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## **DELAWARE COUNTY DAILY TIMES TOP LAWYERS 2026**



### **Eckell Sparks Recognized in *Delaware County Daily Times* Top Lawyers 2026**

We are proud to announce that Eckell Sparks has been recognized in the *Delaware County Daily Times Top Lawyers 2026*.

This recognition reflects the firm's longstanding commitment to:

- Client-focused representation
- Ethical legal advocacy
- Litigation excellence
- Trusted community leadership
- Results-driven legal strategy

The honor highlights the dedication our attorneys bring to every case across a broad range of practice areas throughout Pennsylvania.

[\*Read the Full Feature Here\*](#)

## **Patrick T. Henigan, Esq. Serves as Judge at ABA National Competition**



Attorney ***Patrick T. Henigan, Esq.*** was recently invited to serve as a judge at the American Bar Association National Appellate Advocacy Competition.

The competition brings together law students from across the country to argue complex appellate matters before experienced attorneys and judges. Patrick's participation reflects the firm's continued engagement with the legal profession and commitment to mentoring future advocates.

Events like these also help our attorneys stay at the forefront of evolving appellate arguments, courtroom strategy, and legal analysis.

[\*More Details\*](#)

## **Commonwealth Court Appellate Victory for Tincum Township**

***Michael J. Davey, Esq.*** and ***Sam S. Auslander, Esq.*** recently secured a significant appellate victory in the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania on behalf of the Tincum Township Board of Commissioners.

## Appellate Victory in the Commonwealth Court



SAM S. AUSLANDER  
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Partner

The case involved the Board's conditional use approval for the development of a new Wawa convenience store and gas station in Tincum Township. In its March 31, 2026, decision, the Commonwealth Court affirmed the approval.

This successful outcome demonstrates our firm's strength in:

- Appellate litigation
- Municipal and zoning law
- Land use matters
- Strategic legal advocacy for public entities

[Learn More About the Appellate Victory](#)

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## Sitler v. Jones: What Pennsylvania's New Paternity Law Means for You



Family law attorney **Melanie E. Tunaitis, Esq.** discusses the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's recent decision reversing certain previously barred paternity challenges. Learn what this significant legal development means for parents, presumed fathers, and others seeking to establish paternity in Pennsylvania.

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IN MEMORIAM

1934 - 2026

*Murray S. Eckell, Esq.*



## In Memoriam: Murray S. Eckell, Esq.

It is with profound sadness that we remember Murray S. Eckell, Esq., Founding Partner of Eckell Sparks, who passed away on March 19, 2026.

Murray began practicing law in 1959 following his graduation from the University of Pennsylvania Law School and co-founded Eckell & Sparks in 1964 alongside Don Sparks. Over a distinguished legal career spanning more than six decades, he served as attorney, mentor, educator, bar association leader, and appointed judge of the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas. His leadership, professionalism, and dedication helped shape both the firm and the Pennsylvania legal community for generations.

Known for his sharp legal mind, tireless work ethic, and generous mentorship, Murray was deeply respected by colleagues, clients, and the broader legal community.

### *Murray's Legacy*

At ***Eckell Sparks***, we combine decades of experience with a client-focused approach. Contact our team to learn how we can provide the trusted guidance and advocacy you deserve. Call **610-565-3700** or complete our ***online form***. We are located in Media and West Chester, PA.



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