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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.

- 1/15/2025 – Community Outreach Committee Meeting:** *Quarterly meeting of the Community Outreach Committee. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 1/16/2025 – Memorial Service for Robert W. Ferrell, III:** *Special Session of Lycoming County Court to memorialize member Bob Ferrell. Time: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM.*
- 1/22/2025 – LLA Foundation Meeting:** *Quarterly meeting of the Lycoming Law Association Foundation. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 2/3/2025 – Bench Bar Committee Meeting:** *Quarterly meeting of Bench/Bar Committee. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*
- 2/18/2025 – Criminal Brown Bag Lunch Meeting:** *Regularly scheduled Criminal Committee Meeting. All members are invited to attend. Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.*



LYCOMING LAW ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION

In addition to those already recognized, the Lycoming Law Association Foundation expresses its great appreciation for the following contribution to the Robert C. Wise Memorial Fund:

Contribution by Robin A. Read, Esquire

These memorial contributions assist the LLA Foundation in furthering its purpose of providing access to justice for civil legal services needed by low-income people in Lycoming County and supporting law-related community events.

The LLA Foundation is funded entirely through the support of the LLA Members. Thank you.

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The full text of the following Lycoming County Court opinions is reported at www.lycolaw.org/cases/search.asp

- ▶ **Commonwealth vs. Harman** (10/14/2024)—Judge Nancy L. Butts
Criminal: Appeal; denial of motion to reinstate appeal rights nunc pro tunc treated as post conviction relief act petition; timeliness; sole means of obtaining collateral relief in criminal cases; requirement to appoint counsel for untimely petition; claim previously litigated or waived; factual allegations of after discovered evidence; dismissal without hearing where court lacks jurisdiction to hear the claim. (Harman101424bt) (Posted: January 3, 2025)
- ▶ **Lawson vs. Pennsylvania College of Technology** (12/26/2024)—
Judge Eric R. Linhardt
Civil: Motion for class certification; claim for reimbursement of tuition and fees paid for college students in light of move to remote learning during COVID-19 pandemic; standards applicable to class certification; inclusion of non-students, who may have paid costs for students, in a class where such persons cannot be identified and had no contract with college; determination of commonality, without necessity to establish the merits of the case; adjustment of classes after discovery to address differences in a particular student's experience; student demonstrating typicality, in that his overall position on common issues is sufficiently aligned with that of absent class members; lack of conflict of interest between interests of proposed class representative and those of the persons whom he seeks to represent; need for discovery to determine whether common questions of law and fact predominate over individual questions; risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications; appropriateness of forum; prohibitive cost to adjudicate claims individually. (Lawson122624Li) (Posted: December 27, 2024)

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**Gaskin, Martha B.,** dec'd.

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

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

Holdren, Sally J., dec'd.

Late of Montgomery.
 Executrix: Nancy Secules, 120 Gap Rd., Allenwood, PA 17810.

Attorneys: John A. Smay, Esquire, Williams and Smay, 39 S. Main St., P.O. Box 35, Muncy, PA 17756.

Lamade, Jill A., dec'd.

Late of Williamsport.
 Executor: Sarah R. Lamade, 808 Lilium Lane, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301.

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

Middlesworth, Donna M., dec'd.

Late of the Township of Clinton.
 Executors: Barbara J. Matter and William R. Middlesworth, Jr.
 Attorneys: Julieanne E. Steinbacher, Esquire, Steinbacher, Goodall & Yurchak, 413 Washington Boulevard, Williamsport, PA 17701.

SECOND PUBLICATION**Byham, Nellie S.,** dec'd.

Late of the Borough of South Williamsport.

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

THIRD PUBLICATION**McCormick, Marlene,** dec'd.

Late of South Williamsport.
 Administrators: Alicia Manzitti and Jacqueline Manzitti c/o Stephen C. Sholder, Esquire, Raup & Sholder, P.C., 445 Elmira Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

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