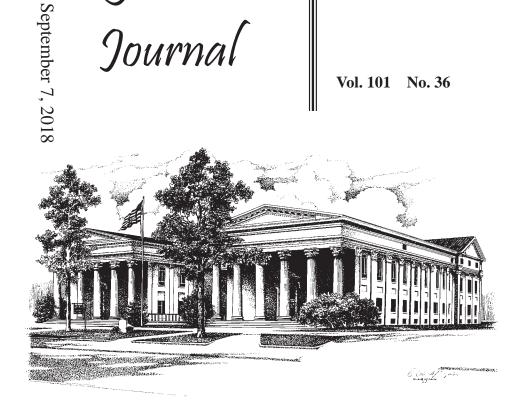
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#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

Worker's Compensation Section Meeting Noon ECBA Headquarters

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

Bench Bar Conference Meeting 4:30 p.m. ECBA Headquarters

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What you need to know about the differences between Social Security (SS) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

The Will J. & Mary B. Schaaf Education Center 12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. (11:45 p.m. registration/lunch)

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2018 Estate & Trust Section Leadership Committee Meeting Noon ECBA Headquarters

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018

Senior Lawyer Division Private Tour of the Robert H. Jackson Center 10 a.m.

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018**

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Young Lawyer Division Lake Erie Wine Tour 2018 Lunch at ECBA Headquarters beginning at Noon Tour from 1:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.





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#### NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

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#### MOTION COURT DATES FOR JUDGE THOMAS P. AGRESTI ERIE AND PITTSBURGH DIVISION CASES

#### **SEPTEMBER 2018 NOTICE**

The following is a list of *September 2018*, *October 2018* and *November 2018* motion court dates and times to be used for the scheduling of motions pursuant to *Local Rule 9013-5(a)* before **Judge Thomas P. Agresti** in the Erie and Pittsburgh Divisions of the Court. The use of these dates for scheduling motions consistent with the requirements of *Local Rule 9013-5(a)* and Judge Agresti's *Procedure B(1)-(3)* summarized below and on Judge Agresti's webpage at: *www.pawb.uscourts.gov*. *The motions will be heard in the Erie Bankruptcy Courtroom, U.S. Courthouse, 17 South Park Row, Erie, PA 16501* and *Courtroom C, 54th Floor, U.S. Steel Building, 600 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.* 

Counsel for a moving party shall select one of the following dates and times for matters subject to the "self-scheduling" provisions of the *Local Bankruptcy Rules* and the Judge's procedures, insert same on the notice of hearing for the motion, and serve the notice on all respondents, trustee(s) and parties in interest. Where a particular type of motion is listed at a designated time, filers shall utilize that time, *only*, for the indicated motions(s) *unless:* (a) special arrangements have been approved in advance by the Court, or, (b) another motion in the same bankruptcy case has already been set for hearing at a different time and the moving party chooses to use the same date and time as the previously scheduled matter.

#### SCHEDULE CHAPTER 13 MOTIONS ON:

Select the following times, EXCEPT for the specific matters to be scheduled at 11:30 a.m.:

Wednesday, September 19, 2018	9:30 a.m.: Open for all Erie & Pittsburgh Ch. 13 matters
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Wednesday, November 14, 2018	10:30 a.m.: Open for all Erie & Pittsburgh Ch. 13 matters
•	11:00 a.m.: Open for all Erie & Pittsburgh Ch. 13 matters
	11:30 a.m.: Ch. 13 Sale, Financing and Extend/Impose Stay

NOTE: Chapter 12 matters are now scheduled on Ch. 11/7 Motion Court days, only.

#### SCHEDULE CHAPTERS 12, 11 & 7 MOTIONS ON:

Select the following times, EXCEPT for Ch. 7 Motions to Extend/Impose Stay scheduled only at 11:00 a.m., and, all sale motions and all Ch. 12 matters which are only to be scheduled at 11:30 a.m.:

Wednesday, September 12, 2018	9:30 a.m.:	Open for all Erie & Pittsburgh Ch. 11 matters
Thursday, September 27, 2018	10:00 a.m.:	Open for all Erie & Pittsburgh Ch. 11 matters
Thursday, October 11, 2018	10:30 a.m.:	Open for all Erie & Pittsburgh Ch. 7 matters
Thursday, October 25, 2018	11:00 a.m.:	Open for all Erie & Pittsburgh Ch. 7 matters,
Thursday, November 8, 2018**		including all Ch. 7 Motions to Extend/Impose Stay
Thursday, November 29, 2018	11:30 a.m.:	Ch. 11 and 7 Sale Motions and all Ch. 12

matters at this time, only

<sup>\*\*</sup>On November 8, 2018, the following times are to be used, only:

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1:00 p.m.: Ch. 11 and 7 Sale Motions and all Ch.12 matters at this time, only

ALL OF THE ABOVE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION. Please check each month for any changes in the dates that have been published previously. THIS SCHEDULE CAN BE VIEWED ON PACER (Public Access to Court Electronic Records) and on the Court's Web Site (www.pawb.uscourts.gov).

Michael R. Rhodes Clerk of Court

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#### **POSITION AVAILABLE OCTOBER 19, 2018**

The Erie County Court of Common Pleas is seeking interested individuals for the position of Director of Domestic Relations. This position is under the general direction of the President Judge and the District Court Administrator. The position directs the total administration of Domestic Relation matters including the supervision of the staff and consulting with Supervisors on workflow issues and employee matters.

Specific Responsibilities Include:

- Evaluate staff performance and make recommendations to the Court regarding all personnel matters.
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- Approve all IV-D invoices, budget line item transfers, purchase orders, daily and monthly expenditures and be responsible for the preparation and monitoring of the budget.
- Report to Court all inter office activities within Domestic Relations and communicate with other DRS Directors throughout the state regarding issues and current events.
- Supervise the preparation and compilation of records and reports, as required by the Court, and County, State and Federal governments.
- Serve as community liaison to explain the Child Support process to all interested individuals and groups.

#### Qualification Include:

- Knowledge of the civil rules of procedure as they relate to Child Support, and other laws and regulations governing the establishment and enforcement of child support.
- Ability to plan, direct and supervise the work of the Domestic Relations staff to provide the best customer service to the clients.
- The selection of staff to the position that they are best suited to perform.
- An understanding of the County budget process, the IV-D reimbursement procedure.
- Other financial matters that affect Domestic Relations.
- The ability to express ideas clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.

Must possess a minimum of a Bachelor's Degrees in the Social Sciences or Business Administration, seven (7) year's experience in the field of which five (5) years need to be in supervision. A post-graduate degree is preferred.

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#### FRENCH CREEK VALLEY CONSERVANCY, Plaintiff

V.

# WILLIAM E. MITCHELL and MITCH-WELL ENERGY, INC., Defendants CIVIL PROCEDURE / MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT / STANDARD

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure, any party may move for summary judgment in whole or in part as a matter of law whenever no genuine issue of any material fact exists as to a necessary element of the cause of action or defense which could be established by additional discovery or expert report.

#### CIVIL PROCEDURE / MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT / STANDARD

The nonmoving party may not rest only on the mere allegations or denials in his pleadings, but must set forth in his response by affidavits, or as otherwise provided, specific facts in dispute. A motion for summary judgment must be granted in favor of a moving party if the other party chooses to rest on its pleadings, unless a genuine issue of fact is made out in the moving party's evidence taken by itself.

#### REAL ESTATE / CONTRACTS / OIL AND GAS LEASES

An oil and gas lease is controlled by ordinary principles of contract law.

#### REAL ESTATE / CONTRACTS / OIL AND GAS LEASES / KEY PROVISIONS

Oil and gas leases generally contain several key provisions, including the granting clause, which initially conveys to the lessee the right to drill for and produce oil or gas from the property; the habendum clause, which is used to fix the ultimate duration of the lease; the royalty clause; and the terms of surrender.

#### REAL ESTATE / CONTRACTS / OIL AND GAS LEASES / QUALIFIED FEE

If oil or gas is produced during the agreed upon primary term of the lease, a fee simple determinable is created in the lessee, and the lessee's right to extract the oil or gas becomes vested. A fee simple determinable is an estate in fee that automatically reverts to the grantor upon the occurrence of a specific event. The interest held by the grantor after this type of conveyance is termed "a possibility of reverter." Such a fee is a fee simple, since the title vested may last forever in the grantee and his heirs and assigns, "the duration depending upon the concurrence of collateral circumstances which qualify and debase the purity of the grant."

# IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ERIE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL DIVISION NO. 13126-2016

NO. 13126-2016

Appearances: Brian T. Cagle, Esq., for the Plaintiff

Crandall G. Nyweide, Esq., for the Defendants

#### **OPINION**

Domitrovich, J. August 14, 2018

The matter before this Trial Court is the Motion for Partial Summary Judgment filed by Plaintiff French Creek Valley Conservancy (the "Conservancy") wherein the Conservancy requests this Trial Court to enter partial judgment in its favor alleging no issue of material fact exists and contends the following: the lease agreement entered into between Defendants William E. Mitchell and Mitch-Well Energy, Inc. ("Defendants") and Martha Ann Smith

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terminated no later than January 1, 1990; the fee simple determinable oil and gas interest reverted to Martha Anne Smith by operation of law; the Conservancy is the current owner of the oil and gas interest in the Property; and Defendants must cease production and withdrawal of natural gas and plug the natural gas well ("Well") in compliance with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection regulations. This Trial Court hereby provides the following analysis:

The Conservancy is a nonprofit corporation promoting environmental integrity of the French Creek watershed, advocating for the protection of natural resources, and coordinating land protection, education, and research. (*See* Affidavit of Brenda Costa at ¶ 2). The Conservancy presently owns approximately 44 acres of real property being identified as tax parcel number (47)24-39-5 situated in Waterford Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania (the "Property"). (*See* Deed dated May 26, 2009). On May 26, 2009, the Conservancy acquired this Property by Deed from Martha Ann Smith and Henry Ralph Smith. (*Id.*). Said Deed unequivocally "grant[ed], and convey[ed], s[old] and confirm[ed] unto the said Grantee its heirs and assigns: All that certain piece or parcel of real estate situate in Waterford Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania . . . ." (*Id.*). As this Deed does not contain an exception for the reservation of oil, gas, and mineral interests, the Conservancy holds all oil, gas, and mineral rights attendant to the Property.

The following relates to the oil and gas lease agreement at issue: On March 25, 1982, Martha Ann Smith entered into an Oil and Gas Lease ("Lease Agreement") with Defendants William E. Mitchell and Mitch-Well Energy, Inc. "for the sole and only purpose of drilling and operating for oil and gas." (See Lease Agreement dated March 25, 1982, recorded in Erie County Recorder of Deeds, Book 1494, page 373). Shortly thereafter, Defendants drilled this Well on this Property and made several payments to Martha Ann Smith pursuant to the Lease Agreement. (See Martha Ann Smith Deposition at 9:3-12) (hereinafter "Smith Depo."). The duration of the Lease Agreement was as follows: "if LESSEE . . . shall commence drilling operations at any time while this lease is in force, this lease shall remain in force and its terms shall continue so long as such operations continue with due diligence and if production results therefrom, then so long as production, storage, or withdrawals continue." (See Lease Agreement).

Defendants ceased making payments to Martha Anne Smith sometime in 1986-1987, two or three years after production began. (Smith Depo. 9:10-12; 10:3-4). Sometime after Defendants ceased making payments, the "[W]ell quit . . . [,] ran out of gas," and Defendant William E. Mitchell stated to Martha Anne Smith that the Well "was no longer producing." (Smith Depo. 9:10-16). Martha Anne Smith personally visited this Property and discovered this Well was no longer in use and instead was producing mice. (Smith Depo. 12:2-11).

Martha Anne Smith and the Conservancy both viewed the Lease Agreement between Martha Anne Smith and the Conservancy as no longer valid when Martha Anne Smith conveyed the Property to the Conservancy in 2009. (*See* Affidavit of Brenda Costa; Smith Depo. 11:1-3; 12:2-4; 17:19-23; 18:21-25). This subject Well was non-producing. (*See id.*).

Plaintiff requested through Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents the dates or periods during which this Well was actively producing or extracting natural gas from this Property. In response, Defendants referred the Conservancy to Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP") records attached to Defendants' Answers.

According to an Oil & Gas Well Production Report produced by the Office of Oil and Gas Management of DEP, Defendants began and ceased production on three separate occasions: (1) between January 1, 1984, ending December 31, 1984; (2) between January 1, 1989, ending December 31, 1989; and (3) between January 1, 2012, ending December 31, 2012.

DEP records further reveal at least five DEP inspections were conducted at this Well from September 17, 2009, to April 29, 2013, which revealed no production or withdrawals were being made from this Well located thereon and indicated this Well was abandoned. (*See* DEP Inspection Reports dated Sept. 17, 2009 and March 24, 2011; *see also* DEP Surface Activities Inspection Reports dated April 20, 2012; Nov. 19, 2012; and April 29, 2013; *see also* Notice of Violation letter from DEP to Defendants dated April 20, 2011). These DEP inspection reports noted this Well was "shut in," and no production equipment was connected to this Well on the Property. (*See id.*). Eventually, by Order dated January 29, 2013, the DEP determined this Well was abandoned as defined under the Oil and Gas Act and directed, *inter alia*, that Defendants plug this Well in accordance with the Oil and Gas Act. (*See* DEP Order dated Jan. 29, 2013).

Sometime on or about November 11, 2015, without permission from the Conservancy, Defendants again began producing natural gas from this Well. (*See* Affidavit of Brenda Costa at  $\P$  12-13). The Conservancy notified Defendants that the Defendants did not have permission to produce natural gas from this Well located on the Property. (*Id.* at  $\P$  14). Thereafter, the Conservancy filed the instant quiet title action against Defendants. (*See* Complaint filed Nov. 21, 2016).

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure, any party may move for summary judgment in whole or in part as a matter of law whenever no genuine issue of any material fact exists as to a necessary element of the cause of action or defense which could be established by additional discovery or expert report. Pa.R.Civ.P. 1035.2(1). In reviewing a Motion for Summary Judgment, a trial court must review the record in the light most favorable to the non-moving party, and all doubts as to the existence of a genuine issue of material fact must be resolved against the moving party. See Gerber v. Piergrossi, 142 A.3d 854, 858 (Pa. Super. 2016). The nonmoving party "may not rest only on the mere allegations or denials in his pleadings, but must set forth in his response by affidavits, or as otherwise provided, specific facts in dispute." Kniaz v. Benton Borough, 642 A.2d 551, 553 (164 Pa.Cmwlth. 1994). "A motion for summary judgment must be granted in favor of a moving party if the other party chooses to rest on its pleadings, unless a genuine issue of fact is made out in the moving party's evidence taken by itself." Curry v. Estate of Thompson, 481 A.2d 658, 660 (Pa.Super. 1984). Summary judgment is appropriate "only in those cases where the record clearly demonstrates that there is no genuine issue of material fact and that the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law." Sellers v. Twp. of Abington, 106 A.3d 679, 684 (Pa. 2014) (quoting Summers v. Certainteed Corp., 997 A.2d 1152, 1159 (Pa. 2010)).

An oil and gas lease is controlled by ordinary principles of contract law. *J.K. Willison v. Consol. Coal Co.*, 637 A.2d 979, 982 (Pa. 1994). An oil and gas lease must be construed "in accordance with the terms of the agreement as manifestly expressed" and the "accepted and plain meaning of the language used, rather than the silent intentions of the contracting parties, determines the construction to be given the agreement." *Id.* The party seeking to terminate an oil and gas lease bears the burden of proof. *T.W. Phillips Gas & Oil Co. v. Jedlicka*, 42

A.3d 261, 267 (Pa. 2012) (citing *Jefferson Cty. Gas Co. v. United Nat. Gas Co.*, 93 A. 340 (Pa. 1915)). "[O]il and gas leases generally contain several key provisions, including the granting clause, which initially conveys to the lessee the right to drill for and produce oil or gas from the property; the habendum clause, which is used to fix the ultimate duration of the lease; the royalty clause; and the terms of surrender." *T.W. Phillips Gas & Oil Co.*, 42 A.3d at 267 (citing *Jacobs*, 332 F.Supp.2d at 764).

If oil or gas is produced during the agreed upon primary term of the lease, a fee simple determinable is created in the lessee, and the lessee's right to extract the oil or gas becomes vested. *T.W. Phillips Gas & Oil Co.*, 42 A.3d at 267 (citing Calhoon v. Neely, 50 A. 967, 968 (Pa. 1902); Jacobs v. CNG Transmission Corp., 332 F.Supp.2d 759, 772 (W.D.Pa.2004) (applying Pennsylvania law)). A fee simple determinable is an estate in fee that automatically reverts to the grantor upon the occurrence of a specific event. *Id.* (citing *Brown v. Haight*, 255 A.2d 508, 510 (Pa. 1969)). The interest held by the grantor after this type of conveyance is termed "a possibility of reverter." *Id.* (quoting *Higbee Corp. v. Kennedy*, 428 A.2d 592, 595 (Pa.Super. 1981) (durational language, such as "so long as," "during," "while" and "until," are generally used to create the fee simple determinable)). Such a fee is a fee simple, since the title vested may last forever in the grantee and his heirs and assigns, "the duration depending upon the concurrence of collateral circumstances which qualify and debase the purity of the grant." *Id.* 

In *Brown v. Haight*, the grantor and lessee entered into an oil and gas lease wherein the habendum clause stated: "To have and to hold the said lands and rights unto the Grantee for the term of twenty years from the date hereof, and As much longer as . . . oil or gas is found or produced in paying quantities . . . ." *Brown v. Haight*, 255 A.2d 508, 511 (Pa. 1969). For six years, the lessee produced no oil or gas from the well. *Id*. The Pennsylvania Supreme Court concluded:

"[W]hen oil and gas were not produced in paying quantities, the grantee's fee interest terminated automatically and the property reverted to the grantor. Since the grantee remained on the property with the implied consent of the grantor[,] although he no longer possessed any legal interest in the property, he could do so only under a Tenancy at Will. We hold, therefore, that [the grantees] remained on the property under a Tenancy at Will, which the [grantors] could [have] terminate[d] whenever they so chose."

*Id.* Thus, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court held since the lessee failed to produce oil for a period of six years, the lessee's oil and gas interest in the property reverted automatically to the grantor by operation of law. *Id.* 

In the instant case, the habendum clause of the instant Lease Agreement grants a fee simple determinable that vests and continues as long as the "operations continue with due diligence and if production results therefrom, then so long as production . . . or withdrawals continue." (See Lease Agreement). Thus, the Lease Agreement continued as long as gas was produced or withdrawn from this Well. However, no dispute exists that gas was not produced or withdrawn from this Well from December 31, 1989 through January 1, 2012. This period of inactivity was in excess of twenty years, almost four times longer than the lease agreement the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania concluded terminated automatically in Brown. Similar to Brown, natural gas in the instant case was not produced or withdrawn from

this Well; therefore, Defendants' interests in the Property terminated automatically. When Defendants ceased production and withdrawal of natural gas from this Well, Defendants' interest automatically reverted to the Smiths by operation of law. Thereafter, Martha Ann Smith and Henry Ralph Smith conveyed all of their oil, gas, and mineral interest in the Property to the Conservancy. As such, the Conservancy now holds the oil, gas, and mineral interest in the Property and is entitled to enforce its rights in connection therewith.

Moreover, upon abandoning a well, "the owner or operator shall plug the well... to stop the vertical flow of fluids or gas within the well bore." 25 Pa. Code § 78.91. The "owner" of a well is the "person who owns, manages, leases, controls or possesses a well or coal property." 25 Pa.Code § 78.1. An "owner" does not include the owner of the surface rights to the real property if that person (1) did not participate or incur the costs of operation of the well and (2) did not have control over the operation of the well. See id. In the instant case, no genuine dispute of material fact exists as to this Well being abandoned. At least five DEP inspections were conducted at the Property from September 17, 2009, to April 29, 2013, which revealed no production or withdrawals were being made from this Well located thereon and the DEP considered this Well abandoned. Neither the Smiths nor the Conservancy participated or incurred the costs of Defendants' producing and withdrawing natural gas from this Well. Similarly, neither the Smiths nor the Conservancy controlled the production or withdrawal of natural gas from this Well. As such, Defendants were the sole owners and operators of this Well. Also, no genuine dispute of material fact exists the Lease Agreement is no longer valid. Thus, the Conservancy is entitled to judgment as a matter of law, and Defendants are statutorily required to plug this Well located on the Property pursuant to 25 Pa. Code § 78.91, et seq.

Finally, this Trial Court concludes the *Nanty-Glo* rule does not apply to the instant case and Defendants, as the nonmoving parties, concede that the *Nanty-Glo* is inapplicable to the instant matter. *See e.g.*, *Dudley v. USX Corp.*, 606 A.2d 916, 918 (Pa.Super. 1992) (noting the *Nanty-Glo* rule states: "the party moving for summary judgment may not rely solely upon its own testimonial affidavits or depositions, or those of its witnesses, to establish the non-existence of genuine issues of material fact."). Thus, this Trial Court finds a discussion of the *Nanty-Glo* rule is unnecessary.

Accordingly, partial summary judgment is entered in favor of the Conservancy. Consistent with the foregoing, this Trial Court hereby enters the following Order of Court:

#### **ORDER**

AND NOW, to-wit, this 14th day of August, 2018, after oral argument on the Motion for Partial Summary Judgment filed by Plaintiff French Creek Valley Conservancy ("Conservancy"), by and through its counsel, Brian T. Cagle, Esq.; at which Brian T. Cagle, Esq., appeared for the Conservancy; and Crandall G. Nyweide, Esq., appeared for Defendants William E. Mitchell and Mitch-Well Energy, Inc. ("Defendants"); upon consideration of the Conservancy's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment and accompanying Brief in Support, as well as Defendants' Response; after review of the entire record; consistent with foregoing Opinion and analysis, and in view of the relevant statutory law and case law, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Plaintiff's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment is GRANTED to the following extent:

- (1) Based on the record before this Trial Court, no genuine issue of material fact exists that the Oil and Gas Lease Agreement entered into between Martha Ann Smith and Defendants on March 25, 1982, terminated pursuant to its own terms and by Defendants' abandonment of this Well;
- (2) The Oil and Gas Lease terminated as of January 1, 1990;
- (3) The oil and gas interest in the Property, as described by Deed recorded at Erie County recorder of Deeds Book 1568, page 613, was a fee simple determinable and reverted to Martha Anne Smith on January 1, 1990, by operation of law;
- (4) Martha Anne Smith conveyed her entire interest in the Property, including the oil and gas interest, to the Conservancy on May 26, 2009;
- (5) The Conservancy is the current owner of the oil and gas interest in the Property;
- (6) Defendants shall immediately cease production, storage, and withdrawal of natural gas at the Oil and Gas Well located on the Property; and
- (7) Defendants, at their own expense, shall plug the Oil and Gas Well in a manner that complies with regulations promulgated by the Pennsylvania Department of Environment Protection.

# BY THE COURT /s/ Stephanie Domitrovich, Judge

#### LEGAL NOTICE

COMMON PLEAS COURT

#### CHANGE OF NAME NOTICE

In the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania 12185-18 Notice is hereby given that a Petition was filed in the above named court requesting an Order to change the name of Matthew Carl Martz to Magnus Carl Martz.

The Court has fixed the 8th day of October, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in Court Room H, Room 229, of the Erie County Court House, 140 West 6th Street, Erie, Pennsylvania 16501 as the time and place for the Hearing on said Petition, when and where all interested parties may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the Petitioner should not be granted.

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#### INCORPORATION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Articles of Incorporation have been filed in the Pennsylvania Department of State for Auto Express Erie, Inc., which has been incorporated under the Business Corporation Law of 1988. Kurt L. Sundberg, Esq. Marsh, Spaeder, Baur, Spaeder & Schaaf, LLP Suite 300, 300 State Street

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#### LEGAL NOTICE

Erie, PA 16507

Notice is hereby given that **David** Charles Agresti of Erie County has been <u>Administratively Suspended</u> by Order of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania dated July 18, 2018, pursuant to Rule 111(b), Pa.R.C.L.E.

which requires that every active lawyer shall annually complete, during the compliance period for which he or she is assigned, the continuing legal education required by the Continuing Legal Education Board. The Order became effective August 17, 2018 for Compliance Group 3.

Suzanne E. Price Attorney Registrar

The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

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#### LEGAL NOTICE

MARSHAL'S SALE: By virtue of a Writ of Execution issued out of the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania and to me directed, I shall expose to public sale the real property located at 112 East 2nd Street, Waterford, PA 16441 more particularly described in Erie County Deed Book 1534, Page 0213. SAID SALE to be held in the Erie County Courthouse, Room 209. 140 West Sixth Street, Erie, PA 16501 at 10:00 a.m. prevailing, standard time, on September 12, 2018. All that certain tract of land, together with the buildings, and improvements erected thereon described as Tax Parcel No. (46)009-044.0-015.00 recorded in Erie County, Pennsylvania. Seized and taken in execution as the property of Beverly L. Graves, at the suit of the United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service, on behalf of United States Department of Agriculture, to be sold on Writ of Execution as Civil Action

No. 1:18-CV-00071.

TERMS OF SALE: Successful bidder will pay ten percent (10%) by certified check or money order upon the property being struck down to such bidder, and the remainder of the bid within thirty (30) days from the date of the sale and in the event the bidder cannot pay the remainder, the property will be resold and all monies paid in at the original sale will be applied to any deficiency in the price at which the property is resold. The successful bidder must send payment of the balance of the bid directly to the U.S. Marshal's Office c/o Sheila Blessing, 700 Grant Street, Suite 2360, Pittsburgh, PA 15219. Bidder must have deposit funds immediately available and on his person in order to bid, bidder will not be permitted to leave the sale and return with deposit funds. Notice is hereby given that a Schedule of Distribution will be filed by me on the thirtieth day after the date of sale, and that distribution will be made in accordance with the Schedule unless exemptions are filed thereto within ten (10) days thereafter Purchaser must furnish State Realty Transfer Tax Stamps, and stamps required by the local taxing authority. Marshal's costs, fees and commissions are to be borne by seller. Michael Baughman, Acting United States Marshal. For additional information, please contact Cathy Diederich at 314-457-5514 or the USDA foreclosure website at www. resales.usda.gov.

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Notice is hereby given that by virtue of sundry Writs of Execution. issued out of the Courts of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania. and to me directed, the following described property will be sold at the Erie County Courthouse, Erie, Pennsylvania on

#### **SEPTEMBER 21, 2018** AT 10 A.M.

All parties in interest and claimants are further notified that a schedule of distribution will be on file in the Sheriff's Office no later than 30 days after the date of sale of any property sold hereunder, and distribution of the proceeds made 10 days after said filing, unless exceptions are filed with the Sheriff's Office prior thereto

All bidders are notified prior to bidding that they MUST possess a cashier's or certified check in the amount of their highest bid or have a letter from their lending institution guaranteeing that funds in the amount of the bid are immediately available. If the money is not paid immediately after the property is struck off, it will be put up again and sold, and the purchaser held responsible for any loss, and in no case will a deed be delivered until money is paid.

John T. Loomis Sheriff of Erie County

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SALE NO. 1 Ex. #10802 of 2018 MAROUETTE SAVINGS BANK, Plaintiff

#### BETTY J. BARTON, Defendant DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed at No. 2018-10802 Marquette Savings Bank vs. Betty J. Barton. owner of property situate in the Township of Millcreek, Erie County, Pennsylvania being: 4463 South Park Lane, Erie, Pennsylvania.

Being Unit 4463 with proportionate undivided percentage and interest in the Common Element as 3 02%

Assessment Map Number: (33) 56-242-99.63

Assessed Value Figure: \$60,900.00 Improvement Thereon: Residence Eugene C. Sundberg, Jr., Esq. Marsh Spaeder Baur Spaeder & Schaaf LLP 300 State Street, Suite 300 Erie, Pennsylvania 16507 (814) 456-5301

Aug. 31 and Sept. 7, 14

SALE NO. 2 Ex. #31006 of 2018 PAUL J. CONSIDINE, Plaintiff

#### ERIE MAENNERCHOR. Defendant DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 2018-31006, Paul J. Considine vs. Erie Maennerchor. owner of property situated in City of Erie, Erie County, Pennsylvania being 1607 State Street, Erie, Pennsylvania 16501 2.0455 acres Assessment Map Number: (15) 2005-205 Assessed Value Figure: \$498,700.00 Improvement Thereon: Social Hall Nicholas R. Pagliari Pa. Supreme Court ID No. 87877 MacDONALD, ILLIG, JONES &

BRITTON LLP 100 State Street, Suite 700 Erie, Pennsylvania 16507-1459 (814) 870-7754

Attorneys for Plaintiff Paul J. Considine

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#### SALE NO. 3

Ex. #10272 of 2018 KeyBank, N.A., s/b/m to First Niagara Bank, N.A., Plaintiff

#### Jeffrey M. Collins, Defendant DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 2018-10272, KevBank. N.A., s/b/m to First Niagara Bank, N.A. vs. Jeffrey M. Collins, owner(s) of property situated in North East Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania being 3025 South Brickyard Road, North East, PA 2.818 square feet/.01552 acres Assessment Map number: 37020069000200 Assessed Value figure: 169,390.00

Improvement thereon: single family dwelling and related improvements Kelly L. Eberle, Esquire PO Box 215 Perkasie, PA 18944 215-257-6811

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SALE NO. 4 Ex. #11141 of 2018 BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING. LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. **Plaintiff** 

#### LORETHA JOHNSON. Defendant(s) DESCRIPTION

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Erie, County of Erie and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, being Lot No. 52 of the Homeowner's Subdivision. A plot of said subdivision being recorded in Erie County Map Book 8, at page 3, and re-recorded in Map Book 8, at page 20. Having erected thereon premises commonly known as 2425 Woodlawn Avenue, Erie. Pennsylvania, Index No. 5168-214. Under and subject, nevertheless, to certain restrictions and conditions as appear of record in Erie County Deed Book 1048, at page 45. And further under and subject to all easements as shown upon the map of said subdivision as recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for Erie County. Further, subject to all restrictions, rights-ofway, building lines, leases and oil and gas leases of record and to all easements and rights-of-way visible and discoverable upon inspection of the premises.

PARCEL NUMBER: 18-051-0680-21400

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2425 Woodlawn Avenue, Erie, PA 16510 KML Law Group, P.C.

Attorney for Plaintiff Suite 5000 - BNY Independence Center, 701 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19106

(215) 627-1322

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LEGAL NOTICE

#### COMMON PLEAS COURT

SALE NO. 5 Ex. #10097 of 2018 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR COOPER, Plaintiff

#### CHRISTINA A. OLA AKA CHRISTINA OLA, Defendant(s) DESCRIPTION

ALL THAT CERTAIN piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Erie, County of Erie and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, being part of Lot No. 799, being bounded and described as follows, to-wit:-

BEGINNING at a point in the East line of Walnut Street, 40 feet South line of Ninth Street; THENCE Eastwardly parallel with Ninth Street, 82.5 feet; THENCE Southwardly parallel with Walnut Street, 33 feet; THENCE Westwardly parallel with Ninth Street, 82.5 feet to the East line of Walnut Street; THENCE Northwardly by and along the East line of Walnut Street, 33 feet to the place of beginning.

HAVING erected thereon a 2-story frame dwelling with detached storage building, being commonly known as 905 Walnut Street, Erie, PA 16502.

BEING IDENTIFIED AS INDEX NO. (16) 3025-123.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 905 Walnut Street, Erie, PA 16502

KML Law Group, P.C.

Attorney for Plaintiff
Suite 5000 - BNY Independence
Center, 701 Market Street
Philadelphia. PA 19106

(215) 627-1322

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SALE NO. 6 Ex. #10378 of 2018 PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY, Plaintiff

#### LEANN STRAIGHT, Defendant DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution No. 2018-10378, PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY, Plaintiff vs. LEANN STRAIGHT, Defendant

Real Estate: 93 CLINTON

STREET, NORTH EAST, PA 16428 Municipality: Borough of North

Erie County, Pennsylvania Dimensions: 33 x 165

See Instrument: 2012-018193 Tax I.D. (35) 7-53-5

Assessment: \$26,600 (Land) \$46,900 (Bldg)

Harrisburg, PA 17104

1 (Bidg)
Improvement thereon: a residential dwelling house as identified above Leon P. Haller, Esquire
Purcell, Krug & Haller
1719 North Front Street

(717) 234-4178 Aug. 31 and Sept. 7, 14

SALE NO. 7 Ex. #10375 of 2018 PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY, Plaintiff

#### AMY M. TAYLOR, Defendant DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution No. 2018-10375, PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY, Plaintiff vs. AMY M. TAYLOR, Defendant

Real Estate: 3503 STATION ROAD, ERIE, PA 16510

Municipality: Harborcreek

Township

(717) 234-4178

Erie County, Pennsylvania Dimensions: 1.32 acre See Instrument 2015-025126

Tax I.D. (27) 53-213-5

Assessment: \$41,500 (Land) \$37,510 (Bldg)

Improvement thereon: a residential dwelling house as identified above Leon P. Haller, Esquire Purcell, Krug & Haller 1719 North Front Street Harrisburg, PA 17104

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#### SALE NO. 8

Ex. #11040 of 2018 The Huntington National Bank, Plaintiff

v.

David M. Desimone, AKA David M. DeSimone, Defendant DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution file to No. 2018-11040, The

Huntington National Bank vs. David M. Desimone, AKA David M. DeSimone, owner(s) of property situated in The Township of Millcreek, County of Erie, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania being 3613 Amherst Road, Erie, PA 16506

1104 SQFT

Assessment Map Number: 33077336000100

Assessed Value figure: \$91,000.00 Improvement thereon: Single Family Dwelling

Kimberly J. Hong, Esquire Manley Deas Kochalski LLC P.O. Box 165028 Columbus, OH 43216-5028 614-220-5611

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#### SALE NO. 9

Ex. #10655 of 2018 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Plaintiff

v.

Donald J. Heath, Jr., AKA, Donald J. Heath, as Co-Executor of the Estate of Donald J. Heath, Sr., AKA Donald J. Heath;

Irene Rubay, as Co-Executor of the Estate of Donald J. Heath, Sr., AKA Donald J. Heath,

#### Defendants DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution file to No. 2018-10655, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Donald J. Heath, Jr., AKA Donald J. Heath, as Co-Executor of the Estate of Donald J. Heath, Sr., AKA Donald J. Heath; Irene Rubay, as Co-Executor of the Estate of Donald J. Heath, Sr., AKA Donald J. Heath, owner(s) of property situated in The City of Erie, County of Erie, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania being 822 West 5th Street, Erie, PA 16507

Assessment Map Number: 17040026021800

Assessed Value figure: \$69,370.00 Improvement thereon: Single Family Dwelling

Kimberly J. Hong, Esquire Manley Deas Kochalski LLC P.O. Box 165028 Columbus, OH 43216-5028 614-220-5611

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#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### COMMON PLEAS COURT

#### SALE NO. 10 Ex. #11301 of 2017

**EMC Mortgage LLC formerly** known as EMC Mortgage Corporation, Plaintiff

#### Roderick M. Jones, Defendant **DESCRIPTION**

By virtue of a Writ of Execution file to No. 2017-11301, EMC Mortgage LLC formerly known as EMC Mortgage Corporation vs. Roderick M. Jones, owner(s) of property situated in The City of Erie, County of Erie. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania being 826 Brown Avenue, Erie, PA 16502 1762 Square Feet Assessment Map Number: 19060021031000 Assessed Value figure: \$79,990.00 thereon: Improvement Single Family Dwelling Kimberly J. Hong, Esquire Manley Deas Kochalski LLC P.O. Box 165028 Columbus, OH 43216-5028

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#### SALE NO. 11 Ex. #13110 of 2017

614-220-5611

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-WFHE2, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-WFHE2, Plaintiff

Melissa McClaren: Laurel Bundy-McClaren, AKA Laurel **Bundy McClaren, AKA Laurel** Alyson Bundy-McClaren, **Defendants** 

#### **DESCRIPTION**

By virtue of a Writ of Execution file to No. 2017-13110, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-WFHE2, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-WFHE2 vs. Melissa McClaren; Laurel Bundy-McClaren, AKA Laurel Bundy McClaren, AKA Laurel Alyson Bundy-McClaren, owner(s) of property situated in The Township of Millcreek, County of Erie, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania being 806 West

Arlington Road, Erie, PA 16509 1523

Assessment Map Number: 33101455000300

Assessed Value figure: \$114,640.00 Improvement thereon: Single

Family Dwelling Kimberly J. Hong, Esquire

Manley Deas Kochalski LLC P.O. Box 165028 Columbus, OH 43216-5028

614-220-5611

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SALE NO. 12 Ex. #11106 of 2018 DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee for MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2005-HE7, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES.

#### JASON A. COLLINS. Defendant(s) DESCRIPTION ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OF

SERIES 2005-HE7, Plaintiff

LAND SITUATE IN TOWNSHIP OF MILLCREEK, ERIE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA: BEING KNOWN AS 3039 West (Millcreek 25th Street, Erie Township), PA 16506-2327 PARCEL. NUMBER: 33070216001000 IMPROVEMENTS: Residential Property Elizabeth L. Wassall, Esq. PA ID 77788 Attorney for Plaintiff Udren Law Offices, P.C. Woodcrest Corporate Center 111 Woodcrest Road, Suite 200 Cherry Hill, NJ 08003-3620 856-669-5400

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#### SALE NO. 13

Ex. #11757 of 2017

Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), **Plaintiff** 

#### Charles M. Shumac, Defendant DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 11757-17, Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") v. Charles M. Shumac, Owner(s) of property situated in City of Erie, Erie County, Pennsylvania, being 2014 Wagner Avenue, Erie, PA 16510

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Erie, County of Erie, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, being Lot NO. Six and one-half (6-1/2) in the H. E. WAGNER SUBDIVISION as recorded in Map Book 2, page 7, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Erie County, Pennsylvania, having erected thereon a dwelling house known as 2014 Wagner Avenue, Erie, Pennsylvania, Being part of the same premises conveyed to the party of the first part by deed dated and recorded July 19, 1974 in Erie County Deed Book 1124 page 461

First parties have no actual knowledge of any hazardous waste, as defined in Act No. 1980-97, of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having been or which is presently being disposed on or about the property described in this deed.

Assessment Map number: 18-051-039.0-206.00

Assessed Value figure: \$55,640.00 Improvement thereon: Residential Dwelling

MARTHAE, VON ROSENSTIEL, P.C. Martha E. Von Rosenstiel, Esq / No 52634

Heather Riloff, Esq / No 309906 Tyler J. Wilk, Esq / No 322247 649 South Ave. Ste 7 Secane, PA 19018

(610) 328-2887

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#### SALE NO. 14

Ex. #10099 of 2015

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, D/B/A Christiana Trust as Owner Trustee of the **Residential Credit Opportunities** Trust V. Plaintiff

#### Lorie L. Hansen, Defendant DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 10099-15, Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, D/B/A Christiana Trust as Owner Trustee of the Residential Credit Opportunities

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMON PLEAS COURT

Trust V vs. Lorie L. Hansen, owners of property situated in Erie City, Erie County, Pennsylvania being 3121 Hazel Street, Erie, PA 16508 1.320 Square Feet/0.0727 Acres Assessment Map number: 19060044025000 Assessed Value figure: 66,460.00 Improvement thereon: Residential Dwelling Roger Fay, Esquire 1 E. Stow Road

Marlton NI 08053 (856) 482-1400

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#### SALE NO. 15

Ex. #12814 of 2017 Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, Plaintiff

Kevin M. Carter, in His Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased, Lindsay Coccarelli, in Her Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased, Lynn Marie Scheffner, in Her Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased. Unknown Heirs, Successors, Assigns, and All Persons, Firms, or Associations Claiming Right. Title or Interest From or Under Rose A. Carter, a/k/a Rose Orlando Carter, Deceased. Defendant(s)

#### DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 12814-17. Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company vs. Kevin M. Carter, in His Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased, Lindsay Coccarelli, in Her Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased, Lynn Marie Scheffner, in Her Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased, Unknown Heirs. Successors. Assigns, and All Persons, Firms, or Associations Claiming Right, Title or Interest From or Under Rose A. Carter a/k/a Rose Orlando Carter. Deceased

Amount Due: \$97,715.94 Kevin M. Carter, in His Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased, Lindsay Coccarelli, in Her Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased, Lynn Marie

Scheffner, in Her Capacity as Heir of Rose A. Carter, Deceased, Unknown Heirs. Successors. Assigns, and All Persons, Firms, or Associations Claiming Right, Title or Interest From or Under Rose A. Carter a/k/a Rose Orlando Carter. Deceased, owner(s) of property situated in ERIE CITY, Erie County, Pennsylvania being 3412 Greengarden Boulevard, Erie, PA 16508-2241

Dimensions: 65 X 150 Acreage: .2238

Assessment Map number: 19061044020700

Assessed Value: \$77,700.00 Improvement thereon: residential Phelan Hallinan Diamond & Jones, LLP One Penn Center at Suburban Station, Suite 1400

1617 John F. Kennedy Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19103-1814 (215) 563-7000

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#### SALE NO. 16

Ex. #11049 of 2018

U.S. Bank National Association s/b/m to U.S. Bank National Association nd. Plaintiff

#### Lakeya T. Duck, Craig Duck, Defendant(s) DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 11049-18, U.S. Bank National Association s/b/m to U.S. Bank National Association nd vs. Lakeya T. Duck, Craig Duck Amount Due: \$36,099.80 Lakeya T. Duck, Craig Duck,

owner(s) of property situated in ERIE CITY, Erie County, Pennsylvania being 2510 Perry Street, Erie, PA 16503-2267

Dimensions: 30 X 60

Assessment Map number: 185035105

Assessed Value: \$32,300.00 Improvement thereon: residential Phelan Hallinan Diamond & Jones LLP One Penn Center at Suburban Station, Suite 1400 1617 John F. Kennedy Boulevard

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SALE NO. 18

Ex. #14273 of 2008

U.S. Bank National Association as Successor Corporate Trustee to Wachovia Bank, N.A. as Aforesaid and Not Individually, Plaintiff

#### Kimberly S. Raup, Vaughn L. Raup, Defendant(s) DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 2008-14273, U.S. Bank National Association as Successor Corporate Trustee to Wachovia Bank, N.A. as Aforesaid and Not Individually vs. Kimberly S. Raup. Vaughn L. Raup

Amount Due: \$187,908.06

Kimberly S. Raup, Vaughn L. Raup, owner(s) of property situated in WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP. Erie County, Pennsylvania being 5448-5450 Linden Avenue, Edinboro, PA 16412-1437

Dimensions: 111.41 X 107.48 IRR Assessment Map number: 45016029000300

Assessed Value: \$195,900.00 Improvement thereon: residential Phelan Hallinan Diamond & Jones, LLP One Penn Center at Suburban Station, Suite 1400

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SALE NO. 19 Ex. #10987 of 2018

The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York as Trustee for The Certificateholders of Cwabs, Inc., Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2004-Bc4, Plaintiff

#### Trish A. Straughn, Jason D. Smith, Defendant(s) **DESCRIPTION**

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 2018-10987, The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York as Trustee for The Certificateholders of Cwabs, Inc., Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2004-Bc4 vs. Trish A. Straughn, Jason D. Smith

Amount Due: \$163,589.00

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Trish A. Straughn, Jason D. Smith, owner(s) of property situated in MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP, Erie County, Pennsylvania being 3403 Pacific Avenue, Erie, PA 16506-3526

Dimensions: 50 X 172.50 Acreage: 0.1980

Assessment Map number: 33-074-318.0-001.00

Assessed Value: \$93,700.00 Improvement thereon: residential Phelan Hallinan Diamond & Jones, LLP One Penn Center at Suburban Station, Suite 1400

1617 John F. Kennedy Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19103-1814 (215) 563-7000

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#### SALE NO. 20

Ex. #10940 of 2018

Citibank, N.A., Not in Its Individual Capacity, But Solely as Trustee of Nrz Pass-Through Trust VI. Plaintiff

#### Melvin M. Thomas, Defendant(s) DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 10940-18, Citibank, N.A., Not in Its Individual Capacity. But Solely as Trustee of Nrz Pass-Through Trust VI vs. Melvin M. Thomas

Amount Due: \$45,365.02

Melvin M. Thomas, owner(s) of property situated in CORRY CITY, Erie County, Pennsylvania being 303 Wayne Street, Corry, PA 16407-1309

Dimensions: 49.1 X 143.97

Acreage: 0.1575

Assessment Map number: 06-021-

027.0-005.00

Assessed Value: \$58,280.00 Improvement thereon: residential Phelan Hallinan Diamond & Jones, LLP One Penn Center at Suburban Station Suite 1400 1617 John F. Kennedy Boulevard

Philadelphia, PA 19103-1814 (215) 563-7000

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SALE NO. 21 Ex. #10241 of 2018 PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff

#### CHRISTOPHER T. HILBRICH. Defendant

#### DESCRIPTION

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE IN THE CITY OF ERIE, COUNTY OF ERIE AND COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA. BEING KNOWN AS: 4212 ROXANNA DRIVE, ERIE, PA 16510

PARCEL # 18052060051800

Improvements:

Residential

Dwelling.

POWERS KIRN & ASSOCIATES, LLC Matthew J. McDonnell, Esquire

Id. No. 313549 Attorneys for Plaintiff

Eight Neshaminy Interplex Suite 215

Trevose, PA 19053 (215) 942-2090

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SALE NO. 22

Ex. #10830 of 2018 PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES.

LLC, Plaintiff

### WILLIAM B. SZYPLIK.

#### **Defendant** DESCRIPTION

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE IN THE FIRST WARD OF THE CITY OF CORRY, ERIE COUNTY. PENNSYLVANIA.

BEING KNOWN AS: 324 S. CENTER STREET, CORRY, PA 16407

PARCEL # 05-032-166.0-018.00 Improvements: Residential

Dwelling.

POWERS KIRN & ASSOCIATES, LLC Matthew J. McDonnell, Esquire

Id. No. 313549

Attorneys for Plaintiff Eight Neshaminy Interplex

Suite 215 Trevose, PA 19053

(215) 942-2090

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SALE NO. 23

Ex. #11062 of 2018

Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, Plaintiff

#### Amy J. Harris & Kenneth D. Harris, Defendants DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 2018-11062. Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, Plaintiff vs. Amy J. Harris & Kenneth D. Harris, owner(s) of property situated in Erie County, Pennsylvania being 1631 West 40th Street, Erie, PA 16509

Assessment Map Number: 19061072010600

Assessed Value Figure: \$104,800 Improvement thereon: Family Home -1349 sq. ft. Richard M. Squire & Associates, LLC Bradley J. Osborne, Esq. (PA I.D. #312169) 115 West Avenue, Suite 104 Jenkintown, PA 19046

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SALE NO. 24

Ex. #11172 of 2018

215-886-8790

Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, Plaintiff

#### Ronald J. Haggerty, Jr., **Defendant** DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 2018-11172. Bavview Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company vs. Ronald J. Haggerty, Jr., owner(s) of property situated in Township Millcreek. Erie County. Pennsylvania being 2342 W 32nd Street, Erie, PA 16506 0.1357

Assessment Map number: 33-073-302.0-014.00

Assessed Value figure: \$61,900.00 Improvement thereon: a residential dwelling

Daniel T. Lutz, Esquire Shapiro & DeNardo, LLC Attorney for Movant/Applicant 3600 Horizon Drive, Suite 150 King of Prussia, PA 19406 (610) 278-6800

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMON PLEAS COURT

SALE NO. 25 Ex. #11186 of 2018 Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper, Plaintiff

Alexandra M. Laughlin and Patrick T. Laughlin, Defendants DESCRIPTION

By virtue of a Writ of Execution filed to No. 2018-11186, Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper vs. Alexandra M. Laughlin and Patrick T. Laughlin, owner(s) of property situated in Township of Millcreek, Erie County, Pennsylvania being

4063 Holly Rue, Erie, PA 16506 0.3711

Assessment Map number: 33-63-

356-1

Assessed Value figure: \$121,540.00 Improvement thereon: a residential

dwelling

Katherine M. Wolf, Esquire Shapiro & DeNardo, LLC Attorney for Movant/Applicant 3600 Horizon Drive, Suite 150 King of Prussia, PA 19406 (610) 278-6800

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#### FIRST PUBLICATION

#### BIONDI, CRAIG R., deceased

Late of the Township of Fairview, County of Erie, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Administrator: Richard P. Biondi, c/o Quinn, Buseck, Leemhuis, Toohey & Kroto, Inc., 2222 West Grandview Blvd., Erie, PA 16506 Attorney: Colleen R. Stumpf, Esq., Quinn, Buseck, Leemhuis, Toohey & Kroto, Inc., 2222 West Grandview Blvd., Erie, PA 16506

#### BURROWS, MARGARET E., deceased

Late of the Township of Cherry Tree, County of Crawford and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Executor: Ronald B. Burrows, c/o Schroeck and Associates, LLC, 117 West 7th Street, Erie, PA 16507

Attorney: George M. Schroeck, Esq., Schroeck and Associates, LLC, 117 West 7th Street, Erie, PA 16507

#### FRANZ, CYNTHIA A., a/k/a CYNTHIA FRANZ a/k/a CYNTHIAANN FRANZ, deceased

Late of the City of Erie, County of Erie and State of Pennsylvania Executor: Eric Michael Franz, 427 Sybil Drive, Erie, PA 16505 Attorney: Ronald J. Susmarski, Esq., 4030 West Lake Road, Erie, PA 16505

#### KENNEDY, JEANNE A., deceased

Late of City of Erie

Executrix: Kathlyne Kennedy Beer, c/o 246 West 10th Street, Erie PA 16501

Attorney: Evan E. Adair, Esq., 246 West 10th Street, Erie, PA 16501

#### LOMBARDOZZI, MARY A., deceased

Late of the City of Erie, County of Erie and State of Pennsylvania Executor: Mary T. Carroll, 5 Kellogg Street, Erie, PA 16508 Attorney: Ronald J. Susmarski, Esq., 4030 West Lake Road, Erie, PA 16505

#### REKITT, SANDRA L., deceased

Late of the Borough of Wesleyville, Erie County

Executor: Jeffrey Gross

Attorney: William J. Kelly, Jr., Esquire, 230 West 6th Street, Suite 201. Erie. PA 16507

#### STEVENSON, THELMA P., deceased

Late of the Borough of Union City, County of Erie, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Executrix: Connie Warthman, c/o Paul J. Carney, Jr., Esq., 224 Maple Avenue, Corry, PA 16407

Attorney: Paul J. Carney, Jr., Esq., 224 Maple Avenue, Corry, PA 16407

#### ZIELINSKI, RONALD M., deceaed

Late of the City of Erie, County of Erie, Pennsylvania

Executrix: Clearistene Zielinski, 1808 Chestnut St., Erie, PA 16502 Attorney: None

#### SECOND PUBLICATION

#### AMOND, CATHERINE E., deceased

Late of the City of Erie, Erie County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Executor: Charles R. Amond, c/o Jeffrey D. Scibetta, Esq., 120 West Tenth Street, Erie, PA 16501 Attorney: Jeffrey D. Scibetta

Attorney: Jeffrey D. Scibetta, Esq., Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett, P.C., 120 West Tenth Street, Erie, PA 16501

#### BLISS, ANNETTE R., deceased

Late of the Township of McKean, County of Erie, Commonwealth of PA

Executor: Robert H. Bliss, Jr., c/o 504 State Street, Suite 200, Erie, PA 16501

Attorney: Richard E. Filippi, Esquire, 504 State Street, Suite 200, Erie, PA 16501

#### CHAPMAN, EDGAR B., a/k/a EDGAR BENJAMIN CHAPMAN, deceased

Late of Harborcreek Township, Erie County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Executor: Dennis E. Chapman, c/o Frances A. McCormick, Esq., 120 West Tenth Street, Erie, PA 16501 Attorney: Frances A. McCormick, Esq., Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett, P.C., 120 West Tenth Street, Erie, PA 16501

#### EBERLIN, FLORENCE F., deceased

Late of the Township of Harborcreek, County of Erie and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Executor: Richard D. Eberlin, c/o Vlahos Law Firm, P.C., 3305 Pittsburgh Avenue, Erie, PA 16508 Attorney: Darlene M. Vlahos, Esq., Vlahos Law Firm, P.C., 3305 Pittsburgh Avenue, Erie, PA 16508 ORPHANS' COURT LEGAL NOTICE ORPHANS' COURT

#### LUNDGREN, MARIAN H., deceased

Late of City of Erie

Executor: Melvin E. Lundgren, c/o 246 West 10th Street, Erie.

Attorney: Evan E. Adair, Esq., 246 West 10th Street, Erie, PA 16501

#### OLSON, EMELYN D.,

#### deceased

Late of Erie County, North East,

Co-Executors: John A. Olson and Portia L. Harris, c/o 33 East Main Street, North East, Pennsylvania 16428

Attorney: Robert J. Jeffery, Esq., Knox, McLaughlin, Gornall & Sennett, P.C., 33 East Main Street, North East, Pennsylvania 16428

#### PRUZENSKI, GLEN J.,

#### deceased

Late of City of Erie

Administrator: Karen A. Wagner. 11818 Silverthorn Road, Edinboro, PA 16412

Attorney: David J. Mack, Esquire, 510 Parade Street, Erie, PA 16507

#### WAY, DANIEL L.. deceased

Late of the City of Corry, Erie County, Pennsylvania Administratrix: Cody Mora, 3 Market Street, Corry, PA 16407 Attorney: William E. Barney, Esquire, 200 N. Center St., Corry, PA 16407

#### WILLIAMS, SHIRLEY LOUISE, a/k/a SHIRLEY L. WILLIAMS,

Late of the City of Erie, County of Erie, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Executrix: Cathy Ann Durst, c/o Ouinn, Buseck, Leemhuis, Toohey & Kroto, Inc., 2222 West Grandview Blvd., Erie, PA 16506 Attorney: Melissa L. Larese, Esq., Quinn, Buseck, Leemhuis, Toohev & Kroto, Inc., 2222 West Grandview Blvd., Erie, PA 16506

#### ZALEWSKI, ALICE M., deceased

Late of Summit Township, Erie County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Executor: James R. Zalewski, c/o Thomas C. Hoffman, II, Esq., 120 West Tenth Street, Erie, PA 16501 Attorney: Thomas C. Hoffman, II. Esq., Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett, P.C., 120 West Tenth Street, Erie, PA 16501

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#### GRIFFIN, COLLEEN E., a/k/a KATHALEEN ELLEN GRIFFIN. deceased

Late of the City of Erie, County of Erie and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Successor Trustee: Dean P. Zeller. 624 West Arlington Road, Erie, PA 16509-2208

Attorneys: MacDonald, Illig, Jones & Britton LLP, 100 State Street, Suite 700, Erie, Pennsylvania 16507-1459

#### THIRD PUBLICATION

#### DIETZ, DOLORES M., deceased

Late of Erie County, Harborcreek,

Co-Executors: Eileen Pfeiffer and Sheryl Ramsdell, c/o 33 East Main Street, North East, Pennsylvania

Attorney: Robert J. Jeffery, Esq., Knox, McLaughlin, Gornall & Sennett, P.C., 33 East Main Street, North East, Pennsylvania 16428

#### HAMMOND, H. JAMES, a/k/a HOWARD JAMES HAMMOND, II. a/k/a H. J HAMMOND.

#### deceased

Late of Concord Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania

Executrix: Anita L. Baker, a/k/a Anita H. Baker, 17290 Route 89. Corry, PA 16407

Attorney: Gary J. Heim, Esquire, Mette, Evans & Woodside, 3401 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-0950

#### HOLLARN, JEAN E.,

#### deceased

Late of City of Erie, County of Erie Co-Executors: Michael J. Hollarn, 5516 Frederick Drive, Erie, PA 16510 and Thomas P. Hollarn, 85 Eaton Drive, North East, PA 16428 Attorney: Kari A. Froess, Esquire. CARNEY & GOOD, 254 West Sixth Street, Erie, Pennsylvania 16507

#### KECK, FREDERICK W.,

deceased

Late of the City of Erie, Erie County, PA

Executor: Cathy M. Lojewski, c/o 3209 East Avenue, Erie, PA 16504 Attorney: Cathy M. Lojewski, Esq., 3209 East Avenue, Erie, PA 16504

#### MARKS, KIM LOUISE, a/k/a KIM L. MARKS,

#### deceased

Late of the City of Erie, Erie County, PA

Executor: Erin A. Blashock, c/o 3209 East Avenue, Erie, PA 16504 Attorney: Cathy M. Lojewski, Esq., 3209 East Avenue, Erie, PA 16504

#### McGARRY, ROSE M.,

#### deceased

Late of City of Erie

Executor: Todd P. McGarry, 921 Grant Avenue, Erie, PA 16505 Attorney: Michael A. Fetzner, Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett, P.C., 120 West Tenth Street, Erie, PA 16501

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#### METZLER, JEANETTE MARIE, a/k/a JEANETTE MURPHY, a/k/a JEANETTE M. METZLER,

#### deceased

Late of City of Erie

Executor: Damian Murphy, 2661

Hazel Street, Erie, PA 16508

Attorney: None

#### OSBORN, GORDON A., deceased

Late of the Township of Millcreek, County of Erie and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Executor: Stephen D. Osborn Attorney: Thomas J. Minarcik, Esquire, ELDERKIN LAW FIRM.

150 East 8th Street, Erie, PA 16501

#### RAHAL, WAJEEH KHALIL, a/k/a WAJEEH K. RAHAL, deceased

Late of North East Township, Erie

County, Pennsylvania Executrix: Celeena J. Mooney, 8200 Bort Rd., P.O. Box 162, North East, PA 16428

Attorney: None

#### SKRZYPCZAK, GENEVIEVE E., a/k/a GENEVIEVE SKRZYPCZAK,

#### deceased

Late of Township of Millcreek, Erie County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Executrix: Judith Bekeny, c/o 120 W. 10th Street, Erie, PA 16501

W. 10th Street, Erie, PA 16501 Attorney: Christine Hall McClure, Esq., Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett, P.C., 120 West 10th Street, Erie, PA 16501

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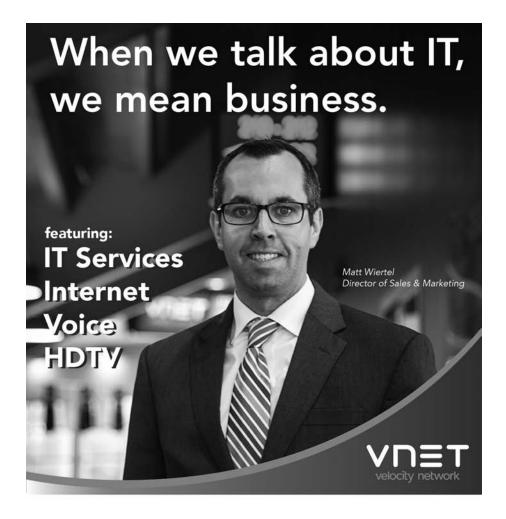
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