

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: **December 19, 2020**

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: October 19, 2020

THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY IS BEING HELD PENDING FORFEITURE:

**\$291 Dollars in U.S. Currency** seized by Tulalip Tribal Police from Keith Lemmon on September 29, 2020 at 3300 block of 33<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**2000 Honda Accord VIN# 1HGCG165XYA016750** seized by Tulalip Tribal Police from Keith Lemmon (driver) and Melissa Miller (registered owner) on September 29, 2020 at 3300 block of 33<sup>rd</sup> 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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**IN THE TULALIP TRIBAL COURT  
FOR THE TULALIP INDIAN RESERVATION  
TULALIP, WASHINGTON**

IN REM THE FORFEITURE OF:

2000 HONDA ACCORD  
VIN #1HGCG165XYA016750

NO. TUL-CV-FO-2020- *0679*

**SUMMONS RE SEIZED PROPERTY**

TPD Incident No. 20-2429  
Primary Officer J. Wilcox

**(Clerk's Action Required)**

TO: Keith Lemmon  
11631 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE  
Marysville, WA 98271

Melissa Miller  
4521 80<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Apt. 7  
Marysville, WA 98270

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-  
2 31<sup>st</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

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NO. TUL-CV-FO-2020- 0679

**PETITION FOR FORFEITURE OF  
SEIZED PROPERTY**

TPD Incident No. 20-2429  
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 #20-2429, which is on file with the Tulalip Tribal Court under this cause number, on or about the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020, Tulalip Tribal Police (TPD) seized a 2000 Honda Accord & VIN #1HGCG165XYA016750 from Keith Lemmon (driver) and Melissa Miller (registered owner) in the vicinity of 3300 block of 33<sup>rd</sup> 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**

Keith Lemmon, driver, from whom the subject property was seized, the registered owner of the vehicle, Melissa Miller, are the only people who the Tribes knows or has reason to believe has or may asset a claim to the subject property. Keith Lemmon is believed to reside at 11631 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Marysville, Washington 98271 (Police Report). Melissa Miller is believed to reside at 4521 80<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Marysville, Washington 98270 (Police Report).

**IV. CONCLUSION**

Based upon the foregoing, the Tribes requests the Clerk of the Court issue a Summons to have Keith Lemmon 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

TULALIP TRIBES  
Office of the Reservation Attorney

/s/ Michelle Sheldon  
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ORA Reservation Attorney