



MARCH 31, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: Public File

Fr: Rick Sten, Program Director/WCAT-FM/WRDD/FM/AM

Re: Issues and Programs-1ST QUARTER OF 2023

On Friday, Friday March 31 2023, I met with Eric Swidler, co-owner of WCAT-FM/WRDD/FM/AM to construct our Issues list for the 1st quarter of 2023. We will forward this list to the Producers of our public affairs programming as we try to address these issues.

1. NEW GOVERNOR TRANSITION
2. STATE OF THE PA FARM SHOW
3. STATE JOBS CREATION
4. STATE HEALTHCARE
5. EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
6. FOOD SECURITY
7. TRAIN DERAILMENT SAFETY

Respectfully Submitted
Rick Sten

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FR: RICK STEN
PROGRAM DIRECTOR/WCAT-FM/WRDD-FM/AM

RE: ISSUES AND PROGRAMS

THE PAPERWORK IN THIS FILE DESCRIBES THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMMING BROADCAST ON WCAT-FM/WRDD-FM/AM DURING THE 1ST QUARTER OF 2023.

“PA ROUNDTABLE” IS A 30 MINUTE PROGRAM THAT IS BROADCAST AT 6AM EACH SUNDAY MORNING.

“LINCOLN RADIO JOURNAL” IS A 30 MINUTE PROGRAM THAT IS BROADCAST AT 6:30AM EACH SUNDAY MORNING

Radio Pennsylvania Network Roundtable Public Affairs Issues/Clearance Report

First Quarter 2023

January 1, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Year in Review: Politics

Guests: Governor Tom Wolf

Segment 2 Topic: Year in Review: Transition of Governor (Politics)

Guests: Dr. Terry Madonna, Senior Fellow for Political Affairs, Millersville University

Segment 3 Topic: Year In Review: Education, Financial, Military

Guests: Radio PA Reporters David Payne, Mark Sims and Tory Gates

January 8, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Politics

Guests: Representative Jim Gregory (R-Blair); Representative Mark Rozzi (D-Berks)

Segment 2 Topic: Environmental

Guests: Harry Campbell, PA Science Policy and Advocacy Director, Chesapeake Bay Foundation

Segment 3 Topic: Agriculture/Farm Show

Guests: Russell Redding, Secretary of Agriculture, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Steve Harnish, Central Manor Dairy, Washington PA

January 15, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Politics

Guests: House Speaker Mark Rozzi (D-Berks)

Segment 2 Topic: Agriculture (PA Farm Show)

Guests: Christina Kostelecky, Operations Manager, PASA Sustainable Agriculture; George Payne, Director of Projects, Harrisburg Redevelopment Authority; Russell Redding, Secretary, PA Department of Agriculture

Segment 3 Topic: Healthcare

Guests: Laval Miller-Wilson, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Law Health Project/Board Member, Pennie; Michael Humphreys, Acting Director, PA Insurance Department; Zachary Sherman, Executive Director, Pennie

January 22, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Politics

Guests: Governor Josh Shapiro

Segment 2 Topic: Jobs

Guests: Lt. Governor Austin Davis; Beth Christian, Acting Deputy Secretary for Administration, PA Department of General Services; Darice Mayhew, Director of Administration, Office of the Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Governor Josh Shapiro

Segment 3 Topic: Education and Religion

Guests: Senator Kristen Phillips-Hill (R-York); Senator Judy Schwank (D-Berks)

January 29, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Jobs/Job Creation

Guests: Governor Josh Shapiro; Ben Kirshner, Chief Transformation and Opportunity Officer, Office of the Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Segment 2 Topic: Education

Guests: Timothy DeFoor, Auditor General, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Segment 3 Topic: Environmental

Guest: Wesley Robinson, Spokesperson, PA Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

February 5, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Jobs/Job Creation

Guests: Governor Josh Shapiro; Al Schmidt, Acting Secretary of the Commonwealth; Elizabeth Strong, Cosmetologist, Allentown

Segment 2 Topic: History/Culture

Guests: Tom Dunkel, President, Punxsutawney Groundhog Club; Dan McGinley, Vice President, Punxsutawney Groundhog Club

Segment 3 Topic: Education/College Savings

Guests: Stacy Garrity, State Treasurer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Senator Gene Yaw (R-District 23) Chairman, Center for Rural Pennsylvania; Dr. Kyle Kopko, Executive Director, Center for Rural Pennsylvania

February 12, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Public Safety/Environment (Train Derailment)

Guests: Governor Josh Shapiro

Segment 2 Topic: Politics

Guests: Representative Leanne Krueger (D-Delaware); Representative Joanna McClinton (D-Delaware/Philadelphia)

Segment 3 Topic: Healthcare/Health Insurance

Guest: Lt. Governor Austin Davis; Michael Hussey, Dean, Widener University Commonwealth Law School; Heidi Neuhaus, Director, The Volunteer Center, United Way of the Capital Region; Zach Sherman, Executive Director, Pennie

February 19, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Politics

Guests: Governor Josh Shapiro; Senator Nikil Saval (D-Philadelphia)

Segment 2 Topic: Public Safety/First Responders

Guests: David Kennedy, President, Pennsylvania State Troopers Association; Captain Atah Akakpo-Martin, Harrisburg Bureau of Police

Segment 3 Topic: Tax Reform

Guests: Josh Goodman, Senior Officer, State Fiscal Health, Pew Charitable Trust

February 26, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Environment (Train Derailment)

Guests: Michael Regan, Administrator, US Environmental Protection Agency; Mike DeWine, Governor, State of Ohio; Josh Shapiro, Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Segment 2 Topic: Education/Early Childhood Education

Guests: Steve Doster, State Director for Mission Readiness, Military Leaders for Kids; Kristen Rotz, President, United Way of Pennsylvania

Segment 3 Topic: Food Security

Guests: Dr. Val Arkoosh, Acting Secretary, PA Department of Human Services; Cheryl Cook, Deputy Secretary for Strategic Initiatives and Market Development, PA Department of Agriculture

March 5, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Politics

Guests: Representative Mark Rozzi (D-Berks); House Speaker Joanna McClinton (D-Philadelphia)

Segment 2 Topic: Education/Jobs (Teacher Shortage)

Guests: Dr. Tanya Garcia, Deputy Secretary, Post-Secondary and Higher Education, PA Department of Education; Laura Boyce, Executive Director, Teach Plus; Richard Askey, President, Pennsylvania State Education Association

Segment 3 Topic: Technology/Education

Guests: John Thornton, CEO, Astrobotic, Pittsburgh; Justin Kasznica, Chair, Keyston Space Collaboratives

March 12, 2023

Topic 1: Politics/Budget/Public Funding

Guests: Governor Josh Shapiro

Segment 2 Topic: Infrastructure/Politics

Guests: President Joe Biden

Segment 3 Topic: Medical/Insurance

Guests: Dr. Val Askoosh, Acting Secretary, PA Department of Human Services; Mike Humphreys, Acting Secretary, PA Department of Insurance

March 19, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Environment/Public Safety (Train derailment)

Guests: Randy Padfield, Secretary, Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency; Rich Negrin, Acting Secretary, PA Department of Environmental Protection; Dr. Deborah Bogen, Acting Secretary, PA Department of Health

Segment 2 Topic: Education/Jobs

Guests: Susan Larkin, Chief Operation Officer, Audacy; Michelle Henry, Attorney General, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Dr. Tony Washington, Superintendent, School District of Philadelphia

Segment 3 Topic: History/Pennsylvania's 342nd Anniversary

Guests: David Carmichael, State Archivist; Andrew Lowery, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission; Governor Josh Shapiro.

March 26, 2023

Segment 1 Topic: Education/Budgets

Guests: Dr. Tamara Sanders Woods, Principal, Colifax K-9, Pittsburgh; Congresswoman Summer Lee (D-12th Congressional District); Mayor Ed Gainey, Pittsburgh; Governor Josh Shapiro

Segment 2 Topic: Financial/Recession

Guests: Stacy Garrity, Treasurer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Segment 3 Topic: Public Safety/Gun Violence

Guests: Senator Steve Santarsieo (D-Bucks); Michelle Henry, Attorney General,
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

LINCOLN RADIO JOURNAL

Air Date: 2023-03-29 - Program # 23-13

(April 1, 2023 - April 7, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association hosts a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on Pennsylvania's jobs recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic with **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on politically-motivated pension fund investing.

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Air Date: 2023-03-23 - Program # 23-12

(March 25, 2023 - March 31, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Rose Tennent** host of the *Rose Unplugged* podcast talks with Fox News contributor **Kellyanne Conway** who will be the Featured Speaker at the 2023 Pennsylvania Leadership Conference; **Frank Gamrat** and **Eric Montarti** have an *Allegheny Institute Report* on the office vacancy rate in Pittsburgh; And, **Ashley Klingensmith** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on free speech rights at the University of Pittsburgh.

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Air Date: 2023-03-16 - Program # 23-11

(March 18, 2023 - March 24, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association hosts a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on the next steps in the state budget process with **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on Pennsylvania's House of Cards.

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Air Date: 2023-03-09 - Program # 23-10

(March 11, 2023 - March 17, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Nathan Benefield** of the Commonwealth Foundation about Governor Josh Shapiro's first budget address; **Keith Williams** from the Center for Independent Employees talks about recent progress in protecting worker rights; And, **Ashley Klingensmith** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on better budgeting.

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Air Date: 2023-03-02 - Program # 23-09

(March 4, 2023 - March 10, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association hosts a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on chaos in the state House and the Governor's upcoming state budget address with **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on the lust for power.

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Air Date: 2023-02-23 - Program # 23-08

(February 25, 2023 - March 3, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with Dr. **Maria Guyette** from the UPMC Health Plan about good heart health; **Frank Gamrat** and **Eric Montarti** have an *Allegheny Institute Report* on municipalities seeking more tax revenue from nonprofits; And, **Ashley Klingensmith** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on perils of ESG investing.

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Air Date: 2023-02-16 - Program # 23-07

(February 18, 2023 - February 24, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association is

joined by **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation and **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association for a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on dysfunction in the state House, tax policy, and rising diesel fuel prices; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on the state's education establishment going on a fiscal feeding frenzy.

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Air Date: 2023-02-09 - Program # 23-06

(February 11, 2022 - February 17, 2022) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Lois Kaneshiki** of Moms for Liberty about the importance of this year's school board elections; **Joe Geiger** has **Serina Gaston** of Habitat for Humanity of the Greater Harrisburg Area in the *Community Benefit Spotlight*; And, **Ashley Klingensmith** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on protecting the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

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Air Date: 2023-02-02 - Program # 23-05

(February 4, 2023 - February 10, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association hosts a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on Governor Josh Shapiro's recent executive orders with **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission going "woke."

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Air Date: 2023-01-26 - Program # 23-04

(January 28, 2022 - February 3, 2022) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Nathan Benefield** of the Commonwealth Foundation about the start of the state budget process; **Frank Gamrat** and **Eric Montarti** have an *Allegheny Institute Report* on recently released employment statistics; And, **Ashley Klingensmith** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on AFP's newly

released Pennsylvania legislative scorecard.

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Air Date: 2023-01-19 - Program # 23-03

(January 21, 2023 - January 27, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association hosts a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion with **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation on what to expect from the Administration of Governor Josh Shapiro; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall* commentary on the myth of an "independent" Speaker.

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Air Date: 2023-01-12 - Program # 23-02

(January 14, 2023 - January 20, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** has a *Newsmaker* interview with State Representative **Joe D'Orsie** (R-York) on his proposal to end automatic gas tax increases; **Joe Geiger** has **Ben Nolt** and **Theresa Moccio** of the Capital Area Therapeutic Riding Association in the *Community Benefit Spotlight*; And, **Ashley Klingensmith** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on priorities for the 118th Congress.

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Air Date: 2023-01-05 - Program # 23-01

(January 7, 2023 - January 13, 2023) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association hosts a *Capitol Watch* look at the new dynamics under the state Capitol dome with **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on the importance of judicial philosophy.

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