SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FAMILY DIVISION DOMESTIC RELATIONS BRANCH

SABU WATERS : Case No. 2017 DRB 003772

Plaintiff

v.

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KEWA JACKSON : Judge Julie H. Becker

& :

CREVONTE PROCTOR :

Defendants :

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO SERVE BY POSTING

This matter comes before the Court on plaintiff Sabu Waters's Motion to Serve by Publication or Posting, filed August 9, 2022. In his motion, Mr. Waters seeks to serve defendant Kewa Jackson by posting.

Before an order allowing service by publication or posting may be issued, Mr. Waters must demonstrate that he made a diligent but futile effort to locate Ms. Jackson, and must furnish the Court with the following:

(1) the time and place at which the parties last resided together; (2) the last time the parties were in contact with each other; (3) the name and address of the last employer of the Defendant either during the time the parties resided together or at a later time if known to the Plaintiff; (4) the names and addresses of those relatives known to be close to the Defendant; and (5) any other information which could furnish a fruitful basis for further inquiry by one truly bent on learning the present whereabouts of the Defendant. From such basic information, the Plaintiff should then detail for the Court the particular efforts which have been made in the effort to ascertain the Defendant's present address.

Bearstop v. Bearstop, 377 A.2d 405, 408 (D.C. 1977).

In this case, the Court finds that Mr. Waters has performed a diligent search for Ms. Jackson. Mr. Waters represents that he does not know Ms. Jackson's current home address or telephone number, that he last had contact with her on February 11, 2022 at his home, 1035 4th

Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001. The parties last lived together on or about September 1, 1994 at 1654 Gales Street NE, Washington, DC 20015. Mr. Waters has no other addresses for Ms. Jackson.¹

Mr. Waters has never had a telephone number for Ms. Jackson. He called "411" to find Ms. Jackson's current phone number on July 22, 2022. No one picked up when Mr. Waters called that number and the voicemail message box was full. Mr. Waters has no other phone numbers for Ms. Jackson.

Prior to filing the Motion to Serve by Publication or Posting, Mr. Waters conducted a search of the Bureau of Prisons, the D.C. Jail, the D.C. Correctional Treatment Facility, and the U.S. Parole Commission, which resulted in no record of Ms. Jackson. Mr. Waters also ran a Service Members Civil Relief Act web search online and confirmed Ms. Jackson is not a current member of any branch of the military.

Based on the foregoing, the Court finds that Mr. Waters has made diligent efforts to locate Ms. Jackson. In addition, the Court finds that the Mr. Waters has demonstrated that publication pursuant to SCR-Dom. Rel. Rule 4(f) would impose a substantial financial hardship. *See* D.C. Code § 13-340(a). Therefore, the Court authorizes service by posting of the below notice for a period of twenty-one days in the Clerk's office of the Family Division.

Accordingly, based on the record of this case, it is this 25th day of August, 2022, hereby

ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion to Serve by Publication or Posting is GRANTED. It
is further

ORDERED that the attached notice shall be posted in the Clerk's Office of the Family

The Court notes that it has a different address for Ms. Jackson, 5615 Eads Street NE, Washington, DC 20019. The Court's previous Order Concerning Service, issued August 3, 2022, was returned from that address to the Court on August 17, 2022.

Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and on its website for a period of twentyone calendar days in order to serve Defendant Kewa Jackson and notify her of the present action in which she is a party. It is further

ORDERED that parties shall appear in person for a status hearing on October 12, 2022 at 9:45am in Courtroom 101 (500 Indiana Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001). This will be your only notice. You will not receive a reminder by email. Failure to appear may result in issuance of a default, a dismissal, or sanctions. It is further

ORDERED that if Ms. Jackson does not file a response to the motion within fourteen (14) days of receiving notice from posting pursuant to SCR-Dom. Rel. Rule 12(a), the Court will treat Mr. Waters's motion as unopposed.

Julie H. Becker Associate Judge

Copies to:

Sabu Waters Sabu.waters@yahoo.com Plaintiff

Kewa Jackson 5615 Eads Street NE Washington, DC 20019 Defendant

Crevonte Proctor 1355 New York Ave NE Washington, DC 20019 Defendant

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NOTICE OF THIRD-PARTY CUSTODY PROCEEDING

KEWA JACKSON, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT a motion to modify the custody of the children Crevonte Renee Proctor Jr. (DOB: 10/29/2007) and Kaire Shiadee Proctor (DOB: 12/6/2012) has been filed in the above-captioned matter.

IF YOU WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS PETITION, you must file a written objection with the Court within fourteen (14) days of receiving notice and prior to the hearing scheduled for October 12, 2022 at 9:45am in Courtroom 101 (500 Indiana Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001). If you do not file a written objection within fourteen (14) days of receiving notice, the Court will treat the motion as unopposed by you. Your objection should be directed to the Domestic Relations Branch Clerk, Family Court, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 500 Indiana Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20001.

IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS PETITION, you may consent to the relief sought prior to the hearing scheduled for October 12, 2022 at 9:45am. For more information on how to do so, please contact the Self-Help Center, phone number (202) 879-0096 and located at JM-570, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 500 Indiana Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20001.

FAILURE TO RESPOND IN THIS MATTER MAY RESULT IN THE ENTRANCE OF A PERMANENT CUSTODY ORDER WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION.