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Troutmann v. CBS Broadcasting, Inc., et al.*Defamation – False light – Preliminary objections*

1. Pennsylvania requires the plaintiff in a defamation action to plead the defamatory character of a statement.
2. A statement is defamatory if it tends to harm the reputation of another as to lower him or her in the estimation of the community or to deter third parties from associating or dealing with him or her.
3. If a public figure plaintiff files suit against a media defendant regarding statements touching upon a matter of public concern, the plaintiff must also plead that the allegedly defamatory statement is in fact false.
4. Pennsylvania adheres to the tort of false light as defined in the Restatement (Second) of Torts, which imposes liability on a person who publishes material that is not true, is highly offensive to a reasonable person, and is publicized with knowledge or in reckless disregard of its falsity.
5. Statements of fact which are objectively false are actionable for purposes of a defamation; however, so too are statements in which the implication of the communication as a whole is false, even if the statement is literally accurate.
6. Falsity, for purposes of defamation, may be established where a publicized statement, viewed in context, creates a false implication. Falsity with respect to the tort of false light carries the same meaning.
7. Falsity is shown in a false light action where the defendant electively printed or broadcast true statements or pictures in a manner which created a false impression.
8. Even where a statement is literally true, discrete presentation of information in a fashion which renders the publication susceptible to inferences casting one in a false light entitles the grievant to recompense for the wrong committed.
9. A false light claim can be established where true information is released if the information tends to imply falsehoods.
10. A trial court may dismiss a claim for defamation or false light at the pleadings stage for failure to adequately allege falsity.
11. Dismissal is only proper if the law says with certainty that the plaintiff has failed to state a claim for relief.
12. Where a doubt exists as to whether a demurrer should be sustained, this doubt should be resolved in favor of overruling it.
13. The plaintiff in a defamation or false light action adequately pleads falsity if a jury could eventually conclude, by clear and convincing evidence, that the statements at issue are false.
14. Under the common law republication rule applicable in Pennsylvania, one who repeats a defamatory statement is generally just as liable as the original defamer.
15. A court must consider the full context of the article to determine the effect the article is fairly calculated to produce, the impression it would naturally engender, in the minds of the average persons among whom it is intended to circulate.

16. In Pennsylvania, an opinion for purpose of a defamation or false light claim is essentially an expression of comment as to another's conduct, behavior, qualifications or character.
17. Statements of opinion are not actionable when both parties to the communication are aware of the facts upon which the opinion is based or otherwise assume their existence.
18. A plaintiff may maintain a defamation or false light action if he can demonstrate that the statement of opinion may reasonably be understood to imply the existence of undisclosed defamatory facts justifying the opinion. Such would occur when the alleged behavior upon which the opinion was based did not actually occur.
19. Actual malice is a fault standard, predicated on the need to protect the public discourse under the First Amendment from the chill that might be fostered by less vigilant limitations on defamation actions brought by public officials.
20. To plead actual malice, a public figure plaintiff must allege that a false statement was publicized with knowledge that it was false or with reckless disregard of whether it was false or not.
21. Actual malice is not a negligence standard. Rather, to adequately plead actual malice, the plaintiff must set forth allegations which, at a minimum, indicate that the defendant in fact entertained serious doubts as to the truth of his publication.
22. In deciding a preliminary objection in the nature of a demurrer, a court must take the plaintiff's allegations as true and grant them the benefit of every reasonable inference therefrom.
23. Actual malice must be proven by clear and convincing evidence, the highest standard of proof for civil claims. The actual malice standard has been characterized as a rigorous, if not impossible, burden to meet in most circumstances.
24. A complaint for defamation must, on its face, identify specifically what allegedly defamatory statements were made, and to whom they were made. Failure to do so will subject the complaint to dismissal for lack of publication. This rule applies equally to false light claims.
25. Defendants filed preliminary objections to plaintiff's amended complaint. The Court *Held*, that the preliminary objections were sustained in part and overruled in part.

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C.C.P. Chester County, Civil Action – Law, No. 2020-07030-TT; Paul A. Troutman v. CBS Broadcasting, Inc., t/a CBS3 and Matthew Petrillo

James E. Beasley, Jr., Louis F. Tumolo, and Peter J. Johnsen for Plaintiff
 Michael Berry and Paul Safier for Defendants
 Binder, J., March 17, 2021:-

PAUL A. TRAUTMANN : IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
Plaintiff, : CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
vs. : CIVIL ACTION – LAW
CBS BROADCASTING, INC., : NO. 2020-07030-TT
t/a CBS3; MATTHEW PETRILLO
Defendants.

*James E. Beasley, Jr., Esquire, Louis F. Tumolo, Esquire and
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ORDER

AND NOW, this 17th day of March, 2021, upon review and consideration of Defendants’ Preliminary Objections to Plaintiff’s Amended Complaint, Plaintiff’s Response, the briefs, and oral argument on February 5, 2021, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Objections are **SUSTAINED**, in part, as follows: Plaintiff’s claims for defamation and false light against Defendants are **DISMISSED** to the extent that those claims are predicated on either (1) unspecified statements contained on various social media pages and posts; or (2) the statement “Lewis’ Family” as publicized in the July 6, 2020 written news article and video news report at issue in this action. In all other respects, Defendants’ Preliminary Objections are **OVERRULED** in accordance with the memorandum opinion attached to this Order, and Defendants are granted leave to file an Answer to the Amended Complaint within twenty (20) days of the entry of this Order on the docket.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ **BRET M. BINDER, J.**

MEMORANDUM OPINION

This is a defamation and false light action arising out of statements publicized on an online print news article and live video news broadcast. In brief, on July 6, 2020, Defendant CBS Broadcasting, Inc., t/a CBS3, through its employee, Defendant Matthew Petrillo (collectively “Defendants”), broadcast a news report arising out of a “barricade situation” that occurred on Christmas Day, 2018, involving Nathaniel Lewis (Lewis), the barricade suspect, and members of the Chester County Regional Emergency Response Team (aka “SWAT”) that responded to the situation, including Detective Paul A. Trautmann (Trautmann), a member of the Downingtown, Pennsylvania, police force and the Plaintiff in this action.

Two (2) statements in the news broadcast form the core of Trautmann’s defamation and false light action against Defendants, both of which arise from bodycam footage that captured a conversation among unidentified SWAT team members and Trautmann during the course of the standoff with Lewis. Those statements, according to Defendants, revealed “possible police misconduct.” Am. Compl., Ex. A. The first statement is the headline to Defendants’ July 6, 2020, online print news article:

EXCLUSIVE VIDEO: Chester County Police Officers Mock Barricade Suspect, ‘He’ll Just Kill Himself And Get It Over With’

Id., Ex. C.

The second statement is contained in the video broadcast accompanying the news article. The video captures a conversation between Trautmann and an unidentified member of the SWAT team upon learning that Lewis had been connected to his wife by telephone during the course of the standoff:

Voice of Det. Trautmann: “Just kill himself and get it over with.”

Unidentified Voice: “Tell him to just do it in front of the window.”

Id., Ex. A; Obj. at p. 8.

Trautmann instituted this action on September 21, 2020, by filing a complaint against Petrillo. On January 4, 2021, he filed an amended complaint against CBS3 and Petrillo setting forth parallel claims for defamation and “false light” based on the above statements. Defendants filed preliminary objections on January 11, 2021, and the Court held oral argument on those objections on February 5, 2021. The objections are now ripe for disposition.

Defendants first contend that Trautmann’s amended complaint fails to state a claim against them for either defamation or false light because the statements that form the basis of his action are a “truthful account” of the controversy surrounding the bodycam footage. Obj., at p. 14. Defendants essentially make three (3) arguments in

this regard: (1) the statements are not materially false; (2) the statements amount to non-actionable expressions of opinion; and (3) the statements are not capable of defamatory meaning. Defendants contend that any one of these deficiencies is fatal to Trautmann's claims, requiring dismissal as a matter of law.

The Court begins with Defendants' argument that Trautmann fails to state a claim against them because the statements at issue are not "materially false." Pennsylvania requires the plaintiff in a defamation action to plead "the defamatory character" of a statement. 42 Pa. C.S. § 8343(a)(1). A statement is defamatory if it tends to "harm the reputation of another as to lower him [or her] in the estimation of the community or to deter third parties from associating or dealing with him [or her]." Tucker v. Phila. Daily News, 848 A.2d 113, 124 (Pa. 2004) (internal quotation marks omitted). Additionally, if a public figure plaintiff files suit against a media defendant regarding statements touching upon a matter of public concern, such as in the case *sub judice*, the plaintiff must also plead that the allegedly defamatory statement is in fact false. *See, e.g., Lewis v. Philadelphia Newspapers, Inc.*, 833 A.2d 185, 191 (Pa. Super. 2003).

Falsity is also an element of a false light action. Pennsylvania adheres to the tort of "false light" as defined in the Restatement (Second) of Torts, which imposes liability on a person who publishes material that "*is not true*, is highly offensive to a reasonable person, and is publicized with knowledge or in reckless disregard of its falsity." Larsen v. Phila. Newspapers, Inc., 543 A.2d 1181, 1188 (Pa. Super. 1988) (en banc) (citing Restatement (Second) of Torts § 652E) (emphasis added).

The legal sufficiency of Trautmann's claims thus turns, in part, on the manner in which Pennsylvania defines "falsity" for purposes of defamation and false light actions. Clearly, statements of fact which are objectively false are actionable for purposes of a defamation. However, so too are statements in which "the implication of the communication as a whole [is] false," even if the statement is "literally accurat[e]." Dunlap v. Philadelphia Newspapers, Inc., 448 A.2d 6, 15 (Pa. Super. 1982). In other words, falsity for purposes of defamation may be established where a publicized statement, viewed in context, creates a false implication. *See, e.g., id.* (adopting defamation by "innuendo" theory). Falsity with respect to the tort of false light carries the same meaning. For example, falsity is shown in a false light action where the defendant "selectively printed or broadcast true statements or pictures in a manner which created a false impression." Larsen, 543 A.2d at 1189. As a result, even where a statement is literally true, "discrete presentation of information in a fashion which renders the publication susceptible to inferences casting one in a false light entitles the grievant to recompense for the wrong committed." Id.; *accord, Krajewski v. Gusoff*, 53 A.3d 793, 807 (Pa. Super. 2012) ("[A] false light claim can be established where true information is released if the information tends to imply falsehoods.") (citation omitted).

Here, Trautmann's theory of falsity essentially rests on Defendants' publication of true information that implies a falsehood, because there is no dispute that Trautmann did in fact say "*just kill himself and get it over with*" during the course of the standoff with Lewis. Trautmann argues that, despite his actual utterance,

the manner in which Defendants publicized his statement implies a falsehood because they: (1) deleted the initial word “He’ll” from the remainder of his utterance “*just kill himself and get it over with*” in the video news broadcast¹; (2) failed to include or otherwise discuss in the news reports a portion of the conversation among SWAT team members that preceded Trautmann’s utterance, which Trautmann contends would have made clear that he was actually expressing concern for Lewis’ well-being; and (3) preceded the online news article quote of his statement with the introductory phrase “Chester County Police Officers Mock Barricade Suspect,” which Trautmann asserts led online readers of the article to reflexively conclude that Trautmann’s statement could only amount to a callous disregard for Lewis’ safety.² In Trautmann’s view, the manner in which Defendants publicized his statement obscured its actual intent—an expression of concern for the safety and well-being of Lewis — and falsely implied that Trautmann was either indifferent to the barricade situation or otherwise flippantly encouraging Lewis to commit suicide to the other SWAT team members.

A trial court may dismiss a claim for defamation or false light at the pleadings stage for failure to adequately allege falsity. *See, e.g., Jones v. City of Philadelphia*, 73 Pa. D. & C.4th 246, 257 (Com. Pl. 2005) (dismissing false light claim for failing to sufficiently allege that the defendants’ statements were false), *aff’d*, 893 A.2d 837 (Pa. Cmwlth. 2006). However, dismissal is only proper if the law say “with certainty” that the plaintiff has failed to state a claim for relief. *Bilt-Rite Contractors, Inc. v. The Architectural Studio*, 866 A.2d 270, 274 (Pa. 2005). In the Court’s view, it is debatable whether the manner in which Trautmann’s statement was publicized by Defendants implied a falsehood or series of falsehoods. Because it is debatable, Trautmann’s claims may not be dismissed for legal insufficiency on this basis. *See, id.* (“Where a doubt exists as to whether a demurrer should be sustained, this doubt should be resolved in favor of overruling it.”). The plaintiff in a defamation or false light action adequately pleads falsity if “a jury *could* eventually conclude, by clear and convincing evidence, that the [statements] at issue are false.” *Jones*, 73 Pa. D. & C.4th at 257 (emphasis

¹ The Court recognizes that the parties dispute whether Trautmann did in fact say “He’ll” immediately prior to stating “just kill himself and get it over with.” However, the Defendants were confident enough that the word “he’ll” was in fact stated that they included it in the headline to the online news article.

² Defendants’ demurrer for failure to allege falsity also challenges Trautmann’s assertions that the phrase “Lewis’ family” as used in the reports is false or misleading. Specifically, in the amended complaint, Trautmann alleges that Defendants falsely reported that “Lewis’ family” called for his firing over the bodycam footage because, in reality, only Lewis’ mother holds that view; Lewis’ sister-in-law, by contrast, expressed support for Trautmann in a social media post following the release of the bodycam footage. The Court agrees with Defendants that Trautmann cannot predicate falsity on the use of the phrase “Lewis’ family” in the reports. The term “family” is an accurate way to describe a mother and son, even assuming that Trautmann’s (former) sister-in-law is also a member of his family. To hold otherwise would effectively mean that describing a single-parent family as a “family” is a misnomer, a holding the Court is unwilling to make. In short, the phrase “Lewis’ family” as used in the reports is explicitly truthful and, therefore, cannot be one of the bases for Trautmann’s defamation and false light claims against Defendants. Accordingly, Defendants’ demurrer on this basis is sustained.

added). Here, it is at least conceivable that a jury could find under the facts pled by Trautmann that Defendants' publications of his statement implied a falsehood — namely, that Trautmann's statement was an expression of callous disregard for Lewis' well-being. Accordingly, except for Defendants' challenge to the phrase "Lewis' family" as used in the news reports, see fn. 2, *supra*, Defendants' demurrer for failure to allege falsity is overruled.

In their next argument, Defendants assert that Trautmann's claims lack legal sufficiency because (1) to the extent the news article and accompanying video state or otherwise imply that Trautmann "mocked" or was callous towards Lewis, the reports nonetheless make clear that those are views held by Lewis' mother and lawyer and not by the Defendants; and (2) even if the reports could be construed as adopting a viewpoint attributable to Defendants, they nonetheless amount to statements of protected "opinion."

Defendants' first argument appears to be premised on the belief that a defamatory statement which is attributable to a third person, rather than the publisher that repeats the statement, is not actionable. However, under the common law "republishing" rule applicable in Pennsylvania, one who repeats a defamatory statement is generally just as liable as the original defamer. Mosley v. Observer Pub. Co., 629 A.2d 965, 968 (Pa. Super. 1993). In any event, to the extent that Defendants' argument is simply that the statements at issue are not actionable because they are a mere summarization or characterization of views held by Lewis' mother and lawyer, and not that of Defendants, the Court's review of the entirety of the news reports reveals that they *could* be interpreted as setting forth Defendants' view that Trautmann mocked and was callous towards Lewis. *See generally*, Corabi v. Curtis Publishing Co., 273 A.2d 889, 901 (opining that a court must consider "the full context of the article to determine the effect the article is fairly calculated to produce, the impression it would naturally engender, in the minds of the average persons among whom it is intended to circulate.") (quoting Boyer v. Pitt Publishing Co., 188 A. 203, 204 (Pa. 1936); Thomas Merton Ctr. v. Rockwell Int'l Corp., 442 A.2d 213, 216 (Pa. 1981) (quoting same)). Indeed, the title to the news article starts with the explicit premise that law enforcement officers in Chester County "mocked" Lewis, and the introduction to the news video frames the issue as one of "police misconduct."

Defendants also contend that the statements are not actionable because they constitute a protected opinion. In Pennsylvania, an "opinion" for purpose of a defamation or false light claim is essentially an expression of comment as to another's conduct, behavior, qualifications or character. Parano v. O'Connor, 641 A.2d 607, 609 (Pa. Super. 1994). Statements of opinion are not actionable when both parties to the communication are aware of the facts upon which the opinion is based or otherwise assume their existence. *Id.* However, "a plaintiff may maintain a [defamation or false light] action if he can demonstrate that the statement of opinion may reasonably be understood to imply the existence of undisclosed defamatory facts justifying the opinion." Baker v. Lafayette Coll., 504 A.2d 247, 252 (Pa. Super. 1986), *aff'd*, 532 A.2d 399 (Pa. 1987). Such would occur, for instance, when

“the alleged behavior upon which the opinion was based did not actually occur[.]” Parano, 641 A.2d at 610; *see also*, Restatement (Second) of Torts § 566 (1977), cmt. b. (“To say of a person that he is a thief without explaining why” is not a protected opinion because the statement implies that the person “has committed acts that come within the common connotation of thievery,” even if no such acts ever occurred.).

Here, even assuming that the statements at issue amount to an expression of opinion rather than false implication of fact,³ they remain actionable because Trautmann plausibly alleges that the opinions arise from conduct or behavior that did not occur. More specifically, Trautmann avers that if Defendants had included the word “He’ll” in the video news report, and if they had broadcast or reported on a portion of the conversation among SWAT team members immediately prior to Trautmann publicized comment “*just kill himself and get it over with*,” it would have been undoubtedly clear to Defendants’ viewers and readers that Trautmann was stating an expression of concern for Lewis’ well-being and safety. However, as alleged by Trautmann in his amended complaint, because Defendants chose to broadcast only a small portion of the conversation among the SWAT team – and to frame that conversation as an instance of “mockery” and “police misconduct” – they implied the existence of behavior attributable to Trautmann which does not have a basis in fact — *i.e.*, that Trautmann is guilty of engaging in unprofessional conduct in the line of duty as a law enforcement officer. This is an acceptable reading of the amended complaint. Accordingly, Defendants’ demurrer of this basis is also overruled.

In their final argument of their first objection, Defendants contend that, when the statements at issue are accorded their “reasonable meaning” they are incapable of having the defamatory character ascribed to them by Trautmann.

A plaintiff carries the burden of proving the defamatory character of a communication. 42 Pa. C.S. § 8343(a). However, “[i]t is the function of the court to determine whether the challenged publication is capable of a defamatory meaning” in the first instance. Tucker, *supra*, 848 A.2d at 123–24. Significantly, it has long been held in Pennsylvania that a statement is capable of defamatory meaning if it “ascribes to another ‘conduct, character or a condition that would adversely affect his fitness for the proper conduct of his lawful business, trade or profession.’” Thomas Merton Ctr., *supra*, 442 A.2d at 216 (citing Restatement (Second of Torts), § 573 (1977)). *See also*, Agriss v. Roadway Exp., Inc., 483 A.2d 456, 461 (Pa. Super. 1984) (“A publication is defamatory if it tends to ... injure [a person] in his business or profession.”).

Here, Trautmann argues that the false implications arising from Defendants’ news broadcasts are capable of defamatory meaning because they imply that he engaged in “official misconduct” and the improper execution of his professional responsibilities as a law enforcement officer. Because the Court finds that these are plausible inferences arising from the statements publicized by Defendants, it likewise finds that the statements are capable of defamatory meaning because they call into question Trautmann’s “fitness” for his profession as a member of law enforcement. Accordingly, Defendants’

³ “[W]hether a particular statement or writing constitutes fact or opinion is a question of law for the court to determine in the first instance.” Elia v. Erie Ins. Exch., 634 A.2d 657, 660 (Pa. Super. 1993)

demurer on this basis is also overruled.

In their second preliminary objection, Defendants contend that Trautmann fails to state a claim for defamation or false light because he did not allege facts indicating that the false implications arising from the news reports were made with “actual malice.” There is no dispute among that parties that, as a public figure, actual malice is an element of Trautmann’s claims.

“Actual malice is a fault standard, predicated on the need to protect the public discourse under the First Amendment from the chill that might be fostered by less vigilant limitations on defamation actions brought by public officials.” Manning v. WPXI, Inc., 886 A.2d 1137, 1143 (Pa. Super. 2005). To plead actual malice, a public figure plaintiff must allege that a false statement was publicized “with knowledge that it was false or with reckless disregard of whether it was false or not.” Tucker, supra, 848 A.2d at 129. As should be obvious, actual malice is not a negligence standard. *See, Curran v. Philadelphia Newspapers, Inc.*, 546 A.2d 639, 645 (Pa. Super. 1988) (“Mere negligence or carelessness is not evidence of actual malice or malice in fact.”); Fitzpatrick v. Philadelphia Newspapers, Inc., 567 A.2d 684, 688 (Pa. Super. 1989) (“Failure to investigate, without more, will not support a finding of actual malice, nor will ill will or a desire to increase profits.”). Rather, to adequately plead actual malice, the plaintiff must set forth allegations which, at a minimum, indicate that “the defendant in fact entertained serious doubts as to the truth of his publication.” Curran, 439 A.2d at 660.

Instantly, Trautmann’s defamation and false light claims are not legally insufficient for failure to plead actual malice. As discussed above, Trautmann’s theory of falsity is predicated on Defendants’ selective treatment of his utterance “*just kill himself and get it over with*” to create the false implication that Trautmann was callous or indifferent to Lewis’ well-being. As also discussed above, Trautmann alleges that this false implication was manufactured in essentially three (3) ways: (1) Defendants’ deletion of the word “He’ll” from the balance of the statement “just kill himself and get it over with” in the video broadcast of the statement ; (2) Defendants failure to include or otherwise discuss in the news reports a portion of the conversation among SWAT team members that preceded Trautmann’s statement; and (3) titling the introductory phrase of the online news article as: “Chester County Police Officers Mock Barricade Suspect.” In the amended complaint, Trautmann avers that these editorial decisions by Defendants were deliberate and purposeful because, had they not been made, it would have been readily apparent to viewers and readers of Defendants’ news broadcast that Trautmann was stating an expression of concern for Lewis during the barricade situation.

The Court has already determined that Trautmann’s theory of falsity is sufficient for purposes of pleading his defamation and false light claims because it is debatable whether the editorial decisions of which he complains imply a falsehood. That being said, the Court also finds that Trautmann’s theory of actual malice – that the editorial decisions must have been done purposefully because they clearly hide the true intent of Trautmann’s statement – is at least a permissible inference to be drawn from the facts alleged in the amended complaint. *See generally, Walters*

v. UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside, 187 A.3d 214, 219 (Pa. 2018) (holding that, in deciding a preliminary objection in the nature of a demurrer, a court must take the plaintiffs’ allegations as true and “grant them the benefit of every reasonable inference therefrom.”). The Court is cognizant of the fact that actual malice must be proven by clear and convincing evidence — “the highest standard of proof for civil claims” — and that the actual malice standard has been characterized as “a rigorous, if not impossible, burden to meet in most circumstances.” Manning, 886 A.2d at 1143–44. However, we deal here not with proof, but with averments of fact that the Court must regard as proven. Based on the facts alleged in the amended complaint a reasonable inference can be drawn that Defendants “entertained serious doubts as to the truth” of their publications regarding Troutmann. Accordingly, Defendants’ demurrer to failure to plead actual malice is overruled.

In their final preliminary objection, Defendants take issue with Trautmann’s references to unspecified “social media pages” and “posts” throughout the amended complaint. They contend that, to the extent Trautmann’s defamation and false claims are predicated on such vague allegations, they are subject to dismissal for failure to specifically identify the statement or statements giving rise to the claims. *See*, Pa. R.C.P. 1028(a)(3).

“A complaint for defamation must, on its face, identify specifically what allegedly defamatory statements were made, and to whom they were made. Failure to do so will subject the complaint to dismissal for lack of publication.” Moses v. McWilliams, 549 A.2d 950, 960 (Pa. Super. 1988). This rule applies equally to false light claims. *Cf.*, Larsen, *supra*, 543 A.2d at 1189 (drawing definition of falsity in false-light context from corresponding definition in the defamation context). Here, the Court agrees with Defendants that, to the extent Trautmann’s amended complaint can be read as predicated on his defamation and false light claims against Defendants on statements contained on different social media “pages” and “posts,” the averments fail to specifically identify the false statements at issue. Therefore, such claims are dismissed.⁴

Accordingly, Defendants’ objections are sustained in part and overruled in part. An order in accordance with the foregoing is attached.

⁴ Given the Court’s disposition of Defendants’ final preliminary objection, it does not reach Defendants’ argument that Trautmann also erred by failing to attach copies of the social media pages and posts to his amended complaint in accordance with Pa. R.C.P. No. 1019(i).

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CHANGE OF NAME**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF CHESTER COUNTY****CIVIL ACTION - LAW NO. 2021-00947-NC**

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CHANGE OF NAME**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF CHESTER COUNTY****CIVIL ACTION - LAW NO. 2021-00948-NC**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition for the Change of Name has been filed in the above named Court, praying for a Decree to change the name of Farhan Muhammad Smith to Farhan Muhammad Suhail. The Court has fixed May 10, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. in Courtroom 3, Chester County Justice Center at 201 W. Market St., West Chester, Pennsylvania, as the time and place for the hearing of said Petitioner, when and where any person interested

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CHANGE OF NAME**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF CHESTER COUNTY****CIVIL ACTION - LAW NO. 2021-00949-NC**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition for the Change of Name has been filed in the above named Court, praying for a Decree to change the name of Humera Smith to Humera Suhail. The Court has fixed May 10, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. in Courtroom 3, Chester County Justice Center at 201 W. Market St., West Chester, Pennsylvania, as the time and place for the hearing of said Petitioner, when and where any person interested may appear and show cause, if they have any, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

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CHANGE OF NAME**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF CHESTER COUNTY****CIVIL ACTION - LAW NO. 2021-00950-NC**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition for the Change of Name has been filed in the above named Court, praying for a Decree to change the name of Mohammed Muhammad Suhail Smith to Muhammad Suhail. The Court has fixed May 10, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. in Courtroom 3, Chester County Justice Center at 201 W. Market St., West Chester, Pennsylvania, as the time and place for the hearing of said Petitioner, when and where any person interested may appear and show cause, if they have any, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

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ESTATE NOTICES

Letters Testamentary or of Administration having been granted in the following Estates, all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the said decedents are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to the said decedents are requested to make payment without delay to the respective executors, administrators, or counsel.

1st Publication

ABBS, Dorothy K., late of West Caln Township. John Abbs and James D. Abbs, care of JANIS M. SMITH, Esquire, 4203 West Lincoln Highway, Parkesburg, PA 19365, Executors. JANIS M. SMITH, Esquire, Janis M. Smith, Attorney At Law, 4203 West Lincoln Highway, Parkesburg, PA 19365, atty.

BUNDY, Ramona Yvonne, a/k/a Ramona Y. Bundy, late of Oxford Township. Jeffrey K. Bundy and Kevin M. Bundy, care of CRAIG S. SHARNETZKA, Esquire, 135 North George Street, York, PA 17401, Co-Administrators. CRAIG S. SHARNETZKA, Esquire, CGA Law Firm, PC, 135 North George Street, York, PA 17401, atty.

COX, JR., David, a/k/a David G. Cox, Jr., late of West Goshen Township. Johnathan A. Cox, care of KRISTEN R. MATTHEWS, Esquire, 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, Executor. KRISTEN R. MATTHEWS, Esquire, MacElree Harvey, LTD., 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

ELLIOTT, Harry J., late of West Goshen Township. Amy E. Darlington, 301 Laurel Moors Dr., Exton, PA 19341, Executrix. CHARI M. ALSON, Esquire, Anderson Elder Law, 206 State Rd., Media, PA 19063, atty.

FLORIO, Robert A., a/k/a Bob Florio, late of Phoenixville. John L. Florio, 205 Vixen View, Phoenixville, PA 19460, Executor.

GAGEN, Joan M., late of Penn Township. Mark R. Gagen, care of DOUGLAS L. KAUNE, Esquire, 120 Gay Street, P.O. Box 289, Phoenixville, PA 19460, Executor. DOUGLAS L. KAUNE, Esquire, Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees, P.C., 120 Gay Street, P.O. Box 289, Phoenixville, PA 19460, atty.

GRIFFITH, Arlene B., late of West Bradford Township. Ronald E. Savastio, 1406 Carriage Lane, West Chester, PA 19382, Administrator. GORDON W. GOOD, Esquire, Keen Keen & Good, LLC, 3460 Lincoln Highway, Thorndale, PA 19372, atty.

GUNTHER, Wolfgang Hans, late of Westtown Township. Rita G. McGrath and Bernard M. Gun-

ther, care of DAVID M. FREES, III, Esquire, 120 Gay Street, P.O. Box 289, Phoenixville, PA 19460, Co-Executors. DAVID M. FREES, III, Esquire, Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees, P.C., 120 Gay Street, P.O. Box 289, Phoenixville, PA 19460, atty.

KOEHLER, Mary A., late of Malvern Borough. Karen A. Koehler, 1394 Old Phoenixville Pike, West Chester, PA 19380, Executrix. JENNIFER FELD, Esquire, Colliton Elder Law Associates, PC, 190 E. Market St., Ste. 250, West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

LABRESCO, Joseph D., late of East Pikeland Township. Concetta L. Labresco, 1029 Snyder Ave., Phoenixville, PA 19460 Executrix. DAVID A. MEGAY, Esquire, O'Donnell, Weiss & Mattei, P.C., 41 E. High St., Pottstown, PA 19464, atty.

LICHTLEY, Caroline M., a/k/a Caroline Lichtley, late of North Coventry Township. Etta M. Reitnauer, 629 Constitution Ave., Stowe, PA 19464, Executrix. LEE F. MAUGER, Esquire, Mauger Law LLC, 1800 E. High St., Suite 375, Pottstown, PA 19464, atty.

MACHOWSKI, Thaddeus, late of West Chester. Thomas J Machowski, 14 Lamp Post Lane, Cherry Hill, NJ 0803, Executor.

MALAY, Barbara M., a/k/a Barbara Mae Malay, late of Tredyffrin Township. Pamela A. Malay Smith, care of KENNETH C. TAYLOR, Esquire, 125 Strafford Ave., Ste. 110, P.O. Box 812, Wayne, PA 19087, Administratrix. KENNETH C. TAYLOR, Esquire, Pierce, Caniglia & Taylor, 125 Strafford Ave., Ste. 110, P.O. Box 812, Wayne, PA 19087, atty.

QUIGLEY, Elizabeth Della, late of Tredyffrin Township. Florence S. Williams, care of DENNIS B. YOUNG, Esquire, 430 W. First Ave., Parkesburg, PA 19365, Executrix. DENNIS B. YOUNG, Esquire, 430 W. First Ave., Parkesburg, PA 19365, atty.

SHOEMAKER, Jean K., late of West Chester. Abigail A. Scott, care of NEIL W. HEAD, Esquire, 218 West Miner Street, West Chester, PA 19382, Executor. NEIL W. HEAD, Esquire, Klein, Head, Barnes & Wood, LLP, 218 West Miner Street, West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

SWARTCHICK, Stephen John, a/k/a Stephen J. Swartchick, late of Phoenixville Borough. Marian Preston, care of DOUGLAS L. KAUNE, Esquire, 120 Gay Street, P.O. Box 289, Phoenixville, PA 19460, Executor. DOUGLAS L. KAUNE, Esquire, Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees, P.C., 120 Gay Street, P.O. Box 289, Phoenixville, PA 19460, atty.

THOMAS, Marguerite J., a/k/a Marguerite Josephine Thomas, late of East Coventry Township.

Terryl L. Marsh, 20232 Valley Forge Circle, King of Prussia, PA 19406, Executrix. JOSEPH K. KOURY, Esquire, O'Donnell, Weiss & Mattei, P.C., 41 E. High St., Pottstown, PA 19464, atty.

VOSHELLE, Robert Jeffrey, late of West Whiteland Township. Melinda Aghajanian, care of DENISE D. NORDHEIMER, Esquire, 2001 Baynard Blvd, Wilmington, DE 19802, Executrix. DENISE D. NORDHEIMER, Esquire, Law Office of Denise D. Nordheimer, LLC, 2001 Baynard Blvd, Wilmington, DE 19802, atty.

2nd Publication

ANTON, Elizabeth Daniels, late of Kennett Square Borough. Frederick W. Anton, IV, care of NORA E. POMERANTZ, Esquire, 30 S. 17th St., 5th Fl., Philadelphia, PA 19103, Executor. NORA E. POMERANTZ, Esquire, Duane Morris LLP, 30 S. 17th St., 5th Fl., Philadelphia, PA 19103, atty.

BARNETT, III, Harry T, a/k/a Harry Theodore Barnett, III., late of Phoenixville Borough. Austin Kirkbride, care of ANYLISE C. CROUTHAMEL, Esquire, 120 Gay Street, P.O. Box 289, Phoenixville, PA 19460, Executor. ANYLISE C. CROUTHAMEL, Esquire, Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees, P.C., 120 Gay Street, P.O. Box 289, Phoenixville, PA 19460, atty.

CHASE, Gail S., late of West Grove Borough. Linda C. Brown, care of L. PETER TEMPLE, Esquire, P.O. Box 384, Kennett Square, PA 19348, Executrix. L. PETER TEMPLE, Esquire, Larmore Scarlett LLP, P.O. Box 384, Kennett Square, PA 19348, atty.

DRUMHELLER, Henry M., late of West Caln Township. Steven L. Drumheller, care of KEVIN D. DOLAN, Esquire, 222 S. Market St., Suite 201, Elizabethtown, PA 17022, Executor. KEVIN D. DOLAN, Esquire, Nikolaus & Hohenadel, LLP, 222 S. Market St., Suite 201, Elizabethtown, PA 17022, atty.

FETTERS, JR., George W., a/k/a George Wadas Feters, Jr., late of Caln Township. George L. Feters, and Georgette D. Copes, care of DUKE SCHNEIDER, Esquire, 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, Executors. DUKE SCHNEIDER, Esquire, MacElree Harvey, LTD., 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

GERSTEIN, Natalie, late of Paoli. Brad J. Gerstein, 219 Sugartown Road, Apt N203, Wayne, PA 19087, Executor. HEATHER D. ROYER, Esquire, Smigel, Anderson & Sacks, LLP, 4431 North Front St., 3 Fl., Harrisburg, PA 17110, atty.

HORVATH, Theodore S., a/k/a Theodore Samuel Horvath, late of East Whiteland Township. Rebecca I. Horvath, care of ANDREW C. LAIRD, Esquire, 360 West Main Street, Trappe, PA 19426, Executrix. ANDREW C. LAIRD, Esquire, King Laird, P.C., 360 West Main Street, Trappe, PA 19426, atty.

INANLI, Harun, late of Coatesville. Yavuz Inanli, care of VINCENT CAROSELLA, JR., Esquire, 882 South Matlack Street, Suite 101, West Chester, PA 19382-4505, Administrator. VINCENT CAROSELLA, JR., Esquire, Carosella & Associates, P.C., 882 South Matlack Street, Suite 101, West Chester, PA 19382-4505, atty.

JONES, Jean A., a/k/a Jean Jones, late of Warwick Township. Amy D. Jones, 750 Rock Run Road, Pottstown, PA 19465, Executrix. LEE F. MAUGER, Esquire, Mauger Law, LLC, 1800 East High Street, Suite 375, Pottstown, PA 19464, atty.

KARLSON, Joanne Elizabeth, late of Spring City Borough. Heather R. Biddle, care of ASHLEY M. ECKERT, Esquire, 3504 Lincoln Highway, Thorndale, PA 19372, Executrix. ASHLEY M. ECKERT, Esquire, The Law Office of Ashley M. Eckert, LLC, 3504 Lincoln Highway, Thorndale, PA 19372, atty.

KONOPKA, John J., a/k/a John Konopka, late of Caln Township. Marlene Creagh and Jean Azzinaro, care of JAMES R. LYNCH, JR., Esquire, 617 Swede St., Norristown, PA 1940, Administratrices. JAMES R. LYNCH, JR., Esquire, 617 Swede St., Norristown, PA 1940, atty.

KREIDER, Keith B., late of Spring City Borough. Phoenixville Federal Bank and Trust, 533 Kimberton Rd., Kimberton, PA 19442, Executor. REBECCA A. HOBBS, Esquire, O'Donnell, Weiss & Mattei, P.C., 41 E. High St., Pottstown, PA 19464, atty.

MAGNOTTA, Melody Rachael, late of Downingtown Borough. Mario Magnotta, care of SEAN MURPHY, Esquire, 340 N. Lansdowne Ave., Lansdowne, PA 19050, Executor. SEAN MURPHY, Esquire, 340 N. Lansdowne Ave., Lansdowne, PA 19050, atty.

MAZZURRA, Peggy, late of East Vincent Township. Marti Delanoy, care of COURTNEY E. DOLAWAY, Esquire, 1835 Market St., Ste. 1050, Philadelphia, PA 19103, Administratrix. COURTNEY E. DOLAWAY, Esquire, Flaster Greenberg PC, 1835 Market St., Ste. 1050, Philadelphia, PA 19103, atty.

McDONALD, Margaret, late of Paoli. Kathleen McCarthy, care of CATHERINE MIHALICK, Esquire, 1065 Highway 315, Suite 200, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702, Executrix. CATHERINE MIHALICK,

Esquire, Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald, LLP, 1065 Highway 315, Suite 200, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702, atty.

McKENZIE, Joseph F., late of Willistown Township. Vicki K. McKenzie, care of LAURA M. TOBEY, Esquire, 229 W. Wayne Ave., Wayne, PA 19087, Executrix. LAURA M. TOBEY, Esquire, Reidenbach & Associates, LLC, 229 W. Wayne Ave., Wayne, PA 19087, atty.

McKNIGHT, Marilyn M., late of Wallace Township. Mary Beth Thompson, care of ANDREW H. DOHAN, Esquire, 460 E. King Road, Malvern, PA 19355-3049, Executor. ANDREW H. DOHAN, Esquire, Lentz, Cantor & Massey, LTD., 460 E. King Road, Malvern, PA 19355-3049, atty.

MESSNER, Stanley George, late of Caernarvon Township. Dawn P. Hunsicker, 206 Cinder Street, Birdsboro, PA 19508, Administratrix. TERRY D. WEILER, Esquire, Huckabee, Weiler & Levensgood, P.C., 1136 Penn Avenue, Wyomissing, PA 19610, atty.

MORGAN, Ralph, late of Coatesville. Sandra B. Wright, 4472 Fuda Ct, Harrisburg, NC 28075, & Gail B. House, 240 Camelot Road, Salisbury, NC 28147, Administrators. CHRISTOPHER READ WOLF, Esquire, Faloni Law Group, LLC, 166 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406, atty.

MRUCZEK, Nicholas, late of North Coventry Township. Patricia M. Mruczek, 9558 Old Creek Road, Alexander, NY 14005, Executor. JOEL W. GOLDBERG, Esquire, Goldberg, Goldberg & Maloney, 213-215 West Miner Street, West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

MURRAY, Patricia A., late of Downingtown Borough. Sharon R. Esposito, care of W. MARSHALL PEARSON, Esquire, 311 Exton Commons, Exton, PA 19341-2450, Executor. W. MARSHALL PEARSON, Esquire, 311 Exton Commons, Exton, PA 19341-2450, atty.

OGLE, Virginia W., a/k/a Virginia Ogle, late of Kennett Township. Isaac Ogle, P.O. Box 699, Fayetteville, AR 7270, Executor. LINDA M. ANDERSON, Esquire, Anderson Elder Law, 206 State Rd., Media, PA 19063, atty.

PIERCE, Rosalie H., late of Exton. Jeffrey F. Pierce, care of H. MICHAEL COHEN, Esquire, 144 West Market Street, West Chester, PA 19382, Executor. H. MICHAEL COHEN, Esquire, Lachall, Cohen & Sagnor, 144 West Market Street, West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

RIVERA, SR., Nicholas R., late of Caln Town-

ship. Angela Rivera Cornish, 125 Schoolhouse Ln., Coatesville, PA 19320, Administratrix. JENNIFER M. MERX, Esquire, Skarlatos Zonarich, 320 Market St., Ste. 600 West, Harrisburg, PA 17101, atty.

SCHOCIE, Patricia Ann, a/k/a Patricia Schocie and Patricia A. Schocie, late of Pocopson Township. Jacqueline E. Meshurle, 101 Timber Springs Ln., Exton, PA 19341, Executrix. MICHAEL J. LYONS, Esquire, Lyons Dougherty LLC, 6 Ponds Edge Dr., Ste. 1, Chadds Ford, PA 19317, atty.

SELEGY, Frank, a/k/a Frank Selagyi, late of East Marlborough Township. F Randall Selagy, 150 Beverly Drive, Kennett Square, PA 19348, Executor.

SHALABY, Azza M., late of Caln Township. Ibrahim Bakir, 130 Oakmont Dr., Thorndale, PA 19372, Executor. ROBERT FREEDENBERG, Esquire, Skarlatos Zonarich, 320 Market St., Ste 600 West, Harrisburg, PA 17101, atty.

SHOFFLER, William Edward, late of Coatesville. Bernadette Monahan, 164 Stoyer Road, Coatesville, PA 19320, Executrix.

3rd Publication

AITKEN, Walter Brent, late of West Nottingham Township. Sharon Aitken Wakefield, 1420 Firefly Run, Mesquite, NV 89034, Administratrix. JAMES R. CLARK, Esquire, Law Office of James Clark, 277 Millwood Rd., Lancaster, PA 17603, atty.

ARVAY, Mary S., late of Valley Township. Camellia M. Arvay, 39 Lamberts Lane, Coatesville, PA 19320, Executrix. ALAN J. JARVIS, Esquire, 101 Birch Drive, Downingtown, PA 19335, atty.

AYERS, Martha E., late of East Goshen Township. Susan C. Ayers, care of STEPHEN D. POTTS, Esquire, Strafford Office Bldg. #2, 200 Eagle Rd., Ste. 106, Wayne PA 19087-3115, Executrix. STEPHEN D. POTTS, Esquire, Herr, Potts & Potts, LLC, Strafford Office Bldg. #2, 200 Eagle Rd., Ste. 106, Wayne PA 19087-3115, atty.

BROWN, Donna F., late of West Chester. Raymond E. Brown, 7 Harrison Road West, West Chester, PA 19380, Administrator. FRANCIS C. MILLER, Esquire, Miller Law Offices, 21 W Washington St, Suite D, West Chester, PA 19380, atty.

BROWN, JR., Forrest D., late of Penn Township. Douglas Brown, care of DENISE M. ANTONELLI, Esquire, 17 E. Gay Street, Suite 100, P.O. Box 562, West Chester, PA 19381-0562, Executor. DENISE M. ANTONELLI, Esquire, Gawthrop Greenwood, PC, 17 E. Gay Street, Suite 100, P.O. Box 562, West Chester, PA 19381-0562, atty.

CLUFF, Susan, late of Honey Brook Borough. Cynthia Cluff, care of ANTHONY MORRIS, Esquire, 118 W. Market Street, Suite 300, West Chester, PA 19382-2928, Executrix. ANTHONY MORRIS, Esquire, Buckley, Brion, McGuire & Morris, LLP, 118 W. Market Street, Suite 300, West Chester, PA 19382-2928, atty.

CRABTREE, Mary Eleanor (Supplee), late of Phoenixville. Donald I. Crabtree, P.O. Box 246, 403 Montgomery Ave, Oaks, PA 19456, Executor.

DAMBRO, JR., Anthony B., a/k/a Anthony Brice Dambro, Jr., Anthony Dambro, Jr., & Anthony Dambro, late of Pocopson Township. Valentina Parisi and Angelina Parisi, care of JAMES S. TUPITZA, Esquire, 212 W. Gay St., West Chester, PA 19380, Executrices. JAMES S. TUPITZA, Esquire, Tupitza & Associates, P.C., 212 W. Gay St., West Chester, PA 19380, atty.

DAVIES, Alice L., late of Thornbury Township. Sharone L. Sallade, care of DANIEL R. COLEMAN, Esquire, 300 W. State St., Ste. 300, Media, PA 19063, Executrix. DANIEL R. COLEMAN, Esquire, Eckell, Sparks, Levy, Auerbach, Monte, Sloane, Matthews & Auslander, P.C., 300 W. State St., Ste. 300, Media, PA 19063, atty.

DELANEY, Lisa Marie, late of Spring City. Charlene M. Wallace and Devon L. Wallace, care of JEREMY Z. MITTMAN, Esquire, 593 Bethlehem Pike, Suite 10, Montgomeryville, PA 18936, Administratrixes. JEREMY Z. MITTMAN, Esquire, 593 Bethlehem Pike, Suite 10, Montgomeryville, PA 18936, atty.

DENKER, Janice Rae, late of Malvern. Albert R. Denker, care of MATTHEW L. CONLEY, Esquire, 300 North Pottstown Pike, Suite 220, Exton, PA 19341, Executor. MATTHEW L. CONLEY, Esquire, Conley Law Practice, LLC, 300 North Pottstown Pike, Suite 220, Exton, PA 19341, atty.

DICKENS, Rodney Elwood, late of Willistown Township. Joanne M. Haly, care of JENNIFER BRETON, Esquire, 118 W. Market Street, Suite 300, West Chester, PA 19382-2928, Executrix. JENNIFER BRETON, Esquire, Buckley Brion McGuire & Morris LLP, 118 W. Market Street, Suite 300, West Chester, PA 19382-2928, atty.

HOCHHAUSER, Eleanor Joan, late of Pennsylvania Township. Robert Hochhauser, care of L. PETER TEMPLE, Esquire, P.O. Box 384, Kennett Square, PA 19348, Executor. L. PETER TEMPLE, Esquire, Larmore Scarlett LLP, P.O. Box 384, Kennett Square, PA 19348, atty.

JONES, Nancy Virginia, a/k/a Nancy Virginia Riggins, late of West Chester. Kimberly Ann McGill, 3 Prince Edward Drive, Coatesville, PA 19320 & Cheryl Jones Boyd, 95 Marlton Road, Pilesgrove, NJ 08098, Executrices.

LARSEN, Katherine A., a/k/a Katherine Ann Larsen, late of West Whiteland Township. Barbara A. Larsen, 1410 Hunters Ln., West Chester, PA 19380, Executrix. MARITA M. HUTCHINSON, Esquire, 1250 Fieldstone Dr., West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

LINNENBAUGH, Richard D., a/k/a Donald R. Linnenbaugh, late of Tredyffrin Township. Mary E. Scavello, 943 Pond View Ln., Phoenixville, PA 19460, Executrix. JAMES M. PIERCE, Esquire, Pierce, Caniglia & Taylor, 125 Strafford Ave., Ste. 110, Wayne, PA 19087, atty.

LORING, Danielle A., a/k/a Danielle Loring, late of West Goshen Township. Catherine G. Newell, care of GUY F. MATTHEWS, Esquire, 300 W. State St., Ste. 300, Media, PA 19063, Administratrix. GUY F. MATTHEWS, Esquire, Eckell, Sparks, Levy, Auerbach, Monte, Sloane, Matthews & Auslander, P.C., 300 W. State St., Ste. 300, Media, PA 19063, atty.

MAISANO, Daniel J., late of Kennett Township. Patricia Ann Maisano, 60 Balmoral Dr., Chadds Ford, PA 19317, Executrix. SCUDDER G. STEVENS, Esquire, Lyons Dougherty LLC, 6 Ponds Edge Dr., Ste. 1, Chadds Ford, PA 19317, atty.

NASON, III, Harry Baxter, late of East Goshen Township. Christopher N. Korkuch, care of JOSEPH A. BELLINGHIERI, Esquire, 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, Executor. JOSEPH A. BELLINGHIERI, Esquire, MacElree Harvey, LTD., 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

NAYLOR, Sarah B., late of Tredyffrin Township. Anne Schwarz, care of CAROL R. LIVINGOOD, Esquire, 130 W. Lancaster Ave., P.O. Box 191, Wayne, PA 19087-0191, Executrix. CAROL R. LIVINGOOD, Esquire, Davis Bennett Spiess & Livingood LLC, 130 W. Lancaster Ave., P.O. Box 191, Wayne, PA 19087-0191, atty.

NORTON, Sharon T., late of West Grove. Rebecca Norton & Christina Joe, 227 West Summit Avenue, West Grove, PA 19390, Administrators.

PIERCE, Linda S., late of Upper Oxford Township. Theresa P. Weaver, 1055 Little Elk Creek Rd., Oxford, PA 19363, Executrix. ANITA M. D'AMICO, Esquire, D'Amico Law, P.C., 65 S. Third St., Oxford, PA 19363, atty.

ROSS, Joseph W., a/k/a Joseph Ross Sr., Joseph William Ross, & Joseph William Ross Sr., late of

West Brandywine Township. Susan Evans, 29 Delaware Ave, Earleville, MD 21919 & Karis Hollenbeck, 1501 Pennsylvania Avenue, Prospect Park, PA 19076, Executors. GEORGE M. NIKOLAOU, Esquire, 166 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406, atty.

RUNNION, Dianne F., late of Chester Springs. Alyssa K. Osayande, 5312 Lister Court, Chester Springs, PA 19425, Administratrix. DAVID R. WHITE, JR., Esquire, Fineman Krekstein & Harris, P.C., Ten Penn Center, 1801 Market Street, Suite 1100, Philadelphia, PA 19103, atty.

SAKIADIS, Byron C., late of Kennett Township. Lana J. Glass, care of L. PETER TEMPLE, Esquire, P.O. Box 384, Kennett Square, PA 19348, Executrix. L. PETER TEMPLE, Esquire, Larmore Scarlett LLP, P.O. Box 384, Kennett Square, PA 19348, atty.

SCHAIBLE, A. Russell, a/k/a Russell A. Schaible, Albert R. Schaible, & Albert Russell Schaible, late of East Fallowfield Township. Eileen M. Handschuh, 93 Blair Lane, Elkton, MD 21921, Executor. WILLIAM T. KEEN, Esquire, Keen Keen & Good, LLC, 3460 Lincoln Highway, Thorndale, PA 19372, atty.

SENA, William J., late of Schuylkill Township. Kathryn E. Sena, care of LOUIS N. TETI, Esquire, 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, Executrix. LOUIS N. TETI, Esquire, MacElree Harvey, LTD., 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

SHANTA, Madeline, late of Pottstown. James D. Shanta, 25 Saddlewood Drive, Pottstown, PA 19465, Executor. PHILLIP A. SIMON, Esquire, Simon Law, LLC, 391 Wilmington Pike SUITE 3, #424, Glen Mills, PA 19342, atty.

SKORUPSKI, M. Barbara, late of Caln Township. Anthony Skourpski, care of WILLIAM P. CULP, JR., Esquire, 614 Darby Rd., Havertown, PA 19083, Executor. WILLIAM P. CULP, JR., Esquire, 614 Darby Rd., Havertown, PA 19083, atty.

TRAUTMAN, Shirley G., late of Franklin Township. Mike Trautman, 237 Deepdale Dr., Kennett Square, PA 19348, Administrator. ANITA M. D'AMICO, Esquire, D'Amico Law, P.C., 65 S. Third St., Oxford, PA 19363, atty.

WALLACE, Mary, late of Upper Oxford Township. Karen S. Dulin, 3056 Newark Road, West Grove, PA 19390, Executrix. MICHAEL G. DEEGAN, Esquire, Michael G. Deegan, P.C., 134 West King Street, Malvern, PA 19355, atty.

FICTITIOUS NAME

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Fictitious Names Act of 1982, 54 Pa.C.S. Section 301 et seq., which repealed prior laws on the subject, any entity or entities (including individuals, corporations, partnership or other groups, which conduct any business in Pennsylvania under an assumed or fictitious name shall register such name by filing an application for registration of fictitious name with the Department of State for the conduct of a business in Chester County, Pennsylvania under the assumed or fictitious name, style or designation of

Law Office of William T. Wilson, with its principal place of business at 20 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382. The application has been (or will be) filed on: Friday, March 12, 2021. The name(s) and address(es) of the individual(s) or entity(ies) owning or interested in said business: William T. Wilson.

Lighthouse Design Studio, with its principal place of business at 835 Lincoln Ave, Unit 14, West Chester, PA 19380. The application has been (or will be) filed on: Tuesday, March 9, 2021. The name(s) and address(es) of the individual(s) or entity(ies) owning or interested in said business: LHDS.Design LLC

ZuwaUSA, with its principal place of business at 617 Jeffers Circle, Exton, PA 19341. The application has been (or will be) filed on: Wednesday, March 31, 2021. The name(s) and address(es) of the individual(s) or entity(ies) owning or interested in said business: James S. Huntsman & JH Process Equipment Inc.

NONPROFIT CORPORATION NOTICE

SYNERGY YOUTH SPORTS has been incorporated under the provisions of the PA Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988.

Andrew L. Miller & Assocs.

15 St. Asaph's Road

Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

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TRUST NOTICE

KEITH B. KREIDER LIVING TRUST DATED 5/29/2020

KEITH B. KREIDER, Deceased

Late of Spring City Borough, Chester County, PA
This Trust is in existence and all persons having

claims or demands against said Trust or decedent are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to PHOENIXVILLE FEDERAL BANK AND TRUST, 533 Kimberton Rd., Kimberton, PA 19442 and ALLEN DAVID KREIDER, 520 William Ave., Harrisburg, PA 17109, Trustees,

Or to their Attorney:

REBECCA A HOBBS

O'DONNELL, WEISS & MATTEI, P.C.

41 E. High St.

Pottstown, PA 19464
