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Affirmative defense - Preexisting condition - Motion to Quash subpoena

- 1. An affirmative defense is a defense which pertains to a defendant's assertion of facts and arguments that, if true, will defeat the plaintiff's claim, even if all the allegations in the complaint are true.
- 2. A preexisting condition does not defeat a plaintiff's claim.
- 3. Preexisting condition is not within the definition of affirmative defense.
- 4. Frequently, a plaintiff's injuries are superimposed upon a preexisting condition and the defendant is liable for the full extent of the damage they have inflicted even if it is greater than they could have foreseen.
- 5. It is firmly established in Pennsylvania that the tortfeasor takes the plaintiff as the tortfeasor finds them and a wrongdoer is liable for all harm caused by their negligent act, though increased by an unknown physical condition that could not have been discovered or anticipated prior to the wrongdoing.
- 6. Rule 1030 sets forth the following affirmative defenses: accord and satisfaction; arbitration and award; consent; discharge in bankruptcy; duress; estoppel; failure of consideration; fair comment; fraud; illegality; immunity from suit; impossibility of performance; justification; laches; license; payment; privilege; release; res judicata; statute of frauds; statute of limitations; truth; waiver; assumption of the risk; comparative negligence; and contributory negligence.
- 7. Plaintiff has brought this suit alleging she was injured when she slipped and fell. Plaintiff asks this court to quash the subpoenas that Defendant served on five persons who were Plaintiff's workplace supervisors before the alleged slip-and-fall and could potentially testify to Plaintiff's pre-existing conditions. Plaintiff argues that Defendant has no right to pursue information related to Plaintiff's preexisting condition because preexisting condition is an affirmative defense that Defendant failed to plead as new matter and therefore waived. The Court <u>Held</u> Plaintiff's Motion to Quash Deposition Subpoenas and for a Protective Order was denied.

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C.C.P. Chester County, Pennsylvania Civil Action No. 2023—03534-TT; Darlen Bierer vs. Wegman's Food Markets, Inc.

Shawn A. Ricci for Plaintiff Edward A. Greenberg for Defendant Binder, June 20, 2024:-

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DARLENE BIERER,	IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
Plaintiff	CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
VS.	
	No. 2023-03534-TT
WEGMANS FOOD MARKETS, INC.,	
Defendant	CIVIL ACTION – LAW

ORDER and MEMORANDUM

AND NOW, this 20th day of June, 2024, upon consideration of Plaintiff's Motion to Quash Deposition Subpoenas and for Protective Order filed May 28, 2024 and Defendant's response in opposition thereto, for the reasons set forth in the accompanying Memorandum it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Motion is **DENIED**.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ BRET M. BINDER, J.

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MEMORANDUM

Plaintiff has brought this suit alleging she was injured when she slipped and fell in the entranceway of a Wegmans supermarket.

Presently before this court is Plaintiff's Motion to Quash Deposition Subpoenas and for Protective Order filed May 28, 2024. Plaintiff asks this court to quash the subpoenas that Defendant served on five (5) persons who were Plaintiff's workplace supervisors before the alleged slip-and-fall that gave rise to this case. Defendant seeks to depose Plaintiff's former supervisors to discover information "related to Plaintiff's pre-existing conditions related to her back and knees." Motion, 5/28/2024, ¶ 18. Plaintiff argues that Defendant has no right to pursue information related to Plaintiff's preexisting condition because "preexisting condition" is an affirmative defense that Defendant failed to plead as new matter which is therefore waived. Motion, 5/28/2024, ¶¶ 19-21. Plaintiff cites Pope & Talbot v. W.C.A.B. (Pawlowski), 949 A.2d 361 (Pa. Cmwlth. 2008) for the proposition that "The defense of 'pre-existing condition' is an affirmative defense which must be pled." Motion, 5/28/2024, ¶ 19.

Defendant opposes Plaintiff's Motion arguing that Plaintiff's prior supervisors are expected to "have knowledge regarding Plaintiff's baseline physical and emotional conditions both prior to the fall and after which, of course, is relevant to the determination of whether Plaintiff's alleged pain and suffering is attributable to her fall at Wegmans." Brief, 6/3/2024, p. 3. Defendant distinguishes <u>Pope & Talbot</u> as follows:

The <u>Pope</u> Court noted that in the context of a workers' compensation claimant's request for reinstatement following a suspension of benefits, the claimant's employer has the burden of proving, as an affirmative defense, that the claimant's present injury arose during the course and scope of their work for another employer. Nothing about the <u>Pope</u> case, or any other case in the Commonwealth for that matter, supports the proposition that a defendant in a personal injury case must plead "preexisting condition" as an affirmative defense or risk waiver of the issue.

Brief, 6/3/2024, p. 4.

Here, this court agrees with Defendant that Plaintiff's reliance on <u>Pope & Talbot</u> is misplaced. The claimant in <u>Pope & Talbot</u> had a prior shoulder injury and the issue was whether claimant's present shoulder injury was a recurrence (for which Pope & Talbot would be solely liable under the Workers' Compensation Act) or an aggravation (for which claimant's subsequent employer would be solely liable under the Workers' Compensation Act). The Commonwealth Court explained that "the burden is on the employer, in the nature of an affirmative defense, to demonstrate that the disability is, in fact, attributable to . . . a different employer." 949 A.2d at 368 (ellipses in original) (quoting <u>McNulty v. Workers' Compensation Appeal Board (McNulty Tool & Die)</u>, 804 A.2d 1260, 1264 (Pa.Cmwlth. 2002)). The affirmative defense of aggravation

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was established because Pope & Talbot proved that "the later incident materially contributed to the condition causing the disability at issue." <u>Pope & Talbot</u>, 949 A.2d at 369. The claimant's later injury was found to be an aggravation and Pope & Talbot not liable.

Pope & Talbot did not hold that "preexisting condition" is an affirmative defense nor could it have. It is well-established that "An affirmative defense is a defense which pertains to 'a defendant's assertion of facts and arguments that, if true, will defeat the plaintiff's . . . claim, even if all the allegations in the complaint are true." Wiley v. Brooks, 263 A.3d 671, 674 (Pa.Super. 2021) (ellipses in original) (quoting Reott v. Asia Trend Inc., 55 A.3d 1088, 1095 (Pa. 2012)). It is well-established that a preexisting condition does not defeat a plaintiff's claim. Pa. SSJI (Civ) 7.70 (Preexisting Condition or Injury). It follows that "preexisting condition" is not within the definition of affirmative defense. Further, it is worth noting that the existence of a preexisting condition is common and yet "preexisting condition" is not listed as an affirmative defense at Pa.R.Civ.P. 1030 (New Matter).

Accordingly, for the reasons set forth above this court will enter an order denying Plaintiff's Motion to Quash Deposition Subpoenas and for Protective Order filed May 28, 2024.

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¹ The standard jury instruction explains that "Frequently, a plaintiff's injuries are superimposed upon a preexisting condition [and t]he defendant is liable for the full extent of the damage they have inflicted even if it is greater than they could have foreseen." Pa. SSJI (Civ) 7.70 (Subcommittee Note) (citations omitted). Similarly, "It is firmly established in Pennsylvania that the tortfeasor takes the plaintiff as the tortfeasor finds them [and a] wrongdoer is liable for all harm caused by their negligent act, though increased by an unknown physical condition that could not have been discovered or anticipated prior to the wrongdoing." Id. (citation omitted).

² The Rule sets forth as affirmative defenses: (1) accord and satisfaction; (2) arbitration and award; (3) consent; (4) discharge in bankruptcy; (5) duress; (6) estoppel; (7) failure of consideration; (8) fair comment; (9) fraud; (10) illegality; (11) immunity from suit; (12) impossibility of performance; (13) justification; (14) laches; (15) license; (16) payment; (17); privilege; (18) release; (19) res judicata; (20) statute of frauds; (21) statute of limitations; (22) truth; and (23) waiver. Pa.R.Civ. 1030(a). *See also* Pa.R.Civ.P. 1030(b) (listing affirmative defenses of: (1) assumption of the risk; (2) comparative negligence; and (3) contributory negligence).

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LAW NO. 2024-09302-NC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the name change petition of Ernesto Fragaso was filed in the abovenamed court and will be heard on Friday, January 31, 2025 at 2:00:00 PM, in Courtroom 11 at the Chester County Justice Center, 201 West Market Street, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Date of filing the Petition: Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Name to be changed from: Ernesto Fragaso to: Ernesto Fragoso

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 CIVILACTION

LAW NO. 2024-10550-NC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the name change petition of Rosine Lore Nguimgo Passo was filed in the above-named court and will be heard on Friday, March 21, 2025 at 2:00:00 PM, in Courtroom 6 at the Chester County Justice Center, 201 West Market Street, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Date of filing the Petition: Friday, November 22, 2024

Name to be changed from: Rosine Lore Nguimgo

Passo to: Nguimgo Rosinelore Passo-Elike 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 CIVILACTION

LAW NO. 2024-11542-NC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the name change petition of Anne Elizabeth Wingerd was filed in the above-named court and will be heard on Friday, April 11, 2025 at 2:00:00 PM, in Courtroom 2 at the Chester County Justice Center, 201 West Market Street, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Date of filing the Petition: Monday, December 23, 2024

Name to be changed from: Anne Elizabeth Wingerd to: Anne Harp Wingerd

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

CORPORATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Articles of Incorporation were filed for THE LOW DWELLER PRODUCTIONS PAYROLL, INC. with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The registered office is 921 Prescott Road, Berwyn, PA 19312 in Chester County. This corporation is incorporated under the provisions of the Business Corporation Law of 1988, as amended.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested or who may be affected that DOWNINGTON AREA SENIOR CENTER, INC., a PA Nonprofit Corporation, having a registered address at 751 E. Lancaster Ave., Downingtown, PA 19355, has filed Articles of Dissolution with the Dept. of State of the Commonwealth of PA and that its Board of Directors is now engaged in winding up and settling the affairs of the corporation so that its corporate existence shall be ended by the issuance of a Certificate of Dissolution under the PA Business Corporation Law of 1988. GAWTHROP GREENWOOD, PC, Solicitors, 17 E. Gay St., #100, P.O. Box 562, West Chester, PA 19381-0562

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the directors of Whitaker Fund, a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation (the "Corporation"), with an address of 24 East Market St., West Chester, PA 19381, have approved a proposal that the corporation dissolve voluntarily and that the board of directors is now engaged in winding up and settling the affairs of the Corporation under the provisions of Section 5975 of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988. Karey Hampton, Esq. Tovella Dowling, PC 501 W Broadway, Suite 1540 San Diego, CA 92101

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HUTCHINSON, James R., late of East Goshen Township. Suzanne Hutchinson, care of JAMES J. RUGGIERO, JR., Esquire, 16 Industrial Blvd., Ste. 211, Paoli, PA 19301, Administratrix. JAMES J. RUGGIERO, JR., Esquire, Ruggiero Law Offices LLC, 16 Industrial Blvd., Ste. 211, Paoli, PA 19301, attv.

JARVIS, Joan, a/k/a Joan Dolores Jarvis and Joan D. Jarvis, late of East Marlborough Township. Jeanne Jarvis Best, 6 Rockford Crossing Dr., Kennett Square, PA 19348., Executrix.

LOCILENTO, JR., Arthur Thomas, a/k/a Arthur T. Locilento, Jr., late of East Nantmeal Township. Mercedes Locilento, care of DUKE K. SCHNEIDER, Esquire, 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, Executrix. DUKE K. SCHNEIDER, Esquire, MacElree Harvey, LTD., 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

MANGIARDI, Audrey Marie, late of West Chester. Lawrence Steven Dunn, 413 Valley Rd Havertown PA 19083, Executor.

MARRA, Mary Ellen, late of Uwchlan Township. Michelle Marra-Waugh, 300 Landers Court, Exton, PA 19341, care of KRISTEN R. MATTHEWS, Esquire, 14 E. Welsh Pool Rd., Exton, PA 19341, Executrix. KRISTEN R. MATTHEWS, Esquire, Kristen Matthews LAW, 14 E. Welsh Pool Rd., Exton, PA 19341, atty.

McLEOD, John Robert, late of Borough of Coatesville. Donna Dunlap, care of EDWARD M. FOLEY, Esquire, 213 E. State Street, Kennett Square, PA 19348, Administratrix CTA. EDWARD M. FOLEY, Esquire, Brutscher Foley Milliner Land & Kelly, LLP, 213 E. State Street, Kennett Square, PA 19348, atty

NOONE, Steven R., late of East Nantmeal Township. Roger P. Noone, care of DUKE K. SCHNEIDER, Esquire, 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, Executor. DUKE K. SCHNEIDER, Esquire, MacElree Harvey, LTD., 17 W. Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382, atty.

SMEDLEY-SEIBERT, Mary, a/k/a Mary Smedley Seibert, late of Wallace Township. F. John Seibert, Jr., care of MICHAEL C. McBRATNIE, Esquire, P.O. Box 673, Exton, PA 19341-0673, Executor. MICHAEL C. McBRATNIE, Esquire, Fox Rothschild LLP, P.O. Box 673, Exton, PA 19341-0673, atty.

SMITH, Joseph A., late of Willistown Township. Nicole R. LeBlanc, care of NICHOLAS M. ORL-OFF, Esquire, 1 W. Third St., Media, PA 19063, Executrix. NICHOLAS M. ORLOFF, Esquire, Orloff Law, 1 W. Third St., Media, PA 19063, atty.

TAYLOR, Ann Gilpin, a/k/a Ann G. Taylor, late of Tredyffrin Township. David S. Taylor and Lawrence D. Taylor, care of MICHAEL W. MILLS, Esquire, 131 W. State St., P.O. Box 50, Doylestown, PA 18901, Executors. MICHAEL W. MILLS, Esquire, Antheil, Maslow & MacMinn, LLP, 131 W. State St., P.O. Box 50, Doylestown, PA 18901, atty.

FICTITIOUS NAME

PUBLIC NOTICE FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the provision of the Fictitious Name Act, a fictitious name registration was filed with the Pennsylvania Department of State by Emperion, inc., 440 E Swedesford Rd, Ste 1010, Wayne, PA 19087 to carry on business in Chester County, Pennsylvania under the assumed name or fictitious name, style or designation of Emperion MCN with an address of 440 E Swedesford Rd, Ste 1010, Wayne, PA 19087. Said registration was filed on 12/5/24.

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

LS Design, with its principal place of business at 2 Waterview Rd Apt L01, West Chester, Pennsylvania 19380. The application has been (or will be) filed on: Monday, December 30, 2024. The name(s) and address(es) of the individual(s) or entity(ies) owning or interested in said business: Lily Stango, 2 Waterview Rd Apt L01, West Chester, Pennsylvania 19380.

NOTICE

NOTICE OF ACTION IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL ACTION – LAW

No. 2024-09429-RC

Red Bridge Farms Association a/k/a Red Bridge Farms Civic Association

V.

Robert McQuaid, Presumed Heir or Assign of Dora A. McQuaid, Deceased; Christopher McQuaid, Presumed Heir or Assign of Dora A. McQuaid, Deceased; Dora E. McQuaid, Presumed Heir or Assign of Dora A. McQuaid, Deceased; and Presumed and Unknown Heirs and All Persons or Entities Claiming Right, Title or Interest by or Through Dora A. McQuaid, Deceased

TO: Unknown Heirs and All Persons or Entities Claiming Right, Title or Interest by or Through Dora A. McQuaid, Deceased

Red Bridge Farms Association a/k/a Red Bridge Farms Civic Association, has filed a Complaint to enforce a lien against property located at 715 Isaac Taylor Drive, West Chester, PA.

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 TAKE THIS PAPER 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.

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