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Steven Threschow vs Landmark Exc.

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

Judicial District, County Of Clearfield

William A. Shaw  
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NOTICE OF APPEAL

FROM

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGMENT

COMMON PLEAS No. 08-898-CD

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Notice is given that the appellant has filed in the above Court of Common Pleas an appeal from the judgment rendered by the Magisterial District Judge on the date and in the case referenced below.

NAME OF APPELLANT LANDMARK EXCAVATING, INC.		MAG. DIST. NO. 46-3-04	NAME OF MDJ JAMES L. HAWKINS	
ADDRESS OF APPELLANT PO BOX 296		CITY WATERFORD	STATE PA	ZIP CODE 16441
DATE OF JUDGMENT 04/28/08	IN THE CASE OF (Plaintiff) STEVEN J. TRESCHOW and MICHELE MERROW		(Defendant) v. LANDMARK EXCAVATING, INC.	
DOCKET No.		SIGNATURE OF APPELLANT OR ATTORNEY OR AGENT		
This block will be signed ONLY when this notation is required under Pa. R.C.P.D. J. No. 1008B. This Notice of Appeal, when received by the Magisterial District Judge, will operate as a SUPERSEDEAS to the judgment for possession in this case.		If appellant was Claimant (see Pa. R.C.P.D. J. No. 1001(6) in action before a Magisterial District Judge, A COMPLAINT MUST BE FILED within twenty (20) days after filing the NOTICE of APPEAL.		
Signature of Prothonotary or Deputy				

PRAECIPE TO ENTER RULE TO FILE COMPLAINT AND RULE TO FILE

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PRAECIPE: To Prothonotary

Enter rule upon STEVEN J. TRESCHOW and MICHELE MERROW appellee(s), to file a complaint in this appeal

(Common Pleas No. 08-898-CD) within twenty (20) days after service of rule or suffer entry of judgment of non pros.

Signature of appellant or attorney or agent

RULE: To Steven Treschow and Michele Merrow appellee(s)

OWNER

(1) You are notified that a rule is hereby entered upon you to file a complaint in this appeal within twenty (20) days after the date of service of this rule upon you by personal service or by certified or registered mail.

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(3) The date of service of this rule if service was by mail is the date of the mailing.

Date May 14, 2008

Signature of Prothonotary or Deputy

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## PROOF OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF APPEAL AND RULE TO FILE COMPLAINT

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_; SS

**AFFIDAVIT:** I hereby swear or affirm that I served

- ☐ a copy of the Notice of Appeal, Common Pleas No. \_\_\_\_\_, upon the Magisterial District Judge designated therein on  
(date of service) \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, ☐ by personal service ☐ by (certified) (registered) mail,  
sender's receipt attached hereto, and upon the appellee, (name) \_\_\_\_\_ on  
\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ - ☒ by personal service ☐ by (certified) (registered) mail,  
sender's receipt attached hereto.

SWORN (AFFIRMED) AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of official before whom affidavit was made

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of affiant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of official

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## COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNTY OF: **CLEARFIELD**

Mag. Dist. No.: **46-3-04**  
MDJ Name: Hon.  
**JAMES L. HAWKINS**  
Address: **251 SPRING ST**  
**PO BOX 362**  
**HOUTZDALE, PA**  
Telephone: **(814) 378-7160** **16651-0362**

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**NOTICE OF JUDGMENT/TRANSCRIPT  
CIVIL CASE**

PLAINTIFF: NAME and ADDRESS  
**TRESCHOW, STEVEN J., ET AL.**  
**505 GOOD ST.**  
**HOUTZDALE, PA 16651**

VS.  
DEFENDANT: NAME and ADDRESS  
**LANDMARK EXCAVATING INC**  
**11056 RTE 119 NORTH**  
**PO BOX 296**  
**WATERFORD, PA 16441**

Docket No.: **CV-0000016-08**  
Date Filed: **2/15/08**



**THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT:**

Judgment: **DEFAULT JUDGMENT PLTF** (Date of Judgment) **4/28/08**

☒ Judgment was entered for: (Name) **TRESCHOW, STEVEN J., ET AL.**

☒ Judgment was entered against: (Name) **LANDMARK EXCAVATING INC**  
in the amount of \$ **6,077.20**

☐ Defendants are jointly and severally liable.

☐ Damages will be assessed on Date & Time \_\_\_\_\_

☐ This case dismissed without prejudice.

☐ Amount of Judgment Subject to Attachment/42 Pa.C.S. § 8127  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Portion of Judgment for physical damages arising out of  
residential lease \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Judgment	\$ <b>5,985.70</b>
Judgment Costs	\$ <b>91.50</b>
Interest on Judgment	\$ <b>.00</b>
Attorney Fees	\$ <b>.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,077.20</b>
Post Judgment Credits	\$ _____
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<b>Certified Judgment Total</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

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**4-28-08** Date *James L. Hawkins*, Magisterial District Judge

I certify that this is a true and correct copy of the record of the proceedings containing the judgment.  
**5/6/08** Date *James L. Hawkins*, Magisterial District Judge

My commission expires first Monday of January, **2012**

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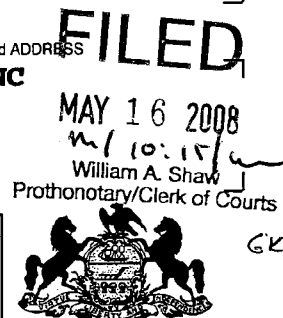
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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PA  
CIVIL DIVISION

STEVEN J. TRESCHOW and	:	No.: 2008-898-CD
MICHELLE MERROW,	:	Type of Case: Civil
Plaintiffs	:	Type of Pleading:
	:	Praecipe for Entry
	:	of Appearance
vs.	:	Filed on behalf of:
	:	Plaintiffs
LANDMARK EXCAVATING, INC.,	:	Counsel of Record for
Defendant	:	This Party:
	:	Girard Kasubick, Esq.
	:	Supreme Court No. 30109
	:	LEHMAN & KASUBICK
	:	611 Brisbin Street
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CIVIL DIVISION

STEVEN J. TRESCHOW and :  
MICHELLE MERROW, : No.: 2008-898-CD  
Plaintiffs :  
vs. :  
LANDMARK EXCAVATING, INC., :  
Defendant :

**PRAECIPE FOR ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

TO: William A. Shaw, Prothonotary:


Please enter my appearance on behalf of the  
Plaintiffs, in the above-captioned matter.

Papers may be served at the address set forth below.

Girard Kasubick, Esq.  
I.D. No. 30109  
Lehman & Kasubick  
611 Brisbin Street  
Houtzdale, PA 16651  
Phone #: (814) 378-7840  
Fax #: (814) 378-6231

Dated:

7/15/2008

  
Girard Kasubick, Esq.,  
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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MICHELLE MERROW,  
Plaintiffs

vs.

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Defendant

: No.: 2008-898-CD  
: Type of Case: Civil  
: Type of Pleading:  
: Complaint  
: Filed on behalf of:  
: Plaintiffs  
: Counsel of Record for  
: This Party:  
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vs.	:	
	:	
LANDMARK EXCAVATING, INC.,	:	
Defendant	:	

**NOTICE**

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 Plaintiffs. 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, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE

SET FORTH BELOW. THIS OFFICE CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH  
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IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE A LAWYER, THIS OFFICE  
MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT AGENCIES  
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Court Administrator's Office  
Clearfield County Court House  
Clearfield, PA 16830  
(814) 765-2641

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CIVIL DIVISION

STEVEN J. TRESCHOW and :  
MICHELLE MERROW, : No.: 2008-898-CD  
Plaintiffs :  
vs. :  
LANDMARK EXCAVATING, INC., :  
Defendant :

**COMPLAINT**

AND NOW COMES the Plaintiffs, Steven J. Treschow and Michelle Merrow, by and through their attorney, Girard Kasubick, Esq., and files the following Complaint.

1. The Plaintiffs are Steven J. Treschow and Michelle Merrow, who both reside at 505 Good Street, Houtzdale, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

2. The Defendant is Landmark Excavating, Inc., a corporation formed under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania having an office at 11056 Route 19 North, P.O. Box 296, Waterford, PA 16441.

3. The Plaintiffs are the owners of a house and real property at 505 Good Street, Houtzdale, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

4. The Defendant was under contract with the Borough of Houtzdale, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania to

install sewage laterals from main sewage lines to residences in certain areas of Houtzdale Borough on a Borough sewage project.

5. In or about February 2007, Michelle Merrow met with several people representing the Defendant who was to install the sewage lateral across Plaintiffs property.

6. Michelle Merrow at the meeting with representatives of the Defendant informed them that they should not run equipment over a retaining wall on Plaintiffs property and could gain access to Plaintiffs property by a gate to install the lateral.

7. On or about March 6, 2007, Defendant by its employees came to Plaintiffs property to install the sewage lateral and did operate equipment over and across Plaintiffs retaining wall causing damage to the retaining wall.

8. To repair the Plaintiffs retaining wall in the same condition as prior to Defendant's action will cost Ten Thousand Twenty and 00/100 (\$10,020.00) Dollars as shown on the estimate attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A".

9. The Defendant's reseeding of the grass on Plaintiffs property did not grow and in the summer of

2007, Plaintiffs had to do seeding to replace grass as a result of Defendant's installing the sewage lateral on Plaintiffs property.

10. The cost of seeds and labor to replant grass on Plaintiffs property was \$200.00, which Plaintiffs claim as damages.

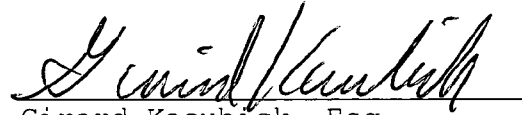
11. The Defendant's caused damage to an awning on Plaintiffs property when installing the sewage line in the amount of \$164.30 as shown on the estimate attached hereto and marked Exhibit "B".

12. The Plaintiff, Steven J. Treschow is a professional geologist and the Plaintiff, Michelle Merrow is a professional engineer and as a result of Defendant's actions they have missed work amounting to ten (10) hours at \$75.00 per hour and claim damages for lost wages of \$750.00 plus any future lost wages.

13. The Plaintiffs claim a total amount of Eleven Thousand One Hundred Thirty-four and 30/100 (\$11,134.30) Dollars for repair to the retaining wall and awning, reseeding grass, lost wages as damages plus costs, interest and attorney fees as damages for Defendant's actions on Plaintiffs property.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs request your Honorable Court to enter judgment in favor of Plaintiffs for \$11,134.30 plus costs, interest, and attorney fees against the Defendant for damages and loss to Plaintiffs.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

  
Girard Kasubick, Esq.,  
Attorney for Plaintiffs

**VERIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, verify that the statements made in the foregoing Complaint are true and correct. We understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S.A. 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

  
Steven J. Treschow

  
Michelle Mergow





## Estimate

Date	Estimate #
6/25/2008	134

Name / Address
Steve Treschow 505 Good Street Houtzdale, Pa 16651

Gilliland Landscape  
552 Buell Road  
Curwensville, PA 16833

Project

Description	Qty	Total
Labor to Tear Down, and rebuild 100' of stone wall.	179	<del>7</del> 160.00
Remove Fence = 4		
Remove and Save All Plants = 12		
Remove Stone Wall = 30		
Excavate Behind Wall = 15		
Restack All Stone = 45		
Form Cap = 15		
Pour Concrete Cap = 15		
Install Drainage Pipe = 5		
Backfill with Stone = 5		
Add topsoil behind wall = 6		
Set new posts = 8		
Install Fencing = 4		
Replant Plants = 10		
Seed Disturbed Areas = 4		
Costs of Equipment on Job Site		1,000.00
1 Ton of 2RC for Compacted Base	10	225.00
1 Ton of 2B Clean Stone for Drainage	15	375.00
1 Ton of Screened Soil	10	350.00
4" Drainage Pipe to move water from behind wall (feet)	100	100.00
Wood for new fence posts	17	170.00
Concrete for Cap = 16"	2.5	375.00
Wood to reform concrete cap 33 2x4x8'	33	115.00
Seed and Mulch Areas discussed	2,500	150.00
<b>www.gillilandlandscape.com</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,020.00</b>



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Type of Pleading: Civil Action

No. 08-898-CD

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Answer and  
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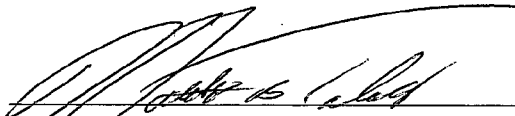
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Defendant

Counsel of Record for This  
Party:

Matthew B. Taladay, Esq.  
Supreme Court No. 49663  
Hanak, Guido and Taladay  
528 Liberty Boulevard  
P.O. Box 487  
DuBois, PA 15801  
(814) 371-7768

Dated: 08/19/08

You are hereby notified to plead  
to the within pleading within twenty  
(20) days of service thereof or default  
judgment may be entered against you.



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LANDMARK EXCAVATING, INC.,  
Defendant

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No. 08-898-CD

**ANSWER**

AND NOW, comes the Defendant, Landmark Excavating, Inc., by its attorneys, Hanak, Guido and Taladay, and hereby responds to Plaintiffs' Complaint as follows:

1. Admitted.
2. Admitted in substance. The correct address of Landmark Excavating, Inc. is 11056 Route 19 South, P.O. Box 296, Waterford, PA 16441.
3. After reasonable investigation, Defendant is without information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the matters set forth in paragraph 3 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, and therefore, these allegations are denied and strict proof thereof is demanded at the time of trial.
4. Admitted. By way of further answer, it is averred that Defendant's contract entailed installing sewage laterals within rights of way acquired by the Borough of Houtzdale.

5. Admitted. By way of further answer, it is averred that the purpose of the meeting was to locate old sewage lateral and identify the area of right of way to be acquired by the Borough of Houtzdale.

6. Denied. To the contrary, the purpose of the meeting was limited to identifying the area where the old sewer line was located so that the new lateral could be installed at the same place.

7. Admitted in part and denied in part. It is admitted that on or about March 6, 2007 Landmark Excavating, Inc. brought equipment to the property at 505 Good Street for the purposes of installing sewer lateral. It is denied that Defendant's operated equipment "over and across Plaintiffs' retaining wall". To the contrary, Defendant unloaded a small excavating machine from a trailer via a ramp that was run from the alley adjacent to Plaintiffs' property. In the course of unloading the equipment, the track of the excavating machine may have come into contact with the cement cap of the retaining wall located on the Plaintiffs' property. Any damage which may have resulted was minimal and inconsequential.

8. Denied. To the contrary, any damage which may have been caused to the retaining wall by Defendant was minimal and inconsequential. By way of further answer, it is averred that Defendant offered to repair any damage which may have been done to the wall, which Plaintiffs refused. By way of further answer, Defendant incorporates the provisions of the New Matter hereto.

9. Denied. The re-vegetation that was conducted by Defendant was reasonable, successful and within the scope of its contract.

10. Denied. To the contrary, Plaintiffs incurred no unnecessary material labor costs for re-vegetation as a result of Defendant's work.

11. Denied. To the contrary, Defendant at no time caused any damage to the awnings on the Plaintiffs' alleged property.

12. Defendant denies any responsibility to the Plaintiffs for alleged missed work. By way of further answer, Plaintiffs' claimed lost work is an impermissible element of damages. With regard to the remaining allegations of paragraph 12, the Defendant is, after reasonable investigation, without information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the matters set forth in paragraph 12 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, and therefore, these allegations are denied and strict proof thereof is demanded at the time of trial.

13. Defendant denies any liability to Plaintiffs for damages set forth in paragraph 13 of the Complaint.

WHEREFORE, Defendant demands judgment in its favor.

#### **NEW MATTER**

14. The Defendant's activities upon Plaintiffs' alleged premises were conducted as an agent of the Borough of Houtzdale under the terms of a right of way agreement between Plaintiffs and the Borough of Houtzdale.

15. The Defendant's relationship with the Borough of Houtzdale is contractual, and the rights and remedies available to the Plaintiffs under their right of way

agreement are likewise contractual and governed by the terms of the right of way agreement.

16. The Plaintiffs' claims are barred or limited by the Doctrine of Municipal Immunity.

17. The Plaintiffs' claimed damages are excessive and unreasonable.

18. The Plaintiffs' claimed cost of repairing the retaining wall are in excess of the value of the wall, and therefore, the applicable standard of damages is the diminution in the market value of the Plaintiff's property occasioned by any damage which may have been caused by Defendant.

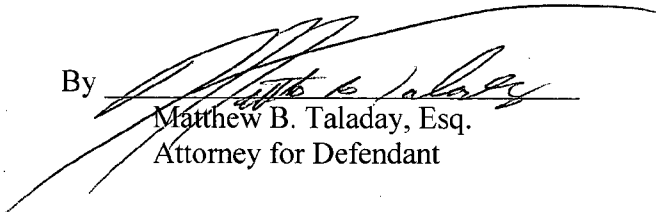
19. Plaintiffs have failed to use reasonable diligence to mitigate their alleged damages.

WHEREFORE, Defendant demands judgment in its favor.

Respectfully submitted,

HANAK, GUIDO and TALADAY

By



Matthew B. Taladay, Esq.  
Attorney for Defendant

**VERIFICATION**

I, Charles E. Amador, being the Vice Pres.  
of Landmark Excavating, Inc., do hereby verify that I have read the foregoing Answer  
and New Matter. The statements therein are correct to the best of my personal  
knowledge or information and belief.

This statement and verification are made subject to the penalties of 18  
Pa.C.S. Section 4904 relating to unsworn fabrication to authorities, which provides that if  
I make knowingly false averments I may be subject to criminal penalties.

Date: 8-15-08

Charles E. Amador



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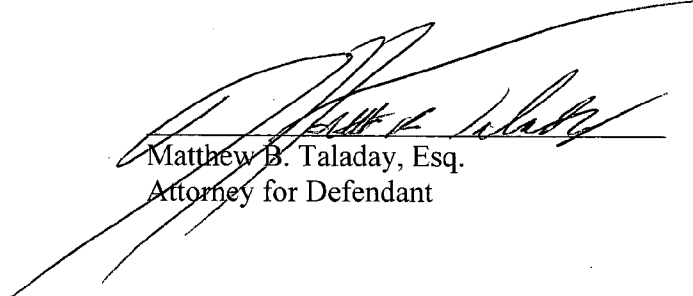
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008, a true and correct copy  
of Defendant's Answer and New Matter was sent via first class mail, postage prepaid, to  
the following:

Girard Kasubick, Esq.  
Attorney for Plaintiffs  
Lehman & Kasubick  
611 Brisbin Street  
Houtzdale, PA 16651



Matthew B. Taladay, Esq.  
Attorney for Defendant

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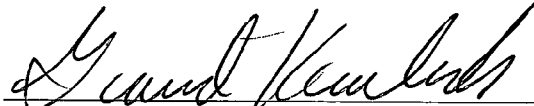
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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I, Girard Kasubick, Esq.,  
served a copy of the Complaint on the Defendant by regular  
United States mail, postage pre-paid, mailed on July 18,  
2008 upon the attorney for the Defendant at the following  
address:

Matthew B. Taladay, Esq.  
528 Liberty Boulevard  
P.O. Box 487  
DuBois, PA 15801

Date: August 19, 2008

  
Girard Kasubick, Esquire,  
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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Counsel of Record for This  
Party:

Matthew B. Taladay, Esq.  
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**CERTIFICATE PREREQUISITE TO SERVICE OF A SUBPOENA  
PURSUANT TO RULE 4009.22**

As a prerequisite to service of subpoena for the production of documents and things pursuant to Rule 4009.22, Plaintiffs certify that

1. A notice of intent to serve subpoena with a copy of subpoena attached thereto was mailed or delivered to each party at least twenty (20) days prior to the date on which the subpoena is sought to be served;
2. A copy of the notice, including the proposed subpoena, is attached to this certificate;
3. Counsel for Plaintiff has waived the twenty day notice period for service of the subpoena; and
4. The subpoena which will be served is identical to the one attached to the notice of intent to serve the subpoena.

Dated: 08-25-08

Matthew B. Taladay  
Matthew B. Taladay  
Attorney for Defendant

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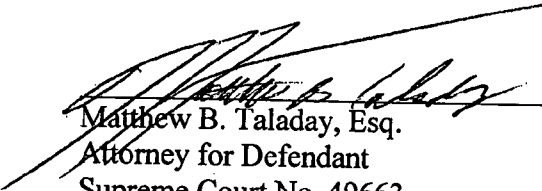
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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO SERVE SUBPOENA  
TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS AND THINGS  
FOR DISCOVERY PURSUANT TO RULE 4009.21**

Defendant, Landmark Excavating, Inc., intends to serve a subpoena identical to the one attached to this notice. You have twenty (20) days from the date listed below to file of record and serve upon the undersigned objections to the subpoena. If no objections are made, the subpoena may be served.

Date: 08/15/2008



Matthew B. Taladay, Esq.  
Attorney for Defendant  
Supreme Court No. 49663  
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNTY OF CLEARFIELD

Steven J. Treschow  
Michele Merrow  
Plaintiff(s)

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SUBPOENA TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS OR THINGS FOR DISCOVERY PURSUANT TO  
RULE 4009.22

TO: Borough of Houtzdale

(Name of Person or Entity)

Within twenty (20) days after service of this subpoena, you are ordered by the Court to produce the following documents or things:

Photographs, inspection reports, correspondence, right-of-way/land-owner agreements regarding 2007 Sewage Lateral Extension at 505 Good Street, Houtzdale, PA

(Address) PO Box 487  
DuBois, PA 15801

You may deliver or mail legible copies of the documents or produce things requested by this subpoena, together with the certificate of compliance, to the party making this request at the address listed above. You have the right to seek in advance the reasonable cost of preparing the copies or producing the things sought.

If you fail to produce the documents or things required by this subpoena within twenty (20) days after its service, the party serving this subpoena may seek a court order compelling you to comply with it.

THIS SUBPOENA WAS ISSUED AT THE REQUEST OF THE FOLLOWING PERSON:

NAME: Matthew B. Taladay, Esq.

ADDRESS: PO Box 487  
DuBois, PA 15801

TELEPHONE: 814-371-7768

SUPREME COURT ID # 49663

ATTORNEY FOR: Defendant

BY THE COURT:

William A. Shaw  
Prothonotary/Clerk, Civil Division

DATE: Wednesday, August 13, 2008  
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**REPLY TO NEW MATTER**

AND NOW COMES the Plaintiffs, Steven J. Treschow and Michelle Merrow, by and through their attorney, Girard Kasubick, Esq., and files the following Reply to New Matter.

14. Admitted in part and Denied in part. It is admitted Defendant's activities on Plaintiffs property was as a result of some type of relationship with Houtzdale Borough under the Borough's sewer project, but the exact nature of the relationship is not known to the Plaintiffs. It is denied that the Plaintiffs and Borough of Houtzdale entered into a right-of-way agreement because Plaintiffs did not sign any such document and proof thereof is demanded. The Plaintiffs purchased the property at 505 Good Street in the summer of 2006 and they have no

knowledge if the prior owners, Slogaski's, signed any agreement with the Borough of Houtzdale.

15. Denied. Plaintiffs after reasonable investigation are without knowledge or information to form a belief of these averments and proof thereof is demanded. This is further denied for the reasons set forth in paragraph 14 of this Reply which are incorporated herein by reference thereto.

16. Denied. This is a conclusion of law or fact for which no responsive pleading is required.


17. Denied. This is a conclusion of law or fact for which no responsive pleading is required.

18. Denied. This is a conclusion of law or fact for which no responsive pleading is required.

19. Denied. This is a conclusion of law or fact for which no responsive pleading is required.

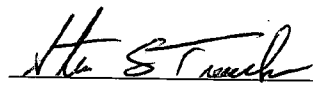
WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs request your Honorable Court to enter judgment in favor of Plaintiffs as set forth in its Complaint against Defendant.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

  
Girard Kasubick, Esq.,  
Attorney for Plaintiffs

**VERIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, verify that the statements made in the foregoing Reply to New Matter are true and correct. We 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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Steven J. Treschow

  
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Michelle Merrow

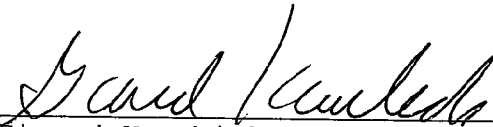
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I hereby certify that I, Girard Kasubick, Esq.,  
forwarded a copy of the Reply to New Matter to Counsel of  
record listed below by United States mail, postage prepaid  
on the 5th day of September, 2008, at the following  
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DEFENDANT(S)

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PLEASE PLACE THE ABOVE CAPTIONED CASE ON THE TRIAL LIST.

I certify that all discovery in the case has been completed; all necessary parties and witnesses are available; serious settlement negotiations have been conducted; the case is ready in all respects for trial, and a copy of this Certificate has been served upon all counsel of record and upon all parties of record who are not represented by counsel.

FOR THE PLAINTIFF

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LANDMARK EXCAVATING, INC. :

**ORDER**

NOW, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009, it is the ORDER of the Court that the above-captioned matter is scheduled for Arbitration on **Thursday, February 5, 2009 at 1:00 P.M.** in the Conference/Hearing Room No. 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Clearfield County Courthouse, Clearfield, PA. The following have been appointed as Arbitrators:


Benjamin S. Blakley, Esquire, Chairman

Michael S. Marshall, Esquire

Paul Colavecchi, Esquire

Pursuant to Local Rule 1306A, you must submit your Pre-Trial Statement seven (7) days prior to the scheduled Arbitration. **The original should be forwarded to the Court Administrator's Office and copies to opposing counsel and each member of the Board of Arbitrators.** For your convenience, a Pre-Trial (Arbitration) Memorandum Instruction Form is enclosed as well as a copy of said Local Rule of Court.

BY THE COURT:

  
FREDRIC J. AMMERMAN  
President Judge

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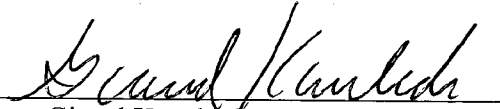
TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

Kindly mark the above captioned case settled, discontinued and ended.

Respectfully submitted,

LEHMAN & KASUBICK

By



Girard Kasubick, Esq.  
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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CERTIFICATE OF DISCONTINUATION

Commonwealth of PA  
County of Clearfield

I, William A. Shaw, Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County and Commonwealth aforesaid do hereby certify that the above case was on February 5, 2009, marked:

Settled, discontinued and ended

Record costs in the sum of \$115.00 have been paid in full by Hanak Guido and Taladay .

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal of this Court at Clearfield, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania this 5th day of February A.D. 2009.



William A. Shaw, Prothonotary