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## Newton says he is arranging to pay campaign debts

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DADE CITY — Former circuit clerk Miller Newton told the Pasco Times late Wednesday that he is "making arrangements" to pay outstanding campaign debts and said he was "surprised" that two creditors had filed suit against

Newton was sued Wednesday by New Port Richey lawyer David Anderson, who represented him in a lawsuit against JoAnn Saunders during Newton's unsuccessful campaign for the Democratic nomination for the 5th Congressional District seat.

"I'M SURPRISED that they jumped so soon," said Newton, contacted at his Tampa Downs home. "We have plans to pay all of the campaign debts, and I thought they were aware of that. I assure you there won't have to be hearings or trials on either suit."

Newton also has been sued by Ray Guiliani of Guiliani Office Sunnlies.

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Anderson is seeking the balance of a \$2,729 bill for legal services arising from Newton's attempt to have Mrs. Saunders' name stricken from the ballot for failing to file a state financial-disclosure statement within the proper time limit. He said in his suit that Newton paid him \$850 on the bill but refused to pay the balance.

GUILIANI IS seeking payment of a \$45.44 officesupply bill.

Newton's campaign was run on a bare-bones budget, with flurries of fund-raising activity frequently sparked by incoming bills and payment deadlines.

Newton said Thursday he is "working on a couple of consulting gigs" and currently is employed by Gary Smith Associates of Tampa.

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