

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: **August 3, 2025**

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: June 2, 2025

THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY IS BEING HELD PENDING FORFEITURE:

**2007 Mercedes Benz, VIN No. WDBUF56X87B065077** seized by Tulalip Police Department from Ariana Yazzie on April 25, 2025, at 6221 31st Avenue NE, Tulalip, WA 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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IN THE TULALIP TRIBAL COURT  
FOR THE TULALIP INDIAN RESERVATION  
TULALIP, WASHINGTON

IN REM THE FORFEITURE OF:

2007 MERCEDES BENZ  
VIN No. WDBUF56X87B065077

NO. TUL-CV-FO-2025- 0428

SUMMONS RE SEIZED PROPERTY

TTPD Incident No. 25-1191  
Primary Officer J. Jira

(Clerk's Action Required)

TO: Ariana Yazzie  
1825 East Division Street  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Ariana Yazzie  
2421 Horizon Street, Apt. B  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

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

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

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

1 Your response must be mailed to, or personally filed with, the Clerk's Office at 6332-31<sup>st</sup>  
2 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.

5 DATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

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TULALIP TRIBAL COURT

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

IN REM THE FORFEITURE OF:

2007 MERCEDES BENZ  
VIN No. WDBUF56X87B065077

NO. TUL-CV-FO-2025-0420

PETITION FOR FORFEITURE OF  
SEIZED PROPERTY

TTPD Incident No. 25-1191  
Primary Officer J. Jira

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 Tribes Police Department Incident Report #25-1191, which is on file with the Tulalip Tribal Court under this cause number, on or about the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025, Tulalip Tribes Police Department (TTPD) seized a 2007 Mercedes Benz, VIN No. WDBUF56X87B065077 from Ariana Janine Yazzie (driver/legal owner) in the vicinity of 6221 31st Avenue NE Tulalip, WA 98271 in connection with narcotic 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**

Ariana JanineYazzie is a person who the Tribes knows or has reason to believe has or may asset a claim to the subject property. Ariana JanineYazzie is believed to reside at 1825 East Division Street, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273 (police report). Ariana JanineYazzie address on the vehicle registration is 2421 Horizon Street, Apt. B, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273 (DOL Query).

**IV. CONCLUSION**

Based upon the foregoing, the Tribes requests the Clerk of the Court issue a Summons to have Ariana JanineYazzie 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

TULALIP TRIBES  
Office of the Reservation Attorney

  
JENNIFER CRISTOFANI, TTB NO. S0198  
Spokesperson