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If you would like to be a **Dinner Sponsor** the cost is **\$500.00**.

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E-mail Joe ASAP if you are interested in either the Front Inside Cover, or Back Inside Cover of the Book as This space is limited.

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All ads need to be received **no later than** **APRIL 5th** by Joe in order to be printed in the Dinner Booklet.

The Bar has hired Lisa Tinner, a professional graphic arts designer to design this year's Booklet.

Checks need to be made payable to "Wilkes-Barre Law & Library Assn."

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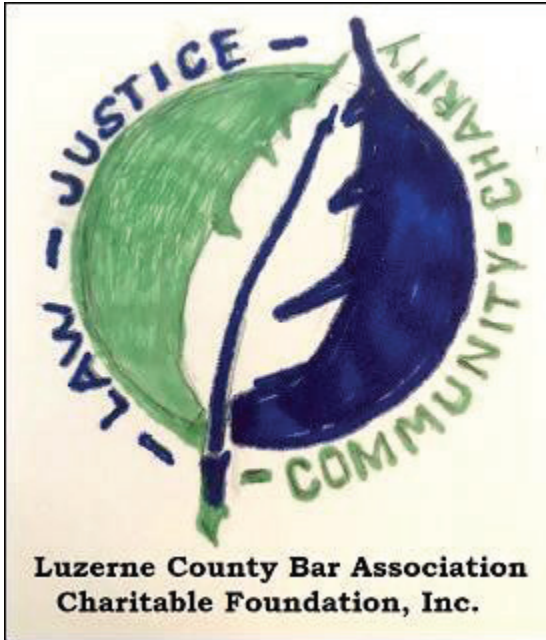
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**This Year's  
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May Be Honored  
by Making a  
Donation to the  
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Donor's names will be listed on a special Insert to the Dinner Program Booklet.

Mar. 22—Apr. 26



To: W-BLLA Members

**The Honorable Thomas F. Burke, Jr. (Ret.)**  
is being honored by the



At their 41<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL FRIENDS OF SCOUTING DINNER

**Wednesday—April 24, 2024**

Reception/Dinner: 5:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Award Presentations/Speaker: 7:00 p.m.

At Mohegan Pennsylvania

**To attend the Dinner or to be a Sponsor  
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**BAR NEWS CALENDAR - 2024**

| <b>DATE</b>        | <b>DESCRIPTION OF EVENT</b>   | <b>TIME</b>               | <b>LOCATION</b>           |
|--------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 4/19/24            | <b>April Quarterly Meeting</b>  | Noon                      | WMC                       |
| 4/19/24            | <b><i>Technology and Artificial Intelligence Advancing the Judicial System</i></b> CLE. Presented by Hon. Thomas I. Vanaskie (Ret.) and Debbie Gross, President/CEO, Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts.<br><i>(1 substantive CLE credit)</i> | 12:30 p.m.–<br>1:30 p.m.. | WMC                       |
| 4/26/24            | <b>2024 Pain &amp; Addiction Summit</b><br><i>(6 substantive CLE credits)</i>   | 8:00 a.m.-<br>4:00 p.m.   | Wilkes Univ.              |
| 5/4/24             | <b>Wills for Heroes CLE</b><br><i>(1 substantive CLE credit)</i>  | 9:00 a.m.-<br>10:00 a.m.  | ECC at<br>LCCC            |
| 5/4/24             | <b>Wills for Heroes Program</b>   | 10:00 a.m.-<br>3:00 p.m.  | ECC at<br>LCCC            |
| 5/17/24            | <b>Law Day Dinner Dance</b>   | 6:00 p.m.                 | WMC                       |
| 5/18/24            | <b>Law Day Shabbat</b>  | 10:00 a.m.                | Temple Israel             |
| 5/20/24            | <b>Superior Court of PA CLE</b><br><i>(1 substantive CLE credit)</i>  | TBA                       | TBA                       |
| 5/21/24<br>5/22/24 | <b>Superior Court of PA Judicial Session at the Luzerne County Courthouse</b>   | TBA                       | Luzerne Co.<br>Courthouse |
| 7/19/24            | <b><i>An Updated Case Study: The Trial of Shoeless Joe Jackson and the Black Sox Scandal of 1919</i></b><br>Brunch included<br><i>(1 substantive CLE credit)</i>  | 9:00 a.m.-<br>10:00 a.m.  | Fox Hill C.C.             |
| 7/19/24            | <b>Summer Outing<br/>(starting with Brunch)</b>   | 10:00 a.m.                | Fox Hill C.C.             |
| 9/20/24            | <b>Red Mass</b> —Followed by a Luncheon   | Noon                      | King’s College            |
| 10/18/24           | <b>October Quarterly Meeting</b>  | TBA                       | WMC                       |
| 11/4/24            | <b>Rehearsal for Talent Show</b><br>(for Talent Show Acts)  | TBA                       | Little Theatre<br>of W-B  |
| 11/7/24            | <b>Bench Bar Conference</b><br>(Details to Be Announced)  | 10:30 a.m.                | Mohegan Sun               |
| 11/9/24            | <b>Law Revue—Talent Show</b>  | TBA                       | Little Theatre<br>of W-B  |

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| TBA | <b>Attorney Admissions—</b><br>Federal and<br>W-BLLA<br>Followed by a<br>Law Library Reception | 9:00 a.m.<br>10:30 a.m.<br>11:30 a.m. | Max Rosenn<br>U.S. Ctse.<br>Luzerne<br>County Ctse. |
| TBA | <b>In Memoriam</b>   | TBA                                   | TBA   |

Mar. 1—Apr. 12

## **ATTORNEY DISCIPLINARY / ETHICS MATTERS**

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The Wilkes-Barre Law & Library Association through The LUZERNE FOUNDATION is providing a \$25,000.00 scholarship, which will be given to a lucky future lawyer who will be entering law school in the Fall of 2024.

### Requirements:

- Must be entering law school in 2024.
- Must have a fixed or permanent residency (domicile) in Luzerne County that is greater than 5 years.

### To Apply:

- Download the application form online from the Bar website [Luzernecountybar.com](http://Luzernecountybar.com) or visit [www.luzfund.org](http://www.luzfund.org)
- Complete all fields on application form, and write a 500-word essay and submit them with the other required items to the Wilkes-Barre Law & Library Assn. Law School Scholarship.

- email to: Gail Kopiak at [Gail.Kopiak@luzernecounty.org](mailto:Gail.Kopiak@luzernecounty.org)

- **MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 15, 2024**

### Winner Announced:

Finalists will be interviewed by an advising Scholarship Committee. Following the interviews, a winner will be selected. The scholarship is paid in thirds annually to the law school with the first check being paid by the Luzerne Foundation and presented at the W-BLLA Summer Outing held in July. The next two checks are provided to the law school at the start of the fall term of the 2nd and 3rd years.



Mar. 1—Apr. 5

## The Lawrence M. Klemow, Esq. Memorial Scholarship Fund of The Luzerne Foundation

This scholarship provides scholarship assistance to individuals who reside in the Greater Hazleton area pursuing a law degree.

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- Demonstrated financial need;
- Proven community service and/or work experience;
- A student who has demonstrated strength of character or perhaps exceeded the expectations of their life situation;
- Enrolled in or planning to pursue a law degree.



### Application Information:

The following must be returned to The Luzerne Foundation by **Monday, April 29, 2024**:

- The completed scholarship application;
- An essay about the importance of family, character and respect. (The essay should be approximately 300-500 words, typewritten and double-spaced). Character is about how one treats and respects others, empathy, volunteerism, willingness to sacrifice for others, etc.;
- An official transcript from your current educational institution;
- A list of your extracurricular and volunteer activities, plus any work experience;
- One (1) letter of recommendation from a non-family member (e.g., teachers, professors, clergy, employers, etc.).

Return application and all documentation to:

Scholarship Processing  
The Luzerne Foundation  
34 South River Street  
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

You may also email your completed scholarship file to [Donna@luzerne.org](mailto:Donna@luzerne.org).

Please contact The Luzerne Foundation at 570-822-2065 with any questions.

***~DEADLINE is Monday, April 29, 2024~***

**The Lawrence M. Klemow, Esq.  
Memorial Scholarship Fund of The Luzerne Foundation**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
                    Last  First  Middle

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                    Street                                    City                                    State            Zip

Male  Female  Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Luzerne County resident? Yes  No

High school you attend(ed): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY INFORMATION: (Provide the following information where applicable.)**

Name of father/stepfather/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                    Street                                    City                                    State            Zip

Name of mother/stepmother/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                    Street                                    City                                    State            Zip

Check if applicable:  father deceased  mother deceased  parents divorced

Name of spouse (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                    Street                                    City                                    State            Zip

**COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INFORMATION:**

College/university you plan to attend or are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Full-time student? Yes  No  If no, # of credits \_\_\_\_\_

**The Lawrence M. Klemow, Esq.  
Memorial Scholarship Fund of The Luzerne Foundation**

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| Name of Applicant: _____<br><small style="text-align: center;">(Please PRINT your name.)</small> |
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**SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

List extracurricular, community and/or religious activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years. You may also attach a resume.

| Activity | # of Years | Leadership Positions, Awards & Recognition |
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**WORK EXPERIENCE:**

List your paid work experience during the past four years, beginning with your most recent position. You may also attach a resume.

| Employer | Nature of Work | Dates of Employment | Hrs/Wk |
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**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby affirm that the information provided on this form is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Feb. 16—Apr. 19





## **SAVE THE DATE:**

The W-BLLA's  
*175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner* will be held at  
Skytop Lodge in the Poconos on  
**Saturday, May 31, 2025.**

A block of rooms will be available for Friday night, **May 30th**, so Members may stay over and not have to drive the day of the dinner and for Saturday night, **May 31st**, so Members do not have to drive home after the dinner that night. The Association is working on an activity package for May 31st. Details will be published as the planning for the dinner continues to evolve.

Feb. 2—Apr. 12

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## NOTICE

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all expungement petitions

submitted for review to

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Parole Department**

**MUST** include a *self-addressed,  
stamped envelope*

for the petition to be returned to the petitioner.

***Petitions will no longer be  
accepted via e-mail.***

Petitions may be dropped off in person  
or mailed to LCAPPD at:

20 N. Pennsylvania Ave.

Suite 302

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711

Feb. 23—Mar. 29



# April Quarterly Meeting

**Date:** Friday, April 19, 2024

**Location:** The Westmoreland Club, Wilkes-Barre.

**Cost:** \$15.00 for Lunch (Includes a CLE).

## **Time:**

Noon to 12:30 p.m.

Lunch and Bar Association Meeting

## **Lunch:**

Menu will be sent by Gail by Constant Contact.

## **Principal Speakers:**

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Deborah R. Gross, Esq.**, CEO and President,  
Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts, and  
**Hon. Thomas I. Vanaskie (Ret.)**.

The Presentation from  
12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. will be a  
A One Hour Substantive CLE Program.

**The W-BLLA (#53)  
is an accredited CLE Provider.**

The Topic is  
***Technology and Artificial Intelligence  
Advancing the Judicial System.***

As indicated cost to **W-BLLA Members**  
is \$15.00 (and includes lunch).  
Cost to **Non-Members** is \$35.00 and includes the  
CLE **only** from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

**TO REGISTER:**

**Go to Bar Website:**

**[Luzernecounty.com](http://Luzernecounty.com)**

**Or Respond to the Link on the  
Constant Contact which Gail  
is sending out.**

Mar. 15—Apr. 12



Lackawanna & Luzerne County Medical Societies.

## **2024 Pennsylvania Pain and Addiction Summit**

**Friday, April 26, 2024**

Registration/Breakfast: 7:00 A.M.

Summit: 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

**CLE Program Segments are Noted on the Agenda**

**Lunch Does NOT Provide CLE Credit.**

**Live at the  
Wilkes University Stark Learning Center  
in Wilkes-Barre, PA**

**Registration is through Wilkes University  
at the following:**

*<https://www.wilkes.edu/addiction>*

On the Wilkes website click on the **yellow box** “**Register For  
The 2024 Summit**”

**Full day is \$130.00 Half Day Morning/Afternoon is \$75.00**

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**Email Must be Received by May 3rd.**

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**YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**AMOUNT OF THE DONATION YOU ARE MAKING: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.**  
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Charitable Foundation, Inc.”**



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Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711

**DONORS NAMES WILL BE LISTED IN THE DINNER  
PROGRAM BOOKLET INSERT.**

**To Be Included on the Insert Your Email Must be Received by May 3rd.**

Mar. 22—Apr. 26

# AGENDA

## Program Schedule:

**7-8 a.m.—Registration & Breakfast.**

**8-9 a.m.—Panel Discussion** on the *Our American Family* documentary. **(1 Hour Substantive CLE Credit).**

Captured at a pivotal “nothing to lose” moment over the course of a year, *Our American Family* is a radically honest portrait of five family members grappling with the legacy of generational addiction as they fight to heal resentments and pull each other out of the deepest depths.

Panel Speakers: Bryan and Linda, the parents in the documentary. Moderated by Tonyehn Verkitus, Executive Director of the Northeast County Medical Societies.

**9-9:15 a.m.—Break.**

**9:15-10:15 a.m.—Breakout Sessions: (1 Hour Substantive CLE Credit):**

- It’s Time to Play! Opioid Use Disorder Jeopardy—Maria Foy, PharmD & Tanya J. Uritsky, Pharm D, CPE.
- Going Beyond Brick and Mortar—Breaking Barriers to Substance Use Disorder Treatment—Philip Moore, D.O., and Andrew Schmitt, LCSW.
- Drug Screens Interpretation for Health Care Professionals—Donna Eget, DO.

**10:15-10:30 a.m.—Break.**

**10:30-11:30 a.m.—Breakout Sessions: (1 Hour Substantive CLE Credit):**

- Medical Marijuana in Pennsylvania: Evidence and Perspectives of Health Care Providers—Brian Piper, PhD, MS.
- Buprenorphine for Pain Management—Dominick Trombetta, Pharm.D, BCPS, BCGP.
- Affirming Medical Care for Trans Community—Corinne Goodwin.

**11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. – Lunch and Keynote Speaker (no CE or CLE Credit given).**

Jean Bennett, PhD, MSM, MSN, BSN. Regional Director, SAMHSA Region 3 (PA, DE, MD, DC, VA WV).

**12:30-12:45 p.m.—Break**

**12:45-1:45 p.m.—Breakout Sessions: (1 Hour Substantive CLE Credit):**

- The Role of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in regulatory oversight and enforcement in those Health Care Providers who have a DEA Registration—James R. Schiffer RPh, Esq. and Carlos Aquino.
- Interdisciplinary Pain Care at the Wilkes-Barre VAMC—Nicholas Field, PharmD, Stephen Gruver, PharmD, Thomas Hanlon, MD, Neil Shah, PharmD, BCPS.
- Professional Impairment: The Lived Experience of Chemically Dependent Male Nurses—Patricia Dittman, PhD, RN, CDE.**1:45-2 p.m.—Break**

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**2-3 p.m.—Breakout Sessions: (1 Hour Substantive CLE Credit):**

- Examination of Multiple Drug Arrests Reported to the Maine Diversion Alert Program—Maaz Siddiqui, Third Year Medical Student at Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine
- Gambling/Gaming Disorders: The Hidden Problem—Jason Harlen, MA and Stefanie Wolownik, MS

**3-4 p.m.—Closing Speaker—Fighting to Become Sober—Brian DiMattia, moderated by Bill Corcoran, Jr. from #OnTheStacks. (1 Hour Substantive CLE Credit).**

Brian DiMattia is an Assistant Instructor and sales rep at Wilkes-Barre MMA and is the Creator of popular Facebook Food review page: DiMattia's Food Fight. Brian will share his journey to sobriety and how he turned his life around after being addicted to various drugs. When Brian discovered a passion for MMA and fitness, it changed his life both personally and professionally.

**4-5 p.m.—Networking Reception with Speakers (no CE or CLE Credit given).**

This program is supported by an educational grant from the Moses Taylor Foundation

On **April 26, 2024**, Wilkes University will present the **sixth annual Pennsylvania Pain and Addiction Summit**. This one-day conference will be held in-person on the campus of **Wilkes University in Wilkes-Barre, PA**. The event brings together medical, legal, and law enforcement professionals to discuss the current state of the opioid crisis and share methodology and interprofessional approaches.

The theme of the 2024 Pennsylvania Pain and Addiction Summit is “**Access to Care.**”

**Needs Assessment:**

- The national opioid crisis continues to impact several lives. While preliminary reports show a mild decrease in overall death rates in 2018, continued efforts must be made to educate both professionals and the public to the nature of opioid use disorder, and appropriate pain management.
- Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Azar recently stated that more work is yet to be done, and focus must also be given to the rising threat of cocaine and methamphetamine related deaths. Furthermore, despite national efforts to increase access to the lifesaving medication naloxone, data from the CDC shows that only one of every sixty nine prescriptions for opioids had a concurrent naloxone dispensed with it. The CDC goes on to say that addressing both pain management and substance use disorder in an Interprofessional manner can result in improved patient outcomes. Clearly, ongoing educational efforts targeted to all professionals associated with the care of patients with chronic pain and/or substance use disorder must remain a primary target of continuing professional training.

**Program objectives:**

1. Describe the role of various members of the health care team in the treatment of pain and substance use disorder.
2. Discuss the importance of an inter-professional approach to the treatment of pain and substance use disorder.

3. Discuss methods that can be used in individual practice settings to help a patient with pain or substance use disorder
4. Identify opportunities to utilize an inter-professional approach to the treatment of pain and substance use disorder

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Lawyers attending the full day/ 6 hours  
of these programs will receive  
**6 Substantive CLE credits.**

Lawyers Attending (Morning or Afternoon)  
Half Day/3 hours  
Of these programs will receive  
**3 Substantive CLE credits.**



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providing the credit.

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**For any questions please on the Summit, please go to the  
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### Office Assistant/Secretarial Position

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## **To the members of the W-BLLA/ Luzerne County Bar Association,**

In recent weeks, **Protection From Abuse Court** has repeatedly seen issues relating to the relinquishment of firearms. The Court reminds all attorneys who are representing individuals in Protection From Abuse matters that if an individual is prohibited by the Court from possessing or acquiring firearms and/or other weapons for the duration of a temporary or final protection order, that individual **shall** relinquish his or her firearms and/or other weapons, licenses, and any ammunition to **the sheriff or the appropriate law enforcement agency**. In lieu of relinquishment to the sheriff or the appropriate law enforcement agency, that individual may relinquish within the required time frame to a dealer licensed pursuant to ***18 Pa. C.S. § 6113*** or third party authorized by the sheriff's department. Please refer to ***23 Pa. C.S. § 6108*** for further information.

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## **2024 Members' Directories**

**TO ALL W-BLLA MEMBERS:**

**The 2024 Members'  
Directory  
is printed.**

Stop in at the  
**Stack/Room 23**  
to pick up a copy.

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

**ARM Lawyers** is pleased to announce that **Joanna Bryn Smith** has joined the firm as a senior associate. Joanna will be running ARM's Pittston office on 363 Laurel Street. Joanna will be accepting referrals for criminal defense and family law. ARM will continue to offer an array of legal services from its Pittston location including family law, criminal defense, civil litigation, personal injury, workers' compensation, Social Security Disability, wills, trusts, estate administration, bankruptcy, student loans, FDCPA, FCRA, mortgage foreclosures and mortgage servicing litigation, and immigration.

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## LEGAL ASSISTANT POSITION

**Kisailus Law Firm LLC** has an immediate opening for a full-time legal assistant with experience in personal injury, Social Security Disability, and estate planning and administration matters. Responsibilities for this position include, but are not limited to, dictation transcription, scheduling of depositions, meetings, and hearings, preparing correspondence and legal documents, providing case management support and other general office duties. The ideal candidate will be motivated, organized, and exhibit exceptional attention to detail.

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All interested applicants may submit their resume and cover letter **via e-mail** to:

Kisailus Law Firm LLC  
Attn.: Shandra Kisailus, Esquire  
245 N. River St.  
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702  
skisailus@kisailuslawfirm.com

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**Northeastern Pennsylvania BSA Council  
to honor Judge Thomas Burke, Jr.  
and John Basalyga**

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Council of the Boy Scouts of America will present its Distinguished Citizen Awards to the Honorable Thomas F. Burke, Jr., a retired Pennsylvania State Judge, and John Basalyga, President and CEO of The Basalyga Group, for outstanding community service at its 41st annual Friends of Scouting dinner **on Wednesday, April 24th**.

Held at Mohegan Pennsylvania, the Friends of Scouting dinner will feature a keynote address from Commander Guy Snodgrass, retired Navy “Top Gun” pilot and chief speechwriter for former Secretary of Defense James Mattis.

The dinner will be co-chaired by Andrew Kudasik, Vice-President and Commercial Relations Manager with PNC Bank, and Peter J. Adonizio, Jr., Esq., an attorney with Stevens and Lee, PC. Both serve as volunteer members of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Council, BSA.

Proceeds from the dinner will support the delivery of Scouting programs to nearly 2,000 youth in Lackawanna, Luzerne, Pike, Susquehanna, Wayne, and Wyoming counties. The Northeastern Pennsylvania Council also operates Goose Pond Scout Reservation in Wayne County and Camp Acahela in Wayne County.

Tickets for the dinner are available from the Northeastern Pennsylvania Council. Adults interested in attending the dinner may contact the Northeastern Pennsylvania Council at (570) 207-1227. They may also order tickets online at <https://www.nepabsa.org/FOSDinner>.

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### DECEDENTS' ESTATES

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary or of administration have been granted in the following estates. All persons indebted to said estates are required to make payment and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to the administrators or executors named or their attorneys

### FIRST PUBLICATION

ESTATE OF GEORGE C. AMBRUCH, late of Forty-Fort (died February 18, 2024), James J. Slocum, Executor; Joseph P. Giovannini, Jr., Esquire, 400 Third Ave., Suite 207, Kingston, PA 18704

ESTATE OF JUDITH A. BARONE, late of West Pittston (died February 15, 2024), Charles J. Barone, III and Joseph M. Barone, Co-Executors; Michael I. Butera, Esquire, 121 South Main Street, Pittston, PA 18640

ESTATE OF ANNE L. BODER, late of Butler Township (died December 21, 2023), George B. Boder, Executor; James V. Senape, Jr., Esquire, Catherine A. McGovern, Esquire, Michael B. Senape, Esquire, Senape & Associates, 612-614 Main Street, P.O. Box 179, Freeland, PA 18224-0179

ESTATE OF DOLORES BURGUJIAN, late of Exeter (died November 30, 2023), Joan I. DeJusto, Executrix; Laura C. Dennis, Esquire, William P. Opeil, Esquire, 843 Exeter Ave., West Pittston, PA 18643

ESTATE OF ALICE M. FAY, late of Freeland (died January 14, 2024), Aimee L. Fay and Patrick J. Fay, Jr., Executors; Thomas J. Sharkey, Esquire, 982 North Sherman Court, Hazleton, PA 18201

ESTATE OF ANN PAULINE FLANNERY a/k/a Ann P. Flannery, late of West Pittston (died December 27, 2023), Mary Catherine Delucia a/k/a Mary C. Delucia, Executrix; Girard J. Mecadon, Esquire, 363 Laurel Street, Pittston, PA 18640-1719

ESTATE OF DAVID ARTHUR HILLEY, JR. a/k/a David A. Hilley, Jr., late of Huntington Township (died January 20, 2024), Jason M. Hilley, Personal Representative; Nicholas D. Lutz, Esquire, Cardinal Estate Planning, LLC, 103 W. 9th St., Berwick, PA 18603

ESTATE OF BARBARA ANN JAMIOLKOWSKI a/k/a Barbara Jamiolkowski a/k/a Babara Osick Jamiolkowski, late of Wilkes-Barre (died July 8, 2020), John Jamiolkowski, Administrator; Law Office of Thomas A. O'Connor, P.C., 601 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

ESTATE OF DAVID J. JONES, late of Wilkes-Barre (died December 19, 2023), Berent Jones, Administrator; Harry P. Mattern, Esquire, 777 Wyoming Avenue, Suite 5, Kingston, PA 18704

ESTATE OF STANLEY PETER KARPINSKI, late of Shavertown (died December 6, 2023), Stephen F. Karpinski, Executor; Law Offices of Bernard Walter, 1674 Memorial Highway, Shavertown, PA 18708

ESTATE OF CAROLINE M. KUDASIK a/k/a Caroline Marie Kudasik, late of West Pittston (died March 3, 2024), Andrew J. Kudasik, Administrator; Saporito, Falcone & Watt, 48 S. Main St., Pittston, PA 18640

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ESTATE OF MARIANE D. NICHOLAS, late of Courtdale (died January 6, 2024), Matthew Nicholas, Administrator; Saporito, Falcone & Watt, 48 S. Main St., Pittston, PA 18640

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ESTATE OF SYLVIA ANNE BARNES RICHARD, late of Wyoming (died February 10, 2024), Lynn Prentice, 603 N. Culver Creek Ave., Star, ID 83669, Executrix

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ESTATE OF DOLORES A. RUSH a/k/a Dolores Ann Shannon Rush a/k/a Dolores A. Shannon Rush, late of Kingston (died August 28, 2019), Doug Rush, Administrator; Alexander B. Russin, Esquire, 1516 Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF SYLVESTER S. SALAZER, late of Hazleton (died February 2, 2024), Gerald Michaels, Executor; Peter J. Fagan, Esquire, P.O. Box 904, Conyngham, PA 18219

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ESTATE OF JANINE M. STANAVAGE, late of Hazleton (died February 24, 2024), LisaAnn Stanavage, Administratrix; Richard J. Marusak, Esquire, Ustynoski & Marusak, LLC, 101 West Broad St., Suite 205, Hazleton, PA 18201

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ESTATE OF GARY JOHN STROUD a/k/a Gary Stroud, late of Kingston (died February 25, 2024), Lisa Gennusa, Executrix; Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald, LLP, 1065 Highway 315, Suite 200, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

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ESTATE OF SANTINA A. WELSH, late of West Hazleton (died November 3, 2023), Gary A. Welsh, 57 Kennedy Drive, Drums, PA 18222, Executor

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ESTATE OF MARGARET YANKLUNAS a/k/a Margaret M. Yanklunas, late of Lehman Twp. (died June 6, 2021); William J. Watt,

III, Esquire, Saporito, Falcone & Watt, 48 S. Main St., Pittston, PA 18640, Court-Appointed Administrator

### SECOND PUBLICATION

ESTATE OF ALECIA AGNEW a/k/a Alecia A. Zabiegalski, late of Nanticoke (died June 20, 2022), Melinda Remley, Administratrix; Stacey F. Aciri, Esquire, Steinbacher, Goodall & Yurchak, 273 East Northampton Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

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ESTATE OF EDWARD LUKE CHUKINAS a/k/a Edward L. Chukinas late of Plains Township (died February 24, 2023), JoAnn Chukinas, 80 E. Carey Street, Plains, PA 18705, Administratrix

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ESTATE OF GERALDINE DUBASKAS a/k/a Geraldine A. Dubaskas, late of Edwardsville (died February 4, 2024), Brian Dubaskas, Administrator; Law Office of Thomas A. O'Connor, P.C., 601 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF JOSEPH EUGENE GRULLA a/k/a Joseph Grula, late of Wilkes-Barre (died December 16, 2023), Laurie A. Bauer, Executrix; Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald, LLP, 1065 Highway 315, Suite 200, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

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ESTATE OF ROBERT J. HADUCH a/k/a Robert J. Haduck a/k/a Robert J. Haddock, late of Avoca (died November 11, 2023), Lisa Mercer, Administratrix; Anthony G. Ross, Esquire, Law Offices of Tony Ross, 126 South Main Street, Pittston, PA 18640

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ESTATE OF RICHARD R. HETTINGER a/k/a Richard Robert Hettinger, late of Union Township (died February 13, 2024), Terry L. Oakum, Executor; Kevin Tanribilir, Esquire, 701 East Front Street, Berwick, PA 18603

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ESTATE OF FRANK STEPHEN KRUPA a/k/a Frank Krupa, late of Ashley (died March 1, 2024), Dominick Serratore, Executor; John A. Bednarz, Jr., Esquire, P.O. Box 131, Dallas, PA 18612

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ESTATE OF IRENE LATON a/k/a Irene Barry, late of Nanticoke (died June 25, 2023), Melissa Roberts, Executrix; Jeffrey J. Malak, Esquire, Chariton Malak, 138 South Main Street, P.O. Box 907, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703-0907

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ESTATE OF MIKE A. LORENZO, late of Conyngham (died August 8, 2023), Michael Lorenzo, Executor; Matthew Loftus, Esquire, 601 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF ARDEN L. MEEKER, SR., late of Dallas (died November 26, 2023), Arden L. Meeker, Jr., Executor; Patrick J. Aregood, Esquire, 1218 South Main Street, Hanover Township, PA 18706

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ESTATE OF DENISE MARIE MILLER a/k/a Denise M. Miller a/k/a Denise Miller, late of Wilkes-Barre (died May 10, 2023), Anthony Grilini, Administrator; Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, P.C., 600 Third Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF MARJORIE M. NOVAK, late of Nanticoke (died October 20, 2023), Keli Jo Temarantz and Annette J. Snyder, Co-Executrices; Hudacek and Hudacek, 33 E. Main Street, Plymouth, PA 18651

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ESTATE OF ROGER J. PURCELL a/k/a Roger J. Purcell, Jr., late of Luzerne (died December 29, 2023), Dr. Thomas F. Mangan, Executor; Law Office of Thomas A. O'Connor, P.C., 601 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

ESTATE OF THOMAS ELLSWORTH REEHL a/k/a Thomas Reehl a/k/a Thomas A. Reehl, late of Wilkes-Barre (died January 21, 2024), Casey Thomas Reehl, Executor; Jeffrey A. Yelen, Esquire, Distasio, Kowalski & Yelen, LLC, 15 Public Square, Suite 501, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

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ESTATE OF MARIE E. SARWINSKI, late of Dallas (died August 22, 2023), Donna Snider, Executrix; Matthew Loftus, Esquire, 601 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF PAUL R. SEBOLKA, late of Larksville (died September 20, 2022), Evelyn Sebolka, Administrator; Job Stepanski, Esquire, Fellerman & Ciarimboli, 183 Market Street, Suite 200, Kingston, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF DOUGLAS G. SKENE, late of Pittston (died August 16, 2023), Harry W. Skene, Administrator; Harry W. Skene, Esquire, 468 McKinley St., Exeter, PA 18643

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ESTATE OF DENISE URBAN, late of Kingston (died January 13, 2024), Francis Urban, Executor; Richard C. Shiptoski, Esquire, P.O. Box 155, Shickshinny, PA 18655

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ESTATE OF BETTY LOU UTT, late of Conyngham (died February 4, 2024), Barbara J. Sebring and Richard W. Sebring, Executors; William J. Schneider, Esquire, James A. Schneider, Esquire, 439 West Broad Street, Hazleton, PA 18201-6106

### THIRD PUBLICATION

ESTATE OF JOSEPH DeBIASE a/k/a Joseph Louis DeBiase, late of Wilkes-Barre (died January 21, 2024), Emilee Rae Lester, Administrator; Francis J. Hoegen, Esquire, 152 South Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701



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- ESTATE OF EDWARD G. DECKER, late of Foster Township (died December 7, 2018), Robert J. Decker, Administrator; Joseph R. Baranko, Jr., Esquire, Slusser Law Firm, 1620 North Church Street, Suite 1, Hazleton, PA 18202
- ESTATE OF DOROTHY DOMINICI, late of Plains Township (died May 18, 2023), PNC Bank, N.A., Executor; Eileen A. Reilly, Esquire, Burke Vullo Reilly Roberts, 1460 Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort, PA 18704
- ESTATE OF RICHARD H. DOTTER, late of White Haven (died November 29, 2023), Lisa Dotter, Administratrix; Tellie & Coleman, P.C., 310 East Drinker St., Dunmore, PA 18512
- ESTATE OF NANCY J. GABALA, late of Sugarloaf Township (died June 7, 2023), Cinda J. Danna and George Larock, Executors; Peter J. Fagan, Esquire, P.O. Box 904, Conyngham, PA 18219
- ESTATE OF ETHEL C. GANC a/k/a Ethel Ganc, late of Butler Township (died February 8, 2021), Jane C. Wood, Executrix; Joseph R. Baranko, Jr., Esquire, Slusser Law Firm, 1620 North Church Street, Suite 1, Hazleton, PA 18202
- ESTATE OF THOMAS GARBER, late of Hanover Township (died December 21, 2023), Myron Mahalak, Executor; Stephen A. Menn, Esquire, 37 North River Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702
- ESTATE OF MICHAEL W. GIEDOSH, SR., late of Lattimer Mines (died December 14, 2023), Christine A. Giedosh, Administratrix; Susan Sernak-Martinelli, Esquire, Law Office of Susan Sernak-Martinelli, 199 North Church Street, Hazleton, PA 18201
- ESTATE OF SANDRA N. GOULD, late of Hazle Township (died December 13, 2023), Amanda Miele, Executrix; Louis J. Mattioli, III, Esquire, 4285 Hollywood Blvd., Hazle Township, PA 18202
- ESTATE OF MARY S. GRAZIANO a/k/a Mary Graziano, late of Pittston Township (died April 19, 2019), Charles Joseph Graziano, Executor; Saporito, Falcone & Watt, 48 South Main St., Pittston, PA 18640
- ESTATE OF RITA A. HARRY, late of Hazleton (died November 25, 2023), Kevin Harry, Executor; Matthew J. Parker, Esquire, Marshall, Parker & Weber, LLC, 49 E. Fourth Street, Suite 105, Williamsport, PA 17701
- ESTATE OF DANIEL HERGERT, JR., late White Haven (died January 15, 2024), Bruce Harris, Executor; Donald G. Karpowich, Esquire, 85 Drasher Road, Drums, PA 18222
- ESTATE OF MARGARET KEENE, late of Black Creek Township (died February 6, 2021), Nancy Jastrzeski, Executrix; Joseph R. Baranko, Jr., Esquire, Slusser Law Firm, 1620 North Church Street, Suite 1, Hazleton, PA 18202
- ESTATE OF THERESA KOPKO, late of Hanover Township (died January 16, 2024), Marina Kopko, Administratrix; Bregman & Lantz, LLC, 1205 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort, PA 18704
- ESTATE OF STEPHEN R. KOWALCHIN a/k/a Stephen Robert Kowalchin, late of Luzerne County (died July 3, 2023), Nadine V. Kowalchin, Executrix; Angela F. Stevens, Esquire, 400 Third Avenue, Suite 101, Kingston, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF MARY C. KRUGER a/k/a Mary Catherine Kruger, late of Wilkes-Barre (died October 13, 2023), PNC Bank, National Association, Alycia K. Kimmel, V.P., Executor; Jane K. Anastasia, Esquire, P.O. Box 600, Jamison, PA 18929

ESTATE OF STEVEN R. LECHMAN, late of Freeland (died February 11, 2024), Patricia Goetz, Executrix; Peter J. Fagan, Esquire, P.O. Box 904, Conyngham, PA 18219

ESTATE OF HERBERT ALBERT LEE, late of Wilkes-Barre (died August 9, 2019), Doris Lee, Executrix; Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, P.C., 600 Third Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

ESTATE OF CAROLYN ADELE LUCHI a/k/a Carolyn A. Luchi, late of Sugarloaf Township (died January 30, 2024), Robert J. Luchi, Executor; Carl N. Frank, Esquire, Farrell & Frank, 8 West Market St., Suite 1110, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701-1801

ESTATE OF STEVEN D. LUSKY, late of Freeland (died April 15, 2021), Elaine Sunder, Administratrix; Joseph R. Baranko, Jr., Esquire, Slusser Law Firm, 1620 North Church Street, Suite 1, Hazleton, PA 18202

ESTATE OF NANCY L. NARGOSKI, late of Wilkes-Barre (died November 20, 2023), John Nargoski, Administrator; Michael D. Rogers, Esquire, 63 West River Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

ESTATE OF JOHN POLINSKY, late of Wilkes-Barre (died July 21, 2023), Responsible Party Services, Inc., Administrator; Francis J. Hoegen, Esquire, 152 South Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

ESTATE OF PHYLLIS POWELL a/k/a Phyllis W. Powell, late of Dorrance Township (died December 21, 2023), Elizabeth M. Powell, Administratrix; Carlo A. LaMonica, Esquire, LaMonica Law Firm LLC, 3218 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, PA 18505

ESTATE OF EDWARD J. SHANDRA, SR., late of Pittston (died October 26, 2023), Edward J. Shandra, Jr., Administrator; Tellie & Coleman, P.C., 310 East Drinker St., Dunmore, PA 18512

ESTATE OF MARSHA STROHL a/k/a Marsha Walkowiak-Strohl, late of Plains (died February 3, 2024), Seth Strohl, 29 Shadyside Ave., Summit, NJ 07901, Executor

ESTATE OF RAY ALAN STROHL, late of Plains (died October 24, 2023), Seth Strohl, 29 Shadyside Ave., Summit, NJ 07901, Executor

ESTATE OF LEONARD TRATTNER a/k/a Sylvan Leonard Trattner a/k/a Leonard S. Trattner, late of Hazleton (died September 16, 2023), Leanne Trattner, Executrix; Robert S. Sensky, Esquire, Laputka, Bayless, Ecker & Cohn, P.C., One South Church Street, Suite 301, Hazleton, PA 18201

ESTATE OF JACOB E. TURCAN, late of Harveys Lake (died August 10, 2023), Rita A. Turcan, Executrix; Joseph P. Giovannini, Jr., Esquire, 400 Third Ave., Suite 207, Kingston, PA 18704

ESTATE OF ANNA YANOCHKO, late of Hazleton (died October 28, 2023), Mary Kincaid, Executrix; Joseph D. Ustynoski, Esquire, Ustynoski & Marusak, LLC, 101 West Broad St., Suite 205, Hazleton, PA 18201

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ESTATE OF MICHAEL M. ZLOTEK,  
late of Plymouth (died December  
8, 2023), Marc Zlotek and Mary  
Zlotek, Co-administrators; David  
W. Saba, Esquire, 345 Market St.,  
Kingston, PA 18704

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that Articles of Incorporation  
were filed with the Department  
of State of the Commonwealth of  
Pennsylvania on March 21, 2024,  
for a business corporation which  
has been incorporated under the  
provisions of the Business Cor-  
porate Law of 1988. The name of  
the corporation is:

FIDBAK, INC.

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A NOTICE CONCERNING THE  
VOLUNTARY DISSOLUTION OF  
GUARD FOUNDATION

Pursuant to Section 5975 of  
the Pennsylvania Nonprofit Cor-  
porations Law, let it be known  
that the Board of Directors of  
GUARD Foundation (the “Corpo-  
ration”), a non-profit corporation  
incorporated and doing business  
in the Commonwealth of Penn-  
sylvania, has decided unani-  
mously to adopt a proposal to  
dissolve the Corporation. In ac-  
cordance with this proposal,  
measures to wind up the affairs  
of the Corporation have com-  
menced in accordance with ap-  
plicable law. When this process  
is completed, Articles of Dissolu-  
tion are expected to be filed with  
the Pennsylvania Department of  
State, and the Corporation shall  
cease to exist at that time.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that Caleb Trojan of 1512 State  
Route 239, Apt. 4, Stillwater,  
Pennsylvania has filed in the Of-  
fice of the Secretary of the Com-  
monwealth of Pennsylvania,  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on  
March 19, 2023 an application  
for a certificate to do business  
under the fictitious name of:

CALEB MAKES MINIS

with said business to be con-  
ducted at: 1512 State Route 239,  
Apt. 4, Stillwater, Pennsylvania.

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ORDER

IN THE COURT OF COMMON  
PLEAS OF LUZERNE COUNTY  
CIVIL ACTION—LAW

NO.: 07753 OF 2022

IN CUSTODY

ROCIO ENCARNACION-ARIAS  
Plaintiff

vs.

EMMANUEL  
DE LA CRUZ SANTOS  
Defendant

AND NOW, this 8th day of  
March, 2024, the Court enters  
the following order:

1. As no agreement could be  
reached at the Conciliation Con-  
ference as to mother’s request for  
primary physical custody and  
sole legal custody, this matter is  
scheduled as follows:

a. A Pre-Trial Conference is  
hereby scheduled on Monday,  
May 6, 2024 at 11:30 a.m., before

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the Honorable Stefanie J. Salavantis at the Bernard Brominski Building, Third Floor, 113 W. North Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711.

b. A Custody Trial is hereby scheduled on Friday, June 21, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. before the Honorable Stefanie J. Salavantis at the Bernard Brominski Building, Third Floor, 113 W. North Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711.

### PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE:

2. The Pre-Trial Conference may be waived by agreement of counsel or self-represented parties. The parties must advise the Court, in writing, within seven (7) days of the Pre-Trial Conference of their agreement to have the Pre-Trial Conference waived. If the moving party fails to attend the Pre-Trial Conference, the Trial will be CANCELLED.

3. In the event the Pre-Trial Conference is waived, the parties must file the Pre-Trial Statement no later than ten (10) days prior to the trial date. The parties may NOT WAIVE the filing of the pre-trial statements by consent. Failure of both parties to file pre-trials may result in a continuance of the trial, sanctions and/or counsel fees. IN THE EVENT ONE PARTY FAILS TO FILE A PRE-TRIAL STATEMENT, THAT PARTY SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PRESENT ANY EVIDENCE, EXCEPT HIS OR HER OWN TESTIMONY. IF PRE-TRIAL STATEMENTS ARE NOT TIMELY FILED, THE COURT MAY CANCEL THE TRIAL AND PLACE ANOTHER CASE IN THE TRIAL

DATES. NO NEW TRIAL DATE WILL BE RESCHEDULED UNTIL PRE-TRIAL STATEMENTS ARE PROPERLY FILED. The filing of the pre-trial statements are mandatory and appropriate sanctions will be entered in the event statements are entered in the event that statements are not timely filed. The pre-trial statements shall include the following matters:

- a. Statement of any Stipulated Facts;
- b. A narrative statement of the facts;
- c. Any unusual issues expected to be raised at the Custody Trial;
- d. The findings of fact in support of each of the sixteen (16) factors for custody;
- e. The current custody schedule;
- f. Proposed Alternative Final Orders of Court;
- g. The name of each person whom the party intends to call at trial as witnesses; and
- h. List of all exhibits that party expects to offer into evidence.

4. In the event the Pre-Trial Conference is not waived, the parties MUST file and serve pre-trial statements in support of their respective positions no later than ten (10) days prior to the Pre-Trial Conference, INCLUDING SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS IN ORDER TO ADMIT ANY EVIDENCE.

### CUSTODY TRIAL:

5. Prior to the commencement of the Custody Trial, counsel is directed to pre-mark exhibits,

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review them with opposing counsel, and have sufficient copies for the Court. An expert report must be provided to opposing counsel prior to the Trial as required by the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure.

6. If a party believes that the child/children's testimony may be necessary, counsel should notify the Court by email to [m.stone@luzernecounty.org](mailto:m.stone@luzernecounty.org) at least five (5) days prior to the time of trial so that appropriate arrangements may be made. Counsel should be aware that in the event the Court determines that the testimony is necessary, the Court prefers to schedule the child/children's testimony after at least some initial testimony from the expert or the parties. Further, the Court will endeavour to schedule the testimony so that the child/children do not miss school or so that there is a minimum amount of waiting time for the child/children.

7. No party may make a change in residence of the child

which significantly impairs the ability of the other party to exercise custodial rights without first complying with all the applicable provisions of 23 Pa.C.S. §5337 and Pa.R.C.P. 1915.17 regarding relocation.

8. The Criminal Record/Abuse History Verifications filed of record by the parties addressing the factors in Pa.C.S. §5329 (a) or (b) have been considered by the Court and is part of the Court's determination that there is no threat of harm to the children given the above Order.

COMPLIANCE IS HEREBY DIRECTED.

ALL PRIOR ORDERS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDER SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

The offices of Judicial Records and Services of Luzerne County, Pennsylvania shall give notice of this Order to all parties pursuant to Pa. R.C.P. 236.

BY THE COURT:

/s/Stefanie J. Salavantis

Mar. 29



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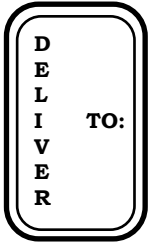
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