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Nick Pulcinella  
Secretary PORC  
210 Welcome Ave.  
Norwood, PA 19074

Dear Mr. Pulcinella,

Enclosed please find photographs of two specimens of *Phaeton lepturus*, White-tailed Tropicbirds in the Smithsonian collection from Pennsylvania. My apologies for the delay in response. Your request must have arrived just after I departed for an extended vacation. I have spent the past week catching up with all the correspondence and requests received during my absence.

The two Pennsylvania specimens in our collection are:

USNM 457964. Female collected at Nanticoke, PA. 16 October 1954 by D.M. Christian. "Specimen brought north by Hurricane Hazel".

USNM 463391. Female, taken 16 October 1954 at PA: Gettysburg, near Coldsmiths Stables. Collector C.H. Wolford. Note: The long tail plumbs in this specimen are loose so estimations of total length and tail length may be inaccurate.

I hope you find the photographs satisfactory. Please let me know if you need any additional photographs taken.

Respectfully,

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**Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee**

**Tabulation Form - Round One**

Species: White-tailed Tropicbird (Phaethon lepturus)

Date of Sighting: 16 October 1954 to 16 October 1954

Location: NANTICOKE

County: ~~ERIE~~ LUZERNE

Observer(s): D. M. Christian

Date of Submission: 2000

Submitted by: Nick Pulcinella

Written Description: No

Photo: Yes

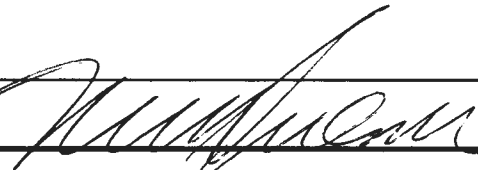
Specimen: Yes

Recording: No

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A				Abstain
					Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	
G. Armistead	X							
D. Couchman	X							
P. Hess	X							
R. Ickes	X							
B. Reid	X							
<del>B. Leburn</del> <del>P. Redewald</del>	X							
M. Sharp	X							
TOTALS	7							
DECISION	X							

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):



Date: 11/20/01