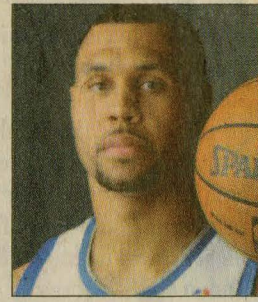


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Chris B. Bennett Wins National Award For Column Writing



Seattle Medium Co-publisher/Editor Chris B. Bennett, left, is shown with Jeffrey Boney, right, of the Houston Forwardtimes newspaper at the NNPA's National Merit Awards in Houston, TX. Bennett won third place for best column writing, while Boney won first place in the category. NNPA Photo/ Breddie Allen.

Chris B. Bennett, co-publisher/editor, was honored last week by the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), The Black Press of America, during their Merit Awards held in Houston, TX.

Bennett won third place in the Best Column Writing category for his column "Through The Eyes Of An Ink Barrel" which appears in The Seattle Medium.

"The NNPA has over 200 member publications and to be recognized is indeed a great honor," said Bennett of the award. "The Black Press has many great writers and to be recognized by your peers for the work that you do makes this award even more special."

While excited about his national recognition, Bennett was quick to point

out that awards don't mean very much if you're not making a difference in the community that you serve.

"We don't do this work for recognition," says Bennett. "We do it to provide a platform to showcase the success stories in our community, to expose the wrongs that take place in our society, to give a voice to the voiceless, hope to the hopeless, and to speak up for the least, the last and the left out."

"We do it to make a difference," he continued. "I'm just happy that God put me in a position to help others, and I'm grateful for everyone in the community who encouraged me to continue writing because their support keeps me grounded and inspires me to keep telling our stories from our perspective."

AG Ferguson: Volkswagen To Pay \$26 Million To State Over Consumer Fraud

On Tuesday, Washington State Attorney General Bob Ferguson announced a more than \$26 million agreement with Volkswagen over its deceptive marketing of its "clean diesel" vehicles, plus restitution for consumers and billions in investments in clean technology development and environmental mitigation.

The \$26.1 million recovery is believed to represent the third-largest Consumer Protection recovery in Washington's history.

In related litigation, hundreds of millions of dollars will be returned to Washington consumers as restitution, and Volkswagen will either buy back or repair affected vehicles.

"Consumers specifically sought these supposedly green vehicles in an effort to make a better choice for the environment, only to discover Volkswagen deliberately deceived them," Ferguson said. "Volkswagen pulled a

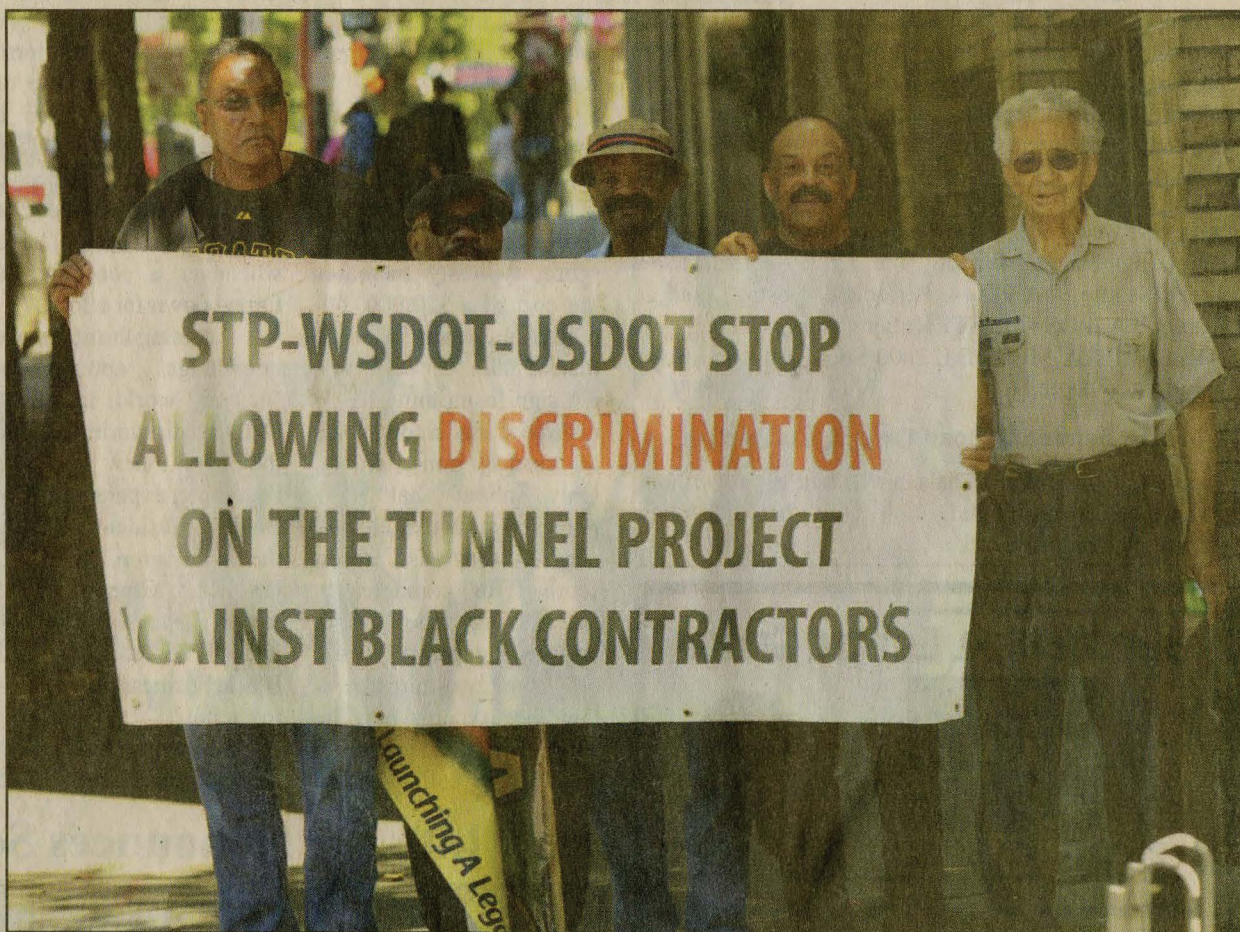
bait-and-switch on Washington consumers, and our agreement holds them accountable."

As a result of the agreement, Volkswagen will pay the states \$1,100 per car for repeated violations of consumer protection laws, for a total of \$570 million nationwide. This includes \$24,387,000 to Washington for the 22,170 affected vehicles sold in the state. Washington will also receive an additional \$1,739,120 for its role as a leader in the investigation, for a total of more than \$26 million.

Volkswagen will also pay \$20 million to the states for their costs in investigating this matter and to establish a fund that state attorneys general can utilize for future initiatives, including investigations concerning emissions violations and automobile compliance.

Full details of the agreement will be available online at VWCourtSettlement.com.

Community Activist Stand Up For Economic Justice On Tunnel Project



Members of the African American community held a protest rally near the entrance of the Seattle Tunnel Project in downtown Seattle on Monday. Organizers claim that African American contractors have been subjected to discriminatory business practices. Staff Photo/Chris B. Bennett

On Monday, members of the African American community held a rally to support African American owned business that they claim have been discriminated against on the Seattle Tunnel Project.

According to Eddie Rye, Jr., the rally was designed to shed light on the lack of enforcement of Title VI of the Civil Rights

Act and the unfair business practices that have allegedly taken place on the project.

"It's time for us to let the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) and the Seattle Tunnel Partners know in a very demonstrative way that

their lack of enforcement of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the continuing racist practices are unacceptable," said Rye.

The timing of the protest, according to organizers, coincided with the presence of investigators from the Federal Highway Administration Office of Civil Rights who were in

town to review the alleged discriminatory practices on the Seattle Tunnel Project.

In a release prior to the protest, organizers said that they were going to "visibly show support for [their] contractors and demand that the USDOT Civil Rights Office and the WSDOT hold the Seattle Tunnel Partners accountable."

Thoughts From The Chairman

Separating Church And State: Mount Zion Baptist Church Should Not Be A "Police State"



By Chris H. Bennett
Chairman, The Seattle Medium

Why did the founders of 24 Countries deliberately establish a Constitutional Amendment to separate the powers of the Church and the State? Perhaps the answer lies in what is happening at one of Seattle's most prestigious churches, the Mount Zion Baptist Church of Seattle where many members have stated they feel the hostile worship environment is apparently similar to prison or jail under the leadership of Sr. Pastor Aaron Williams, and former Interim Police Chief now Chair of the Trustee Board, Harry Bailey. Under their leadership Church and State seem to be co-mingled rather than separate. For example, utilizing the services of a police officer, who, according to sources, is allegedly responsible, to

some degree, for the U. S. Justice Department being in town to investigate corruption and misconduct in the Seattle Police Department. It is rumored and alleged that former Interim Police Chief Bailey introduced him to the Mount Zion Baptist Church Brotherhood for a mentor training assignment for which he was allegedly paid overtime by the Seattle Police Department, according to Bailey, "...this guy is not a racist, he worked for me." This alleged corrupt cop later received Mount Zion's Father of the Year Award. Are we dealing with rocket scientist stuff or just apparently rewarding trusted friends?

The downtown "powers that be" placed Rev. Aaron Williams, Sr. Pastor of Mount Zion Baptist Church on the U. S. Justice Department inspired Community Police Commission despite Williams' long-time, then non-resident of Seattle status, minimum pastoral experience, and unknown civil rights background. Furthermore, out of retirement, Former Assistant Chief, Harry Bailey, was tabbed as

Seattle Police Department's interim Chief.

One of Bailey's early actions as the Interim Police Chief was to terminating all of the Police Department Assistant Chiefs and complete negotiations for firing of the then current Police Chief. After the Interim Police Chief returned to Mount Zion he became Sr. Pastor Rev. Williams' alleged right hand man, and with pastoral support was elected Chair of the Trustee Board while remaining Chief of Church Security. Traditionally at Mount Zion, no one person could hold two ministry positions.

NO one can be sure if the former Interim Police Chief was allegedly institutionalized with the Donald Trump's TV like apprentice show "you are fired". However, similarities apparently occurred at Mount Zion, as the newly elected Trustee Chair's first and most controversial action was apparently to over-rule a recent Trustee agreement that allowed an 89 year-old homebound Church member to remain in leased Church housing at the \$1500 per month she was paying rather than raise the rent which would have

caused her eviction. The newly elected Trustee Board Chair, Bailey, sent her a certified letter to apparently economically evict this 89 year-old church member from Mount Zion rental houses by increasing her rent an extra \$1000 per month to \$2500.00 per month. For that, Bailey apparently took the heat for Williams as he apparently did for the Seattle Mayor with the police department, got a Jesse Jones "get Jesse" segment on KIRO TV. According to church sources, the 89-year-old tenant apparently was the only tenant given this increase. Insane? A violation of the age and disability act? Mean-spirited? Certainly NOT kind, gentle, Christ-like or demonstrating love as Jesus taught in His only Command: "Love one another as I Love you...", as preached from many pulpits?

At the last all church meeting, according to former State Rep. Dawn Mason, this Trustee Chair, the former Interim Police Chief, is now on an apparent mission to "weed" Mount Zion of its most

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Economic Power Of Black And Other Consumers Limited By Low Knowledge About Credit

By Hazel Trice Edney

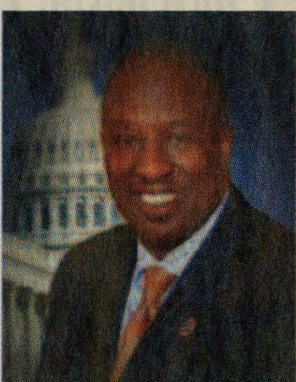
(Trice Edney Wire) – Despite the level of economic destruction suffered by millions of Americans –and disparately by African-Americans – during the housing crisis, many people still have only basic knowledge of credit scoring rather than knowledge of the complexities still impacting their financial lives, according to a new survey.

“The good news is that consumers understand the basics of credit scores, such as the importance of making loan payments on time,” says Stephen Brobeck, executive director of the Consumer Federation of America (CFA), which recently released the results of its sixth annual credit score survey. “The bad news is that this knowledge is limited and, each year, can cost them hundreds of dollars in fees on services and additional interest on

consumer loans,” he said in a release announcing the survey results.

Brobeck led a June 13th phone conference announcing the survey results. He said one of the most critical unknown facts about credit scores is that “low scores can add hundreds - even thousands of dollars - to your credit costs every year.”

The results are not broken down by race, but financial experts indicate this lack of knowledge has more severely impacted African-Americans and Latinos since they already suffer more economic disparities than people of other races. Financial experts at the Durham-based Center for Responsible Lending (CRL) says racial minorities are often even targeted for financial abuse; then when their credit scores plummet, their financial lives become even



Ron Busby

more difficult.

“Every day working for CRL, I’m reading information about finances. And invariably from one issue to the next, Black people – Blacks and Latinos – are getting the short end of the stick. It’s just horrible,” says CRL spokeswoman, Charlene Crowell.

Among the findings of the CFA survey of 1,005 adults in April are as follows:

- Consumers greatly underestimate the cost of low credit scores. Only 22 percent know that a low score, compared to a high score, typically increases the cost of a \$20,000, 60-month auto loan by more than \$5,000.

- A significant minority do not know that credit scores are used by non-creditors. Only about half (53 percent) know that electric utilities may use credit scores (for example, in determining the initial required deposit), while only about two-thirds know that these scores may be used by home insurers (66 percent), cell phone



Charlene Crowell

companies (68 percent), and landlords (70 percent).

- Over two-fifths think that marital status (42 percent) and age (42 percent) are used in the calculation of credit scores. (While these factors may influence the use of credit, how credit is used determines credit scores.)

- Only about half of consumers (51 percent) know when lenders are required to inform borrowers of their use of credit scores – after a mortgage application, when a consumer does not receive the best terms on a consumer loan, and whenever a consumer is turned down for a loan.

Attaining the necessary knowledge about the financial world, including about credit scoring, can be the key to a new economic beginning, experts say. Ron Busby, president/CEO of the Washington, DC-based US Black Chambers Inc. says, “The number one, two and three concerns for Black businesses is access to capital.”

Some business credit difficulty has been related

to historic discrimination against Black-owned businesses. But often times when seeking to attain credit, Busby said, “I do believe we just go unprepared.”

To help prepare communities and individuals with crucial information, the CFA has a credit knowledge quiz by which current or prospective borrowers can learn how much they don’t know, but also learn new, valuable information. The 12-question quiz can be found at creditscorequiz.org.

Other important credit information is also readily available on line, including personal credit scores, says Barrett Burns, president/CEO of VantageScore Solutions. VantageScore is a 10-year-old credit scoring model created by the three national credit reporting companies, Equifax, Experian and TransUnion, which aims to “address the economic realities” of the 21st century.

“Access to scores and to the tips and explanations that accompany them on many of the sites give consumers a better chance to understand their credit worthiness before applying for a loan,” Burns said on the phone conference. “These scores help consumers take charge of their credit profiles and to improve their credit scores before they seek credit and when they’re ready to apply for a loan these websites

help consumers consider many different credit products side by side on an online dashboard allowing them to make more informed decisions.”

The national survey also revealed that millennials (18-34 year-olds) know less about credit scores than do generation-exers (35-51 year-olds). This indicates the need for early credit education. “On eight of nine key knowledge questions, gen-exers scored more highly than millennials,” the release states.

In a nutshell, the CFA survey advises consumers of all ages to “raise their credit scores or maintain high scores” by doing the following:

- Consistently make loan payments on time every month.
- Using a small portion of the credit available on a credit card.
- Pay down debt rather than just moving it around, as well as not open multiple new accounts at the same time.
- And check credit reports to make sure they are error-free by contacting annualcreditreport.com or by calling 800-322-8228.

Crowell concludes, “Whether it’s buying a car, buying a home, managing credit card debt, managing student loan debt, all of those things contribute to your credit scores. You don’t want to default on a loan, whether it’s a car or a home – you don’t want to do that.”

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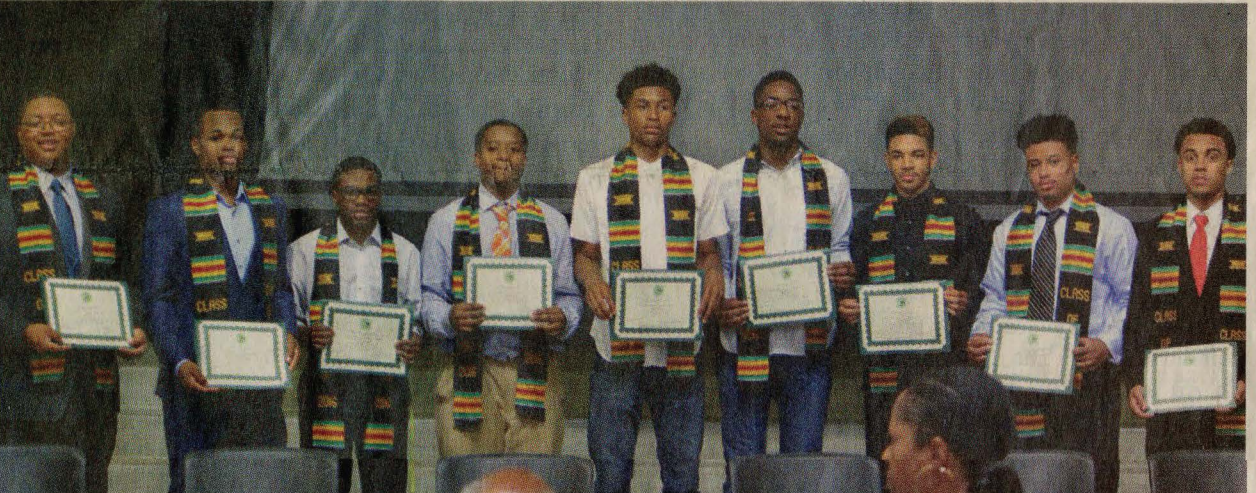
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Real Life 101 Announces Seattle Scholarship Recipients



2016 Real Life 101 Scholarship recipients from Seattle.

Real Life 101 — a non-profit organization out of Detroit, Michigan that provides college scholarships for selected inner city, African American males who are graduating from high school – recently honored and announced their 10 scholarship recipients from the Seattle area.

As a result of the 100 Black men gathering that took place in February at Southshore Pre-K – 8 School in Seattle, all 10 scholarship recipients are African Americans males who previously attended Southshore.

Bryant George, executive director of Real Life 101, says he was looking for schools to

partner with in Washington State when he came across an article about the 100 Black men’s gathering at Southshore.

“I came across an article that stated that the 100 Black men came to a middle school and greeted every student that came into the school that day and that is something that our Black male task force committee here in Detroit, Michigan has done at several elementary and middle schools,” said George in an interview with The Seattle Medium in February.

“I was completely impressed with how the community has united around the young people and how the community has given them a vision and

how they are serving as role models for the kids who might be considered to be at risk by society’s standards,” added George.

This year’s scholarship recipients are: JoNathan Alderson, Marquise Bennett, Jeremiah Conyers, Devin Doss, Keiron Goodwin, Shedrick Johnson, Aristotle Marr, Airik Myers, Mehki Rogers and Jessie Williams.

Each student will receive a \$10,000 scholarship (payable at \$2,000 per year for up to five years), a new laptop computer fully loaded with software, and a computer backpack. In addition, each student will be paired with a Certified Real Life Mentor while in the program.

According to Sid Taylor, founder and chairman of Real Life 101, the mission of the

organization is to invest in education and not incarceration. Taylor says that it cost \$22,600 per year, per inmate to house people in prison and that his organization and the taxpayers are the ones who pay the bill, but Real Life invests in the kids’ future and hopes that the community will reap the benefits of this investment.

“They [Black males] have a one in three chance of going to prison,” Taylor said. “We are investing in them on the front end, which is a positive investment instead of investing in them on the back end, which is a negative investment.”

Founded in 2000, the organization has awarded more than 500 scholarships and over \$1,500 laptops to inner city African American males across the country.

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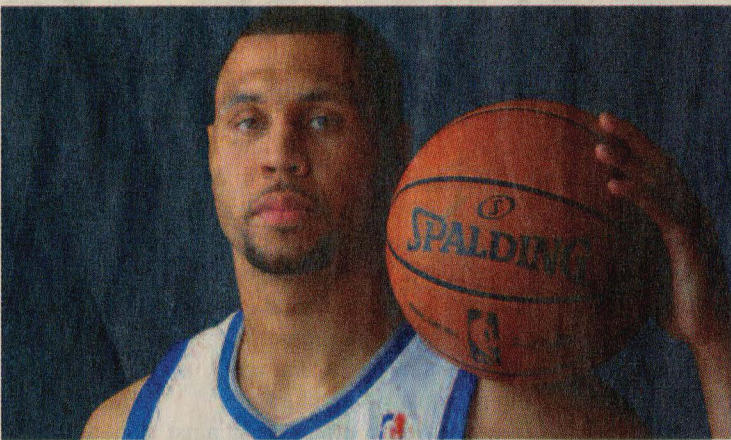
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Former NBA All-Star Brandon Roy Named Head Coach At Nathan Hale

Last Friday, Seattle Public Schools (SPS) announced that former Portland Trail Blazer All-Star guard and Seattle native Brandon Roy has accepted the job of new head basketball coach at Nathan Hale High School starting the 2016-17 season.

Roy started his basketball playing career in Seattle where he attended Garfield High School. He quickly earned the reputation as one of the state's best high school players.

Recruited by colleges across the country, Roy chose to stay in his hometown and play his college career at University of Washington where he became the 31st player in Huskies history to score 1,000 points. Roy was



Brandon Roy

named a Consensus First Team NCAA All-American and First Team AP All-American.

In 2006, Roy entered the NBA draft where the Portland

Trailblazers made him their 1st round pick (6th overall). Over his professional career, Roy won the NBA Rookie of the Year Award, he appeared in three NBA All Star

Games, was twice named to the All-NBA Team.

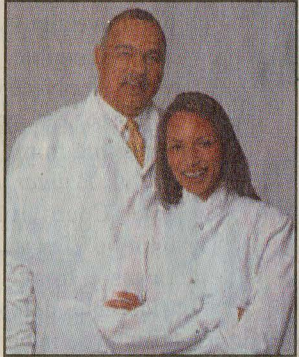
Nathan Hale School Administrator, Dr. Jill Hudson, along with SPS Executive Director of Athletics, Eric McCurdy, are excited to welcome Brandon Roy back to the SPS family, where he was a stellar

student-athlete.

According to SPS, Roy brings an excitement to the Nathan Hale community and Metro League. His basketball knowledge and expertise will help Nathan Hale's student-athletes excel both academically and athletically.

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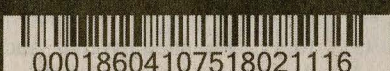


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Supreme Court Rejects Challenge To Affirmative Action



By George E. Curry

George Curry Media Columnist

In many instances, the Supreme Court's recent affirmative action ruling upholding the University of Texas's affirmative action program was overshadowed by a same-day order overturning President Obama's executive order to ease illegal immigrants' path to U.S. citizenship. *World News Tonight With David Muir*, while leading its broadcast with the immigration decision, didn't even mention the affirmative action ruling in that day's national broadcast.

Even so, affirming the University of Texas admission plan was notable because it squelched an ongoing challenge to affirmative action by well-financed conservative groups. Even more remarkable, the conservative-leaning court rendered the decision shy of its full 9-member participation, with no successor confirmed following the death of conservative Antonin Scalia's and liberal Elena Kagan recusing herself from deliberation because of her previous involvement in the case as U.S. Solicitor General.

The biggest surprise was that Justice Anthony Kennedy, a Ronald Reagan appointee, joined the other liberals on the court - Stephen G. Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Sonia Sotomayor - to form the 4-3 majority that said race may be used as one factor among many in building a diverse student body. Dissenting were Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., Samuel A. Alito, Jr., and Clarence Thomas.

"A university is in large part defined by those intangible 'qualities which are incapable of objective measurement but which make for greatness,'" Kennedy wrote, quoting from *Sweatt v. Painter*, a landmark 1950 Supreme Court ruling outlawing the University of Texas' exclusion of African Americans from its law school. "Considerable deference is owed to a university in defining those intangible characteristics, like student body diversity, that are central to its identity and educational mission."

To conform to earlier Supreme Court rulings, the Texas legislature passed a new plan in 1997 for the University of Texas to admit all high school seniors who ranked in the top 10 percent of their graduating class. But the plan failed to sufficiently diversify the main campus at Austin.

Texas is about 38 percent Latino and 12 percent African American. Under the 10 Percent Plan, 26 percent of the students admitted were Latino and 6 percent Black.

Under challenge was the part of the program that allowed race and ethnicity to be considered along with other factors to fill the slots not taken by the Top 10 Percent, which usually came to about 25 percent of each incoming class. No specific points were given for race.

Abigail Fisher, a White female from Sugar Land, Texas, applied for admission to UT in 2008. She did not rank in the top 10 percent of her class and university officials said even if no affirmative action program had been in place, she still would not have been accepted. Still, she sued saying that race should never be used under any circumstances.

A lower court ruled against her, a ruling that was affirmed upon reaching the appeals court. Her case was appealed to the Supreme Court, remanded to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, and accepted a second time, with the court's recently ruling against her.

Conservatives were clearly disappointed in Kennedy.

Elizabeth Slattery, a legal fellow at The Heritage Foundation's Edwin Meese III Center for Legal and Judicial Studies, wrote, "Yesterday's ruling in *Fisher v. University of Texas at Austin* was disappointing, to say the least. Justice Anthony Kennedy's majority opinion, allowing UT to continue using a race-conscious admissions program without sufficiently articulating its 'diversity goal' or providing proof that it was meeting that goal, betrays his previous equal protection jurisprudence and the belief that we have a colorblind Constitution."

But the decision was cheered by University of Texas supporters.

"No decision since *Brown v. Board of Education* has been as important as *Fisher* will prove to be in the long history of racial inclusion and educational diversity," Laurence H. Tribe, a law professor at Harvard, told the *New York Times*.

Clarence Thomas, a staunch opponent of affirmative action, declared, "I write

separately to reaffirm that 'a State's use of race in higher education admissions decisions is categorically prohibited by the Equal Protection Clause.' The Constitution abhors classifications based on race because every time the government places citizens on racial registers and makes race relevant to the provision of burdens or benefits, it demeans us all."

He added, "That constitutional imperative does not change in the face of a 'faddish theor[y]' that racial discrimination may produce educational benefits."

This is not likely to be the final word on affirmative from the Supreme Court.

Lawsuits against Harvard University and the University of North Carolina, each prepared by Project on Fair Representation, the same conservative outfit that represented Abigail Fisher in her suit against the University of Texas, are making their way through lower courts and could end up before the Supreme Court.

If those cases reach the High Court, they could well be decided by the results of the November presidential election.

Writing on *Scotusblog.com*, Lyle Denniston observed: "Depending upon who wins the presidential election in November, a Scalia successor could hold the balance of power on affirmative action in the future, even if Kennedy were to return to his prior skepticism about such uses of race in public policy decisions. Justices Breyer, Ginsburg, and Sotomayor might well have Justice Kagan with them in the future and might form a definite majority when a ninth Justice is on board - depending on presidential politics."

Congressman John Lewis Is One Of A Kind



By Julianne Malveaux

NNPA Columnist

I have always had enormous admiration for Congressman John Lewis (D-Ga.) and that admiration increased exponentially when I watched him led dozens of his congressional colleagues to sit-in on the floor of Congress to force a vote on gun control. As the supercilious Paul Ryan called for "decorum" (where is the decorum in a man walking into a nightclub with an automatic weapon and gunning 49 people down), determined

Democrats disrupted proceedings in the House of Representatives. I say, "Right on!"

Congressman Lewis tweeted, "Sometimes you have to get in the way. You have to make some noise by speaking up and speaking out against injustice & inaction." He is frustrated, as are many voters, about the fact that Congress has failed to take a position on background checks and the availability of assault weapons. House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) is equally frustrated, saying, "Moments of silence aren't substitute for the action needed on gun violence." Republicans have attempted to deflect, suggesting that the focus should be on ISIS and terrorism, not gun violence. But the Newtown, Conn., shooter was not a terrorist connected to ISIS. Indeed, troubled White men have perpetrated many of our recent mass shootings with access to guns, not ISIS loyal terrorists. No matter. Can't Congress walk and chew gum at the same time? Can't they focus both on ISIS and on our out-of-control gun culture?

Nobody is talking about repealing the Second Amendment (though that might not be a bad idea). Still, the "right to bear arms" does not mean the unfettered right to

bear all kinds of arms. Nobody needs an automatic weapon. And anyone deemed dangerous or mentally ill should never be allowed to purchase a gun. The National Rifle Association (NRA) is an irresponsible organization that elevates the right for any random citizen to own and bear arms over the right of other citizens to survive. Members of Congress need to cut the cord from that organization. Voters need to back them up.

One might think the congressional sit-in has yielded few results. House Speaker Paul Ryan pulled the plug on C-SPAN coverage and dismissed the sit-in as a "stunt." Still, responding to the fact that 90 percent of Americans support background checks those who sat in showed enormous courage. Taking advantage of social media, they broadcast their sit-in using Periscope, reminding Ryan that he might control C-SPAN, but he doesn't control all broadcast.

Ryan was insulting and condescending in calling the sit-in a "stunt," and he reminded me of the many reasons I so admire Congressman John Lewis. Was the Atlanta Congressman's skull fractured in a "stunt" in 1965 on Bloody Sunday, when his civil rights activity caused rabid Whites to attack him? Lewis pulled no stunt, he

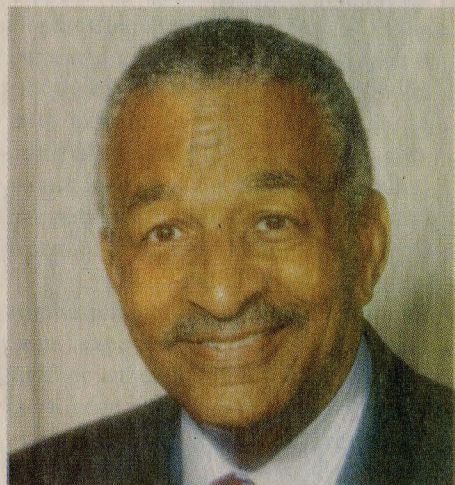
stood for what he believed in then. He is standing, firmly in his belief now, and using the time-honored tactic of protest to bring attention to the important cause of gun control.

Congressman Lewis and his colleagues were not successful in forcing votes on gun control. But they were successful in shutting the House down. Speaker Ryan was forced to adjourn Congress before he planned to, and Republicans sulked off like thieves in the night. Democrats held the floor hours after the Republicans scurried away, like hungry rats. No vote was forced, but a point was made.

Congress goes back to work on July 5. People should urge their representatives to take an appropriate vote to reduce access to guns, especially for those on a "no fly" list. People should also give Congressman John Lewis a "shout out" and appreciation for his leadership. He has taken the tactics of the 60s and taken them into the 21st century. He has reminded us that "stunts" have their purpose. His unassailable moral courage is admirable. Thank you, Congressman Lewis, for your activism in the 1960s and now. You are much appreciated!

Blackonomics

The Growing Black Trade Deficit



By James Clingman

via George Curry Media

The more I see the statistics relating to the so-called Black Economy and Black Buying Power, the more desperate my message becomes and the more insulted I feel. How can we get so excited about having an annual aggregate income of more than \$1 trillion while we are at the bottom of every economic category in this country? We create vast wealth for others at the expense of creating and retaining wealth for ourselves? Black America is operating at a huge trade deficit. We must change that.

Just as the government is concerned about the national trade deficit, Black folks should feel the same about ours, and we should finally do something about it. Our

trade deficit is horrendously out of kilter, and it's getting worse every day. Oh yes, I almost forgot; we are currently enthralled with who will be our next president, and it's difficult to draw our attention away from that circus, isn't it? But can't we walk and chew gum at the same time?

We cannot afford to neglect our trade deficit while we discuss politics as usual and prepare to cast our votes for folks who either don't care about us or take us for granted. What a choice, huh?

Well, we have other choices. We can choose to redirect more of our \$1 trillion toward our own businesses; we can choose to start and grow more businesses; we can choose to create more jobs for our children; we can choose to teach our children how to be entrepreneurs; we can choose to pool our dollars and leverage them to our own benefit; we can choose to use our dollars to create more conscious Black millionaires; and we can choose economic freedom over economic enslavement and modern-day sharecropping.

Several years ago, I read an article by the so-called Black conservative, Larry Elder, in which he stated, "...despite slavery, Jim Crow and racism, the progress of American blacks is simply astounding. If black America were a country, it would be the 15th 'wealthiest' country in the world. He was using Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to prove his case.

A little Economics lesson is in order here. First of all, GDP and wealth are not the same as annual income. GDP is a collective measure of income produced per capita by a nation's citizens. "Black America would be ranked 34th in per capita GDP at 23,000 each. (The entire U.S. per capita amount is more than \$53,000.) Add to the equation the cost of living in this country, and Blacks would rank 44th in the world." (Source: Pundit Fact, By Derek Tsang, September 2014)

The components of GDP are consumption, investment, net exports, government purchases, and inventories. Consumption is by far the largest component, totaling roughly two-thirds of GDP.

Blacks save and invest very little. Exports? Not much going on there either, although our brothers and sisters in Africa and the Caribbean eagerly await the day when get our act together and start taking care of business. Government purchases? Well, we have a lot of government jobs, if that counts. And finally, our inventories are not much to speak of either. Consumption? Black folks really make the grade in that category. Our consumption is as high as 95 percent, and most of what we buy is from businesses other than our own.

Using aggregate income to say we would be the 15th "wealthiest" nation in the world is absurd. Currently, Blacks hold

about 2 percent of this nation's \$85 trillion wealth, which is mostly tied up in home ownership, much of which was lost during the housing crisis of 2008.

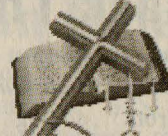
We must stop being mesmerized and lulled into complacency and false pride regarding our aggregate \$1.2 trillion income. We have a dangerously high trade deficit, and we should be working to reduce that deficit by producing and selling more.

Yes, that line about Blacks being the 15th richest "country" in the world sounds good. It's balm for our injuries, consolation for our wounded psyches, and ammunition for those who say, "We've come a long way, baby!" But what good is it doing us if we consume everything someone else makes, fail to save a minimum of 10 percent of what we earn, have no import/export relationships with Africa, the richest land in the world, and fail to control the distribution of our products? What good does it do us to have a \$1.2 trillion income if we are in a constant trade deficit with other groups in this country?

The Black trade deficit is way out of balance, and we had better get busy fixing it before we become totally dependent on "foreigners" to supply our sustenance. No one can take care of us better than we can take care of ourselves. We proved it once upon a time; we can do it once again.



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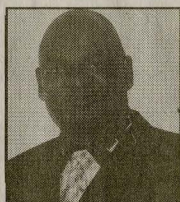
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OBITUARY

Mamie Carpenter Smith



Mamie Carpenter Smith was born in Pattison, MS to parents Rev. Leonard Carpenter and Roberta Clark Carpenter. She was the third of thirteen children. She accepted Christ at age eleven and was baptized by her father.

Mamie attended Amite County Training School in Gloster, MS where she was Valedictorian of her class, and later attended Westhaven Teacher's College in Brookhaven, MS. She lived in San Francisco before moving to Seattle in 1944. She married her high school sweetheart Willie H. Taplin. They were married by Rev. Benjamin Davis. To this union two sons were born, Vaughn E. and Ronald E. Taplin.

Mamie's desire was to become a beautician. She graduated from Madam C. J. Walker Beauty College in Chicago, Illinois where she ranked number three in a class of six hundred and three. She returned to Seattle in 1946 where she established Mamie's Beauty Service. She served this community for many years. Mamie was a perfectionist and very meticulous. Mamie was a member of Seattle Cosmetologist Club where she won first place trophies in hair design competitions. She was also a member of the National Beauty Culture League where she traveled to several states for workshops and conventions. She was a member of Psi Chapter Theta Nu Sigma Sorority where she served as Secretary. She was also a member of the Chosen 100 of the National Beauty Culture League. She received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Cosmetology from the Institute of Cosmetology, Division of the National Beauty Culturist's League.

Mamie joined Mt. Zion Baptist Church on October 20, 1946. She was an active and faithful member for 70 years. She was a member of the Harriet Tubman Circle, and the Usher Board for twenty-five years, the Women's Ministries where she was Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary and also Treasurer of Church Women United for four years, Treasurer of the North Pacific Baptist Convention Women's Department for two years under the Presidency of Josephine Stokes. She served as Secretary for the Board of Directors of Mt. Zion Baptist Church Federal Credit Union and was a Trustee of the Church. Mamie was a member of the Las Amigas Federated Club.

With pride, Mamie informed us that she, along with Alice Thomas were appointed by Rev. McKinney to be the official photographers of the Church. She served in that capacity for over fifty years. Mamie worked on the committee to restore the Church Parlor and Sanctuary. She also worked on the committee for the Church's Pictorial Directory.

Mamie remarried Cecil (Smitty) Smith on July 17, 1972. He passed on June 30, 2001.

Mamie was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, Octavia Carpenter and Ida Flora Reed, three brothers, Leonard Jr., Jessie and Leroy, husbands, Willie H. Taplin and Cecil Smith. She leaves to cherish her memory, two sons, Vaughn E. Taplin and Ronald E. Taplin respectively of Atlanta, GA and Seattle, WA., and daughter in law, Mattie P. Taplin-Seattle, WA, granddaughter, Ahmen R. Taplin, step-daughter, Sharon L. Smith, step-granddaughter Shinelle Smith, four sisters, Cora L. Whitehead, Frances L. Collins and Mary Carpenter all of Chicago, Illinois, and Clara C. Elam of Nashville, TN, three brothers, Henry Carpenter, Jackson, MS, Robert L. (Addie B) Carpenter, MacArthur (Barbara) Carpenter, Lakeland, FL and two brothers in law Robert (Catherine) Smith, Winston Salem, NC and Irving Taplin Jr, Seattle and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and the beloved friends of the Harriett Tubman Circle.

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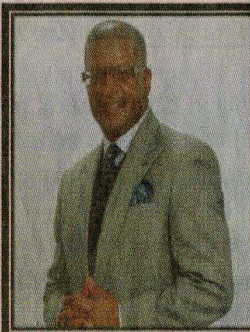
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Hack The Central District Helps Entrepreneurs Turn Ideas Into Businesses

By Patience Idegwu
Special to The Medium

From coding and design workshops to Hololens demos, a device that allows you to be placed in a virtual world, Hack the Central District Cultural Innovation Center Conference (Hack the CD) helps bridge the digital divide in the Black community and aim to provide information and resources to entrepreneurs.

Hack the CD is an annual conference that is designed to develop and showcase new concepts in technology, entrepreneurship, and design from African Americans in the Central District of Seattle and abroad. The two-day conference features a one-day entrepreneurial boot camp and a community jam session.

According to David Harris, founder of Hack the CD, the first year of Hack the CD was an experiment to see if the Black

community really wanted innovation resources. Now in its 3rd year, the experiment has proven that it is essential to the Black community.

“Over a hundred people showed up for the first event, and 10 new businesses were launched in 2014,” said Harris. “We knew that we had to continue doing it. The next year people came with existing ideas, new ideas, or they came just to get help.”

The conference invites creative people from all ages and from different backgrounds to showcase new concepts of design, entrepreneurship, and technology. The event is designed to encourage collaboration and sharing of ideas and help develop one’s idea. The conference began with its Entrepreneurial Boot Camp, which offered resources for students and startups to create new or help develop existing businesses. The



Hack the CD participants get a chance to develop and showcase new concepts in technology, design and entrepreneurship.

boot camp featured workshops on coding, websites, marketing, legal and more. The boot camp also included community focused hacking sessions, networking sessions, and featured speakers like Paul Wright who presented on a business called EveryBlock. Wright utilizes his understanding of the community and its needs in order to make discoveries about technologies and how they can impact the lives of others.

“I believe in confident discovery and always questioning what other people are doing,” said Wright. “We take technology, we question the needs of that technology, and then we use our findings and put it into a platform and take it forward.”

During the networking session, Yoli Chisholm, a marketing expert, was able to have one-on-one sessions about an incubator that she founded called the Wells

Project. The Wells Project helps bring business ideas to life during a 12-month period. Chisholm’s main focus is to reach out to women and minorities.

The second day of Hack the CD was the community jam session. It consisted of a competition for businesses to present projects they worked on during the boot camp. The jam session also had several hardware demos from prominent companies in Seattle and abroad.

One of the demos presented during the session was a painting from Perri Rhoden. Rhoden started painting and building her portfolio while in college. Her artwork is abstract, and she generally tries to project a sensual motion, emphasizing the body of a woman.

“A part of the process of my paintings is seeing images on social media and articulating music into the canvas, organically figuring

out the flow,” said Rhoden.

During the jam session, Rhoden was able to network with other participants and get advice on how to use digital marketing to make her branding and marketing better for her website.

Rhoden said Hack the CD gives her “great resources and access to business professionals that I would not have been able to meet on a daily basis.”

The evening ended with multiple business proposal/idea presentations. Two of those presentations, through the use of technology, were made from Haiti and Ethiopia.

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II. Findings

Based on the representations made in the declaration, the court **Finds** that the summons in this matter may be served on Abdulhaq Nuradin Ali (nonmoving party) by publication in accordance with RCW 4.28.100.

III. Order

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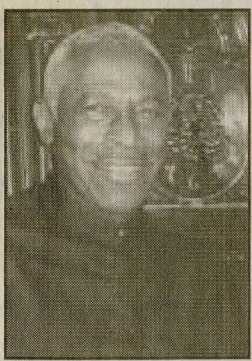
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valued resource – its valuable real estate property and this allegedly without a genuine appraisal of the entire property but with a restricted appraisal of the land only. Surely as Dawn Mason stated, also, “...legally problematic...” This restricted ‘snake oil’ apparently was sold to a majority of those voting to sell the Annex on June 17, 2016 apparently ignorant of Robert’s Rules of Order, the Parliamentary Authority of the Church according to Mount Zion Baptist Constitution. Presiding over that meeting was a member of the Royal Esquire Club with demonstrated questionable knowledge of parliamentary procedures. Generally, given the conflict and controversy surrounding the sale of the property, both sides to the conflict would have negotiated the moderator and the agenda before the meeting.

Meanwhile several other real estate transactions of church properties will show properties have been sold or are waiting to be sold. For example, in Bellevue property apparently on the light rail path – sold; Redonda Beach property sold and a last willed Estate in the Mount Baker community valued at approximately \$1.5 million with donor’s “desires” for it to be a pastoral parsonage at Mount Zion has been waiting for closing since December of 2015. Last but not least, the undervalued Church Annex building, valued at \$3.5 to \$4 Million over the Trustees’ asking price, according to real estate experts, may have possibly been sold, according many corners of church rumor mills, some feel before the votes were finally counted /tallied on June 17, 2016.

If the donor of the Mount Baker Estate was still with us she probably would not be able to get a loan in today’s market from the banks that these retired bankers retired from because of the on-going red-lining issue many of these Trustees apparently witnessed during their banking careers. Matter of fact President Obama fired the Chairman of one of the nation’s largest banks for redlining and “under water” policies that put many from the poor communities out of home ownership - many of these banks operate local branches and yes some of these trustees were high ranking executives in these institutions. The donor of the Mount Baker Estate was one of the Black trailblazing public school principals that bridged the gap that allowed one Mount Zion Trustee to become a principal at two different high schools. He apparently voted to sell her donated property below market value without an appraisal, which has not closed despite an early-acquired date of December 2015 with a sell closing date of June 3, 2016; it still has not closed!

Church and State issues? You bet! Mount Zion is a Congregational Church. Its power resides in its membership; according to its constitution, no board or auxiliary can usurp the authority of the membership. Yet, the Church Trustees and Senior Pastor without rescinding the vote of the membership “not to sell” somehow got a very small “to sell” majority vote passed and not the required 2/3 vote. The majority vote passing with the engaged services of a Royal Esquire member, apparently with limited knowledge of parliamentary procedures presiding over this very important Church meeting on a very controversial issue. The last meeting on April 29, 2016 ended abruptly by the Sr. Pastor/moderator without allowing a motion to table the motion, which was properly seconded, to go forward. Immediately after this meeting the Sr. Pastor, Aaron Williams, was accused of assaulting a disabled senior, which resulted in a court hearing.

Meanwhile, fairness at the June 17, 2016 meeting, at a minimum, would dictate that both sides to the matter at hand collaborate and agree on a moderator skilled in Parliamentary procedures and certainly the Chair of the Trustee Board bringing the motion would not have been one of two people counting the ballots. One skilled in Parliamentary procedures would not have allowed a vote to sell without first rescinding the original vote “not to sell” on February 28, 2016, but the Trustee Chair, former Interim Police Chief, Bailey, decided it was not a requirement— a decision surely to be questioned in other venues. Can you imagine a nightclub member conducting an important Church business meeting on a Friday night?

The Church is not a police department; police are trained to “kill” and “to protect and serve”. A church is in the spiritual business of converting and saving souls via spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. Furthermore, the Church is not a redlining banking institution, or a school to prison pipeline from the King County Superior Courts. Any Black administrator should know better based on what they should have seen. Today, apparently, Mount Zion Baptist Church is as close as you can get to a “Police State”, with a Trustee Board chaired by a former Interim Police Chief of arguably one of the most corrupt police departments in the country causing U.S. Justice Department oversight and a disgrace to the City of Seattle and its surrounding communities with a Senior Pastor of one of what used to be – before his arrival as Sr. Pastor — the largest African American Churches in the community sitting on a do nothing Community Police Commissioner Board with allegations of conflicts of interests. No matter how you try to cut it, a church cannot operate like a redlining bank, an unjust court system or a school to prison public school system. Without offering judgment, surely any one that attempts to overthrow the governance of God’s Church is doomed to go to hell in a hand basket. Biblically speaking, “Thou shall not kill...” and thou shall not mess with My Father’s Temple! Governmentally speaking, with all the alleged “code blue” intimations and allegations of abuse of power at Mount Zion, now we should all understand the Founding fathers’ need for “Separation of Church and State”.

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Suge Knight Sues Chris Brown Over Club Shooting

By Anthony McCartney
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Former rap music mogul Marion "Suge" Knight sued Chris Brown and the owners of a popular nightclub on Monday after he was shot seven times at a 2014 party hosted by the R&B singer.

The lawsuit filed in Los Angeles Superior Court accuses Brown and nightclub 1 Oak of failing to have adequate security and allowing at least one armed person into the venue during the party.

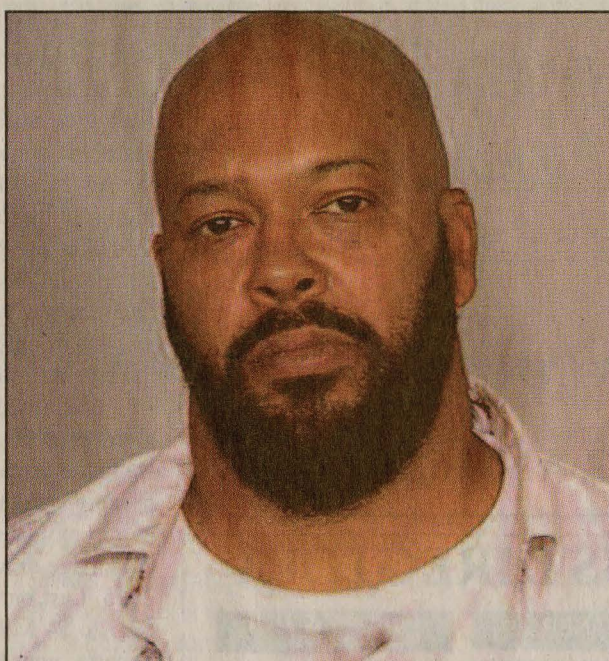
Knight survived gunshot wounds to the abdomen, chest and left forearm. The Death Row Records co-founder has cited complications from those injuries, including a blood clot, in court appearances on an unrelated murder charge.

His attorneys say Knight's fear months after the shooting led him to flee when he was attacked in his car, running down two men and killing one. Knight, who is a two-time convicted felon, is in jail awaiting trial.

The lawsuit does not state how much money Knight is seeking but asks for a judgment ordering the defendants to pay past and future medical expenses for his injuries.

Emails sent to Brown's attorney, Mark Geragos, and the owners of 1 Oak were not immediately returned Monday.

The lawsuit contends 1 Oak should have taken special security precautions because events hosted by Brown have a history of violence. It accuses Brown of gang ties and a "well-documented track record of



Suge Knight

hosting events and/or parties in which violence frequently erupted."

Brown has completed probation in a 2009 felony assault case in which he

in Miami Beach. He sued the rapper, blaming him for lax security, but a judge ruled in West's favor after concluding there was no evidence a shooting was foreseeable.

Knight has a string of legal problems dating back more than 20 years and was charged in two separate cases soon after the 2014 shooting.

The 51-year-old and comedian Katt Williams were accused of stealing a celebrity photographer's camera in Beverly Hills within days of the shooting. Both men have pleaded not guilty to robbery charges.

Months later, Knight was charged with running over two men with his pickup truck outside a Compton burger stand, killing one and seriously injuring the other. Knight's attorneys have said he was fleeing armed attackers in the January 2015 collision.

They say Knight was acting in self-defense when he struck Cle "Bone" Sloan, who was punching Knight through the window of his pickup truck, and also hit Terry Carter, who died from his injuries.

Attorneys J. Tooson and Jeremy Lessem linked Knight's injuries from the nightclub shooting to the

Compton incident, saying he was afraid for his life and still recovering.

"Mr. Knight was still extremely frail from his gunshot injuries less than five months earlier," Tooson wrote in a statement. "When the facts are finally revealed in this case, we're certain it will be apparent that our client was simply trying to flee for his life."

Knight was a key player in the gangster rap scene that flourished in the 1990s and has been kept under tight security since he turned himself in to authorities after the deadly collision.

His Death Row Records label once listed Dr. Dre, Tupac Shakur and Snoop Dogg among its artists. Knight lost control of the company after it was forced into bankruptcy.

Knight pleaded no contest in 1995 and was sentenced to five years' probation for assaulting two rappers in 1992. He was sentenced to prison in 1997 for violating his probation by taking part in a fight at a Las Vegas hotel hours before Shakur was fatally wounded in a drive-by attack as he rode in Knight's car.

Judge Says No Hurry In Determining Prince Claims

By Kyle Potter
Associated Press

CHASKA, Minn. (AP) - A Minnesota judge overseeing the legal proceedings surrounding Prince's estate said Monday there will be no quick decisions on who should be allowed to inherit from the late megastar.

Prince died in late April of an accidental drug overdose, with no known will or children. A sister and

five half-siblings are in line to inherit, with several others claiming a tie to the performer.

While attorneys for Tyka Nelson, Prince's sister, and others pushed for a quick resolution to establish control of an estate estimated at \$300 million or more, the court first needs to set ground rules for which claimants can be considered.

Noting the complexity

of claims and parentage law, Carver County District Judge Kevin Eide said he may forward his eventual decision to an appellate court for immediate review, drawing out the process even longer.

"This case is perhaps unique in the state of Minnesota," he said. "I want to do it right because it's important to a lot of people."

The decision on Prince's heirs will determine not just who gets Prince's current wealth and Paisley Park recording studio but also who controls his music and the image he cultivated over four chart-topping decades. Industry experts have said his earnings potential after death is vast.

More than two dozen attorneys crowded into the small courtroom in the Minneapolis suburb of Chaska to jostle over the ground rules for who may ultimately be considered.

Attorneys for Tyka Nelson pushed the court to take a narrow view of heir eligibility. Nelson's claim and that of several half-siblings are firmly based on legal documents that establish Prince's parentage, including a divorce record for his parents.

They said claimants who have asserted that Prince's parents were someone other than John Nelson and Mattie Shaw should be rejected.

Brian Dillon, an attorney for Tyka Nelson, urged Eide to act quickly.

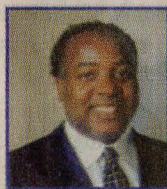
"There is some urgency in determining who are the rightful heirs," Dillon said. "We are now more than 2 1/2 months out from (Prince's) death."

Claimants who disputed Prince's parentage pushed for a broader view of eligibility. James Selmer represents Venita Jackson Leverette, who claims that Prince's real father was Alfred Jackson Sr. and that she is Prince's half-sister.

Selmer said his client's claim is strong and could be backed up by a DNA test if permitted by the court.

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