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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).

**12/23/2025 – Criminal Brown Bag Lunch Meeting:** *Regularly scheduled Criminal Committee meeting. All members are invited to attend.* **Time:** 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

**1/12/2026 – Executive Committee Meeting:** *Regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the LLA Executive Committee.* **Time:** 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

**1/12/2026 – LLA & LLA Foundation Annual Meetings:** *2026 Annual Meetings of the LLA and LLA Foundation. Please plan to attend!* **Time:** 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

**1/12/2026 – LLA Annual Banquet & Awards Ceremony:** *Mark your calendars—Details forthcoming!* **Time:** 5:30 PM

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETINGS

The Lycoming Law Association and the Lycoming Law Association Foundation will hold its annual meetings on Monday, January 12, 2026, at 4:00 PM. Please plan to attend.

Dec. 12, 19, 26; Jan. 2

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. Schultz** (12/15/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Habeas corpus petition; use of hearsay to establish prima facie case; sufficiency of evidence of theft offenses supported by non-hearsay and circumstantial evidence that defendant had access to scrap metal belonging to another and was found to have sold scrap metal for his own benefit. (Schultz121525bt) (Posted: December 15, 2025)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Legare** (12/01/2025)—Judge Ryan C. Gardner  
Criminal: Habeas corpus petition; sufficiency of evidence that juvenile was carrying a weapon without a license where he was seen shooting the gun; sufficiency of evidence of possession of instrument of crime and criminal use of communication facility, where the cell phone was not used to commit the crime, but to facilitate the crime; criteria considered in determining motion to decertify and transfer murder case to juvenile court; decertification not serving the public interest. (legare120125RG) (Posted: December 15, 2025)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Nottingham** (12/05/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Motion to dismiss information treated as post conviction relief act petition; timeliness; waiver for failure to raise known issue before trial; defects to arrest warrant waived if not raised before preliminary hearing; attempt to collaterally challenge sentence through right to know law appeal. (Nottingham120525b) (Posted: December 13, 2025)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Perez** (12/05/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Post conviction relief petition; timeliness; merits of issue raised in petition. (Perez120525bt) (Posted: December 13, 2025)
- ▶ **Charles vs. Martin and State Farm Mutual Insurance Company** (12/12/2025)—Judge Eric R. Linhardt  
Civil: Preliminary objection to allegation of recklessness and gross negligence; sufficiency of evidence of intoxication to support claim for punitive damages. (charles121225Li) (Posted: December 13, 2025)

- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Wilson** (12/02/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Motion to set bail; constitutional right to bail except for limited circumstances; sufficiency of concern that defendant would abuse children because he possessed artificially generated child pornography, as basis to deny bail; ability to abate danger with bail conditions; need for hearing to set bail conditions. (Wilson121025bt) (Posted: December 12, 2025)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Burks** (12/02/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Appeal. (burks120225bt3) (Posted: December 12, 2025)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Burks** (12/02/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Appeal. (120225bt2) (Posted: December 12, 2025)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Fogan** (12/02/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Appeal. (fogan120225bt) (Posted: December 12, 2025)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Burks** (12/02/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Appeal. (burks120225bt1) (Posted: December 12, 2025)
- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Cleveland** (12/11/2025)—Judge Nancy L. Butts  
Criminal: Post conviction relief act petition in homicide case; factual basis for guilty plea; waiver of claim not raised before trial or on appeal; lack of support for accidental or self-defense shooting, particularly where defendant was not permitted to have a gun; use of deadly weapon on vital part of victim's body to show malice and intent; defendant's agreement that jury could find intention to harm by shooting at officer, even though he denied that intent, is sufficient to validate guilty plea; reasonable basis for counsel to facilitate plea; lack of prejudice in failure of counsel to advise defendant of death penalty moratorium, where he knew about it from other sources; questionable viability of evidence of aggravating circumstances as rendering guilty plea involuntary. (Cleveland121125bt) (Posted: December 12, 2025)

*LLCA Annual Banquet  
& Awards Ceremony*

Le Jeune Chef | 1098 Hagan Way | Williamsport

(1) Chicken Piccata; (2) Flat Iron Steak with Mushroom and Madeira Sauce; (3) Eggplant Parmesan

**Cost: \$35 per person (members and one adult guest)**

**Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Eight New Lawyers Admitted to Lycoming Law Association**

Last week, a new group of dedicated, hardworking attorneys were officially admitted to practice law here in Lycoming County! This achievement represents years of commitment, late nights of studying, and a passion for justice.

Lycoming's legal community grows stronger with each new member, and we're thrilled to welcome these talented professionals to the LLA. Congratulations - we can't wait to see the positive impact you'll make in our courts, our community, and beyond.



**Pictured are, in the back row: Lycoming County Judge Ryan Tira, Richard Nathaniel Dixon III, Nicholas D. Grimes, Joshua Michael Dinges, Chase Sherwood Dudek, Jessica Marian Lehman, Lycoming County judges Eric Linhardt and Ryan Gardner, and in front: Skylar Autumn Cunningham, Laci E. Freas, Maureen Milagros Archibold Carrion and Lycoming County President Judge Nancy Butts.**

**ESTATE AND TRUST NOTICES**

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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****Domino, Harold Scott a/k/a Harold S. Domino, dec'd.**

Late of Williamsport.

Executrix: Susan L. Domino, 166 Laurel Run Circle, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorney: Scott A. Williams, Esquire, 57 East Fourth Street, P.O. Box 3, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Emery, William G. a/k/a William George Emery, dec'd.**

Late of Williamsport.

Executrix: Pamela L. Emery, 1215 Market Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorney: Richard G. Scheib, Esquire, 11 Reitz Blvd., Suite 102, Lewisburg, PA 17837-9293.

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**Entz, Doris E., dec'd.**

Late of Old Lycoming Township.

Co-Executors: Mark E. Entz and W. Gregory Entz c/o Matthew J. Parker, Esquire, Marshall, Parker & Weber, LLC, 49 E. Fourth Street, Suite 105, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorneys: Matthew J. Parker, Esquire, Marshall, Parker & Weber, LLC, 49 E. Fourth Street, Suite 105, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Hoffman, David L., dec'd.**

Late of Linden.

Executor: Shirley A. Hoffman, 20 N. Broad Street, Hughesville, PA 17737.

Attorneys: Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 445 Elmira Street, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 321-0709.

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**Karchner, Jack N., dec'd.**

Late of Williamsport.

Executor: Jeffrey S. Karchner, 835 West 8th Street, S. Williamsport, PA 17702.

Attorneys: Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 445 Elmira Street, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 321-0709.

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**Miller, Janelle D., dec'd.**

Late of Jersey Shore.

Executor: Wayne C. Houseknecht, Jr.

Attorneys: David F. Wilk, Esquire, Lepley, Engelman, Yaw & Wilk, LLC, 140 East Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Motter, Craig E., dec'd.**

Late of Williamsport.

Executor: Susan Motter, 1880 Motters Lane, Williamsport, PA 17701-1057.

Attorneys: Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 445 Elmira Street, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 321-0709.

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**SECOND PUBLICATION****Beiter, Anita M., dec'd.**

Late of the City of Montoursville.

Executors: Angela M. Welty and Robert T. Beiter.



Attorneys: Julieanne E. Steinbacher, Esquire, Steinbacher, Goodall & Yurchak, 413 Washington Boulevard, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Burchanowski, Mary H.,** dec'd.

Late of Montoursville.

Executor: Peter Burchanowski, 161 Dogwood Lane, Hughesville, PA 17737.

Attorneys: Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 445 Elmira Street, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 321-0709.

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**Corson, Marlene W.,** dec'd.

Late of the City of Muncy.

Executor: Marilyn Ann McCarty.

Attorneys: Jaime M. Leon, Esquire, Steinbacher, Goodall & Yurchak, 413 Washington Boulevard, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Knarr, Howard T., Jr.,** dec'd.

Late of Susquehanna Township.

Executrix: Faye M. Schmoke c/o Matthew J. Parker, Esquire, Marshall, Parker & Weber, LLC, 49 E. Fourth Street, Suite 105, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorneys: Matthew J. Parker, Esquire, Marshall, Parker & Weber, LLC, 49 E. Fourth Street, Suite 105, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**MacGill, Deane B.,** dec'd.

Late of 1251 Rural Avenue, Williamsport.

Executor: George Scott MacGill, 3812 Slack's Run Road, Trout Run, PA 17771.

Attorney: G. Scott Gardner, Attorney at Law, 1000 Commerce Park Drive, Suite 310-B, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 971-0090.

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**Rothermel, Joann J.,** dec'd.

Late of Montoursville.

The Joann J. Rothermel Protector Trust, dated June 23, 2015.

Settlor: Joann J. Rothermel.

Trustees: Nichole K. Warden and James R. Rothermel, II.

Attorneys: Jaime M. Leon, Esquire, Steinbacher, Goodall & Yurchak, 413 Washington Boulevard, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Smith, Dora M. a/k/a Dora Mae Smith,** dec'd.

Late of the Borough of Montgomery.

Co-Executors: Daniel M. Smith and Douglas M. Smith c/o Malee Law Firm, P.C., 310 East Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorneys: Malee Law Firm, P.C., 310 East Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Springman, Elaine K.,** dec'd.

Late of the Township of Hepburn.

Executors: Lisa M. Fulkrod, 75 Hunters Lane, Trout Run, PA 17771 and Mark A. Springman, 3749 Lycoming Creek Road, Cogan Station, PA 17728.

Attorney: Paul A. Roman, Esquire, 1700 Four Mile Drive, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Walker, Judy E.,** dec'd.

Late of Williamsport.

Executor: Erin P. Walker.

Attorneys: McNerney, Page, Vanderlin & Hall, 433 Market Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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**Yaggie, Richard A., Sr.,** dec'd.

Late of 321 Mulberry Street, Montoursville.

Executors: Richard A. Yaggie, Jr., 312 Almost Country Road, Cogan Station, PA 17728.

Attorney: G. Scott Gardner, Attorney at Law, 1000 Commerce Park Drive, Suite 310-B, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 971-0090.

### THIRD PUBLICATION

**Fila, Carl J.**, dec'd.

Late of Williamsport.

Co-Executors: Connie F. McLaughlin, 1405 Mosquito Valley Road, S. Williamsport, PA 17702 and Alan G. Fila, 160 Overhill Road, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorney: Michael J. Casale, Jr., Esquire, 175 Pine Street, Ste. 106, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 601-1298.

ness Corporation Law of 1988, so that its corporate existence shall cease upon the filing of the Certificate of Dissolution in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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**Heverly, Richard E.**, dec'd.

Late of South Williamsport.

Executrix: Janice L. Marshall, 753 Brick Church Rd., Montgomery, PA 17752.

Attorney: None.

### SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

Montgomery Area School District—  
Request for Proposals—  
Solicitor Services

**Snyder, Barbara Anne a/k/a Barbara A. Snyder**, dec'd.

Late of Montoursville.

Executor: Sheri Grozier, V.P., Woodlands Bank, 2450 East Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Attorneys: Matthew J. Parker, Esquire, Marshall, Parker & Weber, LLC, 49 East Fourth Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Montgomery Area School District is soliciting sealed proposals from qualified attorneys or law firms to serve as School District Solicitor. Preference will be given to firms with experience representing Pennsylvania public school districts. The Board reserves the right to interview all qualified candidates prior to appointment.

Specifications may be obtained from the District Business Office, 120 Penn Street, Montgomery, PA 17752.

Sealed proposals must be received no later than 01/06/2026 at 11:00 a.m. and must be clearly marked: "SOLICITOR SERVICES RFP—DO NOT OPEN".

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Montgomery Area School District

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