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APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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Date this Appeal was filed: 09-23-25 Petition Number: 21-04
Date of the Original Action: $19-3-25$ Tax Parcel Number: $19-00500-389$
Subject Property Address: 502 Baltimore Ave Wilmigton DE 19805
Property Owner's Name: Fortune Star Realty Phone Number: 302-650-7715
Property Owners Address: 2 Armstrong lune Wilmington DE 19800
Applicant's Name: Miguel Luna
Applicant's Address: 502 Bathmore Ave
Specific Item Being Appealed: (ex: Citation Number, Petition Number, Order Number, Etc.)
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Reason for the Appeal:
I have too have try to Follow the rules and
I take care any citation in new on this town
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Applicant's Signature: Man 2 Date: 01-23-25





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RESPONSIBLE PARTY	CITATION #	V2600141
FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC	OFFICER	N. Facciolo
2 ARMSTRONG LANE	VIOLATION DATE	09/03/25
WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRES	S 502 BALTIMORE AVE
	PARCEL NUMBER	19-00500-389
	ABATEMENT DATE	

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Specific Violation	Code Section	Fine Cost
This property has been deemed a Repeated Public Nuisance for 3 or more violations within a 12 month period occurring on the following dates: 04/24/2025 (x4), 05/16/2025 (x2) & 08/19/2025 (x3).	CH 145 Repeat Public Nuisance Property	1,000.00

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Re.: Tax Parcel 19-00500-389 502 BALTIMORE AVE

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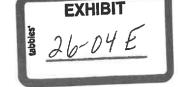
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#### NUISANCES



# ARTICLE I

# Nuisance Properties [Adopted 5-13-2004 by Ord. No. 430]

# § 145-1. Findings.

The Mayor and Council finds and determines that the existence of buildings, structures, properties and open lots which are repeatedly in violation of or the subject of repeated neighborhood complaints concerning violations of the Property Maintenance Code, and the General Code of the Town of Elsmere, can have a devastating impact upon the use of such property as well as surrounding properties and upon the surrounding community, including the promotion of illegal activities, the threat to the public health, safety and welfare, the interference in the community's quality of life as well as the value of surrounding properties, and, therefore, constitute public nuisances that endanger the health, safety and general welfare of the people of the Town of Elsmere and to the businesses thereof and visitors thereto.

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#### § 145-3. Prohibited conduct.

It is a violation of this article for the owner or his or her agent, the lessee, renter, occupant or person in charge of any building, residence, premises, structure, place or lot, developed or undeveloped, to allow, cause, own, lease, permit, facilitate or maintain the creation or occurrence of a public nuisance or repeat public nuisance.

# § 145-4. Presumptions.

- A. It shall be a rebuttable presumption that more than two violations for prohibited conduct occurring within 12 months of each other have caused a repeat public nuisance to exist. This presumption shall be effective for any combination of three violations occurring within 12 months.
- B. Presumption of agency. Whenever there is evidence that a person was the manager, operator, supervisor or, in any other way, in charge of the premises at the time a public nuisance exists, such evidence shall be presumptive that he or she was an agent of the property owner.

# § 145-5. Violations and penalties; liability for cost of abatement.

- A. In addition to any other penalties provided for in the Code of the Town of Elsmere for a violation of the Code, a violation of this article shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$1,000 for the first offense and \$2,000 for each additional offense occurring within one year and/or imprisonment for up to one year for each offense.
- B. This article shall not be construed to exclude any civil or criminal remedy provided by law for the enforcement of this Code or of the other laws of the Town of Elsmere or the County of New Castle, the State of Delaware or the United States of America.
- C. In addition to any other penalty that may be imposed hereunder, the owner of a premises who fails to abate a public nuisance, said owner having knowledge of same or having been given due notice as set forth in this article, shall be liable to reimburse the Town for its costs and expenses to abate such public nuisance, for inspections and to maintain the property in a safe condition, including reasonable attorneys' fees. Said costs and expenses, if unpaid within 30 days of service on the owner of notice of amounts due, shall become a lien on the real property for said premises.

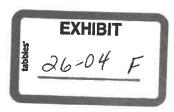
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	OFFICER	N. Facciolo
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WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRESS	502 BALTIMORE AVE
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Failure to comply with the previously issued notices of violation.	IPMC12-106.3 Failure to comply	
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*** SECOND NOTICE ***  Commercial lawn care equipmentin the side yard of the property. Equipment must be stored in an enclosed shed or garage and not throughout the yard.	IPMC12-302.10 Outdoor furniture / appliances	100.00

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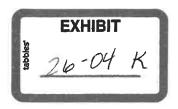
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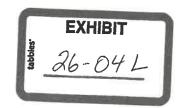
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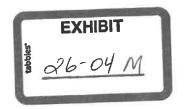
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#### NUISANCES





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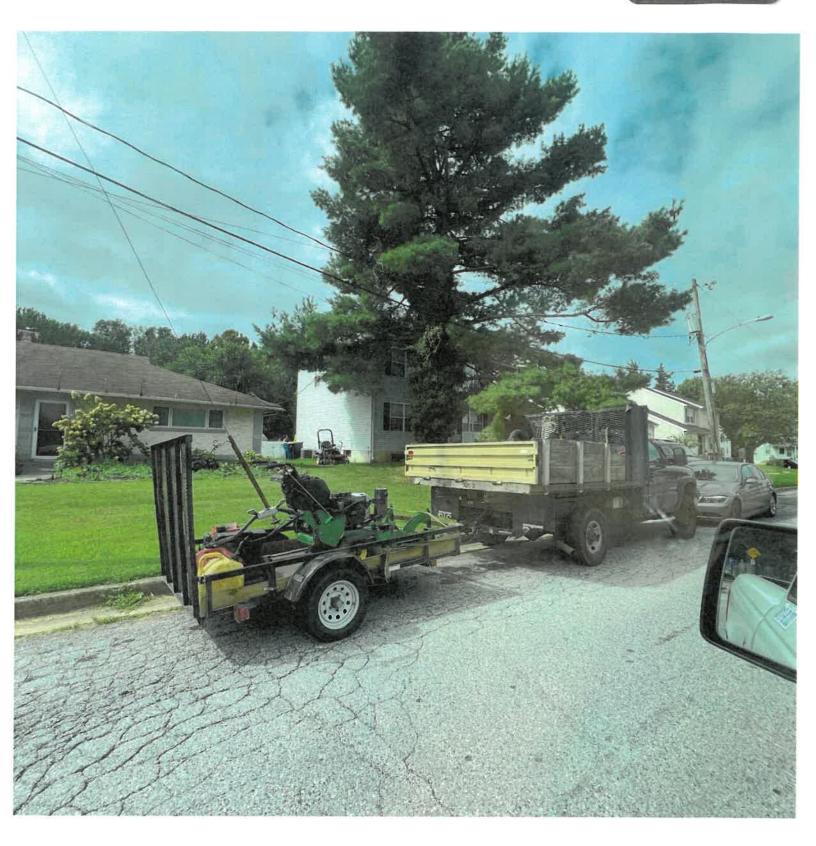
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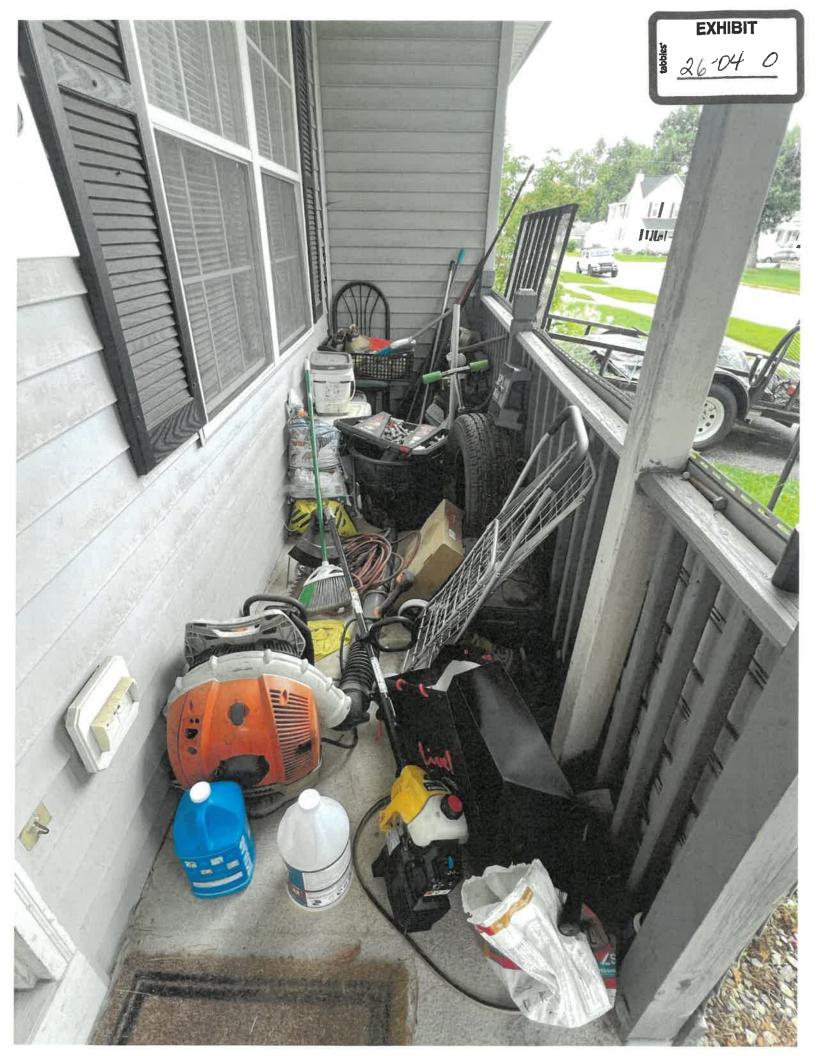
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FORTUNE CTAR REALTYLL C	OFFICER	N. Facciolo
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WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRESS	502 BALTIMORE AVE
	PARCEL NUMBER	19-00500-389
	ABATEMENT DATE	08/24/25

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Specific Violation
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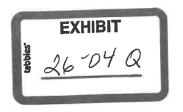
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EXHIBIT 26-04R

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#### NUISANCES

## ARTICLE I



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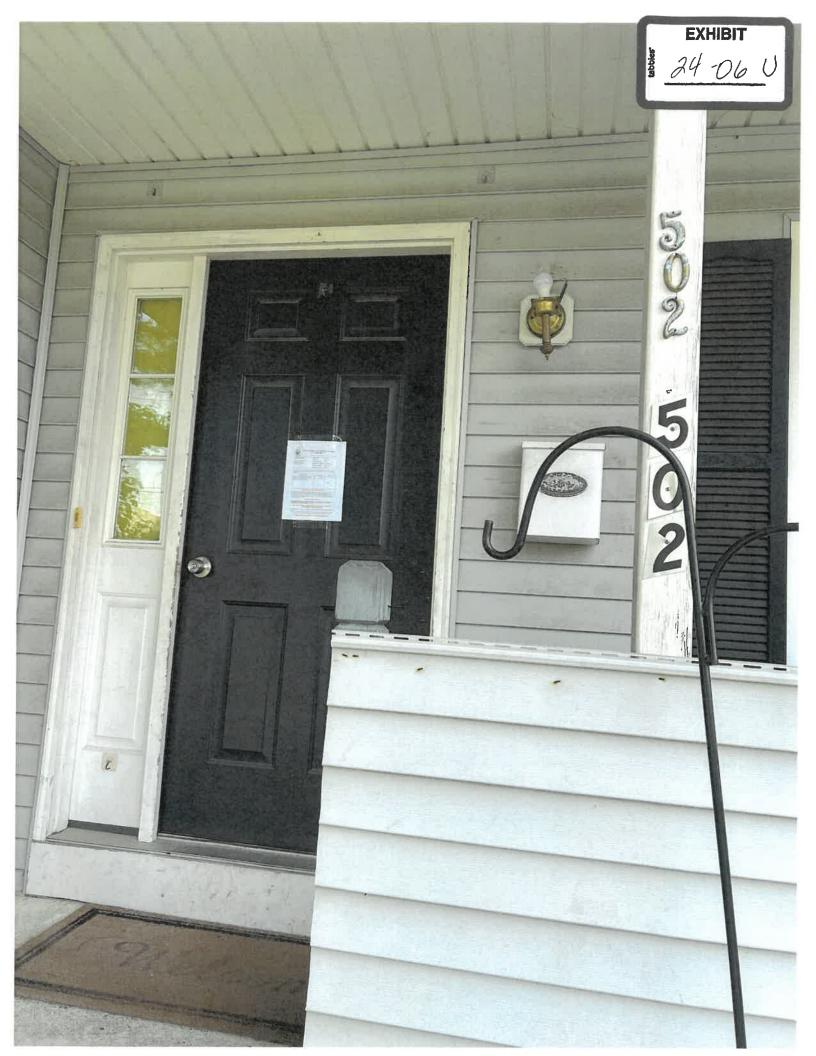
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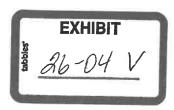
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WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRES	S 502 BALTIMORE AV
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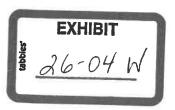
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- B. Presumption of agency. Whenever there is evidence that a person was the manager, operator, supervisor or, in any other way, in charge of the premises at the time a public nuisance exists, such evidence shall be presumptive that he or she was an agent of the property owner.

# § 145-5. Violations and penalties; liability for cost of abatement.

- A. In addition to any other penalties provided for in the Code of the Town of Elsmere for a violation of the Code, a violation of this article shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$1,000 for the first offense and \$2,000 for each additional offense occurring within one year and/or imprisonment for up to one year for each offense.
- B. This article shall not be construed to exclude any civil or criminal remedy provided by law for the enforcement of this Code or of the other laws of the Town of Elsmere or the County of New Castle, the State of Delaware or the United States of America.
- C. In addition to any other penalty that may be imposed hereunder, the owner of a premises who fails to abate a public nuisance, said owner having knowledge of same or having been given due notice as set forth in this article, shall be liable to reimburse the Town for its costs and expenses to abate such public nuisance, for inspections and to maintain the property in a safe condition, including reasonable attorneys' fees. Said costs and expenses, if unpaid within 30 days of service on the owner of notice of amounts due, shall become a lien on the real property for said premises.

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11 Poplar Avenue - Elsmere, DE 19805 Phone: (302) 998-2215 Fax: (302) 998-9920

RESPONSIBLE PARTY	CITATION #	V2500563
FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC	OFFICER	N. Facciolo
2 ARMSTRONG LANE	VIOLATION DATE	05/16/25
WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRES	S 502 BALTIMORE AV
	PARCEL NUMBER	19-00500-389
	ABATEMENT DATE	05/21/25

On the above date, the Code Enforcement Department performed an inspection of the above referenced property. During this inspection, a violation of the Town of Elsmere Code was discovered. The nature of this civil citation is described below.

Specific Violation	Code Section	Fine Cost
Black work trailer parked on the public street usually after-hours. Trailers may not be parked on the public street unless they are actively being loaded or unloaded.	152-1 152-1: Parking Regulations- No Parking of trailers on town streets.	100.00

# **HOW YOU CAN AVOID PAYING THE FINE**

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# **ABATEMENT INFORMATION**

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Each 24-hour period that the condition giving rise to this citation continues is subject to a separate citation and an additional civil penalty.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Code Enforcement Department at (302) 998-2215.

You have the right to appeal this violation by submitting a written application to the Town of Elsmere's Board of Adjustment within twenty (20) days of the date of this violation.



# 111.1 Application for appeal.

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The Board of Adjustments shall meet upon notice from the chairman, and conduct the appeal hearing within 20 days of the filing of an appeal.

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Either the appellant or the appellant's representative shall have the right to request a postponement of the hearing.

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After hearing the evidence provided at the hearing the Board of Adjustments shall modify or reverse the decision of the code official only by a concurring vote of a majority board members present.

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The decision of the board shall be recorded. Copies shall be furnished to the appellant and to the code official.

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The code official shall take immediate action in accordance with the decision of the Board of Adjustments.

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EXHIBIT

See 26 -04 AB

11 Poplar Avenue, Elsmere, Delaware 19805 Phone (302) 998-2215 Fax (302) 998-9920

05/16/25

FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC 2 ARMSTRONG LANE WILMINGTON, DE 19810

Re.: Tax Parcel 19-00500-389 502 BALTIMORE AV

Dear Property Owner,

Enclosed you will find a "Notice of Violation" which was issued due to conditions found at the property listed above. The records of the Town of Elsmere identify you as the owner of this property. Also enclosed, you will find a copy of Chapter 145 of the Code of the Town of Elsmere. Please take the time to review both of these documents thoroughly.

Based upon the violation listed in the enclosed "Notice of Violation", which states the date and time the prohibited conduct was observed at your property, as well as the nature of the prohibited conduct, your property has been deemed to be a "Public Nuisance" as defined in Chapter 145. Therefore, this property must be brought into compliance within five (5) days of the date of this letter. Should the prohibited conduct not be corrected within five days of the date of this letter, the Town of Elsmere will take steps to abate the referenced violation(s). Should this become necessary you, as the property owner, will be liable to reimburse the Town for its costs and expenses to abate the nuisance and for inspections and to maintain the property in a safe condition, including reasonable attorneys' fees. Should these costs and expenses remain unpaid after 30 days, the amounts due shall become a lien upon your property.

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Please carefully review the definition and penalties for a "Repeated Public Nuisance". If this latest violation is not the first violation to occur at property within one year, you will not be given additional warnings. Please contact me as soon as possible if you have any questions or are unsure of the potential penalties you, as the property owner, may be subject to.

Respectfully,

N. Facciolo

Code Enforcement Officer

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#### NUISANCES





Nuisance Properties [Adopted 5-13-2004 by Ord. No. 430]

## § 145-1. Findings.

The Mayor and Council finds and determines that the existence of buildings, structures, properties and open lots which are repeatedly in violation of or the subject of repeated neighborhood complaints concerning violations of the Property Maintenance Code, and the General Code of the Town of Elsmere, can have a devastating impact upon the use of such property as well as surrounding properties and upon the surrounding community, including the promotion of illegal activities, the threat to the public health, safety and welfare, the interference in the community's quality of life as well as the value of surrounding properties, and, therefore, constitute public nuisances that endanger the health, safety and general welfare of the people of the Town of Elsmere and to the businesses thereof and visitors thereto.

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REPEAT PUBLIC NUISANCE — Any building, residence, premises, structure, place or lot, developed or undeveloped, where an owner or agent has been given written notice by the Code Enforcement Office of the Town of Elsmere that public nuisance has taken place at said location and within one year of that notice there is more than one additional violation at that location for prohibited conduct for which the owner or agent is again notified in writing.

#### § 145-3. Prohibited conduct.

It is a violation of this article for the owner or his or her agent, the lessee, renter, occupant or person in charge of any building, residence, premises, structure, place or lot, developed or undeveloped, to allow, cause, own, lease, permit, facilitate or maintain the creation or occurrence of a public nuisance or repeat public nuisance.

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- A. In addition to any other penalties provided for in the Code of the Town of Elsmere for a violation of the Code, a violation of this article shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$1,000 for the first offense and \$2,000 for each additional offense occurring within one year and/or imprisonment for up to one year for each offense.
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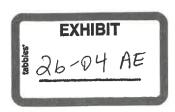
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EXHIBIT 26-04 AD







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11 Poplar Avenue – Elsmere, DE 19805 Phone: (302) 998-2215 Fax: (302) 998-9920

RESPONSIBLE PARTY	CITATION #	V2500530
FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC	OFFICER	N. Facciolo
2 ARMSTRONG LANE	VIOLATION DATE	04/24/25
WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRESS	5 502 BALTIMORE AV
	PARCEL NUMBER	19-00500-389
	ABATEMENT DATE	04/29/25

On the above date, the Code Enforcement Department performed an inspection of the above referenced property. During this inspection, a violation of the Town of Elsmere Code was discovered. The nature of this civil citation is described below.

Specific Violation	Fine Cost
Overflowing commercial trash cans, plywood and other miscellaneous garbage/rubbish in the side yard of the property. Must be removed and disposed of properly.	100.00

# **HOW YOU CAN AVOID PAYING THE FINE**

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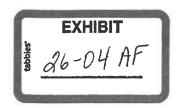
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11 Poplar Avenue, Elsmere, Delaware 19805 Phone (302) 998-2215 Fax (302) 998-9920

04/24/25

FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC 2 ARMSTRONG LANE WILMINGTON, DE 19810

Re.: Tax Parcel	19-00500-389	502 BALTIMORE AV
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Code Enforcement Officer

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Chapter 145

NUISANCES

ARTICLE 1



Nuisance Properties [Adopted 5-13-2004 by Ord. No. 430]

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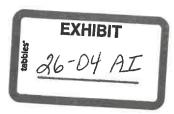
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11 Poplar Avenue - Elsmere, DE 19805 Phone: (302) 998-2215 Fax: (302) 998-9920

RESPONSIBLE PARTY	<b>CITATION</b> # V2500529
FOOTUNE CTAR DEALTYLLS	OFFICER N. Facciolo
FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC  2 ARMSTRONG LANE	VIOLATION DATE 04/24/25
WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRESS 502 BALTIMORE AV
	PARCEL NUMBER 19-00500-389
	ABATEMENT DATE 04/29/25

On the above date, the Code Enforcement Department performed an inspection of the above referenced property. During this inspection, a violation of the Town of Elsmere Code was discovered. The nature of this civil citation is described below.

Specific Violation	Code Section	Fine Cost
Due to the sotrage of all the lawn equipment, the siding is damaged on the left side of the residence. Must be repaired.	IPMC12-304.2 Exterior surfaces - Paint	100.00

# HOW YOU CAN AVOID PAYING THE FINE

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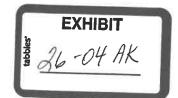
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## The Town of Elsmere



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04/24/25

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Re.: Tax Parcel 19-00500-389 502 BALTIMORE AV

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Code Enforcement Officer

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#### NUISANCES

### ARTICLE I



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EXHIBIT

26-04 AM











### THE TOWN OF ELSMERE CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

\*\*\*\*\*CITATION\*\*\*\*

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RESPONSIBLE PARTY	CITATION #	V2500528
	OFFICER	N. Facciolo
FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC 2 ARMSTRONG LANE	VIOLATION DATE	04/24/25
WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRE	SS 502 BALTIMORE AV
	PARCEL NUMBER	19-00500-389
	ABATEMENT DATE	04/29/25

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Specific Violation	Code Section	Fine Cost
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MEANS OF APPEAL ARE SHOWN ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM

# EXHIBIT See 26-04 AP

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## The Town of Elsmere

EXHIBIT 150 26-04 AQ

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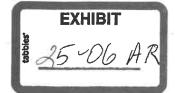
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Chapter 145

NUISANCES



ARTICLE I

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\*\*\*\*\*CITATION\*\*\*\*

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RESPONSIBLE PARTY	CITATION #	V2500527
FORTUNE CTAR REALTYLLS	OFFICER	N. Facciolo
PORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC  2 ARMSTRONG LANE	VIOLATION DATE	04/24/25
WILMINGTON DE 19810	PROPERTY ADDRES	S 502 BALTIMORE AV
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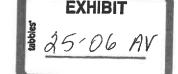
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REPEAT PUBLIC NUISANCE — Any building, residence, premises, structure, place or lot, developed or undeveloped, where an owner or agent has been given written notice by the Code Enforcement Office of the Town of Elsmere that public nuisance has taken place at said location and within one year of that notice there is more than one additional violation at that location for prohibited conduct for which the owner or agent is again notified in writing.

### § 145-3. Prohibited conduct.

It is a violation of this article for the owner or his or her agent, the lessee, renter, occupant or person in charge of any building, residence, premises, structure, place or lot, developed or undeveloped, to allow, cause, own, lease, permit, facilitate or maintain the creation or occurrence of a public nuisance or repeat public nuisance.

### § 145-4. Presumptions.

- A. It shall be a rebuttable presumption that more than two violations for prohibited conduct occurring within 12 months of each other have caused a repeat public nuisance to exist. This presumption shall be effective for any combination of three violations occurring within 12 months.
- B. Presumption of agency. Whenever there is evidence that a person was the manager, operator, supervisor or, in any other way, in charge of the premises at the time a public nuisance exists, such evidence shall be presumptive that he or she was an agent of the property owner.

### § 145-5. Violations and penalties; liability for cost of abatement.

- A. In addition to any other penalties provided for in the Code of the Town of Elsmere for a violation of the Code, a violation of this article shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$1,000 for the first offense and \$2,000 for each additional offense occurring within one year and/or imprisonment for up to one year for each offense.
- B. This article shall not be construed to exclude any civil or criminal remedy provided by law for the enforcement of this Code or of the other laws of the Town of Elsmere or the County of New Castle, the State of Delaware or the United States of America.
- C. In addition to any other penalty that may be imposed hereunder, the owner of a premises who fails to abate a public nuisance, said owner having knowledge of same or having been given due notice as set forth in this article, shall be liable to reimburse the Town for its costs and expenses to abate such public nuisance, for inspections and to maintain the property in a safe condition, including reasonable attorneys' fees. Said costs and expenses, if unpaid within 30 days of service on the owner of notice of amounts due, shall become a lien on the real property for said premises.

### § 145-6. Service of notice.

- A. A notice of violation that a prohibited conduct has occurred at a location shall be served by placing into the U.S. mail a notice of the violation and mailing same to the last known address of the owner of said property.
- B. The notice must contain the following:
  - (1) A statement of the date or dates upon which the prohibited conduct occurred at the property.
  - (2) The nature of the prohibited conduct and a directive that such conduct be abated within five days of the mailing of said notice.
  - (3) A copy of this code and a warning that if more than one additional violation for prohibited conduct as defined in this article occurs within one year of a previous violation, the owner will be subject to the penalties of this article, including but not limited to the Town seeking to place a lien or forfeiture pursuant to this article.

### § 145-7. Enforcement.

- A. Upon each offense for prohibited conduct, the Code Enforcement Officer may issue a summons to the owner, person in charge of said premises and/or the occupant of the residence.
- B. Upon a first offense for prohibited conduct, the Code Enforcement Department shall send the property owner or his or her agent a notice pursuant to the requirements of this article.

  Upon a second or subsequent offense for prohibited conduct occurring within one year of the first offense, a second or subsequent notice as described in this article shall be sent to the property owner or his or her agent.
- C. Upon failure of the owner to bring the building, residence, premises, structure, place or lot into compliance with the Town Code, the Town Attorney may apply to the appropriate court to appoint a temporary receiver to manage, operate and bring the building, residence, premises, structure, place or lot into compliance with the Code of the Town of Elsmere.



### Parcel # 1900500389

Property Address: 502 BALTIMORE AVE WILMINGTON, DE 19805-

Subdivision: MINDIS INC

Owner: FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC

2 ARMSTRONG LN

Owner Address:

WILMINGTON, DE 19810

Municipal Info: Incorporated in ELSMERE PROPERTY TAX AREA

Lot #: 1

Property Class: RESIDENTIAL

Location: Map Grid: 09403560

Lot Size: 0.12 Lot Depth: 0

Block: Census Tract: 124 Lot Frontage: 0

Street Type: NEIGHBORHOOD

Street Finish:

Water: PUBLIC

Microfilm #: 200308110095885

### Tax/Assessment Info

### **Current Assessment**

Land: 42900 Structure: 330300 Homesite: Total: 373200 County Taxable: 373200 School Taxable: 373200

### Permit History (July 1998 - present)

	A/P No.	Permit Type	Status
<u>Details</u>	200314796	SEWER CONNECTION PERMIT	Closed

### District & Zoning Info

### Districts

- FIRE/RESCUE ELSMERE
- RED CLAY SCHOOL DIST-TRES
- DE SEN 07-SPIROS MANTZAVINOS
- COUNCIL 1 BRANDON T TOOLE
- DE REP 13-DESHANNA U NEAL
- NORTH OF C&D CANAL
- ADD REQ PER SEC 10.3.4.4 DSSR
- TRAFFIC ZONE T093 (YR2022)
- SEWER DISTRICT NORTHERN-ASMT
- PLANNING 8 LOWER CHRISTINA

### Zoning

19R1 - ONE FAMILY DWELLING

#### Deed History Grantee(s) Multi? Deed Sale Date Sale Amount MINDIS INC 2928 271 N 11/14/2000 \$190,000.00 PULLELLA FRANK P & LENA C 20030815 0097993 Y 8/14/2003 \$250,000.00 F P PULLELLA BLDR INC 20031114 0145577 Υ 10/31/2003 \$10.00 SEN OSMAN 20050311 0023489 Ν 3/10/2005 \$209,000.00 DONG JINYU 20071203 0102695 N 11/30/2007 \$252,000.00 FORTUNE STAR REALTY LLC 20240819 0054447 6/15/2024 \$10.00

	County			School		
Tax Year	Principal Due	Penalty Due	Amt Paid	Principal Due	Penalty Due	Amt Paid
2010A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$218.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,181.96
2011A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$222.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,168.35
2012A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$222.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,154.74
2013A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$221.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,225.37
2014A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$222.32	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,246.95
2015A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$221.53	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,386.07
2016A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$220.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,511.33
2017A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$237.69	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,716.28
2018A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$237.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,594.72
2019A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$220.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,606.39
2020A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$205.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,606.39
2021A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$201.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,598.94
2022A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,746.03



2023A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$249.75	\$0.00
2024A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$266.96	\$0.00
2025A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$287.32	\$0.00

EXHIBIT

\$ 25-06 AY

Tax Payments as of 10/8/2025 3:01:54 AM

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Date Paid	Amt Paid	
9/21/2010		\$1,400,13
9/22/2011		\$1,390.48
9/25/2012		\$1,377.49
9/26/2013		\$1,446.85
9/18/2014		\$1,469.27
8/28/2015		\$1,607.60
9/22/2016		\$1,732.31
11/8/2017		\$1,935.00
3/12/2018		\$18.79
4/5/2018		\$16.03
9/18/2018		\$1,816.74
9/19/2019		\$1,826.66
9/28/2020		\$1,811.59
9/21/2021		\$1,800.48
3/2/2023		\$2,021.98
9/12/2023		\$1,851.60
9/13/2024		\$2,125.42
8/22/2025		\$2,955.70
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County Balance Due: \$0.00 School Balance Due: \$0.00

These amounts are valid through the last day of the month. For accounts with delinquent balances, statutory penalty will accrue on the first day of next month.

Tax Year	Principal Due	Penalty Due	Date Paid	Amount Paid
2007S1	\$0,00	\$0.00	2/15/2007	\$2
2008S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	4/10/2008	\$1
2008S5	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/9/2009	\$
200951	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/9/2009	\$1
2010S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	6/2/2010	\$4
2011S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/10/2011	\$3
2012S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/15/2012	\$3
201351	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/7/2013	\$4
2014S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	3/25/2014	\$2
2015S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	3/4/2015	\$1
2016S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/18/2016	\$2
2017S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	6/13/2017	\$2
2018S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	7/3/2018	\$2
201951	\$0.00	\$0.00	6/20/2019	\$2
2020S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/19/2020	\$2
202151	\$0.00	\$0.00	3/9/2021	\$2
2022S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/25/2022	\$1
2023S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	8/24/2023	\$1
2024S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	8/15/2024	\$1
2025S1	\$0.00	\$0.00	2/19/2025	\$4

These amounts do not reflect statutory penalty, which was imposed on the first of the month. To obtain the exact amount necessary to pay the account in full, please call New Castle County's Treasury Division at (302) 395-5340.

