State cracks down on 'guaranteed' grants

has joined federal officials and two other states to stop a group ing misleading tactics to convince of companies from tricking consumers into paying for grants that don't really exist.

"During this time of economic uncertainty, grant scams are taking advantage of people's hope for financial assistance and scamming them out of hard-earned money," Six said. "There is no such thing as a guaranteed grant. But to consumers in financial trouble, the chance for extra income can unfortunately be a huge draw."

Six, the Federal Trade Commission and the attorneys general of North Carolina and Minnesota filed suit July 20 in U.S. District Blackman, Jordan Sevy, and

consumers to pay for services that are supposed to help them obtain grant money. Consumers who paid the companies have not won any grants or received any money, the suit claims.

A federal judge agreed July 22 to freeze the companies' assets and order an immediate halt to the defendants' illegal activities.

The lawsuit alleges that Affiliate Strategies, Landmark Publishing Group, Grant Writers Institute, Answer Customers and Apex Holdings, all of Overland Park, and three individuals, Brett

Attorney General Steve Six Court in Kansas against six com- James Rulison, violated state and es that typically cost \$995. Con- mately \$1,000 for grant coaching panies and five individuals for us- federal laws on deceptive busi- sumers who pay the additional fee ness practices and telemarketing. These defendants work together through an interrelated network of companies to sell grant services to consumers through mass mailings and telemarketing calls.

As alleged in the complaint, the group uses mailings that promise a guaranteed \$25,000 grant from the government to pitch a guide on how to obtain grant money.

Six and the other plaintiffs contend that people who buy the guide then get follow up pitches from the defendant companies using the names Grant Writers Institute and Grant Writers Research Network. These offer grant research servic-

The center is now accepting pa-

tients. To schedule an appointment

call (785) 628-6014. The office is

in the Miller Medical Pavilion at

do not obtain a grant as promised but instead receive a list of grants, contests, loans and social-welfare

The lawsuit alleges that consumers who pay for grant research services then receive yet another pitch, this time asking them to pay approximately \$265 per page for grant writing services or approxi-

services.

'Scammers like these are using the bad economy to try to get rich at your expense," Six said. "Beware of anyone who promises to help you win a grant if you pay them first."

To report a grant scam to Six's office, call (800) 432-2310 or submit a consumer complaint form online at www.ksag.org.

Public Notice

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

Kingery Township Thomas County

will meet on Saturday the 15th day of August, 2009, at 7.30 p.m., at the Jack Duncan Residence, 573 County Road 8, for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at 573 County Road 8, and will be available at this hearing

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2010 Expenditures and Amount of 2009 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2010 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation

	Prior Year Actual 2008		Current Year Estimate 2009		Proposed Budget 2010		
		Actual		Actual		Amount of	Est.
		Tax		Tax		2009 Ad	Tax
Fund	Expenditures	Rate*	Expenditures	Rate*	Expenditures	Valorem Tax	Rate*
General	124,942	18.224	81,237	19.383	150,500	56,253	19.410
Totals	124,942	18.224	81,237	19.383	150,500	56,253	19.410
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		•
Net Expenditure	124,942		81,237		150,500		
Total Tax Levied	61,469		60,121		xxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	3,647,255		3,101,809		2,898,182		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
Jan 1	2007		2008		2009		
G.O. Bonds	0		8,600		0		
Lease Pur Princ	0		20,269		38,869		
Total	0		28,869		38,869		
*Tax rates are expressed in mills.							

Jack Duncan, Treasurer

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Public Notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of DONNY JOE SPRESSER, deceased. Case No. 2009-PR-18

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition For Letters Of Administration has been filed in this Court on July 23, 2009, by Melvin E. Spresser praying that he be appointed administrator of the estate of Donny Joe Spresser, deceased, without bond.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses on or before August 19, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. in this Court in the City of Colby, in Thomas County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Melvin E. Spresser, Petitioner

Submitted by: Mark C. Whitney, No. 9607 WHITNEY LAW OFFICE 112 S. Kansas, P. O. Box 208 Norton, KS 67654-0208 (785) 877-2661 fax (785) 877-3868 Attorney for Petitioner

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Kidney services added at Hays center

Western Kansas with Dr. Johanna northwest Kansas. Dr. McCullagh, a Kansas na-

in Kansas City. She completed a fellowship in nephrology and hypertension and a residency in internal medicine at the University of Kansas Medical Center.

The Hays center will provide treatment for kidney failure, hypertension and hypertensive kidney disease, diabetes and diabetic neuropathy, inflammation, scar-

New sculpture exhibit to open

A new exhibit, "Ultra-Realistic Sculpture by Marc Sijan," opens Friday at the Dane G. Hansen Museum in Logan.

Sijan's work features life-size realistic sculptures conveying a sense of motion. His figures remind a viewer of classical Greek sculpture, but give a more natural illustration of real people, whether a dancer, a security guard or lounging ladies.

"I want to give it life so it doesn't come off rigid," he says. "I'm trying to create energy and motion without showing a great deal of action.'

He gives exacting attention to detail, including pores in the skin, tiny hairs, freckles, wrinkles and sags. The completed sculptures are made of polyester resin.

Sijan earned a Master of Fine degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1971.

The show, which runs through Sunday, Oct. 4, includes 17 sculptures, five full-size figures, two torsos and ten portraits.

Hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, and 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays. Admission is free. For information, go to www.hansenmuseum. org or call (785) 689-4846.

Hays Medical Center has estab- ring or hardening in the kidney, lished the Nephrology Center of cystic kidney disease (polycystic), inflammation of blood vessels in L. McCullagh as medical director, the kidneys, kidney stones and offering care for kidney patients in those needed management of dialysis and transplant patients.

"We are very pleased to have Dr. tive, graduated from the Univer- McCullagh join our medical staff sity of Kansas School of Medicine and direct the nephrology center," said Dr. Kenneth Lindsey, chief medical officer. "Patients needing dialysis regularly or while being hospitalized for other issues will be able to get their treatment locally rather than having to travel long distances."

Public Notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of James E. Donn, Deceased No. 2009-PR-19

CONCERNED:

ased, praying

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Carsen R. Donn, one of the heirs of James E. Donn,

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Thomas County, Kansas

North Half of the North Half (N 1/2 N 1/2) of Section Twenty-eight (28), Township Six (6) South, Range Thirty-four (34), West of the Sixth Principal Meridian,

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before August 25, 2009, at 10:00 AM in said Court, in the City of Colby, in Thomas County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

CARSEN R. DONN, PETITIONER

Submitted by: John D. Gatz, #10808 Attorney at Law P. O. Box 346 Colby, Kansas 67701 (785) 460-3383 Attorney for Petitioner

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Hays Medical Center.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN D. SCOTT, DECEASED Case No. 09 PR 15

> NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State Of Kansas To All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this Court by Phyllis I Scott, as an heir at law of John D. Scott deceased, and Executor named in the wil of the decedent, praying that the instrument attached to the petition dated June 3, 1997, be admitted to probate, and for the appointment of Phyllis I. Scott as Executor of the will without bond.

You are further advised that the petitioner in this matter has requested administration pursuant to the Kansas Simplified Estates Act, and if such request is granted the Court may not supervise administration of the estate and no further notice of any action of the executor or other proceedings in the administration will be given except for notice of final settlement of the decedent's estate. Should written objections to simplified administration be filed with the Court, the Court may order supervised administration

hereby required to file your written defenses to the admission of the decedent's will to probate on or before August 13, 2009, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. in this Court in the city of Colby in Thomas County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall

Phyllis I. Scott, Petitione

SUBMITTED BY: NORTON, WASSERMAN, JONES & KELLY, L.L.C. 213 S. Santa Fe P.O. Box 2388 Salina, Kansas 67402 (785) 827-3646 Fax (785) 827-0538 By: (S) Lauren M. Bristow SC # 23301 Attorneys for Petitioner

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Thursday Evening August 6, 2009 7:00 7:30 10:30 11:00 11:30 8:00 8:30 9:00 9:30 KAKE/ABC Grey's Anatomy Nightline Jimmy Kimmel Live Grey's Anatomy Private Practice KBSL/CBS Big Brother 11 Late Show-Letterman Late Late SI: Crime Scn The Mentalist KSNK/NBC 30 Rock Parks Law & Order Tonight Show Late Nigh (SAS/FOX You Can Dance Local able Channels The First 48 Crime 360 A & E The First 48 The First 48 Jumanji Animal Cops Houston Wild Russia ANIM Wild Russia Wild Russia Wild Russia Housewives-Atl BRAVO Miami Social Housewives-Atl Housewives-At Watch Atlanta Private Benjamin Extreme-Home Private Benjamin Campbell Brown Anderson Cooper 360 arry King Live Larry King Live **COMEDY** Daily lackass Jackass Tosh.0 Martin Futurama Perfect Predators Shark After Dark Shark After Dark Jaws of the Pacific Surviving Sharks Montana So Raven Wiz Deck The Suite Even Stevens Life With Wayne's World Keep Up Keep Up Chelsea E! News Chelsea Keep Up MLB Special SportsCenter NFL Live Who's Number 1 Baseball Tonight Baseball ESPN2 World Series Homecoming World Series E:60 NASCAR X Games The Prince & Me Funniest Home Videos The 700 Club Whose? Whose? FOOD Iron Chef America Next Food Star Cakes Cakes Good Eats Unwrapped Next Food Star HGTV My First My First House Property My First My First My First Gangland Mega Disasters Gangland Gangland You've Got Mai Reba Scream 3 Scream 3 Malcolm The Nanny The Nanny The Nanny The Nanny Malcolm George Lopez Lopez Lopez SCI Warehouse 13 Warehouse 13 Narehouse 13 Warehouse 13 Warehouse 13 SPIKE TNA iMPACT! Jesse James UFC's Ultimate 100 MANswers | Game TBS Friends Friends Friends Friends Something's Sex and t I Could-Singing The Clock Meet Me in St. Louis Police Women TLC Lottery Changed LA Ink Police Women LA Ink TNT CSI: NY our Brothers Four Brothers Flapjack King-Hill Fam. Guy Fam. Guy TOON Total Chicken TRAV National Lamp National Lamp Extreme Waterparks Man/Food Man Food Roseanne Roseanne Roseanne Roseanne Roseanne **NCIS** Burn Notice Royal Pains In Plain Sight Burn Notice TO Show What's Love The T.O. Show TO Show Chance WGN WWE Superstars American Gladiators WGN News at Nine WWE Superstars Scrubs Premium Channels Entourage Entourage Real Sex Cathouse HBO Assault in the Ring Hung Yes Men Fix Get Smart Mr. Woodcock Death Race SHOW Forbidden Lies Penn Weeds Nurse Live Nude Rules Penn

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