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## Slain professor feared for his life

UC Berkeley instructor sought restraining order in custody fight, told of earlier attacks

By St. John BARNED-SMITH and MARGAUX BAUERLEIN

Two months before Przemyslaw Jeziorski was shot to death in Greece outside his ex-wife's home, the UC Berkeley professor sought a restraining order against her, saying he feared for

his life.

Jeziorski, 43, sought the court order amid a child custody and property battle with ex-wife Nadia Michelidaki, 43, accusing her of threats and extortion attempts, and her boyfriend of assaulting him twice during visits to her suburban Athens home to

see his children.

The request for the restraining order, filed in Alameda County Superior Court in May, detailed increasingly hostile behavior from Jeziorski's ex-wife and her boyfriend that made Jeziorski worry about what more they might do to him.

Jeziorski was killed on July 4 as he was walking to Michelidaki's home to see his children. Earlier this week, Greek police

arrested Michelidaki, her partner and three others, charging them with Jeziorski's killing.

Michelidaki's attorneys have not responded to requests for comment. She denied involvement in the killing, according to Greek news outlets.

Jeziorski and Michelidaki married in 2014. Jeziorski filed for divorce in fall 2021, citing irreconcilable differences, and their marriage was dissolved in

2024, although bitter divorce proceedings continued as the couple fought over child custody and shared property. Jeziorski and Michelidaki negotiated an agreement where Jeziorski could take his children on vacation in July every year.

In the 12-page restraining order request, Jeziorski accused Michelidaki of a raft of abusive behavior, such as sabotaging

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A U.S. Coast Guard motor lifeboat carries a delegation with Attorney General Pam Bondi and Interior Secretary Doug Burgum early Thursday to visit Alcatraz Island in San Francisco for a tour of the facility.

## Trump team visits S.F. to scout out Alcatraz

Feds face torrent of skepticism over plan to reopen prison on decaying site

By Anna Bauman, Jessica Flores, Joe Garofoli and Tom Li

Beating the usual rush of tourists, the U.S. attorney general and interior secretary traveled early Thursday to Alcatraz, where they claimed to be starting work on an improbable plan to reopen the prison on the San Francisco Bay island, in what appeared to be a publicity stunt designed to portray President Donald Trump as tough on crime while antagonizing a famously liberal city.

Attorney General Pam Bondi and Interior Secretary Doug Burgum posted photos on social media showing their tour



Bondi and Burgum visit the former prison — now a popular tourist attraction and national park — as part of a plan to reopen it under the Trump administration.

of the former maximum security prison, now a popular tourist attraction and national park, with a Fox News correspondent Thursday morning. Burgum said the visit was an effort “to start the work to renovate and reopen the site to house the most dangerous criminals and illegals.”

“This administration is restoring safety, justice, and order to our streets,” Burgum wrote on X, adding that his agency and the Justice Department were “following a directive” by Trump “to help lead that mission.”

During a private tour of the crumbling former prison, officials told Fox News they were

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## Slower rise seen in S.F. property values

By Kathleen Pender

San Francisco's assessment roll — the combined assessed value of land, structures and business property that is subject to property tax — grew an anemic 1.8%, to an estimated \$353.5 billion, this year, due in part to falling values for office buildings, hotels and some multifamily housing and a deluge of appeals from property owners seeking to lower their tax bills.

San Francisco's growth rate was by far the lowest for any Bay Area county. It was down from a sluggish 2.2% last year and the lowest

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## Man's ICE arrest has pregnant wife in fear

By Anna Bauman

Rachel Leidig, a 36-year-old makeup artist and Bay Area resident, was at work last Friday when she got a call from an unfamiliar Washington state number. The caller ID said “ICE Detention.” Her heart dropped.

On the other end of the phone, her husband, Guilherme Silva, told her that masked Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers arrested him that morning in a small harbor town

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Lawsuit: Courts being turned into 'trap for immigrants.' **A10**

## Oakland musicians split on Trump's Kennedy Center

By Lily Janiak

When President Donald Trump assumed control of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts this year, many left-leaning artists on its lineup faced a defining choice: Stay on the bill and risk forever linking their name to the president, or cancel and forfeit the chance to voice dissent from Trump's own stage.

Ahead of a Friday concert at the flagship Washington, D.C., venue, Oakland Rising faced that exact dilemma. Of the sev-

en-person music collective, three members plan to perform, while four have opted to refrain. All had to articulate their own principles while giving grace to others who made the opposite decision.

What's more, these musicians are taking this consequential stand at very young ages — one of its members can't even drive yet.

B DeVeaux, 24, called the Kennedy Center invitation “a moment where you decide what side of history you're going to be on.”

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Oakland Rising musicians, from left, August Lee Stevens, B DeVeaux and Naima Nascimento accepted an invitation to play at the Kennedy Center, which others in the collective declined.

