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

TODD HEMING and SHIRLEY  
HEMING, husband and wife,

Plaintiffs,

v.

THOMAS G. CORLE. and  
THE HITCHING POST,

Defendants.

CIVIL DIVISION

No. 2007-1709-CD

***PRAECIPE FOR WRIT OF SUMMONS***

Filed on behalf of: Plaintiffs

Counsel of Record for this Party:

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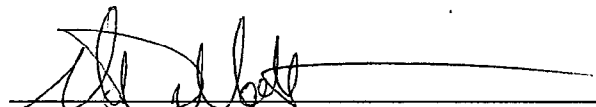
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**PRAECIPE FOR WRIT OF SUMMONS**

TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

Please issue a Writ of Summons for THOMAS G. CORLE and THE HITCHING POST in  
connection with the above captioned matter.

Respectfully submitted,  
BERK, WHITEHEAD, KERR & TURIN, P.C.



Michael E. DeMatt, Esquire  
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Attorney for Plaintiffs  
115 North Main Street  
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Dated: 10/24/07

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF  
CLEARFIELD COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA  
CIVIL ACTION**

**SUMMONS**

**Todd Heming and  
Shirley Heming, husband and wife**

**Vs.**

**NO.: 2007-01709-CD**

**Thomas G. Corle and  
The Hitching Post**

**TO: THOMAS G. CORLE AND  
THE HITCHING POST**

To the above named Defendant(s) you are hereby notified that the above named Plaintiff(s) has/have commenced a Civil Action against you.

Date: 10/22/2007

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William A. Shaw  
Prothonotary

Issuing Attorney:  
Michael E. Dematt, Esq.  
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***PRAECIPE TO AMEND CAPTION***

Filed on behalf of: Plaintiffs

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**PRAECIPE TO AMEND CAPTION**

TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

Please amend the caption in the above matter as follows:

TODD HEMING and SHIRLEY	)	
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Dated: 10/30/07

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***PRAECIPE TO REISSUE CORRECTED  
WRIT OF SUMMONS***

Filed on behalf of: Plaintiffs

Counsel of Record for this Party:

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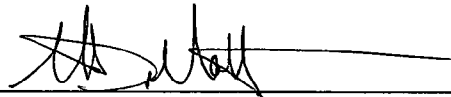
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**PRAECIPE TO REISSUE CORRECTED WRIT OF SUMMONS**

TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

A praecipe to amend caption has been filed. Please reissue the writ of summons, with the corrected caption as set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,  
BERK, WHITEHEAD, KERR & TURIN, P.C.



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Attorney for Plaintiffs  
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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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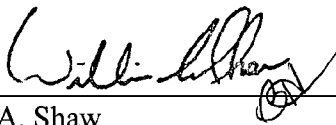
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**Thomas G. Corle Jr.  
Hitching Post**

**TO: THOMAS G. CORLE JR.  
HITCHING POST**

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Date: 11/02/2007

  
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Prothonotary

Issuing Attorney:  
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Greensburg, PA 15601

**In The Court of Common Pleas of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania**

Service # 1 of 4 Services

Sheriff Docket # **103356**

TODD HEMING and SHIRLEY HEMING, husband and wife

Case # 07-1709-CD

vs.

THOMAS G. CORLE, JR. and THE HITCHING POST

TYPE OF SERVICE SUMMONS

**SHERIFF RETURNS**

NOW February 11, 2008 RETURNED THE WITHIN SUMMONS "NOT SERVED, TIME EXPIRED" AS TO THOMAS G. CORLE, JR., DEFENDANT. NEED CORRECTED SUMMONS WITH "JR"

SERVED BY: /

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**FEB 11 2008**

William A. Shaw  
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**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

DOCKET # 103356  
NO: 07-1709-CD  
SERVICE # 2 OF 4  
SUMMONS

PLAINTIFF: TODD HEMING and SHIRLEY HEMING, husband and wife  
vs.  
DEFENDANT: THOMAS G. CORLE, JR. and THE HITCHING POST

**SHERIFF RETURN**

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NOW, November 01, 2007 AT 11:49 AM SERVED THE WITHIN SUMMONS ON THE HITCHING POST DEFENDANT AT (WORK) 692 LIBERTY BLVD., DUBOIS, CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, BY HANDING TO DIANE HARMICK, OWNER A TRUE AND ATTESTED COPY OF THE ORIGINAL SUMMONS AND MADE KNOWN THE CONTENTS THEREOF.

SERVED BY: NEVLING / COUDRIET

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

DOCKET # 103356  
NO: 07-1709-CD  
SERVICE # 3 OF 4  
SUMMONS (CORRECTED)

PLAINTIFF: TODD HEMING and SHIRLEY HEMING, husband and wife  
vs.  
DEFENDANT: THOMAS G. CORLE, JR. and THE HITCHING POST

**SHERIFF RETURN**

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NOW, November 09, 2007, SHERIFF OF JEFFERSON COUNTY WAS DEPUTIZED BY CHESTER A. HAWKINS, SHERIFF OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY TO SERVE THE WITHIN SUMMONS (CORRECTED) ON THOMAS G. CORLE, JR..

NOW, November 19, 2007 AT 10:46 AM SERVED THE WITHIN SUMMONS (CORRECTED) ON THOMAS G. CORLE, JR., DEFENDANT. THE RETURN OF JEFFERSON COUNTY IS HERETO **ATTACHED** AND MADE PART OF THIS RETURN.

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

DOCKET # 103356  
NO: 07-1709-CD  
SERVICE # 4 OF 4  
SUMMONS (CORRECTED)

PLAINTIFF: TODD HEMING and SHIRLEY HEMING, husband and wife  
vs.  
DEFENDANT: THOMAS G. CORLE, JR. and THE HITCHING POST

**SHERIFF RETURN**

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NOW, November 06, 2007 AT 11:15 AM SERVED THE WITHIN SUMMONS (CORRECTED) ON THE HITCHING POST DEFENDANT AT 692 LIBERTY BLVD., DUBOIS, CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, BY HANDING TO KIMBERLY SEAMAN, EMPLOYEE A TRUE AND ATTESTED COPY OF THE ORIGINAL SUMMONS (CORRECTED) AND MADE KNOWN THE CONTENTS THEREOF.

SERVED BY: NEVLING / COUDRIET

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

DOCKET # 103356  
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vs.  
DEFENDANT: THOMAS G. CORLE, JR. and THE HITCHING POST

SHERIFF RETURN



RETURN COSTS

Description	Paid By	CHECK #	AMOUNT
SURCHARGE	BERK	21753	20.00
SHERIFF HAWKINS	BERK	21753	42.84
JEFFERSON CO.	BERK	21787	54.92

Sworn to Before Me This

\_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2008

So Answers,

  
by   
Chester A. Hawkins  
Sheriff



No. 2007-1709 C.D.

Personally appeared before me, Dean Smith, Deputy for Thomas A. Demko, Sheriff of Jefferson County, Pennsylvania, who according to law deposes and says that on November 19, 2007 at 10:46 o'clock A.M. served the Summons upon THOMAS G. CORLE, Jr., Defendant, at the address of 320 Taylor Avenue, Borough of Falls Creek, County of Jefferson, State of Pennsylvania, by handing to Sandra Corle, adult person in charge at time of service, a true copy of the Summons and by making known to her the contents thereof.

Advance Costs Received:	\$125.00	
My Costs:	52.92	Paid
Prothy:	2.00	
Total Costs:	54.92	
REFUNDED:	\$ 70.08	

So Answers,

Sworn and subscribed

to before me this 21<sup>st</sup>

day of Nov. 2007

By Angela S. East

My Commission Expires the  
1st Monday, January 2010

Dean Smith Deputy

Thomas A. Demko Sheriff

JEFFERSON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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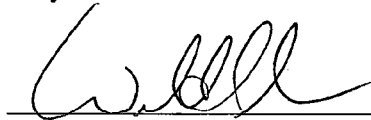
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Date: 10/22/2007



William A. Shaw  
Prothonotary

**WILLIAM A. SHAW  
Prothonotary  
My Commission Expires  
1st Monday in Jan. 2010  
Clearfield Co., Clearfield, PA**

Issuing Attorney:  
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WILLIAM A. SHAW  
Prothonotary  
My Commission Expires  
1st Monday of 2010  
All elections to be held

**FILED**

**FEB 11 2008**

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**COMPLAINT IN CIVIL ACTION**

Filed on behalf of: Plaintiffs

Counsel of Record for this Party:

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**JURY TRIAL DEMANDED**

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**NOTICE TO DEFEND**

To: THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS

You have been sued in court. If you wish to defend against the claims set forth in the following pages, you must take action within twenty (20) days after this Complaint and notice are served, by entering a written appearance personally or by attorney, and filing in writing with the court your defenses or objections to the claims set forth against you. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you by the court without further notice for any money claimed in the Complaint or for any other claim or relief requested by the Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.

IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE A LAWYER, THIS OFFICE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ON AGENCIES THAT MAY OFFER LEGAL SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE PERSONS AT A REDUCED FEE OR NO FEE

COURT ADMINISTRATOR  
Clearfield County Courthouse  
Second & Market Streets  
Clearfield, PA 16830  
(814) 765-2641 Ext. 50-51

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**COMPLAINT IN CIVIL ACTION**

AND NOW, come the plaintiffs, Todd Heming and Shirley Heming, by and through their attorneys, Michael E. DeMatt, Esquire and the firm of Berk, Whitehead, Kerr & Turin, P.C., and file the within complaint, averring as follows:

1. Plaintiff, Todd Heming, is an adult individual residing in Seward, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.
2. Plaintiff, Shirley Heming, is an adult individual residing in Seward, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.
3. At all time relevant herein, Plaintiffs Todd and Shirley Heming were husband and wife.
4. Defendant, Thomas G. Corle, Jr., is an adult individual residing at 320 Taylor Avenue, Falls Creek, Jefferson County, Pennsylvania.

5. Defendant, The Hitching Post is an establishment licensed by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board with its principal place of business at 692 Liberty Boulevard, DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, and at all times relevant to this complaint was engaged in the sale and service of alcoholic beverages to patrons at The Hitching Post, at the aforementioned location.

6. The incident giving rise to the within matter occurred at approximately 1:20 p.m. on October 21, 2005.

7. At the above date and time, a motor vehicle collision occurred between the vehicles being operated by Plaintiff Todd Heming and Defendant Corle, causing injuries to plaintiff Todd Heming as set forth in detail below.

8. Prior to the above-described motor vehicle accident, Defendant Corle was a patron at defendant The Hitching Post.

9. While at The Hitching Post, Defendant Corle consumed alcoholic beverages, which rendered him incapable of safe driving.

10. The Hitching Post served such alcoholic beverages to defendant Corle while he was visibly intoxicated.

11. At the above date and time, Plaintiff Todd Heming was lawfully operating a motor vehicle on Liberty Boulevard in DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

12. Mr. Heming was stopped for traffic near 525 Liberty Boulevard, heading southbound.

13. At this same time, defendant Corle was travelling in his vehicle southbound on Liberty Boulevard.

14. Mr. Corle failed to bring his vehicle to a stop and collided with the rear of Mr. Heming's vehicle, subsequently causing Mr. Heming's vehicle to strike the vehicle which was stopped ahead of him.

15. Mr. Corle was charged with a violation of 18 Pa.C.S.A. § 3802, for driving under the influence of alcohol. Mr. Corle subsequently pled guilty to the DUI charge.

16. As a direct and proximate result of the foregoing negligence of the defendants, the Plaintiff, Todd Heming has suffered injuries as set forth in detail below, some or all of which may be permanent.

**Count I – Todd Heming v. Thomas G. Corle, Jr.**  
**Negligence**

17. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs 1 through 16.

18. At the time of the above described motor vehicle accident, the defendant, Thomas G. Corle, Jr., was negligent, reckless and careless under the following circumstances in:

- a. Failing to have his vehicle under proper and reasonable control;
- b. Operating his vehicle while under the influence of alcohol;
- c. Operating his vehicle in such a manner as to cause it to collide with the plaintiff's vehicle;
- d. Operating his vehicle without due regard to the presence and safety of the plaintiff;
- e. Failing to bring his vehicle to a stop in time to avoid the accident;
- f. Failing to properly apply his brakes;
- g. Failing to keep a proper lookout;
- h. Failing to operate his vehicle in a safe and proper manner; and,



- i. Failing to comply with the laws, rules and regulations of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code.

19. As a direct and proximate result of the defendant's negligence, recklessness and carelessness, the plaintiff suffered the following injuries, some or all of which may be permanent:

- a. Cervical sprain/strain;
- Pain and suffering;
- Fright and shock;
- Embarrassment and inconvenience;
- Requirement to seek medical treatment and rehabilitation therapy;
- Restriction of normal activities;
- Lost wages;
- Workers Compensation lien; and
- Loss of life's pleasures.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff, Todd Heming, respectfully requests this Honorable Court enter a judgment in his favor and against the defendant, Thomas G. Corle, Jr., jointly and severally with the defendant, The Hitching Post, in an amount in excess of \$20,000.00, plus interest and costs.

**Count II – Todd Heming v. The Hitching Post**  
**Negligence – Dram Shop Act Violation**

20. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs 1 through 19.

21. On or about October 21, 2005, Defendant The Hitching Post, its agents, servants or employees sold, furnished or gave liquor or malt or brewed beverages ("liquor") to the defendant

Thomas G. Corle, Jr., when he was visibly intoxicated, in violation of the Pennsylvania Liquor Code, 47 P.S. 4-493(1) and 4-497.

22. As set forth above, after having consumed liquor at The Hitching Post on October 21, 2005, Mr. Corle operated a motor vehicle on a public road of the Commonwealth. As a result of his visibly intoxicated condition, Mr. Corle was unable to operate the vehicle in a safe and proper manner in accordance with the statutes, regulations and other laws of this Commonwealth.

23. Defendant, The Hitching Post was negligent in the following particulars:

- a. Negligently and/or carelessly selling or furnishing liquor and/or brewed beverages to the Defendant, Thomas G. Corle, Jr. when he was visibly intoxicated;
- b. Failing to properly train and supervise its employees so as to prevent them from selling or furnishing liquor and/or brewed beverages to invitees who are visibly intoxicated;
- c. Negligently and/or carelessly failing to warn the Defendant, Thomas G. Corle, Jr. that he was intoxicated and should not drive; and
- d. Violating the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania regarding the serving of alcoholic beverages to visibly intoxicated persons.

24. As a direct and proximate result of the defendant, The Hitching Post's negligence, the Plaintiff, Todd Heming was injured as set forth above in paragraph 19.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff, Todd Heming, respectfully requests this Honorable Court enter a judgment in his favor and against the defendant, The Hitching Post, jointly and severally with the defendant, Thomas G. Corle, Jr., in an amount in excess of \$20,000.00, plus interest and costs.

**Count III – Shirley Heming v. Thomas G. Corle, Jr. and The Hitching Post**  
**Loss of Consortium**

25. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs 1 through 24.

26. As a result of the negligence, recklessness and/or carelessness of defendants as set forth above, and the injuries suffered by plaintiff's spouse, Todd Heming, plaintiff Shirley Heming seeks damages for loss of services, companionship and consortium suffered in the past and which plaintiff expects will be suffered in the future.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff, Shirley Heming, respectfully requests this Honorable Court enter a judgment in his favor and against the defendants, Thomas G. Corle, Jr. and The Hitching Post, jointly and severally, in an amount in excess of \$20,000.00, plus interest and costs.

Respectfully submitted,  
BERK, WHITEHEAD, KERR & TURIN, P.C.

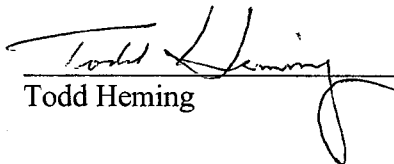


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Attorney for Plaintiffs  
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(724) 838-1400

Dated: 2/26/08

**VERIFICATION**

I, TODD HEMING, do hereby verify that the facts contained in the foregoing COMPLAINT IN CIVIL ACTION are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S.A. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

  
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Todd Heming

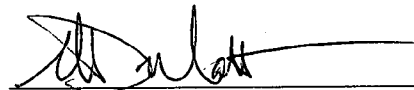
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the within COMPLAINT IN CIVIL ACTION was forwarded to the following counsel of record by first class, U.S. mail, postage pre-paid, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 2008:

THOMAS G. CORLE, JR.  
320 TAYLOR AVENUE  
FALLS CREEK, PA 15840

THERON NOBLE, ESQ.  
301 EAST PINE STREET  
CLEARFIELD, PA 16830  
*Counsel for The Hitching Post*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael E. DeMatt', is written over a horizontal line.

Michael E. DeMatt, Esquire  
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No. 2007-01709-CD

***NOTICE OF SERVICE OF FIRST SET OF  
INTERROGATORIES DIRECTED TO  
DEFENDANT  
THE HITCHING POST***

Filed on behalf of: Plaintiffs

Counsel of Record for this Party:

Michael E. DeMatt, Esquire  
PA I.D. #85881

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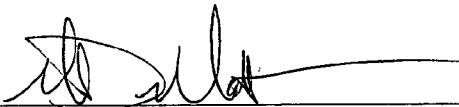
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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES  
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of record by first class, U.S. mail, postage pre-paid, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 2008:

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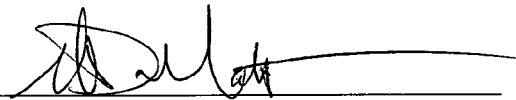


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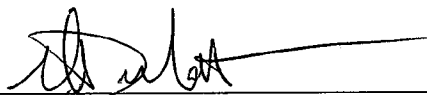
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ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Kindly enter our appearance on behalf of Defendant **Thomas G. Corle, Jr.** in  
the above-captioned case.

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GARY L. WEBER, hereby certifies that on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008,

he mailed the foregoing **Entry of Appearance** to the Clearfield County Prothonotary  
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YOU are hereby notified and required to plead to the within New Matter within twenty (20) days from the date of service hereof.

NOTE: YOU are hereby warned that if you fail to plead as notified and required, the action will proceed without you and you will be liable to have a default judgment entered against you in your absence.

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**ANSWER AND NEW MATTER OF THOMAS G. CORLE, JR.**

1. After reasonable investigation the answering defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of this averment.

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3. After reasonable investigation the answering defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of this averment.

4. Admitted

5. Admitted

6. Admitted

7-10. Denied pursuant to Pa. R. C. P. No. 1029 (e).

12. After reasonable investigation, the answering defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of this averment.

13. Admitted

14. Admitted that defendant Corle braked his vehicle and was unable to bring it

to a complete stop; after reasonable investigation, the answering defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remainder of this paragraph.

15. Denied; to the contrary, the answering defendant was not charged with a violation of 18 Pa. C. S. § 3802 and he did not plead guilty to any charges filed pursuant to that statutory section.

16. Denied pursuant to Pa. R. C. P. No. 1029 (e)

**COUNT I**  
**TODD HEMING V. THOMAS G. CORLE, JR.**  
**NEGLIGENCE**

17. The averments of paragraphs 1-16 of this answer and new matter are incorporated herein by reference.

18-19. Denied pursuant to Pa. R. C. P. No. 1029 (e)

**COUNT II**  
**TODD HEMING V. THE HITCHING POST**  
**NEGLIGENCE – DRAM SHOP ACT VIOLATION**

20. The averments of paragraphs 1-19 are incorporated herein by reference.

21-24. Denied pursuant to Pa. R. C. P. No. 1029 (e).

**COUNT III**  
**SHIRLEY HEMING V. THOMAS G. CORLE, JR. AND THE HITCHING POST**  
**LOSS OF CONSORTIUM**

25. The averments of paragraphs 1-24 of this answer and new matter are incorporated herein by reference.

26. Denied pursuant to Pa. R. C. P. No. 1029 (e).

**NEW MATTER**

27. The averments of paragraphs 1-26 of this answer and new matter are incorporated herein by reference.

28. The statute of limitations has expired.

29. Plaintiffs' claims are barred or limited by the provisions of 75 Pa. C. S. §1722.

30. Upon information and belief, the physical complaints referred to in the complaint were preexisting or related to conditions that were not caused or made worse by the accident.

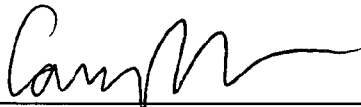
31. Plaintiffs have failed to mitigate there damages.

32. Plaintiffs claims are barred or limited by the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act.

WHEREFORE, defendant Thomas G. Corle, Jr. demands judgment in his favor and against plaintiffs.

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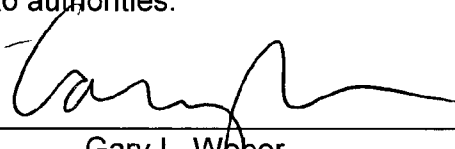
  
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**VERIFICATION**

GARY L. WEBER hereby certifies that he is the attorney for Defendant Thomas G. Corle, Jr., in this action, and that he has sufficient knowledge and information regarding the action to make this verification on behalf of said Defendant. He further certifies that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer and New Matter of Thomas G. Corle, Jr., to complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

I understand this Verification is made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. §4904, relating to unsworn falsifications to authorities.

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TO: The Prothonotary

Please mark the above-captioned civil action settled, discontinued and ended as to all  
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Respectfully submitted,  
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Sworn to me and subscribed  
before me this 14th day of  
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Notary Public

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My commission expires:

