

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

Judicial District Summary Sheet

County Name: **Elk**

Judicial District #: **59**

Caseload and Magisterial District Elimination Analysis

The difference between the average annual caseload of Judicial District # 59 and its class of county: **-8%**

Summary of Proposed Actions

59-3-02 Reestablish

59-3-03 Reestablish

Night/Central/Alternate Court Operations

This judicial district utilizes the following diversionary courts to assist in balancing workload:

Central Court: **No** Night Court: **No**

Public Comment

Proposal Posted for Public Comment: **Yes** Comments Received: **No**

General Comments *Both counties have experienced a decline in population (Cameron, 15% and Elk, 9%). Cameron county is comprised of 1 district court and is 31% below the benchmark; Elk is 8% below similar class of county districts. Neither county can eliminate a court because there are only three magisterial districts between two counties. Eliminating and or realigning will not "fix" an imbalance in workload and can not overcome the geographical considerations.*

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

County Name: Elk

Judicial District #: 59

Existing and Proposed Magisterial Districts

Magisterial District #: 59-3-02

Proposed Action: Reestablish

Average Annual Caseload:	2,989	Average Annual Workload:	21,465
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/judicial district):	19.00	% Difference in Workload (magisterial district/judicial district):	-10.00
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/class of county):	-8.00	<i>Workload outside of a +/- 15% range requires realignment or support to maintain current configuration.</i>	

Magisterial District Judge & Office Information:

George A. King

409 G Center Street

Johnsonburg, PA 15845

Birthdate: 11-13-52

Mandatory Retirement: 2022

Term Expires: 12-31-17

Existing Geography:

HIGHLAND TWP VTD HIGHLAND; HIGHLAND TWP VTD JAMES CITY; HORTON TWP Voting District; JOHNSONBURG DIST 01; JOHNSONBURG DIST 02; JOHNSONBURG DIST 03; JOHNSONBURG DIST 04; JONES TWP VTD LAMONT; JONES TWP VTD WILCOX; MILLSTONE TWP Voting District; RIDGWAY TWP VTD NORTH; RIDGWAY TWP VTD SOUTH; RIDGWAY WD 01; RIDGWAY WD 02; RIDGWAY WD 03; RIDGWAY WD 04; RIDGWAY WD 05; SPRING CREEK TWP Voting District

Proposed Geography:

HIGHLAND TWP VTD HIGHLAND; HIGHLAND TWP VTD JAMES CITY; HORTON TWP Voting District; JOHNSONBURG DIST 01; JOHNSONBURG DIST 02; JOHNSONBURG DIST 03; JOHNSONBURG DIST 04; JONES TWP VTD LAMONT; JONES TWP VTD WILCOX; MILLSTONE TWP Voting District; RIDGWAY TWP VTD NORTH; RIDGWAY TWP VTD SOUTH; RIDGWAY WD 01; RIDGWAY WD 02; RIDGWAY WD 03; RIDGWAY WD 04; RIDGWAY WD 05; SPRING CREEK TWP Voting District

Office within district: Yes

Residence within district: Yes

Police Departments: PA State Police - Ridgway Barracks, Ridgway Borough Police, Johnsonburg Borough Police

Major Highways: Route 219, Route 120, Route 255

Existing and Proposed Magisterial Districts

Magisterial District #: 59-3-03

Proposed Action: Reestablish

Average Annual Caseload:	3,015	Average Annual Workload:	26,561
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/judicial district):	0.44	% Difference in Workload (magisterial district/judicial district):	10.00
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/class of county):	-8.00		

Workload outside of a +/- 15% range requires realignment or support to maintain current configuration.

Magisterial District Judge & Office Information:

Mark S. Jacob

810 South Michael Road

St. Marys, PA 15857

Birthdate: 10-18-57

Mandatory Retirement: 2027

Term Expires: 12-31-17

Existing Geography:

BENEZETT TWP Voting District; FOX TWP DIST 01; FOX TWP DIST 02; JAY TWP VTD CALEDONIA; JAY TWP VTD WEEDVILLE; ST. MARYS WD 01; ST. MARYS WD 02; ST. MARYS WD 03; ST. MARYS WD 04; ST. MARYS WD 05; ST. MARYS WD 06; ST. MARYS WD 07; ST. MARYS WD 08; ST. MARYS WD 09

Proposed Geography:

BENEZETT TWP Voting District; FOX TWP DIST 01; FOX TWP DIST 02; JAY TWP VTD CALEDONIA; JAY TWP VTD WEEDVILLE; ST. MARYS WD 01; ST. MARYS WD 02; ST. MARYS WD 03; ST. MARYS WD 04; ST. MARYS WD 05; ST. MARYS WD 06; ST. MARYS WD 07; ST. MARYS WD 08; ST. MARYS WD 09

Office within district: Yes

Residence within district: Yes

Police Departments: PA State Police - Ridgway Barracks, City of St. Marys Police

Major Highways: Route 255, Route 120

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

Judicial District and Class of County Comparison Statistics

Elk / 59

Judicial District Average Caseload			
2011 Class	2011 Filings	2012 Class	2012 Filings
6	3,002	6	3,002

2011 Class of County Caseload Averages								
2011 Class	CR	PC	TR	NT	CV	LT	MD	Total
6	251	126	2,087	485	231	43	41	3,263

2012 Class of County Caseload Averages								
2012 Class	CR	PC	TR	NT	CV	LT	MD	Total
6	244	155	2,019	477	228	42	39	3,204

Notes on Analysis:

CASELOAD: The statistics provided are used to compare the average annual caseload of each magisterial district to the class of county average as one measure to assess whether any changes should be proposed. Reported values are provided by the judicial district; the comparison values are provided by the MDJS.

WORKLOAD: Where the average annual workload of a magisterial district is greater/less than 15% of the judicial district's workload average, the judicial district should realign - OR - explain why this difference does not impact workload equity within the judicial district. A value that is green indicates it is within range; red requires justification if realignment or elimination are not proposed.

Judicial District Caseload Averages		
Elk	2011	2012
Class	6	6
CR	244	244
NT	437	437
PC	137	137
TR	1,860	1,860
CV	256	256
LT	26	26
MD	43	43
AVG	3,002	3,002

Judicial District Workload Averages		
Elk	2011	2012
Class	6	6
CR	8,947	8,947
NT	4,696	4,696
PC	1,470	1,470
TR	4,240	4,240
CV	2,885	2,885
LT	374	374
MD	1,401	1,401
-15 % Workload	20,411	20,411
Average Workload	24,013	24,012
+ 15% Workload	27,615	27,614

Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

59-3-02

Reestablish

CASELOAD

Average Total Annual Caseload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
2,989		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

19	-0.43%	-0.43%
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Magisterial District Average: Class of County Average:

-8	-8.41%	-6.72%
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WORKLOAD

Average Total Annual Workload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
21,465		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

-10	-10.61%	-10.61%
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59-3-03

Reestablish

CASELOAD

Average Total Annual Caseload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
3,015		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

0.44	0.44%	0.44%
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Magisterial District Average: Class of County Average:

-8	-7.61%	-5.91%
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WORKLOAD

Average Total Annual Workload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
26,561		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

10	10.61%	10.61%
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Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

Judicial District Summary Sheet

County Name: **Cameron**

Judicial District #: **59**

Caseload and Magisterial District Elimination Analysis

The difference between the average annual caseload of Judicial District # 59 and its class of county: **-31%**

Summary of Proposed Actions

59-3-01 Reestablish

Night/Central/Alternate Court Operations

This judicial district utilizes the following diversionary courts to assist in balancing workload:

Central Court: **No** Night Court: **No**

Public Comment

Proposal Posted for Public Comment: **Yes** Comments Received: **No**

General Comments *Both counties have experienced a decline in population (Cameron, 15% and Elk, 9%). Cameron county is comprised of 1 district court and is 31% below the benchmark; Elk is 8% below similar class of county districts. Neither county can eliminate a court because there are only three magisterial districts between two counties. Eliminating and or realigning will not "fix" an imbalance in workload and can not overcome the geographical considerations.*

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

County Name: Cameron

Judicial District #: 59

Existing and Proposed Magisterial Districts

Magisterial District #: 59-3-01

Proposed Action: Reestablish

Average Annual Caseload:	1,518	Average Annual Workload:	11,127
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/judicial district):	-0.07	% Difference in Workload (magisterial district/judicial district):	0.00
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/class of county):	-31.00	<i>Workload outside of a +/- 15% range requires realignment or support to maintain current configuration.</i>	

This is the only magisterial district serving Cameron County. Cameron county is comprised of 5,085 citizens and is the least populated county in the state. However, this district court is the only judicial presence in the county because the common pleas court is located 30 miles away in Elk County.

Magisterial District Judge & Office Information:

Barry D. Brown , II

Birthdate: 7-5-71

Cameron County Courthouse 20 East Fifth Street, Second Floor

Mandatory Retirement: 2041

Emporium, PA 15834

Term Expires: 12-31-17

Existing Geography:

DRIFTWOOD Voting District; EMPORIUM VTD EAST; EMPORIUM VTD MIDDLE; EMPORIUM VTD WEST; GIBSON TWP Voting District; GROVE TWP Voting District; LUMBER TWP Voting District; PORTAGE TWP Voting District; SHIPPEN TWP VTD EAST; SHIPPEN TWP VTD WEST

Proposed Geography:

DRIFTWOOD Voting District; EMPORIUM VTD EAST; EMPORIUM VTD MIDDLE; EMPORIUM VTD WEST; GIBSON TWP Voting District; GROVE TWP Voting District; LUMBER TWP Voting District; PORTAGE TWP Voting District; SHIPPEN TWP VTD EAST; SHIPPEN TWP VTD WEST

Office within district: Yes

Residence within district: Yes

Police Departments: PA State Police - Emporium Barracks, Emporium Borough Police

Major Highways: Route 120

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

Judicial District and Class of County Comparison Statistics

Cameron / 59

Judicial District Average Caseload			
2011 Class	2011 Filings	2012 Class	2012 Filings
8	1,519	8	1,519

2011 Class of County Caseload Averages								
2011 Class	CR	PC	TR	NT	CV	LT	MD	Total
8	127	28	1,645	230	122	16	44	2,212

2012 Class of County Caseload Averages								
2012 Class	CR	PC	TR	NT	CV	LT	MD	Total
8	127	28	1,645	230	122	16	44	2,212

Notes on Analysis:

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Judicial District Caseload Averages		
Cameron	2011	2012
Class	8	8
CR	104	104
NT	237	237
PC	19	19
TR	1,019	1,019
CV	105	105
LT	5	5
MD	29	29
AVG	1,519	1,519

Judicial District Workload Averages		
Cameron	2011	2012
Class	8	8
CR	3,831	3,831
NT	2,549	2,549
PC	208	208
TR	2,323	2,323
CV	1,184	1,184
LT	77	77
MD	955	945
-15 % Workload	9,458	9,449
Average Workload	11,127	11,116
+ 15% Workload	12,796	12,784

Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

59-3-01

Reestablish

CASELOAD

Average Total Annual Caseload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
1,518		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

-0.07	-0.07%	-0.07%
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Magisterial District Average: Class of County Average:

-31	-31.37%	-31.37%
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WORKLOAD

Average Total Annual Workload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
11,127		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

0	0.00%	0.10%
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March 23, 2012

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RE: Magisterial District Reestablishment Plan – 59th Judicial District

Enclosed please find the completed plan for the reestablishment of the three magisterial districts in the 59th Judicial District of Pennsylvania.

Please contact me if you have questions or need more information.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard A. Masson".

Richard Masson
President Judge

Encl.



DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS 59-3-01, 59-3-02, 59-3-03
CAMERON COUNTY AND ELK COUNTY

After every federal decennial census, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania mandates a review of the existence of and boundaries for magisterial district courts in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. President Judges are charged with the duty to review the caseload, workload, and overall scope of the magisterial districts in 59 of the 60 judicial districts statewide in order to reestablish, realign or eliminate magisterial districts.

The 59th Judicial District of Pennsylvania is composed of Elk County and Cameron County and is located in the northcentral mountainous region of the state in the heart of the Pennsylvania Wilds scenic area of Pennsylvania. Elk County is a 6th class county and has a population of 31,946. Cameron County is an 8th class county and has a population of 5,085. Both counties have experienced a decline in population since the 2000 census of 9% and 15% respectively.

Magisterial District 59-3-01 comprises all of Cameron County, serving the municipalities of the Boroughs of Emporium and Driftwood, and the Townships of Gibson, Grove, Lumber, Portage and Shippen. The court is located in the Cameron County Courthouse, 20 East Fifth Street, Emporium, Pa.

Magisterial District 59-3-02 is located generally in the northern and western sections of Elk County, serving the Boroughs of Johnsonburg and Ridgway, and the Townships of Highland, Horton, Jones, Millstone, Ridgway, and Spring Creek. The court is located at 409-G Center Street, Johnsonburg, Pa.

Magisterial District 59-3-03 is located generally in the southern and eastern section of Elk County, serving the City of St. Marys, and the Townships of Benezette, Fox, and Jay. The court is located at 810 South Michael Road, St. Marys, Pa.

Magisterial district courts handle criminal, private criminal, nontraffic, traffic, civil, landlord/tenant, and miscellaneous cases. Based upon filings from 2005-2010, the average caseload of the three magisterial districts is 2507 cases per year. Average caseload in District 59-3-01 is 1518 (40% below the judicial district average), in District 59-3-02 is 2989 (19% above the judicial district average), and in District 59-3-03 is 3015 (20% above the judicial district average).

Comparing the average caseload for District 59-3-01 (Cameron County) with the average caseload (2212) in other 8th class counties, District 59-3-01 had 31% fewer cases filed.

Comparing the average caseload for District 59-3-02 and District 59-3-03 with the average caseload (3263) in other 6th class counties, District 59-3-02 had 8% fewer cases filed and District 59-3-03 also had 8% fewer cases filed.

The workload of the magisterial district judge varies depending upon the type of case. For example, a magisterial district judge spends more time on a criminal case than on a traffic case. Therefore, a review of the workload is necessary.

The average workload for the judicial district is 19,718. The average workload in District 59-3-01 is 11,127 (43% below the judicial district average), in District 59-3-02 is 21,465 (8% above the judicial district average), and in District 59-3-03 is 26,561 (35% above the judicial district average).

Statistically, it is clear that District 59-3-01 is below the average workload benchmark of +/- 15% set by the Supreme Court, District 59-3-02 is within the benchmark, and District 59-3-03 is above the benchmark. Further review is needed regarding Districts 59-3-01 and 59-3-03 in order to determine if re-establishment, realignment and/or elimination is warranted.

Magisterial District 59-3-01 is the only district court serving the entire population of 5085 citizens of Cameron County, the least populated county in Pennsylvania since suffering a decline of 889 people or 15% in population from the 2000 census. The district court is the only 24/7 judicial presence in the county since the main judicial offices of the one Court of Common Pleas judge are located 30 miles from Emporium in Ridgway, Elk County, the judicial district's sister county. The one Cameron County local police department in Emporium Borough and the Pennsylvania State Police – Emporium Barracks rely on the district court for search warrants, arrest warrants, preliminary arraignments, setting of bail, and preliminary hearings. Citizens rely on the district court for emergency protection from abuse actions and the resolution of their civil, landlord/tenant, traffic, and nontraffic cases. Eliminating District Court 59-3-01 would be contrary to the fair and effective administration of justice in Cameron County.

District Court 59-3-01/Cameron County is bordered by three municipalities in Elk County: Jones Township, currently part of District Court 59-3-02, and the City of St. Marys and Benezette Township, both currently part of District Court 59-3-03. Aligning Jones Township with District Court 59-3-01/Cameron County is unworkable as there is no direct road access from the township to District Court 59-3-01. Quite literally, residents of Jones Township would drive past the offices of District Courts 59-3-02 and 59-3-03 on their way to District Court 59-3-01. With the average number of cases at 220 and an average workload of 870, the number of Jones Township cases filed and workload would not increase the average workload to reach the benchmark.

Similar stumbling blocks arise when considering aligning Benezette Township with District Court 59-3-01. Although State Route 555 travels through Benezette Township in Elk County and Gibson Township in Cameron County, the road cannot be considered a direct or convenient route to the district court office in Emporium, with almost an hour's drive between Benezette and Emporium. With the average number of cases at 43 and an average workload of 428, the number of Benezette Township cases filed and workload would not increase the average workload to reach the benchmark.

When considering the alignment of the City of St. Marys with District Court 59-3-01, access is not an issue as State Route 120 is a direct road from the city to the district court in Emporium. Adding the average number of cases (1221) and the average workload (11,382) would increase the filings and workload to the benchmark. However, removing the City of St. Marys, the largest municipality by far in the 59th Judicial District, from District Court 59-3-03 will only transfer the benchmark problem from District Court 59-3-01 to District Court 59-3-03 and create a magisterial district that crosses county lines, affects voting in the various St. Marys voting wards, and increases travel for City citizens and law enforcement. The current Magisterial District Judge for District Court 59-3-03 would then be required to move from his residence in the City of St. Marys.

One last alignment consideration involves moving the contiguous municipalities of Benezette, Jay, and Fox Townships in Elk County to District 59-3-01. The rural and sparsely populated areas of Benezette and Jay Townships would do little to add to the caseload and citizens again would be confronted with access to the district court in Emporium. Adding Fox Township, which is contiguous to Jay Township, would in effect add the average workload to District Court 59-3-01 and resolve the benchmark problem but would not resolve the benchmark problem in District Court 59-3-03, and create a magisterial district that crosses county lines, affect voting in the three townships' voting wards, and increase travel for the citizens and law enforcement.

For the above reasons, I recommend that District Court 59-3-01 be reestablished to serve all of Cameron County, encompassing the Boroughs of Emporium and Driftwood and the Townships of Gibson, Grove, Lumber, Portage, and Shippen.

Turning to Magisterial District Court 59-3-03, the average workload exceeds 35% of the average workload in the judicial district. However, it must be noted that the workload average for the two Elk County magisterial district courts is 24,013. District 59-3-02 is 10% below the county average and District Court 59-3-03 is 10% above the county average, both well within the benchmark. Including District 59-3-01/Cameron County, the 8th class county having 1/6 the population of Elk County, in the judicial district workload average skews the

workload average, and results in District Court 59-3-03 exceeding the benchmark.

The alignment of the City of St. Marys with District Court 59-3-01 has been previously discussed and would only serve to transfer the problem from one district court to another. The alignment of Benezette, Fox, and Jay Townships with District Court 59-3-01 would not resolve the benchmark problem either, resulting in a small decrease but creating a logistical, topographical, voting and access dilemma.

Therefore, consideration must be given to aligning other municipalities within Elk County between District Court 59-3-03 to District Court 59-3-02. Again, removing the anomaly that is District Court 59-3-01/Cameron County from the equation for average caseload and workload, both district courts in Elk County are within the benchmark and there is no reason to realign the municipalities served by the Elk County district courts.

For the above reasons, I recommend that District Court 59-3-02 be reestablished to serve the northern and western parts of Elk County, encompassing the Boroughs of Johnsonburg and Ridgway and the Townships of Highland, Horton, Jones, Millstone, Ridgway, and Spring Creek.

As stated hereinabove, I also recommend that District Court 59-3-03 be reestablished to serve the southern and eastern parts of Elk County, encompassing the City of St. Marys and the Townships of Benezette, Fox and Jay.



Richard A. Masson

President Judge



MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT WORKSHEET

PLEASE SUBMIT ONE COPY OF THIS WORKSHEET FOR EACH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT.

To enter data, press TAB to move between fields.

I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER(#####):	59-3-01
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	1,518
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	-40%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-31%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	11,127
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	-43%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> any other magisterial district within your judicial district:	YES
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district? See attached comments	
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input type="checkbox"/> Realign <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name: Hon. Barry D. Brown II	
B.	Term Expiration(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018



MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT WORKSHEET

C. Mandatory Retirement Date(m/d/yyyy):	7/5/2041
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	Cameron County Courthouse 20 E. Fifth Street Emporium, PA 15834
E. Is the office within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
F. Is the residence of the magisterial district judge within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
G. List any police departments located within this magisterial district:	Pennsylvania State Police-Emporium Barracks; Emporium Borough Police
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Route 120
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	Boroughs: Driftwood, Emporium Townships: Gibson, Grove, Lumber, Portage, Shippen
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	N/A
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
	See attached comments
PLEASE SAVE A COPY OF THIS WORKSHEET PRIOR TO ENTERING DATA FOR THE NEXT MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT.	



MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT WORKSHEET

PLEASE SUBMIT ONE COPY OF THIS WORKSHEET FOR EACH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT.

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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER(#####):	59-3-02
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	2,989
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	19%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-8%
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A.	Average Total Workload:	21,465
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	8%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> any other magisterial district within your judicial district:	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	N/a
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input type="checkbox"/> Realign <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Hon. George A. King
B.	Term Expiration(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018



MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT WORKSHEET

C. Mandatory Retirement Date(m/d/yyyy):	11/13/2022
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	409-G Center Street Johnsonburg, PA 15845
E. Is the office within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
F. Is the residence of the magisterial district judge within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
G. List any police departments located within this magisterial district:	Pennsylvania State Police-Ridgway Barracks; Ridgway Borough Police, Johnsonburg Borough Police
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Route 219, Route 120, Route 255
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	Boroughs: Ridgway, Johnsonburg Townships: Highland, Horton, Jones, Millstone Ridgway, Spring Creek
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	N/A
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
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III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	26,561
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	35%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> any other magisterial district within your judicial district:	YES
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district? See attached comments	
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input type="checkbox"/> Realign <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name: Hon. Mark S. Jacob	
B.	Term Expiration(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018

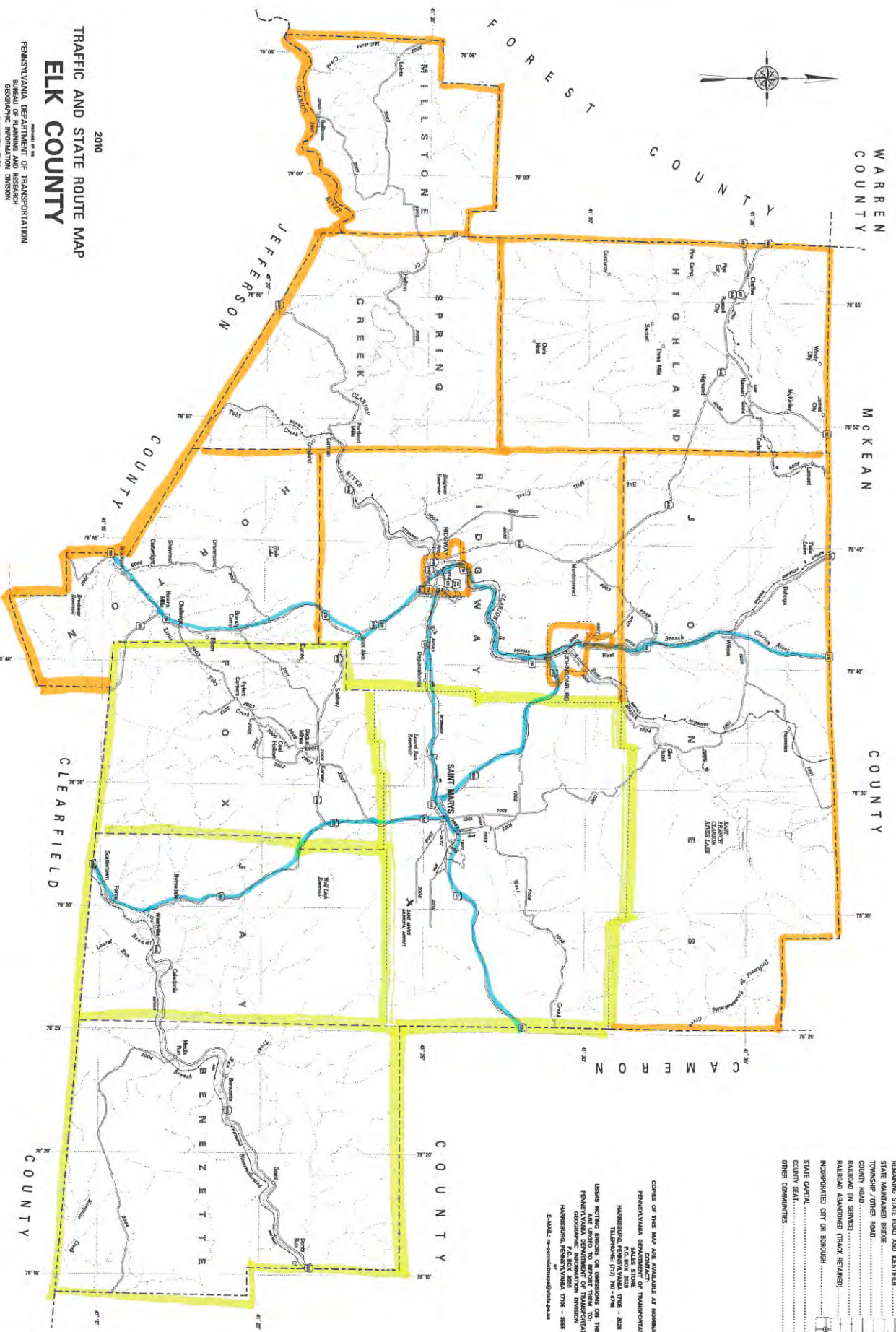
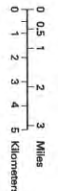
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C. Mandatory Retirement Date(m/d/yyyy):	10/18/2027
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	810 So. Michael St. St. Marys, PA 15857
E. Is the office within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
F. Is the residence of the magisterial district judge within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
G. List any police departments located within this magisterial district:	Pennsylvania State Police-Ridgway Barracks; City of St. Marys Police
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Route 255, Route 120
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	City: St. Marys; Township: Benezette, Fox, Jay
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	N/A
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	See attached comments
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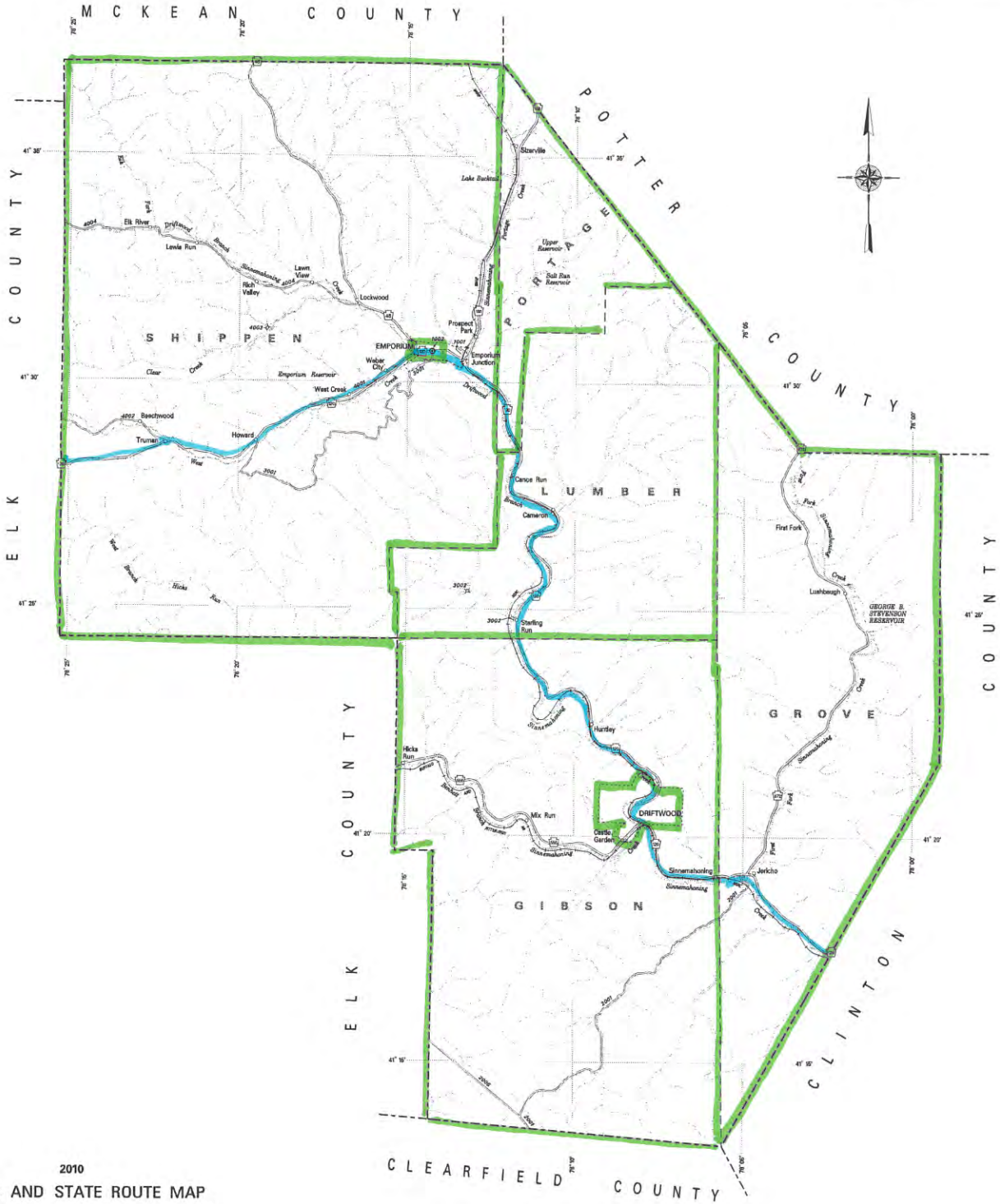
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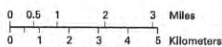
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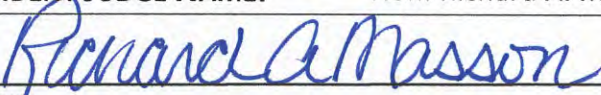
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I.	JUDICIAL DISTRICT NUMBER:	59
	A. at is the class of county?	Wh 6 Elk
	B. at is the percentage difference in the average annual caseload between this judicial district and the applicable class of county?	Wh -8%
II.	PROPOSED ACTIONS:	
	A. List existing magisterial districts: 59-3-02, 59-3-03	
	B. Does this judicial district have an annual average caseload that is ten percent above the average caseload for the applicable class of county?	NO
	1. If the answer to II. B. above is <i>NO</i> , are eliminations proposed?	NO
	a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination.	
	b) If no eliminations are proposed based on II. B. above, what are the factors for this decision? See attached comments	
	2. If the answer to II. B. above is <i>YES</i> , are eliminations proposed?	NO
	a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination.	
	C. Are any magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment?	YES
	1. List magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment. 59-3-02, 59-3-03	
	D. Are any magisterial districts proposed for realignment?	NO
	1. List magisterial districts proposed for realignment.	

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III. NIGHT AND CENTRAL COURT OPERATIONS	
A. Is there a night court operating within the judicial district?	NO
B. Is there a central court operating within the judicial district?	NO
C. Note comments regarding how night, central or other similar court programs impact operations within the judicial district. n/a	
IV. PUBLIC COMMENT	
A. A request for public comment was posted:	YES
B. Comments were received:	No
C. Comments are attached:	No
V. ADDITIONAL REMARKS CONCERNING PROPOSAL:	
See attached comments	
VI. DATE SUBMITTED TO AOPC:	3/23/12
VII. PRESIDENT JUDGE NAME:	Hon. Richard A. Masson
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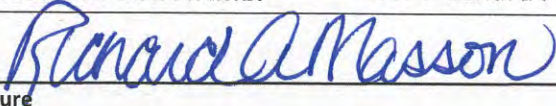
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I.	JUDICIAL DISTRICT NUMBER:	59
A.	Wh at is the class of county?	8 Cameron
B.	Wh at is the percentage difference in the average annual caseload between this judicial district and the applicable class of county?	-31%
II.	PROPOSED ACTIONS:	
A.	List existing magisterial districts: 59-3-01	
B.	Does this judicial district have an annual average caseload that is ten percent above the average caseload for the applicable class of county?	NO
	1. If the answer to II. B. above is <i>NO</i> , are eliminations proposed?	NO
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C.	Are any magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment?	YES
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D.	Are any magisterial districts proposed for realignment?	NO
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March 23, 2012

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RE: Magisterial District Reestablishment Plan – 59th Judicial District

Enclosed please find the completed plan for the reestablishment of the three magisterial districts in the 59th Judicial District of Pennsylvania.

Please contact me if you have questions or need more information.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard A. Masson".

Richard Masson
President Judge

Encl.



DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS 59-3-01, 59-3-02, 59-3-03
CAMERON COUNTY AND ELK COUNTY

After every federal decennial census, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania mandates a review of the existence of and boundaries for magisterial district courts in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. President Judges are charged with the duty to review the caseload, workload, and overall scope of the magisterial districts in 59 of the 60 judicial districts statewide in order to reestablish, realign or eliminate magisterial districts.

The 59th Judicial District of Pennsylvania is composed of Elk County and Cameron County and is located in the northcentral mountainous region of the state in the heart of the Pennsylvania Wilds scenic area of Pennsylvania. Elk County is a 6th class county and has a population of 31,946. Cameron County is an 8th class county and has a population of 5,085. Both counties have experienced a decline in population since the 2000 census of 9% and 15% respectively.

Magisterial District 59-3-01 comprises all of Cameron County, serving the municipalities of the Boroughs of Emporium and Driftwood, and the Townships of Gibson, Grove, Lumber, Portage and Shippen. The court is located in the Cameron County Courthouse, 20 East Fifth Street, Emporium, Pa.

Magisterial District 59-3-02 is located generally in the northern and western sections of Elk County, serving the Boroughs of Johnsonburg and Ridgway, and the Townships of Highland, Horton, Jones, Millstone, Ridgway, and Spring Creek. The court is located at 409-G Center Street, Johnsonburg, Pa.

Magisterial District 59-3-03 is located generally in the southern and eastern section of Elk County, serving the City of St. Marys, and the Townships of Benezette, Fox, and Jay. The court is located at 810 South Michael Road, St. Marys, Pa.

Magisterial district courts handle criminal, private criminal, nontraffic, traffic, civil, landlord/tenant, and miscellaneous cases. Based upon filings from 2005-2010, the average caseload of the three magisterial districts is 2507 cases per year. Average caseload in District 59-3-01 is 1518 (40% below the judicial district average), in District 59-3-02 is 2989 (19% above the judicial district average), and in District 59-3-03 is 3015 (20% above the judicial district average).

Comparing the average caseload for District 59-3-01 (Cameron County) with the average caseload (2212) in other 8th class counties, District 59-3-01 had 31% fewer cases filed.

Comparing the average caseload for District 59-3-02 and District 59-3-03 with the average caseload (3263) in other 6th class counties, District 59-3-02 had 8% fewer cases filed and District 59-3-03 also had 8% fewer cases filed.

The workload of the magisterial district judge varies depending upon the type of case. For example, a magisterial district judge spends more time on a criminal case than on a traffic case. Therefore, a review of the workload is necessary.

The average workload for the judicial district is 19,718. The average workload in District 59-3-01 is 11,127 (43% below the judicial district average), in District 59-3-02 is 21,465 (8% above the judicial district average), and in District 59-3-03 is 26,561 (35% above the judicial district average).

Statistically, it is clear that District 59-3-01 is below the average workload benchmark of +/- 15% set by the Supreme Court, District 59-3-02 is within the benchmark, and District 59-3-03 is above the benchmark. Further review is needed regarding Districts 59-3-01 and 59-3-03 in order to determine if re-establishment, realignment and/or elimination is warranted.

Magisterial District 59-3-01 is the only district court serving the entire population of 5085 citizens of Cameron County, the least populated county in Pennsylvania since suffering a decline of 889 people or 15% in population from the 2000 census. The district court is the only 24/7 judicial presence in the county since the main judicial offices of the one Court of Common Pleas judge are located 30 miles from Emporium in Ridgway, Elk County, the judicial district's sister county. The one Cameron County local police department in Emporium Borough and the Pennsylvania State Police – Emporium Barracks rely on the district court for search warrants, arrest warrants, preliminary arraignments, setting of bail, and preliminary hearings. Citizens rely on the district court for emergency protection from abuse actions and the resolution of their civil, landlord/tenant, traffic, and nontraffic cases. Eliminating District Court 59-3-01 would be contrary to the fair and effective administration of justice in Cameron County.

District Court 59-3-01/Cameron County is bordered by three municipalities in Elk County: Jones Township, currently part of District Court 59-3-02, and the City of St. Marys and Benezette Township, both currently part of District Court 59-3-03. Aligning Jones Township with District Court 59-3-01/Cameron County is unworkable as there is no direct road access from the township to District Court 59-3-01. Quite literally, residents of Jones Township would drive past the offices of District Courts 59-3-02 and 59-3-03 on their way to District Court 59-3-01. With the average number of cases at 220 and an average workload of 870, the number of Jones Township cases filed and workload would not increase the average workload to reach the benchmark.

Similar stumbling blocks arise when considering aligning Benezette Township with District Court 59-3-01. Although State Route 555 travels through Benezette Township in Elk County and Gibson Township in Cameron County, the road cannot be considered a direct or convenient route to the district court office in Emporium, with almost an hour's drive between Benezette and Emporium. With the average number of cases at 43 and an average workload of 428, the number of Benezette Township cases filed and workload would not increase the average workload to reach the benchmark.

When considering the alignment of the City of St. Marys with District Court 59-3-01, access is not an issue as State Route 120 is a direct road from the city to the district court in Emporium. Adding the average number of cases (1221) and the average workload (11,382) would increase the filings and workload to the benchmark. However, removing the City of St. Marys, the largest municipality by far in the 59th Judicial District, from District Court 59-3-03 will only transfer the benchmark problem from District Court 59-3-01 to District Court 59-3-03 and create a magisterial district that crosses county lines, affects voting in the various St. Marys voting wards, and increases travel for City citizens and law enforcement. The current Magisterial District Judge for District Court 59-3-03 would then be required to move from his residence in the City of St. Marys.

One last alignment consideration involves moving the contiguous municipalities of Benezette, Jay, and Fox Townships in Elk County to District 59-3-01. The rural and sparsely populated areas of Benezette and Jay Townships would do little to add to the caseload and citizens again would be confronted with access to the district court in Emporium. Adding Fox Township, which is contiguous to Jay Township, would in effect add the average workload to District Court 59-3-01 and resolve the benchmark problem but would not resolve the benchmark problem in District Court 59-3-03, and create a magisterial district that crosses county lines, affect voting in the three townships' voting wards, and increase travel for the citizens and law enforcement.

For the above reasons, I recommend that District Court 59-3-01 be reestablished to serve all of Cameron County, encompassing the Boroughs of Emporium and Driftwood and the Townships of Gibson, Grove, Lumber, Portage, and Shippen.

Turning to Magisterial District Court 59-3-03, the average workload exceeds 35% of the average workload in the judicial district. However, it must be noted that the workload average for the two Elk County magisterial district courts is 24,013. District 59-3-02 is 10% below the county average and District Court 59-3-03 is 10% above the county average, both well within the benchmark. Including District 59-3-01/Cameron County, the 8th class county having 1/6 the population of Elk County, in the judicial district workload average skews the

workload average, and results in District Court 59-3-03 exceeding the benchmark.

The alignment of the City of St. Marys with District Court 59-3-01 has been previously discussed and would only serve to transfer the problem from one district court to another. The alignment of Benezette, Fox, and Jay Townships with District Court 59-3-01 would not resolve the benchmark problem either, resulting in a small decrease but creating a logistical, topographical, voting and access dilemma.

Therefore, consideration must be given to aligning other municipalities within Elk County between District Court 59-3-03 to District Court 59-3-02. Again, removing the anomaly that is District Court 59-3-01/Cameron County from the equation for average caseload and workload, both district courts in Elk County are within the benchmark and there is no reason to realign the municipalities served by the Elk County district courts.

For the above reasons, I recommend that District Court 59-3-02 be reestablished to serve the northern and western parts of Elk County, encompassing the Boroughs of Johnsonburg and Ridgway and the Townships of Highland, Horton, Jones, Millstone, Ridgway, and Spring Creek.

As stated hereinabove, I also recommend that District Court 59-3-03 be reestablished to serve the southern and eastern parts of Elk County, encompassing the City of St. Marys and the Townships of Benezette, Fox and Jay.



Richard A. Masson

President Judge



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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER(#####):	59-3-01
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	1,518
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	-40%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-31%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	11,127
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	-43%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> any other magisterial district within your judicial district:	YES
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district? See attached comments	
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input type="checkbox"/> Realign <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name: Hon. Barry D. Brown II	
B.	Term Expiration(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018



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C. Mandatory Retirement Date(m/d/yyyy):	7/5/2041
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	Cameron County Courthouse 20 E. Fifth Street Emporium, PA 15834
E. Is the office within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
F. Is the residence of the magisterial district judge within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
G. List any police departments located within this magisterial district:	Pennsylvania State Police-Emporium Barracks; Emporium Borough Police
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Route 120
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	Boroughs: Driftwood, Emporium Townships: Gibson, Grove, Lumber, Portage, Shippen
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
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VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER(#####):	59-3-02
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	2,989
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	19%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-8%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	21,465
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	8%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> any other magisterial district within your judicial district:	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	N/a
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
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B.	What is the proposed effective date(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Hon. George A. King
B.	Term Expiration(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018



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C. Mandatory Retirement Date(m/d/yyyy):	11/13/2022
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	409-G Center Street Johnsonburg, PA 15845
E. Is the office within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
F. Is the residence of the magisterial district judge within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
G. List any police departments located within this magisterial district:	Pennsylvania State Police-Ridgway Barracks; Ridgway Borough Police, Johnsonburg Borough Police
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Route 219, Route 120, Route 255
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	Boroughs: Ridgway, Johnsonburg Townships: Highland, Horton, Jones, Millstone Ridgway, Spring Creek
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	N/A
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER(#####):	59-3-03
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	3,015
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	20%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-8%
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A.	Magisterial District Judge Name: Hon. Mark S. Jacob	
B.	Term Expiration(m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018

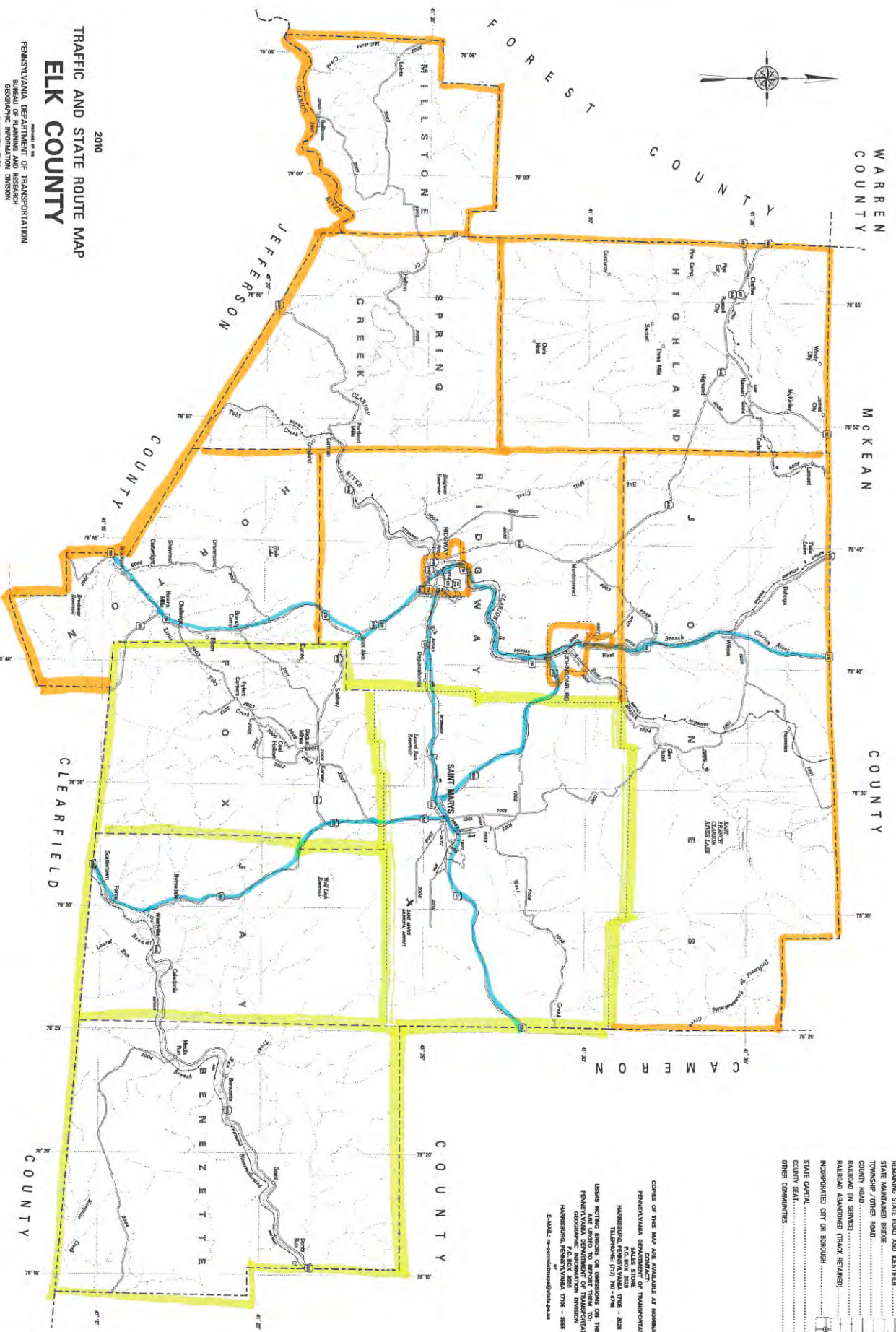
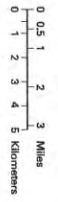
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C. Mandatory Retirement Date(m/d/yyyy):	10/18/2027
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	810 So. Michael St. St. Marys, PA 15857
E. Is the office within the boundaries of the magisterial district:	YES
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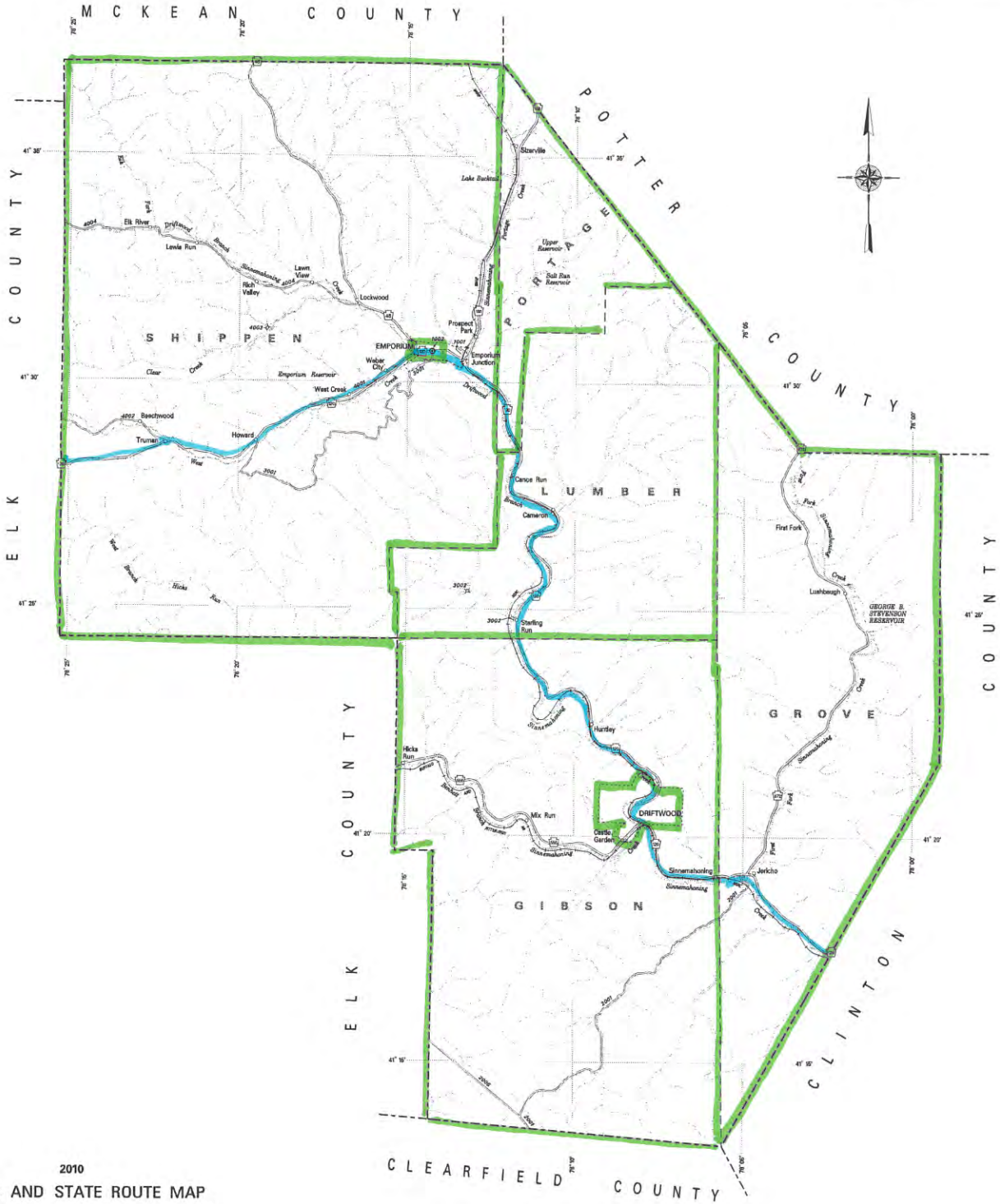
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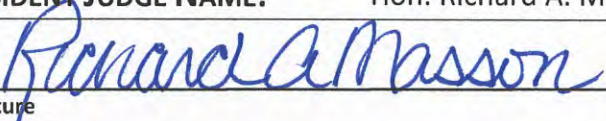
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I. JUDICIAL DISTRICT NUMBER:	59
A. at is the class of county?	Wh 6 Elk
B. at is the percentage difference in the average annual caseload between this judicial district and the applicable class of county?	Wh -8%
II. PROPOSED ACTIONS:	
A. List existing magisterial districts: 59-3-02, 59-3-03	
B. Does this judicial district have an annual average caseload that is ten percent above the average caseload for the applicable class of county?	NO
1. If the answer to II. B. above is <i>NO</i> , are eliminations proposed?	NO
a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination.	
b) If no eliminations are proposed based on II. B. above, what are the factors for this decision? See attached comments	
2. If the answer to II. B. above is <i>YES</i> , are eliminations proposed?	NO
a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination.	
C. Are any magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment?	YES
1. List magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment. 59-3-02, 59-3-03	
D. Are any magisterial districts proposed for realignment?	NO
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III. NIGHT AND CENTRAL COURT OPERATIONS	
A. Is there a night court operating within the judicial district?	NO
B. Is there a central court operating within the judicial district?	NO
C. Note comments regarding how night, central or other similar court programs impact operations within the judicial district. n/a	
IV. PUBLIC COMMENT	
A. A request for public comment was posted:	YES
B. Comments were received:	No
C. Comments are attached:	No
V. ADDITIONAL REMARKS CONCERNING PROPOSAL:	
See attached comments	
VI. DATE SUBMITTED TO AOPC:	3/23/12
VII. PRESIDENT JUDGE NAME:	Hon. Richard A. Masson
Signature	

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I. JUDICIAL DISTRICT NUMBER:	59
A. at is the class of county?	Wh 8 Cameron
B. at is the percentage difference in the average annual caseload between this judicial district and the applicable class of county?	Wh -31%
II. PROPOSED ACTIONS:	
A. List existing magisterial districts: 59-3-01	
B. Does this judicial district have an annual average caseload that is ten percent above the average caseload for the applicable class of county?	NO
1. If the answer to II. B. above is <i>NO</i> , are eliminations proposed?	NO
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