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JAMES H. STARN VS. COMM. OF PENNA, DEPT OF TRANS

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
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Petitioner

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,
Respondent

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Type of Case: Civil

Type of Pleading: Appeal Petition

Filed on behalf of: Petitioner

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Supreme Court No. 22980

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AND NOW, comes your Petitioner, JAMES H. STARN, through his Attorney, David P. King, and in support of his Petition pursuant to 75 Pa. Cons. Stat. §1550 for Review of an Order of the Department of Transportation Recalling Petitioner's Operating Privilege, and in support thereof represents as follows:

1. The Petitioner is JAMES H. STARN, residing at 504 Treasure Lake, DuBois, PA 15801.
2. Petitioner currently possesses a valid Driver's License issued to him by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, License Number 16667603.
3. By letter indicating a mail date of March 25, 2003, Petitioner was notified in writing by the Department of Transportation of a recall of his Driver's License and privileges in accordance with Section 1519(c) of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code as a result of medical information received indicating that he had a neuropsychiatric condition which prevents him from safely operating a motor vehicle. A copy of this letter and notification is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", Pages 1 through 2.

4. The recall as referred to herein is improper and unlawful for the following reasons:

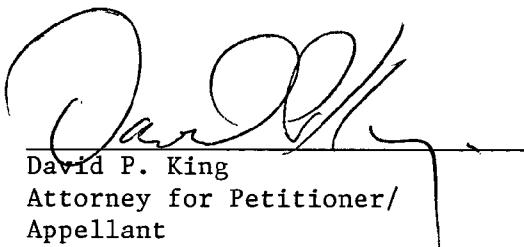
- (a) Appellant is in fact capable of safely operating a motor vehicle;
- (b) The Appellant does not take the suspected prescription medication Donepezil/Aricept which Appellant believes is the underlying reason for his License being recalled;
- (c) The Appellant has not had a motor vehicle accident over the many years that he has been a licensed driver in the State of Pennsylvania, and believes that the action of the Department of Transportation is based in whole or in part on his age; and
- (d) Appellant further believes that such a criteria used in whole or in part for the recalling of a Driver's License is unconstitutional, illegal, discriminatory and an affront to the senior citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in general, and in particular to the Appellant herein.

5. Therefore, Petitioner and Appellant, JAMES H. STARN, requests your Honorable Court to grant the following relief:

- A. To issue an Order of Supersedeas so that Petitioner and Appellant may continue to drive for all of the reasons as set forth above;
- B. To schedule a Hearing on the Supersedeas matter in accordance with Section 1550(b)(1)(ii);

C. Thereafter, to schedule a Hearing on the issue of the actions of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation whereby your Petitioner's License was recalled; and

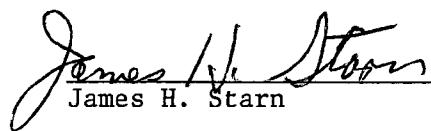
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Date: April 22, 2003


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Bureau of Driver Licensing

Mail Date: March 25, 2003 ✓

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504 TREASURE LAKE
DU BOIS PA 15801

Dear Mr. JAMES STARN:

We have received medical information indicating that you have a Neuropsychiatric condition which prevents you from safely operating a motor vehicle.

As of 04/29/2003, you may no longer drive. Your driving privilege is hereby recalled indefinitely as mandated by Section 1519(c) of the Vehicle Code.

This decision has been made by comparing your medical condition with the standards recommended by our Medical Advisory Board and adopted by this Department. This action will remain in effect until we receive medical information that your condition has improved and you are able to safely operate a motor vehicle.

In order to comply with this action, you must return all current Pennsylvania driver's licenses, learner's permits, temporary driver's licenses (camera cards) in your possession on or before the effective date listed above. If you cannot comply with the requirements stated above, a sworn affidavit stating that you are aware of the sanction against your driving privilege must be submitted. When the Department receives your license or affidavit, we will send you a receipt.

YOU MAY NOT RETAIN YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES. However, you may apply for and obtain a photo identification card at any Driver License Center. You must present two (2) forms of proper identification (e.g., birth certificate, valid U.S. passport, marriage certificate, etc.) in order to obtain your photo identification card.

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Sincerely,

Rebecca L. Bickley

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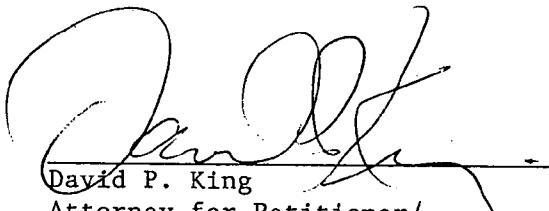
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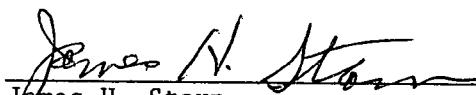
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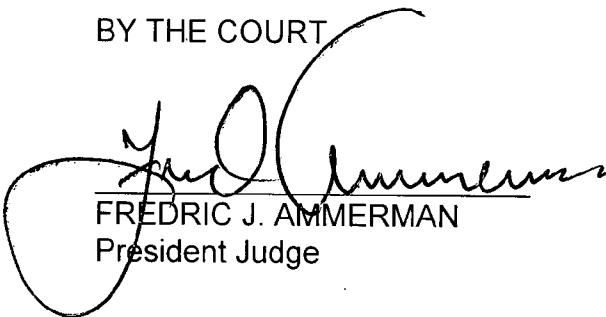
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ORDER

NOW, this 24th day of July, 2007, it is the ORDER of this Court that the above-captioned case be and is hereby dismissed due to inactivity.

BY THE COURT


FREDRIC J. AMMERMAN
President Judge

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William A. Shaw
Prothonotary/Clerk of Courts

1CC Atty: King
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