

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of:

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Rick T. Murphy
(Your Full Name) COMPLAINTANT

VS.

OHIO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
(Name of Utility) DEFENDANT

COMPLAINT

The complaint of Rick T. Murphy respectfully shows:
(Your Full Name)

(a) Rick T. Murphy
(Your Full Name)
10361 McIntyre Road West, Owensboro, KY 42301
(Your Address)
[REDACTED]
(Your Email Address)

(b) OHIO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
(Name of Utility)
124 E. Washington St. HARTFORD, KY 42347
(Address of Utility)

(c) That: DAMAGE TO THE FRONT YARD area OF;
(Describe here, attaching additional sheets if necessary, the specific act, fully and clearly,
579 MARVIN'S Chapel Road, HARTFORD, KY 42347
or facts that are the reason and basis for the complaint.)
(See ATTACHED LETTER)

Heirs of Murphy Estate vs. Ohio County Water District

Refer to Pictures.

Wherefore, complainant asks

Repairs to Front Yard

(Specifically state the relief desired.)

A. OCWD SHALL HIRE A LICENSED, BONDED LANDSCAPE COMPANY.

B. OCWD SHALL HIRE A LICENSED, BONDED CONCRETE CONTRACTOR
TO REPLACE SIDEWALK.

C. TO FILL IN LARGE HOLE AT MAILBOX.

D. REPAIR AND RESET WATER METER BOXES IN FRONT YARD

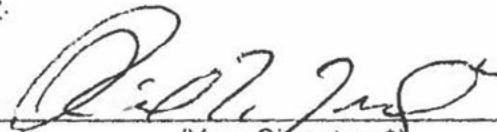
Dated at Owensboro Kentucky, this 14 day of

(Your City)

JULY

(Month)

, 2026.



(Your Signature)

(Name and Address of Attorney, if any)

7/14/2026

Date

5/11/2026

Rick Murphy
10361 McIntyre Road
Owensboro, KY 42301

This letter is about a homeowner's yard owned by my two sisters and I that was intentionally destroyed by the Ohio County Water District distribution crew discovered on August ninth, 2025 by the owners of the property. I reported this to the Ohio County Sheriff's Office on said date. They dispatched Deputy Kelsey Embry to investigate the destruction. I ask her if her body cam was on. She replied yes, so I narrated the areas of damage as we walked along investigating the scene. I must state for the record Deputy Embry was polite, and very professional.

We placed several calls to the water district over the course of three years informing them of a water leak in the county ditch Infront of the property located at 579 Marvins Chapel Road, Ohio County, Kentucky. Over the course of 3 years, I torn up two lawnmower decks due to the flooded ditch. I have taken care of the property since the passing of my father in 1995,

I placed a call to the OCWD on 8/11/2025, and was routed to a Chad Smith. He said, he would come back and level the damaged yard area, fill in the huge hole if front of the mailbox, scatter grass seed, place straw over the grass seed, and fill in depression areas left by the heavy equipment in the front yard, He also stated the sidewalk would be replaced by the Ohio County Water District due to heavy equipment breaking the concrete joints and leaving deep scar marks in the concrete. That concrete sidewalk was built in 1936 and was in excellent condition until the OCWD tore it up. Over the course of the next two months September and October the OCWD returned and scattered grass seed on half of the damaged area, on a rutted-out yard. Only half the damaged areas had straw cover.

The front yard was once again damaged by OCWD as discovered on 11/9/2025. I placed a call to Chad Smith trying to find out why the yard was once again destroyed by OCWD heavy equipment when the ground was muddy. He had no answer other than he had to do it. I told him and the OCWD to stay out of the yard, as he just keeps tearing up the ground. Pictures will draw out the damage done.

The following is a list of demands from our families.

- A. Ohio County Water District shall hire a landscape company that is licensed, Insured and bonded to make repairs to all damaged areas caused by OCWD
- B. Ohio County Water District shall hire a concrete contractor that is licensed, bonded and insured to replace the concrete sidewalk from elevation change in the front yard to the mail box.
- C. The huge hole in the ditch at the mailbox shall be included in these repairs.
- D. Repair and reset meter boxes and check for water leaks as the OCWD heavy equipment traveled over the home owners water line several times leaving deep tire trenches.

Items A, B, C and D shall be paid for by the Ohio County Water District.

My Bon-a-fides are as follows: Hold Kentucky Class 4 licenses in water, wastewater treatment and distribution. Completed course work from two universities. Completed 4-year Robotic Engineering Degree from NRI. Licensed Wastewater Microbiologist Analyst from Moorehead University instructed by Dr. Ted Pass. Licensed Plumber and held Kentucky Licensed Electrical Contractor. I have overseen construction of multimillion dollar projects including the 22-million-dollar Cavin Water Treatment Plant

in Owensboro, KY. I have worked beside some of the best engineering companies in the world including Black and Veach Engineering and H.K. Bell engineering company. I have served with two volunteer fire departments including served on a city police department. Honorable discharge from the US Navy. Awarded Kentucky Colonel. To date I have 48 years' experience in the environmental field.

Our families are deeply saddened by these tragic events imposed on us by the Ohio County Water District. The sale of the home and property has been delayed due to the destruction left by the OCWD.

I received an employment application letter from the Ohio County Water District on August 18, 2025. I met with Mr. Hickman at his invitation to tour the water plant on 8/28/2025. I encountered several points of interest that needed to be addressed. Mr. Hickman stated he would call me back with employment information. That was 256 days ago, and **no mail has been delivered to that mailbox due to the destruction made by the OCWD.** With the unprofessional conduct making a simple water line repair, and failure to keep his word on employment with a return phone call speaks volumes on the lack of leadership in the operation of the OCWD. I respectfully ask the OCWD board to tear up my application. We ask for an immediate response to this letter. If not, a legal action will be instigated.

Sincerely,

Rick Murphy

Cc: OCWD Board

O.C. Judge Executive

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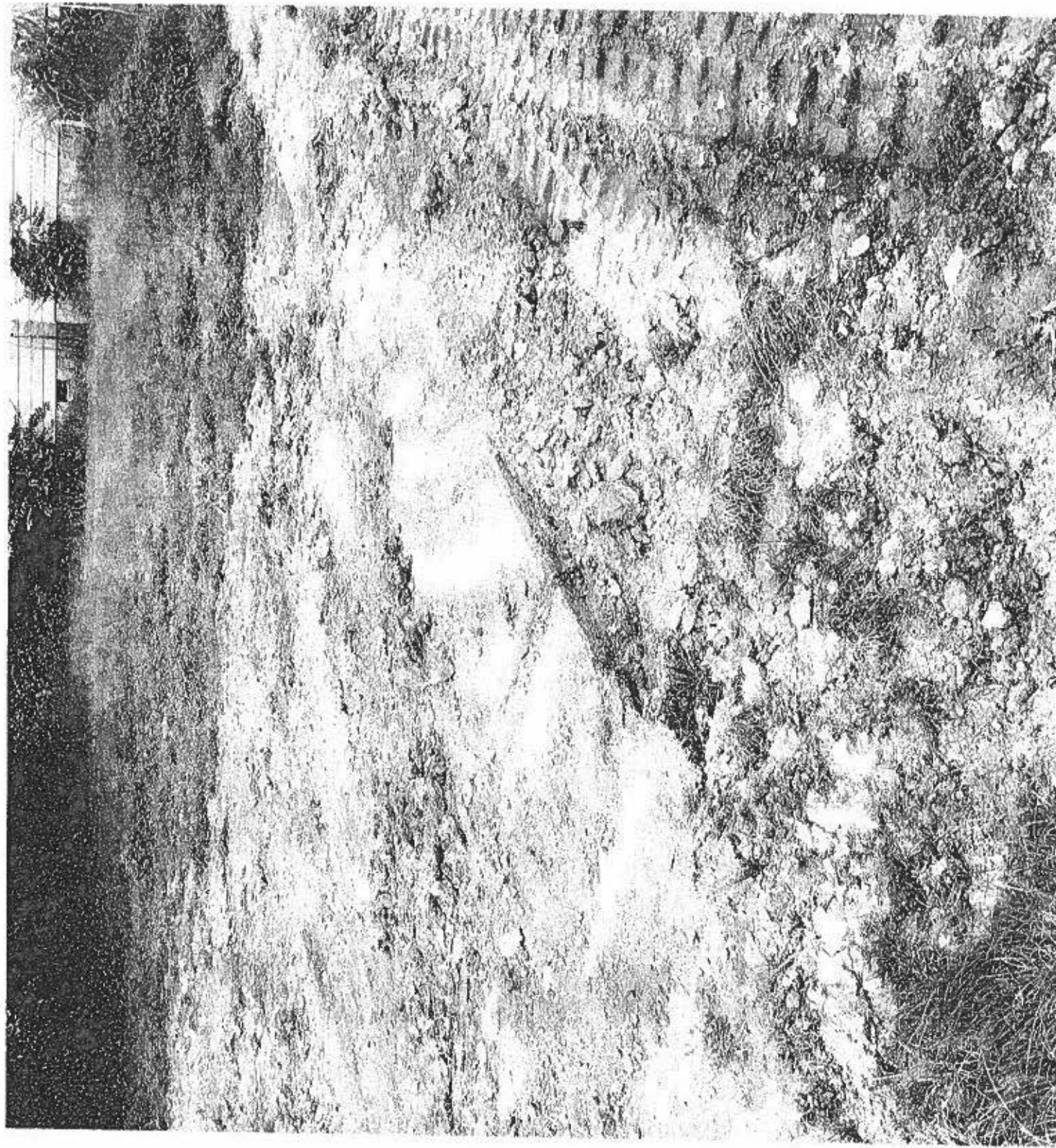




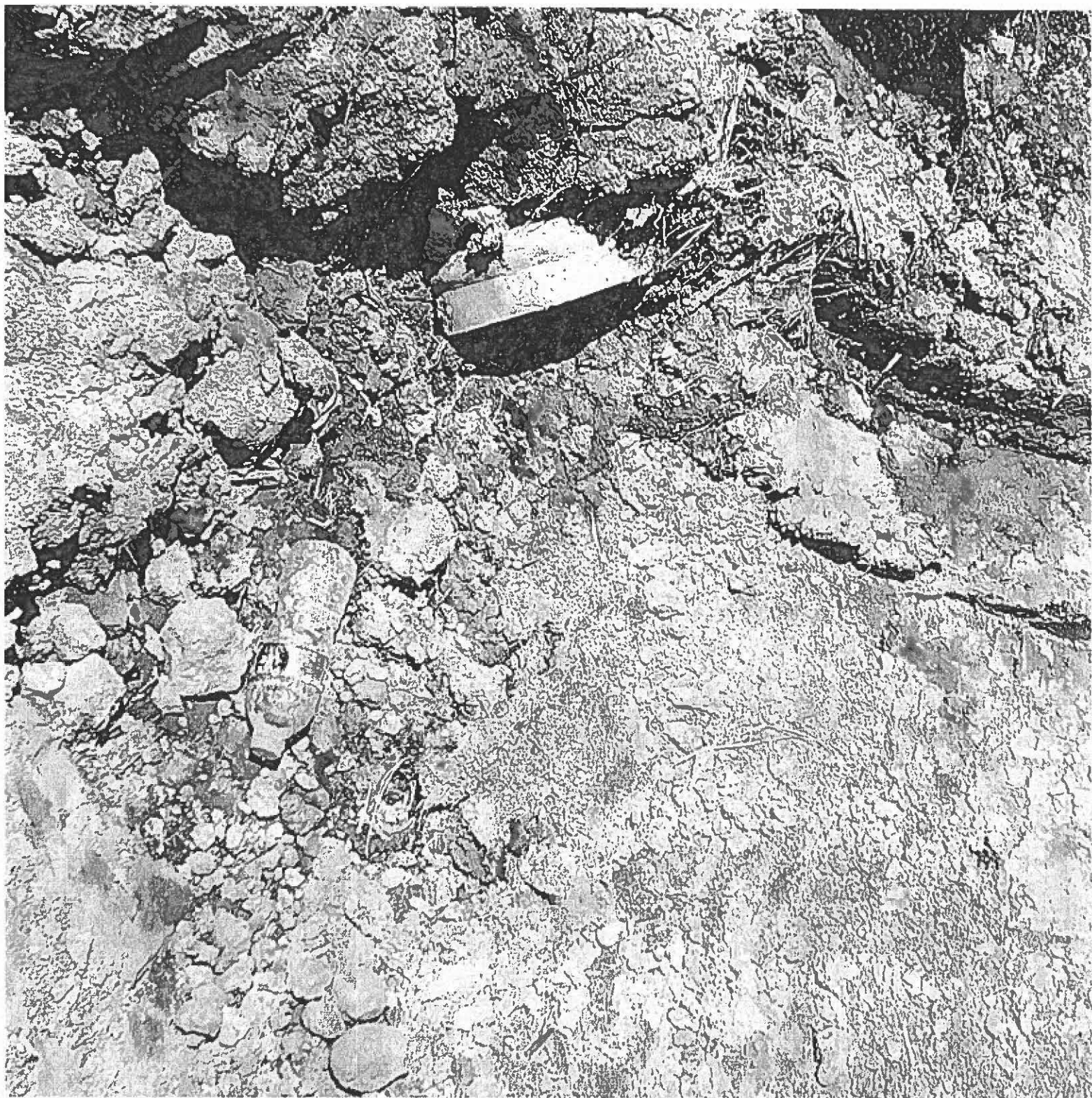


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— 11 survivors among 104V evacuated PI UCWV crew
Discovered on 8/19/2025



DAMAGED METER BOX AREA DAMAGE BY O.C.W.V.
PICTURES TAKEN 8/9/2025



217 MARVINS CHAPEL ROAD, HARTFORD, KY 8122



579 MARVIN'S CHAPEL ROAD DEVASTATED YARD LEFT
BY OHIO COUNTY WATER DEPARTMENT DISCOVERED ON 8/9/2025.
NO MAIL DELIVERED SINCE AUGUST, 2025 EST.