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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LUZERNE COUNTY
11th JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: :
: :
LUZERNE COUNTY COURTHOUSE & : NO. 4 MD 2024
THE BERNARD C. BROMINSKI :
BUILDING PROHIBITION OF CELL :
PHONES AND SMART WATCHES :

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 28 day of March, 2024, it is ORDERED that effective April 4, 2024, the prohibition of cell phones and smart watches in the Luzerne County Courthouse and The Bernard C. Brominski Building shall be followed as outlined:

1. All individuals, except those outlined in Paragraph 5, who enter the Luzerne County Courthouse and The Bernard C. Brominski Building will be required to turn off their cell phone and/or smart watch. The device(s) will then be placed into a lockable pouch at the security stations.
2. The locked pouch will be kept with the individual; however, they will be unable to access the device(s) while in the Luzerne County Courthouse or The Bernard C. Brominski Building.
3. Prior to exiting the buildings, the pouch will be unlocked, the device(s) will be removed, and the pouch will be returned to security.
4. The distribution and collection of the lockable pouches will be handled by members of the Luzerne County Sheriff's Department assigned to the buildings. Each Courtroom will be equipped with a device to unlock a pouch in the event that it becomes necessary for an individual to have access to the cell phone or smart watch.

CLERK OF COURTS ORIGINAL
LUZ COUNTY MAR 28 2024 10:30

5. Exceptions to the prohibition on cell phones and smart watches are as follows:
- a. Current and former judges and all Luzerne County employees.
 - b. Federal, State, County, and Municipal Law Enforcement including Probation and Parole Officers who display proper credentials upon request.
 - c. Attorneys who display their Bar Association card or Pennsylvania Bar License and any member of their trial support staff.
 - d. An individual who displays a current jury summons or who displays a “juror” or “seated juror” badge.
 - e. Individuals visiting the District Attorney’s Office, Office of Judicial Records (Prothonotary’s Office/Clerk of Courts Office), Sheriff’s Department, GIS/Mapping Department, PFA Office, Court Administration, the Luzerne County Credit Union and/or Center City Café.
 - f. Persons with disabilities, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, which requires them to have electronic devices to communicate, with proper authorization in writing; and
 - g. Any and all media personnel who display proper credentials upon request.
 - h. Participants involved in adoption proceedings, swearing-in ceremonies, weddings, and other such proceedings may use their devices to memorialize the event.
 - i. Any other exception that a judge specifically permits.

BY THE COURT:



President Judge Michael T. Vough

Apr. 5

LUZERNE COUNTY
Order Adopting Luzerne County Rule of Judicial Administration 5102
No. 10033 of 2024

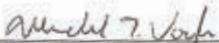
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ORDER

AND NOW, this 29 day of March 2024, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED as follows:

1. The Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas of the 11th Judicial District of Pennsylvania hereby adopts Luzerne County Rule of Judicial Administration 5102, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto.
2. Pursuant to Pa.R.J.A. 103(e), the attached Luzerne County Rule of Judicial Administration shall be disseminated and published in the following manner:
 - a. One copy via email to the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts;
 - b. Two paper copies to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* and one electronic copy via e-mail saved in a Microsoft format to bulletin@palrb.us;
 - c. One copy for publication on the Court's website, located at www.luzernecounty.com; and,
 - d. One copy to the Luzerne County Office of Court Administration, *Luzerne Legal Register*, and the Luzerne County Clerk of Judicial Records for public inspection and copying.
3. It is further Ordered that the effective date of this Order shall be thirty (30) days after the date of Publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.
4. It is further Ordered that these local rules shall be kept continuously available for public inspection and copying in the Office of Judicial Services and Records of Luzerne County.

BY THE COURT,



MICHAEL T. VOUGH
President Judge

Custody and Storage of Exhibits

Rule 5102. General Provisions

- (a) During the Court Proceedings. The court reporter is responsible to act as the custodian of exhibits with the exception of contraband, weapons, money, or other dangerous materials. The moving party shall keep custody of and be responsible for all contraband, weapons, money, or other dangerous materials. The appropriate custodian shall secure and maintain all exhibits during the court proceedings, including breaks and recesses.
- (b) After the Court Proceedings.
 - (1) The moving party shall keep custody of and be responsible for all non-documentary material submitted into evidence at trial, including contraband, weapons, money, or other dangerous materials. The materials shall not be left in the courtroom at the conclusion of the trial.
 - (2) The moving party shall retain all trial exhibits which are larger than 8.5 x 11. The moving party shall submit an original or copy of the trial exhibit no larger than 8.5 x 11 to the court reporter which will be entered into the permanent record. The court reporter shall file a copy of the trial exhibits with the appropriate filing office within five (5) days of the conclusion of the court proceedings.
 - (3) The moving party is responsible for copying any digital evidence (videotapes, phone calls, etc.) presented at trial on a DVD, CD or USB flash drive and submitting same to the court reporter. The court reporter shall file a copy with the appropriate filing office within five (5) days of the conclusion of the court proceedings.
- (c) Index of Exhibits. The court reporter will provide each party with a proposed trial exhibit form, in substantially the format set forth in Form 1 of the Appendix to these Rules, for each party to utilize during trial which will be provided to the court reporter at the conclusion of the proceedings to prepare an accurate index of exhibits. Immediately upon the termination of court proceeding, the court reporter shall assemble and identify all such exhibits in the case including a numbered list of exhibits, identify the proponent of each exhibit, whether the exhibit was admitted or rejected from evidence, and a description or identification of the exhibit. The court reporter shall be responsible for filing this exhibit list with the appropriate filing office within five (5) days of the conclusion of the court proceedings.
- (d) After Final Disposition of the Case. This will include the expiration of any applicable appeal period, the moving party may, after notice to counsel for all parties, petition the Court for an order authorizing the removal and disposition by destruction, or otherwise, of any non-documentary exhibit or any tangible exhibit of a size or weight precluding its enclosure in a regular case file.
- (e) Exclusions. This rule excludes proceedings before hearing officer in divorce, custody, support, delinquency, and dependency matters.



SAVE THE DATE

On **MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024**, the Superior Court of Pennsylvania will be holding a one-hour live CLE.

Details and registration will be published shortly.

Also, on **TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024**, as part of a Judicial Session held by the Superior Court of Pennsylvania at the Luzerne County Courthouse, the Court is going to hold a special program to kick off the start of the 175th Anniversary celebration of the Association. Again, the details will be published.



The Superior Court and the Association have had a special relationship since 1895 when the Court was founded. The Superior Court is seeking to schedule a program to be held in the Rotunda next May to honor the Association for its 175 Years.

Apr. 5, 12



The W-BLLA was saddened to learn of the passing of **Magisterial District Judge James J. Haggerty** on March 20, 2024. A Memorial Committee has been appointed.

Judge Haggerty, Attorney Mark Singer and Attorney Michael J. Hudacek, Sr. will be honored at an ***In Memoriam Ceremony*** that will be held on **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024** at 9:30 a.m. at the Luzerne County Courthouse.

When we get closer to that date, more details will be published. For now, please ***Save the Date.***

Apr. 5, 12



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ONE TEAM FINANCIAL,
 NORTHEAST PA ESTATE PLANNING COUNCIL PRESENTS:

STRATEGIES TO HELP MAXIMIZE SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

TO REGISTER SCAN QR CODE OR VISIT [HTTPS://epcnepa.org/meetinginfo.php](https://epcnepa.org/meetinginfo.php)



CLE 1 CREDIT PROGRAM
 THURSDAY, MAY 9, 4:00 PM
 Wilkes-Barre Think Center
 7 S. Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA

Access & Parking: A dedicated volunteer will be stationed at the door to assist with entry. Attendees are welcome to park in any public lots downtown or utilize street meters, with mobile meter payments facilitated through PANGO.

Social Security is a critical component when planning for retirement. It is an extremely valuable pension program that provides guaranteed lifetime income with cost-of-living increases. However, to ensure that you do not leave any eligible benefits on the table, learn the considerations and claiming strategies which may be available to help maximize your benefits. Such potential benefits include spousal, ex-spousal, child, child-in-care and survivor benefits—the more you know the more you can feel empowered by making the optimal Social Security filing decision to help maximize benefits for you and your family.

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If you have any questions, call or email Cathy Mihalick at 570.504.2248 or cathy.mihalick@fdcbank.com.

**REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF
LUZERNE COUNTY
INVITATION FOR STATEMENT OF
QUALIFICATIONS**

The Redevelopment Authority of Luzerne County (LCRA) requires professional services and advice for the following:

AUTHORITY SOLICITOR

The LCRA is pleased to invite your firm to submit a written “Statement of Qualifications” for professional legal services. The LCRA shall negotiate a contract with the highest qualified entity, subject to the evaluation of information received from interested responders, for necessary services, for a fee which the LCRA determines to be fair and reasonable.

The Authority Solicitor functions to provide legal services for analysis of federal, state and local law. This attorney shall be responsible for, among other duties, the crafting of resolutions and agreements and for providing legal advice on matters of executive and legislative decisions, human resources and personnel.

The above is a summary only of the position. For further details of the job description which includes essential Duties & Responsibilities and Knowledge, Skills and Abilities, please contact the Executive Director, Margaret Thomas, via e-mail: *Margie.Thomas@lcredauth.org*; telephone (570) 655-3329 ext. 1 or fax (570) 655-3287.

Statement of Qualifications posted on Redevelopment
Authority website @
www.luzernecountyredevelopment.org.

**Interested firms shall address and submit their
“Statement of Qualifications” to:**

**Margaret Thomas, Executive Director
Redevelopment Authority of the County of Luzerne
16 Luzerne Avenue, Suite #210,
West Pittston, Pa. 18643**

**No later than 3:00 PM, prevailing time on
Monday, April 15, 2024.**

The LCRA does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, family and handicapped status in employment or the provision of services. The LCRA is an affirmative action equal employment opportunity employer.

**For the Redevelopment Authority of Luzerne County
Margaret Thomas, Executive Director.**

**REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF LUZERNE
COUNTY
STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (SOQ)
AUTHORITY SOLICITOR**

Open: March 29, 2024

Close: **April 15, 2024 - 3:00 P.M.** prevailing time

The Redevelopment Authority of Luzerne County Authority Solicitor is to provide legal services for analysis of federal, state and local law. This attorney shall be responsible for general Authority business and other duties to include, but not limited to, the crafting of resolutions, ordinances, and for providing legal advice on matters of executive and legislative decisions, regulations, human resources and personnel.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Advise and counsel on legislative issues
- Advise and counsel on personnel and/or human services issues
- Ability to draft agreements, resolutions and ordinances;
- Provide written legal opinions to Authority Board Members and executive staff where needed for the Authority and any of its subsidiary entities;
- Monitor conformity to all Pennsylvania municipal laws and Urban Renewal Laws;
- Possess an excellent knowledge of the Luzerne County Charter and all Authority policies;
- Be available by telephone and electronic mail as needed and even during unusual hours;
- Represent the Authority in all levels of civil litigation
- Represent the Authority and any subsidiary corporations (Public Asset Management, et al.) with regard to Tax

Lien Programs , etc. in which the Authority is a participant)

- Other duties that may be requested by the Chairman or Executive Director.
- Represent the Authority in Real Estate matters, including, but not limited to preparation of Deeds including the sale of any Authority owned properties, which include railroad lands.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Applicant must be licensed and possess a Juris Doctorate from an accredited law school and be a member in good standing of the Bar of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania;
- Applicant must show a prowess in preparation and review of contracts, leases and other legal document and the rendering of legal opinions.
- *Applicant must show strong oral and written communication/computer skills and have a proven track record of handling numerous court hearings and/or trials with the ability to handle a multiple case load with time constraints.*
- Applicant must show an ability to provide sound legal representation in various aspects and areas of the law and Urban Redevelopment Law and Pa. Municipal Authority Code.
- Or any equivalent combination of training and experience which provides required skills.
- Professional Fees will be negotiated.
- Billing must be detailed in nature, description of charge including person/reason for telephone/email etc. to be included in explanation.

**Submit SOQ for delivery by: April 15,
2024 - 3:00 P.M., prevailing time**

Include: Experience, qualifications and expected commensuration.

Send SOQ response via e-mail to
Margaret Thomas, Executive Director at
Margie.Thomas@lcredauth.org

Or send SOQ via mail to:
Margaret Thomas, Executive Director
Redevelopment Authority of Luzerne County
16 Luzerne Avenue— Suite #210
West Pittston, Pa. 18643

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an affirmative action, equal employment
opportunity employer.

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**This Year's
50-Year Members,
25-Year Members,
and
5-Year Members,
May Be Honored
by Making a
Donation to the
Luzerne County
Bar Assn.
Charitable
Foundation.**



**50-Year Members
Being Honored for 2024**

**Conrad A. Falvello, Esq.
David W. Saba, Esq.**

**25-Year Members, and
5-Year Members
(See the List Published).**



To Make a Donation in honor of this year's Law Day Honorees go to the Foundation Page on the Bar Website at **Luzernecountybar.com** or respond to the Constant Contact being sent to W-BLLA Members, or use the Color Insert Page published in *The Luzerne Legal Register*.

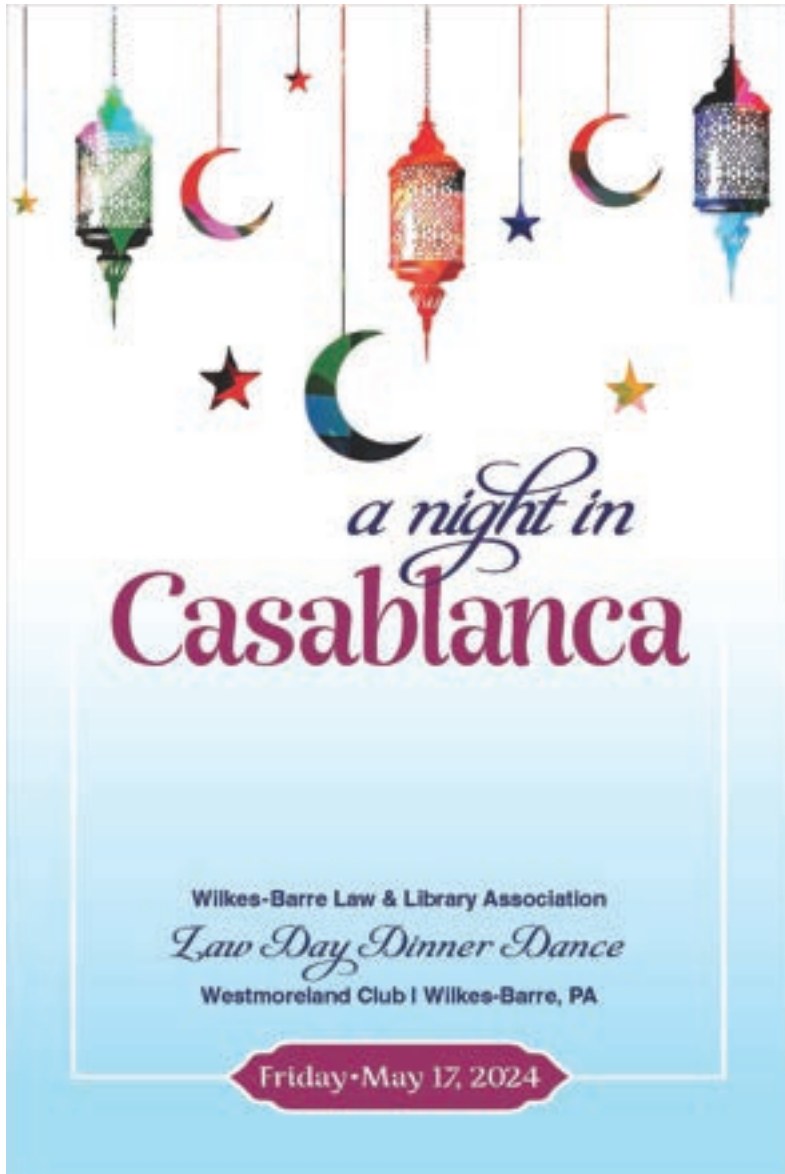
Donor's names will be listed on a special Insert to the Dinner Program Booklet.

Apr. 5, 12, 19, 26



The W-BLLA

Cordially Invites You to



a night in
Casablanca

Wilkes-Barre Law & Library Association

Law Day Dinner Dance

Westmoreland Club | Wilkes-Barre, PA

Friday • May 17, 2024

The 2024
Law Day Dinner Dance
A Night in Casablanca

Friday, May 17, 2024

Westmoreland Club, Wilkes-Barre, PA
Reception: 6:00 p.m. / Dinner: 7:30 p.m.

Come join us

To Honor

For 50 Years of Membership:

Conrad A. Falvello, Esquire
David W. Saba, Esquire

Music for Dancing will be provided by the band

Picture Perfect.

Cocktail Music Will also be provided.

**There will also be *Signature Cocktails*,
A fun Photo Booth, Festive Decorations,
Keepsake Photos by Photography by Andy,
And much, much more.**

***Being Recognized at the Dinner for
25 Years of Membership are:***

David Aikens, Jr., Esquire
Charles J. Belles, Esquire
Debra Ann Bolus, Esquire
Michael Briechle, Esquire
Joseph P. Comerota, Esquire
Gregory E. Fellerman, Esquire
Judith M. Flaherty, Esquire
Philip Gelso, Esquire
Ralph N. Jachimiak, Esquire
Louis S. Sciandra, Esquire

***Being Recognized at the Dinner for
5 Years of Membership are:***

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Mark F. Lingousky, Esquire
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Jessica L. Pleskach, Esquire
Zachary J.C. Watkins, Esquire
Ashley Zingaretti, Esquire

LAW DAY DINNER DANCE PRICES

EARLY RESERVATION PRICE FOR MEMBERS

(MUST BE PAID BY MAY 3rd)

W-BLLA Member (and guest price):

\$80.00 per person

W-BLLA Young Lawyer (and guest price):

\$60.00 per person

LATE RESERVATION PRICE FOR MEMBERS

(AFTER MAY 3rd)

W-BLLA Member (and guest price):

\$140.00 per person

W-BLLA Young Lawyer (and guest price):

\$100.00 per person.

**PRICE OF THE EVENT FOR
NON-MEMBERS TO ATTEND:**

\$190.00 per person.

Go to the Bar Association Website at
Luzernecountybar.com
to make your RESERVATION.

FINAL DEADLINE: May 10, 2024.

Apr. 5—May 3

BAR NEWS CALENDAR - 2024

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

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

Mar. 1—Apr. 12

ATTORNEY DISCIPLINARY / ETHICS MATTERS

Representation, consultation and expert testimony in disciplinary matters and matters involving ethical issues, bar admissions and the Rules of Professional Conduct

James C. Schwartzman, Esq.

Judge, Court of Judicial Discipline (retired) • Former Chairman, Judicial Conduct Board of Pennsylvania • Former Chairman, Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of PA • Former Chairman, Continuing Legal Education Board of the Supreme Court of PA • Former Chairman, Supreme Court of PA Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board • Former Federal Prosecutor • Selected by his peers as one of the top 100 Super Lawyers in PA • Named by his peers as *Best Lawyers in America* 2022 and 2015 Philadelphia “Lawyer of the Year” Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law and Legal Malpractice Law

**1460 Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort, PA 18704
(570) 343-1827**



Calling all future lawyers

ENTER TO WIN A \$25,000 SCHOLARSHIP!

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 or visit 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 Kopsiak at Gail.Kopsiak@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.

Eligibility Criteria

- A hard-working student performing to the best of his or her ability, maintaining a minimum GPA of 3.0;
- 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.

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 _____

**LUZERNE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, INC.**

**LAW DAY DINNER DANCE
DONATION**

**Email This Form or your Name
and Amount You Are Donating to:
Law.Library@luzernecounty.org
Email Must be Received by May 3rd.**

YOUR NAME: _____.

YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS: _____.

AMOUNT OF THE DONATION YOU ARE MAKING: \$ _____.
(Minimum of \$20.00 Required).

If you would like to make a donation in honor of this year's

LAW DAY DINNER DANCE HONOREES

please use the

Charitable Foundation Donation Form

Remember to Mail a Check Made Payable to

**“Luzerne County Bar Assn.
Charitable Foundation, Inc.”**

or Go to Foundation Page of
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“Luzerne Co. Bar Assn. Charitable Foundation Inc.”
Law Library
200 North River Street
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

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

Name of Applicant: _____ <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

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

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
175th 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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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.

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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:

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**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

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**

1:45-2 p.m.—Break.

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

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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**For any questions please on the Summit, please go to the
Wilkes Website page and click “Contact.”**

**Payment for the Program is payable to
Wilkes University.**

Medical physicians, pharmacists, and healthcare
administrators will also be attending the Summit.

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Office Assistant/Secretarial Position

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2024 Members' Directories

TO ALL W-BLLA MEMBERS:

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

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Mar. 29—Apr. 26

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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**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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FIRST PUBLICATION

ESTATE OF MARIE ROSE AMBROSE a/k/a Marie R. Ambrose a/k/a Marie Ambrose, late of Buck Township (died March 2, 2024), Christopher Ambrose, Executor; Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, P.C., 600 Third Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

ESTATE OF EDITH AUFIERO, late of Shickshinny (died February 25, 2024), April L. Evans, 325 Academy St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702, Executrix

ESTATE OF JOSEPH EDWARD BOYLE, JR., late of Pittston (died March 6, 2024), Michael J. Boyle, Administrator; Bregman & Lantz, LLC, 1205 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort, PA 18704

ESTATE OF BRUNO CAMPISANO, late of Wilkes-Barre (died February 18, 2024), Vito A. Campisano, Executor; Lisa Marie Coyne, Esquire, Coyne & Coyne, P.C., 3901 Market Street, Camp Hill, PA 17011-4227

ESTATE OF TERIELIS N. COUVERTIER-RIVERA, late of Hazleton (died October 30, 2022), Teresa Rivera, Administratrix; Robin J. Marzella, Esquire, R.J. Marzella & Associates, 3513 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110

ESTATE OF MARION B. CYBUCH, late of Ashley (died October 24,

2019), Charles J. Cybuch, Administrator; Jule Gaige, Esquire, P.O. Box 19, Fleetville, PA 18420

ESTATE OF NICHOLAS JOHN DABBIERI, late of Deerfield Beach, FL (died November 14, 2023), Carol Lieback, Executrix; Joseph A. Dessoye, Esquire, 9 North Main Street, Suite 6, Pittston, PA 18640

ESTATE OF GENEVIEVE D'ANGELO, late of Hazleton (died March 5, 2024), Dominic D'Angelo and Anthony L. D'Angelo Jr., Executors; Andrew J. Primerano, Esquire, 18 Sherwood Drive, P.O. Box 703, Bloomsburg, PA 17815

ESTATE OF VINCENT J. FERRIOLA, late of Harveys Lake (died December 29, 2023), Anthony E. Ferriola, Administrator; Saporito, Falcone & Watt, 48 South Main St., Pittston, PA 18640

ESTATE OF BETHEL R. FLESHER, late of Nescopeck (died December 21, 2010), Bonny Flesher Dennison and Martha Ann Powers, Executrices; Brenda R. Hess, Esquire, Gordner, Hess & Reimiller, 133 West Front Street, Berwick, PA 18603

ESTATE OF MARIE K. HUDSON a/k/a Marie Koury Hudson a/k/a Marie Hudson, late of Wilkes-Barre (died December 27, 2020), Daphne Hudson Held, Executrix; Alice T.K. Corba, Esquire, Kepner, Kepner & Corba, P.C., 123 West Front Street, Berwick, PA 18603

ESTATE OF THERESA ANN JEZEWSKI a/k/a Theresa Jezewski, late of Nanticoke (died February 8, 2024), Julie Jezewski, Executrix; Patrick J. Aregod, Esquire, 1218 South Main St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18706

ESTATE OF PAULINE JULIAS, late of Wilkes-Barre (died December 12, 2023), Colleen Garvey, Executrix;

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ESTATE OF ARTHUR RAYMOND KINGSTON, late of Courtdale (died February 19, 2024), Mary E. Kingston, Executrix; Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald, LLP, 1065 Highway 315, Suite 200, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

ESTATE OF JOSEPH E. KLEPACH, SR. a/k/a Joseph Klepach, late of Freeland (died January 9, 2024), Joseph E. Klepach, Jr., Administrator; Richard J. Marusak, Esquire, Ustynoski & Marusak, LLC, 101 West Broad St., Suite 205, Hazleton, PA 18201

ESTATE OF MICHAEL KLIMCHOK, late of Plymouth (died January 21, 2024), Michael Klimchok, Jr., Executor; Matthew P. Kelly, Esquire, 400 Third Avenue, Suite 205, Kingston, PA 18704

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

ESTATE OF DENNIS J. LESCOWITCH, late of Hazleton (died June 2, 2023), Anthony J. Lescowitch, Administrator; Frank J. Skokoski, Esquire, Skokoski & DeCosmo, P.C., 165 Susquehanna Boulevard, West Hazleton, PA 18202

ESTATE OF SOFIA LUKIC, late of Conyngham Township (died January 1, 2024), Sorin Lukic and Jacqueline Documet, Executors; Frank J. Hoegen, Esquire, 152 South Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

ESTATE OF SALVATORE LUONGO, late of Scranton (died February 11, 2024), Guy Luongo, Executor;

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ESTATE OF HEATHER F. O'GORMAN, late of Pringle (died May 15, 2023), James P. O'Gorman, IV, Administrator; Michael D. Yelen, Esquire, 8 West Market Street, Suite 320, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

ESTATE OF DALE R. RICHARDS a/k/a Dale Russell Richards late of Newport Township (died February 15, 2024), Ann Marie Richards, Administratrix; Patrick J. Aregood, Esquire, 1218 South Main St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18706

ESTATE OF JOANNE RIETH, late of Bear Creek Twp. (died March 5, 2024), Mr. Mark E. Rieth, 351 Twinbrook Road, Bear Creek Township, PA 18702, Executor

ESTATE OF RONALD L. RINEHIMER, SR., late of Dorrance Township (died August 8, 2023), Rhonda Rinehimer Madigan, Executrix; Robert A. Gonos, Esquire, 88 N. Franklin Street, Second Floor, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

ESTATE OF ANGEL MANUEL ROSARIO a/k/a Angel M. Rosario, late of Wilkes-Barre (died December 22, 2023), Isabel Rosario, Administratrix; Richard J. Marusak, Esquire, Ustynoski & Marusak, LLC, 101 West Broad St., Suite 205, Hazleton, PA 18201

ESTATE OF JAMES E. SCHAPPERT, late of Shavertown (died October 17, 2023), James Schappert, 400 N. Pioneer Ave., Dallas, PA 18612, Executor

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ESTATE OF BERNADETTE ELIZABETH SLUSSER a/k/a Bernadette E. Slusser, late of Hazle Township (died June 30, 2022), Thomas J. Slusser, Executor; Joseph R. Baranko, Jr., Esquire, Slusser Law Firm, 1620 North Church Street, Suite 1, Hazleton, PA 18202

ESTATE OF MARLENE M. TAFT, late of Duryea (died October 15, 2023), Burton Taft and Brenda Rankel, Co-Administrators; Brigid E. Carey, Esquire, P.O. Box 424, Chinchilla, PA 18410

ESTATE OF DEBORAH K. VITZMILNE, late of Conyngham (died January 15, 2024), Jason Ryan Blydenburgh, Administrator; Girard J. Mecadon, Esquire, 363 Laurel Street, Pittston, PA 18640-1719

ESTATE OF ROBERT C. WEBB a/k/a Robert Claude Webb, late of Pittston Township (died March 1, 2024), Cheryl Bullaro, Executrix; Matthew P. Kelly, Esquire, 400 Third Avenue, Suite 205, Kingston, PA 18704

SECOND 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., Es-

quire, 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

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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

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

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

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

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

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

ESTATE OF GARY JOHN STROUD a/k/a Gary Stroud, late of King-

ston (died February 25, 2024), Lisa Gennusa, Executrix; Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald, LLP, 1065 Highway 315, Suite 200, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

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

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

THIRD PUBLICATION

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

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

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

ESTATE OF JOSEPH EUGENE GRULA 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 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
- 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
- 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
- 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 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 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

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the provisions of the Fictitious Names Act of Pennsylvania that an application for registration of a fictitious name has been filed in the office of the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the conduct of a business under the fictitious name of:

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CONSTRUCTION COMPANY with its principal office or place of business at: 300 Schley Street, Nescopeck, PA 18635. The name and address of the person to the registration are: Stephen J. Douthat, 300 Schley Street, Nescopeck, PA 18635.

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NOTICE

2024-03722

IN RE PETITION OF ANTHONY M. TRUSCELLO, JR., AND NORA TRUSCELLO

A Petition for voluntary transfer of vehicle has been filed in the Luzerne County Prothonotary's Office, case number 2024-03722. A hearing has been scheduled for MAY 13, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at the Luzerne County Courthouse, third floor, to transfer the vehicle ownership for a 2003 SKYLINE BIRCHFIELD MODEL 8645-CTB,

MOBILE HOME, VIN NUMBER 49110502RA. Civil action 2024-03722.

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NOTICE TO DEFEND AND CLAIM RIGHTS

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LUZERNE COUNTY

CIVIL ACTION— LAW IN DIVORCE

NO. 2022-01682

ANTONIA J. DIAZ

Plaintiff

vs.

FELIX A.

RODRIGUEZ PERALTA

TO: FELIX A. RODRIGUEZ PERALTA

You have been sued in court. If you wish to defend against the claims set forth in the following pages, you must take prompt action. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a decree of divorce or annulment may be entered against you by the court. A judgment may also be entered against you for any other claim or relief requested in these papers by the plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you, including custody of your children. When the ground for the divorce is indignities or irretrievable breakdown of the marriage, you may request marriage counseling. A list of marriage counselors is available in the Office of the Prothonotary at the Luzerne County Courthouse, Prothono-

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tary, 200 N. River Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania 18711.

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NOTICE

2024-03725

IN RE PETITION OF
JOHN ANTHONY ALU

A Petition for voluntary transfer of vehicle has been filed in the Luzerne County Prothonotary's

Office, case number 2024-0375. A hearing has been scheduled for MAY 13, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at the Luzerne County Courthouse, third floor, to transfer the vehicle ownership for a 2021 ROUGH RIDER TRAILER MODEL RRUA-46SA, VIN NUMBER 5NHUR-R012MA010322. Civil action 2024-03725.

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ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF LUZERNE COUNTY
COMMONWEALTH OF
PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION—LAW

2024-CV-884

GLENN KELLER
1933 SR 903
JIM THORPE, PA 18229

Plaintiff

vs.

JOHN McHUGH
190 ROCK ST.
HUGHESTOWN, PA 18640
Defendant

COMPLAINT IN
ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

1. The Plaintiff is Glenn Keller with a mailing address of 1933 SR 903, Jim Thorpe, PA 18229.

2. Defendant is John McHugh, with a mailing address of 190 Rock St., Hughestown, PA 18640.

3. The real property involved is described as follows, to wit: ALL THAT CERTAIN lot or piece of ground including any improvements thereon, located at 190 Roch St., Hughestown, PA 18640 as recorded in the Office for the Recording of Deeds of Luzerne

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County, Pennsylvania. Also known as taxing parcel number(s) E12NW4003015 being more fully described in a Deed among the land records of the county and state set forth above at Deed Book 2713 Page 438.

4. The Plaintiff became the owner by virtue of a purchase from the Luzerne County Tax Claim Sale held on September 21, 2023. The Decree Nisi was filed with the Court of LUZERNE County, Pennsylvania. The Sale was Decreed Confirmation.

5. The defendant has a cloud on the title to said property.

6. At the time of the said Sale from the Tax Claim Bureau unto the Plaintiff, John McHugh was the assessed owner of the said real property.

7. After the sale is confirmed absolutely, a successful bidder may file an action to quiet title, *In re Kid*, 24 Pa. D. & C. 3d 528 (1981), *affd*, 73 Pa Commw. 85, 457 A.2d 231 (Pa Cmwlth. 1983). *Plank vs. Luzerne Tax Claim Bureau*, 735 A.2d 178 (Pa Cmwlth. 1999).

8. The said Tax Claim Sale was held in Strict compliance with the Tax Sale Law of 1947, as amended (72 P.S. § 5860.101 et seq.) and the said Defendant (i.e. former assessed owner) received all statutory notice and/or had actual knowledge of foregoing Tax Claim Sale and, therefore, said Tax Claim Sale did in fact divest any interest, right, title said Defendant (i.e. former assessed owner) had in and to the foregoing real property.

9. The legal and procedural authority pursuant to which plaintiff has filed this Action to

Quiet Title is found in Pa. R.C.P. No. 1061(b)(4) which provides that: “ ... The action may be brought ... (4) to obtain possession of land sold at a judicial or tax sale ... ”

10. Plaintiff seeks a Court Order barring and enjoining Defendants, pursuant to Pa. R.C.P. No. 1066(b)(1), which provides:

Upon granting relief to the plaintiff, the court shall order that the defendants be forever barred from asserting any right, lien, title or interest in the land inconsistent with the interest or claim of the plaintiff set forth in the complaint, unless the defendant takes such action as the order directs within thirty days thereafter. If such action is not taken within the thirty-day period, the prothonotary on praecipe of the plaintiff shall enter final judgment.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that your Honorable Court will enter an Order and Decree that states that Plaintiff is the legal owner of the herein described real property and, furthermore, enjoin said Defendant, his heirs, successors and assigns and generally any and all other person(s) from having or claiming to have any type of right, lien, title or interest in and to said real property which is in any manner inconsistent with the interest, right, title of Plaintiff herein; and finally, enter an Order under Pa. R.C.P. No. 1066(b) granting the foregoing relief, together with a Writ of Possession as provided under Pa. R.C.P. No. 1061(b)(4).

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PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 26, 2024, the Petition of Tamika Zigler-Harris, was filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County, No. 03739 of 2024, praying for a Decree to Change her name to Tanika Saraiyah Zigler.

The Court has fixed May 13, 2024 at 1 p.m., Luzerne County Courthouse, 200 North River Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania 18711, as the time and place for the hearing on said Petition, when and where all interested may appear and show cause why the prayer of the said Petitioner should not be granted.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Certificate of Organization was filed with the Department of State, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on March 25, 2024. The name of the Limited Liability Company is:

PET CREMATION OF
NORTHEASTERN
PENNSYLVANIA, LLC

This entity has been organized pursuant to the provisions of the Pennsylvania Limited Liability Company Law of 1994.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Pocono Mountain Bottling Co., a Pennsylvania corporation, will voluntarily dissolve upon the issuance of a Certificate of Dissolution by the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and is now engaged in winding up and settling the affairs of the corporation under the provisions of Section 1975 of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988, as amended.

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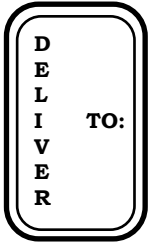
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