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#### ESTATE NOTICES

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

#### **Third Publication**

#### ROBERT KENNEY, a/k/a ROBERT L. KENNEY, a/k/a ROBERT LEE KENNEY,

late of Nicholson Township, Fayette County, PA

Executrix: Roberta A. Botti (3)

c/o Kopas Law Office

556 Morgantown Road
Uniontown, PA 15401

## MARIE D. HAGNER, a/k/a MARIE DOLORES HAGNER, late of Dunbar

Attorney: John Kopas

Township, Fayette County, PA (3)

Personal Representative: Mary Lou Grim
c/o Watson Mundorff, LLP
720 Vanderbilt Road
Connellsville, PA 15425
Attorney: Timothy J. Witt

#### **Second Publication**

#### **IDA RUTH ANDERSON**, late of Normalville,

Fayette County, PA (2)

Executrix: Donna Bigham c/o Casini & Geibig, LLC 815B Memorial Boulevard Connellsville, PA 15425 Attorney: Jennifer M. Casini

#### RODNEY T. BANKS, late of Uniontown,

Fayette County, PA (2)

Executrix: Carole Robbins c/o Adams Law Offices, PC 55 East Church Street, Suite 101 Uniontown, PA 15401 Attorney: Jason Adams

#### TINA LEE COLDREN, late of Springfield

Township, Fayette County, PA (2)

Administratrix: Helen Stillwagon c/o 312 2nd. Avenue

Carnegie, PA 15106

Attorney: Philip H. Rubenstein

## MARIE LOCKE, late of Redstone Township, Fayette County, PA (2)

Executor: Daniel Locke c/o Adams Law Offices, P.C. 55 East Church Street, Suite 101 Uniontown, PA 15401 Attorney: Jason Adams

#### ANNA ROSE MUZIKA, late of South Union

Township, Fayette County, PA (2)

Executors: Theodore Muzika and

Rose Marie Muzika c/o John & John

96 East Main Street Uniontown, PA 15041

Attorney: Anne N. John

#### **DOMINICK D. RITZ**, late of Uniontown,

Fayette County, PA (2)

Executrix: Katherine M. Fetsko c/o Proden & O'Brien 99 East Main Street Uniontown, PA 15401 Attorney: Wendy L. O'Brien

## DOMINICA R. WONTROBA, a/k/a DOMINICA ROSE WONTROBA, late of

Uniontown, Fayette County, PA (2)

Executor: Mark A. Wontroba
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648 Morgantown Road, Suite B
Uniontown, PA 15401
Attorney: William M. Radcliffe

## MARTHA LOUISE WOODS, a/k/a MARTHA L. WOODS, late of Redstone

Township, Fayette County, PA (2)

Personal Representative:
Bernadine S. Hixon
94 Splash Drive
Falling Waters, WV 23419
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Pittsburgh, PA 15228

Attorney: Lorraine Smith

#### First Publication

## DONALD F. BRUENING, a/k/a DONALD FREDERIC BRUENING, late of

Connellsville, Fayette County, PA (1)

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815B Memorial Boulevard
Connellsville, PA 15425
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#### FRED P. CAROMANO, late of Uniontown,

Fayette County, PA (1)

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55 East Church Street, Suite 101
Uniontown, PA 15401

Attorney: Jason Adams

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Connellsville, Fayette County, PA (1)

Executor: Deborah A. Ferencak
407 Amity Drive
Connellsville, PA 15425
c/o 310 Grant Street, Suite 1109
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Attorney: Rosalie P. Wisotzki

#### EARL E. HARTMAN, late of South

Connellsville, Fayette County, PA (1)

Personal Representative: Sherry L. Grote
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Connellsville, PA 15425

Attorney: Richard Husband

## **DANIEL F. MCDONOUGH**, late of Dunbar, Fayette County, PA (1)

Personal Representative: Eileen Wood c/o Watson Mundorff, LLP 720 Vanderbilt Road Connellsville, PA 15425 Attorney: Timothy J. Witt

## KENNETH R. MYERS, a/k/a KENNETH RAY MYERS, late of Bullskin Township,

Fayette County, PA (1)

Personal Representative: David Myers c/o Watson Mundorff, LLP 720 Vanderbilt Road Connellsville, PA 15425 Attorney: Robert A. Gordon

#### MARY FRANCES RYNCOSKY, late of

Washington Township, Fayette County, PA (1)

Executrix: Brenda S. Kennedy
924 Alice Street
Belle Vernon, PA 15012
c/o 823 Broad Avenue
Belle Vernon, PA 15012
Attorney: Mark E. Ramsier

## JANET A. PHELAN, a/k/a JANET ANN PHELAN, late of North Union Township,

Fayette County, PA (1)

Executrix: Erin M. Hall
11 Cecil Drive
Dunbar, PA 15431
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Greensburg, PA 15601
Attorney: David K. Lucas

#### OLIVER B. WEST, JR., late of Dawson

Borough, Fayette County, PA (1)

Personal Representative:

Amanda M. Puskar

c/o Watson Mundorff, LLP
720 Vanderbilt Road

Connellsville, PA 15425

Attorney: Timothy J. Witt

#### LEGAL NOTICES

#### ASSUMED NAME NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application for registration of the assumed name **Penn Highlands Connellsville** for the conduct of business in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, with the principal place of business being 401 East Murphy Avenue, Connellsville, PA 15426 was made to the Department of State of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on the 1st day of April 2022, pursuant to 54 Pa.C.S. §311. The name of the entity owning or interested in the said business is Highlands Hospital.

McNEES WALLACE & NURICK LLC 100 Pine Street P.O. Box 1166 Harrisburg, PA 17108-1166

Please take notice that PNC Bank, National Association, Trustee of the Brittany Dawn Rosenberg Irrevocable Trust u/a/d August 13, 2002, has caused to be filed with the Fayette County Orphans' Court at No. 2022-01187 a petition seeking to involuntarily transfer ownership of the following vehicle: 2015 Chrysler TWC Station Wagon, VIN 2C4RC1BGXFR572478. Title Number 748535082, presently titled in the name of Monica Johnson. Should you claim an interest in the said vehicle and have an objection to its involuntary transfer to PNC Bank, National Association, you should contact the court as soon as possible. A hearing has been scheduled for Monday, August 29, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. in Courtroom 4 of the Fayette County Courthouse. You have until that date to file a response to the Petition with notice to Petitioner and/or otherwise appear at the hearing. Failure to lodge an objection may result in the transfer of ownership of the vehicle to PNC Bank, National Association.

# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: Gina M. Cellurale, Debtor.

Gina M. Cellurale, Movant,

VS.

FAYETTE COUNTY TAX CLAIM BUREAU, CITY OF UNIONTOWN, UNIONTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND INFIRST BANK, MARVIN E. KNIERIEM, BUYER, Respondents.

Bankruptcy Case No. 21-21553 CMB Chapter 13 Document No.: \_\_\_\_ Responses due by: July 17, 2022

Hearing Date & Time: August 23, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m.

#### NOTICE OF ZOOM HEARING ON MOTION TO SELL REAL ESTATE, FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL MORTGAGES, LIENS, AND ENCUMBRANCES

TO: ALL CREDITORS AND ALL PARTIES IN INTEREST

#### NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

The DEBTOR, Gina M. Cellurale, has filed a motion for public sale of her real property known as 25 Ben Lomond Street, Uniontown, Fayette County, PA. The property consists of a 3 unit apartment building on .18 acres, Property ID No. 38-06-0179. Debtor is seeking approval of the real estate sales transaction to the purchaser, Marvin E. Knieriem for an agreed price of \$80,000.00. A true and correct copy of the Agreement of Sale is attached to the Motion filed in this case as Exhibit "A."

A Zoom Video Conference Hearing will be held on August 23, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. before Judge Carlota M. Böhm via the Zoom Video Conference Application ("Zoom"). To participate in and join a Zoom Hearing please initiate and use the following link at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled Zoom Hearing time:

https://www.zoomgov.com/j/16143800191, alternatively, you may use the following Meeting ID: 161 4380 0191 For questions regarding the connection, contact Judge Bohm's Chambers at 412-644-4328. All attorneys and Parties may only appear by Zoom and must comply with Chief Judge Bohm's Zoom Procedures, which can be found on the Court's website at https://www.pawb.uscourts.gov/sites/ default/files/pdfs/cmb-proc-videohrg.pdf. Under current COVID-19 circumstances, the general public may appear telephonically if unable to do so via the Internet. When the need to appear telephonically arises, members of the general public should immediately contact Judge Bohm's Chambers to make telephonic arrangements. Only ten minutes is being provided on the calendar. No witnesses will be heard. If an evidentiary hearing is required, it will be scheduled by the Court for a later date, at which time higher offers will be considered and objections to said sale will be heard.

Date of Notice: July 1, 2022 Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Arrangements for inspection prior to said sale hearing may be made with:

Daniel R. White Attorney for the Debtor PA ID NO. 78718 P.O. Box 2123 Uniontown, PA 15401 724-439-9200

#### NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Act 295 of December 16, 1982, P.L. 1309, that a Certificate was filed in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on or about July 7, 2022, to conduct a business in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, under the assumed or fictitious name of Rejuveneyes by Janice with the principal place of business at 705 Bute Road, Uniontown, PA 15401. The name or names and addresses of persons owning and interested are: Country Cosmetics LLC, 705 Bute Road, Uniontown, PA 15401.

Gary Frankhouser Davis and Davis 107 East Main Street Uniontown, PA 15401

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL ACTION No.1025 of 2022 GD JUDGE VERNON

Scott S. Martin and Janel G. Martin, husband and wife, and David C. Balsega and Michele M. Balsega, husband and wife, Plaintiffs,

Luther Burchinal, a/k/a L.W. Burchinal, and Emma Burchinal, husband and wife, and Joseph G. Burchinal and Sarah Elizabeth Burchinal, husband and wife, their heirs, successors and assigns,

Defendants.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS, THEIR HEIRS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:

On June 13, 2022, Plaintiffs filed the above action to declare that they are the sole owners of certain real estate Smithfield Borough, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, being a strip of land 50 feet wide and 227.7 feet long on Liberty Street located between the houses of Plaintiffs. There is no Fayette County Parcel Identifier number for this land.. Plaintiffs' interest was acquired by adverse possession over a period of at least 22 years.

It appears from the chain of title that you may have an interest in this property. Plaintiffs have asked that the Court declare that you, the

Defendants, be forever barred from asserting any right, lien, title or interest in the property. Unless you defend this action, Plaintiffs will take a judgment by default.

#### NOTICE

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

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

#### Pennsylvania Lawyer Referral Service

Pennsylvania Bar Association 100 South Street Harrisburg, PA 17108 Telephone: **800-932-0311** 

Gary N. Altman Attorney for the Plaintiffs 206 Derrick Avenue Uniontown, PA 15401 724-438-0910

#### **Trust Estate Notice**

The information below is a non-probate estate. All assets of the decedent pass to beneficiaries by means of a revocable trust. The trustee of the trust is advertising in the same manner as an estate is advertised.

Deceased: Mary Ann Kocan Late of: 662 Morgantown Road,

Uniontown, PA 15401

Died: June 18, 2022

Trustee: Laurie B. Kocan Address: 1103 Riverfront Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15238

Attorney: Rosalie P. Wisotzki

310 Grant Street, Suite 1109

Pittsburgh, PA 15219 412-697-4499

(2 of 3)

#### SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of the below stated writs out of the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette County, Pennsylvania, the following described properties will be exposed to sale by James Custer, Sheriff of Fayette County, Pennsylvania on Thursday September 22, 2022 at 2:00 pm at https://fayette.pa.realforeclose.com.

The Conditions of sale are as follows:

All bidders must complete the Realauction on-line registration process at https://fayette.pa.realforeclose.com to participate in the auction.

All bidders must place a 10% deposit equal to the successful bid for each property purchased to Realauction via wire transfer or ACH. Upon the auction's close, buyer shall have 10 business days to pay the remaining balance to the Fayette County Sheriff's Office via cashier's check. No cash will be accepted. Failure to comply with the Conditions of Sale, shall result in a default and the down payment shall be forfeited by the successful bidder and applied to the costs and judgments. The schedule of distribution will be filed no later than 30 days after the sale of real property. If no petition has been filed to set aside the sale or objections to the distribution are filed within 10 days of filing the distribution, the Sheriff will prepare and record a deed transferring the property to the successful bidder. (3 of 3)

> James Custer Sheriff of Fayette County

Stephen M. Elek, Esquire

No. 2492 of 2017, G.D. No. 122 of 2022, E.D.

STONE & COMPANY, Plaintiff

RONALD G. CHAPMAN d/b/a CHAPMAN CONSTRUCTION, Defendant

ALL that certain tract or parcel of land situate in Georges Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, comprised of the two adjoining parcels shown on the print survey recorded in Deed Book Volume 1130,page 329, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the southern side of Sheldon Avenue at the northernmost corner of land now or formerly of Ernest R. Shanabarger, et ux., being the parcel of land conveyed to them by deed dated December 14, 1944, of record in the Recorder's Office of Fayette County in Deed Book Volume 595, page 334; thence from said beginning point, along said Shanabarger land, South 23 degrees 11 minutes West, 148.96 feet to a point at corner of land now formerly of Harry Ream, et ux.; thence along said Ream land, North 60 degrees 20 minutes West, 142.87 feet to a point at corner of a strip of lands now or formerly of Norval C. Cunningham, et ux.; thence along said Cunningham land, North 29 degrees 40 minutes East, 150 feet to a point on the southern side of Sheldon Avenue; thence along the southern side of Sheldon Avenue, South 60 degrees 20 minutes East, 65 feet to a point; thence along the same, South 58 degrees 27 minutes 50 seconds East, 61.08 feet to the place of beginning, containing 0.461 of an acre, according to a survey made by Fayette Engineering Co., in July, 1972, a print of which is recorded as aforesaid.

THE See Deed Book Volume 3177 page 1052

PROPERTY TAX MAP NO.: 14-31-0042

Stephen M. Elek, Esquire

No. 2492 of 2017, G.D. No. 123 of 2022, E.D.

#### STONE & COMPANY, Plaintiff

#### RONALD G. CHAPMAN d/b/a CHAPMAN CONSTRUCTION, Defendant

ALL that certain lot of land situate in South Union Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, being bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in line of public road corner of land hereby conveyed and lands now or formerly of Glessner P. Miles, et ux.; thence along dividing line between land hereby conveved and other land now or formerly of Miles, South 33 degrees 57 minutes 20 seconds West a distance of 95.29 feet to a point; corner of land hereby conveyed and other land now or formerly of Miles; thence from said point North 54 degrees 44 minutes 40 seconds West a distance of 21.10 feet to a point corner in same; thence by same South 42 degrees 00 minutes West a distance of 37 feet to a point in dividing line of land hereby conveyed and other land now or formerly of Miles; thence by line of land hereby conveyed and other land now or formerly of Miles, South 54 degrees 44 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 21.10 feet to a point corner of land hereby conveyed and other land now or formerly of Miles; thence from said point along dividing line between land hereby conveyed and other land now or formerly of Miles, South 42 degrees 00 minutes West a distance of 246.5'3 feet more or less to a point in line of land now or formerly of Miles and land now or formerly of Mike Brozovich; thence from said point along line of land hereby conveyed and land now or formerly of Brozovich, North 64 degrees 32 minutes 30 seconds West a distance of 58.31 feet to a point corner of land hereby conveyed and land now or formerly of Brozovich and Trimmel; thence from said point along land hereby conveyed and land now or formerly of Trimmel, North 42 degrees 00 minutes East a distance of 385 feet to a point in line of public road; thence from said point along line of said public road South 55 degrees 45 minutes East a distance of 43.74 feet to the place of beginning.

THE See Deed Book Volume 3177 page 1047

PROPERTY TAX MAP NO.: 34-27-0275

Hladik, Onorato & Federman. LLP 298 Wissahickon Avenue North Wales. PA 19454

> No. 2120 of 2020, G.D. No. 102 of 2022, E.D.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Freddie Mac Seasoned Loans Structured Transaction Trust, Series 2019-2

(Plaintiff) vs.

James A. Clark, (Defendant)

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Freddie Mac Seasoned Loans Structured Transaction Trust, Series 2019-2 (Plaintiff) vs. James A. Clark, (Defendant)

Property Address 899 Rich Hill Road, Connellsville, PA 15425

Parcel I.D. No. 35-04-0006-01

Improvements thereon consist of a residential dwelling.

Judgment Amount: \$109,262.77

KML LAW GROUP, P.C. Suite 5000 701 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19106-1532 (215) 627-1322

No. 1911 of 2014, G.D. No. 124 of 2022, E.D.

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing 345 St. Peter Street 1100 Landmark Towers St. Paul, MN 55102 Plaintiff

WENDY DENNISON JOHN G. DENNISON Mortgagor(s) and Record Owner(s) 506 S Pittsburgh Street Connellsville, PA 15425

Defendant(s)

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OF LAND SITUATE IN, COUNTY OF FAYETTE AND COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

BEING KNOWN AS: 506 S PITTSBURGH STREET, CONNELLSVILLE, PA 15425 506 SOUTH PITTSBURGH STREET, CONNELLSVILLE, PA 15425 TAX PARCEL #05-07-0207

IMPROVEMENTS: A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING

SOLD AS THE PROPERTY OF: WENDY DENNISON AND JOHN G. DENNISON

#### ANNE N. JOHN ATTORNEY AT LAW

No. 411 of 2022, G.D. No. 132 of 2022, E.D.

## FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF GREENE COUNTY, a corporation,

**Plaintiff** 

T/C

ESTATE OF MARY R. FIKE, Deceased; BRADLEY T. FIKE and KRISTIN L. FIKE, Co-Executors, BRADLEY T. FIKE and KRISTIN L. FIKE, in their capacities as HEIRS of the ESTATE OF MARY R. FIKE, Deceased, Defendants.

ALL those certain parcels or tracts of land situate in the First Ward of the City of Uniontown, County of Fayette, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

FOR PRIOR TITLE see Record Book 3261, page 711.

HAVING erected thereon a dwelling house known locally as 125 Ben Lomond Street, Uniontown, PA 15401.

BEING Fayette County Tax Assessment Map No.: 38-06-0158.

#### Brock & Scott, PLLC

No. 2452 of 2019, G.D. No. 116 of 2022, E.D.

# FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION V. DAVID R. HOLLAND A/K/A DAVID HOLLAND; STEPHANIE N. SEESE

By virtue of a Writ of Execution No. 2452 of 2019 GD

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION V. DAVID R. HOLLAND A/ K/A DAVID HOLLAND; STEPHANIE N. SEESE owner(s) of property situate in the MENALLEN TOWNSHIP, FAYETTE County, Pennsylvania, being 743 OLD ROUTE 51 ROAD, SMOCK, PA 15480

Tax ID No. 22-02-0037

Improvements thereon: RESIDENTIAL DWELLING

Judgment Amount: \$73,148.77

KML LAW GROUP, P.C. Suite 5000 701 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19106-1532 (215) 627-1322

> No. 272 of 2022, G.D. No. 104 of 2022, E.D.

ATLANTICA, LLC 3611 South Harbor Boulevard, #100 Santa Ana, CA 92704 Plaintiff

VS.

TIMOTHY J. LIPSCOMB
DENISE N. LIPSCOMB
Mortgagor(s) and Record Owner(s)
18 Grant Street
New Salem, PA 15468
Defendant(s)

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OF LAND SITUATE IN CITY OF NEW SALEM, COUNTY OF FAYETTE AND COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

BEING KNOWN AS: 18 GRANT STREET, NEW SALEM, PA 15468

TAX PARCEL #22-16-0060

IMPROVEMENTS: A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING

SOLD AS THE PROPERTY OF: TIMOTHY J. LIPSCOMB AND DENISE N. LIPSCOMB

No. 750 of 2022, G.D. No. 125 of 2022, E.D.

## PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY,

PLAINTIFF VS.

#### RANDY W. MILNE, DEFENDANT

ALL that lot of ground and buildings thereon Brownsville Borough, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, being approximately 180 x 30.50; HAYING THEREON ERECTED DWELLING KNOWN AND NUMBERED AS: 316 CHURCH STREET, BROWNSVILLE, PA 15417.

TAX PARCEL # 02-06-0401

Fayette County Instrument No. 2011-00011791

TO BE SOLD AS THE PROPERTY OF RANDY W. MILNE.

> BASSI BRADLEY M 111 FALLOWFIELD AVE CHARLEROI, PA 15022 Phone: (724) 483-5502

No. 2250 of 2021, G.D. No. 27 of 2022, E.D.

#### LEONARD FOUCH, Plaintiff.

JESSICA LYNN OLSZEWSKI, Defendant.

ALL that certain lot of land in the Borough of Fayette City, Fayette County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, being one- half of Lot No. 28 of the Original Plan of the Borough of Fayette City, having tax parcel no. 12-03-0277 and known as 241 Second Street, Fayette City, PA 15438.

> No. 265 of 2022, G.D. No. 87 of 2022, E.D.

MidFirst Bank Plaintiff. Rosemarie Rankin Defendant.

ALL that certain parcel of land lying and being situate in the City of Uniontown, County of Fayette, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, known as 25 Wilson Avenue, Uniontown, PA 15401 having erected thereon a dwelling house.

Being known and designated as Tax ID No.: 38-12-0420

BEING the same premises which Anne S. Ruby, widow, by Deed dated August 25, 1980 and recorded in and for Fayette County, Pennsylvania in Deed Book 1276, Page 633, granted and conveyed unto Robert E. Rankin and Rosemarie Rankin, his wife. Robert E. Rankin departed this world and his interest passed to Rosemarie Rankin by operation of law.

McCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, LLC 123 South Broad Street, Suite 1400 Philadelphia, PA 19109

> No. 1528 of 2022, G.D. No. 114 of 2022, E.D.

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC., Plaintiff.

Justin J. Salsgiver, and Brittany N. Salsgiver, Defendants.

TO: ALL PARTIES IN INTEREST AND CLAIMANTS

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

OWNERS: Justin J. Salsgiver and Brittany N. Salsgiver

PROPERTY: 382 Walnut Hill Road, Uniontown, PA 15401

> IMPROVEMENTS: Residential Dwelling JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$194,482.81

The above-captioned property is scheduled to be sold pursuant to the judgment of the court caption above at the Sheriff's Sale on September 22, 2022 at 2:00PM at a public on-line auction Foreclose, conducted by Real fayette.pa.realforeclose.com. Our indicate that you may hold a mortgage or judgments and liens on, and/or other interests in the property which will be extinguished by the sale. You may wish to attend the sale to protect vour interests.

A schedule of distribution will be filed by the Sheriff on a date specified by the Sheriff not later than thirty (30) days after sale. Distribution will be made in accordance with the schedule unless exceptions are filed thereto within ten (10) days after the filing of the schedule.

This letter may be an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

If you have any questions regarding the type of lien or the effect of the Sheriffs Sale upon your lien, we urge you to CONTACT YOUR OWN ATTORNEY as WE ARE NOT PERMITTED TO GIVE YOU LEGAL ADVICE

PINCUS LAW GROUP, PLLC

By: Alicia Sandoval (311874) 2929 Arch Street, Suite 1700 Philadelphia, PA 19104 Telephone: 484-575-2201

Facsimile: 516-279-6990

E-mail: asandoval@pincuslaw.com

No. 1352 of 2021, G.D. No. 101 of 2022, E.D.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-SD1

Plaintiff,

V.

DEBORAH J. SIMPSON, EXECUTOR FOR THE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA JO DOLFI A/K/A VIRGINIA DOLFI, DECEASED Defendants.

ALL THAT CERTAIN lot or piece of ground situate in Redstone Township, County of Fayette and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, recorded in said county Recorder's Office in Plan Book 2477, at page 366.

ADDRESS: 474 BRAZNELL CONCRETE ROAD, GRINDSTONE, PA 15442

TAX PARCEL 30-02-0016

No. 2756 of 2019, G.D. No. 117 of 2022, E.D.

#### PNC Bank, National Association Plaintiff,

vs.

## Sandy F. Snyder, AKA Sandra F. Snyder Defendant.

ALL that certain parcel of land lying and being situate in the Township of Bullskin, County of Fayette, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, known as 506 East End Road, Extension, AKA 506 East End Road, Connellsville, PA 15425 having erected thereon a dwelling house.

Being known and designated as Tax ID No.: 04-36-0151

BEING the same premises which James E. King and Mary Ann King, his wife, by Deed dated September 13, 2001 and recorded in and for Fayette County, Pennsylvania in Deed Book 2827, Page 1690, granted and conveyed unto Sandy F. Snyder, as to a fee simple interest, and James E. King and Mary Ann King, as to a life estate interest.

McCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, LLC 123 South Broad Street, Suite 1400 Philadelphia, PA 19109

> No. 220 of 2022, G.D. No. 115 of 2022, E.D.

## AmeriHome Mortgage Company, LLC Plaintiff

v.

Shane E. Teets Defendant

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OR PARCEL OR TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN THE CITY OF CONNELLSVILLE, FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AND BEING KNOWN AS 1219 CHESTNUT STREET, CONNELLSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 15425.

BEING KNOWN AS: 1219 CHESTNUT STREET, CONNELLSVILLE,

PENNSYLVANIA 15425

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#### **JUDICIAL OPINION**

## IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CRIMINAL DIVISION

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

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VS.

:

MALAYSHA TAYLOR,

No. 1173 of 2021

Defendant.

Honorable Nancy D. Vernon

#### **OPINION AND ORDER**

VERNON, J.

June 17, 2022

Before the Court is the Omnibus Pretrial Motion filed by Defendant Malaysha Taylor in the nature of a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus. At the time set for hearing, the Commonwealth admitted into evidence the record of the preliminary hearing from May 18, 2021, and no further evidence was presented to this Court.

#### **FACTS**

Defendant is charged with two counts each of Manufacture, Delivery or Possession with Intent to Manufacture or Deliver – 35 Pa.C.S.A. §780-113(A)(30); Conspiracy – Manufacture, Delivery or Possession with Intent to Manufacture or Deliver – 18 Pa.C.S.A. §903; Intentional Possession Controlled Substance – 35 Pa.C.S.A. §780-113 (A)(16); Conspiracy – Intentional Possession Controlled Substance – 18 Pa.C.S.A. §903; one count each of Use/Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – 35 Pa.C.S.A. §780-113 (A)(32); Conspiracy – Use/Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – 18 Pa.C.S.A. §903; Criminal Use of Communication Facility – 18 Pa.C.S.A. §7512(A); Conspiracy – Criminal Use of Communication Facility – 18 Pa.C.S.A. §903; and two counts of Criminal Attempt – Contraband/Controlled Substance – 18 Pa.C.S.A. §901(A).

At the preliminary hearing, Joseph Barnes testified that on April 9, 2020, he was working at the Fayette County Prison as a Security Lieutenant investigated drug activity in the jail. N.T., 5/18/2021, at 3-5. An inmate was taken to the hospital and used a restroom at the hospital wherein drugs were found in the restroom after the inmate exited. Id. at 6. Deputy Warden Barnes testified that inmates at the Fayette County Prison can make calls and send messages through an app on an iPad to people outside of the jail. Id. at 7. The Prison staff are able to see what inmate sent the message, who received it, what time it was sent, and what time it was read. Id. at 8. The message history of inmate Cody Dennis was investigated and then provided to Uniontown City Police Officer Holland. Id. at 8-9.

Under cross-examination, Deputy Warden Barnes explained that the iPad takes a

picture of the inmate when he or she logs in to send messages. Id. at 9. Barnes testified that the inmate who was taken to the hospital was named Adam Morgan and he was transferred to the hospital for chest pains. Id. at 9-10. The drugs were found in the ceiling above the toilet at the hospital. Id. at 10.

Uniontown City Police Officer Jamie Holland testified that he investigated a blue latex glove containing forty suboxone and suspected marijuana wrapped in toilet paper found in a bathroom, that had been used by inmate Adam Morgan, in the Emergency Room of Uniontown Hospital on April 9, 2020. Id. at 11-13. The substances were analyzed and found to be marijuana and buprenorphine. Id. at 13-14.

The police obtained surveillance video from the hospital showing the Emergency Room hallway with a view of the bathroom. Id. Officer Holland testified that an employee entered the bathroom at 1339 hours, shut the door, and stayed inside until 1344.42 hours. Id. at 15. The officer also observed a patient hooked up to an IV, three EMS workers who used the garbage can but did not shut the bathroom door, and another employee who cleaned the bathroom but did not shut the door either. Id. at 15. Officer Holland identified Defendant Malaysha Taylor as the hospital employee who entered the bathroom outside of the Emergency Room. Id.

Officer Holland obtained a search warrant for Defendant's cell phone. Id. at 20. In reviewing her cell phone, Officer Holland testified that several people referred to Defendant by the nickname "Lay." Id. at 21. Over hearsay objection by the Defendant, Officer Holland testified that upon reviewing the jail text messages, "on April 8, 2020, at 12:50 there was a message sent from Ms. Saunders to Mr. Dennis which read Lay is working in the ER today so it worked out good. But she is going to text me when she does it." Id.

Over further hearsay and speculation objections, Officer Holland testified that a phone conversation took place at 17:55 hours on April 8, 2020 "with Mr. Dennis asking what she tell you. The female responds let me see if she messaged me. She aint hit me yet. Dennis responds she know what to do. Female responds yea I told her. Dennis responds why she acting so slow. The female responds I don't know. They probably busy. She is working in the ER. Probably a whole bunch of fucking nonsense going on. Dennis responds alright yo, as long as she gets it done. Tell her to let you know before seven so I know what to do. Female responds okay. Dennis responds you explain how to do it. Female yea. Dennis alright." Id. at 26. A second phone conversation occurred with "Dennis calling and saying did you talk to her. Female no. Dennis tell her when she gets the chance to try and get it back but if it is not there tell her good look anyway. Female says okay. Dennis responds alright." Id. A third conversation through text messages occurred where Ms. Saunders asked Dennis you want me to pay her from this money in Cash App. Dennis replies back I don't care. What she say she wanted. And then it said, he responded she said she doesn't know what she wants lol." Id. at 26-27. The time of the second phone conversation was not put into evidence but in argument was stated to have occurred five hours later.

The Commonwealth admitted a photograph of the ambulance bay doorway leading to the Emergency Room at Uniontown Hospital showing a female, identified as Defendant, carrying a purse in her left hand, standing right next to the restroom that is in question. Id. at 27. Officer Holland testified that staff at the hospital told him that they use an employee lounge for people to keep purses and use the restroom since the restroom in question is available to patients. Id. at 28.

Under cross-examination, Officer Holland testified that he only watched twenty-four hours of surveillance video prior to the incident and that he did not know the last time the bathroom had been searched prior to the drugs being found. Id. at 28. Officer Holland confirmed that Defendant provided her cell phone to him, that Officer Holland retrieved all information from the phone via a "dump", and that he did not find any communication between Shataya Saunders and Defendant. Id. at 29. Officer Holland testified that inmate Adam Morgan never received the drugs in question because a guard went into the restroom with him. Id. Officer Holland admitted that one EMS who used the restroom had shut the door. Id. at 30.

#### DISCUSSION

To sustain a habeas corpus petition, the Commonwealth must prove that the evidence received at the preliminary hearing presented sufficient probable cause to believe that the Defendant committed the offense for which she is charged.

The quantity and quality of evidence presented there 'should be such that if presented at trial in court, and accepted as true, the judge would be warranted in allowing the case to go to the jury.' The Commonwealth's burden at a preliminary hearing is to establish at least prima facie that a crime has been committed and that the accused is the one who committed it. This means that at a preliminary hearing, the Commonwealth must show the presence of every element necessary to constitute each offense charged and the defendant's complicity in each offense. Proof beyond a reasonable doubt is not required, nor is the criterion to show that proof beyond a reasonable doubt is possible if the matter is returned for trial. However, proof, which would justify a trial judge submitting the case to the jury at the trial of the case, is required. Inferences reasonably drawn from the evidence of record which would support a verdict of guilty are to be given effect, and the evidence must be read in the light most favorable to the Commonwealth's case. Prosecutorial suspicion and conjecture are not evidence and are unacceptable as evidence.

Commonwealth v. Snyder, 483 A.2d 933, 935 (Pa. Super. 1984).

Section (a)(30) of the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act prohibits the manufacture, delivery, or possession of a controlled substance by an unregistered or unlicensed person and Section (a)(16) prohibits knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance. See, 35 P.S. § 780-113(a)(30) and (a)(16). Section (a) (32) prohibits the use of, or possession with intent to use, drug paraphernalia. See, 35 P.S. § 780-113(a)(32).

With regard to Criminal Use of a Communication Facility, it is alleged that Defendant "did use her cell phone to set up a drug delivery to the Uniontown Hospital." As to Criminal Attempt – Contraband/Controlled Substance, the Commonwealth alleges Defendant did deliver suboxone and marijuana to the Uniontown Hospital knowing these items were to be smuggled into the Fayette County Prison. As to all of these charges,

the Commonwealth alleges Defendant did so in conspiracy with Shataya Saunders or Cody Dennis.

The mens rea required to be proven for the charges is knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance, namely marijuana and suboxone, and drug paraphernalia. The General Assembly has provided a default culpability provision in Section 302 (c) of the Crimes Code that is to be applied to determine the appropriate element of culpability: when the culpability sufficient to establish a material element of an offense is not prescribed by law, such element is established if a person acts intentionally, knowingly or recklessly with respect thereto.

An examination of the evidence presented establishes that Defendant was an employee of Uniontown Hospital stationed to work in the Emergency Room on April 8, 2020, that she entered a restroom in the hallway outside of the Emergency Room that is generally used by patients, that she shut the door to the restroom, and that she remained inside for approximately five minutes.

A Fayette County Prison inmate was transferred to Uniontown Hospital for chest pains and used the same restroom. Following the inmate leaving the restroom and a search of the restroom, a glove was found to contain suboxone and marijuana in the ceiling of the bathroom.

Fayette County Prison text messages from Shataya Saunders to another inmate Cody Dennis revealed one mention of a nickname "Lay" stating: "Lay is working in the ER today so it worked out good. But she is going to text me when she does it." Subsequent telephone conversations and text messages between Saunders and the inmate establish Saunders telling the inmate that "she aint hit me yet" and "she is working in the ER" and inmate Dennis directing Saunders to "tell her when she gets the chance to try and get it back but if it is not there tell her good luck anyway." The "she" in these messages is not named or otherwise identified.

The Commonwealth's case against Defendant is based solely on circumstantial evidence. "The Commonwealth may meet its burden of proving every element beyond a reasonable doubt through wholly circumstantial evidence." Commonwealth v. Sullivan, 864 A.2d 1246, 1249 (Pa. Super. 2004). A caveat, though, that a conviction sustained by circumstantial evidence may not be based on mere suspicion or conjecture. Commonwealth v. Hardcastle, 546 A.2d 1101 (Pa. 1988).

The Commonwealth has failed to establish that Defendant possessed or possessed with intent to deliver the suboxone and marijuana found in the Uniontown Hospital's bathroom ceiling. The Uniontown City Police's review of Defendant entering and exiting a bathroom revealed nothing to show Defendant took the drugs into that restroom or placed them in the ceiling. The Commonwealth presented no evidence as to the age of the drugs or a timeframe prior to the within incident that the bathroom had been searched or cleaned in the ceiling. Put simply, the Commonwealth cannot connect these drugs to this Defendant let alone establish that she knowingly or intentionally possessed the drugs found in the hospital bathroom. The evidence, as presented at the preliminary hearing, would require a jury to speculate or conjecture in order to tie the drugs to Defendant.

The Commonwealth also failed to present evidence of a conspiracy between Shataya Saunders or Cody Dennis. Absent one use of the name "Lay", the conversations between Saunders and inmate Dennis do not identify a person to whom they are referring. Of significance, a police search retrieving the contents of Defendant's phone revealed no communications between Defendant and Saunders or Defendant and inmate Dennis. The Commonwealth has not proven that Defendant even knew Shataya Saunders or Cody Dennis.

Finding the Commonwealth has failed to establish a prima facie case, the Court must dismiss the pending charges. WHEREFORE, we will enter the following Order.

#### **ORDER**

AND NOW, this 17th day of June, 2022, upon consideration of the Omnibus Pretrial Motion filed by Defendant Malaysha Taylor, the record, and after hearing, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED that the Motion is GRANTED and the within charges are DISMISSED in accordance with the foregoing Opinion.

BY THE COURT: NANCY D. VERNON, JUDGE

ATTEST: Clerk of Courts

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- Presenter: **Brian V. Gorman, Esquire -**Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Aid

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