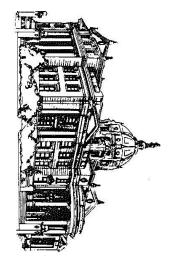
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MOTIONS COURT SCHEDULE			
Judge	COMPLETE info at www.washingtoncourts.us/101/Judges		
DiSalle, John (PJ) CR#2	Until further order, all motions, incl. Criminal & Orphans' Court, shall be handled remotely via email or fax to chambers. Filing party must notify all necessary parties that a motion is being filed and if motion is contested. Contested motions shall include a scheduling order. Motions for Modification of Bail or Release from Probation must be circulated first to Probation/ Pretrial Services & DA's Office for acknowledgment of objection or consent. An advance copy of any Orphan's Court motion shall be sent to the Audit Attorney or Guardianship Clerk, where applicable.		
Gilman, Gary CR#1	Tu, W, Th and Fr at 9:15a. Judge of the Term, Civil, 16th-end of the month. Copy of motion due before noon the business day prior to scheduled presentation. Motions in person., may be remote upon approval. NOTE: August 14 license suspension cases will be moved to August 21, and the August 15 Summary Appeals will be moved to August 8.		
Costanzo, Valarie CR#3	Motions on Tu, Th at 9:15a. Motions in person. For complete Standard Operating Procedures: https://www.washingtoncourts.us/194/Valarie-Costanzo Judge of the Term, Criminal: Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec.		
Lucas, Michael, CR#6	M 1:15p and Tu, W, Th 8:45a; also Fr 8:45a when Civil Judge of the Term, 1st-15th of each month. Motions in person.		
Neuman, Brandon CR#4	Tu, W, Th at 9:15a. Motions to be signed up with chambers' Motions Inbox at least 24hrs in advance. Motions in person. Judge of the Term, Criminal: Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov.		
McDonald, Traci CR#5	W, Th 9:30 Contested Motions. Consent Motions may be heard at any time, contact chambers for details. Presentment of Contested Motions requires filing party to notify and provide copy of Motion to all necessary parties and the Court, before noon on the business day prior to scheduling. Requests for remote handling of Motions and/or presentment on alternate days may be considered upon contacting chambers. Motions must be e-mailed to billie.jo.pustovrh@washingtoncourts.us and court.crier.mcdonald@washingtoncourts.us .		
Pettit, Jesse CR#7	Motions on Tu at 9:15am (copies due by Fri noon) and W at 9:15a (copies due by Mon noon).		

COURT CALENDARS

Orphan's Court Audits, 2023	May 12, July 14
Sheriff Sale Date	Last Date to File w/Prothonotary
Apr 14, 2023	
May 5, 2023	

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Obiter Dictum

From the ABA Journal Daily Newsletter: [1] The Oklahoma Supreme Court has ruled that a restaurant was not liable for the death of a patron in a wrongful death lawsuit claiming that he was served twelve beers and five tequila shots before getting behind the wheel of his car to collect on a bet. The suit was filed by a representative of the estate when the patron's car collided with the back of a tractor trailer on the way to Oklahoma City and claims that the patron was driving because several servers bet him \$200 that he would not meet them at a bar in Oklahoma City later that night and he could collect the bet only if he arrived. The defendants moved to dismiss the suit alleging that there was no liability for an adult's voluntary consumption of alcohol and that there was no cause of action for negligent betting. While the court recognized dram shop liability when a third party is injured by a drunken driver who is over-served by a commercial vender, the court stuck by its previous holding that bars liability in a suit by an adult who is injured by their voluntary intoxication, and in so doing rejected the claim that there was a duty owed to the patron to refrain from betting him to drive while intoxicated. According to the court while "[t]here may be a duty to bet an intoxicated person to drive, ... that duty is owed to innocent third parties, not the voluntarily intoxicated adult. Allowing an intoxicated adult to be rewarded for his decision to drive does not deter drunk driving or further the public policy of protecting the innocent from the intoxicated." [2] According to a recent article, seven judges on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit have embraced the view that "perpetual funding" of government agencies or programs violates the Constitution's appropriation's clause. The judges in question all asserted that same or similar views in cases involving the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. The theory could, however, provide courts the ability to invalidate trillions of dollars in mandatory spending that has no end date thus requiring Congress, if it wanted the program(s) to continue, to re-appropriate the money annually. [3] A fifteen-year-old Mississippi youth is planning to attend law school this year after scoring a 174 on the law school admission test. The teenager previously graduated from high school at age 12 and received a bachelor's degree and a masters degree in accounting from Western Governors University, an on-line school.

NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

Anyone interested in applying for the open PCRA (Post-Conviction Relief Act) Criminal Conflict Attorney position should submit their letter of interest to Patrick R. Grimm, Esquire, District Court Administrator, One South Main Street, Suite 1003 Washington, PA 15301, (724.228.6797). This position is a contract position which pays \$25,000.00 per year. This position is available beginning May 1, 2023. Applicants should apply by April 10, 2023 for consideration.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL DIVISION NO. 2023-1

IN RE: ADOPTION OF LOCAL RULES OF JUVENILE PROCEDURE L-205 AND L-1205

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 14th day of March, 2023, having received approval from appropriate Rules Committee pursuant to Pa. R. J. A. 103(d)(4), it is hereby ORDERED, AD-JUDGED and DECREED that Washington County Local Rules of Juvenile Procedure L -205 and L-1205 (attached) are hereby adopted, effective thirty (30) days after publication of this ORDER in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This ORDER shall be processed in accordance with Pa. R. J. A. 103(d)(5) and (6). The District Court Administrator is directed to:

- 1. Distribute copies of the adopted local rules to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*;
- 2. File one (1) copy with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts;
- 3. Publish the local rules on the Court's website within thirty (30) days of the effective date; and
- 4. Cause a copy hereof to be published in the Washington County Reports once a week for two (2) successive weeks at the expense of the County of Washington.

BY THE COURT: /s/ John F. DiSalle, President Judge

Rule L-205. ELECTRONIC FILING AND SERVICE OF LEGAL PAPERS

- (A) The Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts and the 27th Judicial District previously agreed to an implementation plan for electronic filing through the statewide system known as PACFile, and more than two years has passed since the use of PACFile was authorized for the filing of legal papers in delinquency proceedings.
- (B) All parties represented by counsel and juvenile probation personnel are required to electronically file legal papers through PACFile with the clerk of courts, unless otherwise prohibited by Pa. R. J. C. P. 205(C), and for which PACFile has the technical capability to process. Legal papers that are exempt from filing by PACFile include:
 - (1) applications for search warrants;
 - (2) applications for arrest warrants;
 - (3) exhibits offered into evidence, whether admitted or not, in a proceeding before a common pleas judge or hearing officer; and
 - (4) submissions filed ex parte as authorized by law.
- (C) Any party who is unable to participate in PACFile may file legal papers in a physical paper format with the clerk of courts, and shall be served legal papers in a physical paper format by the clerk of courts and other parties to the case. However, establishment of a PACFile account by a filing party shall constitute consent to participate in electronic filing, including acceptance of service electronically of any document filed in PACFile.

- (D) The clerk of courts shall maintain a physical paper file until the case is closed. Following closure, the clerk of courts may maintain an electronic file only after entering a docket notation that the electronic file is a complete and true copy of the physical file with the exception of those items identified in subsections (B)(1) through (B)(4), which must be maintained in a physical paper format only in accordance with Pa. R. J. C. P. 205(C).
- (E) For the purposes of this rule, the term "clerk of courts" is defined as that person or entity designated as such in Local Rule of Juvenile Procedure 120. The Juvenile Probation Office is the clerk of courts for delinquency matters.

Rule L-1205. ELECTRONIC FILING AND SERVICE OF LEGAL PAPERS

- (A) The Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts and the 27th Judicial District previously agreed to an implementation plan for electronic filing through the statewide system known as PACFile, and more than two years has passed since the use of PACFile was authorized for the filing of legal papers in dependency proceedings.
- (B) All parties represented by counsel and *guardian ad litems* are required to electronically file legal papers through PACFile with the clerk of courts, unless otherwise prohibited by Pa. R. J. C. P. 1205(C), and for which PACFile has the technical capability to process. Legal papers that are exempt from filing by PACFile include:
 - (1) submissions filed ex parte as authorized by law; and
 - (2) exhibits offered into evidence, whether admitted or not, in a proceeding before a common pleas judge or hearing officer.
- (C) Any party who is unable to participate in PACFile may file legal papers in a physical paper format with the clerk of courts, and shall be served legal papers in a physical paper format. However, establishment of a PACFile account by a filing party shall constitute consent to participate in electronic filing, including acceptance of service electronically of any document filed in PACFile.
- (D) The clerk of courts shall maintain a physical paper file until the case is closed. Following closure, the clerk of courts may maintain an electronic file only after entering a docket notation that the electronic file is a complete and true copy of the physical file with the exception of those items identified in subsections (B)(1) and (B)(2), which must be maintained in a physical paper format only in accordance with Pa. R. J. C. P. 1205(C).
- (E) For the purposes of this rule, the term "clerk of courts" is defined as that person or entity designated as such in Local Rule of Juvenile Procedure 1120. The Juvenile Probation Office is the clerk of courts for dependency matters.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL DIVISION NO. 2023-1

IN RE: ADOPTION OF LOCAL RULES OF JUVENILE ADMINISTRATION L-1907.2, L-4002, L-4008, AND L-5000

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 14th day of March, 2023, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that Washington County Local Rules of Juvenile Administration L-1907.2, L-4008, and L-5000 (attached) are hereby adopted, effective thirty (30) days after publication of this ORDER in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

It is further ORDERED that Local Rule of Judicial Administration L-1907 is RECINDED,

This ORDER shall be processed in accordance with Pa. R. J. A. 103(d)(5) and (6). The District Court Administrator is directed to:

- 1. Distribute copies of the adopted local rules to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*;
- 2. File one (1) copy with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts;
- 3. Publish the local rules on the Court's website within thirty (30) days of the effective date; and
- 4. Cause a copy hereof to be published in the Washington County Reports once a week for two (2) successive weeks at the expense of the County of Washington.

BY THE COURT: /s/ John F. DiSalle, President Judge

Washington County - Local Rules of Judicial Administration

RULE L-1907.2. Constable Review Board

(A) Purpose. A Constable Review Board ("CRB") is hereby created to assist in resolving any disputes related to the performance of judicial duties by a constable in accordance with the Pennsylvania Rules of Judicial Administration and the *Constable Policies*, *Procedures, and Standards of Conduct* issued by the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts.

(B) Definitions.

- (1) "Constable" is defined as any elected or appointed constable or deputy constable performing judicial duties for any magisterial district court within the Twenty -Seventh Judicial District.
- (2) "Judicial Duties" are services performed pursuant to 44 Pa. Con. Stat. §§7161 and 7161.1 or set forth in the *Constable Policies, Procedures and Standards of Conduct*.

(C) Scope.

(1) The jurisdiction of the CRB extends only to constables in the performance of judicial duties.

- (2) The CRB may receive complaints by or against constables regarding:
 - (a) the performance of judicial duties;

(b) financial or payment disputes; or

- (c) other matters relevant to judicial duties including, but not limited to, Constable Policies, Procedures and Standards of Conduct or the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania Policy on Non-discrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity.
- (3) Nothing contained herein shall preclude any person or surety of a constable from filing a verified petition in accordance with 44 Pa. Con. Stat. §7172 alleging that a constable is incompetent to discharge official duties.

(D) Authority.

(1) The CRB may make recommendations to the President Judge with respect to practices and procedures as related to constables generally and make recommendations regarding the continued use of the services of a constable by the Court.

(2) The CRB shall forward any findings of suspected criminal activity to the

Washington County District Attorney or other appropriate law enforcement agency.

- (3) The President Judge has the ultimate authority with regard to performance of judicial duties by a constable within Washington County. The President Judge may place a moratorium on the use of a particular constable pending the review and recommendation of the CRB on a complaint.
- (E) Membership of the Constable Review Board. The CRB shall be comprised of the following members, who serve at the pleasure of the President Judge:
 - (1) a Common Pleas Judge;
 - (2) the District Court Administrator;
 - (3) a Magisterial District Judge;
 - (4) a certified constable and an alternate constable to be used in the case of a conflict:
 - (5) the County Controller (subject to the limitation set forth below); and
 - (6) a member of the public.

The Common Pleas Judge shall act as Chairperson. The Chairperson shall be responsible for conducting, coordinating, and overseeing the business of the CRB. The District Court Administrator shall serve as Secretary of the CRB, and is responsible for maintaining the records of all proceedings. A majority of the voting members shall constitute a quorum.

- (F) In instances where a conflict of interest exists for a member of the Board, the President Judge may name a substitute for that complaint, or permit the Board to proceed without the participation of the member. The Controller shall be deemed to have a conflict of interest in every complaint where the allegations involve the expenditure of County funds for services, or where the complaint is submitted by the Controller or a person under his or her employ.
- (G) Filing Procedures. Constables shall make every attempt to resolve their disputes with the party or agency involved prior to filing a complaint with the CRB.
- (1) A complaint by or against a constable must be in writing on the form set forth below and shall be signed by the complainant and specify in detail the alleged misconduct, financial dispute, or other matter related to the performance of judicial duties.

(2) The complaint may be submitted in person or by mail, to the following con-

tact:

Special Courts Administrator Washington County Courthouse 1 South Main Street, Suite 1003 Washington, PA 15301

WASHINGTON COUNTY CONSTABLE REVIEW BOARD COMPLAINT

Filing Date:		
Complainant's 1	(your name)	
Address:		
	ber:Email:	
Constable's Naı	ne:	
Type of Issue:	Performance of Judicial Duties Financial/Payment Issues Other issues relevant to a constable's	s judicial duties
Was an attempt	made to resolve this issue before filing	the request for review?
☐ YES ☐ NO If yes, briefly ex		
tional pages if n	in full detail the issue and attach all recessary.	
Date:		
This complaint is Special Courts A Washington Con	may be mailed to the following: Administrator unty Courthouse treet, Suite 1003	

- (3) If a complaint is filed with the Special Courts Administrator, he or she shall inform the Chairperson of the receipt of a complaint. The Chairperson is responsible for initially determining if the complaint falls within the jurisdiction of the CRB.
- (i) If the complaint is not within the jurisdiction of the CRB, the Special Courts Administrator shall notify the complainant of the determination and that the matter is closed.
- (ii) If the complaint is within the jurisdiction of the CRB, the Special Courts Administrator shall forward a date-stamped copy of the complaint to the constable by certified mail. The constable will have twenty (20) days to respond in writing to the complaint. The Special Courts Administrator shall forward the response to the

Chairperson.

- (4) Failure of a constable to respond to a written allegation, or failure to appear before the CRB when requested, shall be interpreted as an admission of no contest to the allegation.
- (H) Actions and Dispositions of the CRB and the President Judge.
- (1) The Chairperson shall convene the CRB upon the filing of a complaint that falls within the jurisdiction of the Board.
- (2) The CRB may interview all parties involved, or designate any of its members to interview or investigate. The Chairperson shall have discretion as to whether to conduct a hearing on the matter. Any hearing shall be transcribed for use by the CRB and the President Judge.
- (3) The CRB shall have the authority to act, absent the filing of a complaint, on any potential violations that may be discovered in the course of investigating a matter, or that otherwise come to its attention.
- (4) A recommended decision by the CRB should be submitted to the President Judge. Individual members of the CRB may submit separate opinions in addition to the recommended decision.
- (5) A copy of the recommended decision shall be promptly sent by certified mail to the affected constable and to the complainant. Accompanying the recommended decision shall be a summary of the provisions of paragraph (6) of this subsection, relating to review by the President Judge.
- (6) The President Judge shall have authority to approve, reject, modify, or dismiss the recommended decision. Any interested party shall have twenty (20) days from the date of the recommended decision to submit any exceptions to the President Judge. The President Judge may act on the recommended decision without further input from the constable or complainant, or conduct further proceedings including, but not limited to, argument, briefing, and/or a hearing.
- (7) Notwithstanding paragraph (6) above, if the CRB considers a matter urgent, it may recommend to the President Judge that immediate action be ordered pending the filing and disposition of any exceptions and the President Judge shall have discretion to act upon any such recommendation.
- (8) A copy of the decision of the President Judge shall be promptly sent by the District Court Administrator to the constable and any complainant by certified mail or by such other means as the President Judge may direct.
- (9) In the event that the President Judge orders the moratorium or suspension of a constable, the constable will not be authorized to perform services in the County of Washington, including any court or political subdivision, for the specified period. Upon receipt of the suspension notice, the constable shall immediately return to all courts and agencies all warrants, writs, subpoenas, and civil papers to the proper issuing authority. Failure to do so promptly may be cause for further action by the President Judge.
- (I) Notice by President Judge.

The District Court Administrator shall provide notice of any action taken by the President Judge in accordance with applicable authority.

- (J) Rules of Civil Procedure. Filings. Costs and Fees.
 - (1) The Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure shall not apply to proceedings

- of the CRB. The Chairperson may order the production of documents or such testimony as necessary to conduct the business of the CRB.
- (2) Absent order of court, a party and/or participant in a matter before the CRB is prohibited from filing any papers with the Clerk of Courts or Prothonotary related to a proceeding before the CRB.
- (3) If a finding of misconduct in the course of performing judicial duties is sustained by the President Judge, the President Judge may make the decision available to the public, including filing the decision, and any other part of the file that he or she deems appropriate, in the Office of the Prothonotary. Unless made public by the President Judge, any filing related to a complaint shall be deemed a confidential filing.
- (a) Any filing fees related to a matter pending before the CRB shall be waived. Filings are to be docketed in a manner prescribed by the Court.
- (4) Any costs related to the business of the CRB shall be paid by the County.

Washington County – Local Rules of Judicial Administration

RULE L-4002. Definition of Proceeding. Digital Audio Files

- (A) As contained in these rules, the term proceeding shall be defined as a hearing or trial in which testimony is given and/or exhibits are admitted into evidence.
- (B) Digital audio files are to be used only as an aid to transcription and shall not be disclosed, provided, or otherwise disseminated to attorneys, parties, participants, or the public. Digital audio files of motions or conferences shall not be transcribed absent order of court for good cause shown.
- (C) Nothing in this rule shall be construed to in any way limit or modify the inherent authority of the President Judge or his/her designee, or the judge or hearing officer to whom a case is assigned, to use digital audio files as an aid in making case determinations, to review recordings for the confirmation of accurate transcription, or any other appropriate purpose.

Comment: This rule should not be interpreted to conflict with the provisions of Rules of Criminal Procedure 115, 313, 500, and 501.

Washington County - Local Rules of Judicial Administration

RULE L-4008. Transcript Costs for a Private Individual or Entity. Waiver of Costs for the Commonwealth or a Subdivision. Economic Hardship

- (A) The transcript costs for a requesting party other than the Court and the Commonwealth shall be the maximum rate set forth in Pennsylvania Rule of Judicial Administration 4008.
- (1) The rates set forth above shall include the original transcript, filed of record with the appropriate filing office, one (1) copy of the transcript for the presiding judge (if requested), and one (1) copy of the transcript to be provided to the initial requesting party. When more than one party requests the transcript, or is required by general rule to file the transcript, the cost shall be divided equally among the parties, and each party shall receive one (1) copy of the transcript.
 - (2) When the transcript is in bound paper format, the requesting party shall be

charged a surcharge of \$0.25 per page.

- (3) Payments for all transcript costs shall be made at the filing office. If paying by check or money order, the payee shall be the County of Washington. A convenience fee may be charged for payments by debit or credit card or made online.
- (a) Monies collected for transcripts shall be remitted by the filing office to an account maintained by the Treasurer of the County of Washington. The monies collected shall be deposited monthly by the Treasurer to the general fund of the County of Washington to be used to supplement the County's appropriation for court reporters and court reporting services.
- (b) Refunds for deposits or payments related to transcript costs may only be authorized by the District Court Administrator or his or her designee.
- (4) All requests for a copy of any transcript previously ordered, transcribed, and filed of record shall be made to the filing office in which the transcript is lodged of record, unless the transcript is of a confidential matter or dissemination if prohibited by law.
- (a) The cost for a copy of any transcript previously ordered, transcribed, and filed of record shall be \$0.75 per page for bound, paper format, and \$0.50 per page for an electronic copy. Copies shall be obtained from the filing office in which the transcript is lodged of record.
- (b) Monies collected for copies shall be remitted by the filing office to an account maintained by the Treasurer of the County of Washington. The filing office may deduct a \$0.25 fee per page for administrative costs. The remaining monies collected for copies of transcripts shall be deposited monthly by the Treasurer to the general fund of the County of Washington to be used to supplement the County's appropriation for court reporters and court reporting services.
- (B) The transcript costs for a request made by the Court or the Commonwealth, if applicable, shall be set by administrative order.
- (1) For the purpose of this local rule, the Court is defined as any common pleas judge, hearing officer, master, or the District Court Administrator conducting official business of the Court. The Commonwealth is defined as the District Attorney, Public Defender, court-appointed counsel, or any other department or agency of the County of Washington that is a party to the proceeding. Officials acting in an individual capacity shall not be deemed as the Commonwealth. Any dispute concerning a waiver or modification of costs shall be determined by the President Judge or District Court Administrator.
- (2) A filing office may not charge a fee to the Court or Commonwealth for a copy of a transcript previously ordered, transcribed, and filed of record.
- (C) At the discretion of the trial judge, a reasonable surcharge may be imposed on a transcript request in cases such as mass tort, medical malpractice or other unusually complex litigation where there is a need for court reporters to significantly expand their dictionary. The surcharge shall be set in consultation with the District Court Administrator.
- (D) At the discretion of the District Court Administrator or his/her designee, a reasonable fee may be charged for a secure electronic feed which instantaneously delivers the translated notes from the court reporter to a laptop, tablet, phone, or other portable electronic device to parties, the media, or other interested individuals. Permission to install or obtain such a feed must be received from the presiding judge and the District Court Administrator, and will be subject to the availability of the necessary court report-

ing resources.

- (E) Transcript costs for ordinary transcripts in matters under appeal or where the transcript is necessary to advance the litigation shall be waived for a litigant who has been permitted by the court to proceed *in forma pauperis* or whose income is less than 125 percent of the poverty line as defined by the United States Department of Health and Human Services for the calendar year in which the request is made, and shall be reduced by one-half for a litigant whose income is less than 200 percent of the poverty line as defined by the United States Department of Health and Human Services for the calendar year in which the request is made.
- (1) Litigants who are represented by a free legal aid service for low-income citizens shall not be required to prove economic hardship, and are entitled to obtain ordinary transcripts in matters under appeal or where the transcript is necessary to advance the litigation for no cost.
- (a) To receive a no-cost ordinary transcript, clients of a free legal service must demonstrate that a legal aid service attorney has entered an appearance on their behalf in the case for which a transcript is requested. Legal aid services shall provide the District Court Administrator with a letter certifying that the client meets financial eligibility and that the matter is under appeal or is necessary to advance the current litigation.
- (2) Transcript costs for ordinary transcripts in matters that are not subject to appeal or necessary to advance the litigation shall not be waived or reduced for litigants who qualify for economic hardship, unless ordered by the court for cause shown.

Note: The procedure to waive all or a portion of costs for ordinary transcripts is set forth in Local Rule of Judicial Administration 4007.

(F) Nothing in this rule shall be read to prescribe or specify a fee to be paid to a court reporter or transcriptionist for both transcripts requested by litigants and transcripts requested by the Commonwealth or a subdivision thereof. The compensation of court reporters or transcriptionists is a matter for the judicial district and county funding authority.

Washington County – Local Rules of Judicial Administration

RULE L-5000. Court-Appointed Counsel

- (A) The President Judge shall issue a policy governing the appointment and payment of counsel in cases within any division of the Court.
 - (1) The policy shall set forth the following:
 - (a) an hourly rate for billable activity;
- (b) standards for what activity is considered appropriate and allowable as compensable time and a reimbursable expense;
 - (c) presumptive caps for fees based on the type of case; and
 - (d) the process for submitting a request for payment of fees and expenses.
- (2) Expenses for professional services, including but not limited to, investigators, experts, and transcription services, must be approved in advance by the presiding judge. The presiding judge shall set forth a specific amount to be expended by order of court if the request is approved. Failure to secure prior approval may lead to the denial of reimbursement or other appropriate sanctions.
 - (3) The invoices underlying payment shall be considered confidential and may

not be released by the County or its officials without prior authorization from the Court. Absent authorization from the Court, invoices for juvenile cases may not be disclosed to the Children and Youth Services agency of the County or a solicitor for the County.

Note: Any request under the Right-to-Know-Law for invoices or billing information from court-appointed counsel should be forwarded to the open records officer (Rule 509 manager) for the judicial district to determine if the record is to be disclosed. *County of Centre v. Grine*, 138 A.3d 88 (Pa. Cmwlth. 2016).

- (B) Appointment of counsel shall only occur in cases where a right to counsel exists as established by statute or rule. In appointing counsel, the presiding judge must determine that the individual is indigent and/or that the interests of justice require the appointment.
- (C) Payments shall be reviewed by the District Court Administrator or his/her designee. Any unusual aspects concerning the request for fees or expenses are to be brought to the attention of the presiding judge. The President Judge may provide the District Court Administrator with authority to approve or disapprove a fee or expense subject to direction from the presiding judge; provided, however, that the President Judge retains the final authority over the payment of a fee or expense for any appointment.
- (D) The determination of whether time is reasonably spent or if an expense is appropriate lies solely with the Court. In determining reasonableness, consideration may be given to whether the time spent was necessary or if less time consuming alternatives existed.
- (E) Counsel should consider that appointment by the Court is a public trust and strive to keep requests for compensation and reimbursement to a fair and reasonable sum consistent with any other request for payment out of the public funds. If counsel does not feel that such a request can remain within this standard, he/she should decline the appointment.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLANIA CIVIL DIVISION No. 2023-1

IN RE: ADOPTION OF LOCAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, L-1915.4

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 10th day of January, 2023, having received approval from the appropriate Rules Committee pursuant to Pa. R. J. A. 103(d)(4), it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that Washington County Local Rule of Civil Procedure L -1915.4 (attached) is hereby adopted, effective thirty (30) days after publication of this ORDER in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This ORDER shall be processed in accordance with Pa. R. J. A. 103(d)(5) and (6). The District Court Administrator is directed to:

- 1. Distribute copies of the adopted local rules to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*;
- 2. File one (1) copy with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts;
- 3. Publish the local rules on the Court's website within thirty (30) days of the effective date; and
- Cause a copy hereof to be published in the Washington County Reports once a
 week for two (2) successive weeks at the expense of the County of Washington.

BY THE COURT: /s/ John F. DiSalle, P.J.

L-1915.4 Parenting Program

As a prerequisite to court involvement in a custody matter, all parties to the action are ordered to attend the mandatory parenting program which has been approved, sanctioned, and authorized by the Court and administered through the Washington County Bar Association, prior to the Pre-Custody Conciliation Meeting. Failure of a party to attend the parenting program will result in sanctions against the party up to and including being prohibited from proffering evidence in the Meeting or Conference or being held in contempt by the Court.

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ESTATE NOTICES

FIRST PUBLICATION

Camp, Carol A.

a/k/a Carol Ann Camp Late of Claysville Borough Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Donald W. White, 418 Gameland Rd., Claysville, PA 15323 Attorney: Jeffrey P. Derrico, Esq., Greenlee Derrico Posa, LLC, 60 E. Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

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Clark, Lorna Gail

a/k/a Lorna G. Clark Late of Midway Borough Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: James E. Clark, 305 Willard St., P.O. Box 125, Midway, PA 15060

Attorney: Jeffrey P. Derrico, Esq., Greenlee Derrico Posa, LLC, 60 E. Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

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Corbett, Mary Margaret

Late of City of Washington Washington Co., PA File No. 63-22-0328

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: James Joseph Corbett, 71 Floral Hill Dr., Washington, PA 15301 Attorney: Edward J. Morascyzk, Esq., Morascyzk, Yarosz & Morascyzk, 382 W. Chestnut St., Ste. 102, Washington, PA 15301

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Delfine, Patricia Mae

a/k/a Patricia M. Delfine Late of Borough of Canonsburg Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Co-Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Co-Administrator without delay.

Co-Administrator: Julie E. Krek, 125 White Way, Canonsburg, PA 15317, Wesley R. Delfine, 125 White Way, Canonsburg, PA 15317,

Attorney: Jeffrey P. Derrico, Esq., Greenlee Derrico Posa, LLC, 60 E. Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

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DeRosa, Lori Kris

a/k/a Lori K. DeRosa Late of California Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0445

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Kala Kuvinka, 107 Fourth St.,

California, PA 15419 Attorney: Lisa J. Buday, Esq., P.O. Box 488, California, PA 15419

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Frantz, Stella

Late of Charleroi Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0336

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Barbara A. Batchelor, 2635 Fairgreen Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15241 Attorney: Deborah L. Lesko, Esq., 373 Vandium Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15243

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Gezzer, Annette M.

Late of Finleyville Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: John B. Gezzer, 12 Lookout Place Dr., Newmarket, NH 03857 Attorney: Bradley M. Bassi, Esq., Bassi, Vreeland & Assoc., P.C., P.O. Box 144, 111 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, PA 15022

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Gower, Norma Jean

Late of Canton Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executrix without delay.

Executrix: Jill Ann Morrow, 304 Park Ave., Washington, PA 15301 Attorney: Cary D. Jones, Esq., Marriner, Jones & Fitch, 6 S. Main St., Ste. 600, Washington, PA 15301

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Grim, Donald Carl

Late of North Strabane Twp. Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0436

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: William Edward Grim, 15 Liberty St., Bentleyville, PA 15314
Attorney: Dennis P. Paluso, Esq., 10
Spruce Lane, Charleroi, PA 15022

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Himmer, John Henry

a/k/a John H. Himmer Late of Chartiers Twp. Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0486

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Sharon Ann Bialowas, 125 Melrose Ct., Bridgeville, PA 15017
Attorney: James Clayton, Esq., 2600
Boyce Plaza, Ste. 100, Pittsburgh, PA 15241

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Hirosky, John F.Late of Houston
Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administratrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administratrix without delay.

Administratrix: Lisa Anne Hirosky c/o Attorney: Angela D. Kusturiss, Esq., Kusturiss Law Firm, 12 N. Jefferson Ave., Canonsburg, PA 15317

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Howe, Shirley M.

Late of South Strabane Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0446

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Thomas D. Howe, 1415 Gabby Ave., Washington, PA 15301 Attorney: Jennifer Bittel Derby, Esq., Tucker Arensberg, P.C., 1500 One PPG Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

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Hughes, Jr., Jack N.

a/k/a Jack Norman Hughes, Jr. Late of West Finley Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executrix without delay.

Executrix: Debra Hughes aka Debra Lynn Hughes, 245 Chambers Ridge Rd., West Alexander, PA 15376

Attorney: Thomas O. Vreeland, Esq., Bassi Vreeland & Assoc., P.C., 62 E. Wheel-

ing St., Washington, PA 15301

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Koterba, III, Frank E.

Late of Brownsville Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0351

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Patricia Boyd, P.O. Box 882, Republic, PA 15475 Attorney: Lisa J. Buday, Esq., P.O. Box 488, California, PA 15419

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Lo Castro, Joseph Gene

a/k/a Joey Lo Castro Late of Cecil Twp. Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0129

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Frank Lo Castro, 83 Sumner Ave., Bellevue, PA 15202 Attorney: Timothy Chiappetta, Esq., Two PPG Place, Ste. 400, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

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Ondrik, Sharon Sue

a/k/a Sharon Ondrik Late of North Strabane Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Raymond G. Ondrik, Jr., 420 Newman Rd., Claysville, PA 15323 Attorney: Jeffrey P. Derrico, Esq., Greenlee Derrico Posa, LLC, 60 E. Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

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Pogoda, Jacqueline

Late of Carroll Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Co-Executrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Co-Executrix without delay.

<u>Co-Executrix</u>: Laurel L. Bukowski, 116 Kimberly Ct., Rostraver, PA 15012, Rhonda L. Rahman, 1214 Linden Vue Dr., Canonsburg, PA 15317,

Attorney: Mark J. Shire, Esq., Shire Law Firm, 1711 Grand Boulevard, Park Centre, Monessen, PA 15062

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Powell, Albert H.

a/k/a Albert Harry Powell Late of Union Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executrix without delay.

Executrix: Stephanie L. Martin, 34 Rebecca Dr., Finleyville, PA 15332
Attorney: Bradley M. Bassi, Esq., Bassi, Vreeland & Assoc., P.C., P. O. Box 144, 111 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, PA 15022.

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Slater, Deborah R.

a/k/a Deborah Rae Slater Late of Hendersonville Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0365

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Shelley A. Michelli, 129 Pennsylvania Ave., Bridgeville, PA 15017
Attorney: James Clayton, Esq., 2600
Boyce Plaza, Ste. 100, Pittsburgh, PA 15241

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Smith, Mary Jane Dalton

a/k/a Mary Jane Smith Late of South Strabane Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-00456

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Arthur Dean Burns, 116 Ventura Dr., Bridgeport, WV 26330
Attorney: Eva H. Ahern, Esq., Peacock Keller, Esq., 95 W. Beau St., Ste. 600, Washington, PA 15301

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Swatko, David E.

Late of Monongahela Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administratrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administratrix without delay.

Administratrix: Kimberly K. Swatko, 844 Sampson St., Monongahela, PA 15063 Attorney: Bradley M. Bassi, Esq., Bassi, Vreeland & Assoc., P.C., P.O. Box 144, 111 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, PA 15022.

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SECOND PUBLICATION

Crookshank, Jr., William A.

a/k/a Bill Crookshank, Jr. Late of Bethel Park Allegheny Co., PA File No. 63-23-0428

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Daniel E. Crookshank, 317 Buffalo Ridge Rd., McMurray, PA 15317

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Katrencik, Patricia Lorrene

Late of Cecil Twp. Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0377

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Scott C. Suhayda, 935 Baker Rd., Lawrence, PA 15055
Attorney: Todd A. Fuller, Esq., Brenlove & Fuller, LLC, 401 Washington Ave., Bridgeville, PA 15017

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Oliverio, Mary E. Late of Washington

Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0363 The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: William F. Oliverio, 2670 Diane Dr., Washington, PA 15301

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Pelkey, Thomas

Late of East Bethlehem Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executrix without delay.

Executrix: Heather Sloan c/o Attorney: Frank C. Roney, Jr., Esq., 382 W. Chestnut St., Ste. 102, Washington, PA 15301

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Toohey, Cecelia W.

a/k/a Cecelia Warfield Toohey Late of Canonsburg Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0388

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Sean Toohey, 4040 Bentwood Dr., Canonsburg, PA 15317

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Wagner, Lila M.

Late of Canonsburg Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-170

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is

hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Cindy Lou Wagner, 4681 34th Ave. N, St. Petersburg, FL 33713 Attorney: Loretta B. Kendall, 364 E. Lincoln Ave., McDonald, PA 15057

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Wheeler, Patricia A.

Late of West Alexander Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0384

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Christine Wright, 214 Headley Rd., Washington, PA 15301

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Zilich, James Andrew

a/k/a Jim Zilich Late of Joffre Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Gloria Jean Zilich, 15511 Summit Dr., Apt. 48, E Liverpool, OH 43920

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THIRD PUBLICATION

Banahasky, Anna K. Late of Finleyville Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0327 The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Susan L. Banahasky, 351 Main St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201
Attorney: Charles J. Jacques, III, Esq., 2125 Freeport Rd., Natrona Heights, PA 15065

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Bayer, John Edward

Late of Peters Twp. Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0361

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Stephen J. Bayer, 844 Old Washington Rd., McMurray, PA 15317 Attorney: Aubrey H. Glover, Esq., Brenlove & Fuller, LLC, 401 Washington Ave., Bridgeville, PA 15017

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Churray, Rose T.

Late of Cecil Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Steven Mary, 29 Timberleaf Dr., Fletcher, NC 28732 Attorney: Jeffrey P. Derrico, Esq., Greenlee Derrico Posa, LLC, 60 E. Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

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Dittmer, Lois F.

Late of N. Strabane Twp. Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0147

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Karen J. Snyder, 134 Lenore Way, McMurray, PA 15317 Attorney: James P. Shields, Esq., Shields & Boris, 1150 Old Pond Rd,, Bridgeville, PA 15017

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Gleason, Zachary Dwight

Late of Mt. Pleasant Washington Co., PA File No. 63-2023-0265

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Kristeena Gleason c/o Attorney: Walter Nalducci, Esq., 3300 Grant Bldg., 310 Grant St., Pittsburgh, PA 15219

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Helbig, John M.

a/k/a John Maurice Helbig Late of North Strabane Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Adam Sites, 135 Moger Dr., Washington, PA 15301 Attorney: Jeffrey P. Derrico, Esq., Greenlee Derrico Posa, LLC, 60 E. Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

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Hodor, Paula

a/k/a Paula J. Maley-Hodor Late of Eighty-Four Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Dennis L. Maley, Jr., 128 Rainey Rd., Eighty Four, PA 15330 Attorney: Blane A. Black, Esq., 223 Second St., Monongahela, PA 15063

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Miller, Donald R.

a/k/a Donald Russell Miller, Sr. Late of New Eagle Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Donald R. Miller, Jr., 15951 W. Latham St., GoodYear, AZ 85338 Attorney: David B. Bassi, Esq., Bassi, Vreeland & Assoc., P.C., P.O. Box 144, 111 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, PA 15022

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Mooneyham, Kenneth L.

Late of Langeloth Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0373

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Deanna Mooneyham, 1384 Richard St., Langeloth, PA 15054 Attorney: Jarrod T. Takah, Esq., Tershel & Assoc., Helena Professional Bldg., 55 S. Main St., Washington, PA 15301

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Natalini, Marlene D.

a/k/a Marlene Diane Natalini Late of Borough of Canonsburg Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: David J. Holliday, 408 Highfield Ave., Canonsburg, PA 15317 Attorney: Jeffery P. Derrico, Esq., Greenlee Derrico Posa, LLC, 60 E. Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

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O'Shell, Angeline M.

a/k/a Angeline Marie O'Shell Late of North Franklin Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Thomas P. O'Shell, 501 Floral Hill Dr., Washington, PA 15301 Attorney: David S. Posner, Esq., Goldfarb, Posner, Beck. DeHaven, Drewitz, 62 E. Wheeling St., Ste. 101, Washington, PA 15301

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Porter, Linda Joyce

Late of North Charleroi Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0003

The Register of Wills has granted Letters

on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administratrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administratrix without delay.

Administratrix: Meghan Vayansky, 62 Donora Rd., Monongahela, PA 15063 Attorney: Thomas B. Kostolansky, Esq., 617 McKean Ave., Donora, PA 15033

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Richards, Cynthia Rose

Late of Fallowfield Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administratrix or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administratrix without delay.

Administratrix: Shanon Guarino Geiser, 66 Zippay Rd., Charleroi, PA 15022 Attorney: Bradley M. Bassi, Esq., Bassi, Vreeland & Assoc., P.C., P.O. Box 144, 111 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, PA 15022

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Richman, Shirley E.

Late of South Strabane Twp. Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: John W. Richman, 795 E. Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

Attorney: David S. Posner, Esq., Goldfarb, Posner, Beck, DeHaven & Drewitz, 62 E. Wheeling St., Washington, PA 15301

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Robison, Karen L.

a/k/a Karen Louise Robison

Late of New Eagle Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: Kenneth Robison, Jr., 1309 Lincoln Way, White Oak, PA 15131 Attorney: Blane A. Black, Esq., 223 Second St., Monongahela, PA 15063

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Schielfelbein, Dawn Lynn Michael

a/k/a Dawn Schielfelbein Late of Cecil Twp. Washington Co., PA File No. 63-23-0390

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Administrator or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Administrator without delay.

Administrator: Stacy Guiddy c/o Attorney: Adam G. Anderson, Esq., Anderson & Labovitz, LLC, 429 Fourth Ave., Ste. 602, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

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Smoke, Ann M.

Late of Borough of Canonsburg Washington Co., PA

The Register of Wills has granted Letters on the Estate of the Decedent. Notice is hereby given to request all persons having claims against the decedent to make known the same to the Executor or attorney, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment to the Executor without delay.

Executor: G. Clayton McCabe, 103 Surrey Dr., Canonsburg, PA 15317 Attorney: Jeffery P. Derrico, Esq., Greenlee Derrico Posa, LLC, 60 E.Beau St., Washington, PA 15301

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TRUST NOTICE

TRUST OF Anna K. Banahasky Revocable Trust Agreement dated December 15, 2021. Anna K. Banahasky, late of Borough of Finleyville, County of Washington, Pennsylvania died on February 5, 2023.

All persons having claims against the Trust are requested to make known the same to the undersigned or his/her attorney and all persons indebted to the decedent are requested to make payment to the undersigned without delay.

Susan L. Banahasky, Trustee 351 Main Street Pittsburgh, PA 15201

Charles J. Jacques, III
Jacques & Jacques, P.C.
2125 Freeport Road
Natrona Heights, PA 15065
ATTORNEY

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NAME CHANGE NOTICES

CHANGE OF NAME

Please take notice that Daniel Woititz and Mei Hong Xu have filed Petitions at No. 2023-0879 and 2023-0880 in the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County, Civil Division, originally returnable on the 17th day of March 2023, now a hearing will take place on the 8th day of May 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in Court Room No. 1, requesting the Court to authorize name changes for their minor children **J.J.J.W.** to J.J.W and **J.X.** to C.J.W.

Eric G. VanKirk, Esquire Peacock Keller, LLP 95 West Beau Street, Ste 600 Washington, PA 15301

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Change of Name Notice

Notice is hereby given that on the date of March 15th, 2023 a Petition was filed with the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County, Pennsylvania, Civil Division, at Docket No. 2023-1978 by the Petitioner

Samantha Lopez for a change of name to Samantha Grudi

The Court has fixed the date of May 5th, 2023 and time of 9:00 AM in Courtroom #6 in the Washington County Courthouse, Washington, Pennsylvania, for the hearing on said Petition. Any and all persons interested may appear and show cause, if any, why the request of the petitioner should not be granted.

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CORPORATION NOTICES

NOTICE is hereby given that a Certificate of Organization-Domestic Limited Liability Company has been filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on or about February 14, 2023, for a limited liability company established under the provisions of the Business Corporation Law of 1994, for **SAMUEL D. VIGNOLI LLC.** The proposed registered office in this Commonwealth is 1004 Sycamore Street, New Eagle, PA 15067.

James W. Haines, Jr. Attorney at Law 1202 West Main Street Monongahela, PA 15063 724-258-3021

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Fictitious Name Registration

Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on December 19, 2022 for Party Hoppers by Gracie at 148 Main Street, Claysville, PA 15323. The name and address of each individual interested in such business is Gracie Stagon, 148 Main Street, Claysville, PA

15323 in Washington County. This was filed in accordance with 54 PaC.S. 311.

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Articles of Incorporation

Robert J. Winters, Esquire and GRB Law, 2100 Georgetown Drive, Suite 300, Sewickley, PA 15143. Notice is hereby given that Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on February 15, 2023, with respect to a corporation which has been incorporated under the provisions of the Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988. The name of the corporation is MISSION PROJECT LOVE.

The corporation is incorporated under the Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988 for the following purpose or purposes:

To build, grow and strengthen engaged couples, married couples and families.

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QUIET TITLE NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL DIVISION 2022 No. 7969

G.I. WESTERN PROPERTIES CORPORATION, Plaintiff

vs. David L. Lamansky, Executor of the Estate of Susan J. Williams, also known as Susan Jack Williams, Deceased, and All Persons, Firms, or Associations Claiming Right, Title or Interest From or Under Susan J. Williams, Pennsylvania Department of Revenue Inheritance Tax Division, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Estate Recovery Program, Defendants

QUIET TITLE ACTION NOTICE

TO: David L. Lamansky, Executor of the Estate of Susan J. Williams, a/k/a Susan Jack Williams, Deceased, and All Persons, Firms, or Associations Claiming Right, Title or Interest from or Under Susan J. Williams, and the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Estate Recovery Program

You are hereby notified that G.I. Western Properties Corporation, Plaintiff, has filed a Complaint in Action to Quiet Title averring ownership to the property of plaintiff in the Township of Chartiers, County of Washington, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, being Lot No. 97 in the plan of lots laid out by Moninger Land Company, of record in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Washington County, Pennsylvania in Plan Book Volume 5, Page 140, being Tax Parcel ID # 170-016-01-02-0019-00 and having erected thereon a dwelling known as 742 W Grant Street, Houston, PA 15301, free of any right, lien, title or interest of defendants, and that Plaintiff has filed an affidavit that your whereabouts are unknown.

This service by publication is made pursuant to Order of Court dated March 24, 2023.

NOTICE

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