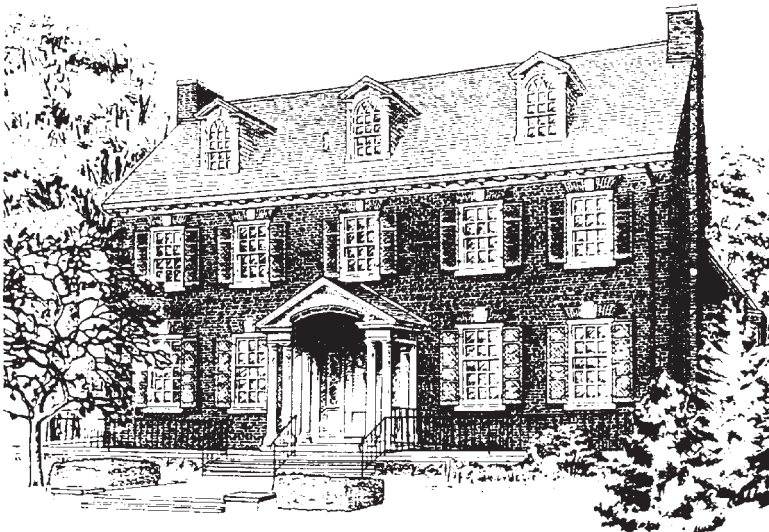


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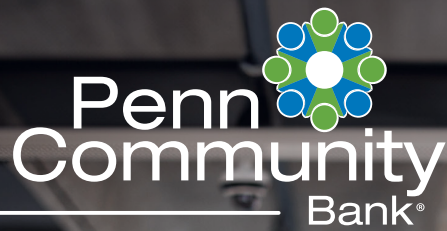
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA vs.
BRYSON JONES, Defendant*Motion in Limine—Justification Defense.*

Defendant, Bryson Jones, was charged with Persons Not to Possess [or] Control Firearms, Firearms Not to be Carried Without a License, Receiving Stolen Property, and various driving offenses, following the stop of a motorcycle Defendant was operating which led to the recovery of a loaded firearm, which fell from the Defendant's waistband. Defendant asserted that the circumstances behind his possession of the firearm, that a friend forgot the firearm at his residence and Defendant was returning the firearm when the motorcycle stop took place, permitted him to raise the defense of justification. Counsel for the Commonwealth filed a motion in limine objecting to Defendant's intention to pursue a justification defense.

"[T]o succeed on a justification defense, an individual must be faced with clear and imminent harm, not one which is debatable or speculative; the individual must reasonably expect that the actions taken would be effective in avoiding the greater harm; there must be no legal alternative which would be effective in abating the harm. ... Even assuming a probation violation and possible incarceration is the type of harm contemplated by the justification defense, [the defendant] [must] prove there were no other legal alternatives that would have prevented the harm." *Storlie*, 2024 WL 3949119, at **3-4.

The Court granted the Commonwealth's Motion in Limine. In its Opinion, the Court found, *inter alia*, that the Defendant could not establish that he was under a present threat or harm, or that there were no legal alternatives which would be effective in abating the harm.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Criminal Division No. CR-1176-2024. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. Bryson Jones, Defendant.

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DENNIS CHARLES, ESQUIRE, on behalf of the Defendant.

OPINION

STEINBERG, J., December 8, 2025. The defendant, Bryson Jones, is charged with Persons Not to Possess [or] Control ... Firearms,¹ Firearms Not to be Carried Without a License,² Receiving Stolen Property,³ and various driving offenses, including Driving

¹18 Pa.C.S. §6105(a)(1).

²18 Pa.C.S. §6106(a)(1).

³18 Pa.C.S. §3925(a).

While Operating Privilege is Suspended or Revoked (DUI related).⁴ A stop of a motorcycle the defendant was operating led to recovery of a loaded Glock 43X, which had fallen from the defendant's waistband and onto the pavement. Additional investigation determined that the defendant did not have a license to carry a firearm, and he had prior convictions which prevented him from lawfully possessing a firearm. The defendant was also on state parole at the time of the motorcycle stop.

BACKGROUND

The defendant has asserted that the circumstances behind his possession of the firearm permit him to raise the defense of justification.⁵ The short version of his possession of the firearm is that a friend forgot the firearm at his residence, and the defendant was returning the firearm when the motorcycle stop unfolded.

The longer version is that on November 5, 2023, the defendant resided in Allentown with a Patsy Harris and three (3) children who were under ten (10) years of age. A friend named Danny Lopez asked the defendant to take temporary custody of his Harley Road King (hereinafter Harley) and perform maintenance on the "brakes and calipers." The motorcycle was transported to the defendant's residence by Eugene Clay, who either offered or provided assistance in repairing the Harley.

Mr. Clay was allegedly in possession of the aforementioned Glock 43X, and the defendant suggests that he removed it from his person and placed it somewhere in the defendant's garage. At some point, it is alleged, Mr. Clay left the garage to referee a flag football game, but forgot his firearm.

Sometime after departing, Mr. Clay remembered that his firearm was in the defendant's garage and advised the defendant that he had forgotten the firearm. He was unable to return immediately to retrieve it, and requested that the defendant meet him to return it.

⁴75 Pa.C.S. §1543(b)(1)(i). He is also charged with Driving an Unregistered Vehicle—75 Pa.C.S. §1301(a); Operation of a Motor Vehicle Without Required Financial Responsibility—75 Pa.C.S. §1786(f).

⁵18 Pa.C.S. § 503.

The defendant, who was employed as the organist at the Union Baptist Church, was scheduled to work a church service that day. It was agreed that Mr. Clay would meet the defendant in the church parking lot where the firearm would be returned to him.

The defendant, with the firearm in his possession, and the Harley underneath him, alleges that he was on his way to get to the church on time when he was pulled over. The firearm, which was loaded with sixteen (16) bullets, was then seized after it fell out of the defendant's waistband.

MOTION IN LIMINE

Counsel for the Commonwealth filed a motion in limine, objecting to the defendant's intention to pursue a justification defense (defense of necessity).⁶ Defense counsel filed a Memorandum of Law in Opposition to that Motion in Limine, suggesting the defendant's possession of the firearm was "momentary," and he had the intention of immediately returning it to its rightful owner.

DISCUSSION

The Commonwealth is seeking a pretrial ruling on the defendant's use of a justification defense, sometimes known as a choice of evils defense. The justification defense is generally applicable to all offenses, including firearm offenses like the within case. *See Commonwealth v. McIntyre*, 333 A.3d 417 (Pa.Super. 2025) (Person Prohibited From Possessing Firearm); *Commonwealth v. Miklos*, 159 A.3d 962 (Pa.Super. 2017) (Person Not to Possess a Firearm); *Commonwealth v. Vaglica*, 673 A.2d 371 (Pa.Super. 1996) (Former Convict Not to Own a Firearm et al.); *United States v. Shelton*, 2023 WL 1812743 (W.D.Pa. 2023) (persuasive authority) (Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon); *Government of Virgin Islands v. Lewis*, 620 F.3d 359 (3d Cir. 2010) (Unlawful Possession of a Firearm). The defendants in those cases also attempted to raise a justification defense, but were not entitled to a justification jury instruction. It is well settled that a trial court may only instruct the jury on

⁶Motion in Limine, ¶¶1-5. The Commonwealth, in their motion, is also seeking permission to present expert testimony in "gang investigation and identification" and prohibit the defendant from introducing evidence of his participation in a "church music group." Neither the gang nor church motions in limine are resolved by this opinion.

legal principles which are applicable to the evidence presented. *Vaglica*, 673 A.2d at 373. See also, *McIntyre*, 333 A.3d at 437.

A synopsis of the defense of justification was explained in *Commonwealth v. Capitolo*, 498 A.2d 806, 808-09 (Pa. 1985)(factually not applicable):

The defense of necessity ... does not rise from a “choice” of several courses of actions; instead it is based on a real emergency. It can be asserted only by an actor who is confronted with such a crisis as a personal danger (to oneself or others), a crisis which does not permit a selection from among several solutions, some of which do not involve criminal acts. Accordingly, the defense can be raised only in situations that deal with harm or evils that are readily apparent and recognizable to reasonable persons. The defense cannot be permitted to justify acts taken to foreclose speculative and uncertain dangers, and is therefore limited in application to acts directed at the avoidance of harm that is reasonably certain to occur.

Id. (citations omitted).

The aforementioned caselaw further explains that “[t]o warrant an instruction on justification, the evidence must show, *inter alia*, that the defendant faced a clear and imminent harm not a harm that is debatable or speculative. If the evidence, even if believed, is insufficient to sustain this element of the defense, the trial court need not charge the jury on justification.” *Vaglica*, 673 A.2d at 374. In *Commonwealth v. Storlie*, 2024 WL 3949119, at *3 (Pa.Super. August 27, 2024)(persuasive authority), the Superior Court noted that the Supreme Court has refined the elements for a justification defense as requiring: (1) that the actor was faced with a clear and imminent harm, not one which is debatable or speculative; (2) that the actor could reasonably expect that the actor’s actions would be effective in avoiding this greater harm[;] (3) that there is no legal alternative which will be effective in abating the harm; and, (4) that the Legislature has not acted to preclude the defense by a clear and deliberate choice regarding the values at issue.⁷

⁷See also, *Shelton*, 2023 WL 1812743, at *4, in which it was explained that the Third Circuit also requires an imminent threat as opposed to a generalized fear to permit a justification defense.

Here, the defendant cannot establish that he was under a present threat or harm, or that there were no legal alternatives which would be effective in abating the harm. His claim that if the parole authorities suddenly descended on his residence and found the firearm he would be subject to a parole violation is a bit far-fetched. Likewise, his assertion that a *loaded* firearm could prove a risk to children and others in the home is true, but the way to avoid that harm is to unload the firearm. Additionally, there is no evidence that the firearm posed an immediate threat. It was in a garage and could have been locked away.

“[T]o succeed on a justification defense, an individual must be faced with clear and imminent harm, not one which is debatable or speculative; the individual must reasonably expect that the actions taken would be effective in avoiding the greater harm; there must be no legal alternative which would be effective in abating the harm. ... Even assuming a probation violation and possible incarceration is the type of harm contemplated by the justification defense, [the defendant] [must] prove there were no other legal alternatives that would have prevented the harm.” *Storlie*, 2024 WL 3949119, at **3-4.

The legal alternatives far outweigh riding a Harley with a stolen registration plate, and with a suspended license, on the streets of Allentown while possessing a firearm he was prohibited from possessing. Contacting law enforcement was a reasonable alternative. “[T]he keystone of the analysis is that the defendant must have no alternative—either before or during the event—to avoid violating the law.” *U.S. v. Alston*, 526 F.3d 91, 97 (3d Cir. 2008), citing *U.S. v. Singleton*, 902 F.2d 471, 473 (6th Cir. 1990); *Commonwealth v. McMillan*, 245 A.3d 1056, at *5 (Pa.Super. December 9, 2020)(persuasive authority), citing *Commonwealth v. Merriwether*, 555 A.2d 906, 911 (Pa.Super. 1989)(holding that because defendant had the legal alternative of contacting the authorities, he could not invoke the defense of necessity).

A myriad of legal alternatives existed rather than the poorest choice of all, the one made by the defendant. For all the foregoing reasons, the Commonwealth’s Motion in Limine is granted.

ORDER

AND NOW, this 8th day of December, 2025, upon consideration of the Commonwealth's Motion in Limine, and the defendant's Memorandum of Law and Answer to the Commonwealth's Motion in Limine;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Commonwealth's Motion in Limine is **GRANTED**.

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Stratton, Barbara J. a/k/a Barbara J. Miller, dec'd.

Late of Lynn Township.
Executrix: Abby Claypoole c/o Cornerstone Law Firm, 8500 Allentown Pike, Suite 3, Blandon, PA 19510.
Attorney: Stephanie D. Rauch-Mannino, Esq., 8500 Allentown Pike, Suite 3, Blandon, PA 19510, (610) 926-7875, Rachel.d@cornerstonelaw.us.

Schultz, Jean Ann a/k/a Jeanann Miriam Schultz a/k/a Jean A. Schultz and Jean Schultz, dec'd.

Late of Breinigsville.
Executors: Linda D. Schultz and Scott E. Schultz c/o Rebecca M. Young, Esq. and Lia K. Snyder, Esq., Young & Young, 119 E. Main Street, Macungie, PA 18062.
Attorneys: Rebecca M. Young, Esq. and Lia K. Snyder, Esq., Young & Young, 119 E. Main Street, Macungie, PA 18062.

Warsaw, Elizabeth S., dec'd.

Late of Center Valley.
Executrix: Elizabeth A. Simmons c/o Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017.
Attorneys: Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

Shope, Daniel N., dec'd.

Late of Upper Saucon Township.
Executrix: Theresa A. Shope c/o Fitzpatrick Lentz & Bubba, P.C., Two City Center, 645 West Hamilton Street, Suite 800, Allentown, PA 18101.

NOTICES OF INCORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Articles of Incorporation were filed pursuant to the provisions of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988 as amended, by the following corporation named:

**LEHIGH VALLEY
OROFACIAL PAIN AND
SLEEP SOLUTIONS, P.C.
KEITH W. STROHL, ESQ.**

1036 Main Street
P.O. Box 159
Slatington, PA 18080

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**CORPORATE FICTITIOUS
NAME NOTICES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Act 295 of 1982, as amended, of intention to file, or the filing of, in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, a certificate for the conduct of a business in Pennsylvania, under the assumed or fictitious name, style or designation of

Name: **WESTMINSTER HOME HEALTH** with its principal place of business at: 214 N. 8th Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania 18102.

The name of the entity owning or interested in said business are: Westminster Homes of the Lehigh Valley.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON
PLEAS OF LEHIGH COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL DIVISION

NO. 2025-C-5036

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
PETITIONER
NICOLE REGINA USSIA

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 8, 2025, a Petition was filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Civil Division, praying for a Decree to change the name of Nicole Regina Ussia to Cole Regi Ussia.

The Court has fixed February 20, 2026, at 9:30 a.m., in Courtroom No. 1B, Historic Lehigh County Courthouse, 501 West Hamilton Street, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, as the place and time for the hearing of said Petition, when and where all persons interested may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said Petition should not be granted.

AVERY E. SMITH, ESQ.

KING, SPRY, HERMAN, FREUND & FAUL, LLC

Attorneys for Petitioner

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Bethlehem, PA 18018

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**SHERIFF'S SALE
OF VALUABLE
REAL ESTATE**

The following Real Estate will be
sold at Sheriff's Sale at 10:00 A.M.

Friday, January 23, 2026

*in the Courthouse, Fifth and
Hamilton Streets, Allentown,
Pennsylvania.*

*Purchasers Must Immediately Pay
10% of the Purchase Price by
Certified Check.*

TO ALL PARTIES IN INTEREST
AND CLAIMANT:

Upon all sales where the filing of
a Schedule of Distribution is re-
quired, the said Schedule will be filed
by the Sheriff on a date specified by
the Sheriff not later than thirty (30)
days after sale, and a Deed will be
delivered to the PURCHASER and
distribution will be made in accord-
dance with the Schedule unless ex-
ceptions are filed thereto within ten
(10) days thereafter.

On sales where the filing of a
Schedule of Distribution is not re-
quired, a Deed will be delivered to the
PURCHASER after the expiration of
twenty (20) days from the date of sale,
unless exceptions are taken to the
sale within that period.

NO. 25008340

By virtue of a writ of execution No.
2022-ML-0120, Allentown School
District v. Joseph Barchini, owner of
property situate in the City of Allen-
town, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania,
being 1702-1704 E. Greenleaf Street,
Allentown, PA 18109.

Tax Assessment No. 64172836-
0808-1.

Improvements thereon: Single
Family.

Attorneys
Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd.

NO. 25008351

By virtue of a writ of execution No.
2024-ML-0076, South Whitehall
Township v. Christine T. Budihas,
owner of property situate in the
South Whitehall Township, Lehigh
County, Pennsylvania, being 1934
Harold Avenue, Allentown, PA 18104.

Tax Assessment No. 54970587-
6740-1.

Improvements thereon: Single
Family.

Attorneys
Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd.

NO. 25008455

By virtue of a writ of execution No.
2024-C-0423, U.S. Bank Trust Na-
tional Association, Not In Its Indi-
vidual Capacity But Solely As Owner
Trustee for Legacy Mortgage Asset
Trust 2021-GS2 v. Eric J. Scott and
Madolyn S. Scott, owners of property
situate in the Lower Macungie Town-
ship, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania,
being 6572 Sauerkraut Lane, Mac-
ungie, PA 18062.

Tax Assessment No. 54742576-
0018 1.

Improvements thereon: A Resi-
dential Dwelling.

Attorneys
KML Law Group, P.C.

NO. 25008560

By virtue of a writ of execution No.
2024-ML-0241, Allentown School
District v. Robert C. Berkheiser and
Cathy D. Berkheiser, owners of prop-
erty situate in the City of Allentown,
Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being
3001-3007 Ithaca Street, Allentown,
PA 18103.

Tax Assessment No. 64050304-
7812-1.

Improvements thereon: Single
Family.

Attorneys
Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd.

NO. 25008565

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2024-ML-2547, Allentown School District v. Dream Big Investments, L.L.C., owner of property situate in the City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 226 N. 4th Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

Tax Assessment No. 64072213-8301-1.

Improvements thereon: Single Family.

Attorneys
Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd.

NO. 25008568

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2024-ML-2209, Allentown School District v. Evangelos T. Zotos, owner of property situate in the City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 2337-2341 W. Greenleaf Street, Allentown, PA 18104.

Tax Assessment No. 54879163-8829-1.

Improvements thereon: Single Family.

Attorneys
Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd.

NO. 25008572

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2025-C-0637, Newrez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing v. Andrea Edwards; Joseph Everitt; Unknown Heirs, and/or Administrators to the Estate of Willie C. Hubbard, owners of property situate in the Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 725 Gottwald Drive, Bethlehem, PA 18015.

Tax Assessment No. 64261717-0173 1.

Improvements thereon: Single family dwelling.

Attorneys
Cristina L. Connor, Esq.
MDK LEGAL

NO. 25008704

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2024-C-4022, U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, As Indenture Trustee on Behalf of and With Respect to Barclays Mortgage Trust 2022-RP11, Mortgage-Backed Securities, Series 2022-RPL1 v. Daleita L. Wilson, owner of property situate in the City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 1307 S. Race St., a/k/a 1307-1309 S. Race St., Allentown, PA 18103.

Tax Assessment No. 64065516-1305 1.

Improvements thereon: Single family dwelling.

Attorneys
Cristina L. Connor, Esq.
MDK LEGAL

NO. 25008838

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2025-C-1854, OBX 2024-NQM2 Trust v. Shaun S. Fequiere, Jr. and Galexina Galarza, owners of property situate in the Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 1649 Thorndale Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Tax Assessment No. 54548387-9066 1.

Improvements thereon: Residential dwelling.

Attorney
Samantha Gable, Esq.

NO. 25008919

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2025-C-2162, U.S. Bank Trust National Association, As Trustee Of LB-CABANA Series IV Trust v. Gary A. Wragg, II, owner of property situate in the Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 1245 Salisbury Road, Allentown, PA 18103.

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Tax Assessment No. 64163694-9419-1.

Improvements thereon: Single Family.

Attorney
Nicole Francese, Esq.

NO. 25008975

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2025-C-1154, Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, As Trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust F v. Ryan A. Foulk and Allen T. Foulk, owners of property situate in the Washington Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 2919 Welsh-town Road and, 2933 Welshtown Road, Slatington, PA 18080.

Tax Assessment Nos. 55525672-6030 1 and 555256515864 1.

Improvements thereon: Residential Dwelling.

Attorneys
Orlans Law Group PLLC

NO. 25009032

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2025-C-1683, ARCPE 1 LLC v. Ediberto Ulloa and Raquel Aracelis Vaddillo, owners of property situate in the City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 222 S. West Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

Tax Assessment No. 54966701-8142 1.

Improvements thereon: Single-Family Row House.

Attorneys
Robert P. Wendt, Esq.
Leopold & Associates, PLLC

NO. 25009083

By virtue of a writ of execution No. 2024-C-3323, U.S. Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee for VRMTG Asset Trust v. Amy M. Davis, John F. Davis, owners of property situate in the Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, being 217 Murray Drive, Allentown, PA 18104.

Tax Assessment No. 54751974-2698-1.

Improvements thereon: Single Family.

Attorney
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