IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF File Number: 35-2023-CP-000878-AXXX-XX

OWEN MICHAEL WELLS,
Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The administration of the estate of OWEN MICHAEL WELLS, deceased, is pending in the Circuit Court for Lake County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 550 West Main Street, 2nd Floor, Tavares, Florida 32778. The file number for the estate is 35-2023-CP-000878-AXXX-XX. The estate is intestate.

The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. The fiduciary lawyer-client privilege in Florida Statutes §90.5021, applies with respect to the personal representative and any attorney employed by the personal representative.

Any interested person on whom a copy of the notice of administration is served must file with the court, on or before the date that is 3 months after the date of service of a copy of the Notice of Administration on that person, any objection that challenges the validity of the will or any codicils, venue, or jurisdiction of the court. The 3 month time period may only be extended for estoppel based upon a misstatement by the personal representative regarding the time period within which an objection must be filed. The time period may not be extended for any other reason, including affirmative representation, failure to disclose information, or misconduct by the personal representative or any other person. Unless sooner barred by section 733.212(3), Florida Statutes, all objections to the validity of a will or any codicils, venue or the jurisdiction of the court must be filed no later than the earlier of the entry of an order of final discharge of the personal representative or 1 year after service of the notice of administration.

Persons who may be entitled to exempt property under section 732.402, Florida Statutes, will be deemed to have waived their rights to claim that property as exempt property unless a petition for determination of exempt property is filed by such persons or on their behalf on or before the later of the date that is 4 months after the date of service of a copy of the notice of administration on such persons or the date that is 40 days after the date of termination of any proceedings involving the construction, admission to probate, or validity of the will or involving any other matter affecting any part of the exempt property.

Unless an extension is granted pursuant to section 732.2135(2), Florida Statutes, an election to take an elective share must be filed on or before the earlier of the date that is 6 months after the date of service of a copy of the notice of administration on the surviving spouse, an agent under chapter 709, Florida Statutes, or a guardian of the property of the surviving spouse; or the date that is 2 years after the date of the decedent's death.

Under certain circumstances and by failing to contest the will, the recipient of the notice of administration may be waiving his or her right to contest the validity of a trust or other writing incorporated by reference into a will.

The date of first publication of this notice is June 15, 2023.

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