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Driver being sought as accident victim succumbs

The Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force has confirmed it is investigating a fatal road traffic incident involving Ike Tross.

According to police, the incident occurred around 8:30 p.m. on May 21, in the Wade's Garden area. Tross sustained serious injuries and later died around 11 p.m. while receiving medical treatment at the hospital.

At this time, the driver involved in the incident has not been identified.

Police are appealing to members of the public for any information that may assist in the investigation. Anyone with relevant details is urged to contact their nearest police station.

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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

NEVIS CIRCUIT

TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP 10.19

A.D. 2025

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In the matter of Section 92 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19

and

In the matter of an Application to settle Articles of Sale of the Respondent's property comprised in a Certificate of Title dated 31st January, 2012 registered in Register Book 50 Folio 27

THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED **Applicant**

and

ANDREW TITLEY **Respondent**

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of The Supreme Court by public auction at the Court House, Charlestown, Nevis on the 20th day of June 2025 at 10 30 o'clock in the forenoon.

The successful bidder will be required to pay at the time of sale a deposit of one fourth of his accepted bid and the balance within one month from the day of sale.

Possession of the property will be given to the purchaser on payment of the deposit. Any taxes due on the said property must be paid by the Purchaser.

The Purchaser will, after payment in full of the purchase price, obtain from the High Court of Justice, a Certificate of Title to the property.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Springhill Estate in the Parish of St. James in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **On or towards the North East by a Ghaut 523.50 feet; On or towards the East by Lot No. 22 and Lot No. 21, 166.76 feet; On or towards the South East by a cul-de-sac 73.65 feet and by Lot No. 17, 429.82 feet and On or towards the North West by lands of Caribbean islands Development (Nevis) Ltd. 179.78 feet and comprising 2.0 acres**

UPSET PRICE

The upset price for the above property shall be EC$348,480.00.

Dated the 6th day of May , 2025.

Asst REGISTRAR

Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court High Court of Justice

Support grows for single-use plastics ban

As part of Counselling Awareness Month, the Counselling Care Unit of the Nevis Island Administration's (NIA) Department of Social Services recently hosted a professional retreat for counsellors and social workers from across St. Kitts and Nevis. Held under the theme "Empowering to Empower," the event focused on highlighting the vital role of mental health professionals while providing space for rest, reflection, and renewal.

The annual retreat created a supportive environment for participants to reconnect, share experiences, and focus on their own emotional well-being. It also served as a timely reminder of the unique challenges mental health professionals face, including emotional fatigue, resource constraints, and increasing demand for services.

Ivorcia Browne of the Counselling Care Unit spoke to the value of the retreat, describing it as a much-anticipated gathering that allowed counsellors and social workers to reset and support each other.

"Each year, we look forward to coming together like this. The nature of counselling work can be deeply emotional and, at times, draining. These retreats give us a chance to let our guard down, talk openly about what affects us as professionals, and build each other up. It's something we believe is necessary, and we're committed to making it an annual tradition."

Deputy Director of Social Services Kim Singh reaffirmed the Ministry of Social Development's commitment to strengthening the counselling profession, noting that the theme speaks to the dual role counsellors and social workers play: nurturing themselves in order to better serve others.

COURTESY PHOTO

Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Climate Action, Senator the Hon. Dr. Joyelle Clarke.

Therapist Michelle Blake served as the main facilitator, leading sessions under the theme "Strengthening Ourselves to Strengthen Our Care." The sessions focused on practical strategies for personal wellness, stress management, and long-term professional sustainability.

Participants expressed appreciation for the opportunity to pause from their demanding responsibilities and engage in meaningful dialogue with colleagues from both islands. As mental health continues to gain national and global attention, initiatives like this retreat underscore the NIA's dedication to building a resilient, well-supported network of professionals equipped to meet the growing needs of their communities.

France plan isolated super-prison for drug lords, terrorists in French Guyana

France is preparing to build a €400 million high-security prison deep in the Amazon jungle of French Guiana, designed to isolate the most dangerous drug traffickers and radical Islamists from their criminal networks. The announcement, made by French Justice Minister Gérald Darmanin during a visit to the South American territory, comes amid a surge in violent incidents linked to organized crime across the French prison system.

Slated to open as early as 2028, the prison will be located near Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni, a remote region on the Surinamese border long known as the gateway to the notorious Devil's Island penal colony. That site once held thousands of French convicts, including political prisoners, and became internationally famous through Henri Charrière's autobiographical novel Papillon.

The new facility will accommodate up to 500 inmates and feature a separate high-security wing for the most dangerous offenders. It will operate under what Darmanin called an "extremely strict carceral regime" to neutralize top-level traffickers and terror suspects. The remote location will make it nearly impossible for inmates to maintain outside communication — a longstanding challenge in France's urban jails, where thousands of mobile phones circulate.

Prime Minister reaffirms Labour Party's 'Commitment to the People'

By Loshaun Dixon
St. Kitts-Nevis Observer

Prime Minister and Leader of the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP), Dr. Terrance Drew, used his address at the party's 93rd Annual National Conference to reaffirm the government's commitment to serving the people, acknowledging the challenges inherited upon taking office, and outlining a record of progress across key sectors.

Speaking passionately before party faithful, Dr. Drew admitted that the responsibilities of governance had in some ways physically distanced the leadership from its grassroots base. "Comrades, let me humbly admit that the demands of governance to some extent have taken us away from you physically," he said. "This is because we met a country that was badly damaged and corrupt. We immediately had to get to work to stabilise the ship of affairs."

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> **Dr. Terrance Drew**
> **Prime Minister**

Dr. Drew credited the people for helping to steady that ship. "Today, with the ship afloat and well because of you working with us, we recommit to being as close to you as roots are to the earth. This leadership is committed to you."

Highlighting the historic significance of the moment, Dr. Drew noted that the SKNLP remains the oldest political movement in the English-speaking Caribbean, attributing its longevity to steadfast principles and leadership. "93 years of struggle, 93 years of lifting the voices of the voiceless, defending the vulnerable, and writing the blueprint for progress in St. Kitts and Nevis," he declared. "When Labour leads, when Labour fights, when Labour wins, the people win."

Reflecting on the party's return to office in August 2022, Dr. Drew said the electorate entrusted Labour with the task of rescuing the country from a state of "disunity, corruption, victimisation and betrayal". He added, "You returned to Labour not out of desperation, but with clarity and conviction. For only Labour can rebuild trust, restore dignity to institutions and reconnect government to the soul of its people."

The Prime Minister detailed achievements in several sectors, beginning with healthcare, where he cited improvements after inheriting facilities with leaking roofs, limited equipment, and neglected staff. "Can you imagine honouraria were paid to politicians while doctors and nurses went without?" he asked. "Labour had to correct all these ills."

In education, Dr. Drew criticised the previous administration for abandoning critical projects and neglecting infrastructure. "They took away laptops from children. They refused to build the Basseterre High School. The Joshua Obadiah School burned to the ground in the past Prime Minister's own constituency, and nothing was done," he said.

He pointed to his government's achievements such as resuming the laptop programme, providing free college tuition, and initiating construction of a new high school. "All of that, comrades, in just two and a half years,"

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COURTESY PHOTO

Leader of the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party, Dr. Terrance Drew, listens to a supporter during the party's 93rd Annual National Conference

Japanese Government Scholarship Programme
Supported by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)

The 2026 MEXT Scholarship application period is currently open to qualified graduates who seek higher academic degrees as research students at universities in Japan.

Attributes of applicants:
✓ Nationals of Barbados, Antigua & Barbuda, Dominica or St. Kitts & Nevis
✓ Born on or after April 2, 1991
✓ Must have at least a Bachelor's degree

Deadline
20 June 2025
at 3:00 PM

Period of scholarship:
✓ April Term: April 2026 to March 2028
✓ October Term: Sept./Oct. 2026 to March 2028

Additional information:
https://www.bb.emb-japan.go.jp/files/100836356.pdf

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SCAN ME

EDITORIAL

Not again!

It's less than two months since the nation was unburdened from a two-year legal circus that involved a former Prime Minister, the then Prime Minister, a former CEO of the Citizenship by Investment Unit, and several other prominent individuals. Unbelievably, we could be experiencing more of the same very soon.

There are rumblings coming from the highest office in the land that suggest something else of a legal nature is on the horizon. Prime Minister Dr. Terrance Drew has publicly accused individuals of attempting to extort tens of millions of US dollars from the government to suppress a video allegedly aimed at discrediting the country's Citizenship by Investment (CBI) programme.

On the May 13 edition of The Roundtable, the Prime Minister claimed that persons had approached him in his office with a demand of between US$40 million and US$100 million to prevent the release of the video, and he refused to entertain any such demand. He said that he has instructed the Attorney General to pursue all appropriate legal avenues, and that a respected international law firm has been retained to handle the "serious, serious matter". He further alleged that Kittitian citizens had been enlisted to participate in the purported scheme.

One of the entities that the Prime Minister named has categorically denied the allegations, calling them "ridiculous". It was revealed that the entity has pressed charges in the U.S. against Prime Minister Drew and another official, and that contact has been made with the U.S. Department of Justice and federal agents.

And so there you have it. The people of Saint Kitts and Nevis could well be once again yoked by an unpleasant tit-for-tat which more than likely will not achieve anything noteworthy, but most certainly represents an unnecessary distraction for a nation's leader who can ill-afford to take his eyes off the road ahead.

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
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NEVIS CIRCUIT
A.D. 2025

LAND REGISTRY Filed / Lodged MAY 19 2025 ST. CHRISTOPHER & NEVIS

CLAIM NO. NEVHCV2025

IN THE MATTER of section 144 of the Title by Registration Act Cap. 10.19.
AND
IN THE MATTER of a Certificate of Title registered in the Register of Titles Book 45 Folio 368 in the name of Runako Morton also known as Runako Shakir Morton.
AND
IN THE MATTER of an Application by Leiselle Phillip-Morton and Vaughn Manners, the Administrators for the estate of the late Runako Morton also known as Runako Shakir Morton for the issuance of a new Certificate of Title in place of the lost Duplicate Certificate of Title registered in Book 45 Folio 368 of the Register of Titles for the Nevis Circuit.

NOTICE OF LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LEISELLE PHILLIP-MORTON of 13B Rainbow Drive, Crystal View, Princes Town Proper, Princes Town, Trinidad and VAUGHN MANNERS of Hanley's Road, Gingerland, Nevis, in their capacity as Administrators of the estate of the late Runako Morton also known as Runako Shakir Morton have applied through their Solicitors MALONEY & CO. to the Registrar of Titles under section 144 of the Title by Registration Act Cap. 10.19 for the issuance of a replacement Certificate of Title in the name of Runako Morton also known as Runako Shakir Morton in respect of land contained in the Certificate of Title registered in his name dated 28th day of December 2007 and registered in Book 45 Folio 368 of the Register of Titles for the Nevis Circuit on the basis that the said Certificate of Title has been irretrievably lost by misadventure. The land contained therein being ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land being Lot No. A61 situate at Pinneys Estate (Nugents Heights) in the Parish of St. Thomas in the Island of Nevis and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **On the North East by Lot No. A62, 192.81 feet; On the East by a Public Road, 103.87 feet; On the South by Lot No. A60, 162.30 feet; On or towards the West by Lot No. A59, 80.98 feet and by Lot No. A58, 147.90 feet and containing by admeasurement 21,780 square feet.**

Any person knowing the whereabouts of or having any information concerning the aforesaid Certificate of Title which may lead to its recovery is asked to contact Shemica Maloney, Attorney-at-law of MALONEY & CO. Unit 1, The Key Complex, Cedar Trees, Charlestown, Nevis, Telephone No: 1-869-469-6529, Attorneys-at-Law for the Applicants OR the Registrar of Titles at the Registrar's Office, Theodore L. Hobson Court Building, Prince William Street, Charlestown, Nevis, Telephone No. (869) 469-7140.

Dated the 19th day of MAY 2025

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Shemica Maloney
MALONEY & CO.
Attorneys-at-law for the Applicants

COMMENTARY

A dangerous game: Venezuela's election gambit over Essequibo

n May 25, a day before Guyana commemorates its 59th year of independence, the government of Nicolás Maduro says it intends to stage elections in Guyana's Essequibo region. This territory, comprising nearly two-thirds of Guyana, lies entirely within its internationally recognized borders.

Sir Ronald Sanders
Columnist

This is not a demonstration of democratic governance, but a politically charged act that challenges established international legal norms. It represents a serious escalation in Venezuela's posture toward the territorial controversy—one that raises profound concerns about adherence to the rule of law and respect for the authority of the International Court of Justice (ICJ).

Essequibo has been a settled part of Guyana since the arbitral award of 1899, a legally binding decision rendered by an international tribunal comprising the Chief Justices of Russia, Britain, and the United States—the latter nominated by Venezuela itself. Venezuela not only participated in the proceedings but also hailed the award as a diplomatic success, ratifying it in its National Congress and benefiting from its expanded territory, including access to the mouth of the Orinoco River.

For over sixty years, the boundary was recognized and respected. Then, in 1962, Venezuela submitted a memorandum to the United Nations challenging the award, and in 1966, on the eve of Guyana's independence, the two countries signed the Geneva Agreement. This Agreement provided for a series of steps to resolve the controversy, including ultimately granting the UN Secretary-General the authority to choose a final means of settlement should all others fail.

In 2018, following decades of inconclusive dialogue, the Secretary-General referred the matter to the ICJ—consistent with his authority under the Geneva Agreement. Guyana then initiated proceedings at the Court, requesting a ruling that the 1899 award is valid and legally binding.

Venezuela initially objected to the Court's jurisdiction and declined to participate in the case. While it later filed written submissions, it has refused to accept the Court's binding authority and continues to disregard its interim measures, most recently an order issued on May 1, 2025, which states: "Pending a final decision in the case, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela shall refrain from conducting elections, or preparing to conduct elections, in the territory in dispute, which the Co-operative Republic of Guyana currently administers and over which it exercises control."

Despite this clear directive, Venezuela's National Electoral Council has announced plans to elect eight deputies and a governor for Essequibo. Yet, no details have been provided about voter registration, polling stations, or administrative arrangements—unsurprising, given that Venezuela has no jurisdiction or administrative presence in the region of Essequibo or any part of Guyana.

To justify this act, the Maduro government cites a 2023 domestic referendum, which it initiated, conducted, and supervised without independent oversight. Based on the outcome of that unilateral process, the government now claims the authority to incorporate the Essequibo region into Venezuelan territory. Acting on this assertion, the National Assembly enacted the "Organic Law for the Defense of Guayana Esequiba," which purports to formalize the creation of a new Venezuelan state. The law proposes that, pending the so-called installation of elected officials, the territory will be administered from the town of Tumeremo in Bolívar State, within Venezuela's existing borders.

This raises a fundamental question: how can a state conduct elections in a territory it does not control? The answer is: it cannot, unless through occupation. Any attempt to enforce this plan would require Venezuela to enter and assert authority over sovereign Guyanese territory—an act that would violate not only the ICJ's order but also the United Nations Charter and the Charter of the Organization of American States, both of which prohibit the threat or use of force to resolve territorial disputes.

This latest move appears to be driven less by enduring patriotic sentiment and more by geopolitical and economic calculations. The Essequibo region is rich in natural resources—gold, timber, freshwater, and oil—which

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Commissioner Sutton shuts down missing ammo rumours

Police Commissioner James Sutton has firmly dismissed circulating rumours about missing police ammunition and outlined a series of reforms and infrastructure upgrades to improve efficiency and restore public trust in the Royal St Christopher and Nevis Police Force.

In a recent statement, Commissioner Sutton warned of the dangers of misinformation, describing it as a significant threat in today's digital era.

A major point of concern addressed by the commissioner was a rumour claiming that police-stored ammunition had gone missing. He categorically denied the claim, stating that all ammunition had been properly accounted for throughout a longstanding storage agreement between the Police Force and the Customs and Excise Department.

> ***'Firstly, with respect to the rumour of missing ammunition, I categorically say that no ammunition has ever gone missing from the police-operated cache. Since 2010, the Royal St Christopher and Nevis Police Force Navy's Division has been storing ammunition on behalf of the St. Kitts and Nevis Customs and Excise Department… The claim that any ammunition went missing is entirely false.'***
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> **James Sutton**
> **Police Commissioner**

"Firstly, with respect to the rumour of missing ammunition, I categorically say that no ammunition has ever gone missing from the police-operated cache," he said. "Since 2010, the Royal St Christopher and Nevis Police Force Navy's Division has been storing ammunition on behalf of the St. Kitts and Nevis Customs and Excise Department…The claim that any ammunition went missing is entirely false."

He went on to condemn those responsible for spreading what he described as a "dangerous and malicious narrative," accusing them of undermining national security and public confidence.

In addition to addressing the rumour, Commissioner Sutton announced a major modernisation effort aimed at improving firearm-related administrative processes within the force.

"Looking ahead, I am pleased to announce that the Royal Saint Christopher and Nevis Police Force has taken decisive steps to modernise all firearm-related administrative processes," he said.

A new digital system is currently in development that will manage all aspects of firearms licensing, ammunition storage, and usage tracking. Sutton described the move as being in line with the government's broader push for digital transformation and a critical step toward enhancing transparency and accountability.

The Commissioner also highlighted ongoing efforts to upgrade police infrastructure across the Federation. He revealed that upon assuming office in February 2023, he encountered widespread infrastructural deficiencies at police facilities.

"Without wasting any time, my High Command and I set to the monumental task of repairing, refurbishing, and in some cases completely rebuilding the worst of our facilities," he said.

Among the key projects nearing completion are the new Charlestown Police Station and a new traffic department headquarters, which will also temporarily house the St Kitts and Nevis Fire and Rescue Services.

Sutton also acknowledged the persistent sewage issues affecting the Basseterre Police Station, which shares infrastructure with His Majesty's Prison.

"The sewage issue remains one of our most pressing concerns," he said. "Given that the [prison] was constructed in 1840 during the British colonial period, a permanent solution may not come quickly and, in truth, may not be attainable."

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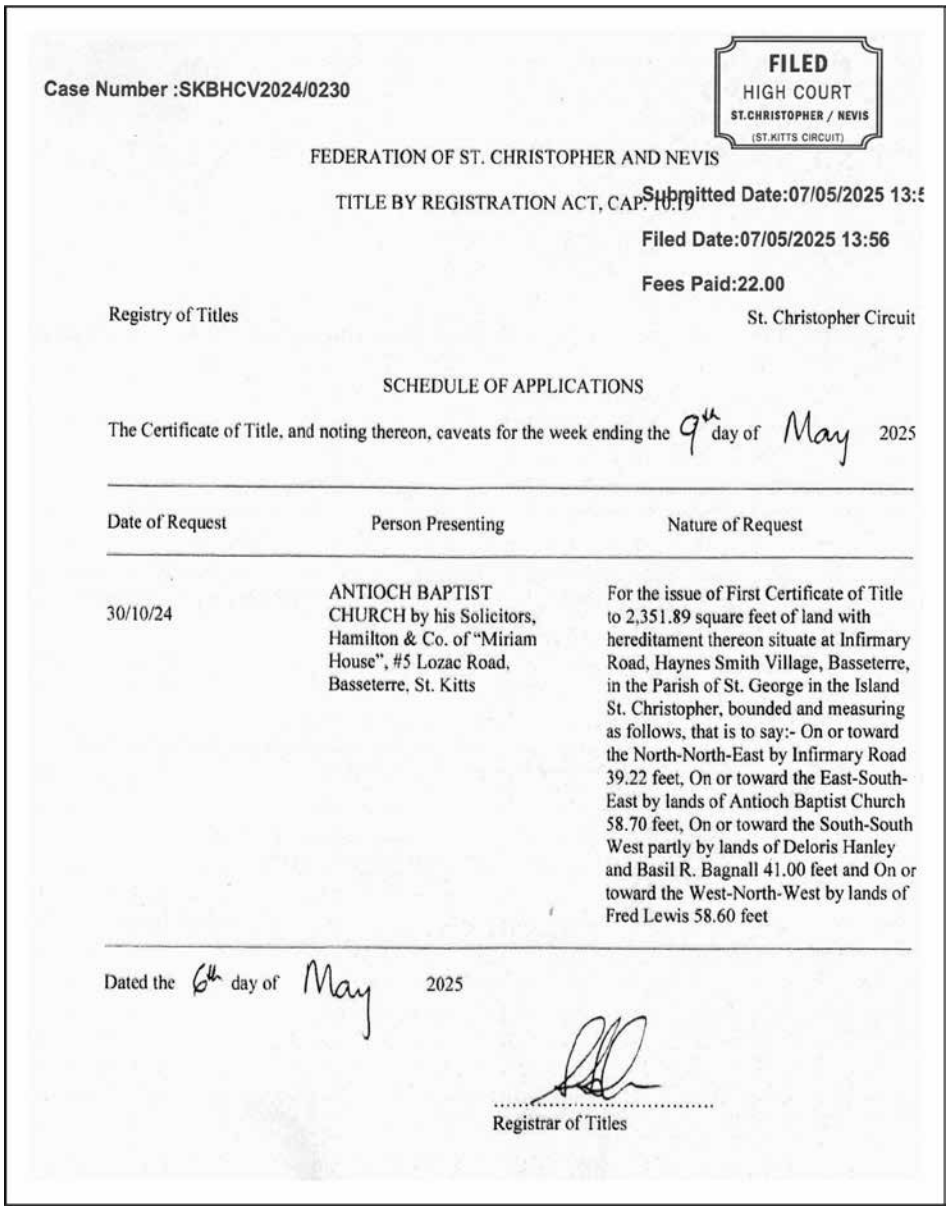
COURTESY PHOTO

Police Commissioner James Sutton warned of the dangers of misinformation, describing it as a significant threat in today's digital era



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Registry of Titles — St. Christopher Circuit

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS

The Certificate of Title, and noting thereon, caveats for the week ending the 9th day of May 2025

Date of Request	Person Presenting	Nature of Request
30/10/24	ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH by his Solicitors, Hamilton & Co. of "Miriam House", #5 Lozac Road, Basseterre, St. Kitts	For the issue of First Certificate of Title to 2,351.89 square feet of land with hereditament thereon situate at Infirmary Road, Haynes Smith Village, Basseterre, in the Parish of St. George in the Island St. Christopher, bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or toward the North-North-East by Infirmary Road 39.22 feet, On or toward the East-South-East by lands of Antioch Baptist Church 58.70 feet, On or toward the South-South West partly by lands of Deloris Hanley and Basil R. Bagnall 41.00 feet and On or toward the West-North-West by lands of Fred Lewis 58.60 feet

Dated the 6th day of May 2025

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Registrar of Titles

AG Wilkin calls for stronger partnerships in fight against crime

By Rick Amburgey
St. Kitts-Nevis Observer

Garth Wilkin, Attorney General and Minister of Justice and Legal Affairs for Saint Kitts and Nevis, delivered a powerful address this week at the 34th Session of the United Nations Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ), calling for deeper international cooperation to enhance justice systems in small island developing states.

Speaking to an audience of global policymakers and experts, Wilkin outlined the significant strides made by St. Kitts and Nevis in legal reform, while acknowledging the ongoing challenges the nation faces, particularly in combatting transnational crimes such as drug and gun trafficking.

Since October 2022, Wilkin noted, 83 pieces of legislation have been tabled, with 72 already passed into law. Key among them are the Plea Negotiations and Agreements Act, Judge Alone Trials Act, Voluntary Bill of Indictment Act, and the Justice Interference Prevention Act.

"These reforms are transforming our justice landscape," Wilkin said, highlighting a notable reduction in serious crime in recent months. However, he cautioned that long-term success requires sustained investment in the nation's institutional capacity, including professional training, modernised case management, and victim-centred services.

Wilkin urged UN Member States and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to partner with St. Kitts and Nevis through technical cooperation and knowledge-sharing initiatives.

"We welcome knowledge exchange and shared strategies to build durable systems that can withstand the evolving nature of crime," he stated.

Concluding his address, Wilkin reaffirmed the Government's commitment to Sustainable Development Goal 16, which promotes peace, justice, and strong institutions.

"We remain committed to advancing a justice system that upholds rights, delivers accountability, and contributes meaningfully to the global pursuit of sustainable development," he said.

COURTESY PHOTO
Attorney General and Minister of Justice and Legal Affairs, Garth Wilkin

Police investigating fatal shooting in Ponds Pasture

The Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force is investigating a fatal shooting that occurred Wednesday.

According to police the incident took place at Tuckett Street in Ponds Pasture at around 9:16 p.m. Officers responded to reports of gunfire at a business establishment owned by 41-year-old Terrence Ritchen. Police also made checks at the Joseph N. France General Hospital, where two male victims had been transported by private vehicle. The victims have been identified as Ritchen and 38-year-old Recaldo Marsham of Godwin Ghaut

Police said the men were socialising at the establishment when a lone gunman approached and opened fire, hitting both before fleeing the scene.

Marsham later succumbed to his injuries at the hospital. Ritchen sustained multiple gunshot wounds but received emergency treatment and was admitted to the Surgical Ward in stable condition. Marsham's body has been secured for an autopsy.

Police say all available investigative resources are being utilised to identify and bring the assailant to justice.

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
NEVIS CIRCUIT
A.D. 2025

NEVHPB2025/0044

In the Estate of JOSEPH BENJAMIN MORTON also known as JOSEPH MORTON, late of Sheriff Village, St. George Parish, Nevis, deceased.

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **Hugh Charles Wesley Morton** of Sheriff Village, in the Parish of St. George in the Island of Nevis, and **Beverly Avernel Bartlette** of Prospect Estate, in the Parish of St. John in the Island of Nevis, the lawful son and lawful daughter of the deceased for **Letters of Administration** to the applicants, the deceased having died intestate on the 11th August 2004.

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 22nd day of May, 2025.

Cleone Stapleton-Simmonds
Attorney-at-Law
CTS-Simmonds Legal Chambers

Filed by: Cleone Stapleton-Simmonds of CTS-Simmonds Legal Chambers, Attorney-at-Law. Address for service is Colin Parris Building, Suite 3, Lower Government Road, P.O. Box 1130, Charlestown, St. Paul Parish, Nevis

FORM P7: ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

Rule 15

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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
NEVIS CIRCUIT
A.D. 2025
PROBATE

NEVHPB2025/0045

In the Estate of **VERNON NATHANIEL LAWRENCE,** deceased
late of 2E Estate Bethany, Cruz Bay, St. John, USVI, formerly of Zion Village, Nevis

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **MARILYN I. LAWRENCE** residing at 2E Estate Bethany, Cruz Bay, St, John, USVI and **JANELLE D. STOKES nee LAWRENCE** of Passing Pine Lane, Zephyrhills, Florida, USA for a Grant of Letters of Administration to them as the widow and daughter respectively of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 20th day of January, 2022.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicant, shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this notice.

Dated this **22nd** day of **May** 2025

T. Asure-Dee C.T. Liburd-Browne
Attorney-at-Law
LAW OFFICES OF T.A.C.T. LIBURD-BROWNE

Filed by T. Asure-Dee C.T. Liburd-Browne of Law Offices of T.A.C.T. Liburd-Browne, Main Street, Charlestown, Nevis, Attorney-at-Law for the Applicant whose address for service is that of her Attorney- at- Law and whose email address is tactliburd@sisterisles.kn and telephone number is 869-469-0116

Workshop boosts regional response to EMTCT Plus

Health leaders, technical experts, and country representatives from 19 Caribbean countries have gathered in Trelawny, Jamaica, for the Caribbean Workshop on the Strengthening of EMTCT Plus within Maternal and Child Health (MCH). This timely workshop celebrates the region's leadership in eliminating mother-to-child transmission (EMTCT) of HIV and syphilis and reinforces a collective commitment to strengthen prevention and response efforts against HIV, syphilis, and hepatitis B.

Organised by the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in collaboration with the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation, and supported by the India-UN Development Partnership Fund, the initiative represents a significant investment in the health and wellbeing of mothers and children throughout the region.

Over the two-day workshop, participants will share national experiences, discuss implementation strategies, and develop action plans to maintain and build on EMTCT gains. Country-led sessions will feature innovations from Belize, Jamaica, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago, and explore opportunities for South-South cooperation, laboratory strengthening, data quality improvements, and communication for health.

The Caribbean has made important strides. In 2023, eight countries and territories - Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Cuba, Dominica, Montserrat, and St. Kitts and Nevis - were revalidated as having achieved EMTCT of HIV and syphilis. In 2024, Belize, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Jamaica also earned certification, reflecting years of investment in integrated care, community outreach, and public health leadership. As stated by Sandra Jones, HIV/STI, TB and Viral Hepatitis Advisor at the PAHO/WHO Caribbean Office, "It is a true reflection of the integration of EMTCT, HIV, STIs and Hepatitis virus into MCH programs".

Speaking on behalf of Mr. Ian Stein, PAHO/WHO Representative for Jamaica, Bermuda, and the Cayman Islands, Dr. Paul Edwards, Advisor HIV/STI Surveillance at PAHO/WHO commended these milestones stating that "This gathering comes at a very critical moment for the Caribbean region... these milestones represent far more than a commendable achievement, it stands as a powerful testament to what can be accomplished through strategic partnerships, long-term investments and unwavering commitment to health equity."

COURTESY PHOTO

Representatives from 19 Caribbean countries have gathered in Trelawny, Jamaica, for the Caribbean Workshop on the Strengthening of EMTCT Plus within Maternal and Child Health.

Caribbean faces tidal wave of visitors

The Caribbean cruise business is one of the most important parts of tourism in the region. Over the next ten years, it is expected to become more competitive.

According to the 2025 Cruise Industry News Annual Report, Royal Caribbean will likely stay ahead of all other cruise brands until 2033, with 7.7 million passengers each year. Carnival Cruise Line comes second with 6.9 million passengers, even though it will operate more ships—34 compared to Royal Caribbean's 32.

The main reason Royal Caribbean leads is the size of its ships. They are much bigger, offering around 130,000 beds compared to Carnival's 125,000. These ships also have more features. Royal Caribbean is now using its biggest ships even for short trips,.

This expected growth brings challenges for the Caribbean. Many ports are already crowded, especially in places like St. Thomas, Cozumel, and Nassau. On busy days, they're at full capacity. Cruise lines have tried using private islands, like Royal Caribbean's CocoCay, to reduce pressure. But critics say these private stops don't help local businesses because passengers spend money only on the cruise line's own property.

Other cruise lines are also expanding. MSC Cruises, Norwegian, Princess, Celebrity, Costa, AIDA, TUI, P&O UK, and Holland America all plan to increase their Caribbean presence. MSC is especially growing fast, building bigger ships and signing new deals with ports.

Some brands like Norwegian and Princess are focusing on premium travel. They are offering longer trips to less-visited islands in the southern and eastern Caribbean, helping spread out the flow of tourists.

By 2033, cruise ships will bring tens of millions of people to the Caribbean. But the region must make careful choices. Growth needs to be balanced with protecting nature, helping local people, and keeping control of its future.

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FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT CAP. 10.19

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NEVIS CIRCUIT

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In the Matter of the Title by Registration Act 10.19

And

In the Matter of an Application by James Bradford for the issue of a Certificate of Title in accordance with S.34 of the Title by Registration Act to land situate at Jones Estate, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Island of Nevis.

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATION

For a Certificate of Title noting thereon and Caveats for the week ending the 23rd day of May ,2025.

Date of Request	Person Presenting	Nature of Request
May 8th 2025	James Bradford by his Solicitors Theodore L. Hobson & Associates of Springates South Government Road, Charlestown, Nevis	Application for the issue of a Certificate of Title to a parcel of land situate at Jones Estate in the parish of St. Thomas in the Island of Nevis.

Schedule One: - On the North East by an Estate Road (Concrete), 1.18 feet; On the South East by Lands of James Bradford 71.19 feet and on the North West by an Estate Road (Unsurfaced) 48.67 feet, 20.60 feet and 1.98 feet and containing by Admeasurement 38 square feet.

Schedule Two: -On the North East by Lands of James Bradford 51.62 feet; On the South East by Lot G-33, 51.86 feet; On the North West by an Estate Road (Unsurfaced) 57.62 feet, 6.98 and 0.39 feet and on the South East by Lands of James Bradford 64.67 feet and containing by admeasurement 29 square

Dated the 14th day of May ,2025.

Registrar of Titles

Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
High Court of Justice

BUILDING A MOVEMENT

Young couple in Nevis honoured for championing rural life

COURTESY PHOTO

Entrepreneurs Akiesha Fergus and Ryan Khadou were recognised by the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) as Leaders of Rurality of the Americas

Fast-rising Kittitian pacer Jahzara Claxton has earned a spot in the 15-member West Indies Women's squad for the upcoming white-ball tour of England, set to take place from 21 May to 8 June 2025. The announcement was made by Cricket West Indies (CWI) on Monday.

Claxton, 19, replaces Jamaican all-rounder Chinelle Henry in the squad, which will contest three T20 Internationals and three One-Day Internationals across various venues in England. The young fast bowler's selection marks another significant step in her promising cricket career and shines a spotlight on the growing talent coming out of St. Kitts and Nevis.

The team will be captained by Hayley Matthews and includes a blend of seasoned players and emerging prospects, with Claxton's inclusion signalling CWI's continued investment in youth development within the women's game.

Director of Cricket, Miles Bascombe, expressed confidence in the selected squad, describing the tour as "an important opportunity to reassert themselves on the international stage."

"The T20 Blaze competition has come at an opportune time, giving many of our senior and emerging players the chance to stay match-ready and sharpen their skills in a competitive environment," he said.

Head Coach Shane Deitz echoed similar sentiments, noting that the England tour presents the ideal setting to showcase West Indies cricket's trademark flair and resilience.

"It's now time to switch up to international cricket, put on a good display, and give our supporters something to cheer about back in the Caribbean," Deitz added. "Jahzara has shown immense potential, and this tour will be an excellent opportunity for her to grow even further."

Claxton has been a standout performer in recent regional tournaments and continues to inspire young athletes in St. Kitts and Nevis. Her inclusion is being celebrated by fans and cricket enthusiasts across the Federation.

The tour marks a significant milestone in Claxton's young career and for St. Kitts and Nevis cricket. The St. Kitts Cricket Association (SKCA) proudly acknowledged her selection, issuing a statement to celebrate the moment.

"The St. Kitts Cricket Association is pleased to announce the selection of Ms. Jahzara Claxton (U19 female player), who has gained her first selection to the Senior West Indies Women team. Jahzara has been named in the squad selected for the upcoming tour to England, which starts on 21st May 2025. Let's extend heartiest congratulations and best wishes to her, her family, coaches and supporters."

The full West Indies Women's

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'It's amazing to watch a seed turn into a plant, then a flower, and finally a fruit. When we nourish he soil and grow food, we're passing those nutrients on to others.'

Akiesha Fergus
Nevis entrepreneurs

Sustainable farming practices promoted at field seminar

The Department of Agriculture in St. Kitts, in collaboration with Caribbean Chemicals Ltd, hosted a field seminar on May 8, aimed at promoting sustainable agricultural practices across the island. The event attracted a wide cross-section of farmers and key agricultural stakeholders who explored innovative, environmentally friendly alternatives to conventional farming.

A key highlight of the seminar was the introduction of SOCA, a new suite of biologically-based agricultural products now available through the Department of Agriculture. The product line—which includes Serenade, Organeem, Cyclops, and Aramite—is designed to reduce dependence on traditional chemical pesticides and promote healthier, more sustainable crop production.

Participants received detailed technical guidance from leading agronomists from Caribbean Chemicals, including Dr. Kennedy Paul, Technical Sales Agronomist, and Mr. Jesse Jarvis, Product Development Agronomist. Topics covered included viral crop diseases, pest control, insecticide resistance, and sustainable crop yields.

Dr. Paul explained that Caribbean Chemicals serves as the primary supplier of agricultural inputs to the Department of Agriculture in St. Kitts. He also shared valuable insights into local farming challenges and best practices. Mr. Jarvis underscored the importance of transitioning to safer, biologically-based solutions for plant protection and highlighted the benefits of the new SOCA product line.

Among SOCA's most notable features is its safety for pollinators—especially bees—which are vital to both food production and biodiversity. The products are also non-toxic to beneficial insects that support crop health, making them ideal for integrated pest management strategies. Unlike conventional chemical pesticides, SOCA products leave no harmful residues on produce, resulting in cleaner and safer food.

Ian Chapman, Head of the Crops Programme within the Department of Agriculture, reinforced the govern-

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COURTESY PHOTO

Caribbean Chemicals' Technical Sales Agronomist, Dr. Kennedy Paul (left) and Product Development Agronomist, Mr. Jesse Jarvis.

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

NEVIS CIRCUIT

A. D. 2025

(PROBATE)

NEVHPB2024/0016

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION OF IRA MCMAHON FOR GRANT OF PROBATE IN THE ESTATE of **WINIFRED H. MCMAHON, DECEASED, WHO DIED ON 14TH day of January, 2022.**

FORM P7

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **IRA MCMAHON** of 14 Florence Nightingale Lane New Pond Site, Basseterre, St. Kitts for Grant of Probate to the Applicant who is the Executor of the Estate, of the deceased having died testate on the 14th day of January, 2022.

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

Dated this 10th day of April 2025.

Barbara Hardtman
Hardtman & associates

Filed by Hardtman & Associates whose address for service is:
Rudolph Hardtman Building
Happy Hill Drive
Charlestown
Nevis
869-469-8555

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
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IN THE MATTER of section 144 of the Title by Registration Act Cap. 10.19

AND

IN THE MATTER of a Certificate of Title registered in the Register of Titles Book 23 Folio 29 in the name of Weston Halliday also know known as Weston Rivers.

AND

AND IN THE MATTER of an Application by Weston Halliday also know known as Weston Rivers the Registered Proprietor, for the issuance of a new Certificate of Title in place of the lost Duplicate Certificate of Title Registered in Book 23 folio 29 of the Register of Titles for the Nevis Circuit.

NOTICE FOR REPLACEMENT OF A LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

It is hereby notified that an application is being made by the Registrar of Titles, Nevis Circuit in chambers for an Order granting the issue of a new Certificate of Title in lieu of the lost Certificate of title dated the 18th day of February, 1985 and registered in the Registered of Titles for the Nevis Circuit in Book 23 Folio 29 in favour of **Weston Halliday also known as Weston Rivers** of Burdon Pasture in the Parish of St. John in the island of Nevis but currently residing in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands of ALL THAT Lot piece or Parcel of Land situate at Prospect Estate in the Parish of St. John in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows:- On the North East by a 20 Foot Road Allowance 119.13 ft.; On the South East by Prospect Estate 186.60 ft.; On the South West by Prospect Estate 119.13 ft.; and On the North West by Prospect 186.60 feet.

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, CHARLESTOWN IN THE ISLAND OF NEVIS OR Hardtman & Associates Law Firm, Happy Hill Drive, Charlestown, Nevis.

Dated the 15th day of May, 2025.

Hardtman & Associates
Attorneys-at-Law

‘Sooty’ Byron named patron of Culturama 51

The Nevis Culturama Committee has named Halstead “Sooty” Byron as Patron for the 2025 edition of the island’s premier cultural celebration, Culturama 51. Byron, a well-respected educator, cultural preservationist, and public servant, has been honoured for his decades of unwavering service to the people and heritage of Nevis.

Described as a “cultural warrior, educator, and keeper of Nevisian tradition,” Mr Byron’s contributions span over five decades and include groundbreaking work in education, heritage conservation, and youth empowerment. He is the founder of the ESJAY Folk Ensemble and the I-Afrikana Drummers—two influential groups that helped revitalise Nevisian storytelling and music through traditional drumming, movement, and performance.

As the longest-serving Chairman of the Culturama Committee (1993–1998 and 2007–2013), Byron played a leading role in shaping the festival into a nationally and regionally recognised event. He pioneered the establishment of the Cultural Village and introduced a professional judging system for Kaiso competitions, both of which have become staples of the annual festivities.

From his early days following masquerades in the 1960s, Byron developed a lifelong dedication to folk culture. His passion led him to research, perform, and document Nevisian traditions, including African drumming, steel pan, masquerade, quadrille, and cakewalk. He has authored scripts, mentored youth, and served as chair of the Mr and Miss Talented Youth Pageant.

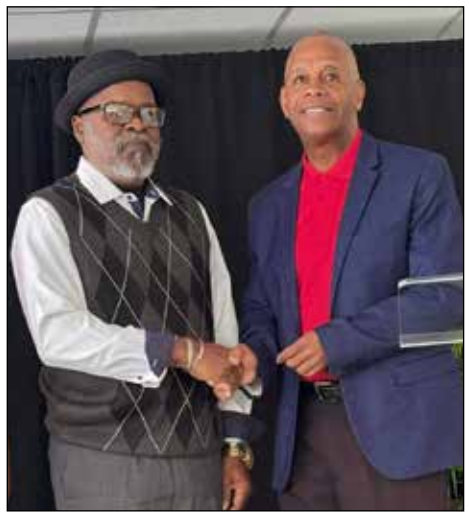
Mr Byron served as Nevis’ first Director of Culture and was a founding member and first Chairman of the Nevis Cultural Development Foundation (NCDF). He also held roles on numerous community boards and worked closely with UNESCO, promoting cultural sustainability.

His educational contributions are equally significant. A former civil servant with over 30 years in public service, Byron taught Mathematics and History, focusing on supporting low achievers. He currently teaches at the Nevis International Secondary School and provides private tutoring for CXC students.

“It’s a celebration of heritage, showcasing traditional folk arts and is held on Emancipation Day weekend,” said Culturama 51 Chairman Eric Evelyn at the festival’s media launch. “The goal then was to revive and preserve Nevisian traditions as they were declining... The committee tries to balance our celebrations to appeal to the younger persons as well as our immigrant populations who have made Nevis their home.”

Under this year’s theme, “Nevisian Pride, Second to None, Culturama 51”, the festival will run from June 6 to August 5. The full calendar—available on the Nevis Culturama Festival Facebook page—includes fringe events such as Heat Wave Wet Fete, Tropixx, the 5 in 1 Wet Fete, and horseback racing, alongside marquee events like the Soca Monarch, Kaiso Finals, and the Emancipation J’ouvert Jump Up.

As Patron of Culturama 51, Halstead “Sooty” Byron stands as a living example of Nevisian pride, carrying a legacy that celebrates the past while shaping the future of culture on the island.



COURTESY PHOTO

Halstead “Sooty” Byron (left) and Minister of Culture in the Nevis Island Administration, Eric Evelyn.

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SKBHCV2016/0034

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

- Applicant

and

LEROY HUGGINS

-Respondent

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at the Charles Amory Building, Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 29th day of May 2025 at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The successful bidder will be required to pay at the time of sale a deposit of one fourth of his accepted bid and the balance within one month from the day of sale.

Possession of the property will be given to the purchaser on payment of the deposit. Any taxes due on the said property must be paid by the Purchaser.

The Purchaser will, after payment in full of the purchase price, obtain from the High Court of Justice, a Certificate of Title to the property.

The Property will be available for inspection prior to the date of sale by appointment with the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land with building thereon situate at Verchilds Village, in the Parish of Saint Thomas, in the Island of Saint Christopher, bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North-East by the Island Main Road, 34.5 feet and 20.5 feet; On or towards the South-East by lands of Velma V. Gumbs, 139.48 feet; On or towards the South-West by the Caribbean Sea, 55.00 feet; and On or towards the North-West by a 5ft wide Drain and lands of the Wesleyan Holiness Church, 142.00 feet and containing by admeasurement 7,753.7 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the **22nd day of July, 2003** and registered in **Book C3 Folio 382** of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of **LEROY HUGGINS** of Verchilds Village, in the Island of Saint Christopher registered proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC$439,225.18**

Dated the 1st day of April 2025

Registrar of the Supreme Court

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GAMBIT

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have grown in strategic importance, especially against the backdrop of Venezuela’s deepening economic and political crisis. These considerations, rather than legal merit, seem to be shaping Venezuela’s recent actions.

Meanwhile, tensions on the ground are rising. Guyana’s defense authorities have reported cross-border provocations by Venezuelan forces, and the Government has warned that participation in the May 25 vote could constitute a criminal offense under national law. Nearly 100,000 Venezuelan nationals now reside in Guyana—many of whom fled hardship at home. These already dislocated people should not be drawn into a manufactured conflict that endangers their safety and stability.

The international community must view this development with the seriousness it warrants. The ICJ is the agreed mechanism for resolving this long-standing dispute. Its jurisdiction must be respected, and its orders implemented. Any attempt to bypass the Court through unilateral acts erodes the international system for peaceful dispute settlement and threatens regional stability.

Caribbean nations, Latin American neighbours, and global partners who uphold international law must send a clear message: borders cannot be redrawn by domestic decree, and no state is exempt from legal accountability. Elections held outside the bounds of jurisdiction do not confer legitimacy; they invite conflict.

Guyana and Venezuela are bound by geography. Neither can relocate; both must find a path to coexistence. But peaceful coexistence cannot be built on unilateral actions or threats. It must be grounded in law, mutual respect, and diplomacy. The parties should await the ICJ’s ruling—and on that basis, strive to build a collaborative relationship from which both nations can benefit.

The path to peace is through diplomacy and the rule of law. That path must not be forsaken

(The writer is Antigua and Barbuda’s Ambassador to the US and the OAS. He is also the Dean of the Ambassadors of the Western Hemisphere Group accredited to the U.S. The views expressed are entirely his own. Responses and previous commentaries: www.sirronaldsanders.com)

Nevis launches new financial services agency

The Nevis Island Administration (NIA), through its Ministry of Finance, has officially launched Nevis Finance, a new agency tasked with advancing the island's footprint in the international financial services industry.

The announcement was made on May 15 during the STEPCaribbean Conference 2025, hosted by STEP Nevis at the St. Kitts Marriott Resort.

Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Finance, Mr. Colin Dore, described the move as a forward-looking strategy, positioning Nevis for the next phase of growth in the sector.

"Last year we celebrated our 40th anniversary," he said. "Having been doing this for 40 years, the challenge for us is what should the next 40 years look like. At that point we determined that financial services is so important to us that we need to have a centralized body, just like BVI Finance."

Dore stressed that Nevis Finance is not intended to compete with other jurisdictions in the region but to complement and support the Caribbean's shared reputation as a leading international financial hub.

As part of the launch, a preview of the Nevis Finance website was unveiled at the conference—an early demonstration of the agency's readiness to chart a new course for the industry.

"We thought that since we are presenting sponsor at this forum, we would at least release some parts of it to show that as an international financial services sector, we are looking down the road to determine what the next 40 years for us should be looking like," Dore noted.

COURTESY PHOTO

Premier of Nevis, Mark Brantley (c) with some of the delegates attending the 2025 STEPCaribbean Conference closing cocktail event at the Malcolm Guishard Recreational Park

> ***'The intent behind Nevis Finance is really to have this entity become the focal point for our engagement with the world and the global community insofar as financial services are concerned-to respond to concerns when they are raised.'***
>
> **Honourable Mark Brantleyw**
> **Premier of Nevis and Minister of Finance**

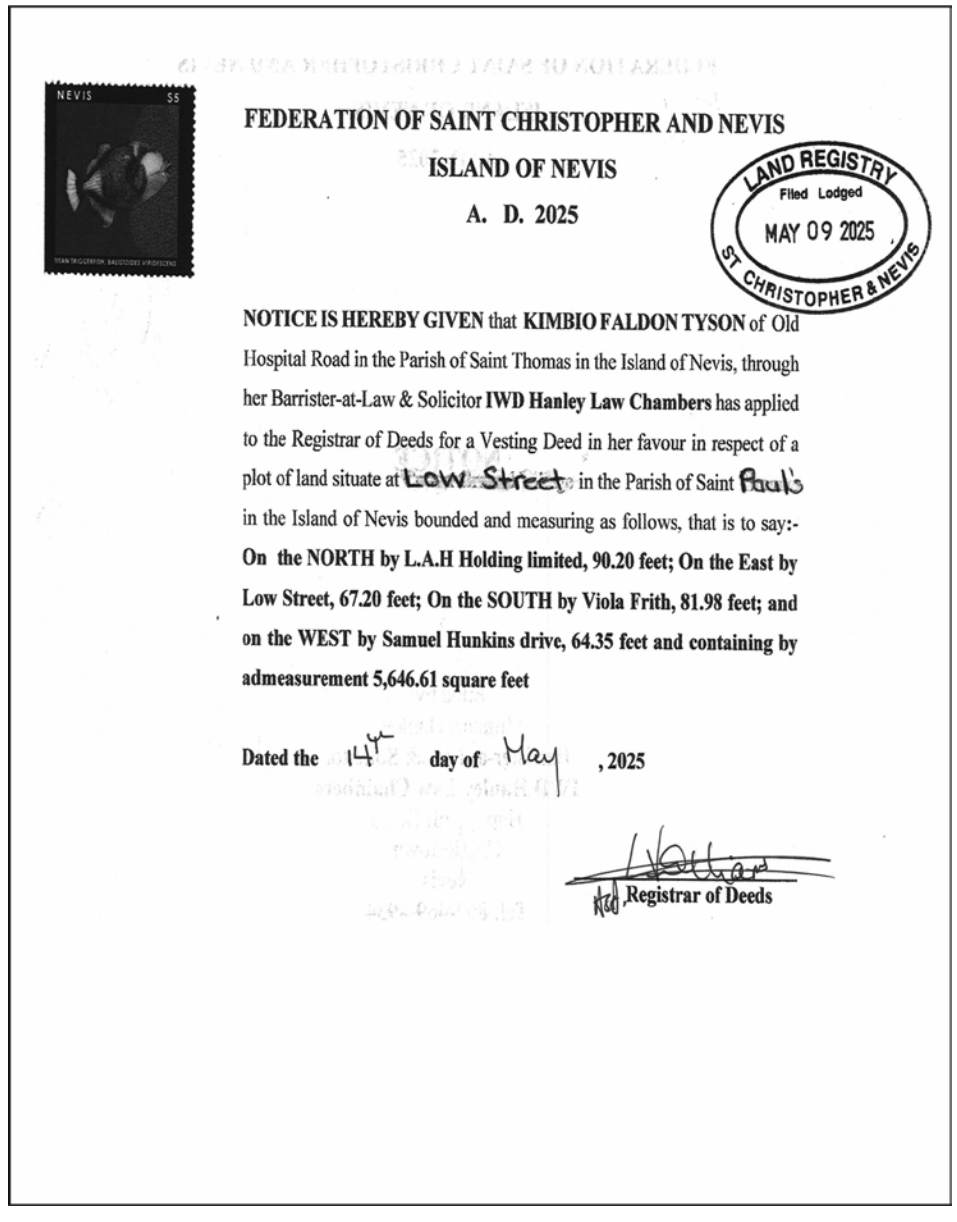
The initiative was further endorsed by Premier of Nevis and Minister of Finance, The Honourable Mark Brantley, in a special introductory video shown during the event. He said Nevis Finance would become the key point of contact for international stakeholders and serve as the island's voice in the global financial services arena.

"The intent behind Nevis Finance is really to have this entity become the focal point for our engagement with the world and the global community insofar as financial services are concerned—to respond to concerns when they are raised, to deal with the press as it might arise, to guide the industry in terms of what we ought to be doing, and really to be the focal point for our marketing efforts globally," Brantley stated.

He added that the creation of Nevis Finance reflects the island's ambition to take a more prominent role on the world stage.

"This initiative would raise awareness of Nevis as a viable international financial services jurisdiction. It would increase the education process and also give us more prominence in the market. In this industry, I think that we are at a point now where we are having our coming out party. We are saying to the world that we've always been here, but we now aspire to be in the top tier of jurisdictions globally for financial services."

Nevis Finance is expected to function as the primary agency for policy development, communications, industry engagement, and international outreach, helping to position Nevis as a competitive and credible jurisdiction in the global marketplace.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **KIMBIO FALDON TYSON** of Old Hospital Road in the Parish of Saint Thomas in the Island of Nevis, through her Barrister-at-Law & Solicitor **IWD Hanley Law Chambers** has applied to the Registrar of Deeds for a Vesting Deed in her favour in respect of a plot of land situate at Low Street in the Parish of Saint Paul's in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:-

On the NORTH by L.A.H Holding limited, 90.20 feet; On the East by Low Street, 67.20 feet; On the SOUTH by Viola Frith, 81.98 feet; and on the WEST by Samuel Hunkins drive, 64.35 feet and containing by admeasurement 5,646.61 square feet

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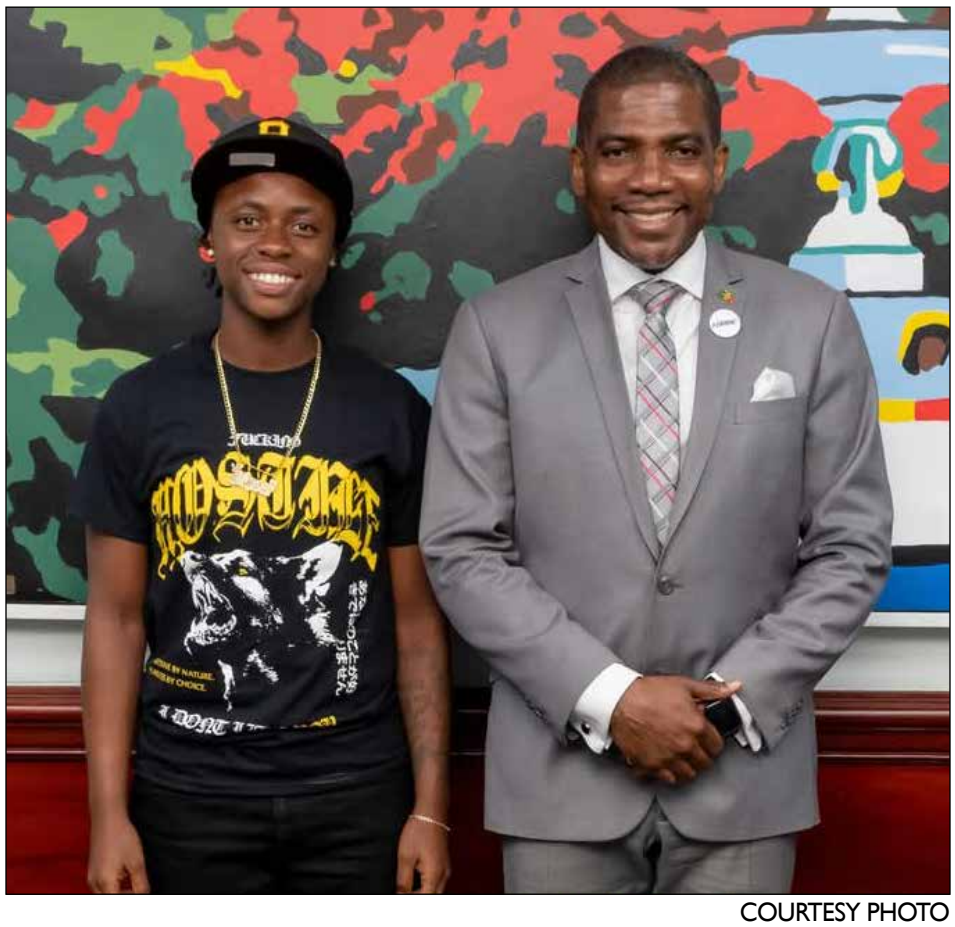
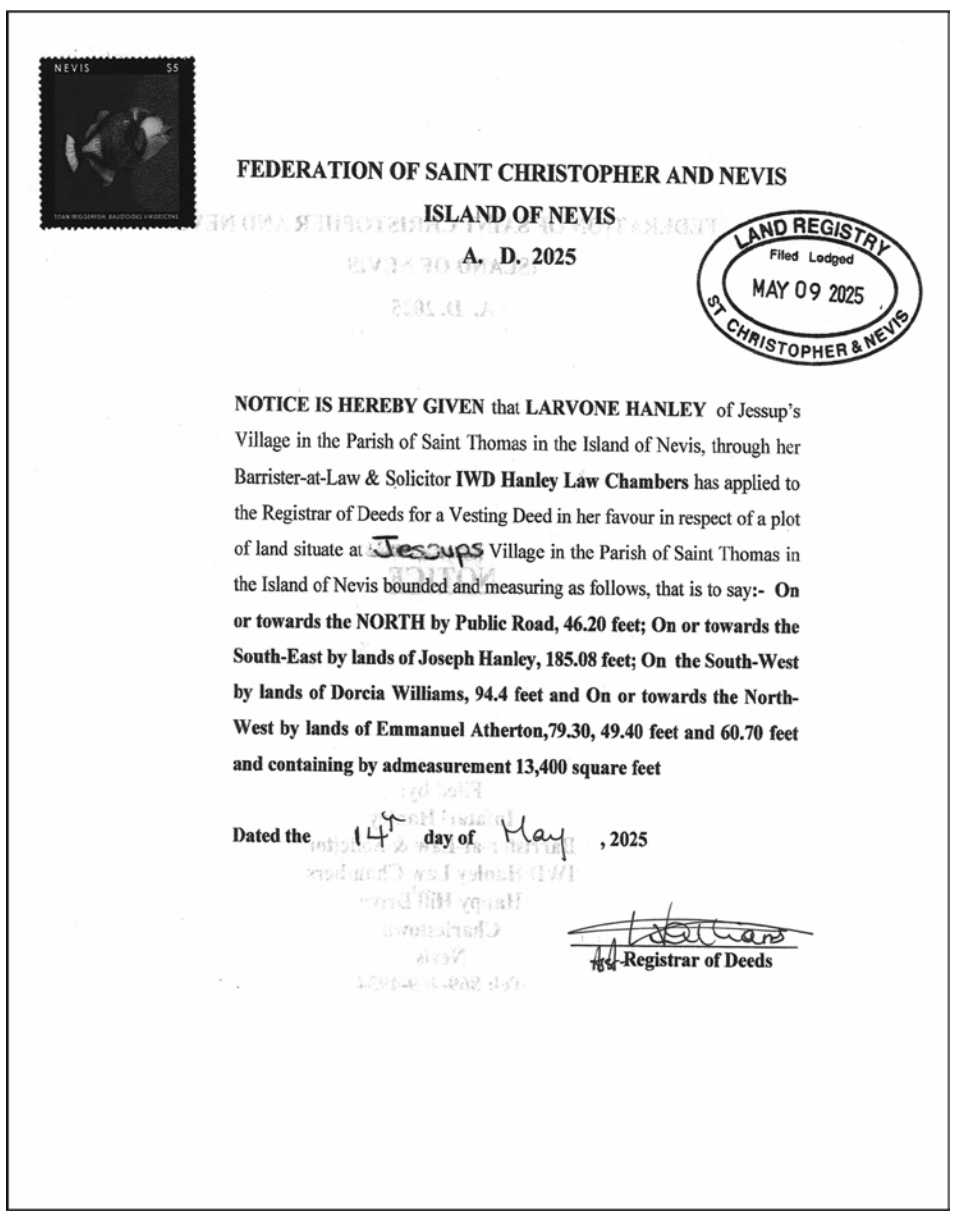


COURTESY PHOTO

Star multi-sport athlete Jahzara Claxton with Prime Minister the Honourable Dr. Terrance Drew.



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LAND REGISTRY Filed Lodged MAY 09 2025 ST CHRISTOPHER & NEVIS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **LARVONE HANLEY** of Jessup's Village in the Parish of Saint Thomas in the Island of Nevis, through her Barrister-at-Law & Solicitor **IWD Hanley Law Chambers** has applied to the Registrar of Deeds for a Vesting Deed in her favour in respect of a plot of land situate at Jessups Village in the Parish of Saint Thomas in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **On or towards the NORTH by Public Road, 46.20 feet; On or towards the South-East by lands of Joseph Hanley, 185.08 feet; On the South-West by lands of Dorcia Williams, 94.4 feet and On or towards the North-West by lands of Emmanuel Atherton,79.30, 49.40 feet and 60.70 feet and containing by admeasurement 13,400 square feet**

Dated the 14th **day of** May **, 2025**

Registrar of Deeds

Incentive package for Jahzara Claxton after historic WI call-up

The Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis has announced a special package of incentives to honour multi-sport athlete Jahzara Claxton, who recently made history as the first female from Saint Kitts to be selected for the West Indies Senior Women's Cricket Team.

Claxton's inclusion in the 15-member squad for the West Indies' white-ball tour of England, scheduled from May 21 to June 8, was confirmed by Cricket West Indies on May 13. In response, Prime Minister the Honourable Dr. Terrance Drew paid tribute to the rising star during the May 15 sitting of the National Assembly, and unveiled a suite of rewards recognising her achievement.

The incentive package includes a financial contribution, a parcel of land, and the naming of a sporting facility in Claxton's honour.

"Because we implemented [support mechanisms], Jahzara had the freedom to train, to travel, without having to worry about who will help her mother [or] what she has to do for herself," said Prime Minister Drew. "I expected her to reach very high levels, but she has reached there so quickly and so honourably."

The Prime Minister explained that Claxton's success is the product of a collaborative effort between the government, her family, and her community, with support provided to allow her to focus exclusively on developing her cricketing talent.

The move to recognise Claxton with land and a facility in her name, mirrors incentives recently provided to Mikyle Louis, the first male cricketer from Saint Kitts to join the West Indies Senior Men's Team. The government sees these rewards not only as personal accolades, but also as encouragement to other young athletes aspiring to reach similar heights.

Claxton, who also excels in football and athletics, departed the Federation on May 14 to join her teammates. Minister of Sports, the Honourable Samal Duggins, was present at the R. L. Bradshaw International Airport to see her off and pledged continued government support.

The athlete's development has long been championed by the government. In 2024, she was appointed a Youth Board member on the Violence as a Public Health Perspective Committee—another indication of the leadership qualities she embodies both on and off the field.

As Claxton embarks on this next chapter in her sporting journey, national pride continues to swell, with the government reaffirming its commitment to nurturing young talent and creating opportunities for youth success.

Snappers, Blue Runners hit form as T20 group stage nears close

As the group stage approaches its conclusion, the Sandy Point Snappers delivered a resounding 90-run win to build momentum heading into the finals, while defending champions Molineaux Blue Runners executed a clinical team chase to edge past Government Road Sharks in a tightly contested fixture.

The Sandy Point Snappers delivered a dominant all-round performance to secure a 90-run victory over the St. Pauls Barracudas, hitting form at a crucial stage in the tournament.

Batting first, the Snappers posted 138/8 with contributions throughout the order. Eirette Richards laid the foundation with a patient 15 off 28, Dahri Francis kept the scoreboard ticking with 30 off 20, while Theron Bussue (23

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off 17) and Adrian Williams (26 off 15) added late impetus. For the Barracudas, Kaivalya Mishra impressed with the ball, finishing with figures of 4-0-14-2, while Nathan Sealy picked up three wickets (3-48).

Kian Pemberton (3-12) and Jelani Joseph (3-14) then led a ruthless bowling display, with Adrian Williams also making an impact with the ball (2-8) as the Barracudas were bowled out for 58. Snappers skipper Theron Bussue led from the front with contributions in all departments, including a wicket, two catches, and involvement in a run-out.

With this emphatic win, the Snappers showcased their depth and balance, signalling strong form heading into the business end of the competition.

The Molineaux Blue Runners put together a composed and united chase to secure a four-wicket win over Government Road Sharks with three balls to spare.

The Sharks had earlier built a strong platform with Stephan Pascal leading the way with a fluent 74 off 50. Ross Powell (29 off 35) and captain Mikyle Louis (23 off 16) provided support to help the side post 157/4 from their 20 overs.

The Blue Runners bowlers responded with discipline. Keon Harding picked

COURTESY PHOTO

Defending champions Molineaux Blue Runners executed a clinical team chase to edge past Government Road Sharks in a tightly contested fixture.

up two wickets at key moments (2-36), while Bodgenarine Sharma (1-26) and Alvin Cyril bowled with great control. Cyril was particularly economical across his four overs, conceding 21.

The run chase was a true team effort. Ruve Louw (20 off 14), Jaleel Clarke (20 off 20), Matthew Miller (22 off 20), and Keon Harding (21 off 16) each played their part, while captain Jacques Taylor anchored the innings with an unbeaten 35 off 28 to guide the side home.

The Sharks bowled with heart, and Hakeem Harvey stood out with an excellent spell of 2-17, applying pressure throughout his three overs. But the Blue Runners' steady partnerships and calm execution saw them through to a valuable win, seeing them chase down the target and finish on 161/6 after 19.4 overs.

To round off the group stage, the Government Road Sharks face off against the Sandy Point Snappers, while the Brown Hill Dolphins take on the St Pauls Barracudas.

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In the Estate of **KEEGAN ANTONIO WILLIAMS late of Stone Fort Project, Challengers Village**, St. Kitts, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PROBATE

TAKE NOTICE that an Application has been filed by **PHELENA DUPORTE of Stonefort Heights Development, Challenger, St. Kitts**

For a Grant of Probate of the Last Will and Testament of the above-named deceased who died on the 26th November 2022 without revoking a Will bearing the date of 11th day of November 2022 wherein the Applicant is the named sole executrix.

Any person having any objection to the Grant of Probate to the Applicant shall file an objection within 14 days of the Publication of this notice

Dated the 23rd day of May 2025

Claudette Jenkins
Attorney for the Applicant

Filed by Claudette Jenkins, Attorney-at-Law

The Registry is at Sir L. L. Moore Judicial and Legal Complex, East Independence Square Street, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Telephone No: 465-2484

The office is opened between 9am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday except for Public Holidays.

Case Number :NEVHCV2025/0066

FILED
HIGH COURT
ST.CHRISTOPHER / NEVIS
(NEVIS CIRCUIT)

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
NEVIS CIRCUIT
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT CHAPTER 10.19
A.D. 2025

Submitted Date:14/05/2025 11:23

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And Fees Paid:4.00

In the matter of the Title by Registration Act, Chapter 10.19 ***Section 12(1)(a)***

In the matter of an application by **ALICE CHARLES** and **KISHMOY PEMBERTON** both of Bath Village in the Parish of St. John in the Island of Nevis for a First Certificate of Title to **3,843 square feet** of land situate at Bath Village in the parish of St. John in the Island of Nevis.

REGISTRY OF TITLES NEVIS CIRCUIT

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS

For Certificates of Title, noting thereon and caveats for the week ending the 16th day of May, 2025

Date of Request	Person Presenting	Nature of Document
7th March, 2025	**ALICE CHARLES AND KISHMOY PEMBERTON** by their Solicitor ***ASURE-DEE LIBURD-BROWNE*** of LAW OFFICES Of T.A.C.T. Liburd–Browne Main Street, Charlestown, Nevis	For the issuance of a First Certificate of Title to **3,843** square feet of land situate at Bath Village in the Parish of St. John, Nevis

On the North East by a Road 43.71 feet; On the South East by Lands of Heather Newton 34.37 feet and by the Lands of Alice Charles and Kimoy Pemberton 64.44 feet and On the South West by the lands of Samuel Tyson 40.53 feet and On the North West by the Estate of Lucina Claxton 63.27 feet and 21.44 feet and containing by admeasurement 3,843 square feet.

Dated the 9th day of May, 2025

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RUMOURS

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Despite the challenges, he assured both the public and police personnel that every effort is being made to mitigate the situation. He also commended officers for continuing to serve under such difficult conditions.

In a strong appeal to the public, the Commissioner urged citizens to be more responsible in their use of social media, especially when sharing unverified information.

"I must also appeal to all users of social media to adopt a greater sense of national responsibility," Sutton said. "The harmful effects of misinformation are often not fully appreciated until one becomes the victim of such."

Reaffirming the Police Force's commitment to impartiality, he stressed that officers are duty-bound to assist all members of the public, regardless of background or political affiliation.

"Let it also be known that the Royal Saint Christopher and Nevis Police Force serves all members of the public without fear or favour and regardless of race, colour, creed or political affiliation."

He also encouraged the public to report any misconduct to the Department of Professional Standards, which he said is tasked with investigating complaints and ensuring accountability within the ranks.

"Every week, internal tribunals are conducted where officers must account for their actions," Sutton said. "Disciplinary measures include, but are not limited to, suspension, open arrest, salary reduction and, in some cases, referral to the Police Service Commission for dismissal."

Commissioner Sutton concluded by reinforcing the police force's mission to serve with integrity and maintain public trust amid ongoing challenges.

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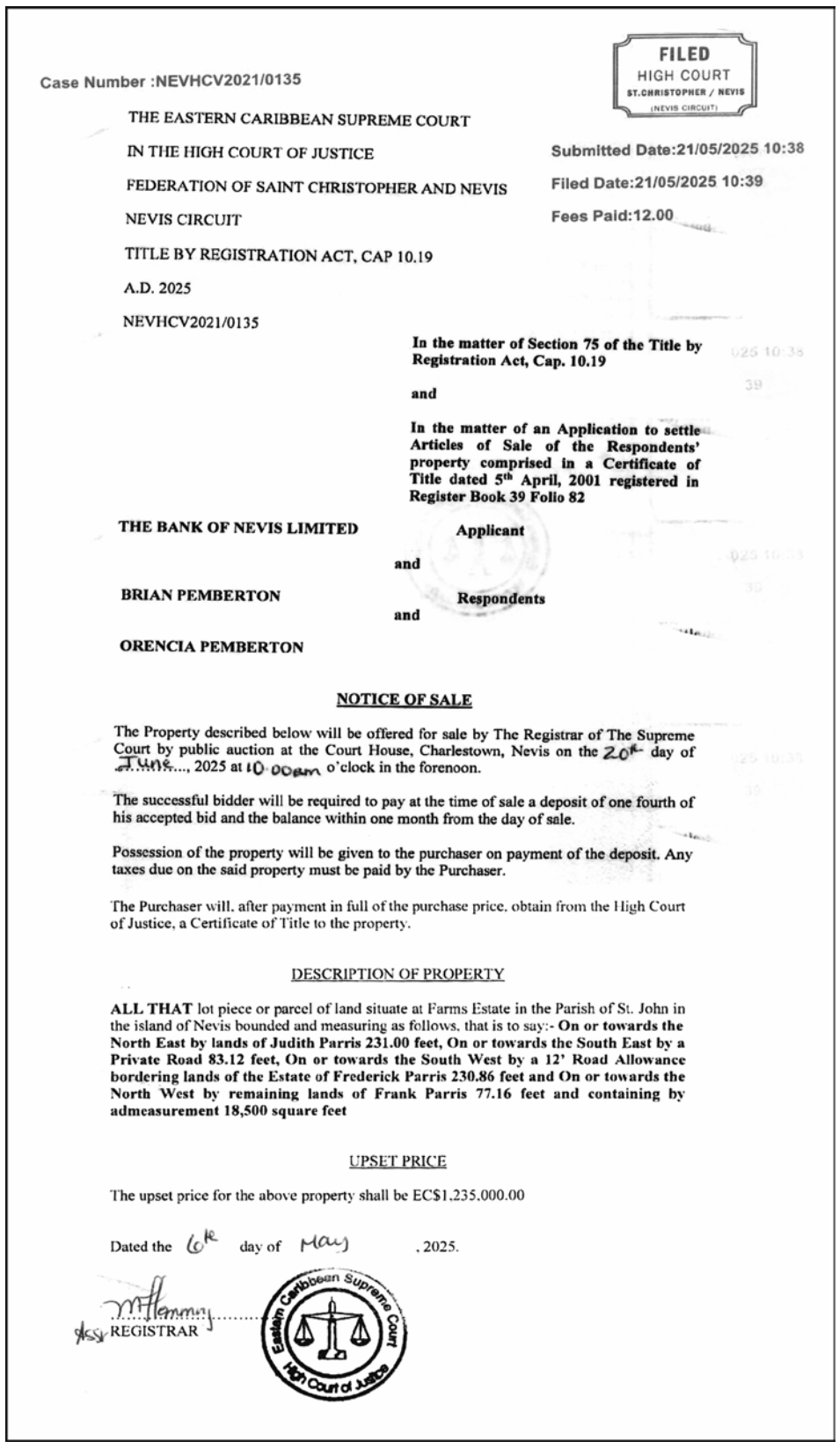

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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
NEVIS CIRCUIT
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP 10.19
A.D. 2025
NEVHCV2021/0135

In the matter of Section 75 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19

and

In the matter of an Application to settle Articles of Sale of the Respondents' property comprised in a Certificate of Title dated 5th April, 2001 registered in Register Book 39 Folio 82

THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED — **Applicant**

and

BRIAN PEMBERTON — **Respondents**

and

ORENCIA PEMBERTON

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of The Supreme Court by public auction at the Court House, Charlestown, Nevis on the 20th day of June, 2025 at 10:00am o'clock in the forenoon.

The successful bidder will be required to pay at the time of sale a deposit of one fourth of his accepted bid and the balance within one month from the day of sale.

Possession of the property will be given to the purchaser on payment of the deposit. Any taxes due on the said property must be paid by the Purchaser.

The Purchaser will, after payment in full of the purchase price, obtain from the High Court of Justice, a Certificate of Title to the property.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Farms Estate in the Parish of St. John in the island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **On or towards the North East by lands of Judith Parris 231.00 feet, On or towards the South East by a Private Road 83.12 feet, On or towards the South West by a 12' Road Allowance bordering lands of the Estate of Frederick Parris 230.86 feet and On or towards the North West by remaining lands of Frank Parris 77.16 feet and containing by admeasurement 18,500 square feet**

UPSET PRICE

The upset price for the above property shall be EC$1.235.000.00

Dated the 6th day of May, 2025.

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Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
High Court of Justice

LABOUR

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he said.

Dr. Drew also praised the Ministry of Agriculture, noting a record-breaking $19.6 million in earnings for fishers and the establishment of several key initiatives, including a national hatchery and drought-resilient programs for farmers.

On national security, the Prime Minister lauded the cross-party unity that led to a 90-day crime reduction campaign and the adoption of a public health approach to violence. "We took a bold step by inviting opposition members to the table, and agreed that we would not politicise crime. That is the Labour way," he said.

He traced the party's history of advancing social justice from its founding days to the present. "We increased the minimum wage, introduced LIFT and Elevate programmes, expanded STEP, and reduced VAT from 17% to 13%. Over a quarter billion dollars has been spent to build a social safety net for our people," he outlined.

The Prime Minister also addressed criticisms surrounding water supply issues. "When you hear them talk about water shortages, I laugh. Not one well was dug under their watch," he said. He commended the current Minister for ensuring progress on desalination projects and well construction.

Throughout his address, Dr. Drew maintained that the Labour Party's mission remained unchanged. "This is not just a party. It is a movement. A movement of people committed to social justice, good governance, and national transformation."

MOVEMENT

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squad is as follows: Hayley Matthews (captain), Shemaine Campbelle (vice-captain), Aaliyah Alleyne, Jahzara Claxton, Afy Fletcher, Cherry Ann Fraser, Shabika Gajnabi, Jannillea Glasgow, Realeanna Grimmond, Zaida James, Qiana Joseph, Mandy Mangru, Ashmini Munisar, Karishma Ramharack, Stafanie Taylor.

The West Indies begin their tour with the T20 Internationals, a format in which they have shown recent improvement, before moving on to the ODI leg of the series.

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FARM

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ment's commitment to supporting food producers and protecting consumer health. He noted that the department is moving away from harmful organophosphates in favour of safer, more environmentally-conscious products.

The seminar also featured live demonstrations and implementation schedules to help farmers integrate these eco-friendly products into their crop cycles effectively.

The initiative marks another step forward in the country's efforts to ensure sustainable food security and environmental protection.

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
ISLAND OF NEVIS
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP.10.19
A.D. 2025

In the Matter of Section 71 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19 of the Laws of the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis

and

In the Matter of a Mortgage noted on 8th March 1996 on Certificate of Title dated 16th November 1995 recorded in Register Book 33 Folio 489 in favour of **JOHN and BERNICE HAWLEY** of the Register of Titles for the Island the Nevis.

NOTICE TO PAY OFF

TO: JOHN and BERNICE HAWLEY of Cole Hill , Nevis, Registered Proprietors of 21,529 square feet of land situate at Padlock Estate in the parish of St. George in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows:- **On the South East by lands of Sundry Owners 201.79 feet; On the South West by Boundary on edge of ghaut 34.32 feet and 68.22 feet and On the North West by lands of Mable Kelly 78.25 feet and 145.11 feet; On the North East by Public Road 110.31 feet**, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title issued the 16th day of November 1995 and registered in Book 33 Folio 489 of the Register of Titles for the Island of the Island of Nevis.

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED a banking company duly incorporated under the laws of Nevis with its registered office situate at Bank of Nevis Building, Main Street in the Town of Charlestown in the Island of Nevis, **REQUIRES YOU TO PAY OFF** the sum of **SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY-TWO DOLLARS AND TEN CENTS EASTERN CARIBBEAN CURRENCY (EC$61,442.10)** being the total principal and interest due and owing to us as at the 21st day of May 2025 with interest continuing to accrue at a daily rate of EC$7.18 from 22nd May 2025 until payment in full of the said principal sum and interest due to us by virtue of a Mortgage duly noted on the 8th day of March 1996 upon the Certificate of Title of the said land issued the 16th November 1995 recorded in Register Book 33 Folio 489 in the Register of Titles for the Island of Nevis:

AND that **within sixty (60) days from the date of service of this Notice.**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Common Seal of the Bank of Nevis Limited was hereunto affixed this 21st day of May, 2025.

THE COMMON SEAL OF THE BANK]
OF NEVIS LIMITED was hereunto affixed]
by its Secretary on the 21st day of May 2025]
in the presence of LAURIE LAWRENCE and]
ADRIAN DANIEL two of its Directors]
]

Before and in the presence of:
Daniel

COURTESY PHOTO

Evelyn Browne (above) celebrated her 100th birthday on May 13. Nevis is currently home to six centenarians-five women and one man-each a living testament to the island's rich heritage and enduring strength.

Mrs. Evelyn Browne celebrated as Nevis' newest centenarian

The Nevis Island Administration (NIA) joined family and friends in honoring Mrs. Evelyn Browne on the occasion of her 100th birthday, making her the Federation's newest centenarian.

Originally from Jessups Village and now residing at Prospect Estate, Mrs. Browne reached this remarkable milestone on May 13, surrounded by loved ones.

Described by her daughters as "honest, loyal, generous, and kind," Mrs. Browne is widely admired for her industriousness, resilience, and humility. After completing her education at the St. Thomas' Lowland All-Age School, she entered the workforce during the difficult World War II era, a time when job opportunities were scarce and life on Nevis was especially challenging. Nevertheless, her adaptability and work ethic saw her through occupations in farming, charcoal burning, and domestic service.

Highlighting her impressive journey, Isabel Byron shared excerpts from Mrs. Browne's biography, emphasizing her extraordinary ability to balance multiple roles.

"Evelyn was also a government employee for many years, working in the laundry and kitchen at the Alexandra Hospital and Infirmary. A little-known but significant fact about this unassuming individual is that she was a pioneer in the cleaning business in this country."

"Indeed, she provided home domestic services to clients on both Nevis and St. Kitts from as early as the 1940s. The fact that during the 70s and 80s, Evelyn operated a hugely popular village shop, store, snackette, was an amazing achievement. Her box or drum oven baked delicacies such as pork bread, potato pudding, coconut tarts, and cakes, along with her ginger beer and mauby."

To mark the occasion, Mrs. Browne was presented with a special gift from the Deputy Governor-General for Nevis, Her Honour Mrs. Hyleeta Liburd. She also received a commemorative gift and medal from the Governor-General, Her Excellency Dame Marcella Liburd, in recognition of her centenary.

Deputy Premier, the Honourable Eric Evelyn, delivered a bouquet on behalf of Premier the Honourable Mark Brantley and the NIA Cabinet. Minister of Posts, the Honourable Spencer Brand, announced that a commemorative stamp in Mrs. Browne's honor would be issued later this year.

Mrs. Browne is also the great-aunt of the Honourable Janet Nisbett, who presented her with a plaque on behalf of the Ministry of Social Development and the TDC Group of Companies.

Reflecting on the moment, Minister Nisbett said, "In my capacity as Minister of Social Empowerment, we celebrate these milestones of our seniors on a regular basis, and so I've done several over the last two and a half years, but from the moment I started them, I've been looking forward to one in particular, and this is that particular celebration.