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### SCHEDULED EVENTS

Additional information about any of these events is available on the Lycoming Law Association website at [www.lycolaw.org](http://www.lycolaw.org).

- 7/13/2015 – LLA Executive Committee Meeting:** *Regular monthly meeting.*  
**Time:** 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Office
- 7/15/2015 – LLA Summer Outing on the Hiawatha:** *Summer gathering for food and drink aboard the Hiawatha, cruising the Susquehanna River.* **Time:** 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. **Location:** Hiawatha paddle boat
- 8/3/2015 – Bench Bar Committee Meeting:** *Quarterly meeting of the committee.*  
**Time:** 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Office

Lycoming Law Association Members are kindly asked to consider a donation to the Lycoming Law Association Foundation in memory of a deceased Member. The Foundation will notify the family of such Member that a gift was made by you.

Members of the Lycoming Law Association are reminded and urged to consider placing in your Wills a bequest to the Lycoming Law Association Foundation. As you probably know, your gift is tax deductible as the Foundation is a 501(c)(3) Organization.

**UPCOMING LYCOMING COUNTY CLE OPPORTUNITIES**

- 6/16/2015 – Effective Nonprofits & Ethical Issues for Attorney Board Members:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 3 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 6/17/2015 – Eat & Earn: Expungements:** “*Expungements and the Lifelong Consequences of a Criminal Record.*” Presented by: David K. Trevaskis, Esq. **CLE credits:** 1 Ethics **Time:** 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 6/19/2015 – Powerful and Ethical Witness Preparation:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 5 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 6/22/2015 – Sentencing in PA State Courts:** *PBI Groupcast.* **CLE credits:** 4 Substantive **Time:** 12:00 PM to 4:15 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 6/24/2015 – General Practitioners Update:** **CLE credits:** 5 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 8:30 AM to 3:45 PM. **Location:** Lycoming Law Association Conference Center
- 6/26/2015 – U.S. Supreme Court 2013/14 Term: Review of the Top Cases Argued and Preview Cases to Be Argued:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 3 Substantive **Time:** 9:00 AM to 11:15 AM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 6/29/2015 – New Rules for Disciplinary Board That Every Lawyer Should Know:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 1 Ethics **Time:** 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. **Location:** Lycoming Law Association Office
- 7/1/2015 – Evidence for Criminal Attorneys:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 2 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 7/8/2015 – Medicare Set Asides & Structured Settlements:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 2 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 7/10/2015 – The Nuts and Bolts of Contract Drafting:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 6 Substantive **Time:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 7/13/2015 – Title Insurance 101:** *PBI Groupcast.* **CLE credits:** 5 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 4:15 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 7/14/2015 – Smart Phone and Mobile Apps for Lawyers:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 2 Substantive **Time:** 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 7/17/2015 – Estate Planning: Beyond Basics:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 5 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center

- 7/22/2015** – **Law of Arrest Search and Seizure:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 4 Substantive **Time:** 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 7/30/2015** – **Internet Legal Research:** *PBI Groupcast.* **CLE credits:** 2 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 12:30 PM to 3:45 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 7/31/2015** – **Winning at Trial:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 5 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 8/4/2015** – **Do Lawyers Still Need Wisdom in an Information Age?:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 8/6/2015** – **Estate and Family Planning for the 21st Century Family:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 3 Substantive **Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 8/7/2015** – **Solving Drivers Licensing Problems:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 6 Substantive **Time:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 8/12/2015** – **The Ethics of Pro Bono: Doing Good the Right Way:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 8/14/2015** – **Litigating in Orphans' Court:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 5 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 8/18/2015** – **Understanding the Basics of Elder Law:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 5 Substantive / 1 Ethics **Time:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 8/20/2015** – **Hot Topics in Capital Cases – Part II:** *PBI Groupcast.* **CLE credits:** 4 Substantive **Time:** 12:00 PM to 4:15 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center
- 8/26/2015** – **Who's on First? Lien Priority in PA:** *PBI Video Replay.* **CLE credits:** 3 Substantive **Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. **Location:** LLA Conference Center

**\*PBI Seminar.** For tuition, registration, and all other information, please contact PBI Customer Service at (800) 247-4724, or online at [www.pbi.org](http://www.pbi.org). Unless otherwise noted, this seminar is being held at the Lycoming Law Association Offices at 25 West Third Street, Suite 803, Williamsport, PA. Additional fees may be assessed for registration at the door.

**\*\*LLA Seminar.** For tuition, registration, location, and all other information, please contact Michele Frey at the LLA Office at (570) 323-8287, by email at [mfrey@lycolaw.org](mailto:mfrey@lycolaw.org), or online at [www.lycolaw.org](http://www.lycolaw.org).

The full text of the following Lycoming County Court opinions is reported at [www.lycolaw.org/Cases/search.asp](http://www.lycolaw.org/Cases/search.asp).

- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Justice** (06/09/2015)—Judge Marc F. Lovecchio  
Criminal: Post Conviction Relief Act petition; timeliness; retroactive application of *Alleyne*; legality of sentence; unlawfully induced guilty plea. (Justice060915L)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Snyder** (06/03/2015)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Post-sentence motion; inconsistent verdict; acquittal of statutory sexual assault, but guilty of corruption of minors; sufficiency of evidence of corruption of minors. (Snyder060315bt)
- ▶ **CMB Adoption** (06/05/2015)—Judge Joy Reynolds McCoy  
Adoption: Petition for involuntary termination of parental rights; settled purpose to relinquish parental claim to a child for at least six months; clear and convincing evidence; lack of contact or relationship with any of the putative fathers; developmental, physical and emotional needs and welfare of the child. (AdoptionofCMB060115m)
- ▶ **GLS and EJS Adoption** (05/29/2015)—Judge Joy Reynolds McCoy  
Adoption: Petition for involuntary termination of parental rights; settled purpose to relinquish parental claim to a child for at least six months; clear and convincing evidence; consideration to the developmental, physical and emotional needs and welfare of children; lack of relationship with children. (AdoptionofGLSandEJS052915m)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Graham** (06/03/2015)—Judge Marc F. Lovecchio  
Criminal: Appeal; Post Conviction Hearing Act petition; waiver of claims for failure to raise new issue in response to court's notice to dismiss; issues decided on direct appeal; hybrid representation issue in request for transcripts; requirement to impose statutory maximum sentence. (Graham060315L)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Segraves** (06/03/2015)—Judge Marc F. Lovecchio  
Criminal: Commonwealth appeal of grant of Post Conviction Relief Act petition; waiver of issues raised for the first time on appeal; trial counsel lacking reasonable basis for failing to witness who would have impeached the victim; prejudice; case hinging on the credibility of the victim. (Segraves060315L)

## 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

**Miller, Catherine a/k/a Catherine J.**

**Miller a/k/a Catherine I. Miller a/k/a Catherine Irene Miller,** dec'd.

Late of Williamsport.

Administrator: Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 270 West Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorneys: Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 270 West Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 321-0709.

**Miller, Leona P.,** dec'd.

Late of the Township of Loyalsock. Executor: Woodlands Bank, 2450 E. Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorney: Joseph L. Rider, Esquire, 143 West Fourth Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

### SECOND PUBLICATION

**Harris, Betty L. a/k/a Betty Lou Harris,** dec'd.

Late of Fairfield Township.

Executor: William L. Harris, 461 Mall Road, Montoursville, PA 17754.

Attorneys: Thomas D. Hess, Esquire, Hess and Hess, P.C., 30 South Main Street, Hughesville, PA 17737.

**Miller, Lillian M.,** dec'd.

Late of the Township of Loyalsock. Executors: Jack W. Miller, 70 Woodward Drive, York, PA 17406 and Woodlands Bank, 2450 E. Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorney: Joseph L. Rider, Esquire, 143 West Fourth Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

**Miller, Roseltha Lydia,** dec'd.

Late of McHenry Township.

Co-Executors: Ernest L. Miller, 2900 Rt. 414 Highway, Jersey Mills, PA 17739 and Dale D. Miller, 5868 N. Rt. 44 Highway, Jersey Shore, PA 17740.

Attorneys: Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 270 West Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 321-0709.

**Saxton, Patricia L.,** dec'd.

Late of Montoursville.

Executrix: Dana Jean Mack, 323 Sydney Street, Montoursville, PA 17754. Attorneys: Ann S. Pepperman, Esquire, McCormick Law Firm, 835 West Fourth Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

**Steppe, Lewis F., Sr.,** dec'd.

Late of the Township of Bastress. Executrix: Nicole L. Confair, 7880 S. Route 44, Williamsport, PA 17702. Attorney: Joseph L. Rider, Esquire, 143 West Fourth Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

**Surfield, Barbara Ann,** dec'd.

Late of Williamsport.

Executrix: Vicki L. Cowher, 2122 Lincoln St., Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorneys: Christopher H. Kenyon,  
Esquire, McCormick Law Firm, 835  
West Fourth Street, Williamsport,  
PA 17701.

Attorneys: Lester L. Greevy, Jr.,  
Esquire, Greevy & Associates, 5741  
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**THIRD PUBLICATION**

**Bish, Helen R.**, dec'd.

Late of Hepburn Township.

Administratrix: Deborah Berrigan,  
Eldercare Solutions, Inc., P.O. Box  
355, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Vassallo, Rudolph B.**, dec'd.

Late of the City of Williamsport.

Executrix: Carla A. Vassallo, 5733  
Thunder Hill Road, Columbia, MD  
21045.

Attorneys: Adrienne J. Stahl, Esquire,  
Steinbacher & Stahl, 413 Washington  
Boulevard, Williamsport, PA 17701.

**T**he Lycoming Law Association Foundation is a tax-exempt not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation. The mission of the Foundation is to cultivate the science of jurisprudence, improve the legal and judicial system and facilitate the administration of justice for residents of Lycoming County.

The Foundation provides funding for worthwhile law-related community projects and activities, in addition to supporting the Williamsport Office of North Penn Legal Services, which has provided civil legal services on a wide range of high priority legal problems to poor people in Lycoming County since 1974.

The Foundation is funded through the support of the members of the Lycoming Law Association. This support comes in various forms: from member dues, income from the *Lycoming Reporter*; donations by individual lawyer members of the Lycoming County Bar; donations by other individuals, lawyer family members, and estates.

The Lycoming Law Association's Community Activities and Outreach Committee is responsible to advise and assist the Foundation in administering funds for community projects of merit. The Committee is actively involved in reviewing grant applications and in making recommendations to the Foundation and the Association's Executive Committee concerning the funding of worthwhile projects and activities.

For additional information regarding the Foundation and its procedures, contact Michele Frey, Executive Director, at (570) 323-8287 or [mfrey@lycolaw.org](mailto:mfrey@lycolaw.org).

**Do you know what your  
LYCOMING LAW ASSOCIATION  
FOUNDATION**

**has done to improve the delivery of legal services in our community, facilitate learning about the legal system, and enhance the image of the organized Bar?**

**Assigned over \$47,500.00** in Arbitration Fees to North Penn Legal Services to promote and facilitate the delivery of legal services to indigent persons in Lycoming County over the last six years

**Granted \$500.00** to the Changing Lives Through Literature Program to assist in the purchase of books.

**Granted \$3,000.00** to West Branch School to assist in funding a trip for students to travel to Washington, DC and visit the Supreme Court and the Houses of Congress

**Granted \$6,000.00** to North Penn Legal Services to assist in funding an AmeriCorp position

**Granted \$2,000.00** to CASA to assist in developing the CCAP curriculum and train program staff and volunteers

**Granted \$1,245.00** to North Penn Legal Services so that one of their Staff Attorneys could attend a Fair Debt Collection Act Boot Camp Seminar in San Francisco

**Granted \$1,489.00** to North Penn Legal Services so that one of their Staff Attorneys could attend a Consumer Rights Litigation Conference in Philadelphia

**Granted \$2,952.00** to the Law Library at the JV Brown Library for the initial digitization of its current collection of 140 local ordinances

**Granted \$1,000.00** to the Curtin PTO toward their Ben Carson Reading Room Project

**Granted \$2,945.00** to CASA of Lycoming County, so that the CASA Director and the CASA Coordinator of Early Education could attend at a three day national conference on Children and the Law held at Harvard Law School

**Granted \$2,625.00** to North Penn Legal Services to fund the costs of a law student's employment at NPLS for ten weeks during a summer

**Granted \$250.00** to Susquehanna Home Care & Hospice for the Nurse Family Partnership to purchase reference books for nurses to use with low income families

**Granted \$1,250.00** to CASA for the purchase of a computer system and necessary software

**Granted \$2,200.00** to North Penn Legal Services for the development of a customized Lycoming County Child Custody Video

**Granted \$1,500.00** to Wise Options (on behalf of the Domestic Violence Task Force) for the preparation, printing and distribution of a county protocol for domestic violence calls

**Granted \$1,000.00** to North Penn Legal Services to assist in funding a Medicare Part D Provider Education Training

**Granted \$7,500.00** to the Lycoming County Historical Society for the interpretation, archiving and digitalization of historical legal documents owned by the Taber Museum

**Granted \$2,750.00** to Lycoming County for training necessary to establish a Domestic Fatality Review Team

**Established** a Pro Bono Litigation Costs Reimbursement Fund

Request for Grant Funding should be directed to the LLA Community Activities and Outreach and Committee. Information is available on the LLA website at <http://www.lycolaw.org/Committees/LLAfoundation.htm>

Please consider the Lycoming Law Association Foundation when making planned gifts.

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