

# LACKAWANNA JURIST

## JUDICIAL OPINION

**CASE NAME AND NUMBER:** Latka v. Rieder, 2020 WL 4731063 (Lacka. Co. 2020)

**DATE OF DECISION:** August 14, 2020

**JUDGE:** Terrence R. Nealon

**ATTORNEYS INVOLVED:**

Melissa A. Scartelli, Esquire, Peter Paul Olszewski, Jr., Esquire, Kristin A. Mazzarella, Esquire, Counsel for Plaintiff  
Robert E. Dillon, Esquire, John F. McGreevey, Esquire, Counsel for Defendant

**SUMMARY OF OPINION:**

Plaintiff commenced this malpractice action against a podiatrist who surgically excised a bone spur from the plantar surface of her big toe, and asserted that the podiatrist was negligent for recommending and performing that surgery, rather than treating her symptoms conservatively, and in failing to timely diagnose and properly treat her post-operative infection which caused her to develop osteomyelitis and to undergo a partial amputation of the toe. Plaintiff filed a motion *in limine* to preclude the defense from mentioning that infection is a recognized risk of that surgery since she only advanced negligence claims and did not pursue a claim for lack of informed consent. The podiatrist filed a motion *in limine* to bar the plaintiff from presenting evidence of his alleged failure to document his physical findings in his office chart on the ground that a cause of action for negligent documentation does not exist in Pennsylvania.

In a medical negligence action, evidence that the patient was advised of certain risks of the procedure and nevertheless consented to proceed with the surgery is irrelevant and inadmissible, but evidence of risks and complications that are relevant in establishing the standard of care may be admissible. Evidence that the podiatrist allegedly discussed "poor healing and bone infection" as possible complications of the surgery, and that the plaintiff chose to undergo the surgery after being apprised of those risks, was clearly inadmissible. However, to the extent that infection and osteomyelitis are recognized complications of the surgery and that the podiatrist considered those risks in making his decision to recommend and perform the surgery, that "risks and complications" evidence was relevant in determining the applicable standard of care. Therefore, the plaintiff's motion *in limine* was granted as to any "informed-consent" evidence, but denied with regard to the "risks and complications" evidence that was relevant to the standard of care.

The podiatrist had a professional responsibility to maintain accurate and complete documentation of his encounters with and treatment of the plaintiff, and the podiatrist's examination of the plaintiff on the date that he recommended surgery was relevant to whether he was negligent in recommending surgery. Plaintiff's podiatric expert was, therefore, permitted to testify that the podiatrist failed to document a complete physical examination, that the expert concluded that the podiatrist did not perform the required examination since it was not reflected in his office chart, and that absent the requisite examination, the podiatrist was negligent in recommending and performing surgery. The podiatrist could also be questioned as to what is, and is not, documented in his records, and when he dictated those entries. Hence, the podiatrist's motion to preclude the plaintiff from presenting evidence concerning the podiatrist's "failure to document" was denied.

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IN RE: : IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
THE 45<sup>th</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT : OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY  
: 2020 MD 300/32 mm 2020

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ORDER

NOW, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 2020, in accord with the Order of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court dated May 27, 2020, in which President Judges are authorized to extend local judicial emergency declarations based on local conditions, the following is HEREBY ORDERED AND DECREED:

The judicial emergency in the 45<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Pennsylvania, Lackawanna County, is hereby extended through October 31, 2020. All counsel, pro-se litigants, public and those conducting business in the court system of Lackawanna County are to be guided by the following directives.

All in-person access and proceedings to courts and courtrooms may be limited, at the discretion of the judge who is assigned to the matter or courtroom, in order to safeguard the health and safety of court personnel, court users and members of the public.

The continued use of advanced communication technologies for all court proceedings is highly encouraged. All statewide rules that restrict, directly or indirectly, the use of advanced communication technologies remain suspended.

Lackawanna County Central Court shall continue to use advanced communication technologies to conduct its proceedings and hearings throughout the extent of this Order whenever possible. Any request for an in-person proceeding shall be determined by the Magisterial District Judge assigned to the case and coordinated by the Central Court staff.

All Civil matters shall be conducted in a manner at the sole discretion of the judge assigned to the case. This Court's Order of April 13, 2020, docketed as, IN RE: CIVIL LITIGATION MATTERS IN LACKAWANNA COUNTY, 2020 CV 1, remains in full force and effect and should be interpreted in conjunction with this Order as it relates to Motion Court practice.

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All Criminal matters shall be conducted in a manner at the sole discretion of the judge assigned to the case. All previous Court Orders filed during the judicial emergency regarding the procedures to be followed for criminal court cases remain in full force and effect.

All Family matters shall be conducted in a manner at the sole discretion of the judge assigned to the case. All previous Court Orders filed during the judicial emergency regarding the procedures to be followed for family court cases remain in full force and effect.

This Court's Order dated March 19, 2020, docketed as, IN RE: TEMPORARY MOTION PRACTICE IN LACKAWANNA COUNTY, 2020 CV 1, is HEREBY MODIFIED as follows:

Effective September 8, 2020, all Civil, Family, Orphans, and Discovery Motions, which would normally be presented in Motion Court prior to the judicial emergency, and have been subject to this Court's Order dated March 19, 2020, are to be submitted electronically as set forth herein:

Civil Motions shall be emailed to [CivilMotion@lackawannacounty.org](mailto:CivilMotion@lackawannacounty.org)

Family Motions shall be emailed to [FamilyMotion@lackawannacounty.org](mailto:FamilyMotion@lackawannacounty.org)

Orphans' Motions shall be emailed to [OrphanMotion@lackawannacounty.org](mailto:OrphanMotion@lackawannacounty.org)

Discovery Motions shall be emailed to [DiscoveryMotion@lackawannacounty.org](mailto:DiscoveryMotion@lackawannacounty.org)

The motions must be in PDF format and each submission shall state if the motion is stipulated to, consented or opposed, where applicable. Pursuant to Lackawanna County Motion Practice, all notice requirements remain in effect, and each motion shall include a certificate of service, and list email addresses and phone numbers for all counsel or parties.

Jury trials shall resume as of Tuesday, September 8, 2020 and shall be scheduled by the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas.


All statewide rules pertaining to the rule-based right of criminal defendants to a prompt trial remain suspended.

This Court's restrictions on serving and executing warrants for felony and misdemeanor cases is hereby lifted immediately.

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All Magisterial District Judges are hereby granted authority to limit access to their Magisterial District Court as they deem safe and appropriate during the duration of the judicial emergency. The use of advanced communication technologies to conduct hearings is encouraged whenever possible. All necessary safeguards shall be implemented when public access is granted to ensure the health and safety of court personnel, court users and members of the public.

BY THE COURT



\_\_\_\_\_ P.J.  
Honorable Michael J. Barrasse  
President Judge

**\*\*Attention Members: Within the Order are new email addresses for Motion Court practice\*\***

**ESTATES**

**First Notice**

RE: **ESTATE OF MARY KAY BIFANO**, late of Carbondale, Pennsylvania (died August 15, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration for the Estate of Mary Kay Bifano have been issued to Katie Rakaczewski, Administrator of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate or indebtedness owed to the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to the Administrator at 2912 Musket Road, Kutztown, PA 19530 or to Robert T. Kelly, Jr., Myers, Brier & Kelly, LLP, Attorney for the Estate, 425 Spruce Street, Suite 200, Scranton, PA 18503.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been issued to Mary Alfieri, a/k/a Mary Therese Crowley, in the **ESTATE OF JAMES E. CROWLEY**, who died May 14, 2020, late of Elmhurst Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania. All creditors are requested to present their claims and all persons indebted to the decedent will make payment to the aforementioned Executrix in care of attorneys: Hiscox & Musto, 400 Third Ave., Suite 201, Kingston, PA 18704.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Letters of Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF EMILY F. DESTEFANO, A/K/A EMILY DESTEFANO**, Deceased, late of 335 N. Garfield Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania, 18504 (died May 18, 2020), and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the sum without delay, to Ernest DeStefano, and Mary Ann DeStefano Zero, Co-Executors, c/o JOSEPH S. COLBASSANI, ESQUIRE, MINORA, KROWIAK & MUNLEY, 700 Vine Street, Scranton, PA 18510, Attorney for the Estate.

**ESTATE OF THOMAS A. GALLAGHER**, late of Scranton, Pennsylvania (died June 4, 2020). All creditors are requested to present their claims and all persons indebted to the decedent will make payment to John Gallagher or Thomas Gallagher, Executors; or to John J. Brazil, Jr., attorney for the Estate, 712 Main Street, Suite 1, Moosic, Pennsylvania 18507.

**ESTATE OF DANIEL J. HARTNETT, JR.**, deceased, late of Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Joseph J. Hartnett, Executor or to his attorney: Edwin A. Abrahamsen, Jr., Esq., 1006 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, PA 18505.

**ESTATE OF JANIS L. HROBUCHAK**, late of North Abington Twp., PA (died June 16, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration for the Estate of Janis L. Hrobuchak have been issued to Stephen Hrobuchak, Administrator of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to Mark J. Conway, Attorney for the Estate, 502 South Blakely Street, Dunmore, Pennsylvania 18512.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF CHARLES E. LLEWELLYN, JR.**, Deceased, late of 1619 Archbald Mountain Road, Jefferson Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania 18436, who died on July 22, 2020. All

persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands are to present same, without delay, to the Executrix, Paula Lee Sorg, or Michael N. Krisa, Attorney for the Estate, 3397 Scranton/Carbondale Highway, Suite 4, Blakely, Pennsylvania 18447.

**ESTATE OF ANN M. MCCARTHY**, late of Elmhurst, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, (died June 28, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been issued to Diane Dougher Thornton, Executrix of the Estate. **MARIANNE M. STIVALA, ESQUIRE, BRIAN J. CALI & ASSOCIATES**, 103 EAST DRINKER STREET, DUNMORE, PENNSYLVANIA 18512.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters of Administration have been granted in **ESTATE OF LANCE C. PHILLIPS A/K/A LANCE CARL PHILLIPS**, late of Scranton, died 07/01/2020. All persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands are to present same, without delay, to the Executor, to Bruce L. Phillips, 933 Saratoga Road, Berwyn, PA 19312.

**ESTATE OF MARY E. THOMAS**, late of Springbrook Township, Lackawanna County, PA (died July 26, 2020). Letters Testamentary having been granted, all persons having claims or demands against estate of decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to Paul V. Conforti, Executor, 35 Harriet Drive, Springbrook Twp., PA 18444, or to Jane M. Carlonas, of Oliver, Price & Rhodes, Attorney for the Estate, 1212 S. Abington Road, PO Box 240, Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration have been granted in the following Estate. All persons indebted to the Estate are required to make payment and those having claims or demands are required to present the same without delay to Administrator below: **ESTATE OF DOROTHY A. YERABEK**, late of Old Forge, Pennsylvania, Died July 2, 2020, Margaret Whitbeck, Waverly, Pennsylvania, Administrator; Joseph G. Price, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, 75 Glenmaura National Boulevard, Moosic, PA 18507.

**ESTATE OF FRANCES ZALUSKI A/K/A FRANCES B. ZALUSKI**, late of Jefferson Township, PA (died 07/30/2020). Letters Testamentary in the above estate having been granted, all creditors shall make demand and all debtors shall make payment without delay to Christopher Zaluski, Executor, of John E.V. Pieski, Attorney for the Estate, 610 Maplewood Drive, Olyphant Post Office, Dickson City, PA 18447.

**Second Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary in the **ESTATE OF GERALD LACKARDYCE**, (Date of Death: April 30, 2020) late of Moosic, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment and those having claims shall present them for settlement to: EILEEN SPERRAZZA, EXECUTRIX, KEVIN R. GREBAS, Esquire, COLBERT & GREBAS, P.C., 210 Montage Mountain Road - Suite A, Moosic, PA 18507.

**ESTATE OF ANN MARIE ARCHIBALD**, late of Scranton, PA (died May 29, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of Ann Marie Archibald

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have been issued to Gerald T. Manley, Sr., Executor of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to Mark J. Conway, Attorney for the Estate, 502 South Blakely Street, Dunmore, Pennsylvania 18512.

**ESTATE OF CATHERINE E. CANNON**, late of Dunmore, PA (died 7/28/20) Susan M. Ditchkus and Cynthia A. Frick, Co-Administrators. Paul A. Kelly, Jr., Esq. - Attorney, 201 Lackawanna Avenue, Suite 306, Scranton, PA 18503.

**RE: ESTATE OF ANNE M. CONNERY**, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania (died May 20, 2020). Letters of Administration C.T.A. having been granted, creditors shall make demand and debtors shall make payments to Elizabeth Connery, Administratrix C.T.A. , or Attorney James E. O'Brien, Jr., Scranton Life Building, Suite 610, 538 Spruce Street, Scranton, PA 18503.

**RE: ESTATE OF PROSPINE K. DENDE, A/K/A PROSPINE KATHRYN DENDE**, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania (died July 16, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Prospine K. Dende, a/k/a Prospine Kathryn Dende have been issued to Christopher S. Dende and Veronica A. Dende, Co-Executors of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate or indebtedness owed to the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to the Co-Executors at 303 Abbey Drive, Clarks Summit, PA 18411 or to Kristen M. Clark, Esquire, Myers, Brier & Kelly, LLP, Attorney for the Estate, 425 Spruce Street, Suite 200, Scranton, PA 18503.

**ESTATE OF GLEN O. FARR**, deceased, late of Clarks Summit, Lackawanna County, PA (died June 30, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted to Deborah L. Miller, Executrix. All persons indebted to the said estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to Deborah L. Miller, Executrix, 2245 Cherry Hill Road, Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

**ESTATE OF LISA M. HARDY, A/K/A LISA HARDY** late of 1837 Clearview Street, City of Scranton, County of Lackawanna and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, (died October 11, 2016). Letters of Administration having been granted on September 1st, 2017 to: Daniel J. Flynn, Esquire, 526 Hickory Street, Peckville, County of Lackawanna and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as Administrator. All persons having claims shall present them to the Administrator named above and all persons indebted to decedent shall make payment to: William P. Opeil, Jr., Esquire, 109 Shady Lane, Dickson City, PA 18447, Attorney.

**ESTATE OF CATHERINE E. HICKEY**, late of Scranton, PA (died April 13, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of Catherine E. Hickey have been issued to Richard Hickey, Executor of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to Mark J. Conway, Attorney for the Estate, 502 South Blakely Street, Dunmore, Pennsylvania 18512.

**ESTATE OF CARMELA IANNETTA**, late of the City of Scranton, PA (died February 12, 2020) Salvatore Iannetta Administrator, Frederick M. Moase, Jr., Attorney for the Estate, Law Offices of Frederick M. Moase, Jr., 123 East Garfield Ave, Carbondale, PA 18407.

Notice is hereby given that Testamentary Letters have been granted to Vincent J. Lepre of 406 Glenwood St., Mayfield, PA 18433, in the **ESTATE OF DOREEN TYRRELL LEPRE A.K.A DOREEN LEPRE**, late of Mayfield, Lackawanna County, PA, who passed away December 13,

2019. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to the Executor named or to the attorney for said Estate: Patrick A. Kane, 960 Scranton/Carbondale Hwy., Archbald, PA 18403.

**ESTATE OF JEAN S. MURRIN**, late of Scranton, PA (died May 14, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of Jean S. Murrin have been issued to Regina Murrin Wisneski, Executrix of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to Mark J. Conway, Attorney for the Estate, 502 South Blakely Street, Dunmore, Pennsylvania 18512.

**ESTATE OF FLOYD V. PERRY, DECEASED**, late of Jefferson Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, (died June 17, 2020). Letters Testamentary having been granted, creditors shall make demand and debtors shall make payment to Stephen J. Evers, Esq., Attorney for the Estate, 213 R. North State Street, Clarks Summit, PA, 18411.

**RE: ESTATE OF MARY ANN REGAN**, late of Scranton, PA, who died July 10, 2020. Letters Testamentary in the above estate having been granted, all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent shall make them known and present them, and all persons indebted to said decedent shall make payment thereof without delay to: Delores R. Dixon, Executrix, or Daniel L. Penetar, Jr., Esquire, 116 North Washington Avenue, Suite 2A, Scranton, PA 18503.

**ESTATE OF JOLENE SOKOLOWSKI**, late of the Borough of Taylor, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, (died February 6, 2020). Letters of Administration were granted to Mildred Godlewski. Creditors present claims and debtors make payments to John P. Pesota, Esquire, Suite 402 SNB Plaza, 108 North Washington Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503.

### Third Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary have been granted to Kimberly Saresky, Executor of the **ESTATE OF CHRISTOPHER P. ARNONE**, deceased, who died on January 12, 2020, late of Jefferson Township, Pennsylvania. All persons indebted to the estate are required to make payment and those having any claims or demands are to present the same, without delay, to the Executor, Kimberly Saresky, c/o her attorney Carlo A. LaMonica, Esquire, LaMonica Law Firm LLC, 3218 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, PA 18505.

**ESTATE OF NANCY J. ARMBRUSTER A/K/A NANCY ARMBRUSTER** late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania (died March 9, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been issued to Karen A. Gervasi and Larry J. Armbruster, Co-Executors of the Estate. All those having claims or demands against the Estate or indebtedness owed to the Estate shall present claims or remit payment without delay to John J. McGee, Attorney for the Estate, P.O. Box 3298, Scranton, PA 18505.

**ESTATE OF ROSEMARIE BECK**, late of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, deceased (Died May 10, 2019) Letters of Testamentary have been granted in the above Estate to Janette Beck and Lawrence D. Beck, Co-Executors or James J. Powell, III, Esq., Powell Law, 527 Linden Street, Scranton, PA 18503. All persons having claims against the estate are requested to present them in writing and all persons indebted to the estate to make payment to it in care of the Attorney noted above.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters of Administration have been granted to Crystal L. Screen, Administrator of the **ESTATE OF MICHAEL D. BIBBS, JR.**, deceased, who died on July 17, 2020, late of Dunmore, Pennsylvania. All persons indebted to the estate are required to make payment and those having any claims or demands are to present the same, without delay, to the Administrator, Crystal L. Screen, c/o her attorney Carlo A. LaMonica, Esquire, LaMonica Law Firm LLC, 3218 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, PA 18505.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters of Administration in the **ESTATE OF ELEANOR A. CASTELLI**, (Date of Death: March 26, 2020) late City of Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment and those having claims shall present them for settlement to: MARIE LUBASH, ADMINISTRATRIX, KEVIN R. GREBAS, Esquire, COLBERT & GREBAS, P.C., 210 Montage Mountain Road – Suite A, Moosic, PA 18507.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF STEPHEN CHISDAK**, late of Moosic, Pennsylvania (died April 28, 2020) to Michael Chisdak, Executor. All persons indebted to the estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to Michael Chisdak or to Levene Gouldin & Thompson, LLP, attorneys for the estate, 450 Plaza Drive, Vestal, NY 13850.

**ESTATE OF DANA COSKLO**, Deceased, late of Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania (Died June 28, 2019). All persons indebted to said Estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same, without delay, to Andrew Cosklo, Administrator, c/o Attorney Gregory A. Germain, 639 Jefferson Avenue, Scranton, PA 18510.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF LYDIA ANN COULTER** (File #35-20-00725), late of Clarks Summit, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, who died on June 16, 2020. All persons indebted to the said estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to George R. Coulter, Executor, 508 Rockavon Road, Narberth, Pennsylvania 19072 or Marguerite Nealon, Esquire, 1235 Westlakes Drive, Suite 225, Berwyn, PA 19312, Attorney for the Estate.

**ESTATE OF JOHN J. CUMMINGS, SR.**, late of Jefferson Twp., Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, who died on May 4, 2020. Letters of Administration have been granted to Samantha Hayden, Administrator of the Estate, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make them known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to the Administrator named herein or to the attorney for the Estate at: Edwin A. Abrahamsen, Jr., 1006 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503.

**ESTATE OF ARTHUR A. ESCHENBACH, JR.**, late of Clarks Summit, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, deceased (Died February 2, 2020) Letters of Testamentary have been granted in the above estate to Teresa H. Eschenbach, Executrix or James J. Powell, III, Esq., Powell Law, 527 Linden Street, Scranton, PA 18503. All persons having claims against the estate are requested to present them in writing and all persons indebted to the estate to make payment to it in care of the Attorney noted above.

**ESTATE OF NICHOLAS FICK A/K/A NICK FICK**, late of Spring Brook Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, deceased (Died May 6, 2020) Letters of Testamentary have been granted in the above Estate to Cameron Fick, Executors or James J. Powell, III, Esq., Powell Law, 527 Linden Street, Scranton, PA 18503. All persons having claims against the estate are requested to present them in writing and all persons indebted to the estate to make payment to it in care of the Attorney noted above.

IN RE: **ESTATE OF JOHN ANTHONY HENRY**, late of Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania (Died July 8, 2020). Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have been granted to Delia B. Miller. All persons indebted to the said estate are required to make payment and those having claims to present the same without delay to the Executrix named above or to Eugene Daniel Lucas, Esquire, 801 North Washington Avenue, Scranton, PA 18509.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF ELEANOR LISIAK A/K/A ELEANOR A. LISIAK**, Deceased, late of 1189 Lakeland Drive, Scott Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania 18433, who died on June 28, 2020. All persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands are to present same, without delay, to the Executor, Michael David Lisiak, or Michael N. Krisa, Attorney for the Estate, 3397 Scranton/Carbondale Highway, Suite 4, Blakely, Pennsylvania 18447.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary in the **ESTATE OF JEAN M. PICKUTOSKI**, (date of Death: May 26, 2020) late of the Borough of Blakely, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment and those having claims shall present them for settlement to: EDWARD J. PICKUTOSKI, EXECUTOR, BRENDA D. COLBERT, Esquire, COLBERT & GREBAS, P.C., 210 Montage Mountain Road – Suite A, Moosic, PA 18507.

**ESTATE OF TIMOTHY RYAN**, late of Blakely, PA (died February 28, 2020). Letters Testamentary having been granted to Kristen Ryan. All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to said Estate will make payment immediately, and those having claims will present them for settlement to Kristen Ryan, Executrix, or to: Tullio DeLuca, Attorney for the Estate, 381 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Scranton, PA 18504.

**ESTATE OF MICHAEL A. SABATELLE, A/K/A MICHAEL SABATELLE, A/K/A MICHAEL ANTHONY SABATELLE, A/K/A M.A. CARMEN SABATELLE**, late of Dunmore, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, deceased (Died December 12, 2019) Letters of Testamentary have been granted in the above estate to Angelo J. Sabatelle, Executor or James J. Powell, III, Esq., Powell Law, 527 Linden Street, Scranton, PA 18503. All persons having claims against the estate are requested to present them in writing and all persons indebted to the estate to make payment to it in care of the Attorney noted above.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF RUTH C. SWEET**, late of the Borough of Dalton, County of Lackawanna, Pennsylvania, who died 06/22/2020. All persons indebted to the said estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to the Executrix, Cynthia S. Wolken, or

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James P. Phillips, Jr, Esquire, the attorney for the estate at 731 Cliff Drive, Lake Ariel PA 18436.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the **ESTATE OF RICHARD E. VANDERBURG**, Date of death May 15, 2020. All persons indebted to the said estate are required to make payment and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to the attorney for the estate Matthew L. Meagher, Esquire, 1018 Church St., Honesdale, PA 18431.

**ESTATE OF BRYAN ANTHONY WILSON**, late of Scranton, Pennsylvania (died May 16, 2020). Letters of Administration have been issued to Patrick Walsh, Administrator of the Estate. All those indebted to said estate are required to make payment and those having claims to present the same without delay to the Administrator for the Estate at 715 N. State Street, Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

### CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition for Change of Name was filed by Rocquisha Shields-Porter, in the Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County to No. 2020 CIV 2615 and prays for a Decree to change Rocquisha Shields-Porter to Rocci M. Shields. The Court has fixed 9/25/2020 at 9:30 a.m. as the date and time of the hearing.

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### CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition for Change of Name was filed by Maria Lynn Day, in the Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County to No. 2020 CIV 2763 and prays for a Decree to change Maria Lynn Day to Ryland Gray Day. The Court has fixed 9/25/2020 at 9:30 a.m. as the date and time of the hearing.

T1-9/4

### CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition for Change of Name was filed by Neeraj Sachin William Dhanraj, in the Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County to No. 2020 CIV 3171 and prays for a Decree to change Neeraj Sachin William Dhanraj to William Damon Brijmohan. The Court has fixed 10/30/2020 at 9:00 a.m. as the date and time of the hearing.

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### CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Certificate of Organization- Domestic Limited Liability Company of **Loomis Residential LLC** was filed with and approved by the Pennsylvania Department of State on July 27, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988.

KREDER BROOKS HAILSTONE LLP  
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### NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON  
PLEAS OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY

ERIC WYCKOFF, Administrator Of the Estate of William W.  
Wyckoff 4 North Road, Clifton Township, PA 18424

v.

EDWARD LEADER  
Last Known Address of  
Lehigh Road  
Covington Twp, Gouldsboro PA 18424  
AND ALL

Unknown Parties claiming by  
through, under and against the above named  
Defendants, who are not known to be  
dead or alive, whether said Unknown  
Parties may claim an interest as Spouse,  
Heirs, Devises, Grantees, or Other  
Claimant(s), Wherever they are located.

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### ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

Plaintiff has filed and ACTION TO QUIET TITLE to divest your possible ownership rights in the property located Ward 01 Block 12 Lot 3 and as such Two (2) parcels at Deed Book 879-559, on the Lackawanna County Recorder of Deeds at Tax Parcel number 228.01-01-88, as more fully sent forth in the Complaint filed to the term and number above. YOU HAVE BEEN SUED IN COURT. IF YOU WISH TO DEFEND AGAINST THE CLAIMS SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING PAGES, YOU MUST TAKE ACTION WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS AFTER THIS COMPLAINT AND NOTICE ARE ADVERTISED, BY ENTERING A WRITTEN APPEARANCE PERSONALLY OR BY ATTORNEY MAILING IN WRITING WITH THE COURT, YOUR DEFENSES OR OBJECTIONS TO THE CLAIMS SET FORTH AGAINST YOU. YOU ARE WARNED THAT IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO, THE CASE MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOU AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU BY THE COURT WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE FOR ANY MONEY CLAIMED IN THE COMPLAINT OR FOR ANY OTHER CLAIM OR RELIEF REQUESTED BY THE PLAINTIFF. YOU MAY LOSE MONEY OR PROPERTY OR OTHER RIGHTS IMPORTANT TO YOU. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS NOTICE TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.

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