

## PA Rare Bird Report

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<b>Names of additional observers</b>	Jeff Musser
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Black-necked Stilt
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Himantopus mexicanus
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	Adult
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	04-28-2017 7:40 PM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>Link to eBird checklist</b>	<a href="http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S36448555">http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S36448555</a>
<b>County</b>	Lancaster
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Martic Township
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Susquehanna River at the Norman Wood Bridge
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	39.8205x-76.3186
<b>Habitat</b>	Rocky section of river, at low water, muddy edges and mud flats exposed
<b>Distance to bird</b>	Appx 1/3 mile
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Clear
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Swarovski 8x50 and Zeiss x10
<b>Description</b>	Black back and wings with long trailing red legs. Noted white underparts, long neck.
<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	Bird observed in flight over river, heading toward bridge. Flying low, appeared to be looking for a place to land. Not finding a suitable place before the bridge, it turned and headed downstream. Lost sight of it when it went between rocky outcroppings.

**Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)**

Red legs and black and white body eliminates other species of shorebirds.

**Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:**

Familiar with species, having seen many in flight, at rest, and foraging. Although it was unexpected, there was no mistaking it for another species.

**Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)**

Yes. Familiar with species.

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