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WEIMANN NAMED 2023 YORK COUNTY ADOPTION ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR
Local Adoption Professional Honored at 4th Annual Adoption Day Celebration

York County adoption professional Tammy Contres Weiman was named the York County Adoption Advocate of the Year at the 4th Annual York County National Adoption Day Celebration. Bryan Tate, York County Register of Wills & Clerk of Orphans' Court, led the event at the York County Administrative Center in the Commissioners' Meeting Room. The event was held virtually on YouTube at www.YouTube.com/@yorkcountypa1749/streams and on WRCT Channel 18 on Comcast in York PA, as well as www.WRCT.tv – Edu/Gov (18) Live Stream.

Weimann was selected for the tremendous impact she has made in York County in the area of adoption. Weimann is the Associate Director of Permanency Programs at Children's Home of York (CHOY). She leads a team who provide adoption, foster care, and residential services for children in out of home placement. As someone who is passionate about facilitating permanency for children and youth, Weimann has been employed at CHOY for 33 years having started as a caseworker in the foster care department and working in several positions in the Permanency Program including Adoption and Foster Care Supervisor. She was the first Resource Parent Coordinator who recruited and trained families to become foster and adoptive parents. Weimann is a graduate of Shippensburg and traveled the world with her husband, who was a United States Marine Corps Officer, before settling back in York. Her early work experiences include working for the University of Maryland and Onslow County Department of Children and Youth in North Carolina.

The 4th annual National Adoption Day event featured keynote speaker Tanya Stauffer, Administrator of the York County Office of Children, Youth and Families. She is responsible for the overall administration of case management services, fiscal operations, and continuous quality improvement efforts of the CYF office. Stauffer's passion for keeping children safe and providing them with permanency began more than 20 years ago upon beginning her career as an intern at York County CYF. The mission of the York County Office of Children, Youth and Families is to protect children, promote strong families, promote child well-being, and to provide timely permanency for children.

The York County Adoption Advocate of the Year honor has become an annual tradition, which began in 2020, paying tribute to members of the York County community who uplift foster care and adoption. In 2020, the Honorable Judge Clyde Vedder was honored as the first Adoption Advocate of the Year. In 2021, Attorney Dorothy Livaditis was selected as the second Adoption Advocate of the Year. In 2023, Elisa Esh, Director of Permanency for PA Child in York, was named as the third Adoption Advocate of the Year.

The Office of Register of Wills & Clerk of Orphans' Court is responsible for estate administration and acts as agent for the PA Department of Revenue to collect PA Inheritance Taxes, and oversees Orphans' Court proceedings including dockets and filings for petitions of incapacitated persons, appointment of guardians, termination of parental rights, and adoptions, as well as the issuing of marriage licenses.

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