

Johnson County Post Forum

Bryan Mober opposes a 3% property tax cap.

Moderator: "Do you support the proposed cap of 3%, the property tax cap that would have limited local governments increases in the budget to address property taxes that was vetoed?"

Mober: "No, It's a gimmick and everybody who proposes it knows it but it sure does sound good."

Bryan Mober supported tax incentives for Data Center

"The tax incentives are only for data centers over \$250 million and limited as was previously discussed and I am fine with a tax incentive to bring a project that large into a community, provided that community wants it."

Bryan Mober called for a statewide property tax

"Now, we can fund that any number of ways. In the short term, I think because of the lawsuit that is going to be filed if we don't fund it. I can fund that first year through the state emergency fund

After that, a statewide property tax would supplant the Blue Valley property tax and benefit Johnson County. It would result in a net lowering of property taxes for the residents in the Blue Valley School District."

Bryan Mober opposed any statewide policy to regulate AI in public schools.

"No, I don't believe the Kansas legislature should regulate AI. I think the local school districts, if they want to have a policy about AI that is consistent with their computer use policy, they are certainly free to do so and I don't that the state legislature should interfere with that."

(Source for above: Johnson County Post Candidate Forum, September 22, 2026)

Policy Statements

Bryan Mober supports fully funding special education in Kansas, which would likely trigger a tax hike of over \$1 billion a year.

"Fully funding Kansas state obligations for special education and gifted programs to allow our local districts the flexibility to lower property taxes, fund our high quality public school education, and invest in our children's education. All of this is what makes our neighborhoods special and great places to live and the reason we have strong and stable property values." (Source: <https://www.moberforkansas.com/priorities>)

Bryan Moubert supports Medicaid Expansion, which would be \$1.1 billion in new spending that would trigger tax hikes and not one penny would go to roads, schools or law enforcement.

“1) Supporting education, including properly funding schools and fully funding special/gifted education; 2) Building a strong and healthy community by investing in evidence-based mental health and addiction services for both children and adults, ensuring public safety budgets are funded to protect our communities, expanding Medicaid to take advantage of all of the available federal dollars; and 3) Promoting growth through fair tax policy and sensible regulation, which means stable, predictable taxes and regulations that allow individuals and business to plan for long term growth within our great state.”

(Source: <https://onyourballot.vote411.org/m/race-detail.do?id=24843794#c72639843>)

News Articles

In 1994, Bryan Moubert, at the time a 24-year-old student, ran for state representative as a Democrat. His district was in Prairie Village and North Overland Park. He was registered as a Republican before he ran for that office.

Moubert takes a few issue positions in this article such as:

-Not willing to pledge to not raise taxes.

-Not broadening Kansas’s death penalty law.

-Came out for reducing sentences for criminals. Quote from article:

“Moubert favors making changes in the sentencing guidelines to ‘pursue rehabilitation and education projects. ‘ Such changes, he said, were a more effective long-term solution than putting people in jail who will be released to re-commit crimes.”

-Surprisingly, Moubert supported school vouchers up to \$3,600 per Kansas student.

Johnson County's 22nd House District race, which pits a political newcomer against a former county Republican chairman, took on a negative tone this week.

In an interview this week, Democrat Bryan Moubert, a 24-year-old graduate student, accused Britt Nichols of not admitting an affiliation with the Christian right.

Nichols said he was not a member of the Christian right, and said his stance on several "test" issues - such as his opposition to state-required prayer in schools - proved that point.

Mouber also claimed his opponent left the Johnson County Republican Party "split and in very bad shape" after Nichols' stint as party chairman in 1991 and 1992.

"Either through inattention or planning, he left the party to the Christian right, which has alienated a number of the Republicans in my district and the rest of Johnson County," Mouber said in an interview earlier this week.

Mouber, who previously was registered as a Republican, said he switched parties over the summer because he was "disillusioned with the steps the Republican Party has taken. " He won the Democratic nomination with a write-in campaign in the Aug. 2 primary.

Nichols, a 39-year-old lawyer who lost a strong campaign against Democratic Rep. Carol Sader in 1990, said he was disappointed by the negative tenor of Mouber's campaign and bewildered by claims he left the party divided.

"I'm hurt by the accusation, because he's somehow saying I should have taken sides when my public duty is to be neutral," Nichols said. "I'm also sorry to hear he wants to be that negative.

"I prefer to run my race positively on what I think should change. "

The candidates will face off in the Nov. 8 election for the seat held by Sader, who is gubernatorial candidate Jim Slattery's running mate. The seat is one of only three in the Johnson County delegation currently held by a Democrat.

The 22nd District generally includes almost all of Overland Park between 75th and 87th streets and all of Prairie Village south of 83rd Street.

Nichols and Mauber both list education as their top issue and basically agree that the current school finance formula needs revision.

Nichols criticized the formula, saying it may soon be "disastrous" for the Shawnee Mission School District, which currently is at the top of its funding limit.

Nichols favors setting goals for education and giving districts more local control.

"The state needs to get out of the way of school districts that are succeeding - like Shawnee Mission - because right now school finance is a barrier to good education," Nichols said.

Mauber proposes "indexing" the school finance formula to the cost of living in each district.

"I'd like to have the school finance formula indexed in some way to reflect the higher costs of education in the Shawnee Mission School District," Mauber said. "Even if it's just a simple index that reflects higher teacher salaries. "

Nichols also hammered at what he called the state's "\$ 7 billion annual spend-a-thon," and called for reforming and streamlining the state budget process.

Issues on which the candidates differ:

The death penalty. Mouber said he would not broaden the death penalty to apply to more circumstances. Nichols said he would expand it to persons convicted of killing adults and children who were under their care and unable to protect themselves.

School vouchers for private schools. Nichols opposes them; Mouber said he would be in favor of vouchers only up to the limit of the \$ 3,600 per pupil allowed under state funding.

Crime. Mouber favors making changes in the sentencing guidelines to "pursue rehabilitation and education projects. " Such changes, he said, were a more effective long-term solution than putting people in jail who will be released to re-commit crimes.

Nichols instead would like to fund new prisons to provide enough room so prisoners serve their entire sentences.

Increasing taxes. Nichols said he would pledge "99 percent" to not raise taxes.

"I'm an anti-tax kind of guy, because I don't think we're getting the best out of the taxes we have now," Nichols said. "I'm about as close to that pledge as you'll get. "

Mouber, on the other hand, said he could make no such promise because any kind of budget constraint could hurt funding for education.

"Because schools are critical to the health of my district, I can't make any pledge that might endanger the quality of those schools," Mouber said.

Britt Nichols, 39, Republican, Prairie Village.

Occupation: Olathe lawyer.

Education: Bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Kansas; law degree from the University of Kansas.

Political experience: Chairman of the Johnson County Republican Party 1991 and 1992. Ran unsuccessfully for the seat against Rep.

Carol Sader in 1990. Appointed Olathe municipal judge from 1984-85.

Quote: On education: "The Legislature needs to get further out of the local control process. I want local school districts to have the right to make their own choices. "

Bryan Mouber, 24, Democrat, Prairie Village.

Occupation: Graduate student.

Education: Bachelor's degree in business administration from Georgetown University; working toward a master's degree in business at the University of Kansas.

Political experience: None.

Quote: On the school finance formula: "There are a number of districts where the (school aid base of) \$ 3,600 per pupil is well over the amount they need. I think indexing is a better way to fund districts that have additional needs, as opposed to just raising the base. "

(Source: Kansas City Star, October 6, 1994)

KC Star Article in 1994 where Mober gives his position on school finance and gambling at the Woodlands.

Bryan Mober, candidate for the 22nd District, sent these answers:

Changes in school finance: While there needs to be some equalization process to ensure that all children receive an adequate education, many school districts had their budgets doubled when the current formula was enacted. The formula sends too much money and control to Topeka.

I would: Index the formula to reflect the higher cost of education in Shawnee Mission; Remove the cap on the local option budget allowing the local school board to regain control of our finances; and Not raise the base budget which would benefit unfairly western Kansas.

With 43 other districts across the state facing funding limits like our own, there is a mandate to change the formula.

Casino gambling at The Woodlands: The Woodlands will go out of business within the next two years without casino gambling. Casinos operate just across the river; the choice has already been made to legalize gambling in the metro area. Money flows across the state line to the tune of \$ 250,000 per week. People, voting with their pocketbooks, have shown that they want to gamble, and the Legislature should not stand in the way of casino gambling at The Woodlands.

Personal statement: Voters, you now face a decision. I choose to share with you my straightforward position on two issues affecting the district. The workings of government are no more complex than the above two statements; I know this after working on Capitol Hill.

I bring to you my knowledge and my ideas and my desire to represent our district. I bring to you an opportunity for understandable and unmistakable representation for the next two

years. Use this knowledge to vote your conscience on Nov. 8 - it is all anybody can ask of you.

(Source: Kansas City Star, November 2, 1994)

1994 article that highlights young candidates in the Kansas City area, including Mouber.

Quote from Mouber: *"On the other hand, Mouber said that young candidates generally are fresher and more hopeful than their older counterparts. 'I think that the younger people that I've seen running are more optimistic, energetic and much more straightforward,' he said."*

Full article:

At an age when most people are still trying to understand the world in a classroom, some area young people have decided they might just be ready to help run a small piece of it.

Two local candidates for state representative have attempted to juggle both school and their political campaigns in this year's election.

Bryan Mouber, 24, a Democrat, said he had put his graduate work in business at the University of Kansas in Lawrence behind, giving priority to his effort to become the representative from the 22nd District in the Legislature.

While Mouber said he would like to see more younger faces in local politics, his youth has not really been an issue in his race against Republican Britt Nichols.

"I don't see my youth as an advantage or disadvantage," Mouber said. "It's simply a fact.

"I did realize going into it that running for this office would definitely place school in a secondary position, and that was the way it had to be," Mouber said. "There will always be time to continue my education. "

For Christian Wiswell, 19, a Libertarian running in the 16th District, balancing school work with the duties of the campaign trail has proved challenging.

"I haven't had much time to actually campaign," said Wiswell, a sophomore majoring in history and philosophy at KU.

However, Wiswell said his youth and the fact that he was running as a Libertarian place him in a unique position to reach others in his age group.

"If I was running as a Republican or Democrat, I feel it would hamper me," said Wiswell, referring to his youth. "As a Libertarian, it has helped me because younger people are more receptive to new ideas and are willing to try different things. "

For both candidates, youth can be an obstacle in an arena dominated by political clout and fund-raising ability.

"There are very few of my peers involved in politics who would naturally come forward to help," Moubert said. "It's been a matter of calling other Democrats in the district who are willing to help whom I don't know personally. "

"I don't have the wealth or the resources that my opponents or most of the other candidates have," Wiswell said.

On the other hand, Moubert said that young candidates generally are fresher and more hopeful than their older counterparts.

"I think that the younger people that I've seen running are more optimistic, energetic and much more straightforward," he said.

Tim Carmody, Wiswell's opponent and the Republican incumbent in the 16th District, said that while youth might have its advantages in a campaign, experience could also go a long way.

"I think when you have young candidates in one respect, they have more energy. But you can counterbalance that with: as you grow older, you have more wisdom," Carmody said.

"I don't think about it consciously either way," said Nichols, the Republican running against Moubert. "There are people at any age who are probably capable and able to do it. "

"We're not looking to make it an issue at all," said Nichols, referring to Moubert's age.

After the election, whether they win or lose, both Moubert and Wiswell said they would like to remain active in their parties and would probably run for office again.

"I'll be on the lookout for a seat in Congress or the Senate somewhere," Wiswell said, although not be looking in the near future.

Their opponents see no problem with people their age running for office.

"I don't want to discourage anyone from running for the state Legislature," Carmody said. "What makes the Legislature work is a broad spectrum of people and backgrounds - the Legislature always needs the eagerness of youth and the wisdom of age," Carmody said.

(Source: Kansas City Star, November 2, 1994)

Moubert lost his 1994 campaign in the general election and got only 35%. This 1995 KC Star article highlighted his attempt to run for office. The article describes him as a Democrat in Kansas but a Republican at a national level.

Bryan Moubert calls himself a Democrat in his home state of Kansas but a Republican on a national level.

"On a local level, I am not a Republican in Kansas," Moubert said. "I am fiscally conservative but when it comes to personal liberties, I'm very liberal. "

Moubert, who ran unsuccessfully in November as a Democrat against Republican Britt Nichols in the 22nd Kansas House District, still has an eye on politics and his future.

These days, however, the demands of graduate work keep him busy as he continues to work on his master's degree in business production management at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

But the pace feels leisurely compared with the hectic schedule he kept during the campaign. After he finished with classes in the morning, Moubert, 24, would head back to Prairie Village and the campaign trail where meeting residents of the district meant knocking on doors.

"I surprised a few more people at doors than my opponent by being so young," he said. "The main disadvantage was no one knew who I was. "

Though losing is never easy, Mouber said he was not bitter about the election and realized that he was hardly the only Democrat in the county who faced defeat.

"It was an unfortunate year to be a Democrat. With 35 percent of the vote, I did as well as any Democrat in Johnson County," he said. "The fact that nobody did well as a Democrat made it a lot easier. "

But he does know how he might approach a campaign differently if he chose to run in the future.

"It would have helped to have had more money and been able to mail more stuff to people. "

He added that while he thought he knew the issues, he would have rather started getting organized in May so that he had more time to learn about them and establish stances.

"You know what's going on but there's a difference between knowing what's going on and making a concrete decision on what you would do to change it. "

Most of all, Mouber said he enjoyed meeting the voters, some of whom had their own stories to tell. One couple said they had just arrived from another planet and would be unable to vote.

"They were the nicest people but they were very sorry - they were only visiting the planet so they weren't registered to vote," Mouber recalled.

But they were not the only ones who were not voting in 1994, and Mouber laments voters' apathy, especially those in his own age group.

"They seemed just very disillusioned with the whole political process," Mouber said.

In any case, Election '94 is history, and Mouber looks back on the experience with a keen sense of what he wanted and what he attained.

"I didn't do it for an educational experience. I did it because I actually wanted to become a representative. Not as another line on my resume. "

Mouber, who grew up in Prairie Village, said he felt a strong personal connection to the area and its political future.

After graduating from Shawnee Mission East High School in 1989, Mouber went on to attend Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., where he majored in business administration. Being in the nation's capital stimulated an interest in politics and inspired Mouber to seize the opportunity to intern for Sen. Bob Dole while Congress was in session.

"That was wonderful," said Mouber, recalling the internship. "I would recommend it to anyone who can become an intern for any political figure. "

Upon graduation in 1993, Mouber worked for a year as a financial analyst at Boatmen's First National Bank of Kansas City. Then he decided to begin graduate work. Ultimately he hopes to work at the managerial level of the automotive industry.

"I'm much more interested in manufacturing than financial analysis," he said. "It's almost a cliché now, but I think we need to continue making things. "

Aside from his studies, Mouber also serves on the finance committee of the American Red Cross in Kansas City. He attends monthly meetings and helps in approving the agency's yearly budgets and overseeing its investments.

In the spring of 1996, when he should complete his graduate work, Mouber will have to decide whether he wants to start his manufacturing career or run for office again. This time, though, he has to feel that the people are calling for a change.

"If everything is going fine, I'm not going to run again just for the experience. "

(Source: Kansas City Star, February 4, 1995)

In 2015, a Fox4 news story revealed that Bryan Mouber represented a Kansas City, MO gas station that may have caused area residents to smell a gasoline odor that polluted the area.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — There's something in the air in one east Kansas City neighborhood. Residents say it stinks in the South Roundtop neighborhood because the persistent smell of gasoline is making them sick.

One resident in that historic neighborhood said he feels stuck there. Documents show neighbors have complained about a gasoline odor since 2006, and they say it's causing them a lot of problems. They say it's impossible to escape it – even while they're sitting in their own homes.

The underground gas storage tanks at an old convenience store were replaced in 2006. That's when Missouri's Department of Natural Resources responded to complaints about the stench, determining the smell was coming from the old tanks, which still had gas inside. However, the stink didn't clear up.

Willie Gaston has owned a home on Cleveland Avenue since the early 1990's. He says the smell is now so bad, he's had to spend many nights at hotels, since the gas smell in the air was making him ill.

"At night, it really blows through the house," Gaston said. "You can't stay in there. It really hurts your eyes. Sometimes, it has you throwing up and different stuff like that."

Across the street, Mark Murphy's complaints are the same. He recently looked on as a crew of workers came to evaluate the new tanks. He fears the pungent smell of gas in the air threatens to lower his property values.

"Had I known this situation here, which was known since 2006, I never would have invested this kind of time and energy into this property," Murphy said.

FOX 4 News acquired correspondence sent from Kansas City Attorney Bryan Mouber, who represents Zill, Inc., the gas station property's owner to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. It says Zill, Inc. doesn't claim liability for the gas odor, but it paid for plumbing repairs to several homes to try to alleviate the smell.

Joseph Jackson works with Kansas City's Historic East Neighborhood Coalition. He says residents continue to complain about unbearable air conditions, despite efforts to clean up the problem.

"Not a lot of stuff has been done to help people in this community," Jackson said.

"In some cases, they're not even safe in their own homes. How do we begin to help them and the home they purchased is safe?"

FOX 4 News reached out to Apex Envirotech, an environmental cleanup company that's been working on solutions for this trouble, but we didn't hear back from their managers on Wednesday. Some residents said if the air doesn't clear up, they're going to have to move, an expense they say some of them can't afford.

(Source: Fox4 News, June 24, 2015; <https://fox4kc.com/news/neighbors-say-persistent-gas-smell-in-kc-neighborhood-is-impossible-to-escape-making-them-sick/>)

In 2015, the Missouri Attorney General sued the gas station to take action to fix the problem. Neighborhood residents blamed the fumes for causing health issues like cancer. Quote about Moubert's role in the article: "Zill is represented by Bryan Moubert, who said they've identified possible sources of pollution that have had underground storage tanks in the past. Neighbors blame the fumes for causing health problems."

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Neighbors continue to demand action. An odious stench of gasoline has been a decade-long problem, and they've started to up the pressure in hopes of a solution.

Now a Kansas City gas station's owners have hired workers to test the area for possible sources of the odor.

The smell of gasoline fills the neighborhood off 31st and Cleveland. It's coming from the Inner City Oil station. The strong stench is not the only problem.

"It's killing people slowly and no one seems to care," said Sheraldine Joseph, who used to fill up her gas tank at Inner City Oil.

The State Department of Natural Resources says more than 50 locations across Kansas City have leaky underground storage tanks. Inner City Oil station is one of them.

Missouri's attorney general filed a lawsuit in 2015 asking a judge to force the gas station to start fixing the problem or stop selling gas. Neighbors are only slightly relieved to see the gas station owner – Zill, LLC – will finally take action.

"We have a lot of children in this area. They don't deserve to be poisoned before they can grow up," said Harriet Minor. Minor used to live in the nearby neighborhood.

Zill workers are testing three areas: the auto shop next door, Smaxx restaurant, and a neighborhood lot. Zill is represented by Bryan Moubert, who said they've identified possible sources of pollution that have had underground storage tanks in the past. Neighbors blame the fumes for causing health problems.

"I started having migraines and headaches," said Ricardo Wade who has lived down the street with his family for 65 years. He said that's how long his basement has been filled with a strong gasoline odor. He blames the fumes for the cancer that killed his father and sister. He and his mom are also fighting a plethora of health issues.

He said there isn't enough money to relocate.

Several neighbors say family members have died of cancer that they think is connected to the underground gas leak. Now they're hoping to fix the problem before children are affected.

Zill, LLC has told the state it is not liable for continued gasoline odors.

The firm told the Department of Natural Resources that it has spent more than \$100,000 recently to reduce or eliminate human exposure to petroleum vapors

(Source: Fox4 News, August 4, 2016; <https://fox4kc.com/news/kc-neighbors-blaming-gas-fumes-for-health-problems-continue-push-to-get-problem-fixed/>)

In August of 2016, a Kansas City star article showed that Zill LLC paid a \$300K settlement to the residents affected. The article showed that the EPA may get involved. As Zill's attorney, Moubert maintained that the gas station did not have leaks.

A South Roundtop neighborhood group in Kansas City announced plans Monday for an affordable housing project funded partly by a settlement over gasoline fumes in the area.

The Rev. Kevin D. Smith of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church said the Resurrection Village project calls for building 24 to 30 single-family affordable homes. The group owns several properties and has options to acquire others near the Inner City Oil gas station at 31st Street and Cleveland Avenue.

The group is called Urban Success Development and previously had been called the South Roundtop Neighborhood Environmental Freedom Project. It took the original name in a dispute over gasoline fumes that residents said came from the gasoline station.

Smith said the group is working with the Environmental Protection Agency. It is seeking a federal environmental assessment of the area and would be able to seek EPA assistance if cleanup is needed. Last week, Urban Success gained backing for technical assistance with the EPA's Brownfields Program through Kansas State University.

U.S. Rep. [Emanuel Cleaver](#) spoke at the group's news conference and read part of the letter from the technical assistance program director at Kansas State.

"We have the Environmental Protection Agency deeply involved. They're irrevocably involved," Cleaver said.

Urban Success members reached a settlement with the gas station's owner, Zill LLC. Zill paid \$300,000 in the agreement, but the gasoline fumes dispute continues with other residents, landowners and Missouri Attorney General [Chris Koster](#).

[Koster](#) had sued Zill LLC seeking to force a cleanup of contamination in the area of the station.

"That suit ... is still very much alive," Cleaver said. "That suit will go to court, and the attorney general is very positive about the outcome."

[Bryan Moubert](#), an attorney for Zill LLC, confirmed the settlement with six landowners and 14 others in the South Roundtop neighborhood surrounding the station. He acknowledged that the state's lawsuit and a dispute with other residents and landowners continue.

Kevin Cheadle, who grew up in the South Roundtop neighborhood, said he continues to seek action. A resident of Columbia, Cheadle said he had to move his 84-year-old mother out of her house because of the contamination in the neighborhood. He said they were offered a settlement but rejected it.

"We're not looking to gain compensation," Cheadle said after the news conference. "We're looking to be restored to our home."

Urban Success said it is working with Fulson Housing Group to start the Resurrection Village project. Fulson has developed and manages housing properties in Independence, Kansas City and other parts of Missouri.

The redevelopment area is bounded by 31st and 29th streets and Mersington and Cleveland avenues. It has received properties donated by residents and has an option with the Land Bank and Homesteading Authority of Kansas City for 17 parcels.

Urban Success said it has worked with the church, the Kansas City Health Department, the Linwood YMCA, the U.S. EPA, the University of Missouri-Kansas City law school and others to promote neighborhood education and other initiatives.

Mouber issued a statement Friday renewing Zill's denial that its tanks, lines or dispensers have leaks.

"The manufacturer of Zill's underground tanks physically entered and inspected the tank and found no leak to the surrounding soil," the statement said.

(Source: Kansas City Star, August 19, 2016)

Legal Practice

Bryan Mouber is a civil defense and commercial litigation attorney who primarily represents corporations, financial institutions, credit-reporting agencies and product manufacturers. A substantial portion of his federal practice involves consumer-finance litigation—particularly Fair Credit Reporting Act and credit-reporting disputes—defending companies such as Trans Union, Equifax, banks, credit-card issuers, auto lenders, debt collectors and loan servicers. He has also handled commercial contract, construction and business disputes for corporate clients. His other major practice area is product-liability defense, such as representing companies such as Johnson & Johnson in a medical device cases.

Bryan Mouber currently works at Wallace Saunders Law Firm.

Bryan Mouber has over 20 years of experience working with clients in heavily regulated industries. In addition to working closely with these clients to achieve their corporate and business goals, he guides them through litigation in state and federal courts on both sides of the state line with an emphasis in financial, drug and medical device, and environmental litigation involving petroleum storage tanks. He has extensive experience in every phase of litigation and takes a pragmatic approach to each phase to achieve results.

Prior to becoming an attorney, Mr. Mouber used his finance degree as an analyst. During his time in practice, he taught the law of commercial transactions, including commercial paper, bank deposits and collections, property law, documents of title, investment securities, and secured transactions to senior-level accounting students at the UMKC Bloch School of Business for six years. He continues to serve as an arbitrator for FINRA to assist the investing public and securities industry in resolving disputes.

Education

University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law, J.D. with distinction, top 5%

- *Law Review*
- *Clerk, United States District Court Judge Nannette K. Laughrey*

Georgetown University School of Business, B.S.B.A. Finance, Summa Cum Laude

- *Business Manager, News Editor, Georgetown Voice Newspaper*
- *Semester abroad for International Finance, Chinese University of Hong Kong*
- *Intern for Senate Minority Leader Robert Dole*

(Source: <https://wallacesaunders.com/attorney/bryan-e-mouber/>)

Recently, Bryan Mouber defended pharmaceutical company Eli Lilly in a price fixing case involving insulin.

Part of multidistrict litigation in New Jersey federal court, the lawsuit was withdrawn without prejudice Friday, leaving the door open to refile in the future. The dismissal was submitted under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(i), which allows plaintiffs to exit a case before defendants have responded or moved for summary judgment.

"No defendant has answered the complaint filed by plaintiff nor has any defendant moved for summary judgment," wrote attorney T. Roe Frazer II of Frazer PLC, counsel for the tribe.

The Miccosukee Tribe had joined dozens of other plaintiffs in challenging alleged price inflation and market manipulation in the insulin supply chain. The broader litigation targets major drug manufacturers and pharmacy benefit managers, accusing them of driving up costs for life-saving diabetes medication.

The 213-page complaint filed in November alleged the defendants violated federal racketeering laws, engaged in fraud and civil conspiracy, and enriched themselves by inflating list prices while paying kickbacks to pharmacy benefit managers to secure placement on drug formularies. According to the tribe, the price of insulin has soared to as much as \$350 per vial from about \$20 two decades ago, costing its members millions of dollars.

The tribe claimed that drugmakers and pharmacy benefit managers coordinated through nine "manufacturer-PBM enterprises" that manipulated formulary access and rebates to maximize profits, creating what it called a "best of both worlds" scheme. Instead of competing to lower prices, manufacturers allegedly raised list prices while PBMs profited from rebates and fees.

The case is part of a broader multidistrict litigation over insulin pricing already consolidated in New Jersey.

When the suit was filed, Sanofi said its insulin prices have dropped in recent years, while CVS said drugmakers alone set prices. Eli Lilly has called the allegations baseless and noted earlier lawsuits on insulin pricing have failed in court.

The tribe is represented by T. Roe Frazer II of Frazer PLC.

Eli Lilly & Co. is represented by Andrew A. Kassof, Jason A. Feld and James F. Hurst of Kirkland & Ellis, Brittany S. Ford of Quattlebaum Grooms & Tull PLLC and Bryan E. Mouber of Wallace Saunders Austin Brown & Enochs Chtd.

The case is In Re: Insulin Pricing Litigation, case number 2:23-md-03080, in U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey.

(Source: Law360 Legal News – Corporate, September 29, 2025)

Mouber is currently being sued in what looks like a frivolous lawsuit by a felon. Summary below:

Jarrell Curne filed a federal lawsuit against Kansas officials, Experian, Thomson Reuters CLEAR, and attorney Bryan Mouber, alleging they falsely portrayed him as a felon and circulated inaccurate information about his criminal and civil history. Mouber became involved after Curne initiated a separate AAA consumer arbitration against Capitol Federal Savings, which retained Mouber to defend it. Curne alleges

that, while representing the bank, Moubert relied on a CLEAR background report and an expunged Kansas juvenile record to describe Curne as a felon, an abusive litigant, and someone banned from federal court. Moubert is seeking dismissal, arguing that any statements he made were part of his legal representation in the arbitration and are protected by absolute litigation privilege.

While this lawsuit was pending, Curne pleaded guilty in federal court to felony wire fraud for fraudulently obtaining a \$312,500 COVID-era PPP loan for Hustle Ova Everything Entertainment. Prosecutors said he falsely claimed the company had a \$1.5 million payroll and 100 employees when it had no eligible employees or payroll, and then used the loan proceeds for personal expenses. In May 2026, Curne was sentenced to 36 months in prison, three years of supervised release, and \$318,220.49 in restitution.

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Kansas City Man Sentenced to 36 Months for Covid-19 Fraud

Thursday, May 14, 2026

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U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Missouri

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – A Kansas City, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for his role in a wire fraud case that resulted in more than \$312,500 in fraudulent Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans being issued under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Jarrell Curne, 37, was sentenced by Chief U.S. District Judge Brian Wimes to 36 months imprisonment, followed by three years' supervised release based upon his guilty plea to wire fraud. Curne pleaded guilty to fraudulently obtaining Paycheck Protection Plan (PPP) loans, guaranteed by the Small Business Administration (SBA) under the CARES Act. The court also ordered Curne to pay restitution of \$318,220.49 to the SBA. This successful prosecution is one of many federal fraud cases pursued under the leadership of President Donald Trump and through the establishment of the Task Force to Eliminate Fraud.

According to court documents, Curne was the owner of a Missouri limited liability company called Hustle Ova Everything Entertainment (Hustle). On May 13, 2020, Curne submitted a \$312,500 PPP loan application to a bank on behalf of Hustle. In the loan application, Curne falsely stated that, in 2019, Hustle had an annual payroll of \$1.5 million and 100 employees. In reality, Hustle had no eligible employees or payroll whatsoever.

(Source: U.S. District Court of Kansas, Case Number: 2:25-cv-02687-KHR & <https://www.justice.gov/usao-wdmo/pr/kansas-city-man-sentenced-36-months-covid-19-fraud>)

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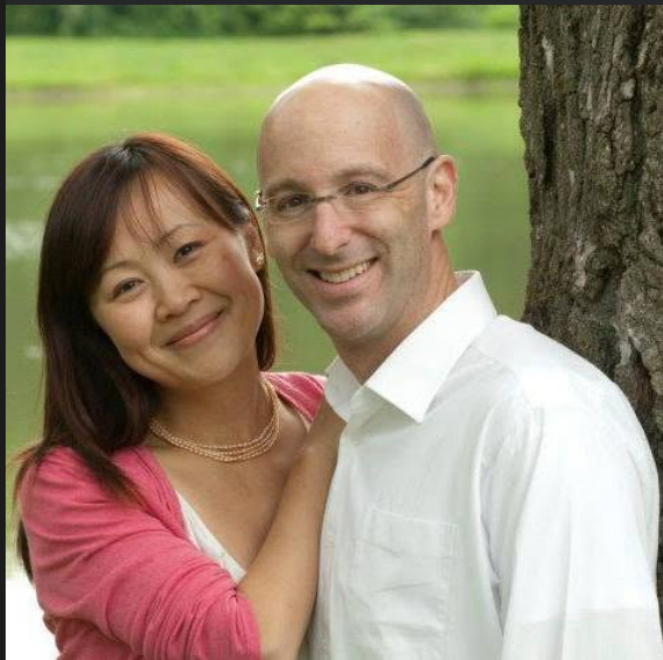
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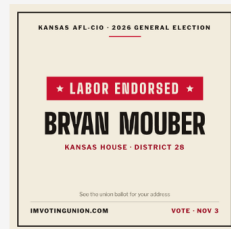
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Bryan Mouber is endorsed by Stand Up Blue Valley, KNEA and the AFL-CIO.

Stand up Blue Valley. A group that has directly supported tax increases or candidates backing huge property tax hikes.

Endorsed the Leadership that continues to raise property taxes. 2025 Endorsements...

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2023 School Board Vote to increase property taxes.

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Meeting

Sep 11, 2023 - September 11, 2023, Regular Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Board of Education Room, 15020 Metcalf Avenue, Overland Park, KS 66223

Category

NEW BUSINESS.

Subject

2023-24 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate.

Type

Action

Recommended Action

Approve the 2023-24 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate, including the approval of a 33% local option budget resolution.

• Local Option Budget Resolution

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LOB Resolution.pdf (393 KB)

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Notice of Hearing 2023-24 EXECUTED 08.14.23.pdf (72 KB)

Motion & Voting

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The Board of Education motioned to approve the 2023-24 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate, including the approval of a 33% local option budget resolution.

Motion by Tom Mitchell, second by Jan H Kessinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Patrick Hurley, Tom Mitchell, Jodie Dietz, Gina Knapp, Jan H Kessinger, Sonya Evans

Nay: Jim McMullen

(Source: Blue Valley Board of Education Meeting Minutes, Sep 11, 2023;
<https://go.boarddocs.com/ks/usd229/Board.nsf/Public>)

2024 Vote to increase property taxes

Members present

Jodie Dietz, Gina Knapp, Jim McMullen, Patrick Hurley, Jan H Kessinger, Sonya Evans, Clay Norkey

1. OPENING ITEMS.

A. Pledge of Allegiance.

Isa Grindstaff, a 3rd grade student at Mission Trail Elementary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Conduct the Hearing to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate 2024-25.

Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate 2024-2025

Revenue Neutral Resolution 2024-25

Board President Gina Knapp opened the Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate for 2024-25 Hearing for comment. Chief Financial Officer Jeremy McFadden provided an overview of the published Revenue Neutral Tax Rate notice. She asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak to the Board of Education about the Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate. No comments were made by the audience. She then asked Superintendent Dr. Merrigan if she had received any correspondence concerning the Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate. Dr. Merrigan stated there were two correspondences looking to understand it. The Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate hearing was closed.

Board President Gina Knapp motioned to approve the Resolution to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate for the 2024-25 Budget.

Second by Jodie Dietz.

The Board President took a roll call vote:

Clay Norkey voted YES

Patrick Hurley voted YES

Sonya Evans voted YES

Jan Kessinger voted YES

Jim McMullen voted YES

Gina Knapp voted YES

Jodie Dietz voted YES

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 7-0

Meeting	Aug 12, 2024 - Regular Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Board of Education Room, 15020 Metcalf Avenue, Overland Park, KS 66223
Category	New Business
Subject	Approval of Intent to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate for the 2024-25 Budget.
Type	Action
Recommended Action	to approve the Publication of the Intent to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate for the 2024-25 School Year.

 Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate 2024-25.pdf (21 KB)

Motion & Voting

★ The Board of Education motioned to approve the Publication of the Intent to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate for the 2024-25 School Year.

Motion by Jan H Kessinger, second by Patrick Hurley.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jodie Dietz, Gina Knapp, Jim McMullen, Patrick Hurley, Jan H Kessinger, Sonya Evans, Clay Norkey

E. Approval of the 2024-25 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate.

Board President Gina Knapp stated the Building Needs Assessment and State Assessments Review was provided to and evaluated by the USD 229 Board of Education in determining the authority of the local option budget, cost of living, extraordinary growth, special liability, and capital outlay mill levies.

The Board of Education motioned to approve the 2024-25 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate, including the approval of a **3.33% Local Option Budget Resolution**.

Motion by Jan H Kessinger, second by Patrick Hurley.

Final Resolution: **Motion Carries 7-0**

Yea: Jodie Dietz, Gina Knapp, Jim McMullen, Patrick Hurley, Jan H Kessinger, Sonya Evans, Clay Norkey

(Source: Blue Valley Board of Education Meeting Minutes, Sep 9, 2024;

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ks/usd229/Board.nsf/Public>)

2025 Property Tax Increase Vote

Action(s):

Motion Carried:

The Board of Education motioned to approve the Resolution to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate for the 2025-26 Budget. The Board President conducted a roll-call vote. This motion, made by Jan Kessinger and seconded by Jodie Dietz, Carried.

- Kessinger: *Yea*
- Dietz: *Yea*
- Evans: *Yea*
- Hurley: *Yea*
- Knapp: *Yea*
- McMullen: *Nay*
- Norkey: *Yea*

A.3. Conduct the Hearing for the Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate for 2025-26.

Attachments: (1)

 Notice of Hearing 2025-2026 Budget

E. ACTION ITEMS.

Speaker(s):

E.1. Approval of the 2025-26 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate.

Attachments: (3)

 [Notice of Hearing 2025-2026 Budget](#)

 [LOB Resolution](#)

 [E.1. Agenda Item Summary for 2025-26 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate](#)

Action(s):

Motion Unseconded (As Amended):

I move that the Board of Education approve the 2025-26 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate, including the approval of the local option budget resolution. This motion, made by Patrick Hurley and seconded by Gina Knapp, Unseconded.

Amendment Carried (the Main Motion was Unseconded):

Amendment Carried (the Main Motion was Unseconded): I move that the Board of Education approve the 2025-26 Legal Maximum Budget and Estimated Tax Rate, including the approval of a 33% local option budget resolution. This motion, made by Patrick Hurley and seconded by Gina Knapp, Carried.

- Kessinger: *Yea*
- Dietz: *Yea*
- Evans: *Yea*
- Hurley: *Yea*
- Knapp: *Yea*
- McMullen: *Nay*
- Norkey: *Yea*

(Source: Blue Valley Board of Education Meeting Minutes, Sep 8, 2025

<https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Minutes/3307?meeting=703947>)

Stand up Blue Valley Defended TIF and Tax Incentives for Developers.



Stand Up Blue Valley

October 18, 2017 · 3

What's a TIF? How is it good for schools to give developers "tax breaks?" We think these are legitimate questions asked by voters who truly care. We aren't experts here, so we asked Mayor Carl Gerlach to help us explain. Here's what he said:

"Overland Park has been and must remain a competitive place to locate a business, so that we can offer good paying and high-quality jobs for our citizens, and so we can continue to re-develop areas of our city like 95th and Antioch. We are constantly reviewing our incentives to assure they are: a) required to level the playing field against local, regional and national competitors, b) only used when necessary as to close a real financial gap and maintain the highest development quality and c) all developments continue to pay at least the current tax levels. Cities must have tools to invest in public private partnerships or else concede job growth to other cities. Only a portion of the increment (the increased taxes created by the developer by investing millions of dollars into the City) is invested into the project. This strategy has been successful in the last 12 years while we have added over 23,600 new jobs and over \$1.1 Billion in capital investment while maintaining the lowest mill levy tax rate of any city in Johnson County. In a perfect world, we could eliminate all incentives nationwide and Overland Park would do well with its already low taxes, great public services, and quality of life. But if we unilaterally disarm, other cities in the region and nationally will be the winners and Overland Park will have lost its competitive edge.

One example that has 6 years of data to evaluate is Cherokee South (95th & Antioch) The developer invested \$21 million into the new shopping mall. That investment increased sales and property taxes so he earned an increment of \$1.3 million. But the City, School district, Community College, County and State received an increase of \$5.9 million over the 6 years. So the investment by the City is increasing the money going to the taxing jurisdictions and improving areas that need to be redeveloped. This redevelopment would not have happened without the public/private partnership. They would just go to a City who offered a partnership."

To summarize, the investment by the City reaped a net \$7.2 million in taxes over 6 years. It's easy to complain, as Charlotte O'Hara does, about giving developers "breaks," but when you see the big picture, you see that responsible governance is a win-win.

Defending High Property Taxes....

 Stand Up Blue Valley
July 21, 2016 · 🌐

SUBV commenter Kevin Senn had this to say about Jeff Melcher and his fixation on property tax rates:

"The amazing irony here is that people like Jeff Melcher have knowingly, voluntarily chosen to live in a high property tax, high govt service city like Leawood. There are plenty of low tax rate cities with minimal services and limited regulations to choose from in the metro. He CHOSE to live in Leawood with giant property taxes. He CHOSE to live somewhere that McDonald's freedom to build a giant Golden Arches sign is drastically restricted. He CHOSE to live in a place where virtually every subdivision monitors your paint color and must bless your basketball goal. I chose to live here as well. Because those things give me a pleasant place to live, the service I want, safe neighborhoods, reliable property values, world class schools, and streets not blemished with signs and billboards. I knew the taxes were high when I made that CHOICE. This is the free market at work. If you want to go somewhere with lower property taxes, GO. And you will get what you pay for. Jeff likes the benefits of Leawood, but he apparently thinks he can pay less and still get what he specifically CHOSE to move for KNOWING the cost up front. Got ideas to do the same thing more efficiently? The city council would love to hear them. Rather pay less and get less? Exercise your free market rights, vote with your feet, and CHOOSE to move."

Well put, Kevin. Blue Valley has a reputation for excellence, in large part due to our schools. People move here for the schools. Businesses move here for the schools. And voters need to pay attention to the real voting records of legislators, because incumbents are NOT supporting our schools, and then claiming to do so. Check their records for yourself at our voting hub: www.standupbluevalley.org

*Kevin did ask us to clarify that the above was not stolen from Michelle Obama 😊

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Opposing Tax Relief in SB 22 – Full Benefit of Federal Tax Cut

 Stand Up Blue Valley
March 2, 2019 · 🌐

What's a "postcard vote?"

Get ready - it won't be long before AFP postcards start filling our mailboxes.

"Representative Mickey Mouse voted against lowering your taxes!"

We've told you we oppose SB22, which is another tax experiment that lowers taxes for mostly corporations and wealthy individuals, while digging Kansas into another revenue hole - like the Brownback disaster. SB22 started as a corporate tax break, plain and simple. They had enough votes to pass it out of the Senate. (We thank Blue Valley Sen. John Skubal for voting NO.)

Then it went to the House Committee on Taxation, where legislators added an amendment to lower food sales tax. If they REALLY wanted to lower food sales tax, they could vote on that by itself - NOT bundle it with corporate tax breaks.

Now, those who vote "no" in the House will be accused of NOT voting to lower your food sales tax. If Governor Kelly vetoes it, she'll be accused of the same.

Legislators SHOULD reject SB22. Anyone who votes for it either is working for corporations and wealthy donors - NOT Kansas taxpayers, or has forgotten how the Brownback disaster happened.

But when they vote against it, be prepared for the deluge of misleading postcards. Who funds AFP (Americans for Prosperity)? Oh, that's right. NO ONE KNOWS. The dark-money organization probably funded by a handful of rich guys who don't want to pay taxes will try to mislead you into voting against responsible legislators. Don't be fooled.

KNEA: Backs huge tax hikes

The KNEA opposed comprehensive income tax relief, as well as eliminating the state tax on social security and groceries.

“Providing an income tax rate of 4.95% for individuals and decreasing the normal tax for corporations, increasing the income limit for the income tax subtraction modification for social security income and providing that all social security income qualifies for the subtraction modification commencing in tax year 2026, increasing the Kansas standard deduction for individuals and further increasing the standard deduction by a cost-of-living adjustment, discontinuing the food sales tax credit, decreasing the privilege tax surtax, establishing a 0% state rate for sales and use taxes for food and food ingredients on July 1, 2023, and increasing the extent of property tax exemption for residential property from the statewide school levy.”

*“Timothy Graham, Kansas National Education Association, testified as an opponent for **HB2457** stating changes in tax policy should not only consider the impact on the average Kansas citizen but also the impact on the Kansas budget. KNEA opposes any tax policy that would impact the stability of the state budget and/or prevent the constitutional funding of Kansas schools and create an imbalanced tax structure that unfairly burdens low-income families. (Attachment 10) Mr. Graham stood for questions from Committee members.”*

(Source: https://www.kslegislature.gov/li/b2023_24/measures/minutes/agenda_item_2023031540029946861)

The KNEA opposed a flat income tax and opposed pro-business tax-relief measures such as removing the 3% state surtax on corporations and cutting the surtax on banking and financial services by 50%.

KANSAS NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION / 715 SW 10TH AVENUE / TOPEKA, KANSAS 66612-1686

Timothy R. Graham
Director of Government Relations & Coalitions
Oral Testimony – Opponent
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee
Senate Bill 169
February 15, 2023

Chairperson Tyson, members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in opposition to SB 169.

KNEA believes that changes in tax policy should not only consider the impact on the average Kansas citizen but also the overall impact of the Kansas budget.

KNEA opposes any tax policy that would impact the stability of the state budget and/or prevent the constitutional funding of Kansas schools. We also oppose the creation of an imbalanced tax structure that unfairly burdens low-income Kansans.

Based on this, KNEA opposes this legislation on two grounds.

- Fairness
- Feasibility

Fairness

Senate Bill 169 essentially creates a flat tax system. In short, flat income tax proposals are regressive in nature and create a higher burden on the wage earner at the lower end of the spectrum. In the case of SB 169 an educator, or other wage earner, that has a minimum taxable income of \$15,001 would be subject to the same tax rate of a millionaire.

A similar bill on the House side removes the 3% state surtax on corporations making over \$50,000 yearly. The bill also cuts state surtax rates on banking and financial institutions by over 50%. We do appreciate that these provisions aren't included in this legislation, but we are extremely concerned that the process will yield a bill that includes them.

If this were to happen, One typical scenario that shows the irony and unfairness of this type of proposal is that educators, parents, and students, spend hundreds of thousands of Kansas dollars every year in preparation for the school year only to know that the yearly windfall that the wealthy corporations receive from this rush for supplies is taxed at the same level as the hard-earned wages of the consumers.

(Source: Letter from KNEA Opposing Tax Relief in SB 169:

https://www.kslegislature.gov/li/b2023_24/committees/ctte_s_assess_tax_1/documents/testimony/20230215_22.pdf)

AFL-CIO Supports Leftist Policies

AFL-CIO Statement Endorsing Medicare for All.

Our goal is to move toward a single-payer system, like Medicare for All, that provides universal coverage using a social insurance model, while retaining the critical role of workers' health plans. Any such system must guarantee everyone can get the health services they need without exclusions or financial barriers to care, and with access to high-quality doctors, hospitals and other health care providers; not diminish the hard-fought benefits union members have won for themselves and all working people; include long-term care for all; retain the Department of Veterans Affairs health care system as the primary direct provider of fully integrated care to veterans; provide multiemployer and other worker health plans the opportunity to administer core health benefits and to provide supplemental benefits, each on a fully tax-advantaged basis; and keep a strong federal role without shifting costs to states. We will support legislation, like Medicare for All, that guarantees health care as a human right through a single-payer system, which we will judge according to the above core values.

(Source: <https://aflcio.org/resolutions/resolution-8-we-want-healthy-lives-and-safe-workplaces>)

AFL-CIO favored the Biden student loan bailout.

"We call on the Biden administration to do its part to assist borrowers hampered by crippling debt. Organized labor was built on the foundation of creating a pathway to the middle class for everyone, but skyrocketing student loan debt has become an insurmountable obstacle to achieving this goal. The Biden administration's decision to continue to pause student debt has made a tremendous difference in the lives of so many borrowers, but these borrowers still live with the uncertainty of not knowing when they will need to drastically alter their finances in order to begin repaying their loans. After all that we have endured in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, we cannot ask working people to make further sacrifices. Now is the time to cancel, not collect, student debt."

(Source: <https://aflcio.org/press/releases/afl-cio-calls-student-loan-forgiveness>)

AFL-CIO favored giving amnesty to illegal aliens.

"America's unions laud House passage of the American Dream and Promise Act, and urge lawmakers to use it as a catalyst for broader immigration reforms that are long overdue. The Senate must now step up and take action to provide a well-earned path to citizenship to

working people who help to build, feed, serve, educate and care for our nation. Throughout the country, working people of all backgrounds are organizing and winning. We will continue to mobilize to support legislation like the Dream and Promise Act that uplifts workers’ rights and protects our right to organize.”

(Source: <https://aflcio.org/press/releases/immigrant-rights-areworkers-rights>)

China

Bryan Mouber is the treasurer of Crowntec USA, which is his wife’s company

1. YOUR PLACE(S) OF EMPLOYMENT OR OTHER BUSINESS IN THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR. IF SAME AS SECTION "B", CHECK HERE ☐

If you have nothing to report in Section "E"1, check here ☐

NAME OF BUSINESS	ADDRESS	TYPE OF BUSINESS
Wallace Saunders, Chtd	10111 W. 87th Street, Overland Park, Kansas, 66212	Law firm

2. SPOUSE'S PLACE(S) OF EMPLOYMENT OR OTHER BUSINESS IN THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR.

If you have nothing to report in Section "E"2, check here ☐

NAME OF BUSINESS	ADDRESS	TYPE OF BUSINESS
Sportsgear Outdoor Products	10817 Renner Blvd Lenexa, KS 66219	Sports optics equipment company
Crowntec USA	6204 W 146th St, Overland Park, KS 66223	Recreational sports equipment company

F. OFFICER OR DIRECTOR OF AN ORGANIZATION OR BUSINESS:

List any organization or business in which you or your spouse hold a position of officer, director, associate, partner or proprietor at the time of filing, irrespective of the amount of compensation received for holding such position. Please insert additional page if necessary to complete this section.

If you have nothing to report in Section F, check here ☐

BUSINESS NAME AND ADDRESS	POSITION HELD	HELD BY WHOM
Crowntec USA 6204 w 146th St. Overland Park, KS 66223	Treasurer	Spouse

G. RECEIPT OF FEES AND COMMISSIONS:

List each client or customer who pays fees or commissions to a business or combination of businesses from which fees or commissions you or your spouse received an aggregate of \$2,000 or more in the preceding calendar year. The phrase "client or customer" relates only to businesses or combination of businesses. It does not include a partner's proportionate share of the business, and hence of the fee, which is significant, without regard to expenses of the partnership. An individual who receives a salary as opposed to portions of fees or commissions is generally not required to report under this provision. Please insert additional page if necessary to complete this section.

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NAME OF CLIENT / CUSTOMER	ADDRESS	RECEIVED BY

H. DECLARATION: I declare that this statement of substantial interests (including any accompanying pages and statements) has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete statement of all of my substantial interests and other matters required by law. I understand this statement as required by law or intentionally filing a false statement is a class B misdemeanor.

Date Electronically Filed: 6/10/2026 11:00:43 AM
Name of Person Making Statement: Bryan E Mouber

Crowntec USA has links to Shanghai, China and the shipping of goods manufactured in China and imported into the USA.

Overview: Crowntec USA LLC is a U.S.-registered import/trading company operating out of a residential address in Overland Park, KS (6204 West 146th St). It has no independent website, LinkedIn presence, or public marketing footprint — its entire visible business activity consists of 27 ocean freight shipments recorded since June 2020 (through Mar 2025), all sourcing outdoor toys (primarily trampolines) from China and reselling to a small handful of U.S. retail customers.

China link: 81% of all shipments (22 of 27) originate from Shanghai, China, with the remaining 19% from Pusan, South Korea — no other origin countries appear in five-plus years of records. Every China-origin shipment lists Shanghai as the sole port of lading, indicating one consistent manufacturing/export hub rather than a diversified sourcing base. Cargo is uniformly outdoor toys — round trampolines, trampoline enclosures, and an "Aqua Play Park Swing" — under HS heading 9506.91 (exercise/sporting equipment). The Chinese-side "shipper of record" is not separately named in this data (bills of lading list Crowntec as consignee), but the relationship-mapping view surfaces several Asia-based toy suppliers tied to the same U.S. customers — Marigold Enterprises, Kamal, Bestway Hong Kong International, Spin Master Toys Far East, Jiaolu Textile Nantong, and Xiamen Sunshine BLP. These are vendors used by Blst Northstar and Bluestem Brands more broadly (not confirmed as Crowntec’s own factory), but they indicate Crowntec operates within a small ecosystem of Chinese/Hong Kong toy manufacturers and trading houses that supply the same category of U.S. importers — consistent with a sourcing agent working one or two factory relationships in the Shanghai toy-manufacturing cluster rather than a diversified multinational supply chain.

Crowntec Usa's Total Sea Shipments Over Time ▲ JPN ▼

Organize bars by: **Monthly** ▾ Showing data from Jun 2020 ▾ to Sep 2026 ▾ View data for the past: **Customers** ▾
Monthly Shipments

Month	Shipments
Jun 2020	1
Jul 2020	2
Aug 2020	2
Sep 2020	2
Oct 2020	0
Nov 2020	0
Dec 2020	0
Jan 2021	0
Feb 2021	0
Mar 2021	0
Apr 2021	0
May 2021	0
Jun 2021	2
Jul 2021	2
Aug 2021	2
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Crowntec Usa's Top 10 Relationships

Vendor Top Companies (excluding Crowntec Usa)

Crowntec Usa

Stut Northstar

Bluestem Brands

Merigold Enterprises

Just Play Hk

Kamal

Bestway Hong Kong International

Spin Master Toys Far East

Merigold Enterprises

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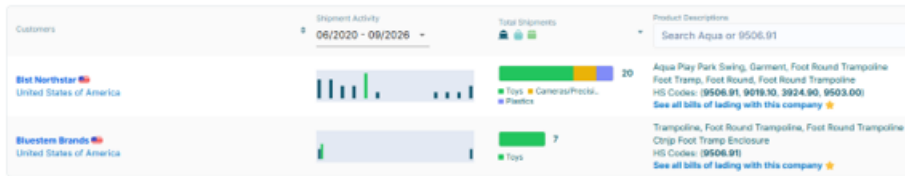
Kamal

Jaslu Textile Nantong

Xiamen Sunshine Btp

Top 10 relationships (customers & their other vendors)

Crowntec Usa's Customers ▲ CNY ▼



Cost Structure



Crowntec Usa's Annual Exporting Frequency ▲ JPN ▼



Customers & cost structure

Breakdown of Crowntec Usa's Exports Per Country ▲ JPN ▼



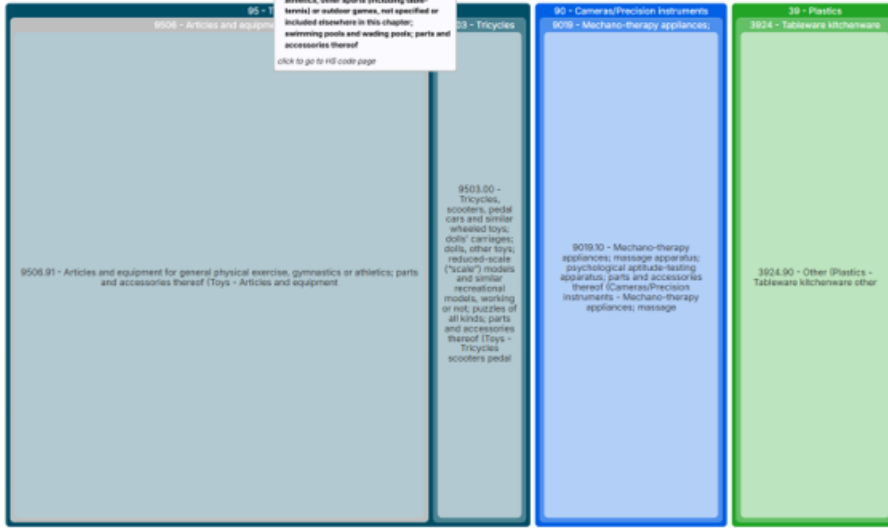
Exports per country (100% Asia origin)

(Source: ImportYeti / ImportGenius Websites, (U.S. Customs & Border Protection bill-of-lading records);
<https://www.importgenius.com/suppliers/crowntec-usa-llc> &
<https://www.importyeti.com/supplier/crowntec-usa>)

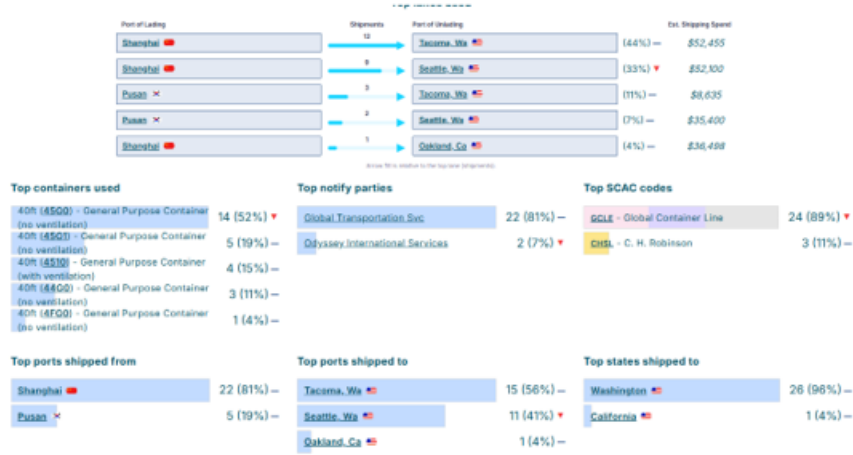
Crowntec Usa's Product Breakdown

HS codes are highly inaccurate. Find out Why →

Code: 9506
Chapter: 9501 - Toys
Heading: 95061 - Articles and equipment for general physical exercise, gymnastics, athletics, other sports (including table-tennis) or outdoor games, not specified or included elsewhere in this chapter; swimming pools and wading pools; parts and accessories thereof
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Product / HS code breakdown



Shipments Breakdown by Bill Type



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