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Trump told to pay \$355m in civil case

Judge cites 'lack of contrition,' also bars him from leading New York companies

By Jonah E. Bromwich and Ben Protess

NEW YORK TIMES NEW YORK - A New York judge Friday handed Donald Trump a crushing defeat in his civil fraud case, finding the former president liable for conspiring to manipulate his net worth and ordering him to pay a penalty of nearly \$355 million plus interest that could wipe out his entire stockpile of cash.

The decision by Justice Arthur Engoron caps a chaotic, years-long case in which New York's attorney general put Trump's fantastical

claims of wealth on trial. With no jury, the power was in Engoron's hands alone, and he came down

► A hearing continued on the actions of the DA pursuing the Georgia case against Trump. A7.

hard: The judge delivered a sweeping array of punishments that threatens the former president's business empire as he simultaneously contends with four criminal prosecutions and seeks to regain the White House.

Engoron banned Trump for three years from serving in top roles at any New York company, including portions of his own Trump Organization. He also imposed a two-year ban on the former president's adult sons and ordered that they pay more than \$4 million each.

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Sheila Coon, owner of Hot Oven Cookies, laughed with a customer in her Springfield shop. Below, she had pizza with her family.

A tale of sweet startup success

Formerly homeless mom of seven wants to help others with same dreams



'It's way more than just a cookie thing.'

SHEILA COON, owner of Hot Oven Cookies

By Brooke Hauser GLOBE STAFF

SPRINGFIELD — When owner Sheila Coon is behind the counter of Hot Oven Cookies on Parker Street, people like to stay a while. She treats newcomers like loyal customers and loyal customers like old friends, catching up on their lives in between filling orders or listening to their own ideas for cookie recipes. On a recent afternoon, Melissa Sanchez was telling Coon about her "junk cookie" with potato chips. "Bring one in," Coon told her.

More often than not, Coon, 50, also has company behind the counter working alongside one or more of her seven kids, who range in age from 14 to 34. She calls them by number, as in, "No. 5 manages Springfield. Nos. 6 and 7 are minors and run the counter and work in the back," and so on. From the start, her goal was to open seven stores — one for each kid to call their own. She's on her way with two new stores (the other is in Chicopee) and a popular cookie-catering trailer.

Her regulars have followed her professional trials — multiple relocations due to no heat, stifling heat, harassment, a caving ceiling at one shop, a break-in at another — and cheered her triumphs

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In the mix

Saturday: Clouds early. High: 34-39. Low: 21-26. Sunday: Clouds and sun. High: 34-39. Low: 28-33. Sunrise: 6:39 Sunset: 5:18 Comics and Weather. **D4-5.**

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Prosecutors dropped a domestic violence case against Boston Bruin Milan Lucic after his wife invoked her marital privilege and declined to testify against him. C1.

A top Republican lawmaker said she is issuing subpoenas to Harvard University, demanding a wide range of documents related to how administrators have responded to reports of resurgent campus antisemitism. B1.

A jury found Emanuel Lopes guilty of murdering a Weymouth police sergeant and a 77-year-old woman in 2018.

Fidelity Investments and Deutsche Bank AG announced new return-to-office policies for their employees in Boston and elsewhere. D1.

Long lines, locked-up shampoo have CVS customers seething

COMMENTARY

By Beth Teitell GLOBE STAFF

Bostonians love, nay, need, a villain, some entity to absorb our freefloating anger. The enemy can be cen-

tral to our lives or blessedly insignificant, but no matter, we're never as united as when we've got a righteous out-

rage going. Against the

MBTA. Or the group that was trying to foist the 2024 Summer Olympics on us. Roger Goodell for

suspending Tom Brady (oh, to have that problem again). The killjoys who fenced off the

Cop Slide after dusk on City Hall Plaza.

And now, CVS.

Or, in the words of a Reddit post: basically the new Registry of Motor Vehicles.

"I have been in line today for over

an hour and a half and I am still being told it will be another hour-long wait for an urgent antibiotic," a disgruntled Redditor wrote after a trip to the Coolidge Corner store (which, as locals know, has been thrust into a deeper circle of heck since the closing of a near-

by store).

CVS, how do we hate thee? Let us CVS, Page A10

Russian opposition leader dies in prison

Biden, others point finger at Putin for the death of Navalny, his longtime foe

> By Valerie Hopkins and Andrew E. Kramer NEW YORK TIMES

Alexei Navalny, an anticorruption activist who for more than a decade led the political opposition in President Vladimir Putin's Russia while enduring arrests, assaults, and a near-fatal poisoning, died Friday in a Russian prison, according to Russia's Federal Penitentiary Service. He was 47.

Prison authorities said Navalny lost consciousness Friday after taking a walk in the Arctic penal colony where he was moved late last year. He was last seen Thursday, when he had appeared in a court hearing via video link, smiling behind the bars of a cell and making jokes.

Soon after his death was announced, Navalny's wife, Yulia Navalnaya, made a dramatic appearance before a gathering of world leaders in Munich, delivering an unflinching condemnation of

"I don't know whether to believe the news or not, the awful news that we receive only from government sources in Russia," she told the high-powered audience, which hung on her every word. "But if this is true," she continued, "I want Putin and everyone around him, Putin's friends, his government, to know that they will bear responsibility for what they have done to our country, to my family, and to my husband," she said. "And this day will come very soon."

President Biden, too, placed responsibility for **NAVALNY, Page A5**



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A photo of Alexei Navalny was surrounded by candles and flowers outside of the Russian Embassy in Riga, Latvia, on Friday.

Biden takes several paths on debt relief

Welcomed by borrowers and blasted by critics, new plans miss early promise

> By Jim Puzzanghera GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON - Roman Stadtler had lugged his student loan debt around so long - the interest more than doubling what he first owed in 1997 to \$24,000 last year — that he couldn't imagine President Biden's initiatives to help struggling borrowers would ever lift his financial burden.

"All along I was thinking, 'This isn't going to work. Nothing's going to happen.' I was pretty discouraged," said the 55-year-old museum worker from Bellingham, Wash., who sought help from two federal debt relief programs. "But then I got the emails that said it's all been forgiven."

Stadtler is among more than 3.7 million borrowers who've had a total of about \$137 billion in student debt canceled during the Biden administration. While that's significant and growing, it falls far short of the estimated 43 million people who would have received about \$400 billion in student loan debt relief under a Biden plan that was struck down by the Supreme Court last year.

The ruling derailed Biden's campaign promise to cancel at least \$10,000 in student debt for lowincome and middle-class borrowers. But leading advocates of that relief — including Massachusetts Democrats Senator Elizabeth Warren and Representative Ayanna Pressley — give Biden credit for

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