Magisterial District Judge 59-3-02

DOCKET

Docket Number: MJ-59302-CR-0000101-2026

Criminal Docket

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
v.
Katherine Leola Benson

CASE INFORMATION

Judge Assigned:	Magisterial District Judge James L. Martin	Issue Date:	05/20/2026
OTN:	S 1019487-0	File Date:	05/20/2026
Arresting Agency:	Ridgway Boro Police Dept	Arrest Date:	05/20/2026
Complaint No.:	4554-01	Incident No.:	2026-1704
Disposition:	Waived for Court	Disposition Date:	06/03/2026
County:	Elk	Township:	Ridgway Borough
Case Status:	Closed		

STATUS INFORMATION

Case Status	Status Date	Processing Status
Closed	06/10/2026	Case Transferred to Court of Common Pleas
	06/03/2026	Completed
	05/21/2026	Awaiting Preliminary Hearing
	05/20/2026	Awaiting Preliminary Arraignment

CALENDAR EVENTS

Case Calendar Event Type	Schedule Start Date	Start Time	Room	Judge Name	Schedule Status
Preliminary Arraignment	05/20/2026	4:50 pm		Magisterial District Judge James L. Martin	Scheduled
Preliminary Hearing	06/03/2026	9:00 am		Magisterial District Judge James L. Martin	Scheduled
Formal Arraignment	07/06/2026	2:30 pm	Elk - Courtroom 1		Scheduled

CONFINEMENT

Confinement Location	Confinement Type	Confinement Reason	Confinement Date	Confinement End Date
Case Confinement				
Elk County Prison	County Jail	Unable to Post Bail	05/20/2026	06/03/2026

DEFENDANT INFORMATION

Name:	Benson, Katherine Leola	Sex:	Female
Date of Birth:	09/19/1984	Race:	White

Address(es):

Mailing
Ridgway, PA 15853

Advised Defendant of Right to Apply for Assignment of Counsel?	Yes
Public Defender Requested by the Defendant?	Yes
Application Provided for Appointment of Public Defender?	Yes
Has the Defendant Been Fingerprinted?	No

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CASE PARTICIPANTS

Participant Type	Participant Name
Defendant	Benson, Katherine Leola
Arresting Officer	Royer, Devin C.

BAIL

Bail Set: **Nebbia Status: None**

Bail Action Type	Bail Action Date	Bail Type	Originating Court	Percentage	Amount
Set	05/20/2026	Monetary	Magisterial District Court		$500,000.00
Change Bail Type	06/03/2026	Unsecured	Magisterial District Court		$50,000.00

Bail Action Reason: Per Judge at PH.

CHARGES

#	Charge	Grade	Description	Offense Dt.	Disposition
1	18 § 901 §§ A	F1	Criminal Attempt - Criminal Homicide	05/15/2026	Waived for Court
2	18 § 901 §§ A	F	Criminal Attempt - Manufacture, Delivery, or Possession With Intent to Manufacture or Deliver	05/15/2026	Waived for Court
3	18 § 2706 §§ A1	M1	Terroristic Threats W/ Int To Terrorize Another	05/15/2026	Waived for Court
4	18 § 5503 §§ A4	M3	Disorderly Conduct Hazardous/Physi Off	05/15/2026	Waived for Court

DISPOSITION / SENTENCING DETAILS

Case Disposition	Disposition Date	Was Defendant Present?
Waived for Court	06/03/2026	Yes

Offense Seq./Description	Offense Disposition
1 Criminal Attempt - Criminal Homicide	Waived for Court
2 Criminal Attempt - Manufacture, Delivery, or Possession With Intent to Manufacture or Deliver	Waived for Court
3 Terroristic Threats W/ Int To Terrorize Another	Waived for Court
4 Disorderly Conduct Hazardous/Physi Off	Waived for Court

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ATTORNEY INFORMATION

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Representing: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Counsel Status: Active
Supreme Court No.:
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Public Defender

Name: Gary Allen Knaresboro, Esq.
Representing: Benson, Katherine Leola
Counsel Status: Active
Supreme Court No.: 052097
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DOCKET ENTRY INFORMATION

Filed Date	Entry	Filer	Applies To
06/03/2026	Waiver of Preliminary Hearing	Gary Allen Knaresboro, Esq.	Katherine Leola Benson, Defendant
06/03/2026	Waived for Court	Magisterial District Judge James L. Martin	Katherine Leola Benson, Defendant
06/03/2026	Docket Transcript Printed	Magisterial District Court 59-3-02	Katherine Leola Benson, Defendant
05/21/2026	Commitment Printed - Unable to Post Bail	Magisterial District Court 59-3-02	Katherine Leola Benson, Defendant
05/20/2026	Criminal Complaint Filed	Magisterial District Court 59-3-02	

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