

EXHIBIT A

**TOWN OF DELIGHT
PAINT, STAINS, ROAD/TRAFFIC
MARKING PAINT, AND PAINTING
SUPPLIES**

**Responses must be received by
February 10, 2026 3:00 PM CST
INVITATION TO BID**

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Published Jan. 14, 2026. 4124683

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

CUSTOMER'S COPY

CUSTOMER NAME AND ADDRESS

RUSSELL JOHNS
Kim Ridgeway
17110 Gunn Hwy
Odessa, FL 33556

ACCOUNT NUMBER

65753

ACCOUNT NAME

RUSSELL JOHNS

TELEPHONE

727-450-6172

ORDER #

DN0030693

CUSTOMER REFERENCE NUMBER

Town of Delight RFP

CAPTION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS The Town of Delight is soliciting competitive bids for Paint, Stains, Road/Traffic Marking Paint, and Painting Supplies.

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DN0030693

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

AS THE DESERET NEWS, INC. LEGAL BOOKER, I CERTIFY THAT THE ATTACHED ADVERTISEMENT OF **LEGAL NOTICE FOR RUSSELL JOHNS** WAS PUBLISHED BY DESERET NEWS, INC., BIWEEKLY NEWSPAPER PRINTED IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE WITH GENERAL CIRCULATION IN UTAH, AND PUBLISHED IN SALT LAKE CITY, SALT LAKE COUNTY IN THE STATE OF UTAH. NOTICE IS ALSO POSTED ON UTAHLEGALS.COM AND REMAINS ON UTAHLEGALS.COM INDEFINITELY. COMPLIES WITH UTAH DIGITAL SIGNATURE ACT UTAH CODE 46-2-101; 46-3-104.

PUBLISHED ON 01/14/2026

DATE 01/15/2026

STATE OF UTAH
COUNTY OF Salt Lake

SIGNATURE

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME ON THIS 15th DAY OF JANUARY IN THE YEAR 2026

BY KARYN VIGIL


NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE

Independent Record

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

See Proof on Next Page

Helena Independent Record
2222 N. Washington St
Helena, Montana 59602
(123) 456-7890

State of Florida, County of Orange, ss:

Anjana Bhadoriya, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That (s)he is a duly authorized signatory of Column Software, PBC, duly authorized agent of Helena Independent Record, a newspaper of general circulation published that is a "legal newspaper" as that is published daily in the City of Helena, in the County of Lewis and Clark, State of Montana, and has charge of the Advertisements thereof.

If this certification is for the State of Montana, I hereby certify that I have read sec. 18-7-204 and 18-7-205 MCA, and subsequent revisions, and declare that the price or rate charged the State of Montana for the publication for which claim is made in printed copy in the amount of _____ is not in excess of the minimum rate charged any other advertiser for publication of advertisement, set in the same size type and published for the same number of insertions, further certify that this claim is correct and just in all respects, and that payment or credit has not been received.

PUBLICATION DATES: January. 15 2026

NOTICE ID: SyU6L44bQW0rt7WMGFNy

PUBLISHER ID: COL-MT-202010

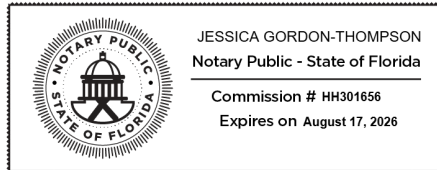
NOTICE NAME: paint, stains, road

Anjana Bhadoriya

(Signed) _____

VERIFICATION

State of Florida
County of Orange



Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me on this: 01/15/2026

J. Tra

Notary Public

Notarized remotely online using communication technology via Proof.

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January 15, 2026 COL-MT-202010 MNAXLP

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State of Florida, County of Orange, ss:

Anjana Bhadoriya, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That (s)he is a duly authorized signatory of Column Software, PBC, duly authorized agent of Richmond Times Dispatch, a newspaper printed and published in the City of Richmond, State of Virginia, and that this affidavit is Page 1 of 2 with the full text of the sworn-to notice set forth on the pages that follow, and the hereto attached:

PUBLICATION DATES: Jan. 14, 2026

NOTICE ID: 8Osq4io66jUTA7Bgb0jl

PUBLISHER ID: COL-7005836

NOTICE NAME: Paint, Stains, Road

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Category: General Legal Notice

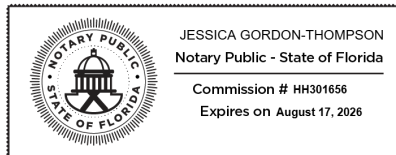
Under penalty of perjury, I, the undersigned affiant swear or affirm that the statements above are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Anjana Bhadoriya

(Signed) _____

VERIFICATION

State of Florida
County of Orange



Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me on this: 01/14/2026

J. Thompson

Notary Public

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COL-7005836

STATE OF WASHINGTON – KING COUNTY

--SS.

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No.

MCA RUSSELL JOHNS

Affidavit of Publication

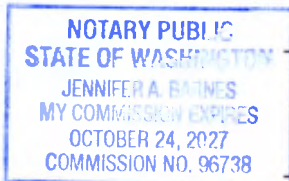
The undersigned, on oath states that he is an authorized representative of The Daily Journal of Commerce, a daily newspaper, which newspaper is a legal newspaper of general circulation and it is now and has been for more than six months prior to the date of publication hereinafter referred to, published in the English language continuously as a daily newspaper in Seattle, King County, Washington, and it is now and during all of said time was printed in an office maintained at the aforesaid place of publication of this newspaper. The Daily Journal of Commerce was on the 12th day of June, 1941, approved as a legal newspaper by the Superior Court of King County.

The notice in the exact form annexed, was published in regular issues of The Daily Journal of Commerce, which was regularly distributed to its subscribers during the below stated period. The annexed notice, a

BCSB:PAINT,STAINS,ROAD

was published on

01/09/26



01/09/2026

Subscribed and sworn to before me on

Notary public for the State of Washington,
residing in Seattle

Affidavit of Publication

State of Washington, King County

Town of Delight Paint, Stains, Road/ Traffic Marking Paint, and Painting Supplies Bid Date: February 10

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Responses must be received by February 10, 2026 3:00 PM CST.

Date of publication in the Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, January 9, 2026.

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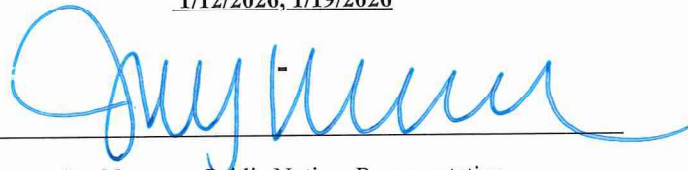
CAPITAL CITY PRESS

**Publisher of
THE ADVOCATE**

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

The hereto attached notice was published in THE ADVOCATE, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and the Official Journal of the State of Louisiana, City of Baton Rouge, and Parish of East Baton Rouge or published daily in THE TIMES-PICAYUNE/THE NEW ORLEANS ADVOCATE, in New Orleans Louisiana or published daily in THE ACADIANA ADVOCATE in the following issues:

1/12/2026, 1/19/2026



Joy Newman, Public Notices Representative

Sworn and subscribed before me, by the person whose signature appears above

21 Jan 2026



Tiffany Victorian,

Notary Public ID#182846

State of Louisiana

My Commission Expires: Indefinite



TIFFANY VICTORIAN
Notary Public
Notary ID No. 182846
West Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana

Ad No: 173045

ATTN: KIM RIDGEWAY
7853 GUNN HWY, STE. 206
TAMPA, FL 33626

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTENTION: Kim Ridgeway
 17110 Gunn Hwy
 Odessa, FL 33556
 kridgeway@russelljohns.com

State of South Carolina

County of Richland

I, the undersigned, makes oath that the advertisement, was published in The State, a newspaper published in the City of Columbia, State and County aforesaid, in the issue(s) of

1.0 insertion(s) published on:
 01/14/26 Print

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IPL0304335
 Jan 14 2026

[Print Tearsheet Link](#)

[Marketplace Link](#)

Julie Ambry



Julie Ambry

Amanda Rodela



Sworn to and subscribed before me on

Jan 14, 2026, 9:38 AM EST



Online Notary Public. This notarial act involved the use of online audio/video communication technology. Notarization facilitated by SIGNiX®

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Jan 14 2026

The Sun (San Bernardino)
473 E. Carnegie Drive, Suite 250
San Bernardino, California 92408
(909) 386-3864

NOTICE FOR BIDS

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The Sun (San Bernardino)
Published: 1/15, 1/22/26

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My Classified ads
7853 Gunn Hwy, Suite 206
Tampa, Florida 33626

PROOF OF PUBLICATION (2015.5 C.C.P.)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA County of San Bernardino

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County aforesaid; I am over the age of eighteen years, and not party to or interested in the above-entitled matter. I am the principal clerk of the printer of The Sun (San Bernardino), a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the City of San Bernardino*, County of San Bernardino, and which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of County of San Bernardino, State of California, under the date of 06/20/1952, Case No. 73084. The notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy (set in type not smaller than nonpareil), has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to wit:

01/15/2026, 01/22/2026

I certify (or declare) under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated at San Bernardino, California

On this 22nd day of January, 2026.



Signature

*The Sun (San Bernardino) circulation includes the following cities:
[UNKNOWN LIST]

Albany Times Union
News Plaza
Box 15000
Albany, New York 12212

MCA RUSSELL JOHNS

Account Number: 600133349
Order Number: IPLATU0119188

7853 Gunn Hwy

Tampa FL 33626

STATE OF NEW YORK)
:SS.:
COUNTY OF ERIE)

The undersigned, being duly sworn, says that he/she is a Authorized Custodian of Records of THE TIMES UNION, a daily newspaper printed in the county of Albany, Town of Colonie, and Published in the County of Albany, Town of Colonie and the City of Albany, aforesaid and that notice of which a printed copy is annexed has been regularly published in the said ALBANY TIMES UNION on the following dates:

01/13/2026

George Hearst, Publisher

By: Nora Hewson

Nora Hewson

Authorized Designee of George Hearst, Publisher of the Times Union

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of January 2026.

Notary Public Signature

Tyshawn Harrison
Notary Public - State of New York
No. 01HA0005298
Qualified in Erie County
Commission Expires 04/07/2027

IPLATU0119188

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

IN THE MATTER OF

The Town of Delight - Paint, Stains, Road/Traffic Marking Paint, and Painting Supplies

STATE OF HAWAII)
) SS.
City and County of Honolulu)

Doc. Date: JAN 16 2026 # Pages: 1
Notary Name: COLLEEN E. SORANAKA First Judicial Circuit
Doc. Description: Affidavit of Publication
Notary Signature: [Signature] Date: JAN 19 2026
Notary Public Seal: COLLEEN E. SORANAKA, NOTARY PUBLIC, No. 90-263, STATE OF HAWAII

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Lisa Sakakida being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is a clerk, duly authorized to execute this affidavit of Oahu Publications, Inc. publisher of The Honolulu Star-Advertiser, MidWeek, The Garden Island, West Hawaii Today, and Hawaii Tribune-Herald, that said newspapers are newspapers of general circulation in the State of Hawaii, and that the attached notice is true notice as was published in the

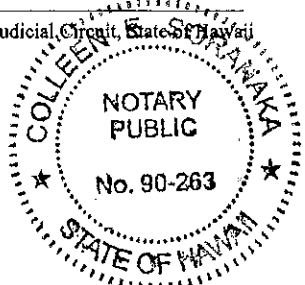
- Honolulu Star-Advertiser 2 times on: 01/09, 01/16/2026
MidWeek 0 times on:
The Garden Island 0 times on:
Hawaii Tribune-Herald 0 times on:
West Hawaii Today 0 times on:
Other Publications: 0 times on:

And that affiant is not a party to or in any way interested in the above entitled matter.

[Signature]
Lisa Sakakida

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 19th day of January A.D. 2026

Colleen E. Soranaka, Notary Public of the First Judicial Circuit, State of Hawaii
My commission expires: Jan 06 2028



Ad # 0001516110

ICSP NO.: _____

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEVADA)
COUNTY OF CLARK) SS:

MCA RUSSELL JOHNS
STE 206
7853 GUNN HWY
TAMPA FL 33626

Account #
Order ID

105557
347578

Leslie McCormick, being 1st duty sworn, deposes and says: That she is the Legal Clerk for the Las Vegas Review-Journal/Las Vegas Sun, daily newspaper regularly issued, published and circulated in the Clark County, Las Vegas, Nevada and that the advertisement, a true copy attached for, was continuously published in said Las Vegas Review-Journal/Las Vegas Sun, in 1 edition(s) of said newspaper issued from 01/10/2026 to 01/10/2026, on the following day(s):

01/10/2026

**Request For Bids
(RFBs)**

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LV Review Journal

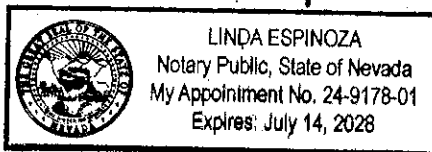
Leslie McCormick

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this January 10, 2026

Notary

Linda Espinoza



MAINE TRUST

— for Local News —

01/15/2026

MCA Russell Johns
Attention: Kim Ridgeway
17110 Gunn HWY
Odessa, FL 33556

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We hereby certify that the following:

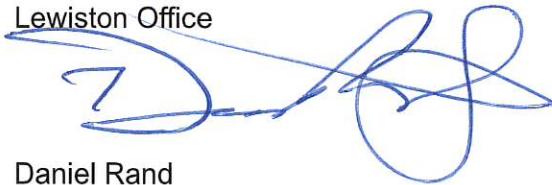
LEGAL AD: The Town of Delight is soliciting competitive bids for Paint, Stains, Road/Traffic Marking Paint, and Painting Supplies.

was published by the Maine Trust for Local News, a newspaper having its principal place of business in the State of Maine. With general circulation in the Counties of Androscoggin, Franklin, Oxford, Kennebec, Aroostook, Cumberland, Franklin, Piscataquis, Waldo, York, Washington, Knox, Hancock, Somerset, Sagadahoc, Lincoln, and Penobscot.

Date(s) Published: 01/13/2026, 01/14/2026, 01/15/2026.

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Maine Trust for Local News
Lewiston Office



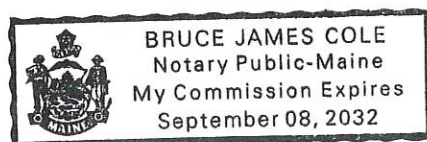
Daniel Rand
Advertising Assistant



Subscribed and sworn to me this 15 Day of January, 2026 at Lewiston, in the County of Androscoggin, in the State of Maine.



NOTARY PUBLIC



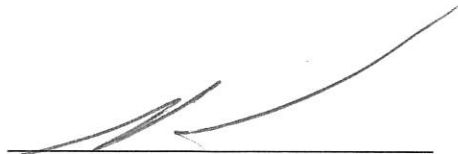
January 20, 2026

Affidavit of Publication

To Whom It May Concern:

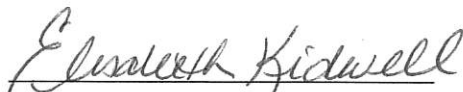
I am a duly authorized representative of MCA Russell Johns Associates LLC, the company handling the advertising matters for USA Today a daily newspaper distributed within the United States.

A public notice ad was placed by Coretrust (Paint, Stains, Road/Traffic Marking Paint, and Painting Supplies) and was published in said newspaper within the marketplace section of the National USA Today Marketplace on January 13, 2026 and January 20, 2026.

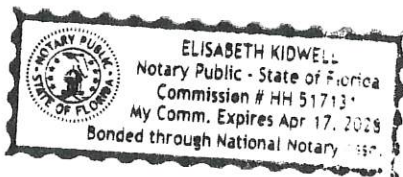


Anthony Pacini

On this 20th day of January, I attest that the attached document is a true, exact, complete, and unaltered tearsheet.



Notary





Arizona
GANNETT

PO Box 632099, Cincinnati, OH 45263-2099

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Russell Johns
7853 Gunn HWY
Suite 207
Tampa FL 33626-1611

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF BROWN

The Arizona Business Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Phoenix and general circulation in the counties of Maricopa, Coconino and Pinal, State of Arizona, and personal knowledge of the facts herein state and that the notice hereto annexed was Published in said newspapers in the issue:

PNI azcentral.com 01/22/2026
PNI Business Gazette 01/22/2026

and that the fees charged are legal.
Sworn to and subscribed before on 01/22/2026

Legal Clerk

Notary, State of WI, County of Brown

3.7.27

My commission expires

Order No: 11988865 # of Copies:
Customer No: 1388753 0
PO #: LAZS0436648

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Please do not use this form for payment remittance.

KAITLYN FELTY
Notary Public
State of Wisconsin

Request for Bids

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January 22 2026


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February 4, 2026

To Whom It May Concern:

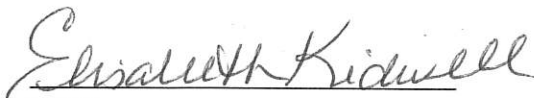
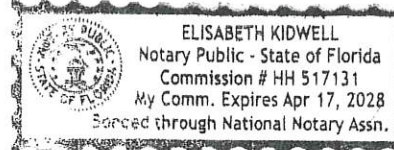
I am a duly authorized representative of My Classified Ads, an agency handling the advertising matters in The Atlanta Business Journal, a weekly newspaper distributed in Atlanta, Georgia..

Coretrust (Paint, Stains, Road/Traffic Marking Paint, and Painting Supplies) published a public notice in the newspaper on January 16, 2026.



Anthony Pacini

On this 4th day of February, I attest that the attached document is a true, exact, complete, and unaltered tearsheet.


Notary

PUBLIC NOTICE

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LOCALiQ

Observer-Dispatch | Daily Messenger
Times Telegram | New Jersey Herald
Times Herald-Record

PO Box 631202 Cincinnati, OH 45263-1202

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Russell Johns
7853 Gunn HWY
Suite 207
Tampa FL 33626-1611

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF BROWN

The New Jersey Herald, a newspaper printed, published and of general circulation in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, and personal knowledge of the facts herein state and that the notice hereto annexed was Published in said newspapers in the issues dated on:

01/14/2026

and that the fees charged are legal.
Sworn to and subscribed before on 01/14/2026

Legal Clerk

K. Ryan
Nicole Jacobs

Notary, State of WI, County of Brown

8-21-26

My commission expires

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NICOLE JACOBS
Notary Public
State of Wisconsin

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January 14 2026

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Chambliss' lawyers seek injunction

Austin Curtright

USA TODAY NETWORK

Ole Miss football and quarterback Trinidad Chambliss are still aiming for another year of eligibility, despite the NCAA denying their claim Jan. 9.

Chambliss' lawyers plan to file suit against the NCAA in Mississippi state court for a preliminary injunction, per multiple reports. Chambliss' attorney, Tom Mars, released a statement Jan. 11, noting Chambliss' team anticipates filing the suit before the end of the week.

"We expect the lawsuit to be far more detailed and documented than other eligibility lawsuits that have been filed in the past year," Mars said in a statement. "Therefore, considerable work needs to be done before we'll be prepared to seek an injunction that would allow Trinidad to play next season."

Chambliss, a first-year Division I starter after transferring from Division II Ferris State, was hoping to receive a retroactive redshirt for the 2022 season, in which he didn't appear in a game due to medical issues. He also redshirted in 2021, meaning he only appeared in games for three seasons from 2023 to 2025.

Ole Miss athletic director Keith

Carter said on social media the school would appeal the NCAA's decision after Chambliss was denied the extra season.

The breakout star of the College Football Playoff, Chambliss passed for 362 yards and two touchdowns in Ole Miss' upset win over Georgia in the Sugar Bowl. He threw for 277 yards and a touchdown in the Rebels' narrow 31-27 defeat to Miami at the Fiesta Bowl.

Chambliss finished the 2025-26 season with 3,937 passing yards and 22 touchdowns to three interceptions, along with 527 rushing yards and eight scores. He was eighth in the Heisman Trophy voting. Ole Miss has since added former Auburn 5-star quarterback Deuce Knight, who has four seasons of eligibility left, via the transfer portal.

Why was waiver denied by NCAA?

The NCAA issued a lengthy statement Jan. 9 regarding Chambliss and Ole Miss' waiver request and why it was denied.

"In November, Ole Miss filed a waiver request for football student-athlete Trinidad Chambliss, seeking to extend his five-year Division I eligibility clock, citing an incapacitating illness or injury," the NCAA wrote.



Ole Miss quarterback Trinidad Chambliss scrambles during the Fiesta Bowl. JOE RONDONE/THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC

"Approval requires schools to submit medical documentation provided by a treating physician at the time of a student's incapacitating injury or illness, which was not provided. The documents provided by Ole Miss and the student's prior school include a physician's note from a December 2022 visit, which stated the student-athlete was "doing very well" since he was seen in August 2022.

"Additionally, the student-athlete's prior school indicated it had no

documentation on medical treatment, injury reports or medical conditions involving the student-athlete during that time frame and cited "developmental needs and our team's competitive circumstances" as its reason the student-athlete did not play in the 2022-23 season. The waiver request was denied.

"This decision aligns with consistent application of NCAA rules. So far this academic year, the NCAA has received 784 clock extension requests (438 in football). Of those, 25 cases cited an incapacitating injury (nine in football). The NCAA approved 15 of those (six in football), and all 15 provided medical documentation from the time of the injury. Conversely, all 10 that were denied (three in football) did not provide the required medical documentation.

"To receive a clock extension, a student-athlete must have been denied two seasons of competition for reasons beyond the student's or school's control, and a "redshirt" year can be used only once. One of the rules being cited publicly (Bylaw 12.6.4.2.2) is not the correct rule for the type of waiver requested by the school. Ole Miss applied for the waiver in November, and the NCAA first provided a verbal denial Dec. 8."

QB Raiola commits to Oregon after 2 seasons as Nebraska's starter

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Former 5-star Nebraska quarterback Dylan Raiola committed to Oregon on Monday Jan. 12, he announced on Instagram.

A two-year starter for the Cornhuskers, Raiola was one of the top available quarterbacks in the transfer portal. He chooses Oregon, which could potentially need a starter for next season with Dante Moore potentially leaving for the NFL.

Raiola passed for 2,000 yards with 18 touchdowns to six interceptions in nine games in 2025 before suffering a season-ending broken fibula injury against Southern Cal on Nov. 1.

He was the No. 14 prospect and No. 5 quarterback of the transfer portal class, according to 247Sports.

It's unclear if Raiola's commitment means Moore is heading to the NFL. The projected first-round pick has only been a full-time starter for one season of college and said after Oregon's Peach Bowl loss to Indiana that he's still undecided on his future.

Raiola's uncle, Donovan Raiola, was fired by Nebraska coach Matt Rhule on

Dec. 6 after five seasons as offensive line coach.

Raiola's younger brother, 3-star quarterback Dayton Raiola, de-committed from Nebraska on Nov. 19.

Raiola ultimately chose Nebraska out of high school despite committing to multiple other schools. He was once pledged to both Ohio State and Georgia before flipping to the Cornhuskers late in his recruitment.

The Buford, Georgia, native passed for 2,819 yards with 13 touchdowns to 11 interceptions as a true freshman, completing 67.1% of his passes. Raiola boasts a 69.1% completion rate through two seasons as a starter.

The son of former 14-year NFL veteran offensive lineman Dominic Raiola was the No. 21-ranked recruit and No. 3 quarterback of the 2024 high school recruiting class, according to 247Sports' Composite.

Raiola has started since his true freshman season at Nebraska. In that time, he has thrown for 4,819 yards on 456-of-660 passing (69.1%), with 31 touchdowns and 17 interceptions.

- 2024: 275 of 410 passing (67.1%), 2,819 yards, 13 touchdowns, 11 interceptions.

- 2025: 181 of 250 passing (72.4%), 2,000 yards, 18 touchdowns, six interceptions.

Leavitt commits to LSU out of transfer portal after visit

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Lane Kiffin finally has his quarterback.

Kiffin and the LSU football program landed a transfer portal commitment from Arizona State's Sam Leavitt on Monday Jan. 12, according to multiple reports. Leavitt is the No. 1-ranked player in the transfer portal, according to 247Sports.

It took the Tigers until the final days of the transfer portal window, which lasts from Jan. 2 to Jan. 16, to find their starting quarterback for next season. Leavitt is LSU's second quarterback commitment of Jan. 12, joining Elon's Landon Clark.

Leavitt was heavily sought after by numerous programs, including Miami, Tennessee and Kentucky, each of which he visited. He's an important addition for LSU, with former starters Garrett Nussmeier out of eligibility and Michael Van Buren transferring to South Florida, along with the addition of a new coaching staff.

Leavitt passed for 1,628 yards with 10 touchdowns to three interceptions in seven games this season, also rushing for 306 yards with five scores. The preseason Big 12 Player of the Year suffered a season-ending injury against Houston on Oct. 25.

Leavitt led the Sun Devils to a Big 12 championship and College Football Playoff bid in 2024 after passing for 2,885 yards with 24 touchdowns to six

interceptions as a redshirt freshman after transferring from Michigan State. He has two seasons of eligibility remaining.

Kiffin first hosted Cincinnati's Brendan Sorsby in the first few days of the transfer portal window, before Sorsby chose Texas Tech. Kiffin was also unable to coax former Mississippi starter Trinidad Chambliss to join him and former Ole Miss offensive coordinator Charlie Weis Jr. at LSU.

Washington quarterback Demond Williams Jr. was also rumored to LSU after briefly entering the transfer portal but opted to stay with the Huskies.

Kiffin alluded to traveling to Knoxville, Tennessee, to see Leavitt after Leavitt's visit to Tennessee on social media.

Leavitt posted 303 total yards with two touchdowns in Arizona State's 30-22 upset win over Texas Tech on Sept. 21, which was the Red Raiders' only regular-season loss before falling to Oregon in the CFP.

Leavitt is set to lead a new-look LSU roster that has added 25 transfer portal recruits already ahead of Kiffin's first season with the program.

Leavitt's yearly stats:

- 2023 (Michigan State): 15 of 23 passing for 139 yards, two touchdowns, two interceptions.
- 2024 (Arizona State): 216 of 350 passing for 2,885 yards, 24 touchdowns, six interceptions.
- 2025 (Arizona State): 145 of 239 passing for 1,628 yards, 10 touchdowns, three interceptions.

Draft-declared Simpson gets offers from schools

Colin Gay

The Tuscaloosa News | USA TODAY NETWORK

Alabama football quarterback Ty Simpson has declared for the 2026 NFL draft. But his declaration has not stopped teams from sending offers to Simpson's camp for him to return for one last college football season.

According to a person close to Simpson, Miami sent the Alabama quarterback an offer to be the highest-paid player in college football at \$6.5 million. The Hurricanes' official offer started at



Simpson

\$4 million and quickly ballooned to \$5 million within minutes before reaching the current offer. Tennessee and Ole Miss, according to the source, offered Simpson \$4 million.

In 2025, Simpson's base salary at Alabama was \$400,000, according to a person close to Simpson. It doubled to \$800,000 with incentives.

As of Sunday Jan. 11, Simpson is not in the NCAA transfer portal. He also has

not yet signed his NFL paperwork but is preparing to travel to Mobile for the Senior Bowl.

According to the source, Simpson and his family have had "restless hours" talking through offers received. But the expectation is for Simpson to remain in the NFL draft as one of the top three quarterbacks on the board along with Indiana's Fernando Mendoza and Oregon's Dante Moore.

In the 2025 draft, the New York Giants signed former Ole Miss quarterback Jaxson Dart to a four-year, \$17

million contract with a \$9 million signing bonus, all of which was guaranteed, per ESPN. Dart was drafted 25th overall.

Simpson is also pulled to having his legacy being tied to Alabama and the Crimson Tide being his alma mater in the NFL. In 2025, Simpson led the SEC with 305 completions and 473 pass attempts. He had 3,567 passing yards, 30 total touchdowns and five interceptions.

Austin Mack and Keelon Russell are expected to battle for Alabama's starting quarterback job in 2026.

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Texans need to 'stop beating themselves'

Chris Bumbaca
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FOXBOROUGH, MA – Houston, we have a quarterback problem.

Following the Texans' 28-16 loss in the AFC divisional round playoffs – the third straight season that has ended at this stage for DeMeco Ryans' team – to the New England Patriots on Jan. 18, quarterback C.J. Stroud said he felt like he let his team down.

Four interceptions – all in the first half – justified his feelings. But it wasn't just about his pair of sloppy performances from both postseason games, which included a win over the Pittsburgh Steelers six days prior in the wild-card round. Since an electrifying rookie season, Stroud has regressed over the past two seasons and been a crutch for a team that consistently boasts elite defenses, especially the 2025 version.

"I just feel like I let people down, and I'm not happy with that," Stroud said. "It hurts, and I'm not naïve to it. I didn't play my best this year, but I'm going to respond. I'm going to keep my chest up, my chin up high, and I'm going to just keep battling forward."

Progress has largely evaded Stroud. Just ask Troy Aikman, who was calling the game for ESPN. "(Stroud) has been chasing his rookie success for the last two years," Aikman said in the final minutes of the game. "He's not been the same player. We've not seen the development from him. There's a reason for that, and it has to be addressed."

Stroud became the first player in NFL history to throw five interceptions and fumble the ball five times in a single postseason. He accomplished that unfortunate history in less than six quarters of action.

"C.J. is our guy," Ryans said. "I believed that he could come back out in the second half and flip it. I believed that he could play better, and he did that in the second half."

Houston moved the ball better in the final 30 minutes, but it didn't result in TDs. Stroud was 20-for-47 with 212 passing yards and sacked three times.

Ryans tried to shield his quarterback from criticism by assigning himself the most blame. "We have a really special group, a tight-knit group, and when things don't go your way, you have bad



Texans quarterback C.J. Stroud is sacked in the second quarter against the Patriots in their AFC divisional round game. BRIAN FLUHARTY/IMAGN IMAGES

performances, it's not a time to point fingers or say it's on one person," he said.

How close this team became over a 10-game winning streak, after a 0-3 start that had everybody counting the 2025 Texans out, is "what kills you when you lose," linebacker Azeem Al-Shaair said.

"That's what makes it such a blessing when you can reflect on how far you've come," he said. "From where this team started to where this team ended up?"

When last season ended at the hands of the Kansas City Chiefs in the divisional round, Al-Shaair felt his "terrible" game was the reason for the loss. He remembers sitting in the Arrowhead Stadium visitors locker room and not being able to face his teammates. His instruction to Stroud was to not forget the feeling – let it fuel the next season.

"I know exactly what it feels like to feel like you let the team down," Al-Shaair said. "You just truly believe that you're going to find a way to win this ball game."

Stroud appreciated the conscientious effort of his teammates to comfort him during a distressing time.

"I'm really appreciative of this team and them doing that because they didn't have to," Stroud said. "But yeah, it was not easy. It's something that I'm going to learn from. I'm just grateful my teammates were picking me up."

Stroud was without Nico Collins, who suffered a concussion during the Pittsburgh game. Tight end Dalton

Schultz departed in the first quarter with a calf injury. That left him targeting third-year wideout Xavier Hutchinson 13 times. Rookie Jayden Higgins had 10 targets.

Hutchinson referred to Stroud as one of the best quarterbacks in the league. "I believe that. It wasn't the best game for a lot of us. That's just how the ball goes, sometimes," Hutchinson said.

For the team to take that next step and start competing for Super Bowls, Hutchinson said they needed to "stop beating themselves."

"It doesn't feel great. It's just plain and simple," he said. "You can't beat yourselves in the playoffs, and that's exactly what we did today. A lot of times, we got in our own way."

For that, the conductor – the quarterback – deserves requisite ridicule, given the stage and the stakes. That applies to all quarterbacks who turn the ball over multiple times in a game of this magnitude, Josh Allen of the Buffalo Bills included.

There were plenty of drop-backs against Mike Vrabel's defense in which Stroud had nowhere to throw and nobody to throw to. The conditions were not conducive to the clean delivery of the football, although the dry setting of the Jan. 12 game didn't prevent him from putting the ball on the ground five times (he recovered three of his fumbles). But the pick-six he surrendered Sunday, when K'Lavon Chaisson chased Stroud down on a partially broken play, could have been avoided by throwing the ball

away or taking a sack.

"It's something I can learn from, and it just sucks that it has to be in this game, in this environment, on this stage," Stroud said.

For the divisional-round delusion – the team is 0-3 with the Ryans-Stroud coach-QB pairing but has at least advanced to the round in their first three seasons together – to cease in Houston, Stroud has to clean up the inconsistencies. He has a case of botching the easy plays but converting the difficult ones. Peyton Manning recently said that doing the boring thing, for a quarterback, is an acquired skill. Stroud did that with ease as he rolled to 2023 Offensive Rookie of the Year, and he was eighth in MVP voting. The two following seasons have seen less production, more turnovers, the changing of offensive coordinator from Bobby Slowik to Nick Caley and more frustration.

In one breath, Stroud can put the ball in a place only Higgins can catch it on a key third down. And in the next, he's throwing with zero direction to the sideline and being intercepted by Carlton Davis with 1:37 left in the first quarter.

Sometimes it is his fault, sometimes it's not.

"I believe C.J. has done a lot of great things throughout this entire year," Ryans said. "I know C.J. I know what it means to him. If anybody, you think about how anybody is feeling at this moment, you think about C.J. I think about the man, first and foremost. It's not about the player."

Stroud credited the McNair family and Texans ownership for bringing in general manager Nick Caserio and Ryans to stabilize the organization. He sees a bright future in Houston. Will Anderson Jr., the stud defensive end who had three sacks and forced two of Patriots quarterback Drake Maye's four fumbles, told reporters he and Stroud – selected third and second, respectively, in the 2023 draft – are just getting started.

"I'm excited to be in it and to be on this team and in this city. I don't take that for granted," Stroud said. "But I think Will is right. We have a lot of ball left in our careers, God willing. We're going to learn from this and move on."

That sounds nice. It's also contingent on the Texans not moving on from him first.

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