1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LUZERNE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ORPHANS' DIVISION 9 10 XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX and,) In re: XXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX, 11) PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE Plaintiffs, 12 vs. 13 DOROTHY STANKOVIC, in her official 14 capacity as Registrar of Wills and Clerk of the Orphans' Court in and 1.5 for Luzerne County, a public agency in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 16 Defendant. 17 18 1. INTRODUCTION 19 The Plaintiffs, XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX and XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX of XXXXXXXXX, 20 Maryland, acting on their own behalf, comes before aforesaid court and files 21 the following Petition for Correction of Certificate of Marriage. 22 23 2. PARTIES 24 2.1 IDENTIFICATION AND ADDRESS OF PLAINTIFF 25 a. XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX of 123 Easy Street, Anytown, Maryland, 20000-0000. 26 27 28 2.2 IDENTIFICATION AND ADDRESS OF DEFENDANT a. DOROTHY STANKOVIC, Registrar of Wills and Clerk of the Orphans' 29

Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Court for Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, 20 N Pennsylvania Ave,

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2.3 LINEAL CONSANGUINITY OF PLAINTIFFS

- c. XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX attests that XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX and XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX are his maternal great-grandmother and great-grandfather, respectively, by birth.

3. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

3.1 JURISDICTION

1) Article 5, Section 5, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania establishes the Common Pleas Court as the court of general jurisdiction in the Commonwealth.

3.2 VENUE

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1) Venue is proper in the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County,
Orphans Division as marriage license is a document issued by the
Court of Common Pleas, Orphans' Division, Luzerne County,
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

4. CAUSE OF ACTION

4.1 RECORD REQUIRED

a. The Plaintiff requires a corrected certified copy of said Certificate of Marriage for inclusion in an application before the Consulate General of the Republic of Italy in Washington, District of Columbia, United States of America, for recognition of dual American-Italian citizenship jure sanguinis.

4.2 REQUIREMENTS FOR CHANGE

a. The Defendant requires that the Plaintiff produce a Court Order from a judge or magistrate of the Court of Common Pleas, Orphans' Divison, of Luzerne County, to make the requested correction.

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5. STATEMENT OF FACTS

5.1 DATE AND PLACE OF PLAINTIFF'S MARRIAGE

a. Marriage occurred in City of XXXXXXXXX, in the County of Luzerne and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, between XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX and XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX.

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5.2 LOCATION WHERE CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE WAS ISSUED

a. Certificate of Marriage was issued by the Clerk of the Orphans'
Court of the County of Luzerne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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5.3 LOCATION WHERE CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE IS MAINTAINED

a. The Certificate of Marriage appears and is maintained in the records of the Registrar of Wills, County of Luzerne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (a certified copy of which is hereto attached as Exhibit 1).

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5.4 ERRORS

- a. That said record is incorrect as to the following facts, viz:
 - The first name of the bridegroom as shown on the record of marriage as XXXXX, is in error,
 - The last name of the bride as shown on the record of marriage as XXXXXXXXX, is in error,
 - The father's name of the bridegroom, shown on the record of marriage as XXXXXXXXX, in is error,
 - 4. The mother's name of the bridegroom, shown on the record of marriage as XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX, is in error; and,

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5.5 FACTS

- a. That said erroneous facts in said record should correctly appear as follows, to wit:

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- 2. the correct and true name of the bride as XXXXXXXXX,

5.6 EVIDENCE OF FACTS

- a. In support of the request, Petitioners supply the following documents demonstrating the correct information of the bridegroom:
 - 1. The Certificate of Marriage for XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX (where XXXXXXXXX is his Confirmation Name for the Catholic Church and is also the Latin translation of XXXXXXXXXX) and XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX (a copy of which is hereto attached as Exhibit 2), as issued and certified by the XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX Roman Catholic Church, XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX, Luzerne County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, demonstrates on the XXth day of May 1700:

 - iii. makes note of the marriage license number, as issued by the Registrar of Wills, County of Luzerne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, is XXXXXXXXX;
 - iv. the parents are XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX and Maria XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX (misrecorded as XXXXXXXXX);
 - v. XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX was baptized in XXXXXXXXX, XXXXXXXXX, Kingdom of Italy; and,
 - b. The Certificate of Birth for XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX (a copy of which is hereto attached as Exhibit 3, and translation as Exhibit 3a), showing birth name prior to naturalization in the United States, confirms the correct first name and spelling for the bridegroom (XXXXXXXXX), in addition to the correct

names and spellings of the mother (XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX) and father (XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX) of the bridegroom; and,

- c. The Oath of Allegiance required for naturalization as a United States citizen for XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX (showing name at naturalization in the United States, wife's name as XXXXXXXXX, place of birth XXXXXXXXX, Kingdom of Italy, and date of birth as XX January 1700, a copy of which is hereto attached as Exhibit 4), confirms the correct first name and spelling for the bridegroom (XXXXXXXXXX); and,
- d. The ship's manifest for XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX (a copy of which is hereto attached as Exhibit 5) shows corresponding age and destination as XXXXXXXXX, confirms the correct name and spelling for the bridegroom, as well as the correct name of the mother of the bridegroom (XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX); and,

6. RELIEF

6.1 RELIEF REQUESTED

- - 1. to record the first name of the bridegroom as XXXXXXXXXX;
 - 2. to record the last name of the bride as XXXXXXXXXX;

PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

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