

INTRODUCTION

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has adopted the amendments to Rules 120 and 1120. The amendments are effective January 1, 2014.

EXPLANATORY REPORT JUNE 2013

The Committee recommended that a party, including the county agency, be prohibited from acting as clerk of courts.

It has always been understood that a party to the proceeding should not serve as clerk of courts. The clerk of courts is to be an unbiased and neutral person. The revisions to the Rules clarify the intent of the Rules.

Additionally, the county agency is being added to the definition of “party” because they are not technically a “person.”