Magisterial District Judge 24-1-02

DOCKET

Docket Number: MJ-24102-CR-0000424-2026

Criminal Docket

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
v.
Joseph E. Frank Jr.

CASE INFORMATION

Judge Assigned:	Magisterial District Judge Benjamin F. Jones	Issue Date:	07/17/2026
OTN:	E 1020658-2	File Date:	07/17/2026
Arresting Agency:	Altoona Police Dept	Arrest Date:	
Complaint No.:	2026-15570	Incident No.:	2026-15570
Disposition:	Waived for Court	Disposition Date:	08/26/2026
County:	Blair	Township:	Altoona City
Case Status:	Closed		

STATUS INFORMATION

Case Status	Status Date	Processing Status
Closed	09/03/2026	Case Transferred to Court of Common Pleas
	08/26/2026	Completed
	07/17/2026	Awaiting Preliminary Hearing

CALENDAR EVENTS

Case Calendar Event Type	Schedule Start Date	Start Time	Room	Judge Name	Schedule Status
Preliminary Arraignment	07/17/2026	10:00 am		Magisterial District Judge Benjamin F. Jones	Scheduled
Preliminary Hearing	08/05/2026	9:00 am		Magisterial District Judge Benjamin F. Jones	Continued
Preliminary Hearing	08/19/2026	9:00 am		Magisterial District Judge Benjamin F. Jones	Continued
Preliminary Hearing	08/26/2026	9:00 am		Magisterial District Judge Benjamin F. Jones	Scheduled
Formal Arraignment	10/02/2026	8:30 am			Scheduled

DEFENDANT INFORMATION

Name:	Frank, Joseph E. Jr.	Sex:	Unreported/Unknown
Date of Birth:	08/10/1959	Race:	Unknown/Unreported

Address(es):

Home
Altoona, PA 16601

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?	Yes

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CASE PARTICIPANTS

Participant Type	Participant Name
Arresting Officer	Baker, William C.
Defendant	Frank, Joseph E. Jr.

BAIL

Bail Set: **Nebbia Status: None**

Bail Action Type	Bail Action Date	Bail Type	Originating Court	Percentage	Amount
Set	07/17/2026	Unsecured	Magisterial District Court		$50,000.00

Bail Posted:

Surety Type	Surety Name	Posting Status	Posted Dt	Security Type	Security Amt
Self	Frank, Joseph E. Jr.	Posted	07/17/2026	Unsecured	$50,000.00

CHARGES

#	Charge	Grade	Description	Offense Dt.	Disposition
1	18 § 5534 §§ A2		Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	07/07/2026	Waived for Court
2	18 § 5534 §§ A2		Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	07/07/2026	Waived for Court
3	18 § 5534 §§ A2		Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	07/07/2026	Waived for Court
4	18 § 5534 §§ A2		Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	07/07/2026	Waived for Court
5	18 § 5534 §§ A2		Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	07/07/2026	Waived for Court
6	18 § 5534 §§ A2		Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	07/07/2026	Waived for Court
7	18 § 5534 §§ A2		Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	07/07/2026	Waived for Court
8	18 § 5534 §§ A2		Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	07/07/2026	Waived for Court
9	18 § 5533 §§ A	M2	Cruelty to Animals	07/07/2026	Waived for Court

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DISPOSITION / SENTENCING DETAILS

Case Disposition	Disposition Date	Was Defendant Present?
Waived for Court	08/26/2026	Yes

Offense Seq./Description	Offense Disposition
1 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	Waived for Court
2 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	Waived for Court
3 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	Waived for Court
4 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	Waived for Court
5 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	Waived for Court
6 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	Waived for Court
7 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	Waived for Court
8 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Causing SBI or Death	Waived for Court
9 Cruelty to Animals	Waived for Court

ATTORNEY INFORMATION

District Attorney

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Private

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Representing: Frank, Joseph E. Jr.
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DOCKET ENTRY INFORMATION

Filed Date	Entry	Filer	Applies To
08/26/2026	Waived for Court	Magisterial District Judge Benjamin F. Jones	Joseph E. Frank Jr., Defendant
08/26/2026	Docket Transcript Printed	Magisterial District Court 24-1-02	Joseph E. Frank Jr., Defendant
08/26/2026	Waiver of Preliminary Hearing	Joseph E. Frank Jr.	Joseph E. Frank Jr., Defendant
08/26/2026	Notice of Intent to Waive Formal Arraignment at Common Pleas	Joseph E. Frank Jr.	Joseph E. Frank Jr., Defendant
07/21/2026	Fingerprint Order Returned - Criminal Case	Magisterial District Court 24-1-02	Joseph E. Frank Jr., Defendant
07/17/2026	Fingerprint Order Issued	Magisterial District Court 24-1-02	Joseph E. Frank Jr., Defendant
07/17/2026	Criminal Complaint Filed	Magisterial District Court 24-1-02	

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