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Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB v. Power Realty, RIGP

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Deed holder brought action to challenge decree that foreclosed right of redemption from title to the property following tax sale.

The Superior Court granted summary judgment to tax sale purchasers, and deed holder appealed.

The Supreme Court held that citation which notified interested parties of petition to foreclose right of redemption did not violate deed holder's due process rights, although the citation did not refer to the street address of the subject property.

Citation which notified interested parties of tax sale purchaser's petition to foreclose right of redemption did not violate deed holder's due process rights, although the citation did not refer to the street address of the subject property, where citation contained all other required components as well as the name and address of the attorney for tax sale purchaser, the fact that the property was located in city, a return date, and the location of the proceeding, deed holder received, through certified mail, a citation that contained an accurate metes and bounds description, the property's correct street name, town, and state, and the correct plat and lot number for the property, and deed holder was a sophisticated and publicly traded mortgage company which owned thousands of properties throughout the country.

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