

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

Judicial District Summary Sheet

County Name: **Sullivan**

Judicial District #: **44**

Caseload and Magisterial District Elimination Analysis

The difference between the average annual caseload of Judicial District # 44 and its class of county: **-2** %

This is the only magisterial district for Sullivan County; which is part of a dual-county judicial district.

Summary of Proposed Actions

44-3-03 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**

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

County Name: Sullivan

Judicial District #: 44

Existing and Proposed Magisterial Districts

Magisterial District #: 44-3-03

Proposed Action: Reestablish

Average Annual Caseload:	2,175	Average Annual Workload:	11,932
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/judicial district):	0.00	% Difference in Workload (magisterial district/judicial district):	0.00
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/class of county):	-1.60	<i>Workload outside of a +/- 15% range requires realignment or support to maintain current configuration.</i>	

This county is part of a dual-county judicial district. This district is the only magisterial district for Sullivan County and is located in the county courthouse.

Magisterial District Judge & Office Information:

Jennifer Y. Vandine

Birthdate: 3-26-72

Sullivan County Courthouse Main & Muncy Streets P.O.
Box 259

Mandatory Retirement: 2042

Laporte, PA 18626

Term Expires: 1-3-16

Existing Geography:

CHERRY TWP Voting District; CHERRY TWP PCT BERNICE; COLLEY TWP Voting District; COLLEY TWP PCT LOPEZ; DAVIDSON TWP Voting District; DUSHORE Voting District; EAGLES MERE Voting District; ELKLAND TWP Voting District; FORKS TWP Voting District; FORKSVILLE Voting District; FOX TWP Voting District; HILLSGROVE TWP Voting District; LAPORTE TWP Voting District; LAPORTE Voting District; SHREWSBURY TWP Voting District

Proposed Geography:

CHERRY TWP Voting District; CHERRY TWP PCT BERNICE; COLLEY TWP Voting District; COLLEY TWP PCT LOPEZ; DAVIDSON TWP Voting District; DUSHORE Voting District; EAGLES MERE Voting District; ELKLAND TWP Voting District; FORKS TWP Voting District; FORKSVILLE Voting District; FOX TWP Voting District; HILLSGROVE TWP Voting District; LAPORTE TWP Voting District; LAPORTE Voting District; SHREWSBURY TWP Voting District

Office within district: Yes

Residence within district: Yes

Police Departments: PA State Police - Laporte Barracks

Major Highways: Routes 220, 87

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Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

Judicial District and Class of County Comparison Statistics

Sullivan / 44

Judicial District Average Caseload			
2011 Class	2011 Filings	2012 Class	2012 Filings
8	2,175	8	2,175

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:

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		
Sullivan	2011	2012
Class	8	8
CR	101	101
NT	206	206
PC	10	10
TR	1,732	1,732
CV	94	94
LT	9	9
MD	24	24
AVG	2,175	2,175

Judicial District Workload Averages		
Sullivan	2011	2012
Class	8	8
CR	3,690	3,690
NT	2,212	2,212
PC	107	107
TR	3,948	3,948
CV	1,058	1,058
LT	135	135
MD	782	782
-15 % Workload	10,144	10,143
Average Workload	11,934	11,933
+ 15% Workload	13,724	13,723

Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

44-3-03

Reestablish

CASELOAD

Average Total Annual Caseload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
2,175		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

0	-0.01%	-0.01%
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Magisterial District Average: Class of County Average:

-1.6	-1.67%	-1.67%
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WORKLOAD

Average Total Annual Workload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
11,932		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

0	-0.01%	-0.01%
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
FORTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
WYOMING AND SULLIVAN COUNTIES

RUSSELL D. SHURTLEFF
PRESIDENT JUDGE

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March 30, 2012

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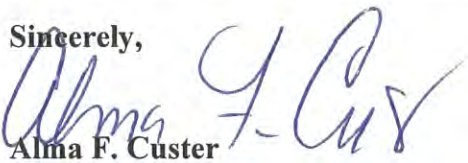
IN RE: Realignment of Magisterial District Courts of the 44th Judicial District

Dear Joe:

Attached is the Proposed Realignment of Magisterial District Courts of the 44th Judicial District.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call!

Sincerely,


**Alma F. Custer
District Court Administrator
Wyoming/Sullivan Counties**

cc: Amy Kehner (electronic copy)

JUDICIAL DISTRICT SUMMARY WORKSHEET

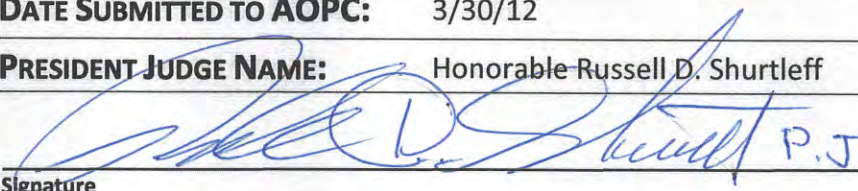
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I.	JUDICIAL DISTRICT NUMBER:	44
	A. What is the class of county?	7
	B. What is the percentage difference in the average annual caseload between this judicial district and the applicable class of county?	-21%
II.	PROPOSED ACTIONS:	
	A. List existing magisterial districts: 44-3-01; 44-3-02; 44-3-04	
	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?	YES
	a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination. 44-3-04	
	b) If no eliminations are proposed based on II. B. above, what are the factors for this decision?	
	2. If the answer to II. B. above is <i>YES</i> , are eliminations proposed?	YES
	a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination. 44-3-04	
	C. Are any magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment?	NO
	1. List magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment.	
	D. Are any magisterial districts proposed for realignment?	YES
	1. List magisterial districts proposed for realignment. 44-3-01; 44-3-02	

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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.	
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 documents	
VI. DATE SUBMITTED TO AOPC:	3/30/12
VII. PRESIDENT JUDGE NAME:	Honorable Russell D. Shurtleff
 Signature	P.J.



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 (#####):	44-3-01
II.	BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD	
A.	Average Total Caseload:	1,400
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	-55%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-56%
III.	BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD	
A.	Average Total Workload:	11,018
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	-55%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> the judicial district's average total workload?	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	
IV.	PROPOSED CHANGE:	
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Realign <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2016
V.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:	
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Honorable David K. Plummer
B.	Term Expiration (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018

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C. Mandatory Retirement Date (<i>m/d/yyyy</i>):	12/31/2026
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	Route 107 Countryside Professional Buidling Factoryville, PA 18419
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, (Tunkhannock, Barracks); Overfield Township
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Routes 6, 107, 92, and 29
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
Boroughs: Nicholson, Factoryville; Townships: Clinton, Lemon, Nicholson and Overfield	✓
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
Boroughs: Nicholson, Factoryville; Townships: Clinton, Lemon, Nicholson, Overfield, Falls, Exeter, Tunkhannock And Washington	✓
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
See attached.	
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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER (#####):	44-3-02
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	1,944
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	-38%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-39%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	16,191
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	-33%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> the judicial district's average total workload?	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Realign <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2016
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Honorable Carl Smith
B.	Term Expiration (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2016



MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT WORKSHEET

C. Mandatory Retirement Date (<i>m/d/yyyy</i>):	12/31/2021
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	Wyoming County Courthouse One Courthouse Square Tunkhannock, PA 18657
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 (Tunkhannock Barracks); Overfield Township; Tunkhannock Borough
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Routes 6, 29, 309, 292, and 92
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
Boroughs: Tunkhannock; Townships: Eaton, Monroe, Northmoreland, Noxen, Falls, and Exeter	✓
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
Boroughs: Laceyville, Tunkhannock, Meshoppen; Townships: Eaton, Monroe, Northmoreland, Noxen, Mehoopany, North Branch, Meshoppen, Forkston, Windham, Braintrim And Laceyville	✓
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER (#####):	44-3-04
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	4,112
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	31%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	13%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	26,117
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	7%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> the judicial district's average total workload?	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input type="checkbox"/> Realign <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2016
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Honorable John J. Hovan
B.	Term Expiration (m/d/yyyy):	1/5/2014



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C. Mandatory Retirement Date (<i>m/d/yyyy</i>):	12/31/2015
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	71 Hollowcrest Road Suite 1 Tunkhannock, PA 18657
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 (Tunkhannock Barracks); Meshoppen Borough
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Routes 6, 267 and 87
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	Boroughs: Laceyville, Meshoppen; Townships: Braintrim, Forkston, Mehoopany, Meshoppen, North Branch, Tunkhannock, Washington and Windham ✓
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	N/A
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
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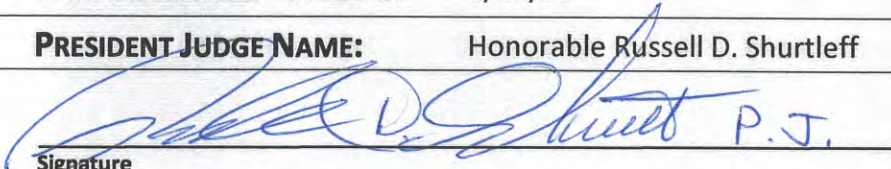
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	A. What is the class of county?	8
	B. What is the percentage difference in the average annual caseload between this judicial district and the applicable class of county?	-2%
II.	PROPOSED ACTIONS:	
	A. List existing magisterial districts: 44-3-03	
	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.	
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VII. PRESIDENT JUDGE NAME:	Honorable Russell D. Shurtleff
 Signature	P.J.



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II.	BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD	
A.	Average Total Caseload:	2,175
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	-2%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	2%
III.	BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD	
A.	Average Total Workload:	11,932
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	0%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> the judicial district's average total workload?	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	
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):	1/1/2016
V.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:	
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Honorable Jennifer Vandine
B.	Term Expiration (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2017

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C. Mandatory Retirement Date (m/d/yyyy):	12/31/2043
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	Sullivan County Courthouse Main And Muncy Streets Laporte, PA 18626
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, Laporte Barracks, Laporte, Pennsylvania 18626
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Routes 220 and 87
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	Boroughs: Dushore, Laporte, Eagles Mere; Forksville; Townships: Cherry, Colley, Davidson, Ekland, Forks, Fox, Hillsgrove, Laporte, Shrewsbury 
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	N/A
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
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**REALIGNMENT OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS
FOR THE 44TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CONSISTING OF
WYOMING AND SULLIVAN COUNTIES**

1. INTRODUCTION:

During the last several years the Pennsylvania Judiciary has experienced tens of millions of dollars in budget cutbacks. Due to these cutbacks the Judiciary has experienced significant budget shortfalls.

In response to these shortfalls, the Supreme Court has enacted several cost cutting measures. Regarding the number of Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) offices, the Supreme Court has set a goal of reducing the number of MDJ courts across the state by ten (10%) percent over the next two (2) to six (6) years.

In October of 2011, the 44th Judicial District, Wyoming and Sullivan Counties was notified by the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) of its requirement under 42 Pa. C.S.A. § 1503, to participate in the re-establishment of Magisterial District Courts. The following factors were taken into consideration during the development of this plan. AOPC guidelines as set forth by the AOPC (a copy being attached to this report), case filing statistics and workload statistics for criminal, non-traffic private complaints, traffic, civil, landlord/tenant and miscellaneous filings for the Magisterial District Courts in the 44th Judicial District as well as census reports for Wyoming and Sullivan Counties.

2. EVALUATION PROCESS:

The Supreme Court through the AOPC has provided each county with the number of case filings for each MDJ Court for the last six (6) years and estimated workload with respect to those filings. In addition the countywide and statewide averages and census figures for 2000 and 2010 were provided.

The case filing data provides the total number of all cases filed with each MDJ office. These cases include all criminal, civil, traffic, non-traffic, landlord/tenant, arraignments for other courts, search warrants, writs of execution and marriages.

The "workload data" is a weighted system which evaluated each type of filing based on the time involved in resolving a typical case of that nature. The AOPC developed this formula to present a more accurate basis for comparison of the amount of work each office performs.

3. SULLIVAN COUNTY STATISTICS:

Sullivan County is an 8th class county. There are currently six (6) 8th class counties consisting of Cameron, Forest, Fulton, Montour, Potter and Sullivan. District Court 44-3-03 is the only Magisterial District Court in Sullivan County located in the Sullivan County Courthouse. The 2005-2010 average caseload for this office is 2,175 cases per year and the average 2005-2010 workload for this office is 11,932. The average caseload for that period for 8th class counties is 2,209 and workload is 12,778.

In summary, this office handles 100% of the caseload and workload in Sullivan County. The caseload is 2% below the average for all 8th class counties and is on the average for workload. Based upon the 8th class county averages, this office is well balanced and is the only office within the confines of Sullivan County and therefore no re-establishment is recommended.

4. WYOMING COUNTY STATISTICS:

Wyoming County is currently a 7th class county. There are five (5) 7th class counties which include Juniata, Perry, Snyder, Union and Wyoming.

The average Wyoming County caseload for the period of 2005-2010 is 2,484 cases. The average Wyoming County workload for that period is 17,776. In comparison, all 7th class counties the average caseload is 3,139 and workload is 24,334.

In summary the Wyoming County caseload and workload averages are significantly lower than the state averages for 7th class counties. Specifically, of the three Wyoming County offices, Magisterial District Court 44-3-01 was 55% below the state workload average, Magisterial District Court 44-3-02 was 38% below the state workload average and Magisterial District Court 44-3-04 was 7% above the state average. Wyoming County was last in caseload and second to last for workload for 7th class counties.

5. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WYOMING COUNTY MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS 44-3-01, 44-3-02 AND 44-3-04:

In review of the 2000 and 2010 census information, Wyoming County had a slight population increase of approximately seven tenths of one percent which equates to 196 residents. Population as of the 2010 census was 28,276.

It should be noted that Wyoming County is experiencing a great influx of workers due to marcellus shale being discovered in abundance. In Wyoming County, numerous gas wells have been drilled with many proposed and underway. In conjunction with the gas wells, there are numerous gathering pipelines being constructed. This marcellus shale boom as in neighboring counties has brought an increase in crime. This has also been the case for Wyoming County. It is anticipated that the majority of the associated drilling industry workers will not remain in Wyoming County after the drilling operations are completed.

Based upon the AOPC re-establishment guidelines, the preference is to eliminate Magisterial Districts through attrition from two to six years in the future.

To this end the next Magisterial District Judge to reach mandatory retirement in Wyoming County is the presiding judge for 44-3-04. He must retire on December 31, 2015. This would leave that office vacant as of January 1, 2016.

It is significant to note that based upon the pending Marcellus shale "boom" in Wyoming County, the ability to maintain the three offices until the retirement of the judge in 44-3-04 is advisable and prudent. At that time the bulk of drilling and pipeline construction should be completed.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon the AOPC Magisterial District re-establishment guidelines and the caseload and workload calculations, Wyoming County is significantly behind state averages.

It is the recommendation of this court that Sullivan County Magisterial District Court 44-3-03 remain as the sole Magisterial District Court in Sullivan County.

It is the recommendation of this court that Wyoming County Magisterial District Court

44-3-04 be eliminated, effective January 1, 2016 and the remaining District Courts be re-aligned in order to absorb the additional workload evenly between the remaining two Magisterial Districts.

Based upon this recommendation, Wyoming County would be reduced from three to two Magisterial District Courts, effective January 1, 2016. Those courts would be comprised of the following

1. **Magisterial District Court 44-3-01**, Clinton Township, Lemon Township, Nicholson Borough, Nicholson Township, Overfield Township, Factoryville Borough, Falls Township, Exeter Township, Tunkhannock Township and Washington Township.
2. **Magisterial District Court 44-3-02**, Eaton Township, Monroe Township, Northmoreland Township, Noxen Township, Tunkhannock Borough, Mehoopany Township, North Branch Township, Meshoppen Township, Meshoppen Borough, Forkston Township, Windham Township, Braintrim Township and Laceyville Borough

In making this recommendation the court has taken into consideration the following factors:

1. This elimination and realignment does not conflict with current judge's residences or office locations.
2. The increase in court activity due to marcellus shale drilling.
3. The retirement dates of all active magisterial judges.
4. The travel time for Wyoming and Sullivan County residents.
5. No office staff reduction, since case and workload would remain.
6. Magisterial District Judge election years.
7. Wyoming and Sullivan County census figures.
8. Continued improvements in modern technology, such as E-filing which will enable more efficient operation of offices.

9. The workload of the remaining offices will not exceed ten (10%) percent of the county average.
10. Participation of Magisterial District Judges in specialty courts.

7. CONCLUSION:

The elimination of Magisterial District Court 44-3-04 and realignment of all Wyoming County municipalities into two Magisterial Districts would comply with all requirements of the Supreme Court which provide:

1. All municipalities in the Magisterial District must be contiguous.
2. Each physical office must be located in the Magisterial District.
3. The Magisterial District Judge must sit in the district in which the judge resides.
4. Municipalities are not divided.
5. No Wyoming or Sullivan County Districts should deviate more than 15% of the county average workload. Both workload and caseload would be within ten (10%) percent of the 7th and 8th county averages respectively.

The above plan is being submitted for public comment, effective February 29, 2012 and shall be accepted through March 29, 2012 and such comments shall be included in the final report to be submitted to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. All public comment shall be in writing and shall contain the name and address of the party making such comment. Comment should be forwarded to the Court Administrator, 44th Judicial District, Wyoming County Courthouse, One Courthouse Square, Tunkhannock PA 18657

EXHIBITS

- EXHIBIT A:** Magisterial District Re-Establishment Guidelines
- EXHIBIT B:** 2000 Census Report
- EXHIBIT C:** 2010 Census Report
- EXHIBIT D:** Average Caseload Filings and Workload by County, including caseweight key.
- EXHIBIT E:** Proposed Realignment Map (Wyoming County)
- EXHIBIT F:** Re-establishment Map (Sullivan County)
- EXHIBIT G:** Public Notice



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WHAT YOUR PACKET OF INFORMATION CONTAINS

1. Case filings statistics by case type for the last six years (2005-2010) for each magisterial district within your judicial district. While we can provide a breakdown of filings by municipality for criminal, traffic, non-traffic and private complaints, we are not able to provide a breakdown by ward within a municipality. Civil, landlord-tenant and miscellaneous docket statistics are available by magisterial district.
2. For comparison purposes, average filings are provided by case type for each county and class of county statewide.
3. In addition to case filing statistics, a new measure was developed earlier this year to differentiate among case types and the resulting judicial workload that arises from those filings. This measure was developed by a committee of approximately twenty magisterial district judges (MDJs) from districts of varying size and demographics, representative of the Commonwealth; and is based upon empirical studies of the amount of judge time required to process each case type. Actual case filings are then adjusted by the relative case type weights derived from the study. We call this measurement workload since it measures not just the volume of filings within a magisterial district, but the relative amount of work required by the judge.
4. 2000 and 2010 United States Census Bureau population statistics and population density calculations for each county.
5. Magisterial district judge term expiration and birthdate data for each judge within your judicial district.

ANALYSIS OF POSSIBLE ELIMINATION OF DISTRICTS

The Chief Justice established a goal of reducing the number of magisterial districts statewide by 10%. This does not mean that each judicial district must reduce the number of MDJs by 10%; or that any elimination must occur immediately. The goal of the Supreme Court is that by the end of the process there will be 10% fewer magisterial districts statewide. Each president judge, therefore, is being asked to assess whether it is feasible to eliminate any of the magisterial districts in your county. Elimination of magisterial districts should include both an analysis of the data and consideration of additional relevant circumstances; and should ensure any modifications do not compromise the effective and efficient administration of justice.

1. The strong preference is to eliminate magisterial districts through attrition. Whenever practicable, reductions should occur by eliminating a district which is vacant or in which the incumbent is retiring or not planning to seek reelection. As a result, elimination of districts may occur anywhere from two to six years in the future, depending upon retirement dates. There might be circumstances, however, where elimination of a district needs to occur but no vacancies are in the offing. In that instance, care should be taken to ensure that the elimination of the district occurs at the conclusion of the incumbent judge's term.
2. When it is not feasible to eliminate a magisterial district based on attrition, average caseload should be used to evaluate whether to eliminate one or more magisterial districts.



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Using the data provided, begin by reviewing the average caseloads of the offices within your judicial district; and further compare your judicial district's average caseload with the average caseload for your class of county and judicial districts within your class of county. When a magisterial district falls at the lower end of this range, and absent a projected significant increase in filings, or other factors not reflected in the caseload statistics that may justify the continued existence of the smaller offices, serious consideration should be given to their elimination.

3. If the average caseload of the magisterial districts is not more than 10% above the average caseload for your class of county and you are not recommending the elimination of any districts, you must provide an explanation why no districts are being proposed for elimination.
4. Average caseload comparisons will guide the process in one of the following directions: eliminate one or more magisterial districts and realign the affected magisterial districts; or reestablish the magisterial district(s) and provide a rationale, if required.
5. To ensure effective court operations when confronted with eliminating one or more district courts, evaluate the workload within your judicial district. The workload calculation differentiates between treating all case types the same and acknowledging that a different level of effort is required for different types of cases. It is an impartial method to determine if the existing mix of case types and filings and the resulting workload is effective, or if there are areas within your judicial district where workload is concentrated. Realignment is helpful in alleviating imbalances.
6. No magisterial district should have a total workload which is 15% higher or lower than the workload of any other district in the judicial district. If a departure of that degree exists, an explanation must be provided that describes why this does not result in an inequity among the judges in the judicial district. Such explanation could include factors such as projected caseload growth, reduction in the effected districts, or the use of a central court or other mechanism that would redirect caseload.
7. In addition to assessing caseload and workload, the following factors should also be considered:
 - a. Every magisterial district court must be located within the magisterial district boundaries.
 - b. All portions of the magisterial district must be contiguous.
 - c. No district can be eliminated during the term of an incumbent MDJ.
 - d. District boundaries cannot be redrawn in such a way that would move an incumbent district judge's residence into another magisterial district.
 - e. Voting districts cannot be split.
 - f. Any planned development in the county such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings of the effected district should be discussed.

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- g. Note any special programs in your county that will entail effort by MDJs, such as truancy programs or drug, veteran, or mental health diversion programs.
- h. Unlike the previous reestablishment guidelines, there is no hard and fast rule that no one within a district should have to travel more than one half hour to reach the MDJ office. Instead, public convenience and safety is a factor that should be considered and weighed along with all others.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In preparing your reestablishment plan, it is recommended that you begin by conferring with the MDJs in your county. While you obviously have the final say in making a recommendation to the Supreme Court, the input of the MDJs can provide invaluable information, such as retirement plans of judges and trends they have seen in their districts.
2. Proposed reestablishment plans must be posted for public comment before submission to AOPC. Interested parties should have at least thirty days from the publishing date to submit comments. Posting can be done by electronic posting of the proposal on the court or county website and/or by placing a physical copy at various public locations such as public libraries and court offices. Media outlets in your county should be alerted to the posting of the proposal. A copy of the posting and any public comments received should be submitted along with your final proposal.
3. Complete a worksheet detailing the specific proposal for your judicial district and each magisterial district (sample attached).
4. Certify that the office and residence of the MDJ are within the district boundaries.
5. All complete plans must be submitted to the AOPC by February 15, 2012.
 - a. An original copy of the plan should be mailed to:
Joseph Mittleman
Director, Judicial Programs
Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts
1515 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA 19101
 - b. An electronic copy should be submitted via email to Amy Kehner at amy.kehner@pacourts.us.

Plans will be reviewed for accuracy and completeness and forwarded to the Supreme Court for consideration.

6. If you have any questions about process or policy, please contact Joe Mittleman at 215-560-6300 or at joseph.mittleman@pacourts.us. If you have technical questions or need assistance with statistics, please contact Amy Kehner at 717-231-3300 X4014 or at amy.kehner@pacourts.us.



2011-12 Magisterial District Reestablishment
2000 POPULATION DATA

COUNTY	NAME	POPULATION	LAND AREA (SqMi)	POPULATION DENSITY
Sullivan	CHERRY TWP	1,234	44.87	0.0364
Sullivan	CHERRY TWP PCT BERNICE	484	12.76	0.0264
Sullivan	COLLEY TWP	122	28.2	0.2311
Sullivan	COLLEY TWP PCT LOPEZ	525	29.78	0.0567
Sullivan	DAVIDSON TWP Voting District*	626	78.12	0.1248
Sullivan	DUSHORE Voting District*	663	0.88	0.0013
Sullivan	EAGLES MERE Voting District*	153	2.06	0.0134
Sullivan	EKLAND TWP Voting District*	607	38.49	0.0634
Sullivan	FORKS TWP Voting District*	407	43.87	0.1078
Sullivan	FORKSVILLE Voting District*	147	1.51	0.0102
Sullivan	FOX TWP Voting District*	332	38.49	0.1159
Sullivan	HILLSGROVE TWP Voting District*	265	28.42	0.1073
Sullivan	LAPORTE TWP Voting District*	373	53.54	0.1435
Sullivan	LAPORTE Voting District*	290	1.12	0.0039
Sullivan	SHREWSBURY TWP Voting District*	328	47.81	0.1458
Wyoming	BRAINTRIM TWP Voting District*	508	6	0.0118
Wyoming	CLINTON TWP Voting District*	1,343	12.23	0.0091
Wyoming	EATON TWP Voting District*	1,644	36.19	0.022
Wyoming	EXETER TWP Voting District*	748	3.13	0.0042
Wyoming	FACTORYVILLE WD 01*	726	0.3	0.0004
Wyoming	FACTORYVILLE WD 02*	418	0.44	0.0011
Wyoming	FALLS TWP WD 01	921	11.13	0.0121
Wyoming	FALLS TWP WD 02	1,076	9.54	0.0089
Wyoming	FORKSTON TWP Voting District*	386	70.75	0.1833
Wyoming	LACEYVILLE Voting District*	396	0.21	0.0005
Wyoming	LEMON TWP Voting District*	1,189	16.15	0.0136
Wyoming	MEHOOPANY TWP Voting District*	993	17.16	0.0173
Wyoming	MESHOPPEN TWP Voting District*	877	15.53	0.0177
Wyoming	MESHOPPEN Voting District*	459	0.71	0.0016
Wyoming	MONROE TWP Voting District*	1,836	20.74	0.0113
Wyoming	NICHOLSON TWP Voting District*	1,361	22.54	0.0166
Wyoming	NICHOLSON WD 01*	317	0.42	0.0013
Wyoming	NICHOLSON WD 02*	396	0.81	0.002

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2011-12 Magisterial District Reestablishment
2000 POPULATION DATA

COUNTY	NAME	POPULATION	LAND AREA (SqMi)	POPULATION DENSITY
Wyoming	NORTH BRANCH TWP Voting District*	197	22.34	0.1134
Wyoming	NORTHMORELAND TWP Voting District*	1,463	19.53	0.0133
Wyoming	NOXEN TWP Voting District*	951	28.52	0.03
Wyoming	OVERFIELD TWP Voting District*	1,532	9.88	0.0064
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 01*	2,811	24.5	0.0087
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 02*	1,487	6.61	0.0044
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 01*	204	0.11	0.0005
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 02	821	0.24	0.0003
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 03	368	0.17	0.0005
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 04*	518	0.36	0.0007
Wyoming	WASHINGTON TWP Voting District*	1,306	18.68	0.0143
Wyoming	WINDHAM TWP Voting District*	828	22.27	0.0269
		34,636	847	



2011-12 Magisterial District Reestablishment
2010 POPULATION DATA

COUNTY	NAME	POPULATION	LAND (SqMf)	POPULATION DENSITY
Sullivan	CHERRY TWP Voting District	1,205	47.76	0.0396
Sullivan	CHERRY TWP PCT BERNICE	500	10.17	0.0203
Sullivan	COLLEY TWP Voting District	160	23.77	0.1486
Sullivan	COLLEY TWP PCT LOPEZ	534	34.49	0.0646
Sullivan	DAVIDSON TWP Voting District	573	77.86	0.1359
Sullivan	DUSHORE Voting District	608	0.79	0.0013
Sullivan	EAGLES MERE Voting District	120	2.06	0.0172
Sullivan	ELKLAND TWP Voting District	577	38.46	0.0667
Sullivan	FORKS TWP Voting District	377	43.41	0.1151
Sullivan	FORKSVILLE Voting District	145	1.57	0.0109
Sullivan	FOX TWP Voting District	358	38.86	0.1085
Sullivan	HILLSGROVE TWP Voting District	287	28.51	0.0993
Sullivan	LAPORTE TWP Voting District	349	54	0.1547
Sullivan	LAPORTE Voting District	316	1.07	0.0034
Sullivan	SHREWSBURY TWP Voting District	319	47.16	0.1478
Wyoming	BRAINTRIM TWP Voting District	502	5.83	0.0116
Wyoming	CLINTON TWP Voting District	1,367	12.37	0.0091
Wyoming	EATON TWP Voting District	1,519	35.99	0.0237
Wyoming	EXETER TWP Voting District	690	3.13	0.0045
Wyoming	FACTORYVILLE WD 01	795	0.33	0.0004
Wyoming	FACTORYVILLE WD 02	363	0.38	0.0011
Wyoming	FALLS TWP WD 01	888	11.12	0.0125
Wyoming	FALLS TWP WD 02	1,107	9.48	0.0086
Wyoming	FORKSTON TWP Voting District	397	70.41	0.1774
Wyoming	LACEYVILLE Voting District	379	0.19	0.0005
Wyoming	LEMON TWP Voting District	1,243	16.06	0.0129
Wyoming	MEHOOPANY TWP Voting District	892	17.18	0.0193
Wyoming	MESHOPPEN TWP Voting District	1,073	15.71	0.0146
Wyoming	MESHOPPEN Voting District	563	0.69	0.0012
Wyoming	MONROE TWP Voting District	1,652	21.19	0.0128
Wyoming	NICHOLSON TWP Voting District	1,385	22.84	0.0165
Wyoming	NICHOLSON WD 01	391	0.36	0.0009
Wyoming	NICHOLSON WD 02	376	0.81	0.0021

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2011-12 Magisterial District Reestablishment
2010 POPULATION DATA

COUNTY	NAME	POPULATION	LAND (SqMi)	POPULATION DENSITY
Wyoming	NORTH BRANCH TWP Voting District	206	22.37	0.1086
Wyoming	NORTHMORELAND TWP Voting District	1,558	19.66	0.0126
Wyoming	NOXEN TWP Voting District	902	28.71	0.0318
Wyoming	OVERFIELD TWP Voting District	1,666	9.93	0.006
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 01	2,840	24.1	0.0085
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 02	1,433	6.57	0.0046
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 01	407	0.16	0.0004
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 02	594	0.19	0.0003
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 03	354	0.17	0.0005
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 04	481	0.36	0.0008
Wyoming	WASHINGTON TWP Voting District	1,412	18.75	0.0133
Wyoming	WINDHAM TWP Voting District	841	22.26	0.0265
		34,704	847.24	

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Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

Class of County/County	Average Filings							AVERAGE CASELOAD
	CR	NT	PC	TR	Civil	LT	MD	
2	623	952	222	3,149	2,153	1,623	223	8,947
Allegheny	623	952	222	3,149	2,153	1,623	223	8,947
2A	424	760	28	4,253	356	222	93	6,136
Bucks	523	713	11	4,620	454	297	149	6,768
Delaware	338	729	52	2,959	229	183	26	4,516
Montgomery	410	838	21	5,181	383	185	106	7,124
3	409	803	171	3,459	288	194	114	5,440
Berks	380	1,369	92	4,045	312	199	304	6,701
Chester	354	968	22	5,478	269	151	40	7,282
Dauphin	553	895	408	4,139	315	365	149	6,824
Erie	319	671	163	1,575	225	160	111	3,224
Lackawanna	473	635	177	2,551	290	198	53	4,378
Lancaster	365	780	64	3,812	290	198	53	5,562
Lehigh	501	891	172	4,214	359	279	177	6,592
Luzerne	386	725	168	2,416	333	93	119	4,239
Northampton	344	587	92	3,383	245	128	68	4,845
Westmoreland	374	449	273	2,945	234	90	42	4,406
York	455	864	252	3,495	302	278	138	5,783
4	404	724	176	2,697	250	97	58	4,407
Beaver	443	600	152	2,736	212	138	51	4,333
Butler	489	843	106	2,960	336	105	56	4,894
Cambria	402	474	162	1,619	175	52	23	2,907
Cumberland	434	652	461	4,407	307	151	67	6,479
Fayette	346	880	102	1,745	209	53	58	3,394
Schuylkill	354	806	18	2,514	294	77	122	4,184
Washington	362	811	230	2,898	218	105	31	4,655
5	409	688	144	2,559	289	101	85	4,275
Blair	503	599	116	1,759	231	76	108	3,392
Centre	433	1,025	200	4,404	244	102	62	6,470
Franklin	413	637	200	2,089	259	109	96	3,803
Lawrence	405	544	72	2,195	221	103	37	3,577
Lebanon	413	876	35	3,408	334	120	71	5,256
Lycoming	398	693	80	2,156	391	127	92	3,938
Mercer	482	730	319	2,363	298	131	154	4,478
Monroe	287	516	97	2,749	413	85	92	4,240
Northumberland	348	567	173	1,907	211	57	54	3,318
6	251	485	126	2,087	231	43	41	3,263
Adams	366	582	215	3,094	268	103	56	4,685
Armstrong	345	725	183	1,566	182	44	57	3,102
Bedford	156	237	96	4,128	125	27	26	4,795
Bradford	276	418	152	1,691	326	45	21	2,929
Carbon	258	984	33	3,983	361	77	50	5,746
Clarion	210	390	213	2,232	119	12	21	3,197
Clearfield	348	623	123	2,512	372	45	43	4,066

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Class of County/County	Average Filings							AVERAGE CASELOAD
	CR	NT	PC	TR	Civil	LT	MD	
Clinton	180	398	21	2,427	141	57	58	3,283
Columbia	286	678	135	3,027	454	67	44	4,690
Crawford	234	392	106	1,547	201	44	52	2,577
Elk	244	437	137	1,860	256	26	43	3,002
Greene	247	399	293	1,665	147	52	35	2,838
Huntingdon	178	383	64	932	125	24	22	1,727
Indiana	470	852	120	2,518	229	89	100	4,378
Jefferson	292	383	191	2,531	262	31	40	3,730
McKean	217	410	140	1,040	168	29	41	2,045
Mifflin	301	569	178	1,519	231	39	35	2,872
Pike	140	395	38	1,894	350	31	18	2,866
Somerset	274	494	81	3,142	191	36	20	4,238
Susquehanna	198	322	57	1,512	151	29	22	2,291
Tioga	183	395	65	1,675	169	24	29	2,541
Venango	259	503	130	1,456	152	36	76	2,612
Warren	185	296	162	1,000	237	27	43	1,950
Wayne	173	375	84	1,138	330	40	24	2,165
7	196	397	246	2,043	186	34	37	3,139
Juniata	159	347	38	1,874	140	15	39	2,612
Perry	213	400	908	1,462	183	77	20	3,263
Snyder	191	328	107	2,515	226	25	40	3,431
Union	243	603	68	2,665	244	36	49	3,907
Wyoming	176	306	111	1,700	139	17	35	2,484
8	124	230	28	1,645	122	16	44	2,209
Cameron	104	237	19	1,019	105	5	29	1,519
Forest	111	269	16	919	61	7	20	1,403
Fulton	68	189	8	2,199	63	10	24	2,560
Montour	257	331	107	3,381	345	63	137	4,620
Potter	104	146	11	620	62	5	30	978
Sullivan	101	206	10	1,732	94	9	24	2,175
STATE AVERAGE	355	630	143	2,737	484	291	87	4,727

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Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

Class of County/County	Average Workload							AVERAGE WORKLOAD
	CR	NT	PC	TR	CIVIL	LT	MD	
2	22,884	10,229	2,389	7,180	4,109	3,973	7,273	58,037
Allegheny	22,884	10,229	2,389	7,180	4,109	3,973	7,273	58,037
2A	15,552	8,163	302	9,697	4,011	3,211	3,043	43,979
Bucks	19,210	7,661	120	10,534	5,124	4,298	4,842	51,790
Delaware	12,403	7,824	557	6,746	2,585	2,652	849	33,616
Montgomery	15,043	9,003	229	11,812	4,324	2,683	3,438	46,532
3	15,034	8,623	1,838	7,887	3,253	2,816	3,717	43,169
Berks	13,954	14,700	991	9,222	3,523	2,882	9,905	55,177
Chester	13,005	10,394	233	12,489	3,031	2,193	1,314	42,660
Dauphin	20,310	9,610	4,386	9,438	3,548	5,286	4,861	57,437
Erie	11,735	7,207	1,748	3,591	2,537	2,313	3,626	32,758
Lackawanna	17,386	6,816	1,905	5,817	3,269	2,867	1,732	39,791
Lancaster	13,385	8,380	692	8,690	3,269	2,867	1,732	39,015
Lehigh	18,382	9,567	1,843	9,608	4,046	4,041	5,775	53,263
Luzerne	14,170	7,782	1,805	5,508	3,755	1,348	3,873	38,239
Northampton	12,630	6,302	983	7,712	2,759	1,856	2,208	34,451
Westmoreland	13,718	4,825	2,928	6,715	2,637	1,305	1,359	33,488
York	16,694	9,275	2,709	7,968	3,404	4,021	4,504	48,576
4	14,845	7,773	1,890	6,149	2,975	1,354	1,898	36,884
Beaver	16,282	6,444	1,636	6,238	2,395	2,005	1,645	36,645
Butler	17,946	9,050	1,136	6,748	3,790	1,525	1,829	42,024
Cambria	14,763	5,094	1,743	3,690	3,049	362	746	29,447
Cumberland	15,929	6,999	4,956	10,048	3,462	2,186	2,193	45,774
Fayette	12,712	9,456	1,100	3,978	2,358	774	1,888	32,265
Schuylkill	12,994	8,658	195	5,731	3,316	1,109	3,964	35,967
Washington	13,287	8,713	2,467	6,608	2,456	1,513	1,021	36,065
5	15,026	7,384	1,542	5,835	3,259	1,465	2,773	37,284
Blair	18,473	6,433	1,248	4,011	2,602	1,095	3,513	37,376
Centre	15,898	11,013	2,149	10,042	2,751	1,474	2,016	45,343
Franklin	15,175	6,837	2,150	4,762	2,917	1,581	3,130	36,552
Lawrence	14,867	5,844	768	5,005	2,493	1,492	1,212	31,681
Lebanon	15,159	9,404	371	7,769	3,769	1,742	2,305	40,520
Lycoming	14,603	7,446	864	4,917	4,410	1,838	3,002	37,079
Mercer	17,713	7,844	3,431	5,388	3,359	1,898	5,011	44,644
Monroe	10,553	5,547	1,038	6,269	4,655	1,237	3,009	32,308
Northumberland	12,793	6,088	1,863	4,349	2,376	824	1,757	30,050
6	9,211	5,209	1,361	4,758	2,597	624	1,322	25,084
Adams	13,455	6,250	2,313	7,055	3,022	1,497	1,816	35,408
Armstrong	12,678	7,788	1,964	3,570	2,054	639	1,846	30,538
Bedford	5,725	2,546	1,026	9,412	1,409	395	850	21,362
Bradford	10,127	4,488	1,632	3,856	3,676	650	668	25,097
Carbon	9,483	10,567	353	9,081	4,073	1,121	1,615	36,292
Clarion	7,716	4,186	2,291	5,088	1,339	180	695	21,494
Clearfield	12,780	6,693	1,325	5,727	4,198	650	1,403	32,776



Magisterial District Reestablishment 2011-12

Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

Class of County/County	Average Workload							AVERAGE WORKLOAD
	CR	NT	PC	TR	CIVIL	LT	MD	
Clinton	6,622	4,274	227	5,535	1,590	821	1,885	20,954
Columbia	10,485	7,282	1,445	6,901	5,117	968	1,430	33,630
Crawford	8,592	4,213	1,143	3,528	2,263	638	1,678	22,055
Elk	8,947	4,696	1,470	4,240	2,885	374	1,401	24,013
Greene	9,078	4,285	3,150	3,796	1,656	751	1,151	23,866
Huntingdon	6,524	4,111	690	2,125	1,404	351	703	15,907
Indiana	17,275	9,146	1,287	5,741	2,585	1,283	3,241	40,559
Jefferson	10,724	4,118	2,046	5,772	2,952	454	1,303	27,369
McKean	7,980	4,408	1,500	2,372	1,897	413	1,330	19,900
Mifflin	11,057	6,107	1,914	3,463	2,603	566	1,147	26,858
Pike	5,144	4,246	411	4,319	3,948	442	597	19,106
Somerset	10,047	5,304	872	7,163	2,156	522	647	26,712
Susquehanna	7,269	3,458	614	3,447	1,699	424	731	17,641
Tioga	6,732	4,241	698	3,820	1,911	348	955	18,705
Venango	9,504	5,406	1,391	3,320	1,718	515	2,483	24,338
Warren	6,793	3,179	2,003	2,280	2,458	387	1,386	18,486
Wayne	6,334	4,030	903	2,595	3,725	584	774	18,945
7	7,203	4,262	2,646	4,659	2,103	490	1,194	22,557
Juniata	5,829	3,725	406	4,273	1,584	218	1,276	17,311
Perry	7,821	4,292	9,750	3,334	2,065	1,113	651	29,028
Snyder	7,005	3,522	1,147	5,734	2,547	357	1,310	21,622
Union	8,905	6,478	734	6,075	2,751	514	1,591	27,047
Wyoming	6,457	3,290	1,193	3,876	1,567	249	1,144	17,776
8	4,555	2,468	305	3,750	1,373	238	1,437	14,126
Cameron	3,831	2,549	208	2,323	1,184	77	955	11,127
Forest	4,076	2,889	172	2,095	688	101	651	10,673
Fulton	2,491	2,034	82	5,014	706	138	785	11,249
Montour	9,431	3,557	1,144	7,708	3,895	907	4,473	31,115
Potter	3,809	1,569	120	1,414	704	68	977	8,660
Sullivan	3,690	2,212	107	3,948	1,058	135	782	11,934
STATE AVERAGE	13,039	6,764	1,534	6,239	2,960	1,771	2,832	35,140



Magisterial District Reestablishment 2011-12

Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

County	AVG Workload	RANGE	
		MIN	MAX
Adams	35,408	30,097	40,719
Armstrong	30,538	25,957	35,118
Beaver	36,645	31,149	42,142
Bedford	21,362	18,158	24,566
Berks	55,177	46,900	63,453
Blair	37,376	31,769	42,982
Bradford	25,097	21,333	28,862
Bucks	51,790	44,021	59,558
Butler	42,024	35,720	48,327
Cambria	29,447	25,030	33,864
Cameron	11,127	9,458	12,796
Carbon	36,292	30,848	41,736
Centre	45,343	38,541	52,144
Chester	42,660	36,261	49,059
Clarion	21,494	18,270	24,718
Clearfield	32,776	27,860	37,693
Clinton	20,954	17,810	24,097
Columbia	33,630	28,585	38,674
Crawford	22,055	18,747	25,364
Cumberland	45,774	38,908	52,640
Dauphin	57,437	48,822	66,053
Delaware	33,616	28,573	38,658
Elk	24,013	20,411	27,615
Erie	32,758	27,844	37,672
Fayette	32,265	27,425	37,105
Forest	10,673	9,072	12,274
Franklin	36,552	31,070	42,035
Fulton	11,249	9,562	12,937
Greene	23,866	20,286	27,446
Huntingdon	15,907	13,521	18,293
Indiana	40,559	34,475	46,642
Jefferson	27,369	23,263	31,474
Juniata	17,311	14,715	19,908
Lackawanna	39,791	33,823	45,760
Lancaster	39,015	33,163	44,868
Lawrence	31,681	26,929	36,433



Magisterial District Reestablishment 2011-12

Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

County	AVG Workload	RANGE	
		MIN	MAX
Lebanon	40,520	34,442	46,598
Lehigh	53,263	45,273	61,252
Luzerne	38,239	32,503	43,975
Lycoming	37,079	31,518	42,641
McKean	19,900	16,915	22,885
Mercer	44,644	37,948	51,341
Mifflin	26,858	22,829	30,887
Monroe	32,308	27,462	37,154
Montgomery	46,532	39,552	53,512
Montour	31,115	26,448	35,782
Northampton	34,451	29,283	39,618
Northumberland	30,050	25,543	34,558
Perry	29,028	24,674	33,382
Pike	19,106	16,240	21,972
Potter	8,660	7,361	9,959
Schuylkill	35,967	30,572	41,362
Snyder	21,622	18,379	24,865
Somerset	26,712	22,705	30,718
Sullivan	11,934	10,144	13,724
Susquehanna	17,641	14,995	20,288
Tioga	18,705	15,899	21,511
Union	27,047	22,990	31,105
Venango	24,338	20,687	27,989
Warren	18,486	15,713	21,259
Washington	36,065	30,655	41,475
Wayne	18,945	16,103	21,786
Westmoreland	33,488	28,465	38,511
Wyoming	17,776	15,110	20,443
York	48,576	41,289	55,862

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NT (includes PC)	10.74
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LT	14.48
MD	32.57

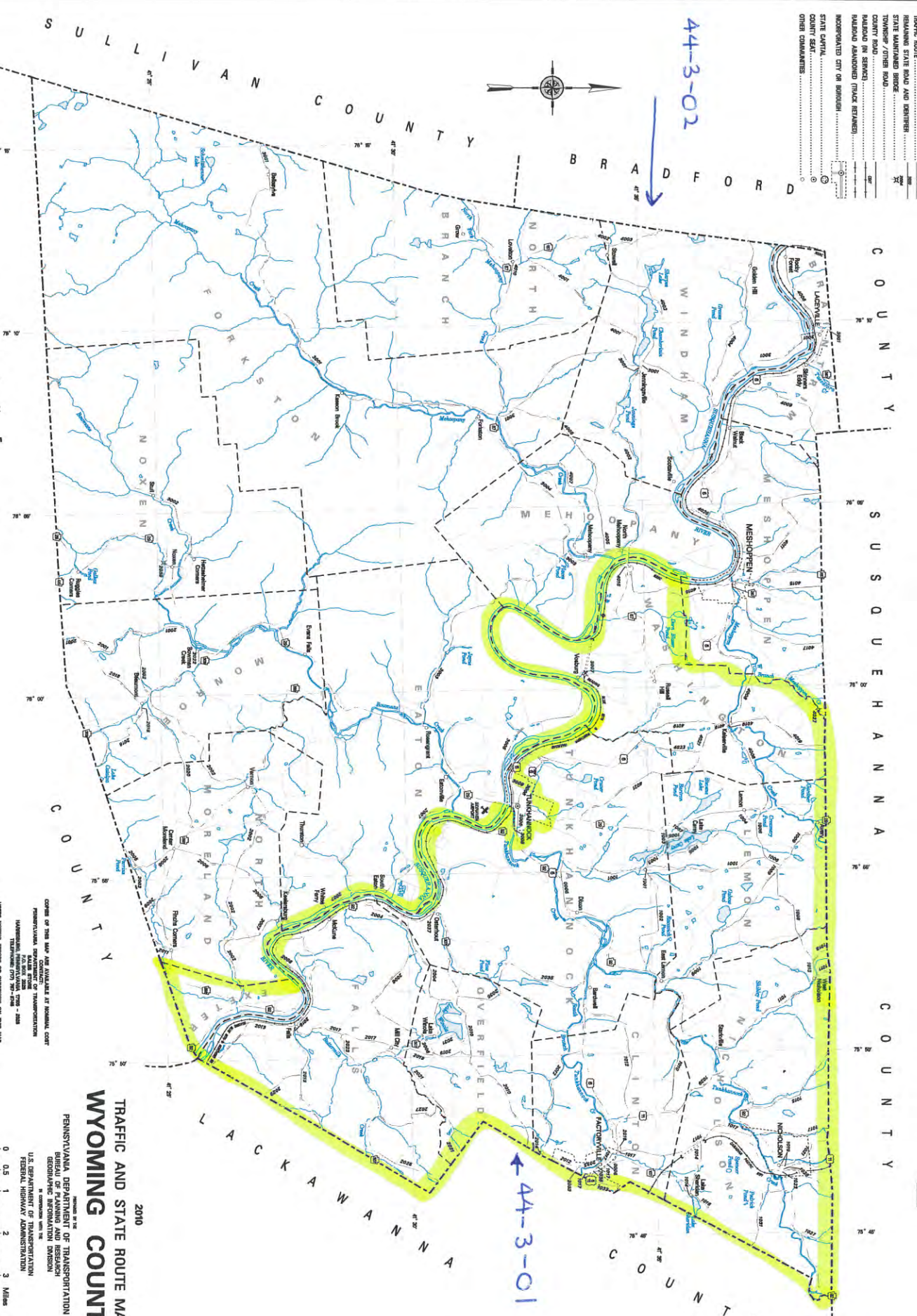
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- INCORPORATED CITY OR BOROUGH
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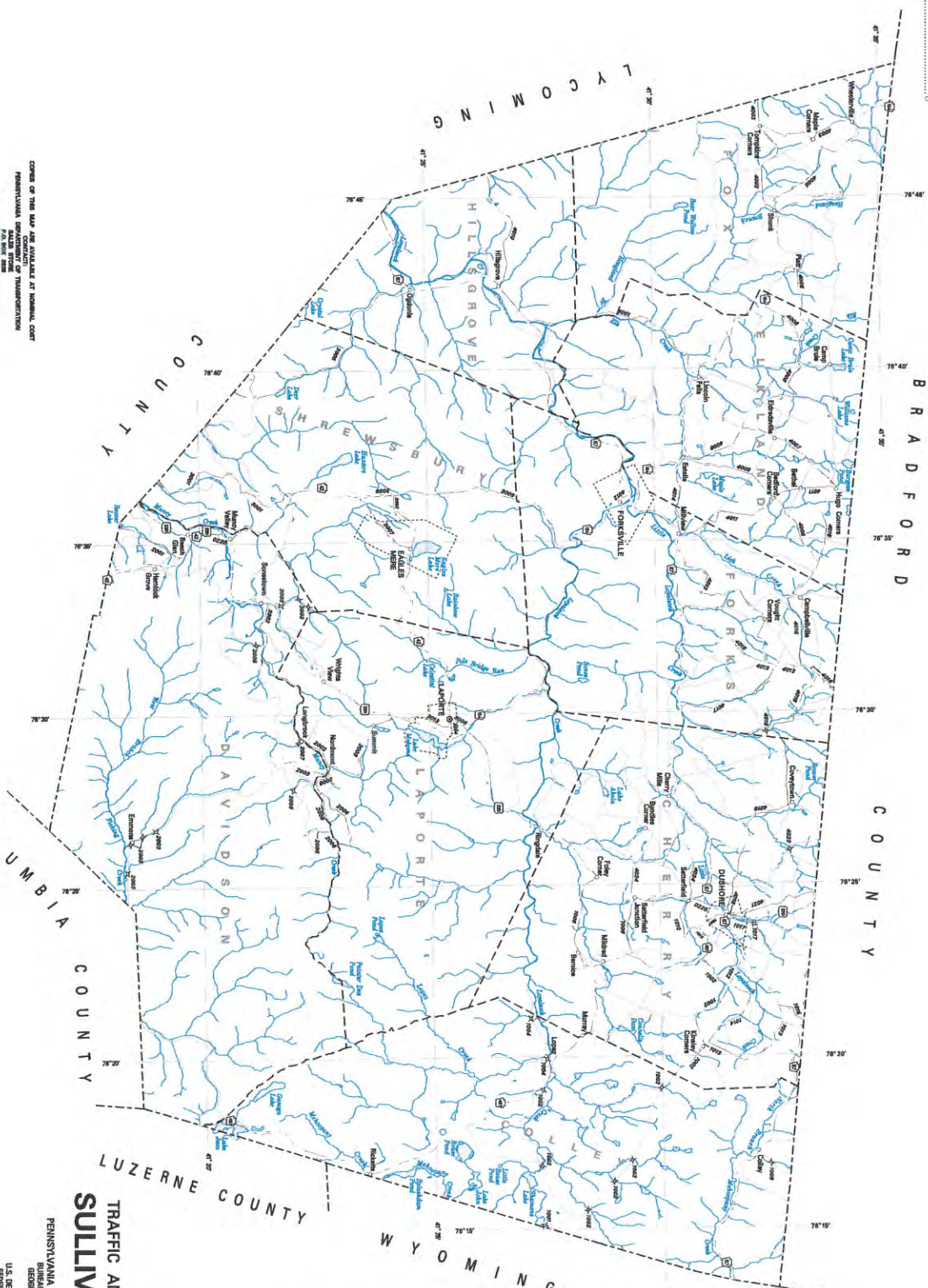
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PUBLIC NOTICE

A proposed report on the Re-Alignment of the Magisterial District Courts of the 44th Judicial District, as prepared in accordance with the direction of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, will be available for in-office review at the Magisterial District Judges' Offices of Wyoming and Sullivan Counties and in the Office of the District Court Administrator, Wyoming County Courthouse, Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, February 29, 2012.

To obtain a copy by mail or in person, submit your request to the District Court Administrator with a check or money order payable to Wyoming County Treasurer in the amount of \$5.00.

Copies of the proposed report will also be available in the following community libraries: Wyoming County Law Library, Sullivan County Law Library, Tunkhannock Public Library, Frances Kennard Public Library, Mehoopany Area Library and Sullivan County Library.

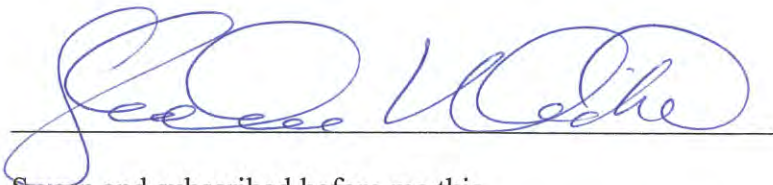
Any written comments regarding the proposed changes should be submitted in writing and sent to the Office of the District Court Administrator, Wyoming County Courthouse, One Courthouse Square, Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania. Written comments received shall be included in the final report submitted to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania regarding the proposed changes.

Written comments will be accepted through March 29, 2012.

Russell D. Shurtleff, President Judge
44th Judicial District
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Shalane Weidow, being duly sworn, says she is the designated agent of Times-Shamrock owner and publisher of the Wyoming County Advance and the Wyoming County Press Examiner, newspapers of general circulation, established 1869, published in the City of Tunkhannock, county and state aforesaid. Affiant further deposes and says that neither the matter of the aforesaid notice or advertisement and that all allegations in the foregoing statement as time, place and character of the publication are true and that the printer notice or publication hereto attached is exactly as printed in the regular editions of the said newspaper on

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Sworn and subscribed before me this
6 day of March A.D. 2012

 Notary Public

My Commission Expires 4/7/14

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
 Notarial Seal
 Constance M. Hitchcock, Notary Public
 Montrose Boro, Susquehanna County
 My Commission Expires April 7, 2014
 MEMBER, PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OF NOTARIES

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

Judicial District Summary Sheet

County Name: **Wyoming**

Judicial District #: **44**

Caseload and Magisterial District Elimination Analysis

The difference between the average annual caseload of Judicial District # 44 and its class of county: **-21 %**

Summary of Proposed Actions

44-3-01 Realign

44-3-02 Realign

44-3-04 **Eliminate**

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**

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

County Name: Wyoming

Judicial District #: 44

Existing and Proposed Magisterial Districts

Magisterial District #: 44-3-01

Proposed Action: Realign

Average Annual Caseload:	1,400	Average Annual Workload:	11,018
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/judicial district):	-43.60	% Difference in Workload (magisterial district/judicial district):	-38.00
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/class of county):	-56.00	<i>Workload outside of a +/- 15% range requires realignment or support to maintain current configuration.</i>	

Upon the elimination of 44-3-04 effective 1/1/16, this district will be realigned to balance the workload between the remaining two districts.

Magisterial District Judge & Office Information:

David K. Plummer

Birthdate: 12-31-56

Countryside Professional Building Route 107 P.O. Box 276

Mandatory Retirement: 2026

Factoryville, PA 18419

Term Expires: 12-31-17

Existing Geography:

CLINTON TWP Voting District; FACTORYVILLE WD 01; FACTORYVILLE WD 02; LEMON TWP Voting District; NICHOLSON TWP Voting District; NICHOLSON WD 01; NICHOLSON WD 02; OVERFIELD TWP Voting District

Proposed Geography:

CLINTON TWP Voting District; EXETER TWP Voting District; FACTORYVILLE WD 01; FACTORYVILLE WD 02; FALLS TWP WD 01; FALLS TWP WD 02; LEMON TWP Voting District; NICHOLSON TWP Voting District; NICHOLSON WD 01; NICHOLSON WD 02; OVERFIELD TWP Voting District; TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 01; TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 02; WASHINGTON TWP Voting District

Office within district: Yes

Residence within district: Yes

Police Departments: PA State Police - Tunkhannock Barracks, Overfield Township

Major Highways: Routes 6, 107, 92, 29

Existing and Proposed Magisterial Districts

Magisterial District #: 44-3-02

Proposed Action: Realign

Average Annual Caseload:	1,944	Average Annual Workload:	16,191
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/judicial district):	-21.70	% Difference in Workload (magisterial district/judicial district):	-8.90
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/class of county):	-39.00	<i>Workload outside of a +/- 15% range requires realignment or support to maintain current configuration.</i>	

Upon the elimination of magisterial district 44-3-04 effective 1/1/16, the remaining two magisterial districts will be realigned to balance the workload between the remaining offices.

Magisterial District Judge & Office Information:

Carl W. Smith , Jr.	Birthdate:	4-14-51
Wyoming County Courthouse 1 Courthouse Square	Mandatory Retirement:	2021
Tunkhannock, PA 18657	Term Expires:	1-3-16

Existing Geography:

EATON TWP Voting District; EXETER TWP Voting District; FALLS TWP WD 01; FALLS TWP WD 02; MONROE TWP Voting District; NORTHMORELAND TWP Voting District; NOXEN TWP Voting District; TUNKHANNOCK WD 01; TUNKHANNOCK WD 02; TUNKHANNOCK WD 03; TUNKHANNOCK WD 04

Proposed Geography:

BRAINTRIM TWP Voting District; EATON TWP Voting District; FORKSTON TWP Voting District; LACEYVILLE Voting District; MEHOOPANY TWP Voting District; MESHOPPEN TWP Voting District; MESHOPPEN Voting District; MONROE TWP Voting District; NORTH BRANCH TWP Voting District; NORTHMORELAND TWP Voting District; NOXEN TWP Voting District; TUNKHANNOCK WD 01; TUNKHANNOCK WD 02; TUNKHANNOCK WD 03; TUNKHANNOCK WD 04; WINDHAM TWP Voting District
Laceyville Township

Office within district: Yes

Residence within district: Yes

Police Departments: PA State Police - Tunkhannock Barracks, Overfield Township, Tunkhannock Borough

Major Highways: Routes 6, 29, 309, 292, 92

Existing and Proposed Magisterial Districts

Magisterial District #: 44-3-04

Proposed Action: Eliminate

Average Annual Caseload:	4,112	Average Annual Workload:	26,117
% Difference in Caseload (magisterial district/judicial district):	65.50	% Difference in Workload (magisterial district/judicial district):	46.90
% 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 magisterial district will be eliminated at the mandatory retirement of the incumbent MDJ, 12/31/15. The municipalities within the district will be split between the remaining districts.

Magisterial District Judge & Office Information:

John J. Hovan	Birthdate:	05-13-45
71 Hollowcrest Road, Suite 1	Mandatory Retirement:	2015
Tunkhannock, PA 18657	Term Expires:	1-5-14

Existing Geography:

BRAINTRIM TWP Voting District; FORKSTON TWP Voting District; LACEYVILLE Voting District; MEHOOPANY TWP Voting District; MESHOPPEN TWP Voting District; MESHOPPEN Voting District; NORTH BRANCH TWP Voting District; TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 01; TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 02; WASHINGTON TWP Voting District; WINDHAM TWP Voting District

Proposed Geography:

Office within district: Yes

Residence within district: Yes

Police Departments: PA State Police - Tunkhannock Barracks, Meshoppen Borough

Major Highways: Routes 6, 267, 87

Magisterial District Reestablishment 2012

Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

Judicial District and Class of County Comparison Statistics

Wyoming / 44

Judicial District Average Caseload			
2011 Class	2011 Filings	2012 Class	2012 Filings
7	2,484	7	2,484

2011 Class of County Caseload Averages								
2011 Class	CR	PC	TR	NT	CV	LT	MD	Total
7	196	246	2,043	397	186	34	37	3,139

2012 Class of County Caseload Averages								
2012 Class	CR	PC	TR	NT	CV	LT	MD	Total
7	192	81	2,188	396	187	23	41	3,109

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		
Wyoming	2011	2012
Class	7	7
CR	176	176
NT	306	306
PC	111	111
TR	1,700	1,700
CV	139	139
LT	17	17
MD	35	35
AVG	2,484	2,484

Judicial District Workload Averages		
Wyoming	2011	2012
Class	7	7
CR	6,457	6,457
NT	3,290	3,290
PC	1,193	1,193
TR	3,876	3,876
CV	1,567	1,568
LT	249	246
MD	1,144	1,140
-15 % Workload	15,110	15,105
Average Workload	17,776	17,770
+ 15% Workload	20,443	20,436

Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

44-3-01 Realign

CASELOAD

Average Total Annual Caseload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
1,400		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

-43.6	-43.65%	-43.65%
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Magisterial District Average: Class of County Average:

-56	-55.41%	-54.96%
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WORKLOAD

Average Total Annual Workload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
11,018		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

-38	-38.02%	-38.00%
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44-3-02 Realign

CASELOAD

Average Total Annual Caseload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
1,944		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

-21.7	-21.75%	-21.75%
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Magisterial District Average: Class of County Average:

-39	-38.08%	-37.46%
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WORKLOAD

Average Total Annual Workload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
16,191		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

-8.9	-8.92%	-8.89%
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Magisterial District Caseload/Workload Analysis

44-3-04

Eliminate

CASELOAD

Average Total Annual Caseload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
4,112		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

65.5	65.52%	65.52%
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Magisterial District Average: Class of County Average:

31	30.98%	32.28%
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WORKLOAD

Average Total Annual Workload:

Reported	AOPC	
	2011	2012
26,117		

Magisterial District Average: Judicial District Average:

46.9	46.92%	46.97%
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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RUSSELL D. SHURTLEFF
PRESIDENT JUDGE

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March 30, 2012

**Joseph Mittleman, Director
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Philadelphia, PA 19101**

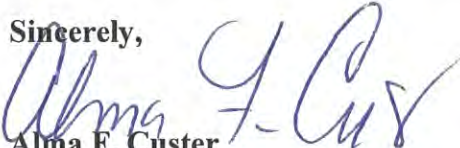
IN RE: Realignment of Magisterial District Courts of the 44th Judicial District

Dear Joe:

Attached is the Proposed Realignment of Magisterial District Courts of the 44th Judicial District.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call!

Sincerely,


**Alma F. Custer
District Court Administrator
Wyoming/Sullivan Counties**

cc: Amy Kehner (electronic copy)

JUDICIAL DISTRICT SUMMARY WORKSHEET

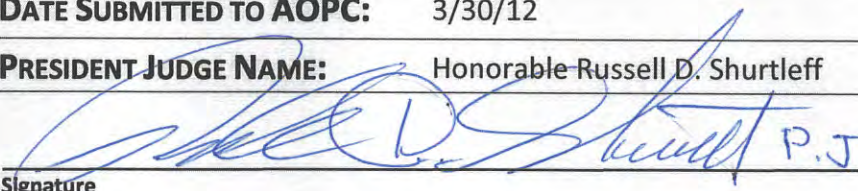
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I.	JUDICIAL DISTRICT NUMBER:	44
	A. What is the class of county?	7
	B. What is the percentage difference in the average annual caseload between this judicial district and the applicable class of county?	-21%
II.	PROPOSED ACTIONS:	
	A. List existing magisterial districts: 44-3-01; 44-3-02; 44-3-04	
	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?	YES
	a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination. 44-3-04	
	b) If no eliminations are proposed based on II. B. above, what are the factors for this decision?	
	2. If the answer to II. B. above is <i>YES</i> , are eliminations proposed?	YES
	a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination. 44-3-04	
	C. Are any magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment?	NO
	1. List magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment.	
	D. Are any magisterial districts proposed for realignment?	YES
	1. List magisterial districts proposed for realignment. 44-3-01; 44-3-02	

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JUDICIAL DISTRICT SUMMARY WORKSHEET

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.	
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 documents	
VI. DATE SUBMITTED TO AOPC:	3/30/12
VII. PRESIDENT JUDGE NAME:	Honorable Russell D. Shurtleff
 Signature	P.J.



MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT WORKSHEET

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

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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER (#####):	44-3-01
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	1,400
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	-55%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-56%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	11,018
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	-55%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> the judicial district's average total workload?	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Realign <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2016
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Honorable David K. Plummer
B.	Term Expiration (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2018

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C. Mandatory Retirement Date (<i>m/d/yyyy</i>):	12/31/2026
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	Route 107 Countryside Professional Buidling Factoryville, PA 18419
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, (Tunkhannock, Barracks); Overfield Township
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Routes 6, 107, 92, and 29
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
Boroughs: Nicholson, Factoryville; Townships: Clinton, Lemon, Nicholson and Overfield	✓
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
Boroughs: Nicholson, Factoryville; Townships: Clinton, Lemon, Nicholson, Overfield, Falls, Exeter, Tunkhannock And Washington	✓
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
See attached.	
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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER (#####):	44-3-02
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	1,944
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	-38%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	-39%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	16,191
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	-33%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> the judicial district's average total workload?	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Realign <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2016
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Honorable Carl Smith
B.	Term Expiration (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2016

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C. Mandatory Retirement Date (<i>m/d/yyyy</i>):	12/31/2021
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	Wyoming County Courthouse One Courthouse Square Tunkhannock, PA 18657
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 (Tunkhannock Barracks); Overfield Township; Tunkhannock Borough
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Routes 6, 29, 309, 292, and 92
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
Boroughs: Tunkhannock; Townships: Eaton, Monroe, Northmoreland, Noxen, Falls, and Exeter	✓
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
Boroughs: Laceyville, Tunkhannock, Meshoppen; Townships: Eaton, Monroe, Northmoreland, Noxen, Mehoopany, North Branch, Meshoppen, Forkston, Windham, Braintrim And Laceyville	✓
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER (#####):	44-3-04
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	4,112
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	31%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	13%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	26,117
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	7%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> the judicial district's average total workload?	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	
IV. PROPOSED CHANGE:		
A.	Please indicate any proposed change in this magisterial district. Check all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish <input type="checkbox"/> Realign <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eliminate
B.	What is the proposed effective date (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2016
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Honorable John J. Hovan
B.	Term Expiration (m/d/yyyy):	1/5/2014



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C. Mandatory Retirement Date (<i>m/d/yyyy</i>):	12/31/2015
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	71 Hollowcrest Road Suite 1 Tunkhannock, PA 18657
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 (Tunkhannock Barracks); Meshoppen Borough
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Routes 6, 267 and 87
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	Boroughs: Laceyville, Meshoppen; Townships: Braintrim, Forkston, Mehoopany, Meshoppen, North Branch, Tunkhannock, Washington and Windham ✓
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	N/A
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
	See attached
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JUDICIAL DISTRICT SUMMARY WORKSHEET

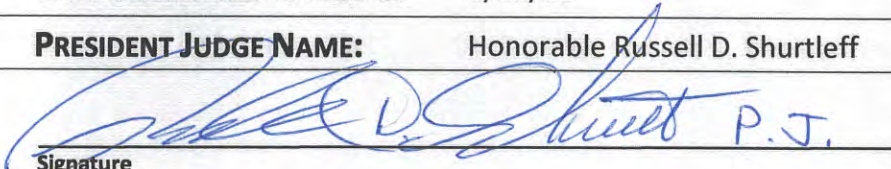
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I.	JUDICIAL DISTRICT NUMBER:	44
	A. What is the class of county?	8
	B. What is the percentage difference in the average annual caseload between this judicial district and the applicable class of county?	-2%
II.	PROPOSED ACTIONS:	
	A. List existing magisterial districts: 44-3-03	
	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?	Choose Yes or No
	a) List magisterial districts proposed for elimination.	
	C. Are any magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment?	YES
	1. List magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment. 44-3-03	
	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.	
IV. PUBLIC COMMENT	
A. A request for public comment was posted:	YES
B. Comments were received:	NO
C. Comments are attached:	Choose Yes or No
V. ADDITIONAL REMARKS CONCERNING PROPOSAL:	
See attached comments.	
VI. DATE SUBMITTED TO AOPC:	3/30/12
VII. PRESIDENT JUDGE NAME:	Honorable Russell D. Shurtleff
 Signature	P.J.



MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT WORKSHEET


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I.	MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT NUMBER (#####):	44-3-03
II. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - CASELOAD		
A.	Average Total Caseload:	2,175
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and your judicial district's average total caseload:	-2%
C.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total caseload and applicable class of county's average total caseload:	2%
III. BREAKDOWN OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT - WORKLOAD		
A.	Average Total Workload:	11,932
B.	Difference (%) between this magisterial district's average total workload and the judicial district's average total workload:	0%
C.	Does this magisterial district have an average total workload that is fifteen percent <i>greater than or less than</i> the judicial district's average total workload?	NO
D.	If YES, how does this difference impact workload equity within your judicial district?	
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):	1/1/2016
V. MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT INFORMATION:		
A.	Magisterial District Judge Name:	Honorable Jennifer Vandine
B.	Term Expiration (m/d/yyyy):	1/1/2017

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C. Mandatory Retirement Date (m/d/yyyy):	12/31/2043
D. Office Location (Street, City and Zip code):	Sullivan County Courthouse Main And Muncy Streets Laporte, PA 18626
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, Laporte Barracks, Laporte, Pennsylvania 18626
H. List any major highways within this magisterial district:	Routes 220 and 87
VI. LIST EXISTING MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	Boroughs: Dushore, Laporte, Eagles Mere; Forksville; Townships: Cherry, Colley, Davidson, Ekland, Forks, Fox, Hillsgrove, Laporte, Shrewsbury 
VII. LIST PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES:	
	N/A
VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	
	See attached.
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**REALIGNMENT OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS
FOR THE 44TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CONSISTING OF
WYOMING AND SULLIVAN COUNTIES**

1. INTRODUCTION:

During the last several years the Pennsylvania Judiciary has experienced tens of millions of dollars in budget cutbacks. Due to these cutbacks the Judiciary has experienced significant budget shortfalls.

In response to these shortfalls, the Supreme Court has enacted several cost cutting measures. Regarding the number of Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) offices, the Supreme Court has set a goal of reducing the number of MDJ courts across the state by ten (10%) percent over the next two (2) to six (6) years.

In October of 2011, the 44th Judicial District, Wyoming and Sullivan Counties was notified by the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) of its requirement under 42 Pa. C.S.A. § 1503, to participate in the re-establishment of Magisterial District Courts. The following factors were taken into consideration during the development of this plan. AOPC guidelines as set forth by the AOPC (a copy being attached to this report), case filing statistics and workload statistics for criminal, non-traffic private complaints, traffic, civil, landlord/tenant and miscellaneous filings for the Magisterial District Courts in the 44th Judicial District as well as census reports for Wyoming and Sullivan Counties.

2. EVALUATION PROCESS:

The Supreme Court through the AOPC has provided each county with the number of case filings for each MDJ Court for the last six (6) years and estimated workload with respect to those filings. In addition the countywide and statewide averages and census figures for 2000 and 2010 were provided.

The case filing data provides the total number of all cases filed with each MDJ office. These cases include all criminal, civil, traffic, non-traffic, landlord/tenant, arraignments for other courts, search warrants, writs of execution and marriages.

The "workload data" is a weighted system which evaluated each type of filing based on the time involved in resolving a typical case of that nature. The AOPC developed this formula to present a more accurate basis for comparison of the amount of work each office performs.

3. SULLIVAN COUNTY STATISTICS:

Sullivan County is an 8th class county. There are currently six (6) 8th class counties consisting of Cameron, Forest, Fulton, Montour, Potter and Sullivan. District Court 44-3-03 is the only Magisterial District Court in Sullivan County located in the Sullivan County Courthouse. The 2005-2010 average caseload for this office is 2,175 cases per year and the average 2005-2010 workload for this office is 11,932. The average caseload for that period for 8th class counties is 2,209 and workload is 12,778.

In summary, this office handles 100% of the caseload and workload in Sullivan County. The caseload is 2% below the average for all 8th class counties and is on the average for workload. Based upon the 8th class county averages, this office is well balanced and is the only office within the confines of Sullivan County and therefore no re-establishment is recommended.

4. WYOMING COUNTY STATISTICS:

Wyoming County is currently a 7th class county. There are five (5) 7th class counties which include Juniata, Perry, Snyder, Union and Wyoming.

The average Wyoming County caseload for the period of 2005-2010 is 2,484 cases. The average Wyoming County workload for that period is 17,776. In comparison, all 7th class counties the average caseload is 3,139 and workload is 24,334.

In summary the Wyoming County caseload and workload averages are significantly lower than the state averages for 7th class counties. Specifically, of the three Wyoming County offices, Magisterial District Court 44-3-01 was 55% below the state workload average, Magisterial District Court 44-3-02 was 38% below the state workload average and Magisterial District Court 44-3-04 was 7% above the state average. Wyoming County was last in caseload and second to last for workload for 7th class counties.

5. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WYOMING COUNTY MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS 44-3-01, 44-3-02 AND 44-3-04:

In review of the 2000 and 2010 census information, Wyoming County had a slight population increase of approximately seven tenths of one percent which equates to 196 residents. Population as of the 2010 census was 28,276.

It should be noted that Wyoming County is experiencing a great influx of workers due to marcellus shale being discovered in abundance. In Wyoming County, numerous gas wells have been drilled with many proposed and underway. In conjunction with the gas wells, there are numerous gathering pipelines being constructed. This marcellus shale boom as in neighboring counties has brought an increase in crime. This has also been the case for Wyoming County. It is anticipated that the majority of the associated drilling industry workers will not remain in Wyoming County after the drilling operations are completed.

Based upon the AOPC re-establishment guidelines, the preference is to eliminate Magisterial Districts through attrition from two to six years in the future.

To this end the next Magisterial District Judge to reach mandatory retirement in Wyoming County is the presiding judge for 44-3-04. He must retire on December 31, 2015. This would leave that office vacant as of January 1, 2016.

It is significant to note that based upon the pending Marcellus shale "boom" in Wyoming County, the ability to maintain the three offices until the retirement of the judge in 44-3-04 is advisable and prudent. At that time the bulk of drilling and pipeline construction should be completed.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon the AOPC Magisterial District re-establishment guidelines and the caseload and workload calculations, Wyoming County is significantly behind state averages.

It is the recommendation of this court that Sullivan County Magisterial District Court 44-3-03 remain as the sole Magisterial District Court in Sullivan County.

It is the recommendation of this court that Wyoming County Magisterial District Court

44-3-04 be eliminated, effective January 1, 2016 and the remaining District Courts be re-aligned in order to absorb the additional workload evenly between the remaining two Magisterial Districts.

Based upon this recommendation, Wyoming County would be reduced from three to two Magisterial District Courts, effective January 1, 2016. Those courts would be comprised of the following

1. **Magisterial District Court 44-3-01**, Clinton Township, Lemon Township, Nicholson Borough, Nicholson Township, Overfield Township, Factoryville Borough, Falls Township, Exeter Township, Tunkhannock Township and Washington Township.
2. **Magisterial District Court 44-3-02**, Eaton Township, Monroe Township, Northmoreland Township, Noxen Township, Tunkhannock Borough, Mehoopany Township, North Branch Township, Meshoppen Township, Meshoppen Borough, Forkston Township, Windham Township, Braintrim Township and Laceyville Borough

In making this recommendation the court has taken into consideration the following factors:

1. This elimination and realignment does not conflict with current judge's residences or office locations.
2. The increase in court activity due to marcellus shale drilling.
3. The retirement dates of all active magisterial judges.
4. The travel time for Wyoming and Sullivan County residents.
5. No office staff reduction, since case and workload would remain.
6. Magisterial District Judge election years.
7. Wyoming and Sullivan County census figures.
8. Continued improvements in modern technology, such as E-filing which will enable more efficient operation of offices.

9. The workload of the remaining offices will not exceed ten (10%) percent of the county average.
10. Participation of Magisterial District Judges in specialty courts.

7. CONCLUSION:

The elimination of Magisterial District Court 44-3-04 and realignment of all Wyoming County municipalities into two Magisterial Districts would comply with all requirements of the Supreme Court which provide:

1. All municipalities in the Magisterial District must be contiguous.
2. Each physical office must be located in the Magisterial District.
3. The Magisterial District Judge must sit in the district in which the judge resides.
4. Municipalities are not divided.
5. No Wyoming or Sullivan County Districts should deviate more than 15% of the county average workload. Both workload and caseload would be within ten (10%) percent of the 7th and 8th county averages respectively.

The above plan is being submitted for public comment, effective February 29, 2012 and shall be accepted through March 29, 2012 and such comments shall be included in the final report to be submitted to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. All public comment shall be in writing and shall contain the name and address of the party making such comment. Comment should be forwarded to the Court Administrator, 44th Judicial District, Wyoming County Courthouse, One Courthouse Square, Tunkhannock PA 18657

EXHIBITS

- EXHIBIT A:** Magisterial District Re-Establishment Guidelines
- EXHIBIT B:** 2000 Census Report
- EXHIBIT C:** 2010 Census Report
- EXHIBIT D:** Average Caseload Filings and Workload by County, including caseweight key.
- EXHIBIT E:** Proposed Realignment Map (Wyoming County)
- EXHIBIT F:** Re-establishment Map (Sullivan County)
- EXHIBIT G:** Public Notice



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WHAT YOUR PACKET OF INFORMATION CONTAINS

1. Case filings statistics by case type for the last six years (2005-2010) for each magisterial district within your judicial district. While we can provide a breakdown of filings by municipality for criminal, traffic, non-traffic and private complaints, we are not able to provide a breakdown by ward within a municipality. Civil, landlord-tenant and miscellaneous docket statistics are available by magisterial district.
2. For comparison purposes, average filings are provided by case type for each county and class of county statewide.
3. In addition to case filing statistics, a new measure was developed earlier this year to differentiate among case types and the resulting judicial workload that arises from those filings. This measure was developed by a committee of approximately twenty magisterial district judges (MDJs) from districts of varying size and demographics, representative of the Commonwealth; and is based upon empirical studies of the amount of judge time required to process each case type. Actual case filings are then adjusted by the relative case type weights derived from the study. We call this measurement workload since it measures not just the volume of filings within a magisterial district, but the relative amount of work required by the judge.
4. 2000 and 2010 United States Census Bureau population statistics and population density calculations for each county.
5. Magisterial district judge term expiration and birthdate data for each judge within your judicial district.

ANALYSIS OF POSSIBLE ELIMINATION OF DISTRICTS

The Chief Justice established a goal of reducing the number of magisterial districts statewide by 10%. This does not mean that each judicial district must reduce the number of MDJs by 10%; or that any elimination must occur immediately. The goal of the Supreme Court is that by the end of the process there will be 10% fewer magisterial districts statewide. Each president judge, therefore, is being asked to assess whether it is feasible to eliminate any of the magisterial districts in your county. Elimination of magisterial districts should include both an analysis of the data and consideration of additional relevant circumstances; and should ensure any modifications do not compromise the effective and efficient administration of justice.

1. The strong preference is to eliminate magisterial districts through attrition. Whenever practicable, reductions should occur by eliminating a district which is vacant or in which the incumbent is retiring or not planning to seek reelection. As a result, elimination of districts may occur anywhere from two to six years in the future, depending upon retirement dates. There might be circumstances, however, where elimination of a district needs to occur but no vacancies are in the offing. In that instance, care should be taken to ensure that the elimination of the district occurs at the conclusion of the incumbent judge's term.
2. When it is not feasible to eliminate a magisterial district based on attrition, average caseload should be used to evaluate whether to eliminate one or more magisterial districts.



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Using the data provided, begin by reviewing the average caseloads of the offices within your judicial district; and further compare your judicial district's average caseload with the average caseload for your class of county and judicial districts within your class of county. When a magisterial district falls at the lower end of this range, and absent a projected significant increase in filings, or other factors not reflected in the caseload statistics that may justify the continued existence of the smaller offices, serious consideration should be given to their elimination.

3. If the average caseload of the magisterial districts is not more than 10% above the average caseload for your class of county and you are not recommending the elimination of any districts, you must provide an explanation why no districts are being proposed for elimination.
4. Average caseload comparisons will guide the process in one of the following directions: eliminate one or more magisterial districts and realign the affected magisterial districts; or reestablish the magisterial district(s) and provide a rationale, if required.
5. To ensure effective court operations when confronted with eliminating one or more district courts, evaluate the workload within your judicial district. The workload calculation differentiates between treating all case types the same and acknowledging that a different level of effort is required for different types of cases. It is an impartial method to determine if the existing mix of case types and filings and the resulting workload is effective, or if there are areas within your judicial district where workload is concentrated. Realignment is helpful in alleviating imbalances.
6. No magisterial district should have a total workload which is 15% higher or lower than the workload of any other district in the judicial district. If a departure of that degree exists, an explanation must be provided that describes why this does not result in an inequity among the judges in the judicial district. Such explanation could include factors such as projected caseload growth, reduction in the effected districts, or the use of a central court or other mechanism that would redirect caseload.
7. In addition to assessing caseload and workload, the following factors should also be considered:
 - a. Every magisterial district court must be located within the magisterial district boundaries.
 - b. All portions of the magisterial district must be contiguous.
 - c. No district can be eliminated during the term of an incumbent MDJ.
 - d. District boundaries cannot be redrawn in such a way that would move an incumbent district judge's residence into another magisterial district.
 - e. Voting districts cannot be split.
 - f. Any planned development in the county such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings of the effected district should be discussed.

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- g. Note any special programs in your county that will entail effort by MDJs, such as truancy programs or drug, veteran, or mental health diversion programs.
- h. Unlike the previous reestablishment guidelines, there is no hard and fast rule that no one within a district should have to travel more than one half hour to reach the MDJ office. Instead, public convenience and safety is a factor that should be considered and weighed along with all others.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In preparing your reestablishment plan, it is recommended that you begin by conferring with the MDJs in your county. While you obviously have the final say in making a recommendation to the Supreme Court, the input of the MDJs can provide invaluable information, such as retirement plans of judges and trends they have seen in their districts.
2. Proposed reestablishment plans must be posted for public comment before submission to AOPC. Interested parties should have at least thirty days from the publishing date to submit comments. Posting can be done by electronic posting of the proposal on the court or county website and/or by placing a physical copy at various public locations such as public libraries and court offices. Media outlets in your county should be alerted to the posting of the proposal. A copy of the posting and any public comments received should be submitted along with your final proposal.
3. Complete a worksheet detailing the specific proposal for your judicial district and each magisterial district (sample attached).
4. Certify that the office and residence of the MDJ are within the district boundaries.
5. All complete plans must be submitted to the AOPC by February 15, 2012.
 - a. An original copy of the plan should be mailed to:
Joseph Mittleman
Director, Judicial Programs
Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts
1515 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA 19101
 - b. An electronic copy should be submitted via email to Amy Kehner at amy.kehner@pacourts.us.

Plans will be reviewed for accuracy and completeness and forwarded to the Supreme Court for consideration.

6. If you have any questions about process or policy, please contact Joe Mittleman at 215-560-6300 or at joseph.mittleman@pacourts.us. If you have technical questions or need assistance with statistics, please contact Amy Kehner at 717-231-3300 X4014 or at amy.kehner@pacourts.us.



2011-12 Magisterial District Reestablishment
2000 POPULATION DATA

COUNTY	NAME	POPULATION	LAND AREA (SqMi)	POPULATION DENSITY
Sullivan	CHERRY TWP	1,234	44.87	0.0364
Sullivan	CHERRY TWP PCT BERNICE	484	12.76	0.0264
Sullivan	COLLEY TWP	122	28.2	0.2311
Sullivan	COLLEY TWP PCT LOPEZ	525	29.78	0.0567
Sullivan	DAVIDSON TWP Voting District*	626	78.12	0.1248
Sullivan	DUSHORE Voting District*	663	0.88	0.0013
Sullivan	EAGLES MERE Voting District*	153	2.06	0.0134
Sullivan	EKLAND TWP Voting District*	607	38.49	0.0634
Sullivan	FORKS TWP Voting District*	407	43.87	0.1078
Sullivan	FORKSVILLE Voting District*	147	1.51	0.0102
Sullivan	FOX TWP Voting District*	332	38.49	0.1159
Sullivan	HILLSGROVE TWP Voting District*	265	28.42	0.1073
Sullivan	LAPORTE TWP Voting District*	373	53.54	0.1435
Sullivan	LAPORTE Voting District*	290	1.12	0.0039
Sullivan	SHREWSBURY TWP Voting District*	328	47.81	0.1458
Wyoming	BRAINTRIM TWP Voting District*	508	6	0.0118
Wyoming	CLINTON TWP Voting District*	1,343	12.23	0.0091
Wyoming	EATON TWP Voting District*	1,644	36.19	0.022
Wyoming	EXETER TWP Voting District*	748	3.13	0.0042
Wyoming	FACTORYVILLE WD 01*	726	0.3	0.0004
Wyoming	FACTORYVILLE WD 02*	418	0.44	0.0011
Wyoming	FALLS TWP WD 01	921	11.13	0.0121
Wyoming	FALLS TWP WD 02	1,076	9.54	0.0089
Wyoming	FORKSTON TWP Voting District*	386	70.75	0.1833
Wyoming	LACEYVILLE Voting District*	396	0.21	0.0005
Wyoming	LEMON TWP Voting District*	1,189	16.15	0.0136
Wyoming	MEHOOPANY TWP Voting District*	993	17.16	0.0173
Wyoming	MESHOPPEN TWP Voting District*	877	15.53	0.0177
Wyoming	MESHOPPEN Voting District*	459	0.71	0.0016
Wyoming	MONROE TWP Voting District*	1,836	20.74	0.0113
Wyoming	NICHOLSON TWP Voting District*	1,361	22.54	0.0166
Wyoming	NICHOLSON WD 01*	317	0.42	0.0013
Wyoming	NICHOLSON WD 02*	396	0.81	0.002

EXHIBIT B



2011-12 Magisterial District Reestablishment
2000 POPULATION DATA

COUNTY	NAME	POPULATION	LAND AREA (SqMi)	POPULATION DENSITY
Wyoming	NORTH BRANCH TWP Voting District*	197	22.34	0.1134
Wyoming	NORTHMORELAND TWP Voting District*	1,463	19.53	0.0133
Wyoming	NOXEN TWP Voting District*	951	28.52	0.03
Wyoming	OVERFIELD TWP Voting District*	1,532	9.88	0.0064
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 01*	2,811	24.5	0.0087
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 02*	1,487	6.61	0.0044
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 01*	204	0.11	0.0005
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 02	821	0.24	0.0003
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 03	368	0.17	0.0005
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 04*	518	0.36	0.0007
Wyoming	WASHINGTON TWP Voting District*	1,306	18.68	0.0143
Wyoming	WINDHAM TWP Voting District*	828	22.27	0.0269
		34,636	847	



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2010 POPULATION DATA

COUNTY	NAME	POPULATION	LAND (SqMf)	POPULATION DENSITY
Sullivan	CHERRY TWP Voting District	1,205	47.76	0.0396
Sullivan	CHERRY TWP PCT BERNICE	500	10.17	0.0203
Sullivan	COLLEY TWP Voting District	160	23.77	0.1486
Sullivan	COLLEY TWP PCT LOPEZ	534	34.49	0.0646
Sullivan	DAVIDSON TWP Voting District	573	77.86	0.1359
Sullivan	DUSHORE Voting District	608	0.79	0.0013
Sullivan	EAGLES MERE Voting District	120	2.06	0.0172
Sullivan	ELKLAND TWP Voting District	577	38.46	0.0667
Sullivan	FORKS TWP Voting District	377	43.41	0.1151
Sullivan	FORKSVILLE Voting District	145	1.57	0.0109
Sullivan	FOX TWP Voting District	358	38.86	0.1085
Sullivan	HILLSGROVE TWP Voting District	287	28.51	0.0993
Sullivan	LAPORTE TWP Voting District	349	54	0.1547
Sullivan	LAPORTE Voting District	316	1.07	0.0034
Sullivan	SHREWSBURY TWP Voting District	319	47.16	0.1478
Wyoming	BRAINTRIM TWP Voting District	502	5.83	0.0116
Wyoming	CLINTON TWP Voting District	1,367	12.37	0.0091
Wyoming	EATON TWP Voting District	1,519	35.99	0.0237
Wyoming	EXETER TWP Voting District	690	3.13	0.0045
Wyoming	FACTORYVILLE WD 01	795	0.33	0.0004
Wyoming	FACTORYVILLE WD 02	363	0.38	0.0011
Wyoming	FALLS TWP WD 01	888	11.12	0.0125
Wyoming	FALLS TWP WD 02	1,107	9.48	0.0086
Wyoming	FORKSTON TWP Voting District	397	70.41	0.1774
Wyoming	LACEYVILLE Voting District	379	0.19	0.0005
Wyoming	LEMON TWP Voting District	1,243	16.06	0.0129
Wyoming	MEHOOPANY TWP Voting District	892	17.18	0.0193
Wyoming	MESHOPPEN TWP Voting District	1,073	15.71	0.0146
Wyoming	MESHOPPEN Voting District	563	0.69	0.0012
Wyoming	MONROE TWP Voting District	1,652	21.19	0.0128
Wyoming	NICHOLSON TWP Voting District	1,385	22.84	0.0165
Wyoming	NICHOLSON WD 01	391	0.36	0.0009
Wyoming	NICHOLSON WD 02	376	0.81	0.0021

EXHIBIT C



2011-12 Magisterial District Reestablishment
2010 POPULATION DATA

COUNTY	NAME	POPULATION	LAND (SqMi)	POPULATION DENSITY
Wyoming	NORTH BRANCH TWP Voting District	206	22.37	0.1086
Wyoming	NORTHMORELAND TWP Voting District	1,558	19.66	0.0126
Wyoming	NOXEN TWP Voting District	902	28.71	0.0318
Wyoming	OVERFIELD TWP Voting District	1,666	9.93	0.006
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 01	2,840	24.1	0.0085
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK TWP DIST 02	1,433	6.57	0.0046
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 01	407	0.16	0.0004
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 02	594	0.19	0.0003
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 03	354	0.17	0.0005
Wyoming	TUNKHANNOCK WD 04	481	0.36	0.0008
Wyoming	WASHINGTON TWP Voting District	1,412	18.75	0.0133
Wyoming	WINDHAM TWP Voting District	841	22.26	0.0265
		34,704	847.24	

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Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

Class of County/County	Average Filings							AVERAGE CASELOAD
	CR	NT	PC	TR	Civil	LT	MD	
2	623	952	222	3,149	2,153	1,623	223	8,947
Allegheny	623	952	222	3,149	2,153	1,623	223	8,947
2A	424	760	28	4,253	356	222	93	6,136
Bucks	523	713	11	4,620	454	297	149	6,768
Delaware	338	729	52	2,959	229	183	26	4,516
Montgomery	410	838	21	5,181	383	185	106	7,124
3	409	803	171	3,459	288	194	114	5,440
Berks	380	1,369	92	4,045	312	199	304	6,701
Chester	354	968	22	5,478	269	151	40	7,282
Dauphin	553	895	408	4,139	315	365	149	6,824
Erie	319	671	163	1,575	225	160	111	3,224
Lackawanna	473	635	177	2,551	290	198	53	4,378
Lancaster	365	780	64	3,812	290	198	53	5,562
Lehigh	501	891	172	4,214	359	279	177	6,592
Luzerne	386	725	168	2,416	333	93	119	4,239
Northampton	344	587	92	3,383	245	128	68	4,845
Westmoreland	374	449	273	2,945	234	90	42	4,406
York	455	864	252	3,495	302	278	138	5,783
4	404	724	176	2,697	250	97	58	4,407
Beaver	443	600	152	2,736	212	138	51	4,333
Butler	489	843	106	2,960	336	105	56	4,894
Cambria	402	474	162	1,619	175	52	23	2,907
Cumberland	434	652	461	4,407	307	151	67	6,479
Fayette	346	880	102	1,745	209	53	58	3,394
Schuylkill	354	806	18	2,514	294	77	122	4,184
Washington	362	811	230	2,898	218	105	31	4,655
5	409	688	144	2,559	289	101	85	4,275
Blair	503	599	116	1,759	231	76	108	3,392
Centre	433	1,025	200	4,404	244	102	62	6,470
Franklin	413	637	200	2,089	259	109	96	3,803
Lawrence	405	544	72	2,195	221	103	37	3,577
Lebanon	413	876	35	3,408	334	120	71	5,256
Lycoming	398	693	80	2,156	391	127	92	3,938
Mercer	482	730	319	2,363	298	131	154	4,478
Monroe	287	516	97	2,749	413	85	92	4,240
Northumberland	348	567	173	1,907	211	57	54	3,318
6	251	485	126	2,087	231	43	41	3,263
Adams	366	582	215	3,094	268	103	56	4,685
Armstrong	345	725	183	1,566	182	44	57	3,102
Bedford	156	237	96	4,128	125	27	26	4,795
Bradford	276	418	152	1,691	326	45	21	2,929
Carbon	258	984	33	3,983	361	77	50	5,746
Clarion	210	390	213	2,232	119	12	21	3,197
Clearfield	348	623	123	2,512	372	45	43	4,066

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Class of County/County	Average Filings							AVERAGE CASELOAD
	CR	NT	PC	TR	Civil	LT	MD	
Clinton	180	398	21	2,427	141	57	58	3,283
Columbia	286	678	135	3,027	454	67	44	4,690
Crawford	234	392	106	1,547	201	44	52	2,577
Elk	244	437	137	1,860	256	26	43	3,002
Greene	247	399	293	1,665	147	52	35	2,838
Huntingdon	178	383	64	932	125	24	22	1,727
Indiana	470	852	120	2,518	229	89	100	4,378
Jefferson	292	383	191	2,531	262	31	40	3,730
McKean	217	410	140	1,040	168	29	41	2,045
Mifflin	301	569	178	1,519	231	39	35	2,872
Pike	140	395	38	1,894	350	31	18	2,866
Somerset	274	494	81	3,142	191	36	20	4,238
Susquehanna	198	322	57	1,512	151	29	22	2,291
Tioga	183	395	65	1,675	169	24	29	2,541
Venango	259	503	130	1,456	152	36	76	2,612
Warren	185	296	162	1,000	237	27	43	1,950
Wayne	173	375	84	1,138	330	40	24	2,165
7	196	397	246	2,043	186	34	37	3,139
Juniata	159	347	38	1,874	140	15	39	2,612
Perry	213	400	908	1,462	183	77	20	3,263
Snyder	191	328	107	2,515	226	25	40	3,431
Union	243	603	68	2,665	244	36	49	3,907
Wyoming	176	306	111	1,700	139	17	35	2,484
8	124	230	28	1,645	122	16	44	2,209
Cameron	104	237	19	1,019	105	5	29	1,519
Forest	111	269	16	919	61	7	20	1,403
Fulton	68	189	8	2,199	63	10	24	2,560
Montour	257	331	107	3,381	345	63	137	4,620
Potter	104	146	11	620	62	5	30	978
Sullivan	101	206	10	1,732	94	9	24	2,175
STATE AVERAGE	355	630	143	2,737	484	291	87	4,727

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Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

Class of County/County	Average Workload							AVERAGE WORKLOAD
	CR	NT	PC	TR	CIVIL	LT	MD	
2	22,884	10,229	2,389	7,180	4,109	3,973	7,273	58,037
Allegheny	22,884	10,229	2,389	7,180	4,109	3,973	7,273	58,037
2A	15,552	8,163	302	9,697	4,011	3,211	3,043	43,979
Bucks	19,210	7,661	120	10,534	5,124	4,298	4,842	51,790
Delaware	12,403	7,824	557	6,746	2,585	2,652	849	33,616
Montgomery	15,043	9,003	229	11,812	4,324	2,683	3,438	46,532
3	15,034	8,623	1,838	7,887	3,253	2,816	3,717	43,169
Berks	13,954	14,700	991	9,222	3,523	2,882	9,905	55,177
Chester	13,005	10,394	233	12,489	3,031	2,193	1,314	42,660
Dauphin	20,310	9,610	4,386	9,438	3,548	5,286	4,861	57,437
Erie	11,735	7,207	1,748	3,591	2,537	2,313	3,626	32,758
Lackawanna	17,386	6,816	1,905	5,817	3,269	2,867	1,732	39,791
Lancaster	13,385	8,380	692	8,690	3,269	2,867	1,732	39,015
Lehigh	18,382	9,567	1,843	9,608	4,046	4,041	5,775	53,263
Luzerne	14,170	7,782	1,805	5,508	3,755	1,348	3,873	38,239
Northampton	12,630	6,302	983	7,712	2,759	1,856	2,208	34,451
Westmoreland	13,718	4,825	2,928	6,715	2,637	1,305	1,359	33,488
York	16,694	9,275	2,709	7,968	3,404	4,021	4,504	48,576
4	14,845	7,773	1,890	6,149	2,975	1,354	1,898	36,884
Beaver	16,282	6,444	1,636	6,238	2,395	2,005	1,645	36,645
Butler	17,946	9,050	1,136	6,748	3,790	1,525	1,829	42,024
Cambria	14,763	5,094	1,743	3,690	3,049	362	746	29,447
Cumberland	15,929	6,999	4,956	10,048	3,462	2,186	2,193	45,774
Fayette	12,712	9,456	1,100	3,978	2,358	774	1,888	32,265
Schuylkill	12,994	8,658	195	5,731	3,316	1,109	3,964	35,967
Washington	13,287	8,713	2,467	6,608	2,456	1,513	1,021	36,065
5	15,026	7,384	1,542	5,835	3,259	1,465	2,773	37,284
Blair	18,473	6,433	1,248	4,011	2,602	1,095	3,513	37,376
Centre	15,898	11,013	2,149	10,042	2,751	1,474	2,016	45,343
Franklin	15,175	6,837	2,150	4,762	2,917	1,581	3,130	36,552
Lawrence	14,867	5,844	768	5,005	2,493	1,492	1,212	31,681
Lebanon	15,159	9,404	371	7,769	3,769	1,742	2,305	40,520
Lycoming	14,603	7,446	864	4,917	4,410	1,838	3,002	37,079
Mercer	17,713	7,844	3,431	5,388	3,359	1,898	5,011	44,644
Monroe	10,553	5,547	1,038	6,269	4,655	1,237	3,009	32,308
Northumberland	12,793	6,088	1,863	4,349	2,376	824	1,757	30,050
6	9,211	5,209	1,361	4,758	2,597	624	1,322	25,084
Adams	13,455	6,250	2,313	7,055	3,022	1,497	1,816	35,408
Armstrong	12,678	7,788	1,964	3,570	2,054	639	1,846	30,538
Bedford	5,725	2,546	1,026	9,412	1,409	395	850	21,362
Bradford	10,127	4,488	1,632	3,856	3,676	650	668	25,097
Carbon	9,483	10,567	353	9,081	4,073	1,121	1,615	36,292
Clarion	7,716	4,186	2,291	5,088	1,339	180	695	21,494
Clearfield	12,780	6,693	1,325	5,727	4,198	650	1,403	32,776



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Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

Class of County/County	Average Workload							AVERAGE WORKLOAD
	CR	NT	PC	TR	CIVIL	LT	MD	
Clinton	6,622	4,274	227	5,535	1,590	821	1,885	20,954
Columbia	10,485	7,282	1,445	6,901	5,117	968	1,430	33,630
Crawford	8,592	4,213	1,143	3,528	2,263	638	1,678	22,055
Elk	8,947	4,696	1,470	4,240	2,885	374	1,401	24,013
Greene	9,078	4,285	3,150	3,796	1,656	751	1,151	23,866
Huntingdon	6,524	4,111	690	2,125	1,404	351	703	15,907
Indiana	17,275	9,146	1,287	5,741	2,585	1,283	3,241	40,559
Jefferson	10,724	4,118	2,046	5,772	2,952	454	1,303	27,369
McKean	7,980	4,408	1,500	2,372	1,897	413	1,330	19,900
Mifflin	11,057	6,107	1,914	3,463	2,603	566	1,147	26,858
Pike	5,144	4,246	411	4,319	3,948	442	597	19,106
Somerset	10,047	5,304	872	7,163	2,156	522	647	26,712
Susquehanna	7,269	3,458	614	3,447	1,699	424	731	17,641
Tioga	6,732	4,241	698	3,820	1,911	348	955	18,705
Venango	9,504	5,406	1,391	3,320	1,718	515	2,483	24,338
Warren	6,793	3,179	2,003	2,280	2,458	387	1,386	18,486
Wayne	6,334	4,030	903	2,595	3,725	584	774	18,945
7	7,203	4,262	2,646	4,659	2,103	490	1,194	22,557
Juniata	5,829	3,725	406	4,273	1,584	218	1,276	17,311
Perry	7,821	4,292	9,750	3,334	2,065	1,113	651	29,028
Snyder	7,005	3,522	1,147	5,734	2,547	357	1,310	21,622
Union	8,905	6,478	734	6,075	2,751	514	1,591	27,047
Wyoming	6,457	3,290	1,193	3,876	1,567	249	1,144	17,776
8	4,555	2,468	305	3,750	1,373	238	1,437	14,126
Cameron	3,831	2,549	208	2,323	1,184	77	955	11,127
Forest	4,076	2,889	172	2,095	688	101	651	10,673
Fulton	2,491	2,034	82	5,014	706	138	785	11,249
Montour	9,431	3,557	1,144	7,708	3,895	907	4,473	31,115
Potter	3,809	1,569	120	1,414	704	68	977	8,660
Sullivan	3,690	2,212	107	3,948	1,058	135	782	11,934
STATE AVERAGE	13,039	6,764	1,534	6,239	2,960	1,771	2,832	35,140



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Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

County	AVG Workload	RANGE	
		MIN	MAX
Adams	35,408	30,097	40,719
Armstrong	30,538	25,957	35,118
Beaver	36,645	31,149	42,142
Bedford	21,362	18,158	24,566
Berks	55,177	46,900	63,453
Blair	37,376	31,769	42,982
Bradford	25,097	21,333	28,862
Bucks	51,790	44,021	59,558
Butler	42,024	35,720	48,327
Cambria	29,447	25,030	33,864
Cameron	11,127	9,458	12,796
Carbon	36,292	30,848	41,736
Centre	45,343	38,541	52,144
Chester	42,660	36,261	49,059
Clarion	21,494	18,270	24,718
Clearfield	32,776	27,860	37,693
Clinton	20,954	17,810	24,097
Columbia	33,630	28,585	38,674
Crawford	22,055	18,747	25,364
Cumberland	45,774	38,908	52,640
Dauphin	57,437	48,822	66,053
Delaware	33,616	28,573	38,658
Elk	24,013	20,411	27,615
Erie	32,758	27,844	37,672
Fayette	32,265	27,425	37,105
Forest	10,673	9,072	12,274
Franklin	36,552	31,070	42,035
Fulton	11,249	9,562	12,937
Greene	23,866	20,286	27,446
Huntingdon	15,907	13,521	18,293
Indiana	40,559	34,475	46,642
Jefferson	27,369	23,263	31,474
Juniata	17,311	14,715	19,908
Lackawanna	39,791	33,823	45,760
Lancaster	39,015	33,163	44,868
Lawrence	31,681	26,929	36,433



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Average Filings and Workload by County and Class of County

County	AVG Workload	RANGE	
		MIN	MAX
Lebanon	40,520	34,442	46,598
Lehigh	53,263	45,273	61,252
Luzerne	38,239	32,503	43,975
Lycoming	37,079	31,518	42,641
McKean	19,900	16,915	22,885
Mercer	44,644	37,948	51,341
Mifflin	26,858	22,829	30,887
Monroe	32,308	27,462	37,154
Montgomery	46,532	39,552	53,512
Montour	31,115	26,448	35,782
Northampton	34,451	29,283	39,618
Northumberland	30,050	25,543	34,558
Perry	29,028	24,674	33,382
Pike	19,106	16,240	21,972
Potter	8,660	7,361	9,959
Schuylkill	35,967	30,572	41,362
Snyder	21,622	18,379	24,865
Somerset	26,712	22,705	30,718
Sullivan	11,934	10,144	13,724
Susquehanna	17,641	14,995	20,288
Tioga	18,705	15,899	21,511
Union	27,047	22,990	31,105
Venango	24,338	20,687	27,989
Warren	18,486	15,713	21,259
Washington	36,065	30,655	41,475
Wayne	18,945	16,103	21,786
Westmoreland	33,488	28,465	38,511
Wyoming	17,776	15,110	20,443
York	48,576	41,289	55,862

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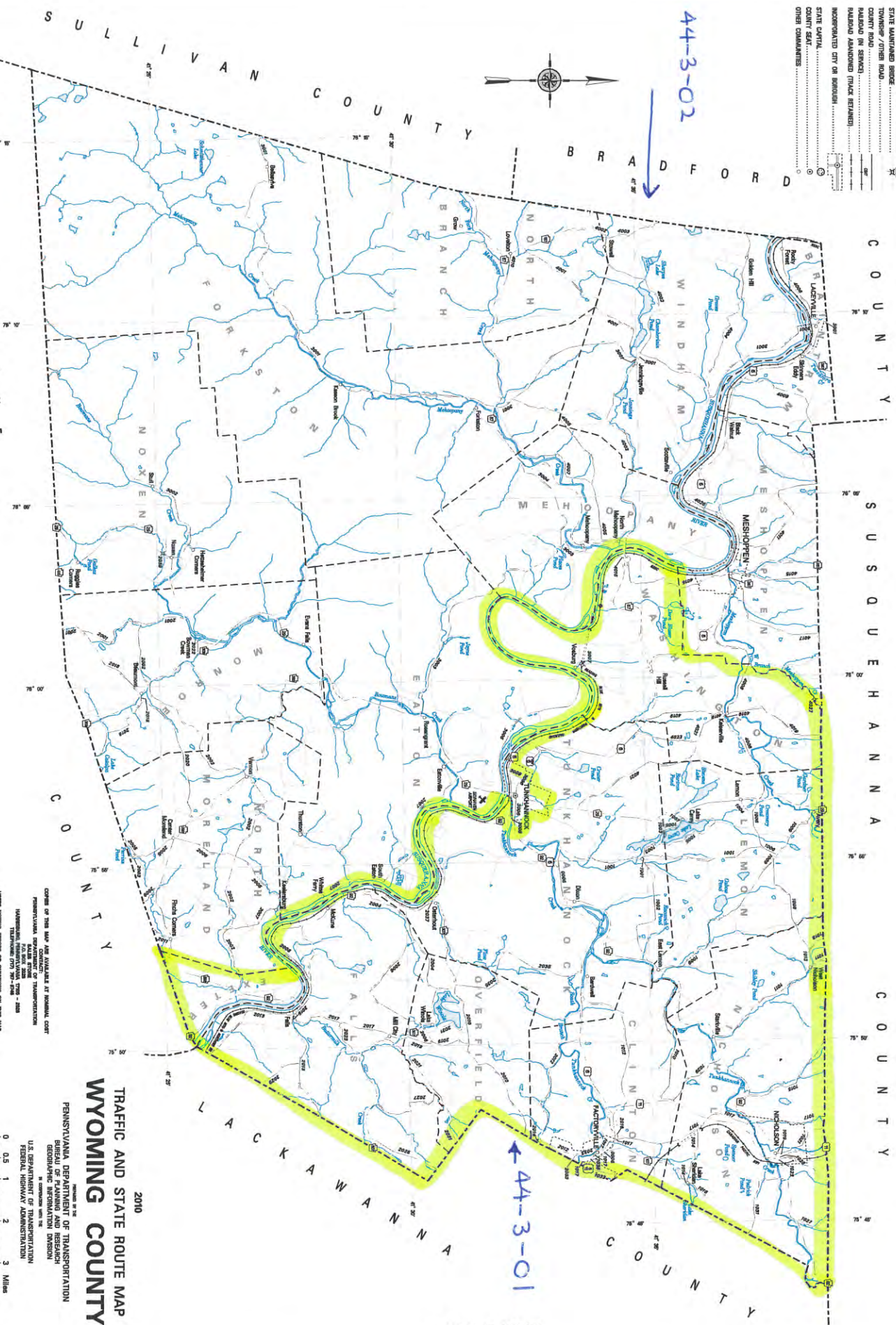
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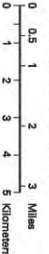
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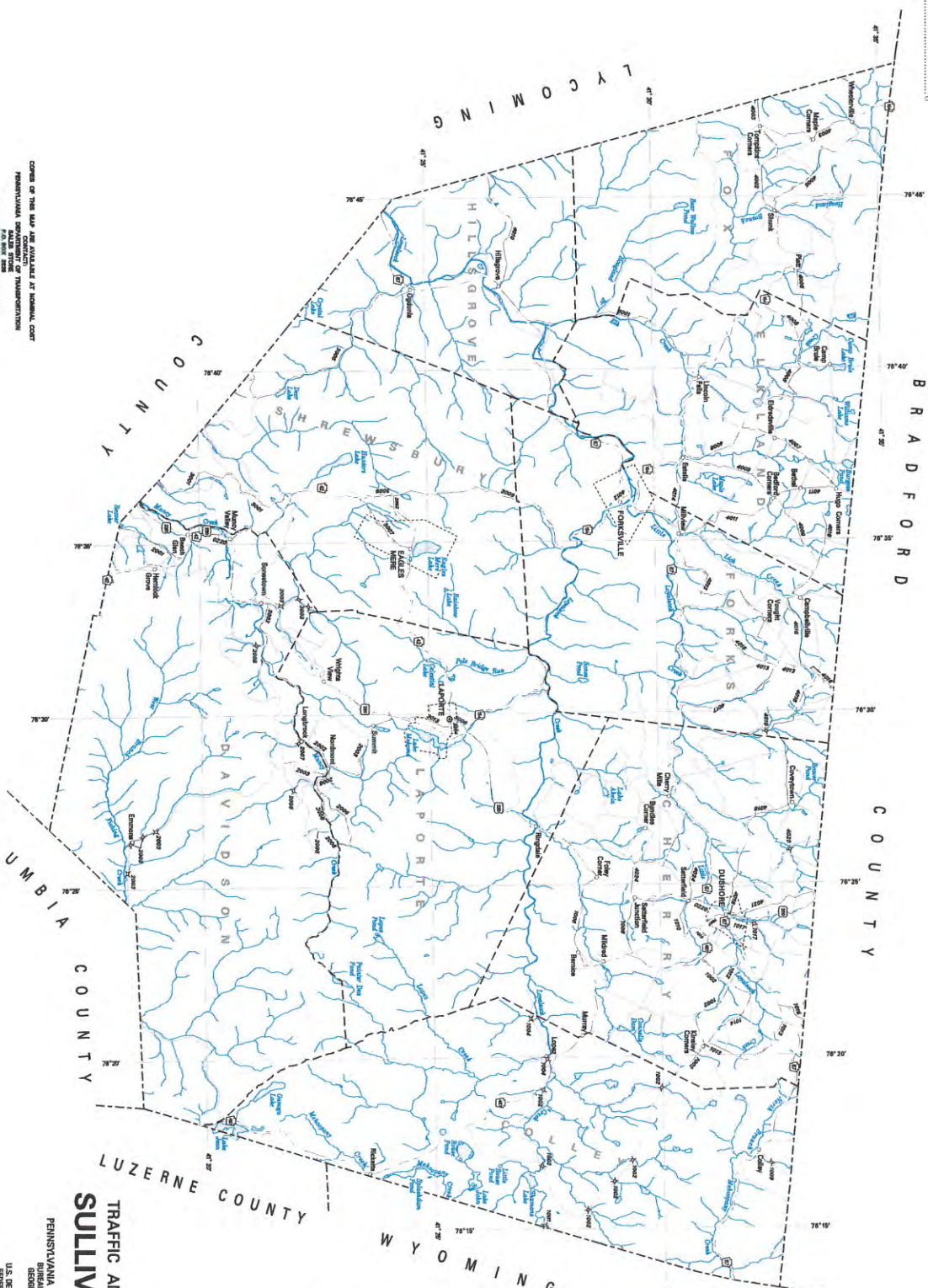
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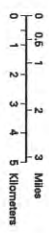
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 OTHER CHARACTERS



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PUBLIC NOTICE

A proposed report on the Re-Alignment of the Magisterial District Courts of the 44th Judicial District, as prepared in accordance with the direction of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, will be available for in-office review at the Magisterial District Judges' Offices of Wyoming and Sullivan Counties and in the Office of the District Court Administrator, Wyoming County Courthouse, Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, February 29, 2012.

To obtain a copy by mail or in person, submit your request to the District Court Administrator with a check or money order payable to Wyoming County Treasurer in the amount of \$5.00.

Copies of the proposed report will also be available in the following community libraries: Wyoming County Law Library, Sullivan County Law Library, Tunkhannock Public Library, Frances Kennard Public Library, Mehoopany Area Library and Sullivan County Library.

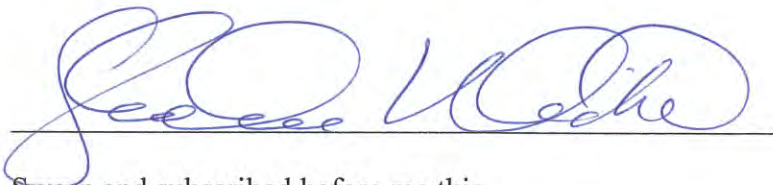
Any written comments regarding the proposed changes should be submitted in writing and sent to the Office of the District Court Administrator, Wyoming County Courthouse, One Courthouse Square, Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania. Written comments received shall be included in the final report submitted to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania regarding the proposed changes.

Written comments will be accepted through March 29, 2012.

Russell D. Shurtleff, President Judge
44th Judicial District
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Shalane Weidow, being duly sworn, says she is the designated agent of Times-Shamrock owner and publisher of the Wyoming County Advance and the Wyoming County Press Examiner, newspapers of general circulation, established 1869, published in the City of Tunkhannock, county and state aforesaid. Affiant further deposes and says that neither the matter of the aforesaid notice or advertisement and that all allegations in the foregoing statement as time, place and character of the publication are true and that the printer notice or publication hereto attached is exactly as printed in the regular editions of the said newspaper on

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Sworn and subscribed before me this
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 Notary Public

My Commission Expires 4/7/14

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 My Commission Expires April 7, 2014
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