

LACKAWANNA JURIST

JUDICIAL OPINION

CASE NAME AND NUMBER: Mason v. PPL Electric Utilities Corp., et al. -
2026 WL 171238 (Lacka. Co. 2026)

DATE OF DECISION: January 21, 2026

JUDGE: Terrence R. Nealon

ATTORNEYS INVOLVED: Bradley D. Moyer, Esquire, *Counsel for Plaintiff*
Samuel G. Dunlop, Esquire, *Counsel for Defendant, PPL Electric Utilities Corp.*
Mark J. Kozlowski, Esquire, *Counsel for Defendants, City of Scranton and City of Scranton Department of Public Works*
Harry T. Coleman, Esquire, *Counsel for Defendant, County of Lackawanna*

SUMMARY OF OPINION:

Plaintiff commenced this personal injury action more than four years ago after she tripped on a junction box located in the roadway immediately in front of the County Government Center, and in compliance with the stipulated deadlines set forth in the parties' case management order, the county filed a motion for summary judgment. Based upon the deposition testimony of county and city representatives regarding the county's practice of notifying the city whenever the junction box was in a state of disrepair, the motion for summary judgment asserting the absence of any duty as a matter of law was denied due to triable issues of fact as to whether the county gratuitously assumed a duty under Section 323 of the Restatement (Second) of Torts. Plaintiff thereafter filed a certificate of readiness per the case management order, and more than two months after this case was certified for trial and 17 months after the expiration of the discovery deadline, the county filed a motion seeking leave of court to conduct additional discovery in the form of requests for admission.

The county's motion did not indicate why the requested supplemental discovery was not served or completed during the initial four years that this litigation was pending, and the parties had secured their expert witness reports based upon the discovery that was concluded long ago. Since the county did not articulate any legitimate reason for reopening the original four year discovery period at such a late stage of the case and after the matter had been certified as ready for trial "in all respects," its motion seeking to compel plaintiff to answer its belated discovery was denied.

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ESTATE

First Notice

ESTATE OF RICHARD P. CARNEVALE, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania (died: November 25, 2025). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of Richard P. Carnevale have been issued to JaneAnn Carnevale, Executrix of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate or indebtedness owed to the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to JaneAnn Carnevale, Executrix c/o William J. Rinaldi, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, Suite 600, 538 Biden Street, Scranton, Pennsylvania 18503.

ESTATE OF JOANN M. CHIAPPINI, late of the City of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, died on December 4, 2025. Letters of Administration having been granted to Alexander Chiappini. Creditors shall make demands and debtors shall make payment without delay to Marjorie DeSanto Barlow, Esq., Attorney for the Estate, DeSanto Barlow Law, P.C., 327 N. Washington Ave., Ste. 400, Scranton, PA 18503.

FRANCIS R. COLLURA, Deceased Date of death: October 4, 2025 Late of the Township of Carbondale Administratrix: Maureen Collura Attorney: Stacey F. Acri, Esquire Steinbacher, Goodall & Yurchak 273 E. Northampton Street Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702.

ESTATE OF NICHOLAS DONSON, late of the Borough of Dickson City, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, (died February 20, 2026). Letters Testamentary were granted to Joanne M. Pesota. Creditors present claims and debtors make payments to John P. Pesota, Esquire, Suite 402 SNB Plaza, 108 North Washington Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503.

ESTATE OF PAMELA J. EDWARDS, late of Moscow Borough., Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, (died January 4, 2026). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration has been issued to Paula Bechaver. All persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make payment and those having claims to present the same without delay to Eugene J. Doud, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, 1418 Main St., Suite 206A, Peckville, PA 18452.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary have been issued in the **ESTATE OF DONNA M. FETSOCK a/k/a DONNA MARIE FETSOCK a/k/a DONNA FETSOCK**, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, PA, Date of Death, November 7, 2025 to John Fetsock as Executor of the Estate. All persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make payments and those having claims or demands are to present the same without delay to John Fetsock Executor c/o the Estate Attorney, Tammy Lee Clause as follows: The Estate of Donna M. Fetsock a/k/a Donna Marie Fetsock a/k/a Donna Fetsock c/o The Clause Law Group, Attorney, Tammy Lee Clause, P.O. Box 241, Newfoundland, PA 18445, 570-676-5212, attvclause@gmail.com, Attorney for the Estate of Donna M. Fetsock a/k/a Donna Marie Fetsock a/k/a Donna Fetsock.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF JOSEPH A. GALCHEFSKI**, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, who died November 23, 2025. All persons indebted to said Estate are required to make payment and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to Lorraine Veneziale, Executrix, c/o her attorneys, James J. Albert, Esquire, Cefalo Law, 309 Wyoming Avenue, West Pittston, PA 18643, 570-655-5555.

ESTATE OF ROBERT A. HOFFMAN, late of Olyphant Borough, Lackawanna County, Deceased, Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims, to present the same without delay to: Mark R. Hoffman, Executor c/o Robert M. Sebia, Esq., Elliot Greenleaf, P.C., 925 Harvest Drive, Suite 300, Blue Bell, PA 19422.

ESTATE OF CHARLES MARTIN KELLY, late of Moosic, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary on the above Estate having been granted to Colleen Ducas and Maura Cianciulli all persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the same without delay to them c/o Joseph Kosierowski, Esq., 400 Broad Street, Milford, Pennsylvania 18337.

Estate of **JOHN KLOHONATZ** (died January 17, 2026) formerly of Dickson City, Pennsylvania. All persons indebted to the estate shall make payment and those having claims or demands are to present same without delay to the Executor, Mark Klohonatz, or Richard A. Fanucci, Attorney for the Estate, 1711 Main Street, Blakely, PA 18447.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF ROSELLEN MATHEWSON**, Deceased, 150 Wells Road R, Greenfield Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania 18407, who died on October 25, 2025. All persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands are to present same, without delay, to the Executrix, Lisa Winter, or Michael N. Krisa, Attorney for the Estate, 3397 Scranton/Carbondale Highway, Suite 3, Blakely, Pennsylvania 18447.

Notice is hereby given that a Letter of Administration has been granted to Lynne E. Confer, Administratrix of the **ESTATE OF JAMES M. MORAN**, Deceased, late of the Borough of Clarks Green, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania. Date of death: December 8, 2025. Creditors are to present claims and debtors are to make payments to Lynne E. Confer, Estate Administratrix or to P. Timothy Kelly, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, 240 Penn Avenue, Suite 202, Scranton, PA 18503.

ESTATE OF THOMAS M. NOLE, late of Moosic, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania (died July 20, 2025). Letters Testamentary in the above Estate having been granted, all persons having claims or demands against Estate of decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said Estate shall make payment thereof without delay to Cynthia M. Brown, Executrix or to Jack Price, Oliver, Price & Rhodes, LLP, Attorneys for the Estate, 1212 South Abington Road, Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania 18411.

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ESTATE OF MARION PEPERNO, late of Old Forge, PA (died January 30, 2026), Susan Peperno-Coccia, Executrix, Paul A. Kelly, Jr., Esq. – Attorney, 201 Lackawanna Avenue, Suite 306, Scranton, PA 18503.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted to Lori Pilosi, Executrix of the **ESTATE OF JAMES PILOSI, JR. a/k/a JAMES S. PELOSI, JR.**, late of Old Forge, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania who died on December 22, 2025. All persons indebted to said Estate are required to make payment and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to the Executrix in c/o Gregory S. Skibitsky, Jr., Esquire, Skibitsky & Molino, 457 North Main Street, Suite 101, Pittston, PA 18640.

ROGER E. SELIGA, late of Scranton, PA, who died January 10, 2026. Letters Testamentary in the above Estate having been granted, all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to: Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky, Executor, or Daniel L. Penetar, Jr., Esquire, 753 East Drinker Street, Dunmore, PA 18512.

ESTATE OF ALBERT C. SHARR, Deceased, late of 301 Drake St., Old Forge, PA 18518, (Died January 30, 2026). Alan Sharr, Administrator; Dante A. Cancelli, Suite 260, 125 North Washington Ave., Scranton, PA 18503, Attorney.

ESTATE OF ANN A. SPEARMINT, late of Covington Twp., Pennsylvania (died January 4, 2026). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration on the above Estate have been granted to Wendy Simko, of Franklin, TN. All persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make payment and those having claims to present the same without delay to the Personal Representative named herein, or to Patrick N. Coleman, Esquire, Tellie & Coleman, P.C., 310 East Drinker Street, Dunmore, PA 18512.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration have been granted in the **ESTATE OF JOHN SUSKO**, Deceased, 213 Hudson Street, Jermyn, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania 18433, who died on February 14, 2026. All persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands are to present same, without delay, to the Administrator, Sonya Bollinger, or Michael N. Krisa, Attorney for the Estate, 3397 Scranton/Carbondale Highway, Suite 4, Blakely, Pennsylvania 18447.

ESTATE OF JEROME M. THIER, Late of Dalton, Pennsylvania (Died January 20, 2026). Letters Testamentary have been granted to Ms. Whitney Thier, Executrix. All persons having claims against the Estate or indebted to the Estate shall make payment or present claims to Douglas P. Thomas, Attorney for the Estate, 345 Wyoming Avenue, Suite 200, Scranton, PA 18503.

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH JULIA TOTH a/k/a ELIZABETH TOTH, late of Dickson City, County of Lackawanna, and State of Pennsylvania, deceased, who died on the 8th day of February, 2026. Letters of Testamentary having been granted to File No. 35-26-00285, all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to the decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to Christine Grunza, 701 Mary Street, Dickson City, PA 18519, or to Mattes & Mattes, P.C., 201 West Main Street, P.O. Box 222, Dalton, PA 18414.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF JOANN A. WILK, a/k/a JOANN WILK**, late of Old Forge, Lackawanna County, who died January 29, 2026. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims to present the same, without delay to Executrix Emily Grace Donvito, a/k/a Emily Grace Wilk, and her Attorney, David Cherundolo, Esquire, 410 Jefferson Avenue, Scranton, PA 18510.

Second Notice

ESTATE OF NANCY BYRNE AKA NANCY E. BYRNE late of Clarks Summit, Lackawanna County, PA (died January 3, 2026). Letters Testamentary having been granted, all persons having claims or demands against estate of decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to Audrey Elaine Grothmann, 47 Cooper Place, Weehawken, NJ 07086, Executor of the Estate or to William F. Dunstone, Esquire, 1212 S. Abington Road, Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

Notice is hereby given that Letter of Administration have been granted in the following Estate. All persons indebted to said Estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to the Administrator named. **ESTATE OF FRANCES ANNETTE CIAMPI**, late of Old Forge, PA. Christine Cortazzo, Administrator; Christopher J. Szcwczyk, Esquire, Attorney, 321 Biden Street, Suite 201, Scranton, PA 18503.

ESTATE OF MARIE COLOSIMO, NUMBER 35-2026-233, deceased, late of Scranton, PA, Lackawanna County, PA: died November 14, 2025. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration have been granted in the above Estate. All persons indebted to said Estate are required to make payments, and those having claims or demands are to present the same without delay to Christine Colosimo, 116 South Rebecca Avenue, Scranton, PA 18504-2441.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM L. CONNOR, JR., Deceased, late of 1415 Oram St., Apt. 22, Scranton, PA 18504, (Died December 22, 2025). William Connor, Executor; Dante A. Cancelli, Suite 260, 125 North Washington Ave., Scranton, Pennsylvania 18503, Attorney.

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ESTATE OF MARY THERESE DONAHUE, AKA MARY THERESE PAMELIA, AKA MARY T. DONAHUE, AKA MARY DONAHUE, NUMBER 35-2026-19, deceased, late of Scranton, PA, Lackawanna County, PA: died November 28, 2025. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration have been granted in the above Estate. All persons indebted to said Estate are required to make payments, and those having claims or demands are to present the same without delay to Christopher Donahue, 187 N Poineer Ave., Shavertown, PA 18708.

ESTATE OF LOIS MARIE DRAPER, AKA LOIS MARIE GUSTAFSON, NUMBER 35-2026-225, deceased, late of North Abington Twp, LA, Lackawanna County, PA: died November 17, 2025. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary have been granted in the above Estate. All persons indebted to said Estate are required to make payments, and those having claims or demands are to present the same without delay to David Edwin Draper, 332 Stone Road, North Abington Twp, PA 18414.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Letters of Testamentary have been issued in the **ESTATE OF DONNA M. FETSOCK A/K/A DONNA MARIE FETSOCK A/K/A DONNA FETSOCK**, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, P.A., Date of Death, November 7, 2025 to John Fetsock as Executor of the Estate. All persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make payments and those having claims or demands are to present the same without delay to John Fetsock Executor c/o the Estate Attorney, Tammy Lee Clause as follows: The Estate of Donna M. Fetsock a/k/a Donna Marie Fetsock a/k/a Donna Fetsock c/o The Clause Law Group Attorney, Tammy Lee Clause P.O. Box 241 Newfoundland, PA 18445 570-676-5212 attyclause@gmail.com Attorney for the Estate of Donna M. Fetsock a/k/a Donna Marie Fetsock a/k/a Donna Fetsock.

ESTATE OF CAROLE A. GRIFFIN A/K/A SISTER CAROLE GRIFFIN, IHM A/K/A CAROLE ANN GRIFFIN, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania (died December 5, 2025). Letters Testamentary having been granted, all persons having claims or demands against estate of decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to Sister Kathryn Clauss, IHM, Executor, 2300 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania 18509 or to Jenna Kraycer Tuzze, of Oliver, Price & Rhodes, LLP, Attorney for the Estate, 1212 South Abington Road, Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania 18411.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Letters of Administration have been issued in the **ESTATE OF JONATHON KOTH**, late of Jermyn, Lackawanna County, P.A., Date of Death, November 1, 2024, to Mark A. Born, as Administrator of the Estate. All persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make payments and those having claims or demands are to present the same without delay to Mark A. Born Administrator, c/o the Estate Attorney, George E. Clause, II as follows: The Estate of Jonathon Koth c/o The Clause Law Group, Attorney, George E. Clause, II P.O. Box 241 Newfoundland, PA 18445 570-676-5212 gclause@clauselawgroup.com, Attorney for the Estate of Jonathan Koth.

JOHN J. MCHUGH, AKA JOHN J. MCHUGH, JR., late of Madison Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, who died December 6, 2025, Letters of Administration in the above Estate having been granted, all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the decedent shall make them known, and present them, and all persons indebted to said decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to John J. McHugh, III, Administrator c/o Attorney Scott Lynett, The Law Office of Scott Lynett, 237 Penn Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania 18503.

ESTATE OF MELANIE DIANNE NARO, Deceased, late of 106 Varhley St., Dunmore, PA 18512, (Died November 15, 2025) Evamari Hennigan, Executrix; Dante A. Cancelli, Esquire, Suite 260, 125 North Washington Ave., Scranton, Pennsylvania 18503, Attorney.

ESTATE OF HAROLD L. NELSON, JR., A/K/A H. L. NELSON, late of Waverly Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania (Died January 22, 2026). Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate have been granted to Kathleen Nelson, Executrix. All persons having claims against the Estate are requested to present them in writing and all persons indebted to the Estate are required to make payment without delay to the above named Executrix, or to Ann Lavelle Powell, Esquire, Powell & Appleton, P.C., 822 Richmond Street, Scranton, PA 18509, Attorney for the Estate.

GARJA SIWAKOTI of Scranton, Lackawanna County, PA, deceased. Letters of Testamentary on said Estate having been granted to the undersigned all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them without delay for settlement to the undersigned: Bishnu Bhujel (Executrix) or Michael E. Fiffik, Esquire c/o Fiffik Law Group, P.C., Foster Plaza 7, Suite 315, 661 Andersen Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15220.

ESTATE OF PATRICK T. TIERNEY, late of Scranton, Pennsylvania (died January 19, 2026). Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Patrick T. Tierney have been issued to Paul F. Tierney, Jr. and Mary E. Reynolds, Executors of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate or indebtedness owed to the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to the Executors at 914 Maple Street, Scranton, PA 18505 or to Robert T. Kelly, Jr., Myers, Brier & Kelly, LLP, Attorney for the Estate, 425 Biden Street, Suite 200, Scranton, PA 18503.

Third Notice

ESTATE OF MICHAEL H. BUTLER, ESTATE NO. 35-25-00896, late of Dunmore, Lackawanna County, PA (died May 20, 2025). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration for the Estate of Michael H. Butler have been issued to Natalie King, Executor of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate or indebtedness owed to the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to: Executor Natalie King, c/o Atty. Corey D. O'Brien, O'BRIEN LEGAL, 72 Glenmaura National Boulevard, Suite 104, Moosic PA 18507.

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MICHAEL J. DECARLO, late of Taylor, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, (died February 4, 2026). Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been issued to Michael B. Kearney, Executor of Estate. Marianne M. Stivala, Esquire, Cali Law, 103 East Drinker Street, Dunmore, Pennsylvania 18512.

Letters of Administration have been granted in the **ESTATE OF MARK EVANS a/k/a MARK R. EVANS a/k/a MARK RICHARD EVANS**, late of the Township of Spring Brook, County of Lackawanna, to Emily Bouton, Administratrix. All persons having claims against the Estate are requested to present them in writing and all persons indebted to the Estate are to make payment to the Estate in care of James J. Powell, III, Esquire, Powell Zero Mundy, 527 Linden Street, Scranton, PA 18503.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration have been granted in the **ESTATE OF JOHN M. FOLEY**, late of Olyphant, Lackawanna County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (died July 24, 2024). All persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make payments and all those having claims or demands are to present same, without delay to Jeffrey Foley and John Foley, Co-Administrators of the Estate, or Jeffrey W. Nepa, Attorney for the Estate, 41 N. Main Street, 4th Floor, Carbondale, PA 18407.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary were granted to Roseann Kelly, in the **ESTATE OF GERALD J. FONTANA**, late of the City of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, who died on February 8, 2026. All persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to the estate's counsel named below: Edwin A. Abrahamsen, Esquire Abrahamsen, Conaboy & Abrahamsen, P.C. 255 E. Grove St, 2nd Fl., Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

ESTATE OF DENISE Y. HWAN A/K/A DENISE YA HUI HWAN, late of Waverly Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania (died November 20, 2025). Letters Testamentary in the above estate having been granted. All persons having claims or demands against the Estate of Decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said estate shall make payment thereof without delay to Jung Jang Hwan, Executor, 103 Stonybrook Road, Waverly Township, PA 18411, or to John M. Price, attorney for the Estate, 1212 South Abington Road, Clarks Summit, PA 18411. By: John M. Price, attorney for the Estate/Oliver, Price and Rhodes, LLP, Attorneys for the Estate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary in the Estate of **ESTATE OF STANLEY R. JASIEWIECKI III A/K/A STANLEY JASIEWIECKI**, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment and those having claims shall present them for settlement to: ANDREA M. DEMUTH, CO EXECUTRIX, MARIANN D. HEALEY, CO EXECUTRIX, KEVIN R. GREBAS, Esquire, COLBERT & GREBAS, P.C., 210 Montage Mountain Road – Suite A Moosic, PA 18507.

ESTATE OF ROBERT M. JEZERSKI late of Olyphant, PA, who died on December 15, 2025. Letters Testamentary in the above estate have been granted. All persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to Jessica Jezerski, Administrator, c/o Mark T. Sheridan, Esquire, Wylam & Georgetti, LLC, 115 Franklin Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503.

Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF SHIRLEY M. KNOWLES**, late of the Township of Madison, County of Lackawanna, to Jeffrey G. Knowles, Executor. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present them in writing and all persons indebted to the Estate are to make payment to the Estate in care of James J. Powell, III, Esquire, Powell Zero Mundy, 527 Linden Street, Scranton, PA 18503.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration have been granted in the following Estate. All persons indebted to said Estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to the Administrator named. **ESTATE OF ANDREW MARK KOKINDO**, late of Throop, PA. Lindsay Bukowski, Administrator; Christopher J. Szewczyk, Esquire, Attorney, 321 Biden Street, Suite 201, Scranton, PA 18503.

ESTATE OF PETER J. MOONEY, late of Carbondale, Pennsylvania (died December 30, 2025). Notice is here given that Letters of Administration on the above Estate have been granted to Patricia L. Petula, of Hummelstown, PA, and David E. Mooney, of Dunmore, PA. All persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make payment and those having claims to present the same without delay to the personal Representative named herein, or to Patrick N. Coleman, Esquire, Tellie & Coleman, P.C., 310 East Drinker Street, Dunmore, PA 18512.

Estate of **MADELYN DYNOWSKY**, Deceased, late of 477 Hudson St., Jermyn, PA 18433; (Died January 17, 2026) Carol Swirdovich, Executrix; Dante A. Cancelli, Esquire, Suite 260, 125 North Washington Ave., Scranton, Pennsylvania 18503, Attorney.

ESTATE OF KEITH D. OVENS AKA KEITH DAVID OVENS late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, PA (died December 8, 2025). Letters Testamentary having been granted, all persons having claims or demands against estate of decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to Jodi Lameo, 222 Appletree Lane, South Abington Twp, PA 18411, Executor of the Estate or to William F. Dunstone, Esquire, 1212 S. Abington Road, Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

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Change of Name

In the Court of Common Pleas, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, Civil Division: In Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Mckenzie Lynn Tedesco for Change of Name of, a Minor, by Petitioner-Parent Teresa A. Tedesco for Change of Name of the Minor Child. Notice is hereby given that on December 16, 2025, the Petition for Change of Name of Minor Child was filed in the above Court, requesting an Order to change the minor child's name to Michael Lynn Tedesco. The Court has fixed the 24th day of April, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom A at the Lackawanna County Government Center located at 123 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503 as the time and place for the hearing of said petition for name change, when and where all persons interested may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said Petition should not be granted.

In the Court of Common Pleas, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, Civil Division: In Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Aldo Vargas Sanchez for Change of Name to Aldo Ramon Vargas. Notice is hereby given that on February 27, 2026, the Petition for Change of Name was filed in the above Court, requesting an Order to change Petitioner's name to Aldo Ramon Vargas. The Court has fixed the 24th day of April, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom A at the Lackawanna County Government Center located at 123 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503 as the time and place for the hearing of said petition for name change, when and where all persons interested may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said Petition should not be granted.

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John R. Williams joined by Linda Williams,
his wife, as to her marital interest and
Lackawanna Development Co., LLC

Co-Plaintiffs

vs.

Estate of Dwight J. Beardslee, Margaret C.
Beardslee, Executrix and Heir, Ruth I.
Beardslee, Margaret Usher, Louise B. Holder
and Pamela Holder Beynon and their
respective heirs, estates, personal
representatives, successors and assigns, and
any and all parties claiming by, through or
under the said Dwight J. Beardslee and his
Estate

Defendants

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY

CIVIL ACTION
ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

2025-CV-10338

NOTICE OF PRAECIPE TO ENTER JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT

TO: Estate of Dwight J. Beardslee, et al, as more fully set out in the Lackawanna County Civil Action 2025-CV-10338, including Margaret C. Beardslee, Ruth I. Beardslee, Margaret Usher, Louise B. Holder and Pamela Holder Beynon and known and unknown heirs, estates, personal representatives, successors and assigns, as well as all who may claim by, through or under the above

Date of Notice: March 10, 2026

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT BECAUSE YOU HAVE FAILED TO ENTER A WRITTEN APPEARANCE PERSONALLY OR BY ATTORNEY AND FILE IN WRITING WITH THE COURT YOUR DEFENSES OR OBJECTIONS TO THE CLAIMS SET FORTH AGAINST YOU. UNLESS YOU ACT WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A MOTION FOR ORDER WITHOUT FURTHER ADVERTISEMENT THAT THIRTY (30) DAYS ABSENT DEFENDANTS' FILING A COMPLAINT IN EJECTMENT FINAL JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU WITHOUT A HEARING AND YOU MAY LOSE YOUR PROPERTY OR OTHER IMPORTANT RIGHTS. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS NOTICE TO A LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE FOLLOWING OFFICE TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP:

Lackawanna County Bar Association
Lawyer Referral Service
233 Penn Avenue
Scranton, PA 18503
(570) 969-9161

Northern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.
33 W. Main Street, Suite 200
Pittston, PA 18640
(570) 299-4100

Brigid E. Carey, Esquire
Attorney for Plaintiff

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LUZERNE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ATHENE ANNUITY AND LIFE COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

vs.

340 PARK LLC,

Defendant,

CASE NO.: 2025-05757

CIVIL ACTION

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

TO: 340 Park LLC at 129 South Irving Avenue, Scranton, PA 18505 and 179 Wallabout Street, Unit 3, Brooklyn, NY 11206 and 340 Park Avenue, Wilkes-Barre Township, PA 18702 and all other Interested Persons or Parties

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the real estate located at 340 Park Avenue, Wilkes Barre Township, PA 18702, owned by 340 Park LLC, scheduled to be sold at Sheriff's Sale on **April 10, 2026** at 10:00am, prevailing time, in the Luzerne County Courthouse, 200 N River St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711 to enforce the court judgment of \$157,829.07, plus fees, costs and other charges obtained by Athene Annuity and Life Company against 340 Park LLC.

NOTICE OF OWNER'S RIGHTS

YOU MAY BE ABLE TO PREVENT THIS SHERIFF'S SALE

To prevent this Sheriff's Sale you must take immediate action:

1. The sale will be cancelled if you pay to Athene Annuity and Life Company, the back payments, late charges, costs and reasonable attorney's fees due. To find out how much you must pay, please call our office at 212-471-5100 and/or email to pfigures@friedmanvartolo.com.
2. You may be able to stop the sale by filing a petition asking the Court to strike or open judgment if the judgment was improperly entered. You may also ask the Court to postpone the sale for good cause.
3. You may also be able to stop the sale through other legal proceedings.
4. You may need an attorney to assert your rights. The sooner you contact one, the more chance you will have of stopping the sale. (See notice below on how to obtain an attorney).

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YOU MAY STILL BE ABLE TO SAVE YOUR PROPERTY AND YOU HAVE OTHER RIGHTS EVEN IF THE SHERIFF'S SALE DOES NOT TAKE PLACE.

1. If the Sheriff's Sale is not stopped, your property will be sold to the highest bidder. You may find out the bid price by calling 212-471-5100.
2. You may be able to petition the Court to set aside the sale if the bid price was grossly inadequate compared to the value of your property.
3. The sale will go through only if the buyer pays the Sheriff the full amount due in the sale. To find out if this has happened, you may call 212-471-5100.
4. If the amount due from the Buyer is not paid to the Sheriff, you will remain the owner of the property as if the sale never happened.
5. You have a right to remain in the property until the full amount due is paid to the Sheriff and the Sheriff gives a deed to the buyer. At that time, the buyer may bring legal proceedings to evict you.
6. You may be entitled to a share of the money which was paid for your house. A schedule of distribution of the money bid for your house will be filed by the Sheriff within thirty (30) days from the date of the Sheriff's Sale. This schedule will state who will be receiving that money. The money will be paid out in accordance with this schedule unless exceptions (reasons why the proposed distribution is wrong) are filed with the Sheriff within ten (10) days after the schedule of distribution is filed.
7. You may also have other rights and defenses, or ways of getting your house back, if you act immediately after the sale.

**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 LISTED BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.**

Luzerne County Lawyer Referral Service
Legal Services of Northeastern PA, Inc 410
Bicentennial Building
15 Public Square
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701
570-825-8567

LACKAWANNA JURIST

**TO: ELIZABETH STARRETT
(Whereabouts Unknown)**

NOTICE

A petition has been filed asking the Court to put an end to all rights you have to your child, **C.V.S., born on 03/12/2025 in Lackawanna County and the biological female child of Elizabeth Starrett.** The Court has set a hearing to consider ending your rights to your children. That hearing will be held on **April 7th, 2026 at 10:00 A.M.** in Courtroom #3 located on the 2nd Floor of the Lackawanna County Courthouse, 200 N. Washington Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania, 18503. If you do not appear at this hearing, the Court may decide that you are not interested in retaining your rights to your child and your failure to appear may affect the Court's decision on whether to end 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 children may be ended by the Court without your being present. You have a right to be represented at the hearing by a lawyer.

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Northern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.
33 North Main Street, Suite 200
Pittston, PA 18640
(570) 299-4100

LACKAWANNA JURIST

TO: DONNELL SULLIVAN
(Legal Father - Whereabouts Unknown)

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Pittston, PA 18640
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LACKAWANNA JURIST

**TO: UNKNOWN FATHER
(Whereabouts Unknown)**

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LACKAWANNA JURIST

John R. Williams joined by Linda Williams,
his wife, as to her marital interest and
Lackawanna Development Co., LLC

Co-Plaintiffs

vs.

Estate of Dwight J. Beardslee, Margaret C.
Beardslee, Executrix and Heir, Ruth I.
Beardslee, Margaret Usher, Louise B. Holder
and Pamela Holder Beynon and their
respective heirs, estates, personal
representatives, successors and assigns, and
any and all parties claiming by, through or
under the said Dwight J. Beardslee and his
Estate

Defendants

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY

CIVIL ACTION
ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

2025-CV-10338

NOTICE OF PRAECIPE TO ENTER JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT

TO: Estate of Dwight J. Beardslee, et al, as more fully set out in the Lackawanna County Civil Action 2025-CV-10338, including Margaret C. Beardslee, Ruth I. Beardslee, Margaret Usher, Louise B. Holder and Pamela Holder Beynon and known and unknown heirs, estates, personal representatives, successors and assigns, as well as all who may claim by, through or under the above

Date of Notice: March 10, 2026

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT BECAUSE YOU HAVE FAILED TO ENTER A WRITTEN APPEARANCE PERSONALLY OR BY ATTORNEY AND FILE IN WRITING WITH THE COURT YOUR DEFENSES OR OBJECTIONS TO THE CLAIMS SET FORTH AGAINST YOU. UNLESS YOU ACT WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A MOTION FOR ORDER WITHOUT FURTHER ADVERTISEMENT THAT THIRTY (30) DAYS ABSENT DEFENDANTS' FILING A COMPLAINT IN EJECTMENT FINAL JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU WITHOUT A HEARING AND YOU MAY LOSE YOUR PROPERTY OR OTHER IMPORTANT RIGHTS. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS NOTICE TO A LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE FOLLOWING OFFICE TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP:

Lackawanna County Bar Association
Lawyer Referral Service
233 Penn Avenue
Scranton, PA 18503
(570) 969-9161

Northern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.
33 W. Main Street, Suite 200
Pittston, PA 18640
(570) 299-4100

Brigid E. Carey, Esquire
Attorney for Plaintiff

“NOTICE TO LEGATEES”

To all legatees, creditors and other persons interested. Notice is hereby given that the following Executors, Administrators, Trustees, and Guardians have filed their accounts with the Register of Wills and Clerk of Orphans’ Court, Division of the Court of Common Pleas.

The following accounts have been filed and may be examined in the Office of the Register of Wills and Clerk of Orphans’ Court. If you desire to object, the same may be accomplished by filing that objection in writing with the Clerk of Orphans’ Court **on or before Monday, the 6th day of April 2026**

The accounts will be filed by the clerk, with the Court for adjudication and confirmation on Tuesday, **the 7th day of April 2026**. Distribution may be ordered or authorized without further notice if no objections are filed prior to that date.

35 2021 80	First and Final Account
Claire Carvalho	Mary Jane Yevics, Petitioner
Deceased	Kimberly Kost Scanlon, Esquire

35 2024 738	First and Final Account
Christy Michael	Sharon Michael, Administratrix
Deceased	Francis J. Hoegen, Esquire

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