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Commonwealth v. Bowman

Suppression – Reasonable suspicion – Traffic stop – Identification – Nervousness – Secondary detention

1. If a police officer possesses reasonable suspicion that a violation of the Motor Vehicle Code (MVC) is occurring or has occurred, he may stop the vehicle involved for the purpose of obtaining information necessary to enforce the provisions of the MVC.
2. Reasonable suspicion is a relatively low standard and depends on the information possessed by police and its degree of reliability in the totality of the circumstances.
3. In order to justify the stop, an officer must be able to point to specific and articulable facts which led him to reasonably suspect a violation of the MVC.
4. The standard for assessing whether a given set of observations constitutes reasonable suspicion is an objective one, based on the totality of the circumstances.
5. If a trooper initiates a second investigative detention, the Commonwealth has the burden to show articulable and specific facts supporting a reasonable suspicion of criminal activity justifying the second investigative detention.
6. The reasonable suspicion supporting the initial traffic stop cannot be used to support further detention that does not serve the relevant investigative purpose of the suspected MVC violation.
7. A request for identification from a defendant is constitutionally permissible as there is no expectation of privacy in one's identity.
8. An officer has the authority to request an individual to exit a vehicle for safety reasons.
9. A defendant's nervousness and fidgeting is not sufficient to support a finding of reasonable suspicion of criminal activity.
10. To establish grounds for reasonable suspicion, the officer must articulate specific observations which, in conjunction with reasonable inferences derived from those observations, led him reasonably to conclude, in light of his experience, that criminal activity was afoot and that the person he stopped was involved in that activity. The question of whether reasonable suspicion existed at the time an officer conducts the investigatory detention must be answered by examining the totality of the circumstances to determine whether the officer who initiated the stop had a particularized and objective basis for suspecting the individual stopped. That is, whether the facts available to the officer at the time the investigative detention is initiated warrants a man of reasonable caution to believe that the action taken was appropriate.
11. While on patrol, the trooper noted the vehicle had an expired registration and initiated a traffic stop. Before initiating the traffic stop, he did not observe any erratic driving, and, after the stop, did not detect any slurred speech or smell the odor of alcohol or marijuana. Upon re-approaching the window of the defendant's vehicle, the trooper simultaneously handed the defendant his license and asked him

if he had smoked marijuana that day, a question the trooper routinely asks during traffic stops he initiates during the overnight shift. At the time the trooper asked that question, the defendant was still involved in the traffic stop for an expired registration and a second trooper was pointing a flashlight into the vehicle. The defendant responded he had used marijuana that day; the defendant was not asked if he possessed a medical marijuana card. The defendant exited the vehicle, as requested, to perform field sobriety tests and voluntarily emptied his pockets, exposing a marijuana grinder. An inventory search of the vehicle was conducted and a firearm was found. Upon inquiry, the defendant responded that he did not have a license to carry the firearm. He was then given his Miranda warnings and answered questions concerning the firearm. Shortly after the arrest, Defendant provided blood. The defendant challenged the legality of the vehicle stop, the field sobriety test, and the inventory search of the vehicle and requests suppression of all evidence obtained during the traffic stop that led to his arrest for driving under the influence and firearm violations.

12. The Court found the trooper had reasonable suspicion that Defendant was in violation of the MVC by operating a vehicle with an expired registration, rendering the initiation of the traffic stop valid. The Court noted the traffic stop in this matter was completed after the trooper confirmed there were no other MVC violations or outstanding warrants for the defendant's arrest. At that point, there was no additional information required for the issuing of a citation for the expired registration violation. The Court found that the defendant was not free to leave as confirmed by the trooper as he had not terminated the traffic stop prior to asking the defendant about smoking marijuana. The Court found the questioning related to the defendant's marijuana use was a secondary detention that lacked the support of reasonable suspicion, and that all the evidence revealed after the question was posed, to wit, the marijuana grinder, the results of the field sobriety test, the firearm, the blood draw and all further inculpatory statements made by Defendant must be suppressed. The identification of the defendant was not suppressed.

R.E.M.

C.C.P., Chester County, Pennsylvania, Criminal Action No. 3318-2020;
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. Christopher Allen Bowman

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Wheatcraft, J., January 22, 2022:-

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

v.

CHRISTOPHER ALLEN BOWMAN
Defendant

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

No. CP-15-CR-0003318-2020

ORDER

AND NOW, this 25th day of January 2022, upon consideration of Defendant’s Omnibus Motion and after a hearing, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. Defendant’s request to suppress the statement regarding his use of marijuana is GRANTED, and therefore all incriminating statements made thereafter are also suppressed.¹
2. Defendant’s request to suppress all physical evidence/contraband seized is GRANTED.²
3. Defendant’s request to suppress the results of the blood draw is GRANTED.³
4. Defendant’s Rule 600 Motion is DENIED.⁴
5. Defendant’s request to suppress identification made of Defendant as a result of an illegal stop is DENIED.⁵

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Ann Marie Wheatcraft, J.

¹ Defendant challenges the legality of (1) the vehicle stop, (2) the field sobriety test, and (3) the inventory search of the vehicle; and requests suppression of all evidence obtained during the traffic stop that led to his arrest for Driving Under the Influence and Firearm violations on October 7, 2020. We found Trooper Noah Hunsinger credible and make the following findings of fact.

Findings of Fact

1. PA State Trooper Noah Hunsinger has been employed by the PA State Police since July 2018. Prior to that, he was a constable in the state of Delaware for a year. He underwent DUI training at the academy. (N.T., 11/05/21, p. 8, l. 13 – p. 9, l. 5).
2. On October 7, 2020, Trooper Hunsinger was working the midnight shift. At approximately 1:15 a.m., he observed Defendant’s vehicle travelling on Route 1 near the Route 82 Exit in Chester County. He noted that the vehicle had an expired registration and initiated a traffic stop. *Id.* at p. 9.
3. Defendant presented the Motor Vehicle Recording (“MVR”) of the traffic stop. (Exhibit. D-1). However, there is no audio recorded for approximately the first four minutes of the video. *Id.* at p. 31, ll. 22-25.
4. Trooper Hunsinger observed Defendant’s vehicle for only 30 seconds before initiating the traffic stop. During that time, he did not observe any erratic driving. The only reason for initiating the traffic stop was the expired registration. *Id.* at p. 9, l. 23 – p. 10, l. 9., p. 25, l. 23 – p. 26, l. 2.
5. During his initial contact with Defendant, Trooper Hunsinger identified himself, informed Defendant of the reason for the traffic stop, and requested Defendant’s driver’s license, registration for the vehicle, and insurance information. Defendant was only able to produce his license. Trooper Hunsinger returned to his vehicle with Defendant’s license. *Id.* at p. 12, l. 9 – 17.
6. Trooper Hunsinger did not detect any slurred speech and Defendant responded appropriately to questions. *Id.* at p. 30, ll. 9-21. The trooper did not detect any odor of alcohol or fresh or burnt marijuana when interacting with Defendant. *See id.* at p. 27, l. 24 – p. 28, l. 5.
7. Upon re-approaching the driver’s side window of Defendant’s vehicle, Trooper Hunsinger simultaneously handed Defendant his license and asked him if he had smoked marijuana that day. Trooper Hunsinger routinely asks this question related to marijuana use during traffic stops he initiates while working the overnight shift. At the time he asked that question, Defendant was still involved in the traffic stop for an expired registration. A second trooper, Trooper Colton Denberger, was standing on the other side of the vehicle with a flashlight pointed into the vehicle during part of this exchange. *Id.* at p. 28, l. 25, - p. 29, l. 2, p. 12, ll. 18-25, p. 13, ll. 5-20.
8. Defendant responded “yes,” he had used marijuana that day. Defendant was not asked if he was in possession of a medical marijuana card. *Id.* at p. 29, ll. 9-12.
9. Trooper Hunsinger asked Defendant to exit the vehicle to undergo standardized field sobriety tests to ensure the safe operation of the vehicle on the highway. *Id.* at p. 14, ll. 1-2. Defendant exited the vehicle as requested, voluntarily emptied his pockets, and placed several objects on the driver’s side seat, including a marijuana grinder. *Id.* at p. 29, ll. 13- 20, p. 13, l. 24 – p. 14, l. 18.
10. Defendant was unsteady during the one-legged stand and he failed to follow the exact instructions on the heel to toe test. Trooper Hunsinger saw indicators of impairment and placed Defendant under arrest. *Id.* at p. 14, l. 19 – p. 15, l. 8.
11. Due to safety concerns, the Trooper requested that Defendant’s vehicle be towed. An inventory search was initiated to safeguard valuables and personal items located in the vehicle prior to it being towed. The PA State Police policies and regulations governing inventory searches were followed. One of the areas searched was the passenger side glove box where a loaded and operational firearm was found. *Id.* at p. 16, l. 4 – p. 19, p. 21 l. 11 – p. 23, l. 2.

12. Defendant was asked if he had a license to carry a firearm. Defendant responded that he did not have such a license. He was then given his *Miranda* warnings and asked how he came into possession of the firearm and why he possessed it. Defendant responded that he bought the firearm and intended to have it for protection. He chose to remain silent thereafter. *Id.* at p. 20, l. 7 – p. 21, l. 10.

13. Shortly after the arrest, Defendant was transported to Jennersville Hospital for a blood draw. Prior to having his blood drawn, Trooper Hunsinger read the DL-26B form to Defendant and Defendant signed his consent to the blood draw. *Id.* at p. 23, l. 4 – p. 24, l. 16.

Conclusions of Law

We first examine the legality of the traffic stop.

If a police officer possesses reasonable suspicion that a violation of [the Pennsylvania's Motor Vehicle Code (MVC)] is occurring or has occurred, he may stop the vehicle involved for the purpose of obtaining information necessary to enforce the provisions of the [MVC]. See 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 6308(b). Reasonable suspicion is a relatively low standard and depends on the information possessed by police and its degree of reliability in the totality of the circumstances. See *Commonwealth v. Brown*, 606 Pa. 198, 996 A.2d 473, 477 (2010). In order to justify the stop, an officer must be able to point to specific and articulable facts which led him to reasonably suspect a violation of the MVC. See *Commonwealth v. Holmes*, 609 Pa. 1, 14 A.3d 89, 95 (2011). The standard for assessing whether a given set of observations constitutes reasonable suspicion is an objective one, based on the totality of the circumstances.

Commonwealth v. Wilson, 237 A.3d 572, 578-79 (Pa. Super. 2020) (emphasis omitted).

We find that Trooper Hunsinger had reasonable suspicion that Defendant was in violation of the MVC by operating a vehicle with an expired registration. The Trooper stated this articulable and specific fact during his testimony, and the expiration was confirmed upon his investigation at the scene. Thus, the initiation of the traffic stop is valid in all respects.

The more challenging issue is whether Trooper Hunsinger's question to Defendant as to whether he had smoked marijuana was part of the "mission" of the initial traffic stop, or the initiation of a second subsequent investigative detention. *Rodriguez v. U.S.*, 575 U.S. 348, 354 (S.Ct. 2015). If it had been part of the mission of the traffic stop, it is a proper investigative question and the information gleaned after it was posed is not automatically subject to suppression. We note the court would need to examine the evidence within the Defendant's *Miranda* and inventory search violation claims. However, if the court finds that the trooper initiated a second investigative detention, then the Commonwealth has the burden to show articulable and specific facts supporting a reasonable suspicion of criminal activity justifying the second investigative detention. (*Commonwealth v. Donaldson*, 786 A.2d 279 (Pa.Super. 2001)).

We are guided by the Superior Court's analysis in two recent cases, *Commonwealth v. Mattis*, 252 A.3d 650 (Pa.Super. 2021) and *Commonwealth v. Malloy*, 257 A.3d 142 (Pa.Super. 2021). In both cases, the appellate court found that after making a valid traffic stop, the officer and trooper had the authority to do an investigation to enforce the provisions of the suspected MVC violation. See also *Commonwealth v. Chase*, 960 A.2d 108,116 (Pa. 2008), quoting 75 Pa.C.S. Sec. 6308(b) (Authority of police officer to stop vehicle). However, the Superior Court explained that the reasonable suspicion supporting the initial traffic stop cannot be used to support further detention that does not serve the relevant investigative purpose of the suspected MVC violation. See *Malloy*, at 148, citing *Commonwealth v. Feczko*, 10 A.3d 1285, 1290-1291 (Pa.Super. 2010)(*en banc*); see *Mattis*, at 655, citing *Commonwealth v. Strickler*, 757 A.2d 884, 889 (Pa. 2000).

In *Malloy*, the defendant was charged with illegally possessing a firearm and related offenses. The police officer was on night duty and noted a MVC violation, the failure to properly display a license plate. Upon walking towards the vehicle, he saw that the license plate was improperly displayed in the rear

window. The driver stated that he recently purchased the vehicle and that he did not have the screws required to display the license plate properly. The *Malloy* court found that, at that point, the traffic stop was completed because there was no further information that was required from the driver for the officer to investigate the MVC violation supporting the traffic stop. Nonetheless, the officer asked for the identification of the rear passenger, the defendant, and went on to ask the defendant if he was carrying a firearm. We note that the request for identification from the defendant is constitutionally permissible. (*Commonwealth v. Durr*, 32 A.3d 781 (Pa.Super. 2011) (there is no expectation of privacy in one's identity)). It was the additional inquiries into whether the defendant was carrying a firearm that was objectionable. The Superior Court reasoned that because those inquiries were unrelated to the traffic stop, they constituted a secondary detention requiring a separate showing of reasonable suspicion of criminal activity. The Superior Court found that the Commonwealth failed to present specific and articulable facts to support reasonable suspicion, and as a result, the second detention was constitutionally infirm. The trial court's order denying Defendant's motion to suppress the firearm evidence was vacated. *Malloy*, supra.

In *Mattis*, the defendant was charged with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. The trooper was conducting traffic enforcement with a radar unit and logged the defendant's vehicle speed at 76 mph in a posted 55 mph zone. A traffic stop was initiated. The trooper asked for the defendant's driver's license and noticed that the defendant was behaving extraordinarily nervous and fidgeting constantly. No additional abnormalities were noted in the defendant's behavior or physical appearance. After the trooper confirmed the defendant's identity, the vehicle's registration, and that there were no outstanding warrants, he asked the defendant to exit the vehicle. During an exchange outside the vehicle, the trooper asked the defendant for consent to search the vehicle. Consent was given and the search uncovered suspected marijuana and drug paraphernalia. The defendant was then placed under arrest. The Superior Court found that the purpose of the traffic stop ended once the information required to complete the speeding citation was obtained and there were no other MVC violations found. The court noted that an officer has the authority to request an individual to exit a vehicle for safety reasons. However, that was not a reason offered by the trooper during the suppression hearing. The Superior Court explained that the defendant's nervousness and fidgeting was not sufficient to support a finding of reasonable suspicion of criminal activity, citing to *Commonwealth v. DeHart*, 745 A.2d 633 (Pa.Super. 2000). As a result, the second detention was not constitutionally permissible, and the evidence obtained during the second detention must be suppressed. *Mattis* supra.

We find, after careful examination of the evidence presented, that the traffic stop in this matter was completed after Trooper Hunsinger confirmed there were no other MVC violations or outstanding warrants for Defendant's arrest. At that point, there was no additional information required for the issuing of a citation for the expired registration violation. We further find that Defendant was not free to leave as confirmed by Trooper Hunsinger; that he had not terminated the traffic stop prior to asking Defendant about smoking marijuana. (N.T., 11/05/21, p. 28, l. 17 – p. 29, l. 2). Thus, the further questioning of Defendant is a secondary detention, and it is the Commonwealth's burden to show reasonable suspicion of criminal activity to support the second detention.

In *Commonwealth v. Green*, 168 A.3d 180 (Pa. Super. 2017), the court stated that,

[T]o establish grounds for reasonable suspicion, the officer must articulate specific observations which, in conjunction with reasonable inferences derived from those observations, led him reasonably to conclude, in light of his experience, that criminal activity was afoot and that the person he stopped was involved in that activity. The question of whether reasonable suspicion existed at the time [an officer conducts the investigatory detention] must be answered by examining the totality of the circumstances to determine whether the officer who initiated the stop had a particularized and objective basis for suspecting the individual stopped.

Id. at 184. That is, whether the facts available to the officer at the time the investigative detention is initiated “warrant[s] a man of reasonable caution ... [to believe] that the action taken was appropriate”. *Id.*

We find the Commonwealth fails to meet its burden. There was no testimony from Trooper Hunsinger to support a reasonable suspicion of any criminal acts. The MVR showed Defendant's vehicle was operated in a safe manner. There was no testimony that Defendant presented with notable behavioral or physical abnormalities, i.e., slurred speech or blood shot eyes. There was also no indication that during the initial interaction with Defendant that the trooper noted an odor of alcohol or marijuana emanating from the vehicle or Defendant's person. It was only after Trooper Hunsinger requested more information, that was irrelevant to the MVC violation supporting the stop, that the response may be found to give rise to reasonable suspicion of a criminal act. Thus, we are constrained to find that the questioning related to Defendant's marijuana use was a secondary detention that lacked the support of reasonable suspicion, and that all the evidence revealed after the question was posed, (1) the marijuana grinder, (2) the results of the field sobriety test, (3) the firearm, and (4) all further inculpatory statements made by Defendant must be suppressed.

We do not address Defendant's other arguments for suppression as they are deemed moot considering the court's determination.

² See FN 1

³ *Id.*

⁴ Defendant withdrew his Rule 600 Motion in open court. (N.T., 11/05/21, pp. 7-8).

⁵ The traffic stop is found to be supported by the evidence. Thus, Defendant's "identification" was not the result of a constitutional violation. *Durr*, supra. We further note that Defendant's identification was not obtained through photographic evidence or corporal lineup.

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**CHANGE OF NAME NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION**

LAW NO. 2022-03887-NC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the name change petition of Shelby Schell on behalf of minor child Jaxon Michael Ward was filed in the above-named court and will be heard on Monday, July 25, 2022 at 2:00 PM, in Courtroom 3 at the Chester County Justice Center, 201 West Market Street, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Date of filing the Petition: Friday, June 3, 2022
Name to be changed from: Jaxon Michael Ward to: Jaxon Michael Schell

Any person interested may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

**CHANGE OF NAME NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION**

LAW NO. 2022-03913-NC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the name change petition of Tiffany T. Russell on behalf of minor child Lyla Sharon Russell was filed in the above-named court and will be heard on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 2:00 PM, in Courtroom 3 at the Chester County Justice Center, 201 West Market Street, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Date of filing the Petition: Monday, June 6, 2022
Name to be changed from: Lyla Sharon Russell to: Leo Stanley Russell

Any person interested may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

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CORPORATION NOTICE

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has been incorporated under the provisions of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988. Toscani, Stathes & Zoeller LLC 899 Cassatt Road 400 Berwyn Park, (320) Berwyn, PA 19312

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the directors of COCHRAN HUNT CLUB, a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation, with an address of 117 Clonmell-Upland Road, West Grove, PA 19390 (Chester County), have unanimously approved a proposal that the corporation voluntarily dissolve and is now engaged in winding up and settling affairs of the corporation under the provisions of Section 5975 of the Pennsylvania Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988, as amended.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION TO CREDITORS OF AND CLAIMANTS AGAINST A.C.R. MACHINE, INC.

Notice is hereby given that A.C.R. Machine, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation of 21 North Tenth Avenue, Coatesville, Pennsylvania 19320, has been dissolved pursuant to Subchapter 19H of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988, as amended, and requests all persons having a claim against the corporation to present their claims against the corporation in accordance with this notice, as follows:

- (1) All claims must be presented in writing and must contain sufficient information reasonably to inform the corporation or any successor entity of the identity of the claimant and the substance of the claim.
- (2) The mailing address to which the claim must be sent is as follows: A.C.R. Machine, Inc., c/o Fritz Legal, LLC, 101 Lindenwood Drive, Suite 225, Malvern, PA 19355, Attn: Blake T. Fritz, Esq.
- (3) The deadline by which the corporation or a successor entity must receive the claim is 5:00 p.m. local time on August 8, 2022.

(4) The claim will be barred if not received by the deadline specified in item 3.

(5) The corporation or any successor entity may make distribution to other claimants and the shareholders of the corporation or persons interested as having been such without further notice to any claimant.

Fritz Legal, LLC
101 Lindenwood Drive, Suite 225
Malvern, PA 19355

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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.

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NOTICE

Coatesville Area School District vs. B. Keith Burns - No. 2020-06571-LN Court of Common Pleas - Chester County, PA - Notice is given that the above was named as Defendant in a civil action by Plaintiff to recover 2019 real estate taxes for property located at 1112 N. Bailey Rd., Caln Twp., PA, Tax Parcel #39-1-75. A Writ of Scire Facias for \$5,347.97 was filed. You are notified to plead to the Writ on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a judgment may be entered. If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in

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NOTICE

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SWEIGART****In Re: Adoption of Novah Storm Dukeman,
A Minor**

A petition has been filed asking the Court to put an end to all rights you have as a parent to your child, Novah Storm Dukeman. A Termination of Parental Rights Hearing has been scheduled for July 13, 2022, at 1:30 p.m., in Court Room No. 6003, of the York County Judicial Center, 45 North George Street, York, Pennsylvania, to terminate your parental rights to Novah Storm Dukeman (DOB: March 19, 2020), whose Fathers are Jeffrey Alan Walsh, Arik Edan Mata, and Travis Lee Sweigart and whose Mother is Samantha Ann Dukeman. You are warned that even if you fail to appear at the scheduled hearing, the hearing will go on without you and your rights to your child may be ended by the Court without your being present. You have a right to be represented at the hearing by a lawyer. You should take this paper to your lawyer at once. If you do not have a lawyer or cannot afford one, go to or telephone the office set forth below to find out where you can get legal help.

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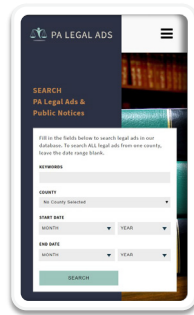
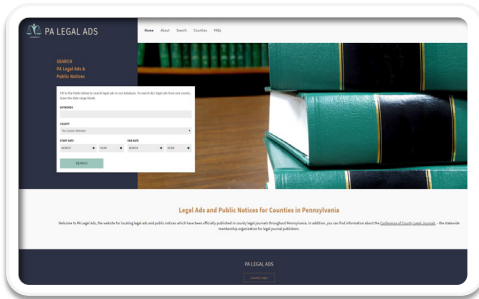
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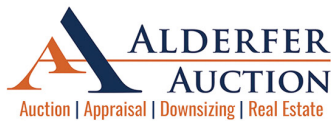
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