

**ESTATE AND  
TRUST 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. Notice is also hereby given of the existence of the trusts of the deceased settlors set forth below for whom no personal representatives have been appointed within 90 days of death. All persons having claims or demands against said estates or trusts are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estates or trusts are requested to make payment, without delay, to the executors or administrators or trustees or to their attorneys named below.

**FIRST PUBLICATION**

**HEWITT, JAMES W., JR. a/k/a  
JAMES HEWITT, Dec'd.**

Late of Summit Hill.

Executor: Robert Bynon c/o Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

Attorneys: Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

**MIKOVICH, ELIZABETH C.,  
Dec'd.**

Late of Nesquehoning.

Executrix: Diane Bochicchio c/o Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

Attorneys: Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

**SILFIES, STEPHANIE a/k/a  
STEPHANIE WENTZ, Dec'd.**

Late of 259 South Seventh Street, Lehighton.

Executor: Robert W. Silfies.

Attorneys: Sebelin & Sebelin, P.C., 301 South 3rd Street, Lehighton, PA 18235.

**SMITH, NEIL G., Dec'd.**

Late of 642 Mauch Chunk Road, Palmerton.

Executors: Brenda L. Rinker a/k/a Brenda Lee Rinker, 511 Lehigh Gap Street, Walnutport, PA 18088 and Ricky L. Smith, 610 Lehigh Avenue, Palmerton, PA 18071.

Attorneys: Matthew G. Schnell, Esquire, Strubinger Law, P.C., 505 Delaware Avenue, P.O. Box 158, Palmerton, PA 18071-0158.

**SMITH, TODD S., Dec'd.**

Late of Towamensing Township.

Executrix: Carol A. Smith, 40 Helen Street, Palmerton, PA 18071.

Attorneys: Angela M. Stehle, Esquire, Law Office of Shab-bick & Stehle, 533 Delaware Avenue, Palmerton, PA 18071.

**SECOND PUBLICATION**

**GETZ, LAURA THELMA a/k/a  
LAURA T. GETZ a/k/a LAU-  
RA GETZ, Dec'd.**

Late of the Borough of Pal-merton.

Executrices: Cindy L. Nanovic, 71 White Birch Drive, Jim Thorpe, PA 18229 and Tina M. Nanovic, 75 Wargo Road, Jim Thorpe, PA 18229.

Attorneys: Thomas S. Nanovic, Esquire, Nanovic Law Offices, 57 Broadway, P.O. Box 359, Jim Thorpe, PA 18229-0359.

**ZERN, KAY M.,** Dec'd.

Late of 996 Mill Road, Mahoning Township.

Personal Representative: James Gombert a/k/a James E. Gombert, Jr. c/o R. Nicholas Nanovic, Esquire, Gross McGinley, LLP, 33 South 7th Street, P.O. Box 4060, Allentown, PA 18105-4060.

Attorneys: R. Nicholas Nanovic, Esquire, Gross McGinley, LLP, 33 South 7th Street, P.O. Box 4060, Allentown, PA 18105-4060.

**THIRD PUBLICATION**

**CIGANEK, ANN L.,** Dec'd.

Late of Lansford.

Administrator: Gary S. Ciganek c/o Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

Attorneys: Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

**FRANTZ, WILLIAM S.,** Dec'd.

Late of Summit Hill.

Administratrix: Jean Elizabeth Seaver c/o Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Fryck-

lund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

Attorneys: Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

**MAHOLICK, MICHAEL A.,** Dec'd.

Late of Summit Hill.

Administrator: John P. Maholick c/o Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

Attorneys: Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire, Velitsky & Frycklund, 49 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

**MANGOLD, MARC E.,** Dec'd.

Late of 137 E. Railroad Street, Nesquehoning.

Administratrix: Patricia Ann Mangold, 135 South 6th St., Apt. B5, Leighton, PA 18235. Attorneys: Matthew G. Schnell, Esquire, Strubinger Law, P.C., 505 Delaware Avenue, P.O. Box 158, Palmeton, PA 18071-0158.

**WENTZ, MEGAN ANN,** Dec'd.

Late of Palmerton Borough.

Administratrix: Lisa Wentz, 542 Lafayette Ave., Palmeton, PA 18071.

Attorneys: Latisha Bernard Schuenemann, Esquire, Barley Snyder LLP, 2755 Century Blvd., Wyomissing, PA 19610.

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**REGISTER OF WILLS**

DICE, PAUL G. a/k/a PAUL DICE a/k/a PAUL GENE DICE, SR.; Weatherly, PA;

TORTORELLO, CLARISSA; Carbon County Clerk of Courts Office; 23-BOC-6424; 06/28/23; \$199.30

UHNAK, BRIAN T.; Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC; 23-CV-1202; 06/29/23; \$2,701.67  
July 7

**NOTICE OF ACTION IN  
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE**

IN THE COURT OF COMMON  
PLEAS, CARBON COUNTY  
CIVIL ACTION—LAW

Term No. 22-0530

Midfirst Bank, a Federally  
Chartered Savings Association  
Plaintiff

vs.

SANDRA BANKS &  
BRIAN PTASHINSKI  
Mortgagor and Real Owner  
Defendant

**ACTION OF MORTGAGE  
FORECLOSURE**

TO: SANDRA BANKS & BRIAN  
PTASHINSKI, MORTGAGOR  
AND REAL OWNER,  
DEFENDANT whose last  
known address is 32 Winter  
Green Lane a/k/a 32 Winter-  
green Lane, Jim Thorpe, PA  
18229

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COL-  
LECTOR AND WE ARE AT-  
TEMPTING TO COLLECT A

DEBT OWED TO OUR CLIENT.  
ANY INFORMATION OB-  
TAINED FROM YOU WILL BE  
USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
COLLECTING THE DEBT.

You are hereby notified that  
Plaintiff Midfirst Bank, a Feder-  
ally Chartered Savings Associa-  
tion, has filed a Mortgage Fore-  
closure Complaint endorsed  
with a notice to defend against  
you in the Court of Common  
Pleas of Carbon County, Penn-  
sylvania, docketed to No. 22-  
0530 wherein Plaintiff seeks to  
foreclose on the mortgage se-  
cured on your property located,  
32 Winter Green Lane a/k/a 32  
Wintergreen Lane, Jim Thorpe,  
PA 18229 whereupon your prop-  
erty will be sold by the Sheriff of  
Carbon.

**NOTICE**

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 the  
Complaint and notice are served,  
by entering a written appearance  
personally or by attorney and  
filing 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 en-  
tered against you by the Court  
without further notice for any

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money claim in the Complaint of 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 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. 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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Hazleton, PA 18201  
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COMMON PLEAS OF CARBON COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE  
Sheriff's Office, Courthouse Building, Jim Thorpe, PA

SHERIFF'S NOTICE: The Sheriff shall not be liable for loss or damage to the premises sold resulting from any cause whatsoever and makes no representation or warranty regarding the condition of the premises.

Notice is hereby given and directed to all parties in interest and claimants that a Schedule of Distribution will be filed by the Sheriff on July 24, 2023 and that distribution will be made in accordance with that Schedule unless exceptions are filed thereto within ten (10) days thereafter.

DANIEL ZEIGLER  
Sheriff, County of Carbon  
www.carboncountysheriff.com  
June 23, 30; July 7

**Sale of the real estate shall be held on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. online at [www.bid4assets.com](http://www.bid4assets.com).**

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**SALE #1**

Writ of Execution No.: 22-1042.

Property Address: 323 East Bertsch Street, Lansford, PA 18232.

Location: Borough of Lansford.

Improvements: Unknown.

Defendant: Raymond Balram.

**SALE #2**

Writ of Execution No.: 18-1754.

Property Address: 21 Lipuma Drive, Lake Harmony, PA 18624.

Location: Kidder Township.

Improvements: Residential property.

Defendant: Charon Copeland a/k/a Charon S. Copeland a/k/a Charon Shemekia Copeland.

**SALE #3**

Writ of Execution No.: 20-0337.

Property Address: 650 Lafayette Avenue, Palmerton, PA 18071.

Location: Borough of Palmerton.

Improvements: Residential dwelling.

Defendants: Natasha Garger and Steven Thorne.

**SALE #4**

Writ of Execution No.: 22-1837.

Property Address: 90-92 Packerton Dam Drive, Lehighton, PA 18235.

Location: Township of Mahoning.

Improvements: Unknown.

Defendants: John I. Velez and Debra Velez.