

LEGAL NOTICE – ATTENTION

THE TULALIP TRIBAL COURT for the Tulalip Indian Reservation, Tulalip, WA

Notice of Petition for Forfeiture and Summons by Publication

The Tulalip Tribes Office of Reservation Attorney gives notice that the property listed below was seized for forfeiture for violation of Tribal Law. Laws and procedures applicable to the forfeiture process can be found in Tulalip Tribal Code (TTC) Chapters 2.10 and 2.60. The code is available online at this website: (<http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/Tulalip/>).

TO FILE A CLAIM: If you are an owner or claimant, you may contest the forfeiture of the property listed below by filing an answer with the Tribal Court no later than 30 days after the date of final publication of this notice. You must serve a copy of your answer on the Tribal Prosecutor. You may request a copy of the summons, petition, and evidence in your case from the Tribal Prosecutor.

Tribal Court
6332 31st Ave. NE, Suite B,
Tulalip WA 98271
360-716-4773

Tribal Prosecutor
6330 31st Ave. NE
Tulalip WA 98271
360-716-4810

DEADLINE TO FILE ANSWER: **March 20, 2021**

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: January 19, 2021

THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY IS BEING HELD PENDING FORFEITURE:

2004 Lexus GS430 VIN# JT8BL69S740014490 seized by Tulalip Tribal Police from Mark Velasco (driver/registered owner) and Lendmark Financial Services, LLC (legal owner) on December 17, 2020 at 7600 block of 27th Avenue NE, Tulalip, Washington 98271. – A Summons re Seized Property and Petition for Forfeiture of Seized Property have been filed with the Tulalip Tribal Court.

FAILURE TO FILE AN ANSWER WITHIN THE TIME ALLOWED MAY RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF THE LISTED PROPERTY.

THE PETITION AND SUMMONS IN THESE CASES CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES.

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TULALIP TRIBAL COURT

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3 **IN THE TULALIP TRIBAL COURT**
4 **FOR THE TULALIP INDIAN RESERVATION**
5 **TULALIP, WASHINGTON**

6 IN REM THE FORFEITURE OF:

7 2004 LEXUS GS430
8 VIN #JT8BL69S740014490

NO. TUL-CV-FO-2021- 0011

SUMMONS RE SEIZED PROPERTY

TPD Incident No. 20-3124
Primary Officer J. Wilcox

(Clerk's Action Required)

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10 TO: Mark Velasco
11 211 94th Street SE
12 Everett, WA 98208

Lendmark Financial Services, LLC
2118 Usher Street NW
Covington, GA 30014

13 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Tulalip Tribes, Plaintiff, by and through its
14 prosecuting authority, has filed a petition with the Court that seeks to have forfeited, to the
15 benefit of the Tribes, certain property that you allegedly own, claim, or have an interest.

16 Pursuant to Chapter 2.60.070§(4)(a), of the Tulalip Tribes Code of Law, you have thirty
17 (30) days after you have been served the petition and this summons to file with the Court a
18 response to the allegations described in the petition. No extension of the time for filing the
19 response may be granted. Failure to respond within 30 days may bar you from presenting
20 evidence at any later evidentiary hearing regarding the seized property. Further, if no response
21 is filed within 30 days after service of the petition and summons, the Court, upon motion of the
22 Tribes, shall order the property forfeited to the Tribes.

23 Chapter 2.60.070§(4)(b) governs responses to forfeiture petitions. The Clerk's Office
24 does not provide legal advice. It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with the applicable
25 tribal law—which is available from the Clerk's Office and on-line at:
26 <http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/Tulalip/>

1 Your response must be mailed to, or personally filed with, the Clerk's Office at 6332-
2 31st Ave NE, Suite B, Tulalip WA 98271.

3 Questions regarding the petition should be addressed to the Tulalip Tribes Prosecutor's
4 Office at 360-716-4810, not to the Clerk's Office.

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6 DATED this 14th day of January, 2021.

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10 CLERK OF THE COURT

**IN THE TULALIP TRIBAL COURT
FOR THE TULALIP INDIAN RESERVATION
TULALIP, WASHINGTON**

IN REM THE FORFEITURE OF:

2004 LEXUS GS430
VIN #JT8BL69S740014490

NO. TUL-CV-FO-2021-0011

**PETITION FOR FORFEITURE OF
SEIZED PROPERTY**

TPD Incident No. 20-3124
Primary Officer J. Wilcox

COMES NOW the Tulalip Tribes, Plaintiff, by and through its prosecuting authority, to petition the Court to institute proceedings for the forfeiture of the property described in section I, below. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction over these proceedings, and this Petition is made pursuant to, Chapter 2.60 of the Tulalip Tribes Code of Law.

I. SUBJECT PROPERTY

As described in detail in Tulalip Police Incident Report #20-3124, which is on file with the Tulalip Tribal Court under this cause number, on or about the 17th day of December, 2020, Tulalip Tribal Police (TPD) seized a 2004 LEXUS GS430 & VIN # JT8BL69S740014490 from Mark Velasco (driver/registered owner) in the vicinity of 7600 block of 27th Avenue NE, Tulalip, Washington in connection with narcotics trafficking on the Tulalip Reservation.

II. AUTHORITY

Because the Subject Vehicle was used or was intended to be used to facilitate the transportation, sale, receipt, possession, or concealment of a controlled substance, listed chemical, or proceeds from the sale of a controlled substance in violation of Tulalip Law, it is subject to forfeiture pursuant to Tulalip Tribal Code 2.60.020§(5).

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III. CLAIMANTS

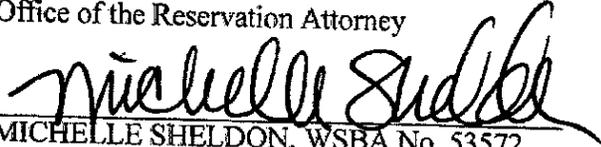
Mark Velasco, driver/registered owner, from whom the subject property was seized and the legal owner of the vehicle, Lendmark Financial Services, LLC, are the only people who the Tribes knows or has reason to believe has or may asset a claim to the subject property. Mark Velasco is believed to reside at 211 94th Street SE, Everett, Washington 98208 (Police Report). Lendmark is believed to have a mailing address of 2118 Usher Street NW, Covington, Georgia 30014 (Police Report).

IV. CONCLUSION

Based upon the foregoing, the Tribes requests the Clerk of the Court issue a Summons to have Mark Velasco and Lendmark Financial Services, LLC answer the allegations of this Petition, and, ultimately, for the Court to order that the Subject Property be forfeited for the benefit of the Tulalip Tribes.

DATED this 11th day of January, 2021.

TULALIP TRIBES
Office of the Reservation Attorney


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