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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).

- 4/15/2024 – Judging Law Day Entries:** *All members are encouraged to join the 2024 Law Day Committee and assist with selecting this year's winners! Judging will continue on April 19th at noon if a second day is needed. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 4/16/2024 – Family Law Brown Bag Lunch Meeting:** *Regularly scheduled Family Law Committee meeting. All interested members are invited to attend. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 4/17/2024 – Community Outreach Committee Meeting:** *Quarterly meeting of the Community Outreach Committee. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 4/24/2024 – LLA Foundation Meeting:** *Quarterly meeting of the Lycoming Law Association Foundation. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 4/30/2024 – Criminal Brown Bag Lunch Meeting:** *Regularly scheduled Criminal Committee meeting. All interested members are invited to attend. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
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## UPCOMING LYCOMING COUNTY CLE OPPORTUNITIES

- 3/20/2024 – Eat & Earn—Changes to PA's Guardianship Statute:** *Presented by: Hon. William P. Carlucci, Elizabeth A. White, Esquire, and Dance F. Drier, Esquire. CLE Credits: 1 Substantive Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 4/25/2024 – Eat & Earn—Understanding the Basics of a Custody Trial:** *Presented by: William J. Miele, Esquire. CLE Credits: 1 Substantive Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 5/15/2024 – Eat & Earn—Topic Pending:** *Presented by: Julieanne Steinbacher. CLE Credits: 1 Substantive Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*

McCormick Law Firm is seeking an Associate Attorney to join the firm's diverse civil practice. The ideal candidate will possess experience in litigation; excellent technical and interpersonal skills; and, the energy and drive to take on writing and research assignments. McCormick Law Firm is looking for an Associate with talent to attend depositions, court hearings, and client meetings. Interested applicants should submit a resume to Emilie Ertel at [eertel@mcclaw.com](mailto:eertel@mcclaw.com).

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## Law Day Student Art & Essay Competition Underway!

This year's theme, "Voices of Democracy," recognizes that in democracies, the people rule. The contest is open to all Lycoming County students (private, public, and homeschooled). The winners of the contest will be celebrated at a ceremony at the county courthouse on May 17th.

Many thanks to the judges, lawyers, and paralegals that recently met at the Lycoming Law Association office to plan for this year's Lycoming County Law Day Competition.



*Photo: (standing, left to right) Michele Frey, Tammy Taylor, Robert Cronin, John Pietrovito, Stephanie Tempesco, Jennifer Linn, Jasmin Silver, Hon. Christian Frey, Jonathan Butterfield, Adrian Lee, and (seated) Ludo the Courthouse Dog with handler, Jerri Rook.*



## LYCOMING LAW ASSOCIATION

The Lycoming Law Association is pleased to announce that a **GRAND PRIZE** will be awarded to one student in the essay portion of the Law Day Competition. The **GRAND PRIZE**, which has been sponsored by District Attorney Tom Marino's Office, is a **\$1,000 cash prize!**



Several other cash prizes will be awarded to essay and art winners.

This year's theme, Voices of Democracy, recognizes that in democracies, the people rule. For nearly 250 years, Americans have expressed their political views and wishes by speaking their minds and voting in elections.

Information for entering the art and essay contest is available on the Lycoming County Law Day Facebook page or at [www.lycolaw.org](http://www.lycolaw.org)

The contest is open to all Lycoming County students (private, public, and homeschooled).

The winners of the contest will be celebrated at a ceremony at the county courthouse on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

*Photo: District Attorney Tom Marino (right) presents a check to the Law Day Chairman, Judge Christian Frey. The funds will be used to award a Grand Prize to an essay winner in this year's Law Day Competition.*

**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****Buries, Christopher J., dec'd.**

Late of 560 Pepper Street, Muncy.  
Administrators: Travis J. Buries, 553 Hepburn Street, Milton, PA 17847 and Danielle N. Gross, 1419 West Birchwood Avenue, Chicago, IL 60626.

Attorney: J. Howard Langdon, Esquire, 3 South Main Street, Muncy, PA 17756.

**Campbell, Gary K., dec'd.**

Late of Williamsport.  
Executrices: Andrea Dildine and Stephanie Campbell c/o Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 445 Elmira Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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

**Haas, Jean H., dec'd.**

Late of the Township of Loyalsock.  
Executrix: Susan H. Wolf, 709 Wilson Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.  
Attorney: Paul A. Roman, Esquire, 1700 Four Mile Drive, Williamsport, PA 17701.

**Helminiak, Gary S., dec'd.**

Late of 170 Main Road, Jersey Shore.  
Administratrix: Brittany L. Helminiak Fink, 25 Veteran's Lane, Trout Run, PA 17771.

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

**Jackson, Marilyn J., dec'd.**

Late of South Williamsport.  
Administrator: Kristopher Lorson c/o Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 445 Elmira Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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

**Jeannette, Edward T., dec'd.**

Late of the Township of Old Lycoming.

Executrix: Rebecca Jeannette.  
Attorneys: Julianne E. Steinbacher, Esquire, Steinbacher, Goodall & Yurchak, 413 Washington Boulevard, Williamsport, PA 17701.

**Prato, Joseph A., dec'd.**

Late of 514 Brandon Place, Williamsport.

Executrix: Carli A. Ashby, 1414 Elliott Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.  
Attorney: G. Scott Gardner, Esquire, 1000 Commerce Park Drive, Suite 310-B, Williamsport, PA 17701, (570) 971-0090.

**Schon, John E., dec'd.**

Late of Trout Run.  
Co-Administrators: Moranda A. Schon and Jesse R. Schon c/o Blake C. Marks, Esquire, Lepley, Engelman, Yaw & Wilk, LLC, 140 East Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.  
Attorneys: Blake C. Marks, Esquire, Lepley, Engelman, Yaw & Wilk, LLC, 140 East Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

**Sechrist, Robert L.,** dec'd.

Late of Jersey Shore.

Co-Executors: Robert L. Sechrist, Jr., 2220 Route 287 Hwy., Jersey Shore, PA 17740 and Daniel D. Sechrist, 1229 Allegheny St., Jersey Shore, PA 17740.

Attorney: Leroy H. Keiler, Esquire, 110 Oliver Street, Ste. 2, Jersey Shore, PA 17740, (570) 398-2750.

**Sellers, Eugene H. a/k/a Eugene Herman Sellers,** dec'd.

Late of the Township of Gamble.

Executrices: Suellen Smith, 5388 Pleasant Valley Road, Cogan Station, PA 17728 and Jean E. Moon, 2018 Wheatland Avenue, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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

**Steinruck, Hazel A. a/k/a Hazel Steinruck,** dec'd.

Late of Jordan Township.

Co-Executors: Betty J. Whitmoyer, 342 Legion Road, Millville, PA 17846, Teresa M. Gordner, 1271 Clyde Road, Unityville, PA 17774 and Joseph M. Steinruck, 758 Bottom Road, Millville, PA 17846.

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

**SECOND PUBLICATION****Brown, Lester L.,** dec'd.

Late of Jersey Shore.

Administrator: Jessica Drachler c/o Dance F. Drier, Esquire, Drier Law Office, 227 Allegheny Street, Jersey Shore, PA 17740.

Attorneys: Dance F. Drier, Esquire, Drier Law Office, 227 Allegheny Street, Jersey Shore, PA 17740.

**English, Florence,** dec'd.

Late of the City of Williamsport.

Administrator: Daniel D'Agnese, 8670 Avens Cir., Colorado Springs, CO 80920.

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

**Fullerton, Alice D.,** dec'd.

Late of the Township of Fairfield.

Executrix: Deborah C. Smith, 47 Loop Road, Watsontown, PA 17777.

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

**Hill, Jack E.,** dec'd.

Late of Montoursville.

Executrix: Jacqueline K. Emerick, 306 Allen Street, Montoursville, PA 17754.

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

**Philbin, Clara Ann,** dec'd.

Late of Loyalsock Township.

The Philbin Family Irrevocable Trust dated August 1, 2005.

Settlor: Clara Ann Philbin.

Trustee: Michael C. Philbin.

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

**Whitmoyer, Dorothy J. a/k/a Dorothy B. Whitmoyer a/k/a Dorothy Jane Whitmoyer a/k/a Dorthy Whitmoyer,** dec'd.

Late of Jordan Township.

Co-Executrices: Holly L. Opsomer, 150 North Railroad Street, Hughesville, PA 17737 and Kelly P. Makowski, 3928 Nantucket Circle, Grovetown, GA 30813.

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



**THIRD PUBLICATION****Ayers, Burton D., Jr.,** dec'd.

Late of the Township of Old Lycoming.

Executors: Natalie Fox and Nicole Edwards.

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

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**Bieber, Marjorie L.,** dec'd.

Late of Montoursville.

Co-Executors: Carol Biichle and Craig Bieber c/o Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 445 Elmira Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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

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**Burgit, Randall L.,** dec'd.

Late of Jersey Shore.

Executrix: Paula Burgit, 348 Glover Street, Jersey Shore, PA 17740.

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

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**Caruso, Stuart P.,** dec'd.

Late of Muncy.

Administratrix: Janelle M. Caruso, 177 North Second Street, Hughesville, PA 17737.

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

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**Confer, Viola J.,** dec'd.

Late of Wolf Township.

Co-Executors: Dean H. Confer, Jr., 2376 Neufer Hollow Road, Muncy, PA 17756 and Dawn M. Magargle, 2 West Plaza Drive, Hughesville, PA 17737.

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

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**Crossley, Marla H.,** dec'd.

Late of Loyalsock Township.

The Marla H. Crossley Primary Residence Protector Trust, dated May 4, 2015.

Settlor: Marla H. Crossley.

Trustee: Barbara Anne Brooks.

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

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**Eckert, Carolyn L.,** dec'd.

Late of Old Lycoming Township.

The Carolyn L. Eckert Income Only Protector Trust, dated August 27, 2007.

Settlor: Carolyn L. Eckert.

Trustee: Kim E. Fornwalt.

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

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**Greninger, Jill L.,** dec'd.

Late of Loyalsock Twp.

Administratrix: Sarah Heller c/o Kristen L. Behrens, Esquire, 1500 Market St., Ste. 3500E, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

Attorneys: Kristen L. Behrens, Esquire, Dilworth Paxson LLP, 1500 Market St., Ste. 3500E, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

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**Hoxie, Pauline O.,** dec'd.

Late of Jersey Shore Borough.

Executrix: Janice L. Rivera, 1021 Schoolhouse Road, Jersey Shore, PA 17740.

Attorneys: Andrea P. Pulizzi, Esquire, Carpenter, Harris & Flayhart, 128 South Main Street, Jersey Shore, PA 17740.



**Mathers, Faye L.,** dec'd.

Late of Montoursville.

Executor: Daniel K. Mathers, 517 Gentry Lane, Montoursville, PA 17754.

Attorney: None.

**Mutchler, Eleanor L.,** dec'd.

Late of the Township of Hepburn.

Executrices: Barbara J. Willier, Sharon J. Taylor and Jane M. Zarker.

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

of Proposed Distribution accompanying the same have been filed in the Office of the Register of Wills and Clerk of Orphans' Court are presented to the Orphans' Court of Lycoming County for Confirmation Absolute April 2, 2024 unless exceptions are filed before 5:00 P.M. on that date.

1. Hacker, Robert J., Estate—Elaine K. Hacker and Chris Hacker, Executors.

2. Hacker, Robert J., Trust—Elaine K. Hacker, Trustee.

David A. Huffman  
Register of Wills

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**Perritt, Beverly J.,** dec'd.

Late of Franklin Township.

Executor: John C. Perritt, 266 Iroquois Road, Unityville, PA 17774.

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

**INTENTION TO  
CHANGE NAME**

In the Court of Common Pleas  
of Lycoming County, Pennsylvania

NO. CV 24-00,197

In re: Name Change of  
Jaden Bressler

**Pisa, Joseph J. a/k/a Joseph A. Pisa  
a/k/a Joseph Pisa,** dec'd.

Late of Penn Township.

Executrix: Dawn Peluso, 4 Clinton Lane, Marlton, NJ 08053.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 22, 2024, a Petition was filed in the above-named Court, praying for a decree changing the name of Jaden Bressler to Jaden McQuay.

The Court has fixed April 5, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in Courtroom number 2 of the Lycoming County Courthouse, 48 West Third Street, Williamsport, Pennsylvania 17701 as the time and place for the hearing on said petition, when and where all persons interested may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

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**Temple, Shirley A.,** dec'd.

Late of the Borough of Hughesville.

Executrix: Jeanette Koch.

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

**REGISTER OF WILLS  
CONFIRMATION OF  
ACCOUNTS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all parties interested that the following Accounts together with all Statements

**ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE**

The Annual Meeting of the Members of West Branch Mutual Insurance Company will be held in the Company's

Office at 32 South Main Street, Muncy, PA on Tuesday, April 30, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The meeting is for the election of directors and to

transact any other business which may come before the members.  
Richard L. Michael,  
Secretary/Treasurer

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**The Lycoming Law Association Foundation** thanks the following LLA members for donating their arbitration fees to the LLAF in 2022. These donations enabled the LLAF to gift \$7,160 to North Penn Legal Services.



**Donating more than \$400, by assigning multiple Arbitration fees to the LLAF:**

David Wilk	Malcolm Mussina
Matthew Parker	

**Donated \$200-\$400, by assigning multiple arbitration fees to the LLAF:**

Brian Bluth	Michael Morrone
Joseph Musto	Timothy Reitz
Richard Schluter	Robin Read
Jennifer Ayers	Elizabeth White
Tom Waffenschmidt	Jim Malee
John Smay	Corey Mowrey
William Carlucci	Gregory Stapp
Patricia Shipman	Howard Langdon
Joanne Ludwikowski	Jeffrey Dohrmann
Fred Holland	John Pietrovito
Christopher Bradley	Tony Greico
Rob Hoffa	Nicole Ippolito
Norm Lubin	Paul Roman
Bob Elion	Tom Marshall

**Donated part of an arbitration fee to the LLAF:**

Jonathan DeWald	Christine Dinges
Dan Mathers	Skip Greevy
Brittany Smith	Matthew Golden

**\*If you would like to donate or update your arbitration fee allocation, please contact Michele Frey at:**  
**[mfrey@lycolaw.org](mailto:mfrey@lycolaw.org)**

## Do you know what your



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?

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**From 2003 to Present,**  
**the LLAF gave more than \$250,330 to worthy causes:**  
**\$183,949** to provide free legal services to the residents of Lycoming County;  
**\$27,241** to preserve and provide access to legal materials for the public;  
**\$17,000** to train attorneys and other service providers in different areas of the law;  
**\$15,900** to fund legal education and Mock Trial Teams for high school students;  
**\$7,237.04** to provide funding for court-appointed child advocates.

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

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

Donations to the Lycoming Law Association Foundation are tax deductible.

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

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