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39th Judicial District of Pennsylvania Court Calendar for the Week of November 22, 2010

Monday, November 22

9 a.m. - Commonwealth v. Crider, jury trial

9 a.m. — (Fulton County) Ruppenthal v. Ruppenthal, custody trial

10 a.m. — JP Morgan v. Eckenrode, petition to open judgment

11 a.m. — Witmer v. WC Wood Corporation, pretrial conference

2 p.m. - Bench warrants

Tuesday, November 23

8:30 a.m. — Woodring v. Miller III, custody pretrial conference

9 a.m. — Commonwealth v. Crider, jury trial continues

9 a.m. - Rideout v. Medina, pretrial conference and special relief hearing

9 a.m. — Support contempts/appeals

9 a.m. — Fulton County miscellaneous court

10 a.m. - Daley v. Daley, petition for contempt

1:30 p.m. — One adoption hearing

2:30 p.m. — Feliu v. Feliu, petition for bifurcation

Wednesday, November 24

8:30 a.m. — Custody petitions

9 a.m. — Sentences

9 a.m. — McCurdy v. Martin, custody pretrial conference

9 a.m. — PFA matters

9 a.m. — Fulton County summary appeals

11:30 a.m. — Commonwealth v. Pierce, post-sentence motion

1:30 p.m. — Arraignments/dispositions/violations

Thursday, November 25

Courthouse closed for Thanksgiving holiday

Friday, November 26

Courthouse closed for Thanksgiving holiday



Franklin County Bar Association 2010 Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

25-26

Bar office closed for Thanksgiving holiday.

DECEMBER

10

Annual admission ceremony and membership meeting,

9 a.m., courthouse.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ESTATE NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that in the estates of the decedents set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted letters testamentary or of administration to the persons named. All persons having claims or demands against any of said estates are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estates are requested to make payment without delay, to the respective personal representatives thereof or their attornevs named below.

First Publication

Estate of Gail L. Berger, alk/a Gail Lorraine Overcash Berger, late of Antrim Township, Franklin County,

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11/19.11/26.12/3/2010

11/19.11/28.12/3/2010

11/19.11/26.12/3/2010

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Second Publication

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Third Publication

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PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE 39TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA, FRANKLIN COUNTY BRANCH

In the Matter of Petition for Change of Name of Shelby Sarae Shank No. 2010-4813 Hon. Angela R. Krom NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on October 29, 2010, the petition of Shelby Sarae Shank was filed in the abovenamed Court, requesting an order to change the name of Shelby Sarae Shank to Shelby Sarae White.

The Court has fixed December 2, 2010, at 3:30 p.m. in the assigned room of the Franklin County Courthouse, 157 Lincoln Way East, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, as the time and place for the hearing on said petition, when and where all interested parties may appear and show cause, if any, why the request of the petitioner should not be granted.

James M. Stein, attorney for petitioner Dick, Stein, Schemel, Wine & Frey, LLP 13 W. Main St., Suite 210 Waynesboro, PA 17268

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE 39TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA. ORPHANS' COURT DIVISION

The following list of executors, administrators and quardian accounts, proposed schedules of distribution and notice to creditors and reasons why distribution cannot be proposed will be presented to the Court of Common Pleas of Franklin County, Pennsylvania, Orphans' Court Division, for confirmation on December 2, 2010:

DAUGHERTY: First and final account, statement of proposed distribution and notice to the creditors of Harold E. Bishop Jr., executor of the estate of Elizabeth J. Daugherty, late of Quincy Township, Franklin County. Pennsylvania.

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD: First and partial account, statement of proposed distribution and notice to the creditors of Forest N. Myers, Esquire, trustee of the First Church of God - Busch Fund, Shippensburg Borough, Franklin County, Pennsylvania.

REESE: First and final account, statement of proposed distribution and notice to the creditors of Jared S. Childers, administrator for the estate of Delmas Leon Reese, late of Waynesboro Borough, Franklin County, Pennsylvania,

William E. Vandrew, Clerk Orphans' Court Division Franklin County, Pennsylvania

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA No. 2009-3839

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., v. Jean Bigler and Unknown Heirs, Successors, Assigns and All Persons, Firms or Associations Claiming Right, Title or Interest from or under Robert Wayne Bigler, Deceased

NOTICE TO: Unknown Heirs, Successors, Assigns and All Persons, Firms or Associations claiming right, title or interest from or under Robert Wayne Bigler, deceased NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF

REAL PROPERTY

Being Premises: 402 Park Street, Mont Alto, PA

Being in Mont Alto Borough, County of Franklin, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Improvements consist of residential property

Sold as the property of Jean Bigler and Unknown Heirs, Successors, Assigns and All Persons, Firms or Associations claiming right, title or interest from or under Robert Wayne Bigler, deceased.

Your house (real estate) at 402 Park Street, Mont Aito, PA 17237, is scheduled to be sold at the Sheriff's Sale on January 14, 2011, at 1 p.m. at the Jury Assembly Room, Third Floor, Franklin County Courthouse, Chambersburg, PA 17201, to enforce the court judgment of \$120,769.83 obtained by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the mortgagee), against the above premises.

Phelan, Hallinan & Schmieg, LLP Attorney for plaintiff

11/19/2010

NOTICE OF ACTION IN MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE
IN THE COURT OF COMMON
PLEAS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION — LAW
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., v. Unknown
Heirs, Successors, Assigns and
All Persons, Firms or Associations
Claiming Right, Title or Interest from
or under Ryan D. Mills, Deceased
No. 2010-3799

NOTICE

To: Unknown Heirs, Successors, Assigns and All Persons, Firms or Associations claiming right, title or interest from or under Ryan D. Mills, deceased:

You are hereby notified that on August 31, 2010, Plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., filed a mortgage foreclosure complaint, endorsed with a notice to defend, against you in the Court of Common Pleas of Franklin County, Pennsylvania, docketed to No. 2010-3799. Wherein Plaintiff seeks to foreclose on the mortgage secured on your property located at 22 Garber Street, Chambersburg, PA 17201, whereupon your property would be sold by the Sheriff of Franklin County.

You are hereby notified to plead to the above-referenced complaint on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a judgment will be entered against you.

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 Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

YOU SHOULD TAKETHIS NOTICE TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW. THIS OFFICE CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT HIRING A LAWYER.

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

Pennsylvania Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service 100 South St. P.O. Box 186 Harrisburg, PA 17108 800-692-7375

11/19/2010

IN THE INTEREST OF J.A.B., A MINOR, BORN 11/17/2002 Court of Common Pleas of the 39th Judicial District of Pennsylvania, Franklin County Branch Orphans' Court Division, Adoption Docket No. 14-2009

Infants; Dependent, Neglected, and Delinquent Children; Evidence; Deprivation, Neglect or Abuse; Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights.

Infants; Dependent, Neglected and Delinquent Children; Subjects and Grounds; Conflict with Parental Rights; Termination of Parental Rights.

- 1. Under 23 Pa. C.S.A. §2511, the grounds for termination under the statute must be proven by clear and convincing evidence. If such grounds under section (a) are found to exist, the Court must then consider whether termination would best serve the needs and welfare of the child, under section (b).
- 2. The analysis of whether the evidence presented warrants termination is described as a two-part test, initially focusing on the conduct of the parent and requiring clear and convincing proof their conduct satisfies the statutory grounds.
- 3. Only after it is determined that the parent's conduct does indeed warrant termination does the court engage in the second part of the analysis, considering what will best serve the needs and welfare of the child under the best interest standard.
- 4. One major aspect of the best interest analysis is the nature and status of the emotional bond between parent and child. Close attention must be paid to the effect on the child of permanently severing any such bond, and the trial court must consider intangibles such as love, comfort, security and stability.
- 5. The analysis of a parent's conduct under subsection (8) merely requires that the conditions leading to placement continue to exist, whereas under subsection (5) the Court must consider a parent's willingness or ability to remedy such conditions.
- 6. Due to both parents' incarceration, and the long-term drug abuse in which each has engaged, the conditions which led to J.A.B.'s placement continued to exist at time of hearing and showed no sign of resolution within any reasonable time. When we addressed this issue for the first time, in May of 2009, the child had already been in placement for fifteen of the preceding twenty-two months.
- 7. Father's long period of incarceration makes reunification with him a far distant possibility. Further, even if services were obtained, and Mother's unknown housing and lack of employment resolved, drug counseling and meetings faithfully followed, the process of reunification with Mother could take years. Clearly, such a span of time is not reasonable for a child such as J.A.B., who has such a pressing and urgent need for permanency.
- 8. It is vital to the child's physical, emotional and developmental welfare that she be given the chance to have her need for love, security, protection and care met without fear of being wrenched away from [her] committed and capable caregivers. Pennsylvania courts have rejected the idea that a parent's claims of progress and hopes for the future can take precedence over a child's need for permanence and stability. J.A.B.'s best interest requires she not grow up in an indefinite state of limbo, without parents capable of caring for her.
- 9. A proper 2511(b) analysis involves a consideration by the Court of the nature and status of the parent-child bond, with utmost attention to the effect on the child of permanently severing that bond. The importance of the continuity of relationships to the child must also be considered, as severing close parental ties may be painful.
- 10. In the instant case the Court was presented with a dichotomy, wherein obvious emotional ties exist between parents and child, but with parents who are unable to satisfy the irreducible