

CHEROKEE COUNTY COURT DOCKET

This is the schedule of the Magistrate Court Room with Judge Douglas R. Steele presiding. All of the hearings, conferences, arraignments, dismissals,

appearances and trials are open to the public. They are also subject to change or cancellation without notice.

Magistrate Court Judge



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Douglas R. Steele
Tuesday, January 20
9 a.m. - Onemain Financial Group, LLC vs. Stephani Rowe, scheduling conference, (limited civil)
9:30 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Ashley Nicole Bryan, diversion status, (traffic)
9:30 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Christian Jordan Gonzalez, scheduling conference, (traffic)
9:30 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Dakota Daniel Eiland, scheduling conference, (criminal)
9:30 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Kelly Renee Cram, scheduling conference, (traffic)
9:30 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Eric Gage Green, scheduling conference, (criminal)
9:30 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Kelly Renee Cram, scheduling conference, (criminal)
10 a.m. - LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Zane Bagdriwicz, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Bobby Kelly, answer hearing, (limited civil)

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10 a.m. - LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Jarrit Dowling, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - City of Galena vs. Kindall Brianne Mckee, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - City of Galena vs. Christy L. Sweet - Smith, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Donald D. Phillips, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Capital One, N.A. vs. Kristal M. Wilson, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Capital One, N.A. vs. Hugh A. Phillips, answer hearing, (limited civil) (2)
10 a.m. - City of Baxter Springs vs. Barbra A. Adams, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - City of Baxter Springs vs. David B. Lopez, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - City of Columbus vs. Shelley Paradee, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - City of Baxter Springs vs. Jacob E. Park, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Candy Miller, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Capital One, N.A., successor by merger to Discover Bank vs. Stacey Ralston, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Sherry Green, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Jan Hilderbrand, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Donald Phillips, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - American Express National Bank vs. Hammer Trucks and Equipment LLC, et al, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Paul Burkhart, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - Citibank, N.A. vs. Betty Oliver, answer hearing, (limited civil)
10 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Dane Martin Rabago, bond revocation, (criminal)



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Thank you

The management and staff of the Columbus News Report would like to express our sincere appreciation to the Citizens of Cherokee County to the County Commissioners and County office holders for their confidence in our newspaper to have made us the Official County Newspaper for the past 10 consecutive years.

We are extremely proud of our record of never having to republish a county legal notice due to our error.

We thank the commissioners for recognizing our efforts.

We are also pleased that we will continue to be the official newspaper of the cities of Baxter Springs, Weir, West Mineral, Roseland and Columbus.

Despite the commissioners choosing another publication as the official newspaper, a political decision, we know, they know the News Report in the tradition is the best newspaper published in the county.

We will also remain the official newspaper of Riverton, Baxter Springs, Southeast and Columbus school districts and the official newspaper in 13 townships.

We would like to offer our appreciation for the letter of praise from Klenda Austerman, the attorneys handling the County Delinquent Tax Auction, when they said The News Report was the best publication in the 92 counties they worked with.

In those 10 years the paper received one rate increase from the county. Our standing as a true county newspaper is shown by our publishing the County Court Dockets and the property transfers as a public service. Timely news coverage, great columns and a love for Cherokee County have been our trademark. And last, but certainly not least, we want to thank our subscribers. Without them we would not be publishing.

Thank you from our staff.

Sherry Washburn, Traci Spear, Joleen Walden,
Shawn Churchill, Robin Jones and Larry Hiatt.

CHEROKEE COUNTY JAIL REPORT

Mary Jane Montez, 40, was arrested Wednesday by Cherokee County Sheriff's Deputies on charges of probation violation and is being held without bail.

Michael Anthony Smith, 44, was arrested Wednesday by Cherokee County Sheriff's Deputies on charges of burglary; vehicle or other means of conveyance and theft of property or services and is being held in lieu of \$3,000 bail.

Marco Ken Jeffries, 38, was arrested Tuesday by Cherokee County Sheriff's Deputies on charges of criminal trespass and is being held in lieu of \$340 bail.

Richard Lee Curran, 57, was arrested Tuesday by Cherokee County Sheriff's Deputies on charges of probation violation and criminal threat and is being held without bail.

Blaize Orlando Lopez, 18, was arrested Monday by Galena Police officers on charges of driving while suspended and possession or attempt possess tobacco and was released on \$1,500 bail.

Joseph Eugene Ehlers, 42, was arrested Monday by Cherokee County Sheriff's Deputies on charges of interference with law enforcement officer; obstruct or resist, unlawful use of non-driver identification cards, possess opiates, opium, narcotic drug and certain stimulants, use or possess drug paraphernalia for use in the human body and false impersonation and is being held in lieu of \$3,000 bail.

Danielle Marie Cecil Ward, 43, was arrested Monday by Galena Police officers on charges of theft of property or services, a warrant and a fugitive warrant and is being held in lieu of \$4,000 bail.

The Information presented in this column is collected from the Cherokee County Sheriff's Department and is provided for the convenience of the reader. Every effort is made to keep such information accurate and up-to-date. Charges and bond amounts may change after court appearances.

Happy Anniversary

January 16
Kenny and Donita Burton

January 19
Terry and JoAnn Kelley

HAPPY Birthday

January 16
Donny Coltrane
Bill Mathes
Miley Murphy
Kelly Nordyke
Kelly Walters
Robin Wells

January 17
Shawna Crumpacker
Jenell Taylor

January 18
Cheryl Buergin
Danny Box
Daniel Cheney
Debie Cornog
Jerry DuRoy
Clark Garrison
Michelle Hilderbrand
Leona Robinson

January 19
Bruce Andrews
DeAnne Binns
Barbara Depenbusch
Tamara Hume
Ann Kelley
Theda Lucian
Sue Napier
Madison Wells

Legal Notice

(First Published in the Columbus News Report
Friday, January 16, 2026)
RESOLUTION NO. 26-1098
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF
BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS

WHEREAS, the City Council of Baxter Springs, Kansas has determined that the financial statements and financial reports for the year ended December 31, 2026 to be prepared in conformity with the requirements of K.S.A.75-1120a(a) are not relevant to the requirements of the cash basis and the budget laws of the state and are of no significant value to the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas, or the member of the general public of the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas and;

WHEREAS, there are no revenue bond ordinances or resolutions or other ordinances and resolution of the municipality which require financial statements of financial reports to be prepared in conformity with K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) for the year ended December 31, 2026, and;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas, waives the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) as these requirements apply to the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas, for the year ended December 31, 2026;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas shall cause financial statements and financial reports of the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas to be prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements as adjusted this shows compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of this state.

This resolution shall take effect and be in full force from the after its passage and publication once in the official city newspaper.

Adopted this 13th day of January, 2026 by the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas, Cherokee County.

(SEAL)

Attest:

/s/ Sharon Clark, City Clerk /s/Kelly Abbott, Mayor