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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.***

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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ONE TEAM FINANCIAL,  
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# STRATEGIES TO HELP MAXIMIZE SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

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**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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**ASH AHLUWALIA**  
 Head of Social Security  
 Planning

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If you have any questions, call or email Cathy Mihalick at 570.504.2248 or [cathy.mihalick@fdcbank.com](mailto: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](http://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:**  
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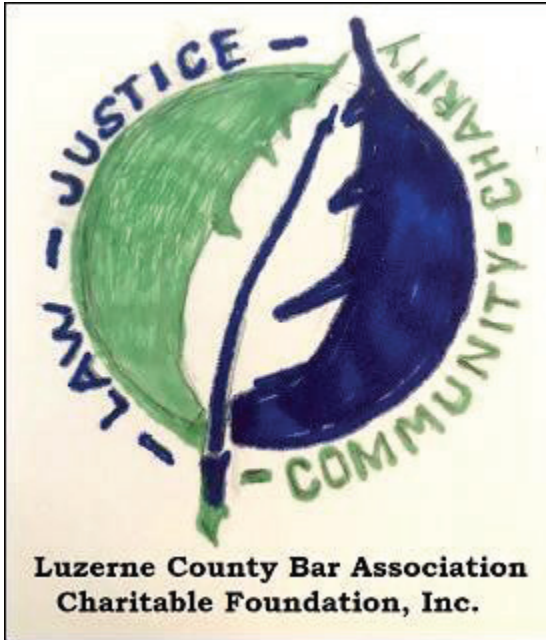
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25-Year Members,  
and  
5-Year Members,  
May Be Honored  
by Making a  
Donation to the  
Luzerne County  
Bar Assn.  
Charitable  
Foundation.**



**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*.

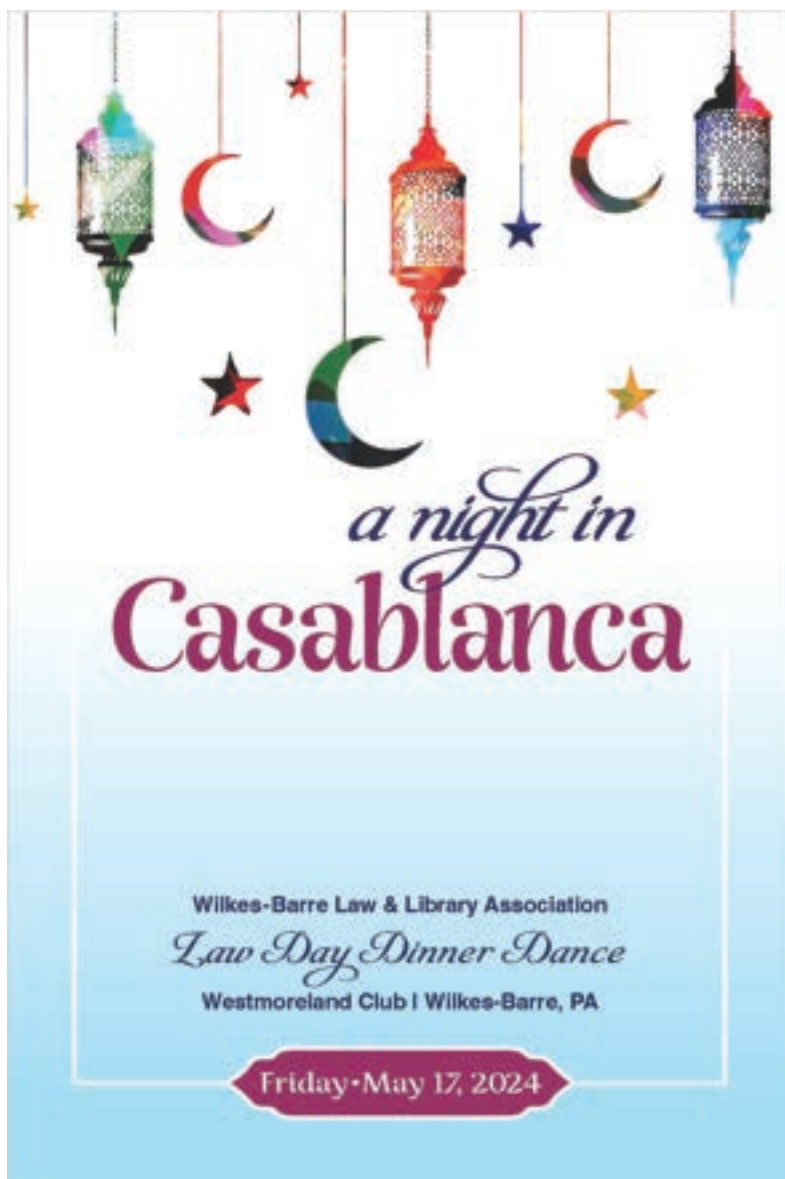
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Apr. 5, 12, 19, 26



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

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## *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](http://Luzernecountybar.com)**  
to make your RESERVATION.

**FINAL DEADLINE: May 10, 2024.**

Apr. 5—May 3

**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. <i>(1 substantive CLE credit)</i>	12:30 p.m.– 1:30 p.m..	WMC
4/26/24	<b>2024 Pain &amp; Addiction Summit</b> <i>(6 substantive CLE credits)</i>	8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.	Wilkes Univ.
5/4/24	<b>Wills for Heroes CLE</b> <i>(1 substantive CLE credit)</i>	9:00 a.m.- 10:00 a.m.	ECC at LCCC
5/4/24	<b>Wills for Heroes Program</b>	10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.	ECC at 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> <i>(1 substantive CLE credit)</i>	TBA	TBA
5/21/24 5/22/24	<b>Superior Court of PA Judicial Session at the Luzerne County Courthouse</b>	TBA	Luzerne Co. 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> Brunch included <i>(1 substantive CLE credit)</i>	9:00 a.m.- 10:00 a.m.	Fox Hill C.C.
7/19/24	<b>Summer Outing (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> (for Talent Show Acts)	TBA	Little Theatre of W-B
11/7/24	<b>Bench Bar Conference</b> (Details to Be Announced)	10:30 a.m.	Mohegan Sun
11/9/24	<b>Law Revue</b> —Talent Show	TBA	Little Theatre of W-B

TBA	<b>Attorney Admissions—</b> 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	<b>In Memoriam</b>	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**

## 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](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**

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

Feb. 2—Apr. 12



# ADR

## Mediation & Arbitration

**Thomas B. Helbig, Esq.**



- PA Chapter Member, National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals (NADN) - Only peer review selected NADN mediator/arbitrator in Northeastern PA
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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.

**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.**

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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.



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

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## Anzalone & Doyle Attorney Position

**Anzalone & Doyle** is seeking an attorney to join its team. Job duties will include research, writing, and support in personal injury litigation. The position will allow for a flex-schedule with the ability to work from home. Please view [anzalonelaw.com](http://anzalonelaw.com) for a description of our areas of practice.

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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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## **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.

Experience as a legal secretary or assistant preferred. Proficiency with Microsoft Office and use of case management software required.

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

Kisailus Law Firm LLC  
Attn.: Shandra Kisailus, Esquire  
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Will be holding a joint CLE program on **MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024**. It will be presented by the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. It will be held in the Lackawanna College Auditorium from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. It will be **FREE** to members and it will offer one-hour live Substantive CLE credit.

The Lackawanna Bar Association is handling the attorney CLE registration for the program. Information on how to Register will be advertised as soon as it becomes available.

On **TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024**, as part of a Judicial Session held by the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, at the Luzerne County Courthouse, the PA Superior Court with our Court is going to hold a special program to kick off the start of our



## ***175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!***

Next year, in 2025, the Association will be 175 years old. The Superior Court and the Association have had a special relationship since 1895 when the Court was founded. This Kick-Off program to be held in **Courtroom No. 1. at 9:00 a.m.** will officially start our countdown to our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration next year!

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**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A  
NEW MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
April 5, 2024**

The Judicial Conference of the United States has authorized the appointment of a full-time United States Magistrate Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania at Scranton, Pennsylvania, upon the elevation of the Honorable Karoline Mehalchick as a United States District Judge, effective February 6, 2024. The essential function of courts is to dispense justice. An important component of this function is the creation and maintenance of diversity in the court system. A community's belief that a court dispenses justice is heightened when the court reflects the community's racial, ethnic, and gender diversity.

The duties of the position are demanding and wide-ranging and include the following:

(1) To exercise all the powers and duties conferred or imposed upon United States Magistrate Judges by law or the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure or the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; (2) To administer oaths and affirmations, impose conditions of release under 18 U.S.C. §3146, and take acknowledgments, affidavits, and depositions; (3) To try persons accused of misdemeanors committed within this district in

accordance with 18 U.S.C. §3401, order presentence investigation reports and sentence such persons; (4) To conduct proceedings in accordance with Fed.R.Cr.P. 40; (5) To conduct extradition proceedings, in accordance with 18 U.S.C. §3184; (6) To appoint attorneys under the court's Criminal Justice Act Plan; (7) To review applications by prisoners for post-trial and other relief, make such orders as are necessary to obtain appropriate information which may be of assistance in determining the merits of any complaint, submit reports and recommendations to the district judge having jurisdiction over the case; (8) To act as a special master when designated by the district court; (9) To receive indictments returned by grand juries; (10) To conduct arraignments to the extent of taking a not guilty plea or noting a defendant's intention to plead guilty or nolo contendere; and (11) Conduct trials and the disposition of civil cases on consent of the parties.

The basic authority of a United States Magistrate Judge is specified in 28 U.S.C. §636.

To be qualified for appointment an applicant must:

- (1) Be, and have been for at least five (5) years, a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Virgin Islands of the United States, and have been engaged in the active practice of law for a period of at least five (5) years;

- (2) Be competent to perform all the duties of the office; be of good moral character; be emotionally stable and mature; be committed to equal justice under the law; be in good health; be patient and courteous; and be capable of deliberation and decisiveness;
- (3) Be less than seventy (70) years old; and
- (4) Not be related to a Judge of the appointing District Court with the degree of relationship specified in 28 U.S.C. §458, i.e., “by affinity or consanguinity within the first degree of first cousin.”

A merit selection panel composed of seven individuals (five lawyers and two nonlawyer members of the community) will review all applicants and recommend to the District Judges in confidence the five (5) persons it considers best qualified.<sup>1</sup> The Court will make the appointment following an FBI full-field investigation and an IRS tax check of the applicant selected by the Court for appointment. The individual selected must comply with the financial disclosure requirements pursuant to the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, Pub. L. No. 95-521, 92 Stat. 1824 (1978) (codified at 5 U.S.C. app. §§101-111) as implemented by the Judicial Conference of the United States. An affirmative effort will be made to give due consideration to all qualified applicants without regard to race, color, age (forty and over), gender, religion, national origin, or disability. The current annual salary of the position is \$223,836.00. The term of office is eight years.

Application forms and more information on the Magistrate Judge position in this Court may be obtained from the Clerk of the District Court or from the court’s internet website at [www.pamd.uscourts.gov](http://www.pamd.uscourts.gov).

Applications must be submitted only by applicants personally and **must be received by Friday, May 3, 2024**. All documents are to be forwarded as one pdf file via e-mail to:

*[HR\\_PAMD@pamd.uscourts.gov](mailto:HR_PAMD@pamd.uscourts.gov)*

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### **MAGISTRATE JUDGE SCRANTON**

All applications will be kept confidential, unless the applicant consents to disclosure, and all applications will be examined only by members of the merit selection panel and the Judges of the District Court. The panel's deliberations will remain confidential. Questions may be directed to Peter J. Welsh, Clerk of Court at (717) 221-3940.

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<sup>1</sup> No person may be considered by the court for a Magistrate Judge position while serving as a member of a merit selection panel, or for one year after such service is completed. But, the Judicial Conference on the Administration of the Magistrate Judges System may grant, on an individual case basis, waivers of the provision prohibiting a member of a merit selection panel from being considered for selection by the Court.

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## W-BLLA Wills for Heroes Training CLE



## and Program



Wills for Heroes is a Pennsylvania Bar Association program-sponsored in Luzerne County by the W-BLLA. “Wills for Heroes” provides free basic estate planning documents to first responders and military veterans in Pennsylvania. “Wills for Heroes” provides police, fire, emergency medical personnel, other first responders and military veterans—those on the frontlines for our personal safety—the tools they need to prepare adequately for the future.

**SATURDAY—MAY 4, 2024**

at the

**Educational Conference Center**

at LCC, Main Campus, Nanticoke, PA.

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### **Program Agenda:**

**9:30 A.M.—10:00 A.M. Check-in Registration.**

**10:00 A.M.—11:00 A.M. Training CLE Program.**

**11:00 A.M.—3:00 P.M. Wills for Heroes.**

### **Program Description**

The Continuing Legal Education credit part of this program is sponsored by the Wilkes-Barre Law and Library Association for the Attorney Volunteers of the W-BLLA “*Wills for Heroes*” to be held at the **Educational Conference Center at LCCC.**

The program is at the Public Service Training Building at LCC in Nanticoke, PA. For those attorneys staying for the full duration of the training, this CLE program offers and is approved by the CLE Board for one (1) substantive continuing legal education live credit. The CLE is FREE for Volunteers.

Wills for Heroes will start immediately following the training and last from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER  
IS APRIL 29, 2024.**

**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.**

**NOTARIES NEEDED**

**Also, any lawyer who is a notary or who has a Notary as part of your office staff, we need notaries at LCC around Noon to help notarize the documents prepared by the volunteers. If you or your office notary is able to volunteer to help us with the Wills for Heroes project that day, please let Gail know.**

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## THE LUZERNE LEGAL REGISTER

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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 FRANCES ASTARY, late of Dallas Township (died February 21, 2024), Jahn Raimondo, Executor; Law Offices of Bernard Walter, 1674 Memorial Hwy., Shavertown, PA 18708

ESTATE OF JUNE LOUISE BLAMEY a/k/a June L. Blamey a/k/a June Blame, late of Sugarloaf (died March 18, 2024), Alan J. Blamey, Executor; Joseph R. Baranko, Jr., Esquire, Slusser Law Firm, 1620 North Church Street, Suite 1, Hazleton, PA 18202

ESTATE OF JOSEPHINE E. CARPENTER, late of Plymouth Borough (died February 3, 2024), Eric Weirich, Executor; Joseph A. Desoye, Esquire, 9 North Main Street, Suite 6, Pittston, PA 18640

ESTATE OF SYLVIA J. CHIRE a/k/a Sylvia Chire, late of West Hazleton (died March 9, 2024), Michele Martz, Executrix; Frank J. Skokoski, Esquire, Skokoski & DeCosmo, P.C., 165 Susquehanna Boulevard, West Hazleton, PA 18202

ESTATE OF RICHARD E. CRANE, late of Huntington Township (died February 20, 2024), Carol Crane, Administratrix; Richard C. Shiptoski, Esquire, P.O. Box 155, Shickshinny, PA 18655

ESTATE OF BERNADINE E. ELICK, late of Wilkes-Barre Township (died March 12, 2024), Megan P.

Maguire, Esquire, 590 Rutter Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704, Executrix

ESTATE OF CLIFFORD JOHN GERMAN, SR. a/k/a Clifford German, late of Plains Township (died February 24, 2024), Clifford J. German, Jr., Administrator; Joseph R. Baranko, Jr., Esquire, Slusser Law Firm, 1620 North Church Street, Suite 1, Hazleton, PA 18202

ESTATE OF JOSEPH J. GODLEWSKI, late of Wilkes-Barre City (died March 15, 2024), Susan Urban, Executrix; Jeffrey J. Malak, Esquire, Chariton Malak, 138 South Main Street, P.O. Box 907, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

ESTATE OF MARILYN MARGARET GRANT a/k/a Marilyn M. Grant, late of Dallas (died October 14, 2023), J. Frederick Rohrbeck, Esquire, Executor; Kreder Brooks Hailstone LLP, 220 Penn Avenue, Suite 200, Scranton, PA 18503

ESTATE OF BEVERLY J. HAAS, late of Kingston Township (died January 25, 2004), Rena Wright, Administratrix; Hiscox & Musto, 400 Third Ave., Suite 201, Kingston, PA 18704

ESTATE OF JAMES D. HANKEY, JR., late of Plymouth Township (died February 12, 2024), Judith Hankey, Administratrix; Robert S. Betnar, Esquire, 126 South Main Street, Pittston, PA 18640

ESTATE OF LORRAINE KARDASH a/k/a Faith L. Kardash a/k/a Faith Kardash, late of Newport Township (died January 31, 2024), Vera Thompson, Executrix; Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, P.C., 600 Third Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF NICHOLAS JOSEPH KRATZ, JR. a/k/a Nicholas J. Kratz, Jr. a/k/a Nicholas J. Kratz, late of Sugar Notch (died January 24, 2024), Nicholas J. Kratz, III and Joann Kratz, Co-Administrators; Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, P.C., 600 Third Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

Donald G. Karpowich, Esquire, 85 Drasher Road, Drums, PA 18222

ESTATE OF HAROLD J. THOMAS a/k/a Harold Thomas, late of Plymouth (died January 5, 2024), Patricia Jones, Executrix; Hudacek and Hudacek, 43 E. Main Street, Plymouth, PA 18651

### SECOND PUBLICATION

ESTATE OF ELMER H. LOWE, late of Warrior Run Borough (died May 25, 2023), Margaret Bart, Administratrix; Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald, LLP, 1065 Highway 315, Suite 200, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

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 VICTORIA B. MAHOSKI, late of Hazleton (died February 15, 2024), Denise Perry and Gary Mahoski, Co-Executors; Charles A. DeCosmo, Esquire, Skokoski & DeCosmo, P.C., 165 Susquehanna Blvd., West Hazleton, PA 18202

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 JAMES MALONEY, JR. a/k/a Joseph J. Maloney, Jr. a/k/a Joseph Maloney, Jr., late of Plains Township (died February 11, 2024), David A. Maloney, Administrator; Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, P.C., 600 Third Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704

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 JEAN RICHTER a/k/a Jean Marie Richter, late of Exeter Township (died February 19, 2024), Lynn Yonushka, Executrix; Biagio V. Musto, II, Esquire, 171 William Street, Pittston, PA 18640-1719

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 SHAWN F. SALO, JR., late of Hazle Township (died November 19, 2023), Shawn Salo, Administrator; Joseph S. Toczydlowski, Jr., Esquire, Toczydlowski Law Office, 723 North Main St., Archbald, PA 18403

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 DAVID L. SUPON, late of White Haven (died February 27, 2024), Mary Supon, Executrix;

ESTATE OF MARION B. CYBUCH, late of Ashley (died October 24, 2019), Charles J. Cybuch, Administrator; Jule Gage, Esquire, P.O. Box 19, Fleetville, PA 18420

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- 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. Aregood, Esquire, 1218 South Main St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18706
- ESTATE OF PAULINE JULIAS, late of Wilkes-Barre (died December 12, 2023), Colleen Garvey, Executrix; Brenda D. Colbert, Esquire, Colbert & Grebas, PC, 210 Montage Mountain Road, Suite A, Moosic, PA 18507
- 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; Bregman & Lantz, LLC, 1205 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort, PA 18704

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ESTATE OF BERNARD C. NOSAL a/k/a Bernard C. Nosal, Jr., late of Foster Township (died March 4, 2024), Joseph B. Hoffman, Executor; Andrew J. Primerano, Esquire, 18 Sherwood Drive, P.O. Box 703, Bloomsburg, PA 17815

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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

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

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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

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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

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

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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

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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

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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

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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

### THIRD 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

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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

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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

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- 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
- 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 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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Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702  
VIKTORIIA EVSTAFIEVA

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

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SHARON M. FRITZ AS  
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ESTATE OF EDWARD H. FRITZ

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PLEAS OF LUZERNE COUNTY  
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NO. 2024-03299

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BOVA, MAJESTIC TELECOM  
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FRITZ AS ADMINISTRATOR  
OF THE ESTATE OF EDWARD  
H. FRITZ, ROSA A. MORILLO  
DE CASTRO, and DERRICK  
WHITE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that a Complaint in Quiet Title  
has been filed in the above cap-  
tioned matter regarding real  
property of yours that was sold  
at Tax Sale.

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must enter a written appearance  
personally or by attorney and file  
your defenses or objections in  
writing with the court. You are  
warned that if you fail to do so  
the case may proceed without  
you and a judgment may be en-  
tered against you without further  
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NOTICE

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT  
DIVISION OF THE COURT OF  
COMMON PLEAS OF  
WYOMING COUNTY,  
PENNSYLVANIA

NO. 2024-1

IN RE: ADOPTION OF:  
C.R.L., a minor

TO: Jamey Christopher Lemardy

A Petition has been filed asking  
the Court to put an end to all  
rights you have to your child,  
C.R.L., DOB July 10, 2011. The  
Court has set a hearing to con-  
sider ending your rights to your  
child. You are warned that even  
if you fail to appear at the sched-  
uled hearing, the hearing will go  
on without you and your rights to  
your child may be ended by the  
Court without your being present.

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Prothonotary  
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An Evidentiary Hearing is set for June 20, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., Courtroom No. 1, Wyoming County Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Square, Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania 18657.

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DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

The Court of Common Pleas of Wyoming County is required by law to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990. For information about accessible facilities and reasonable accommodations available to disabled individuals having business before the Court, please contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (570) 996-2303.

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NOTICE

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT  
DIVISION OF THE COURT OF  
COMMON PLEAS OF  
WYOMING COUNTY,  
PENNSYLVANIA

NO. 2024-2

IN RE: ADOPTION OF:  
A.R.L., a minor

TO: Jamey Christopher Lemardy  
A Petition has been filed asking the Court to put an end to all

rights you have to your child, A.R.L., DOB November 17, 2008. The Court has set a hearing to consider ending your rights to your child. You are warned that even if you fail to appear at the scheduled hearing, the hearing will go on without you and your rights to your child may be ended by the Court without your being present.

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NOTICE

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

No. 2024-03786

DINORAH GONZALEZ  
Plaintiff

vs.

THE ESTATE OF BENJAMIN  
NIZIOLEK AND THE ESTATE  
OF LUCY NIZIOLEK  
and all its transferees,  
successors, and assigns  
Defendants

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Defendants, THE ESTATE OF BENJAMIN NIZIOLEK AND THE ESTATE OF LUCY NIZIOLEK and all its transferees, successors, and assigns and all other people or entities claim, by and through the Defendant, and all other persons whatsoever, that on April 2, 2024, Dinorah Gonzalez commenced an action against you to No. 2024-03786, in the Office of

the Prothonotary of Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, which you are required to defend to quiet title to that certain piece, parcel and plot of land situated in the County of Luzerne, State of Pennsylvania, and is described as follows:

ALL the surface of those two certain pieces or parcels of land situate in the City of Wilkes-Barre, County of Luzerne, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

THE FIRST THEREOF: BEGINNING at a corner twenty (20) feet Eastwardly from line between said Miner’s land and land of William T. Merritt and distant eighty (80) feet Westerly from W. P. Miner’s line; THENCE South 56 1/2° East one hundred fifty (150) feet to a corner;

THENCE along other land of Charles A. Miner North 28° East forty (40) feet to a corner;

THENCE North 56 1/2° West one hundred fifty (150) feet to a corner twenty (20) feet from said Merritt’s line; THENCE South 28° West forty (40) feet to the place of beginning.

THE SECOND THEREOF: BEGINNING at a point forty (40) feet Southwesterly from the intersection of Sheridan Street and Mill Street in said Borough, said point being a common corner to Lot No. 128, herein conveyed, and the lot of land (No. 127) adjoining it, now or late of Karol and Apolonia Stermer; THENCE along said Stermer’s land, aforesaid, South 57 degrees 21 minutes East, one hundred fifty (150) feet to a point; THENCE South 29 degrees 53 minutes West, eighty (80) feet to a point; THENCE North 57 degrees 21

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minutes West, one hundred fifty (150) feet to a point; THENCE North 29 degrees 53 minutes East, along said Mill Street, eighty (80) feet to the aforesaid common corner, the place of beginning. CONTAINING twelve thousand (12,000) feet of land, more or less. BEING Lots Nos. 128 and 129 on plot of Lots laid out for Charles A. Kiner, by W. H. Sturdevant in December of 1887.

The Court has fixed June 17, 2024 at 1:00 p.m., in the Luzerne County Courthouse, 200 N. River Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711 as the time and place for a hearing in said action.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND this action within thirty (30) days of this publication hereof. In default of appearance or defense of such action, a Decree of Court may be entered holding that the Plaintiff has a validated indefeasible title to said real estate against you, and that you will be permanently enjoined from impeaching, denying, attacking or asserting any claim or title to said premises inconsistent with the ownership of the Plaintiff, for the recovery of said premises or such other action as the Court may direct within thirty (30) days from the date of said Decree.

If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by an attorney and file your defenses or objections, in writing, with the Court. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by the Plaintiff. You may lose money

or property or other rights important to you.

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NOTICE

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

NO. 2024-00856

ACTION TO QUIET TITLE/  
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT

ERNEST ASHBRIDGE, III and  
DONNA ASHBRIDGE, his wife  
Plaintiffs

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vs.  
GARY F. SPENCER and LAURA D. SPENCER h/w, their heirs, personal representatives, successors and/or assigns, if any, and RICHARD RINEHIMER and TODD RINEHIMER, their heirs, personal representatives, successors and/or assigns, if any, and FREDERICK E. KITCHEN, his heirs, personal representatives, successors, and/or assigns, if any, and RAYANNE ALLEN, her heirs, personal representatives, successors and/or assigns, if any, and ELIZABETH NOVAKOWSKI, in her capacity as HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN M. WOZNOCK (a/k/a HELEN M. WAZNOCK) DECEASED, and her personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors, and/or assigns, if any, and UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN WOZNOCK (a/k/a WAZNOCK), DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors and/or assigns, if any, and RONALD L. PLATT, SR., his heirs, personal representatives, successors, and/or assigns, if any, and SALEM TOWNSHIP, its successors and assigns, if any, and STEVEN D. ST. CLAIR and KELLY J. PAASCH, their heirs, personal representatives, successors, and/or assigns, if any, and SUSQUEHANNA NUCLEAR, LLC f/k/a PPL SUSQUEHANNA, LLC, its successors and/or assigns, if any, and ALLEGHENY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., its successors and/or

assigns, if any, and ROBERT LEE PHILLIPS, his heirs, personal representatives, successors and/or assigns, if any, and PENNSYLVANIA GAS & WATER COMPANY, TRUSTEE, its successors and/or assigns, if any, and UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISES OF THE ESTATE OF THORNTON A. SMITH, DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors, and/or assigns, if any, and UNKNOWN HEIRS OF DORA SMITH, DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors, and/or assigns, and UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF NORMAN SMITH, DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors and/or assigns, if any, and UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN HOLOWIAK, DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, heirs, personal representatives, devisees, successors, and/or assigns, if any, and BNY MELLON, N.A., successor to MELLON BANK, N.A. (formerly UNITED PENN BANK) in its capacity as EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN HOLOWIAK, DECEASED, and its personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors and/or assigns, if any, and THE FIDELITY DEPOSIT AND DISCOUNT BANK, in its capacity as successor/assign of THE LUZERNE BANK (f/k/a THE LUZERNE NATIONAL BANK),

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Successor Trustee to MELLON BANK, N.A. (formerly UNITED PENN BANK), as TRUSTEE OF THE JOHN T. HOLOWIAK AND CHARLOTTE W. HOLOWIAK MEMORIAL TRUST and ANY OTHER TRUSTS CREATED UNDER THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JOHN HOLOWIAK, DECEASED, and its successors and/or assigns, if any, and ANY/ALL OTHERS WHO MAY HAVE A RIGHT, TITLE, CLAIM, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTIES SUBJECT TO THIS ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

Defendants

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Defendants, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN WOZNOCK (a/k/a HELEN WAZNOCK), DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors and/or assigns; and UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF THE ESTATE OF THORNTON A. SMITH, DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors, and/or assigns, if any, and UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF THE ESTATE OF DORA SMITH, DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, personal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors and/or assigns, if any, and UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF THE ESTATE OF NORMAN SMITH, DECEASED, if any, and their respective estates, personal representatives, heirs, devisees, suc-

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The property subject to this action is all of the unopened roads in Smith Manor Subdivision Section 2 as platted on the subdivision plan recorded in Luzerne County Map Book 3 at pages 126 and 127, and as relocated pursuant to later agreements and surveys, inter alia. Within the subject property are particular sub-areas in dispute which overlap at times and which are identified in Plaintiffs' Complaint as Parcels 1 through 8.

The primary purpose of this action is to determine the parties' ownership interest in the unopened roads in SM2 Subdivision, and whether title has passed by operation of law to abutting lot owners or whether the developer and/or his successors reserved and/or retained

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title/interest in said roads until they subsequently conveyed the portions to others by deed.

The secondary purpose of this action, once general ownership of the roads is declared, is to determine Plaintiffs' ownership interest in the sub-areas which are all combinations of the platted roads which either abut lots currently owned by Plaintiffs, or were conveyed by deed to Plaintiffs (and to determine whether they own these portions in fee in their entirety or to the center line).

The tertiary purpose of this action is to determine easement rights of the parties as they relate to all of the unopened roads, including but not limited to the disputed sub-areas described herein, and further, to determine whether the access easement rights for the lot owners on any of the disputed sub-areas (or portions thereof) have been abandoned, terminated, or otherwise extinguished by Plaintiffs' adverse possession, usage, blockage, and/or interference with same.

The quaternary purpose of this action is to address issues surrounding a 2007 deed between Plaintiffs and Defendants Gary and Laura Spencer, to 1) determine the validity of said deed; 2) to determine which area was conveyed to Plaintiffs and which area was reserved by Defendants Spencer, and 3) to determine whether Defendants Spencer have any easement interests and in which portions.

### NOTICE

By Motion filed on April 3, 2024 and an Order pursuant to said Motion, dated April 4, 2024, the Plaintiffs were authorized to serve the above-named Defendants by publication. If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by an attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the Court. You are warned that if you fail to do so the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by the Plaintiffs. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

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rected to counsel for Plaintiffs as  
follows:

SEAN W. LOGSDON,  
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NOTICE

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

No. 2024-03789

JAMES M. YANOSKI  
Plaintiff

vs.

THE ESTATE OF ARIO  
HOUSEKNECHT AND THE  
ESTATE OF AMANDA  
HOUSEKNECHT and all its  
transferees, successors,  
and assigns  
Defendants

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to  
the Defendants, THE ESTATE OF  
ARIO HOUSEKNECHT AND THE

ESTATE OF AMANDA HOUSE-  
KNECHT and all its transferees,  
successors, and assigns and all  
other people or entities claim, by  
and through the Defendant, and  
all other persons whatsoever,  
that on April 2, 2024, James M.  
Yanoski commenced an action  
against you to No. 2024-03789,  
in the Office of the Prothonotary  
of Luzerne County, Pennsylva-  
nia, which you are required to  
defend to quiet title to that cer-  
tain piece, parcel and plot of land  
situated in the County of Lu-  
zerne, State of Pennsylvania, and  
is described as follows:

ALL THAT CERTAIN plot of  
ground situated in Sugarloaf  
Township, Luzerne County and  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,  
bounded and described as fol-  
lows:

BEGINNING at a point located  
on the southerly side of the pub-  
lic road leading from Sybertsville  
to Rock Glen and being further  
described as North eighty-four  
(84) degrees thirty-five (35) mi-  
nutes East (N. 84-35 E.) for a  
distance of fifty (50) feet from the  
northwest comer of the tract of  
land now or formerly of Amanda  
Houseknecht and also being fur-  
ther described as the northeast  
comer of the plot of ground now  
or formerly of Theodore and  
Helen Houseknecht;

THENCE (1) along the south-  
erly side of the aforesaid public  
road north eighty-four (84) de-  
grees thirty-five (35) minutes  
East (N. 84-35 E.) for a distance  
of twenty (20) feet to a point;

THENCE (2) south ten (10)  
degrees East (S. 10-00 E.) for a



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distance of one hundred ninety-seven and seventy hundredths ( 197. 70) feet to a point;

THENCE (3) along the land now or formerly of Wilson A. and Ruth A. Budgeon South seventy-eight (78) degrees West (S. 78-00 W.) for a distance of twenty (20) feet to a point;

THENCE (4) along the land now or formerly of Theodore and Helen Houseknecht North ten (10) degrees West (N. 10-00 W.) for a distance of two hundred (200) feet to the point or PLACE OF BEGINNING.

The Court has fixed June 17, 2024 at 1:00 p.m., in the Luzerne County Courthouse, 200 N. River Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711 as the time and place for a hearing in said action.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND this action within thirty (30) days of this publication hereof. In default of appearance or defense of such action, a Decree of Court may be entered holding that the Plaintiff has a validated indefeasible title to said real estate against you, and that you will be permanently enjoined from impeaching, denying, attacking or asserting any claim or title to said premises inconsistent with the ownership of the Plaintiff, for the recovery of said premises or such other action as the Court may direct within thirty (30) days from the date of said Decree.

If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by an attorney and file your defenses or objections, in writing, with the Court. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be en-

tered against you without further notice for the relief requested by the Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET HELP.

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Pittston, PA 18640  
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- or -

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

CASE NO. 2024-CV-01386

COMMUNITY BANK, NA d/b/a  
First Liberty Bank & Trust  
Plaintiff

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v.  
THOMAS M. TIGUE and  
THOMAS M. TIGUE, Deceased  
Defendants

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MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO the Defendant, Thomas M. Tigue, that a Complaint in Mortgage Foreclosure has been filed against you in the above captioned matter on February 7, 2024.

YOU HAVE BEEN SUED IN COURT. If you wish to defend against the claims set forth in the following pages, you must take action within twenty (20) days after this Complaint and Notice are served by entering a written appearance personally or by attorney and filing in writing with the Court your defenses or objections to the claims set forth against you. You are warned that if you fail to do so the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you by the Court without further notice for any money claimed in the Complaint or for any other claim or relief requested by the Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

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IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE A LAWYER, THIS OFFICE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT AGENCIES THAT MAY OFFER LEGAL SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE PERSONS AT A REDUCED FEE OR NO FEE.

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NOTICE  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Fictitious Name Act, 54 Pa. C.S.A. Section 311, as amended, an Application has been filed and approved on April 2, 2024 in the Office of the Department of State, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to con-

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duct business under the assumed  
or fictitious name of:

MONOCHROME CREATIVE  
with its principal office at: 546  
Hoyt Street, Pringle, PA 18704.  
The name and address of the  
registrant are Alexis Padavan,

546 Hoyt Street, Pringle, PA  
18704.

JONATHAN A. SPOHRER,  
ESQUIRE

279 Pierce Street  
Kingston, PA 18704

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