Resolution 2758. The resolution is falsely linked with the so-called "one China principle" and continues to be wrongfully weaponized to block Taiwan's participation.

However, UNGA Resolution 2758 does not mention Taiwan at all—it merely addresses China's representation in the United Nations. The resolution does not state that Taiwan is part of the People's Republic of China (PRC), nor does it grant the PRC the right to represent Taiwan in the UN system. Nevertheless, the United Nations has yielded to China's political pressure, using the resolution as a pretext to exclude Taiwan from the international community.

In response, Taiwan is speaking out against this injustice and garnering ever-more support. As international backing for Taiwan grows, countries worldwide are increasingly emphasizing the importance of peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait at bilateral and multilateral forums such as the Group of Seven (G7) summit. And the executive and legislative branches of numerous nations have publicly clarified that UNGA Resolution 2758 neither determines Taiwan's status nor precludes its participation in the international organizations, including the UN system.

As the United Nations celebrates its 80th anniversary—and with only five years remaining to realize the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—it is time for it to fulfill its vision of "leaving no one behind" and becoming "better together" by including Taiwan.

Taiwan invites the world to "chip in" and help by recognizing Taiwan's rightful place on the world stage and embracing the contributions it has to offer. Only by working together can we create a better and brighter future for the Indo-Pacific region and the world.

Public Notice

LIQUOR LICENCES ORDINANCE, 1906

SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate District "C"

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Sara Yate

Now residing in Love Street Street in the town or

Village of Charlestown St. Paul's do hereby give you notice

That it is my intention to apply on 16th

Day of September 2025 next to the District Magistrate

At Charlestown for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my

Premises in Grove Park Street in St. Paul's Parish Nevis

Dated this ..... day of .....

Signed: Sara Yate Rodriguez

Nevis Tourism Authority welcomes Ravariere as new CEO

The Nevis Tourism Authority (NTA) has appointed Andia Ravariere as its new Chief Executive Officer, effective September 1, 2025, ushering in a new era of environmentally-conscious and community-driven tourism leadership.

With over a decade of experience in sustainable tourism development and destination marketing across the Caribbean, Ravariere brings a deep understanding of how to balance economic growth with environmental stewardship. Her appointment signals Nevis' commitment to preserving its natural heritage while enhancing its global appeal.

Ravariere previously served with the Ministry of Tourism in Anguilla, where she played a key role in the island's post-pandemic tourism recovery. Most recently, she led destination marketing efforts for Discover Dominica Authority, driving growth in visitor arrivals and expanding outreach to niche markets.

Her career has been shaped by a passion for sustainability and local empowerment. In 2013, she founded the Colihaut Community Tourism Development group in Dominica, launching the Colihaut Fish Lime event—an initiative that boosted local industries and empowered women entrepreneurs, leaving a lasting impact on the community.

"We are delighted to welcome Andia Ravariere as the new CEO of the Nevis Tourism Authority," said Honourable Mark Brantley, Premier of Nevis. "Her proven track record in sustainable tourism and her deep understanding of Caribbean destination marketing, make her uniquely qualified to guide Nevis into its next chapter. As we continue to position Nevis as a beacon of barefoot luxury and authentic Caribbean culture, I am confident that her leadership will help us expand our reach, strengthen our community, and deliver a world-class tourism product that reflects the very best of who we are."

Pamela Martin, Chairperson of the Board of the NTA, echoed the sentiment, noting that Ravariere's values align with the Authority's long-term vision.

"Andia's experience in guiding destinations through both growth and recovery, along with her passion for community-driven tourism, perfectly aligns with our vision for Nevis," she said. "We look forward to working closely with her to build on our momentum, strengthen relationships with global partners, and ensure that Nevis continues to stand out as one of the Caribbean's most unique and sustainable destinations."

Ravariere's leadership style emphasizes collaboration, inclusivity, and strategic innovation. Her approach focuses on differentiation rather than competition, encouraging Caribbean destinations to amplify their unique offerings while working together to promote regional sustainability.

"My vision is to position Nevis at the forefront of Caribbean tourism by strategically redefining luxury through nature, culture, sustainability, and innovation," said Andia Ravariere. "With the goal of delivering world-class experiences to discerning travelers, empowering our people, and safeguarding the island's heritage. Nevis is committed to tourism that protects our environment, celebrates our culture, and empowers our people, ensuring that growth today secures a thriving island for generations to come."

COURTESY PHOTO

The Nevis Tourism Authority has appointed Andia Ravariere as its new Chief Executive Officer.

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

(PROBATE)

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Claim No. SKBHPB2025/

IN THE ESTATE of **ESAU ISAAC** late of 66 Willclare Road, Sheldon, Birmingham, West Midlands, B26 2NT, England, Deceased, Testate.

ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING)

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the probate of **ESAU ISAAC** late of 66 Willclare Road, Sheldon, Birmingham, West Midlands, B26 2NT, England, granted by the High Court of Justice England and Wales, at the Principal Registry of the Family Division at Harlow, CM209QE, 0300 303 0648 on the 25th day of March 2022.

Signed: .....

Johsiah Imo

Attorney-at-Law for the Executrix (Vernis Martin)

CIBC

CIBC Caribbean Bank Limited

Notice of Material Change

Notice issued pursuant to
Section 60(3)(a) of the Securities Act of Barbados
Section 64 (1)(b) of the Securities Act of Trinidad and Tobago
Section 98 (3) of the Eastern Caribbean Securities Market Securities Act 2001

September 3, 2025, Barbados – CIBC Caribbean Bank Limited ("CIBC Caribbean") is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. David Collins to its board of directors effective September 3, 2025, subject to regulatory approval.

Mr. Collins served as a senior partner at the international law firm Walkers, where he was co-head of Walkers Finance Group in the Cayman Islands and managing partner of Walkers' BVI office. He also practiced in Walkers' Singapore and London offices, and at Linklaters in London. He retired from Walkers in July 2024.

Mr. Collins holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of South Florida and an MBA from the University of Cambridge. He was admitted as a solicitor of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (British Virgin Islands), a solicitor of the Supreme Court of England & Wales, and as an Attorney-at-Law in the Cayman Islands. He is also a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). Mr. Collins is a member of the Law Society of England and Wales and a past President of the Cayman Islands Legal Practitioners Association.

Brian Clarke, KC
General Counsel & Group Corporate Secretary

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Former Prime Minister, Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil Douglas cuts the ribbon during the renaming ceremony.

'A guiding light for the future'

Saddlers Secondary renamed in honour of Dr. Denzil Douglas

By Rick Amburgey
St. Kitts-Nevis Observer

The former Saddlers Secondary School has been renamed the Dr. Denzil Llewellyn Douglas Secondary School in honour of St. Kitts' former Prime Minister and longtime parliamentary representative for Saint Christopher Six.

During the ceremony, Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew delivered an emotional address, praising Douglas for his decades of service.

"It is with deep respect that I stand before you today to celebrate a truly historic occasion. The naming of Saddlers Secondary School in honour of one of our nation's most dedicated sons… carries with it a great sense of pride," Dr. Drew said.

He added that the renaming does more than acknowledge Douglas's years of service. "It is to recognise his vision of education as a pathway to empowerment. It is to celebrate his conviction that progress must reach every corner of our Federation," he said.

Dr. Douglas, in his remarks, described the honour as one of the greatest privileges of his life. He reflected on the days when Saddlers faced poverty, high dropout rates, and limited access to secondary education, noting that his government fought to change that reality.

"I made the case that Saddlers was the most fitting place for the next most modern secondary school in the Eastern Caribbean. And by the grace of God, and by the will of the people, and

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COURTESY PHOTO

Deputy Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Geoffrey Hanley, presents a plaque to Dr. Douglasrenaming ceremony.

■ Public Notice

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SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate District "C"

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, KEVIN WILKIN

Now residing in NEWCASTLE Village Street in the town or

Village of ST. JAMES PARISH NEVIS do hereby give you notice

That it is my intention to apply on 25th

Day of August 2025 next to the District Magistrate

At Charlestown for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my

Premises in POTWORKS Street in ST. JAMES PARISH NEVIS

Dated this 20 day of September - 2025

Signed:

COURTESY PHOTO

(L-R): President and CEO of ASTA, Zane Kerby; Minister of Tourism, Barbados, Hon. G.P. Ian Gooding-Edgehill; Minister or Tourism, St. Kitts, Hon. Marsha T. Henderson, and Minister of Tourism, Turks and Caicos, Hon. Zhavargo Jolly.

St. Kitts Tourism Authority showcases island charm

The St. Kitts Tourism Authority made a strong impression at the fourth annual American Society of Travel Advisors (ASTA) Caribbean Showcase, held in Jamaica from August 23–27, 2025. The event drew over 300 travel professionals and served as a strategic platform to elevate St. Kitts' visibility within the global travel community.

As the Caribbean continues to rise in popularity as a premier travel destination, the showcase focused on key industry themes including airlift, experiential travel, sustainability, and the economic impact of tourism across the region. Hon. Marsha T. Henderson, Minister of Tourism, joined fellow Caribbean tourism ministers in a panel discussion, where she shared insights into St. Kitts' recent progress and its role in shaping the region's collective appeal.

'By promoting the Caribbean together, we amplify our strengths and create a more compelling narrative for global travelers.'

Hon. Marsha T. Henderson
Minister of Tourism

Minister Henderson emphasized the importance of regional collaboration, noting that each island offers its own unique charm and cultural richness. "By promoting the Caribbean together, we amplify our strengths and create a more compelling narrative for global travelers," she said.

HONOUR

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through the support of my Cabinet, we succeeded in getting this school built right here in Saddlers," Douglas said.

Deputy Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Geoffrey Hanley also commended Douglas, calling the renaming a well-deserved honour. Addressing him directly, Hanley said: "Honourable Senior Minister, you have demonstrated a profound understanding of the importance of legacy in education, not merely as a reflection of the past but as a guiding light for the future… This act of renaming the school has further elevated the stature of the school and reaffirms the ministry's commitment to honouring those whose contributions have significantly advanced our national development."

Hanley added that the occasion was a moment of solemn pride not only for the Saddlers community but for the nation as a whole.

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In the matter of an application by TERRENCE LEROY PITT and SANDRA JASMINE PITT for the issue of a First Certificate of Title to be issued to them in respect of 8,977.05 square feet of land situate at Lot 28 Bladen Housing Housing Development in the Town of Basseterre in the Parish of Saint George in the Island of St. Christopher in the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis

and

In the matter of s. 12 1(a) of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF TITLE AND NOTING THEREON FOR THE WEEK ENDING THE 29 DAY OF August 2025.

Date of Request	Persons Presenting	Nature of Request
18th April 2024	TERRENCE LEROY PITT and SANDRA JASMINE PITT by their Attorneys HazelAlleyne Law Office	Request for issue of a First Certificate of Title to 8,977.05 square feet of land, bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North by a Public Road, 76.91 feet; On or East by Lot No. 29, 91.82 feet; On the South by Lot No. 27, 90.00 feet; On the West by a public road, 95.00 feet and O and On or toward the North-West by a public road, 19.02 feet

Dated the 27th day of August 2025

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Adviser
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Turkeyen, Greater Georgetown, Guyana

and sent via email to recruitment@caricom.org - The title of the vacancy must be clearly stated in the subject line of the email.

The deadline for the submission of applications is **Friday, 19 September 2025.**

*ONLY SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES WILL BE CONTACTED

COURTESY PHOTO

The new group of students inducted into the prestigious Warren C. Tyson Memorial Scholarship Programme..

New cohort welcomed into Warren C. Tyson Memorial Scholarship Programme

The legacy of the late Warren C. Tyson was celebrated on Friday, August 29, as a new group of students was inducted into the prestigious Warren C. Tyson Memorial Scholarship Programme.

The ceremony, held at the TDC Training Room on Fort Street, Basseterre, honoured students from high schools across the Federation for their outstanding academic achievements.

Nicolas Mennon, Executive Director of the TDC Group of Companies, reflected on the transformative impact of the scholarship since its inception. He pointed to the diverse successes of past recipients, including professionals across various fields and even the Federation's current Prime Minister.

"The scholarship is named after our first chairman, Warren C. Tyson. He believed in building a better future through education, and today you're part of that legacy. You're part of over 273 students who have passed through us who've gone on to become doctors, lawyers, architects, farmers, entrepreneurs, coders, and authors. We have our first famous DJ now. We also have our very first Prime Minister, Dr Terrance Drew. He was one of our scholarship students as well," Mennon said.

He encouraged the new awardees to embrace their new roles with pride, adding:

"So when you walk into school next week, walk tall. You're not just a student, you're a WCT scholar, and that really means something. So parents and guardians, this is your moment too. We are going to lean on you. You're going to lean on us. It's a partnership that we have here. You've guided, supported and cheered from the sidelines, and today we recognise you and cheer you as well. Congratulations. So let me leave with a final quote. Education is the key to unlocking the world. A passport to freedom."

Guest speaker, Principal Education Officer for Nevis, Londa Brown, highlighted the deeper meaning of the award, emphasising its symbolism of trust, support, and responsibility.

"Today is a celebration of you, our students, a celebration of the TDC group of companies and a celebration of your parents. It's a celebration of hope, the hope that your parents and your teachers have in you, students and your future. It's a celebration of the potential that we see in you. It's also a celebration of the power of community and the acknowledgement by TDC and companies like them that it takes a village to educate a child," Brown said.

She encouraged the scholars to view the award as both an opportunity and a responsibility.

"Someone saw potential in you and decided that with the work that you're doing, you can reach unrecognisable heights if you get just a little bit of support, and that is what this scholarship is: some support for you. But it's more than just financial assistance. It's a vote of confidence in your abilities. It's a commitment to your educational journey and an investment in your future. I hope that it reminds you that you are seen, that you are valued and that as a community, we believe in you," she added.

The 2025 inductees were formally welcomed as Warren C. Tyson Memorial scholars, receiving certificates and awards to mark the milestone.

This year's recipients include:

- Zenobia Johnson – Charlestown Secondary School
- Zakiyah Stapleton – Gingerland Secondary School
- Brianna Daniels – Basseterre High School
- Tattiana Creary – Cayon High School
- Orlando Laplace – Charles E. Mills Secondary School
- Kiarjé Carey – Denzil L. Douglas Secondary School
- Dezarion Harris – Verchilds High School
- Khervisha Phipps – Washington Archibald High School

In addition, the TDC Financial Services Academic Excellence Award was presented to runners-up of the scholarship programme:

- Samuel Grant – Charlestown Secondary School
- Khalidré Glasgow – Gingerland Secondary School
- Naima Peets – Basseterre High School
- Ann Singh – Cayon High School
- Kieron Richardson – Charles E. Mills Secondary School
- Jayveon Bradshaw – Denzil L. Douglas Secondary School
- Diandra Cotton – Verchilds High School
- Lemar Tobias – Washington Archibald High School

Applause rang through the room as each student proudly received their award, joining the distinguished network of scholars carrying forward the vision of Warren C. Tyson.

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AND

IN THE MATTER of an Application by **EUNICE PRENTICE** for the issue of a First Certificate of Title to 10,891 square feet of land situate at Clay Ghaut Estate in the Parish of St. George in the Island of Nevis

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATION

For a Certificate of Title, notings thereon and caveats, for the week ending the 5th day of September, 2025.

DATE OF REQUEST	PERSONS PRESENTING	NATURE OF REQUEST
15th July, 2025	**EUNICE PRENTICE** by her Attorneys-at-law, Oral Martin Law Chambers, Upper Happy Hill Drive, Charlestown, Nevis	For the issue of a First Certificate of Title to **10,891** square feet of land situate at Clay Ghaut Estate in the Parish of St. George in the Island of Nevis. The said land being bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **On the North East by lands of John Prentice, 170.00 feet; On the South East by a Public Road, 17.07 feet and 47.65 feet; On the South West by lands of Davis Pemberton, 171.66 feet and On the North West by lands of Simeon Daniel and Earl Hanley, 64.37 feet.**

Dated the 28th day of August, 2025

REGISTRAR OF TITLES

Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
High Court of Justice

Taiwan ambassador meets with National hero Sir Kennedy Simmonds

His Excellency Edward Tao, Ambassador of the Republic of China (Taiwan) to St. Kitts and Nevis, met with Dr. the Right Honourable Sir Kennedy A. Simmonds, the Federation's first Prime Minister and only living National Hero, on August 27 at the Taiwanese Embassy.

During their discussions, Ambassador Tao extended warm greetings from the Government and people of Taiwan and lauded Sir Kennedy's vision in establishing formal diplomatic relations with Taiwan immediately after independence in 1983. He said that decision laid the foundation for the strong and enduring friendship between the two countries over the past four decades.

Ambassador Tao further noted the similarities between Sir Kennedy and Taiwan's founding father, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, pointing out that both were medical professionals whose careers reflected a commitment to humanitarian service and national development.

Sir Kennedy, in turn, expressed appreciation for the deep and fruitful cooperation between St. Kitts and Nevis and Taiwan in agriculture, education, and health. He recalled the rice cultivation project launched during his premiership, which yielded abundant harvests that not only supplied local markets, but were also exported to neighbouring Caribbean countries. He also reflected on his visits to Taiwan in 1983 and 1990, commending the island's "Ten Major Construction Projects" that transformed its economy.

Despite his advancing years, Sir Kennedy remains an active reader and tennis player. He shared with Ambassador Tao his ongoing concern for Taiwan's international standing and the situation in the Taiwan Strait, expressing confidence that St. Kitts and Nevis would continue to stand firmly with Taiwan on the world stage.

COURTESY PHOTO

His Excellency Edward Tao, Ambassador of the Republic of China (Taiwan) to St. Kitts and Nevis, and Dr. the Right Honourable Sir Kennedy A. Simmonds.

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP. 10.19
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Suit No. SKLRD2025/

IN THE MATTER of Section 144 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19

and

IN THE MATTER of the Certificate of Title registered in Register Book **H3** Folio **533** in the name of **TIAN HOLDINGS INC**

NOTICE FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

It is hereby notified that an application has been made to the Registrar of Titles in Chambers for an Order for the issue of a new Certificate of Title in lieu of a lost Certificate of Title dated 4th day of December, 2008 and registered in the Register of Titles at Book **H3** Folio **533** of the St. Kitts Circuit for ALL that lot piece or parcel of land being Lot #27 with the building thereon situate at SUNRISE HILL VILLAS RESORT, Frigate Bay, in the Parish of St. Peter, in the Island of Saint Christopher bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **On or towards the North partly by Lot a Development Road, 12.03 feet and partly by lands of Lot #28, 47.38 feet; On or towards the South South-East partly by lands of Lot #28, 49.50 feet and partly by a Development Road, 20.66 feet; On or towards the South West 44.92 feet and 67.45 feet by land of existing Hall Moon Development; and On or towards the West by Lots Nos. #25 & 26, 103.31 feet, and containing by admeasurement 4,109 Square feet**; all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan surveyed by Athill Rawlins Licensed Surveyor.

Any person knowing the whereabouts of or having any information concerning the said Duplicate Certificate which may lead to its recovery is requested to notify the Registrar of Titles at the Registrar's Office, Land Registry, North Independence Square, Basseterre, St. Kitts or Mr. JONEL F.H. POWELL, Solicitor of **GRANT, POWELL & CO.**, Solicitors, of Richards' House, #3 Church Street, Basseterre, St. Kitts at telephone No. (869) 465-3673 or Fax No. (869) 466-3854.

Dated the 2nd day of September, 2025.

JONEL F.H. POWELL
GRANT, POWELL & CO.
ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW for Applicants

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AND

IN THE MATTER of an Application by **FITZJOEL MARTIN** for the issue of a First Certificate of Title to 5,200 square feet of land situate at Cane Garden Estate in the Parish of St. John in the Island of Nevis

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATION

For a Certificate of Title, notings thereon and caveats, for the week ending the 5th day of September, 2025.

DATE OF REQUEST	PERSONS PRESENTING	NATURE OF REQUEST
16th July , 2025	**FITZJOEL MARTIN** by his Attorneys-at-law, Oral Martin Law Chambers, Upper Happy Hill Drive, Charlestown, Nevis	For the issue of a First Certificate of Title to **5,200 square feet** of land situate at Cane Garden Estate in the Parish of St. John in the Island of Nevis. The said land being bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **On or towards the North by lands of Cane Garden Estate, 106.55 feet; On or towards the North East by a Road Allowance, 38.00 feet; On or towards the South East by lands of Mirium Corbin, 116.10 feet and On or towards the West by lands of Pansy Parris,56.25 feet .**

Dated the 28th day of August , 2025

REGISTRAR OF TITLES

Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
High Court of Justice

PM attending Algeria, Ethiopia for Trade Fair and Summit

Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew has embarked on high-level diplomatic travel to Algeria and Ethiopia as part of his government's strategy to deepen relations between Africa and the Caribbean.

Dr. Drew is currently attending the 4th Intra-Africa Trade Fair in Algiers, Algeria (being held from September 4-10), a major platform for trade, investment, and innovation across the continent. He then travels to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, to participate in the inaugural in-person CARICOM–African Union Summit (the first was held virtually four years ago during the COVID period), described as a historic moment in strengthening ties between the two regions.

This summit, scheduled for tomorrow and Sunday (September 6-7), builds upon the first Africa-CARICOM summit hosted by His Excellency Uhuru Kenyatta, Former President of the Republic of Kenya on September 7, 2021 under the theme, "Unity across continents and oceans: opportunities for deepening integration."

Highlighting Ethiopia's legacy, Dr. Drew underscored its role as a beacon of independence in Africa and its successful resistance against colonial rule under Emperor Haile Selassie. He noted that these visits build on St. Kitts and Nevis' strong track record of cultivating Africa–Caribbean links under his leadership.

"These efforts are not only about history but also about practical opportunities for the people of St. Kitts and Nevis and the wider Caribbean," Dr. Drew said. "These partnerships mean educational opportunities for our young people, new markets for our farmers and businesses, and stronger cultural and spiritual connections that unite us as one people across the Atlantic."

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In the Matter of an Application for the issuance of a First Certificate of Title by virtue of Section 12(1)(d) of the Title By Registration Act (Cap 10.19).

AND

In the Matter of an Application by the Estate of Violet Hustina Wade also known as Violet Christina Wade also known as Christina Violet Wade late of Bath Village, Charlestown, Nevis for issuance of a First Certificate of Title to a plot, piece or parcel of land situate at Bath Estate, in the Parish of St. Paul on the Island of Nevis admeasuring 0.2732 acres of land or 11,901 square feet.

Registry of Titles: Nevis Circuit

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS

For Certificate of Title, Caveats and notings, thereon, and caveats, for the week ending the 29th day of August 2025

Date of Request	Person Presenting.	Nature of Request.
6th day of August 2025.	**Leslie Wade, Executrix of the Estate of the late Violet Hustina Wade** of Bath Estate, Charlestown, Nevis by her Attorney-at-Law Ricaldo Caines.	For the Issue of a Certificate of Title to All that lot or parcel of land situate at Bath Estate in the Parish of St. Paul on the Island of Nevis, bounded and measuring as follows, **On or towards the North West by lands of Violet Wade89.55 feet and 120.29 feet; On the South East by the Estate of Eileen Blackett, 27.06 feet by lands of Joseph Gajor, 91.44 feet and by a Private Road 15.52 feet; On the South by lands of James Douglas, Anthony Nisbett and Soretha France, 63.69 feet and by lands of Victor Claxton, 90.62 feet and On the West by lands of Violet Wade, 31.39 feet and comprising by admeasurement 0.2732 acres or 11,901 square feet all as the same are delineated and set forth on the Plan thereof by Simeon Hill, Licensed Surveyor.**

Dated the 21 day of August 2025.

Shelley Isles
Registrar of Titles

Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
High Court of Justice

COURTESY PHOTO

Shown above is the beach in front of the Four Seasons hotel in Nevis.

Nevis tourism surges with record revenues, strong visitor arrivals

Nevis' tourism industry is experiencing a robust post-Covid rebound, with record-breaking revenues and higher-than-expected visitor arrivals signalling strong growth for one of the island's leading economic sectors.

At his monthly press conference on August 28, Premier Honourable Mark Brantley, Minister of Tourism and Finance in the Nevis Island Administration (NIA), reported that the sector has already surpassed last year's totals, with momentum building deep into what has traditionally been the off-season.

"By August we are already ahead of where we were for the entire year in 2024," Premier Brantley revealed. "Our Tourism Development Levy for August runs to $311,951.24. That is an increase of 44.48% over the same period in 2024. We are already at the level that we earned for the entire year last year, bearing in mind that we are only eight months into this year. And so that augurs again quite well for us."

Part of the success has been attributed to the NIA's prudent fiscal management and collaboration with tourism stakeholders. Earlier this year, following consultations with hoteliers and restaurant owners, the NIA implemented a one percent increase in the Tourism Development Levy, moving it from 2% to 3%. The adjustment, introduced in June, has already delivered significant gains.

"Our July collection from that tax was $412,737.81," Premier Brantley said. "When compared to our July collections from last year 2024, we collected $251,564.90. And when compared to our collections in 2023, we collected $211,198.58. Collecting $412,737.81 this year represents a 95.4% increase over the same period in 2023 and a 64.4% increase over 2024. That of course is in part due to the 1% additional, but it's also due to very high occupancy. In fact, I'm advised that recently our flagship Four Seasons was at 100% occupancy."

The Premier praised the efforts of both the NIA and private sector partners for driving growth in the industry. Even during the traditionally slower summer months, Nevis has seen unprecedented levels of visitor traffic.

"It means that the post-Covid recovery has continued to be quite strong," he said.

Nevis is also working to further expand its luxury tourism brand. The Nevis Tourism Authority has enhanced its VIP and MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions) services, supported by targeted marketing campaigns aimed at attracting affluent travellers. These measures, combined with strong partnerships between government and the private sector, are positioning Nevis as a premier luxury destination in the Caribbean.

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APOCALYPSE

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none is exempt. On December 23, 2024, a federal court in Manhattan authorised the latest salvo: sweeping John Doe summonses targeting Trident Trust Group, a major offshore services provider operating in over 30 countries, including several in the Caribbean.

The Trident investigation is wide-reaching. It seeks records on US clients dating back to 2014, and includes enquiries made of major U.S. banks like Wells Fargo, Citibank, Bank of America. Even well-established delivery services such as FedEx and DHL fall under its ambit. Trident has been named repeatedly in major investigative exposés, including the Pandora Papers. And while the IRS stops short of accusing the firm itself of wrongdoing, its business model, a latticework of nominee directors, shell companies, and offshore trusts has long been a red flag to the raging bull of U.S. regulators.

Here's where it hits CARICOM like a sledgehammer: many of Trident's corporate structures pass through the 'sleepy' Caribbean's financial system. And the IRS isn't targeting banks in the Caribbean directly. It's hitting them where it hurts in their U.S. correspondent accounts.

Collateral Damage with a Passport Stamp

The John Doe summons is designed to be all-intrusive. Even clients who are not U.S. citizens could conceivably fall into its net simply by using a U.S. mailing address, holding a U.S. mobile phone number, or naming a U.S. citizen as a trust beneficiary.

For small Caribbean jurisdictions that rely on trust services business, tourism, and diaspora remittances, this is a financial neutron bomb. For Banks in the Bahamas, Barbados, and the numerous service providers in Nevis that once quietly and perhaps unwittingly facilitated wealth structuring, the writing is on the wall. They now face reputational ruin and maybe years of litigation.

If what happened to Swiss banks is anything to go by, it may probably trickle down to their staff. Once labelled "high-risk," a bank becomes radioactive to global partners. The consequence is de-risking, a terrifyingly antiseptic term that in practice means major U.S. and European banks cut ties with their Caribbean counterparts to avoid compliance burdens and liability.

It's happening already. The Caribbean Association of Banks reports that virtually every local bank has lost at least one correspondent relationship. For small economies with thin capital markets, this is not just inconvenient it's potentially fatal. Tourism suffers. Importers can't pay for goods. Families can't send money home. The unbanked swell, and so too do the ranks of the disenfranchised.

A System That Punishes the Small for the Sins of the Powerful

CARICOM's predicament is deeply ironic. The U.S. and Europe have allowed Delaware and London to flourish as secrecy jurisdictions, but it is Bridgetown, Santo Domingo, Castries, St George's, Saint Johns and Charlestown that will bear the brunt of enforcement crackdowns. The IRS and DOJ make no allegations of wrongdoing against Caribbean banks in the Trident case. But that hardly matters. In today's compliance climate, guilt by proximity is contagion enough.

The threat to CARICOM's financial industry cannot be overstated Plausible deniability and oblivion are no longer sufficient defence. The rules have shifted. It's no longer about ticking the boxes. Compliance now means interpreting the "spirit of the law," acting like a regulator even when you're not one. Consider the portent for disaster If a bank doesn't proactively report or shut down a suspect client, it risks losing access to the U.S. financial system altogether. Loss of the Corresponding Banking relationship means it may as well just close shop. That's tantamount to a death sentence in a world predicated on US dollars.

Now consider the effect on the industry as banks are mandated to enforce compliance. The tragedy is that many in CARICOM saw this coming or ought to have seen it coming. But they either lacked the political or financial capital to pre-empt it. Their glib acquiesce or failure to recognise a paradigm shift in the offshore zeitgeist is a damning indictment on their policy decision making. The choice now is stark: overhaul or obsolescence. The time for surface-level reforms is over. Banks must go beyond perfunctory KYC checks. They need forensic compliance programs capable of rooting out beneficial ownership, mapping fund flows, and detecting red flags in real-time. This means capital outlays, hiring compliance specialists, and retraining staff. These are all expensive but crucial propositions in economies still recovering from the pandemic and tourism shocks.

Some regional voices are calling for a unified response, perhaps even a pan-CARICOM compliance backbone or a shared correspondent banking hub. Others pin hopes on central bank digital currencies to create parallel rails for financial transactions. But these are long shots. Time is short. The good news however is that there are a select few financial institutions that had the foresight to anticipate the demise of these trust service arrangements and proactively sought to strengthen compliance in an attempt to ensure the fidelity of their relationships with global banking. This will afford them the opportunity to benefit from nascent U.S banking regulations such as the Genius Act which is set to exercise a profound effect on the U.S. dollar ecosystem.

The Real Risk: A Parallel System Emerges

If CARICOM is shut out of the formal banking system, what fills the vacuum? Informal finance, unregulated crypto channels, and hawala-style networks are all lurking at the fringes. These systems lack oversight and accountability. Ironically, the enforcement crusade meant to curb financial opacity could catalyse a much darker ecosystem of underground banking. This is the nightmare scenario for global regulators, a return to the shadows, but this time without the paper trail. If that happens, the entire premise of the John Doe summons as a compliance tool backfires. Tax evasion won't end. It will just move deeper underground. But this cannot be a winning strategy for CARICOM's banking industry.

A Moment of Reckoning for the Region and for the World

The John Doe summons against Trident Trust is more than a legal manoeuvre. It is a geopolitical shockwave. It reveals how U.S. enforcement policies, however justified, can and will reshape entire regions. It exposes the asymmetry in global finance, where a summons from Washington can rewire the banking map of the entire Caribbean without a single vote cast or consultation held. For CARICOM banks, the message is blunt: adapt now, or risk being ghosted by the global economy. For Washington, the question must be asked: is financial access a privilege for the powerful or a necessity for the vulnerable? Either way, time is running out. The Caribbean is being unplugged. Who, if anyone, will plug it back in?

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In the Estate of Anita Williams late of Hanley's Road, Gingerland in the island of Nevis but who resided in the United States of America deceased.

NOTICE OF ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Colin Desmond Williams of the island of Nevis but who now resides at 1309 Catherine Drive, Opelika, Alabama in the United States of America, the lawful Attorney Derek Ulyess Williams for a Grant of Letters of Administration of the above-named deceased who died on the 6th day of December 2023 wherein the applicant is the son, one of the beneficiaries and the intended Administrator of the deceased's Estate.

Any person having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the Application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 27th day of August, 2025

Michelle J Slack-Clarke
WALWYN SLACK CLARKE & WHITE
Attorneys-at-Law

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- Designing structures and systems.
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- Managing and overseeing the construction, repair, and maintenance of building projects.
- Ensuring projects adhere to building codes, safety regulations, and environmental standards.
- Coordinating with architects, surveyors, contractors, and other professionals.
- Monitoring project progress and reporting to stakeholders.
- Staying updated to relevant zoning laws, building codes and other regulations.
- Ensuring sustainable practices and integrated into designs.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Diploma in Civil Engineering or related field.
- Strong ability to analyze data, solve complex problems, and perform accurate calculations.
- Excellent time management and organizational skills to meet deadlines and manage budgets.
- Effective leadership and communication skills to coordinate with various teams and communicate technical information clearly.
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Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Hon. Dr. Terrance M. Drew, and His Excellency Bola Ahmed Tinubu, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

SKN secures visa-free entry to Nigeria in landmark agreement

In a significant milestone for bilateral relations, Saint Kitts and Nevis has officially secured reciprocal visa-free entry into Nigeria. The agreement marks a historic step forward in reconnecting the peoples of both nations and strengthening ties across the Atlantic.

This development follows high-level diplomatic engagements earlier this year between Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance M. Drew and His Excellency Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. Discussions were held in Abuja and during regional meetings with the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Heads of Government.

Saint Kitts and Nevis has long extended visa-free access to Nigerian nationals, and this reciprocal arrangement now formalizes mutual travel privileges. Prime Minister Drew hailed the agreement as both symbolic and practical, reflecting a shared commitment to removing barriers and fostering deeper cooperation.

"I extend sincere gratitude to President Tinubu for his leadership in advancing this initiative," said Prime Minister Drew. "This agreement aligns with our Sustainable Island State Agenda and reaffirms our dedication to strengthening Africa-Caribbean relations."

The visa-free measure took effect on Monday, August 4, 2025, and is expected to boost collaboration in key sectors including trade, investment, education, and tourism. It also reinforces the enduring cultural and historical bonds between Africa and the Caribbean.

SHIFT

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Moreover, we have been warned that the potential rise of informal financial channels and unregulated cryptocurrencies as alternatives to traditional banking poses a significant risk. The enforcement actions intended to increase transparency could inadvertently lead to a surge in underground banking systems, where oversight is minimal, and accountability is nonexistent. This would not only undermine the goals of the John Doe summons, but could also facilitate a return to the very financial opacity that regulators seek to eliminate.

Ultimately, the situation calls for a reevaluation of the relationship between U.S. financial policies and their global consequences. As CARICOM nations grapple with the fallout of these regulatory actions, it is essential to question whether financial access should be viewed as a privilege for the powerful or a necessity for the vulnerable.

This wide-ranging regulation called the John Doe summons is a wake-up call for our banks and policymakers alike: adapt now, or risk being ghosted by the global economy. The choices made today will determine not only the future of CARICOM's banking industry, but also the economic well-being of millions who call the Caribbean home.

FILM

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in a full-length movie feature that is being filmed. And the beautiful thing here, as has been indicated, is that we have Nevisians on screen, and we have Nevisians behind the scenes."

Encouraging youth to seize opportunities in the creative sector, Brantley added, "And I want to encourage our young people out there who are interested in film, who are interested in the creative industry. In Nevis, we're not just talking about it, we're actually delivering. And when I see youngsters like Nayala, who can take their talent for makeup, hair, and all that, and put it now into film. When I see Tesean Wilkin, who started with MSR Media, Jamal Jean-Jacques, and these youngsters who are skilled with cameras, editing, and lighting, there are so many skill sets. I want to continue to encourage our people to get involved. A lot is happening here on the island of Nevis, and I'm quite proud that our film commission, recently officially launched, has had these early successes."

The Premier also celebrated Nevis' cultural presence at CARIFESTA 15 in Barbados, where the documentary Stone and Spirit, which explores Nevisian church history, was selected for screening. "So here again, we have a film produced in Nevis that featured the churches of Nevis. Stone and Spirit was selected as a feature film at CARIFESTA in Barbados."

SOUTH

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tor's proposal includes thousands of permanent jobs for Nevisians and aims to attract those abroad to return home. The development will also support the creation of a Special Sustainability Zone, guided by newly enacted legislation to ensure environmental protections and responsible land use.

As part of its commitment to transparency, the NIA will host town hall meetings to inform and engage the public. Premier Brantley encouraged open, informed discussion: "I am here to say as the Premier of Nevis that if we were to say no to investment in that area, I do not know that we as a government would be able to put in the necessary infrastructure to spur development in that area for another several decades."

He also called for constructive dialogue, urging citizens to look beyond political noise: "This is a moment for serious debate, not fear-mongering," he said. "We have a chance to shape the future of Nevis—let's do it together."

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REGISTRY OF TITLES NEVIS CIRCUIT

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATION

For Certificates of Title, notings thereon and Caveats
for week ending the 29th day of August , 2025

Date of Request	Person Presenting	Nature of Request
22nd July 20254	SYLVESTER WILLIAMS formerly of Brown Hill Village in the parish of Saint John in the island of Nevis but who now resides at Belmont Estate, Road Town, Tortola, BVI, by his Attorneys-at-Law WALWYN SLACK CLARKE & WHITE	For the issue of a First Certificate of Title to 10,890 square feet (0.2500 acre) of land at Brown Hill Village in the parish of Saint John in the Island of Nevis

On or towards the North-West partly lands of Malva Rawlins and by a 15 Foot Road Reserve, 179.04 feet; On or towards the North-East by a 15' Foot Road, 60.91 feet; On or towards the South-East by lands of Kevin Farrell (Lot 2), 179.04 feet and On or towards the South-West by lands of the Estate of Irving Brantley, 60.91 feet

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