IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA : NO. 02-11,243

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: CRIMINAL DIVISION: Motion to Suppress

ROBERT D. LEWIS, :

VS.

Defendant :

OPINION AND ORDER

Defendant was charged with driving under the influence and related offenses after being stopped by an officer of the Pennsylvania College of Technology Campus Police on May 25, 2002. In the instant Motion to Suppress, argument on which was heard October 16, 2002, Defendant contends the stop was illegal and that any evidence obtained as a result thereof must be suppressed. Specifically, Defendant contends the officer was outside of his jurisdiction as he was not on school property.

Pursuant to Section 2416.1 of the Administrative Code, Campus Police have the power to apprehend and arrest and charge criminal offenders for acts committed on the grounds or within 500 yards of the grounds of the college or university. 71 P.S. Section 646.1(a)(6). Defendant does not contest the Commonwealth's assertion that location of the stop was within 500 yards of the Pennsylvania College of Technology. The officer therefore clearly had jurisdiction to effectuate the stop and Defendant's Motion to Suppress must be denied.

<u>ORDER</u>

AND NOW, this 1st day of November, 2002, for the foregoing reasons, Defendant's Motion to Suppress is hereby denied.

By the Court,

Dudley N. Anderson, Judge

cc: DA

James Protasio, Esq. Gary Weber, Esq.

Hon Dudley N. Anderson