

## **Summary of Proposed Changes within the 15th Judicial District of Chester County**

There are currently 16 Magisterial Districts within the 15th Judicial District of Chester County.

At the direction of the AOPC, Chester County was instructed to calculate its caseloads as a 2A class county. Although Chester County is officially classified as a 3<sup>rd</sup> class county, the judicial district has the population and characteristics of a larger county.

The following changes in the boundaries of the stated magisterial districts are being proposed to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania:

1. Magisterial District 15-1-02 as currently established will include Westtown Voting Precinct 2 and Tredyffrin Voting Precinct E-5 and exclude Tredyffrin W-3. All other voting precincts within the municipalities of Malvern Borough, East Goshen Township, Willistown Township, Easttown Township and Tredyffrin Township which are currently included in Magisterial District 15-1-02 will remain unchanged.
2. Magisterial District 15-2-03 as currently established will exclude Westtown Voting Precinct 2. All other voting precincts within the municipalities of West Goshen Township, Westtown Township, and Thornbury Township which are currently included in Magisterial District 15-2-03 will remain unchanged.
3. Magisterial District 15-2-07 as currently established will include East Caln Township. All other municipalities (West Pikeland Township, Upper Uwchlan Township and Uwchlan Township) which are currently included in Magisterial District 15-2-07 will remain unchanged.
4. Magisterial District 15-4-01 as currently established will include Tredyffrin Voting Precinct W-3 and exclude Tredyffrin Voting Precinct E-5. All other voting precincts within the municipalities of East Whiteland Township and Tredyffrin Township which are currently included in Magisterial District 15-4-01 will remain unchanged.
5. Magisterial District 15-4-02 as currently established will exclude East Caln Township. All other municipalities (Downingtown Borough, Caln Township, and East Brandywine Township) which are currently included in Magisterial District 15-4-02 will remain unchanged.

Any other magisterial district not specifically mentioned above will be reestablished as currently established.

Court Administration has verified that all elected MDJ's residences lie within the district's boundaries. All district court facilities are located within the district boundaries.

except for Magisterial District 15-4-02. The facility lies within a few hundred yards outside of the jurisdiction from which the MDJ has been elected. A petition is being submitted with the reestablishment package requesting approval to be outside the district in accordance with Rule 101(B) of the Rules and Standards with Respect to Offices of Magisterial District Judges.

If approved, the Magisterial Districts shall be as follows:

Magisterial District 15-1-01 Magisterial District Judge Marc J. Lieberman	East Bradford Township West Bradford Township West Chester Borough (Wards 3, 6 and 7)
Magisterial District 15-1-02 Magisterial District Judge Mackenzie W. Smith	East Goshen Township Easttown Township Malvern Borough Tredyffrin Township (Voting Districts East 1, 2 and 5, Middle 1, 2, 5 and 6, West 4) Westtown Township 2 Willistown Township
Magisterial District 15-1-03 Magisterial District Judge Gregory Hines	City of Coatesville South Coatesville Borough
Magisterial District 15-1-04 Magisterial District Judge Marian T. Vito	West Chester Borough - Wards 1, 2, 4 and 5
Magisterial District 15-2-01 Magisterial District Judge James C. Kovaleski	Borough of Phoenixville Charlestown Township Schuylkill Township
Magisterial District 15-2-03 Magisterial District Judge Martin G. Goch	West Goshen Township Westtown Township voting wards 1,3,4 and 5 Thornbury Township
Magisterial District 15-2-07 Magisterial District Judge N. Paige Simmons	East Caln Township Upper Uwchlan Township Uwchlan Township West Pikeland Township
Magisterial District 15-3-01 Magisterial District Judge John Hipple	Borough of Spring City East Coventry Township East Nantmeal Township East Pikeland Township East Vincent Township North Coventry Township South Coventry Township Warwick Township West Vincent Township
Magisterial District 15-3-04 Magisterial District Judge Albert Iacocca	Birmingham Township Borough of Kennett Square East Marlborough Township Kennett Township Newlin Township Pennsbury Township

	Pocopson Township
Magisterial District 15-3-05 Magisterial District Judge Scott A. Massey	Borough of Oxford, East Nottingham Township Elk Township Lower Oxford Township New London Township Penn Township Upper Oxford Township West Nottingham Township
Magisterial District 15-3-06 VACANT	Elverson Borough Honey Brook Borough Honey Brook Township Sadsbury Township Wallace Township West Brandywine Township West Caln Township West Nantmeal Township
Magisterial District 15-3-07 Magisterial District Judge Nancy A. Gill	Borough Atglen Borough Modena Borough Parkesburg East Fallowfield Township Highland Township Londonderry Township Valley Township West Fallowfield Township West Sadsbury
Magisterial District 15-4-01 Magisterial District Judge Lauren Holt	East Whiteland Township: Wards 3, 4, 5 & 6 Tredyffrin Township: Precincts of E-3, E-4, M-2, M-3, M-4, M-7, W-1, W-2, W-3, and W-5
Magisterial District 15-4-02 Magisterial District Judge Ann Feldman	Caln Township Downingtown Borough East Brandywine Township
Magisterial District 15-4-03 Magisterial District Judge John R. Bailey	East Whiteland Township: Wards 1 & 2 West Whiteland Township
Magisterial District 15-4-04 Magisterial District Judge Matthew Seavey	Avondale Borough Franklin Township London Britain Township London Grove Township New Garden Township West Grove Borough West Marlborough Township

**Judicial District Summary Worksheet – Reestablishment 2021-2022**

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<b>Judicial District Number:</b>	15	<b>County:</b>	Chester	<b>Class of County:</b>	2A
<p>1. List the existing magisterial districts in your judicial district (##-##-##):</p> <p>15-1-01, 15-1-02, 15-1-03, 15-1-04, 15-2-01, 15-2-03, 15-2-07, 15-3-01, 15-3-04, 15-3-05, 15-3-06, 15-3-07, 15-4-01, 15-4-02, 15-4-03, 15-4-04</p> <p>*2A as per AOPC direction</p>					
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>					
2. Average total caseloads:		<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>		<i>Avg for Class of County</i>	
		A.	6,257	B.	5,525
3. Compare the difference between the caseload average of your judicial district to the class of county.		<i>Difference (2A - 2B)</i>		<i>Ranking</i>	<i>Total</i>
		732		1st	out of 5
4. Is your judicial district caseload average at the lower end of the caseload range when compared to the other judicial districts in your class of county?				No	
<b>Proposed Actions</b>					
5. Are any magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment?					Yes
If YES, list the magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment (no changes).					
15-1-01, 15-1-03, 15-1-04, 15-2-01, 15-3-01, 15-3-04, 15-3-05, 15-3-06, 15-3-07, 15-4-03, 15-4-04					
6. Are any magisterial district proposed for realignment?					Yes
If YES, list the magisterial districts proposed for realignment (changes).					
15-1-02, 15-2-03, 15-2-07, 15-4-01, 15-4-02					
7. Are any magisterial districts proposed for elimination?					No
If YES, list the magisterial districts proposed for elimination.					

Additional Workload Factors	
8. Do you have a night court operating within the judicial district?	No
9. Do you have a central court within your judicial district?	No
10. Do you have any special programs that will entail effort by the MDJs such as truancy programs or drug, DUI, veteran, or mental health diversion programs?  If <b>YES</b> , briefly explain the types of programs.  <small>Note: Chester County has a district wide program for truancy matters available to them. The program partners with the County's Children Youth and Families department and aims to get the child back into school and if certain attendance goals are met, then the case is withdrawn or dismissed. There are also several programs, requiring individual effort by MDJ's, that are noted on the judicial district summary worksheet.</small>	Yes
Final Checklist	
11. Was a request for public comment posted?	Yes
12. Method of posting - electronic, physical copy, or both?	Both
13. Were media outlets notified?	Yes
14. Were public comments received?	Yes
15. Did you include a copy of the posting and public comments in your submission?	Yes
16. Did you complete summary worksheets for all magisterial districts?	Yes
17. Did you include your petition and all supporting documentation, if applicable?	Yes
18. Did you confer with the MDJs in your county?	Yes
19. Additional Remarks	
<p>The petition included in the submission pertains to a request to permit the facility for Magisterial District 15-4-02 to remain outside of the judicial district where the MDJ was elected.</p> <p>District Court 15-2-06 was eliminated August 1, 2014                      District Court 15-1-05 was eliminated January 3, 2022</p>	
Verification of Submission	
20. Date submitted to AOPC:	
21. President Judge Name: <i>John L. Hall</i>	
<p>Signature <u><i>[Signature]</i></u> <i>2/28/22</i></p>	

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-1-01	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 7,872	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		1615	1st out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		2347	42 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 42,609	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		1,502	4 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			

Magisterial District Information	
<p>10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Marc J. Lieberman</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>                      <i>Birthdate</i>                      <i>Term Expiration Date</i>                      <i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i></p>	
<p>11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">201 W. Market Street, Suite 1307, West Chester, PA 19380</p>	
12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?	Yes
15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If <b>YES</b> , please summarize your response below.	No/Not Sure
<p>16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">West Chester Borough PD, Pennsylvania State Police- Embreeville Barracks</p>	
<p>17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Rte 322, Rte 842, Rte 162</p>	
<p>18. List the <b>current</b> municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click <a href="#">HERE</a> for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">East Bradford Township West Bradford Township West Chester Borough (Wards 3, 6 and 7)</p>	
19. Are the <b>proposed</b> municipalities the same as above? If <b>NO</b> , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).	Yes
20. Additional Comments:	

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-1-02	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: <b>Realign</b>		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 5,734	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		-523	14th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		209	4 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 30,947	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-10,160	-25 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			



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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-1-03	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2021	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 6,282	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		25	8th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		757	13 %
<p>6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">This magisterial district's caseload is comprised of a high volume of criminal matters. This jurisdiction absorbed additional caseload from District Court 15-1-05 that was eliminated in January 2022. New caseload will be monitored for caseload equity and addressed as necessary.</p>			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:		<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>
		A. 51,149	B. 41,107
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		10,042	24 %
<p>9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain (<i>summarize your response from the plan</i>) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The new configuration, effective January 2022, is a result of the elimination of 15-1-05. Filings for the realigned jurisdiction has been received by this court since July 2021. MDJ indicates that current caseload/workload is manageable. To better utilize resources, we are trying to keep the City of Coatesville within one magisterial district. We also analyzed moving some the voting wards to contiguous court's but it was determined to result in an unbalanced workload. The Police Department has requested to keep the City within one judicial district and staffing adjustments have been made to address the expected increased filings due to the 2022 configuration. We would like an opportunity to monitor the workloads under the 2022 configuration for a few years before deciding if action needs to be taken to address workload imbalances.</p>			

Magisterial District Information	
<p>10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Gregory V. Hines</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>                      <i>Birthdate</i>                      <i>Term Expiration Date</i>                      <i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i></p>	
<p>11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">1 City Hall Place, Suite 200, Coatesville, PA 19320</p>	
12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?	Yes
15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If <b>YES</b> , please summarize your response below.	No/Not Sure
<p>16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Coatesville City PD, South Coatesville PD</p>	
<p>17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Rte 30, East Lincoln Highway, Rte 82, Rte 372</p>	
<p>18. List the <b>current</b> municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click <a href="#">HERE</a> for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">City of Coatesville South Coatesville Borough</p>	
19. Are the <b>proposed</b> municipalities the same as above? If <b>NO</b> , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).	Yes
20. Additional Comments:	

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-1-04	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 6,863	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		606	4th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		1338	24 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 41,022	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-85	0 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			



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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-2-01	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 6,827	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		570	5th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		1302	24 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 40,002	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-1,105	-3 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			



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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-2-03	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: <b>Realign</b>		2. Effective date: <b>1/1/2024</b>	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. <b>5,983</b>	B. <b>6,257</b>	C. <b>5,525</b>
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		<b>-274</b>	<b>11th out of 16</b>
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		<b>458</b>	<b>8 %</b>
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. <b>38,324</b>	B. <b>41,107</b>	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		<b>-2,783</b>	<b>-7 %</b>
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			

**Magisterial District Information**

10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:

Martin G. Goch

*Magisterial District Judge Name*

*Birthdate*

*Term Expiration Date*

*Mandatory Retirement Date*

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

Government Services Center, 601 Westtown Road, Suite 110, West Chester, PA 19380

12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?

Yes

15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If **YES**, please summarize your response below.

No/Not Sure

16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.

West Goshen PD, Westtown-East Goshen Regional Police Department

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

Rte. 202, Rte. 100, Rte. 3, Rte. 352, Rte. 322

18. List the **current** municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click [HERE](#) for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.

Thornbury Township  
West Goshen Township  
Westtown Township

19. Are the **proposed** municipalities the same as above? If **NO**, please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).

No

West Goshen Township  
Westtown Township voting wards 1,3,4 and 5  
Thornbury Township

**20. Additional Comments:**

Although removing one voting ward will reduce this jurisdiction further under the district average, realignment between 15-1-02, 15-2-03 and 15-4-01 should create more of an equity of workload and filings among these three magisterial districts.

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-2-07	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: <b>Realign</b>		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 6,598	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		341	7th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		1073	19 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 31,330	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-9,777	-24 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			



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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-3-01	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 4,839	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		-1418	16th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-686	-12 %
<p>6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">This magisterial district has higher volume of more heavily weighted cases and falls well within the target range for workload.</p>			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 39,075	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-2,032	-5 %
<p>9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain (<i>summarize your response from the plan</i>) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.</p>			

**Magisterial District Information**

10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:

John A. Hipple

*Magisterial District Judge Name*

*Birthdate*

*Term Expiration Date*

*Mandatory Retirement Date*

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

1101 Ridge Road, Suite B, Pottstown, PA 19465-

12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?

Yes

15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If **YES**, please summarize your response below.

No/Not Sure

16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.

Borough of Spring City PD  
East Coventry Township PD  
East Pikeland Township PD



17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

Rte. 100, Rte. 23, Rte. 422, I-76 (PA Turnpike), Rte. 401, Rte. 113, Rte. 724

18. List the **current** municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click [HERE](#) for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.

Borough of Spring City  
East Coventry Township  
East Nantmeal Township  
East Pikeland Township  
East Vincent Township  
North Coventry Township  
South Coventry Township  
Warwick Township  
West Vincent Township

19. Are the **proposed** municipalities the same as above? If **NO**, please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).

Yes

**20. Additional Comments:**

MDJ offers numerous options for adult and juvenile community service organizations. Online courses for juveniles that include Under Age Drinking, Marijuana Use, Retail Theft and a Safe Driver Course. Online courses for adults that include Anger Management, Retail Theft, Parenting Classes and a Safe Driver Course.

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-3-04	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 5,963	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		-294	12th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		438	8 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 41,566	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		459	1 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			

**Magisterial District Information**

10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:

Albert M. Iacocca

*Magisterial District Judge Name*

*Birthdate*

*Term Expiration Date*

*Mandatory Retirement Date*

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

916 W. Cypress Street, Kennett Square, PA 19348

12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?

Yes

15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If **YES**, please summarize your response below.

No/Not Sure

16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.

Kennett Square Borough PD, Kennett Township PD, East Marlborough Township PD, Pennsylvania State

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

Rte. 1, Rte. 202, Rte 52, Rte. 926, Rte. 82, Rte. 162, Rte. 842

18. List the **current** municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click [HERE](#) for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.

Birmingham Township  
 Borough of Kennett Square  
 East Marlborough Township  
 Kennett Township  
 Newlin Township  
 Pennsbury Township  
 Pocopson Township

19. Are the **proposed** municipalities the same as above?  
 If **NO**, please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).

Yes

**20. Additional Comments:**

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-3-05	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 5,984	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		-273	10th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		459	8 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 45,328	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		4,221	10 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			

**Magisterial District Information**

10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:

Scott A. Massey

*Magisterial District Judge Name*

*Birthdate*

*Term Expiration Date*

*Mandatory Retirement Date*

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

305 S. Third Street, Oxford, PA 19363

12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?

Yes

15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If **YES**, please summarize your response below.

No/Not Sure

16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.

Oxford Borough PD, Pennsylvania State Police: Avondale Barracks, West Nottingham Township PD

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

Rte. 1, Rte. 10, Rte. 272, Rte 796, Rte. 896

18. List the **current** municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click [HERE](#) for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.

Borough of Oxford,  
 East Nottingham Township  
 Elk Township  
 Lower Oxford Township  
 New London Township  
 Penn Township  
 Upper Oxford Township  
 West Nottingham Township

19. Are the **proposed** municipalities the same as above?  
 If **NO**, please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).

Yes

**20. Additional Comments:**

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-3-06	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 6,143	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		-114	9th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		618	11 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 42,088	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		981	3 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			

**Magisterial District Information**

10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:

VACANT

<i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	<i>Birthdate</i>	<i>Term Expiration Date</i>	<i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
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11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

4824 Horseshoe Pike, Honey Brook, PA 19344

12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?	Yes

15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If <b>YES</b> , please summarize your response below.	No/Not Sure
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16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.

Honey Brook Township PD  
Sadsbury Township PD  
West Brandywine Township PD



17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

Route 322, Route 10

18. List the **current** municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click [HERE](#) for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.

Elverson Borough  
Honey Brook Borough  
Honey Brook Township  
Sadsbury Township  
Wallace Township  
West Brandywine Township  
West Caln Township  
West Nantmeal Township

19. Are the <b>proposed</b> municipalities the same as above? If <b>NO</b> , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).	Yes
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**20. Additional Comments:**

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<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 5,778	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		-479	13th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		253	5 %
<p>6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">This magisterial district absorbed caseload from District Court 15-1-05 that was eliminated January 2022. The district shall be monitored for caseload equity. Workload falls within range.</p>			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 41,983	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		876	2 %
<p>9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain (<i>summarize your response from the plan</i>) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.</p>			

**Magisterial District Information**

10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:

Nancy A. Gill

*Magisterial District Judge Name*

*Birthdate*

*Term Expiration Date*

*Mandatory Retirement Date*

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

315 W. First Ave, Bldg. 3, Parkesburg, PA 19365

12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?

Yes

14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?

Yes

15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If **YES**, please summarize your response below.

No/Not Sure

16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.

Christiana Borough PD, East Fallowfield Township, Pennsylvania State Police: Embreeville Barracks, Parkesburg Borough Police, South Coatesville Borough PD, Valley Township PD

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

Rte. 10, Rte. 30, Rte. 41, Rte. 82

18. List the **current** municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click [HERE](#) for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.

Borough Atglen  
 Borough Modena  
 Borough Parkesburg  
 East Fallowfield Township  
 Highland Township  
 Londonderry Township  
 Valley Township  
 West Fallowfield Township  
 West Sadsbury

19. Are the **proposed** municipalities the same as above? If **NO**, please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).

Yes

**20. Additional Comments:**

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1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: <b>Realign</b>		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 7,156	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		899	3rd out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		1631	30 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 38,068	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-3,039	-7 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			

Magisterial District Information	
<p>10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Lauren N. Holt</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>                      <i>Birthdate</i>                      <i>Term Expiration Date</i>                      <i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i></p>	
<p>11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">950 W. Valley Road, Suite 3100, Wayne, PA 19087</p>	
12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?	Yes
15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If <b>YES</b> , please summarize your response below.	No/Not Sure
<p>16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">East Whiteland Township PD, Tredyffrin Township PD</p>	
<p>17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Rte. 202, I-76 (PA Turnpike), Rte. 30, Rte. 401, Rte. 29, Rte. 252</p>	
<p>18. List the <b>current</b> municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click <a href="#">HERE</a> for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">East Whiteland Township: Wards 3, 4, 5 &amp; 6</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Tredyffrin Township: Precincts of E-3, E-4, E-5, M-2, M-3, M-4, M-7, W-1, W-2 and W-5</p>	
19. Are the <b>proposed</b> municipalities the same as above? If <b>NO</b> , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).	No
<p style="margin-left: 40px;">East Whiteland Township: Wards 3, 4, 5 &amp; 6</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Tredyffrin Township: Precincts of E-3, E-4, M-2, M-3, M-4, M-7, W-1, W-2, W-3, and W-5</p>	
20. Additional Comments:	
<p style="margin-left: 40px;">Realignment between 15-1-02, 15-2-03 and 15-4-01 should create more of an equity of workload and filings among these three magisterial districts.</p>	

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-4-02	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: <b>Realign</b>		2. Effective date: <b>1/1/2024</b>	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. <b>7,304</b>	B. <b>6,257</b>	C. <b>5,525</b>
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		<b>1047</b>	<b>2nd out of 16</b>
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		<b>1779</b>	<b>32 %</b>
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. <b>52,599</b>	B. <b>41,107</b>	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		<b>11,492</b>	<b>27 %</b>
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			



## Magisterial District Summary Worksheet - Reestablishment 2021-2022

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-4-03	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 5,002	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		-1255	15th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-523	-9 %
<p>6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">This magisterial district has higher volume of more heavily weighted cases and falls well within the target range for workload.</p>			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 37,346	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		-3,761	-9 %
<p>9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain (<i>summarize your response from the plan</i>) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.</p>			

Magisterial District Information	
<p>10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">John R. Bailey</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>                      <i>Birthdate</i>                      <i>Term Expiration Date</i>                      <i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i></p>	
<p>11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Whiteland Business Park, 748 Springdale Drive, Suite 110, Exton, PA 19341</p>	
12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?	Yes
14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?	Yes
15. To the best of your knowledge, are there any planned developments such as a mall, highway expansion or gas drilling that will likely cause an increase in the case filings for this office? If <b>YES</b> , please summarize your response below.	No/Not Sure
<p>16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">East Whiteland Township PD, West Whiteland Township PD</p>	
<p>17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Rte 30, Business 30, Rte. 202, Rte 100, Rte. 29, Rte. 401</p>	
<p>18. List the <b>current</b> municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click <a href="#">HERE</a> for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">East Whiteland Township: Wards 1 &amp; 2 West Whiteland Township</p>	
19. Are the <b>proposed</b> municipalities the same as above? If <b>NO</b> , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).	Yes
20. Additional Comments:	
<p style="margin-left: 40px;">This Magisterial District Court has two diversionary programs that requires judicial time to monitor. 15-4-03 uses on line programs for traffic cases and retail theft cases, both summary and misdemeanor cases, especially where agreements occur.</p>	

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<b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>	15-4-04	<b>County:</b>	Chester
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
<b>Caseload Analysis</b>			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 6,658	B. 6,257	C. 5,525
4. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your judicial district caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3B)</i>	<i>Ranking Total</i>
		401	6th out of 16
5. Compare the difference between the caseload average of this magisterial district to your class of county caseload average.		<i>Difference (3A - 3C)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		1133	20 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
<b>Workload Analysis</b>			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 42,621	B. 41,107	
8. Compare the difference between the average total workloads of this magisterial district to the judicial district.		<i>Difference (7A - 7B)</i>	<i>% Above/Below</i>
		1,514	4 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload <b>and</b> you are proposing to <b>reestablish</b> this magisterial district, please explain ( <i>summarize your response from the plan</i> ) why this does not result in an unwarranted inequity among the judges.			



**Table 1**  
**Chester County Average Caseload Compared to Individual 2A Class Counties Average Caseload (not weighted)**

	CR	NT	PC	PS	TR	CV	L/T	Misc.	Average Filings
Class 2A	424	582	3	31	3940	246	230	70	5525
Bucks	505	496	1	1	4139	359	320	83	5904
Chester	420	681	2	44	4643	233	164	71	6257
Delaware	345	620	2	42	2955	193	241	51	4450
Lancaster	476	559	7	46	3694	192	225	82	5281
Montgomery	373	551	1	21	4270	255	200	63	5733

**Table 2**  
**Chester County Average Case Workloads (weighted cases) Compared to Each Magisterial District Office (2014-2019)**

District Court	CR	NT	TR	CV	LT	MD	PS	PC	Workload	Above or below average workload
MDJ-15-1-01	12,229	10,539	14,146	2173	1272	2194	36	21	42,609	3.65%
MDJ-15-1-02	10,086	3,238	10,676	3151	1974	1770	43	9	30,947	-24.71%
MDJ-15-1-03	21,757	11,834	7,937	1879	4441	3210	80	11	51,149	24.42%
MDJ-15-1-04	9,591	16,407	10,944	1010	1014	1249	802	5	41,022	-0.20%
MDJ-15-2-01	12,700	7,738	11,922	3087	2973	1532	43	7	40,002	-2.68%
MDJ-15-2-03	13,250	3,840	10,136	2623	2800	2193	3453	29	38,324	-6.77%
MDJ-15-2-07	7,809	4,756	12,584	2613	2020	1521	11	16	31,330	-23.78%
MDJ-15-3-01	15,919	6,860	7,150	3580	3671	1879	4	13	39,075	-4.94%
MDJ-15-3-04	17,877	5,188	10,013	2215	596	2638	3014	25	41,566	1.11%
MDJ-15-3-05	19,531	10,799	9,265	2491	1513	1684	36	9	45,328	10.26%
MDJ-15-3-06	15,142	6,064	10,203	2944	4943	2747	27	18	42,088	2.38%
MDJ-15-3-07	15,179	8,944	7,782	3009	3681	3372	5	11	41,983	2.13%
MDJ-15-4-01	15,454	3,399	13,859	2574	654	2117	0	11	38,068	-7.39%
MDJ-15-4-02	20,747	8,584	11,826	4036	4086	3138	39	143	52,599	27.95%
MDJ-15-4-03	18,733	4,106	8,496	2425	1475	2075	23	13	37,346	-9.14%
MDJ-15-4-04	20,277	4,514	12,228	2107	729	2747	15	4	42,621	3.68%

**Table 3**  
**Chester County District Court Workloads (weighted cases) Ranked (2014-2019)**

Rank	District Court	Workload	Above or below average workload
1	MDJ-15-4-02	52,599	27.95%
2	MDJ-15-1-03	51,149	24.42%
3	MDJ-15-3-05	45,328	10.26%
4	MDJ-15-4-04	42,620	3.68%
5	MDJ-15-1-01	42,610	3.65%
6	MDJ-15-3-06	42,087	2.38%
7	MDJ-15-3-07	41,983	2.13%
8	MDJ-15-3-04	41,565	1.11%
9	MDJ-15-1-04	41,022	-0.20%
10	MDJ-15-2-01	40,002	-2.68%
11	MDJ-15-3-01	39,074	-4.94%
12	MDJ-15-2-03	38,323	-6.77%
13	MDJ-15-4-01	38,068	-7.39%
14	MDJ-15-4-03	37,346	-9.14%
15	MDJ-15-2-07	31,330	-23.78%
16	MDJ-15-1-02	30,947	-24.71%

**Table 4  
Case Weights**

Docket Type	Case Weight
CR	36.72
NT	10.74
TR	2.28
CV	11.28
LT	14.48
MD	32.57
PC/PS	10.74

Note:

Workload statistics, which are calculated by using the relative case type weights based upon the amount of time required to process each case type. Actual case filings are then adjusted by the case weights. This measure reflects the relative amount of work required by a judge to handle the mix of case types in each district. For example, due to the complexity and amount of time needed to address criminal cases, those case types will be calculated at a higher weight than a standard traffic matter.

Table 5  
**Chester County District Court Workloads (weighted cases) Ranked (Proposed in Reestablishment Plan)**

Rank	District Court	Workload	Above or below average workload
1	MDJ-15-1-03*	51,149	24.42%
2	MDJ-15-3-05	45,328	10.26%
3	MDJ-15-4-02	44,545	8.36%
4	MDJ-15-4-04	42,620	3.68%
5	MDJ-15-1-01	42,610	3.65%
6	MDJ-15-3-06	42,087	2.38%
7	MDJ-15-3-07	41,983	2.13%
8	MDJ-15-3-04	41,565	1.11%
9	MDJ-15-1-04	41,022	-0.20%
10	MDJ-15-2-01	40,002	-2.68%
11	MDJ-15-3-01	39,074	-4.94%
12	MDJ-15-2-07	38,381	-6.63%
13	MDJ-15-4-03	37,346	-9.14%
14	MDJ-15-2-03	36,336	-11.60%
15	MDJ-15-1-02	35,510	-13.61%
16	MDJ-15-4-01	35,492	-13.65%

Notes:

\*Generally, the Fifteenth Judicial District was charged with striving to keep judicial workloads to no more or less than 15% of the county average workload. With the exception of District Court 15-1-03, the proposed plan meets this objective. The decision to allow District Court 15-1-03 to remain above the 15% average workload was made for the following reasons:

The new reestablishment plan configuration, effective January 2022, has been developed concurrent with the previously approved elimination of District Court 15-1-05. District Courts 15-1-03 and 15-3-07 statistics reflect the change in their workload due to the elimination of Magisterial District Court 15-1-05 effective January 3, 2022. Filings for District Court 15-1-03 have been added from District Court 15-1-05 since July 2021. The sitting MDJ in District Court 15-1-03 indicates that the current workload is manageable. To better utilize court related resources and for the convenience of the Coatesville City citizens and police, it is intended to keep the City of Coatesville within one Magisterial District. We analyzed moving selected voting wards to contiguous Magisterial Districts, but this resulted in unbalanced workloads. The Coatesville City Police Department has requested to keep Coatesville City within one judicial district. Staffing adjustments have been made to address the expected filings due to the 2022 reestablishment plan configuration. Workloads under the 2022 configuration will be monitored to determine if further staffing or another configuration is necessary.

**Table 6 (Workloads)**

Current Jurisdictions being addressed by this plan

Proposed Jurisdictions

15-1-02 (Smith)	
East Goshen Twp	10412

15-1-02 (Smith)	
East Goshen Twp	10412

Easttown Township	6212	
Malvern Boro	1934	
Tredyffrin E-1	1744	
Tredyffrin E-2	754	
Tredyffrin M-1	498	
Tredyffrin M-5	663	
Tredyffrin M-6	923	
Tredyffrin W-4	715	
Tredyffrin W-3	717	
Willistown Township	6375	
	30947	-24.71%

Proposed:  
Move from Smith to Holt

(Tredyffrin W-3)

Easttown Township	6212	
Malvern Boro	1934	
Tredyffrin E-1	1744	
Tredyffrin E-2	754	
Tredyffrin M-1	498	
Tredyffrin M-5	663	
Tredyffrin M-6	923	
Tredyffrin W-4	715	
Tredyffrin E-5	3293	
Willistown Township	6375	
Westtown Township 2	1987	
	35510	-13.61%

<b>15-4-01 (Holt)</b>		
East Whiteland Twp.	10405	
Tredyffrin E-4	1679	
Tredyffrin E-5	3293	
Tredyffrin M-3	1618	
Tredyffrin M-4	3136	
Tredyffrin M-7	920	
Tredyffrin W-1	3041	
Tredyffrin W-2	4650	
Tredyffrin W-5	5744	
Tredyffrin E-3	1368	
Tredyffrin M-2	2214	
	38068	-7.39%

Move from Holt to Smith

(Tredyffrin E-5)

<b>15-4-01 (Holt)</b>		
East Whiteland Twp.	10405	
Tredyffrin E-4	1679	
Tredyffrin W-3	717	
Tredyffrin M-3	1618	
Tredyffrin M-4	3136	
Tredyffrin M-7	920	
Tredyffrin W-1	3041	
Tredyffrin W-2	4650	
Tredyffrin W-5	5744	
Tredyffrin E-3	1368	
Tredyffrin M-2	2214	
	35492	-13.65%

<b>15-2-03 (Goch)</b>		
Thornbury Township	3030	
West Goshen Twp.	26230	
Westtown Township 1	2031	
Westtown Township 2	1987	

Move from Goch to Smith

(Westtown 2)

<b>15-2-03 (Goch)</b>		
Thornbury Township	3030	
West Goshen Twp.	26230	
Westtown Township 1	2031	
Westtown Township 3	2411	

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Westtown Township 4	1493	
Westtown Township 5	1141	
	38323	

Westtown Township 4	1493	
Westtown Township 5	1141	
	36336	

15-2-07 (Simmons)		
Upper Uwchlan D-1	1656	
Upper Uwchlan D-2	2508	
Upper Uwchlan D-3	5151	
Uwchlan Township 1	1272	
Uwchlan Township 2	2105	
Uwchlan Township 3	1047	
Uwchlan Township 4	1358	
Uwchlan Township 5	1713	
Uwchlan Township 6	3383	
Uwchlan Township 7	2644	
Uwchlan Township 8	1014	
Uwchlan Township 9	1689	
West Pikeland Township	5313	
	30853	-23.78%

15-2-07 (Simmons)		
East Caln Township 1	4392	
East Caln Township 2	3136	
Upper Uwchlan D-1	1656	
Upper Uwchlan D-2	2508	
Upper Uwchlan D-3	5151	
Uwchlan Township 1	1272	
Uwchlan Township 2	2105	
Uwchlan Township 3	1047	
Uwchlan Township 4	1358	
Uwchlan Township 5	1713	
Uwchlan Township 6	3383	
Uwchlan Township 7	2644	
Uwchlan Township 8	1014	
Uwchlan Township 9	1689	
West Pikeland Township	5313	
	38381	-6.63%

15-4-02 (Feldman)		
Caln Township D-1	2574	
Caln Township D-2	4132	
Caln Township D-4	6519	

Move from Feldman to Simmons

East Caln Township

15-4-02 (Feldman)		
Caln Township D-1	2574	
Caln Township D-2	4132	
Caln Township D-3	9457	

Downingtown East- East	3884	
Downingtown East-West	3281	
Downingtown West- North	3718	
Downingtown West- East	1634	
East Brandywine North-1	1655	
East Brandywine North-2	3375	
East Brandywine - South	4316	
East Caln Township 1	4392	
East Caln Township 2	3136	
	52073	

Caln Township D-4	6519	
Downingtown East- East	3884	
Downingtown East-West	3281	
Downingtown West- North	3718	
Downingtown West- East	1634	
East Brandywine North-1	1655	
East Brandywine North-2	3375	
East Brandywine - South	4316	
	44545	

Table 7  
**Chester County Average Caseloads Compared to Each Magisterial District Office (2014-2019)**

Average Chester County	CR	NT	TR	CV	LT	MD	PS	PC	Caseload
MDJ-15-1-01	333	981	6,205	193	88	67	3	2	7,872
MDJ-15-1-02	275	302	4,683	279	136	54	4	1	5,734
MDJ-15-1-03	593	1,102	3,480	349	639	116	3	0	6,282
MDJ-15-1-04	261	1,528	4,800	90	70	38	75	1	6,863

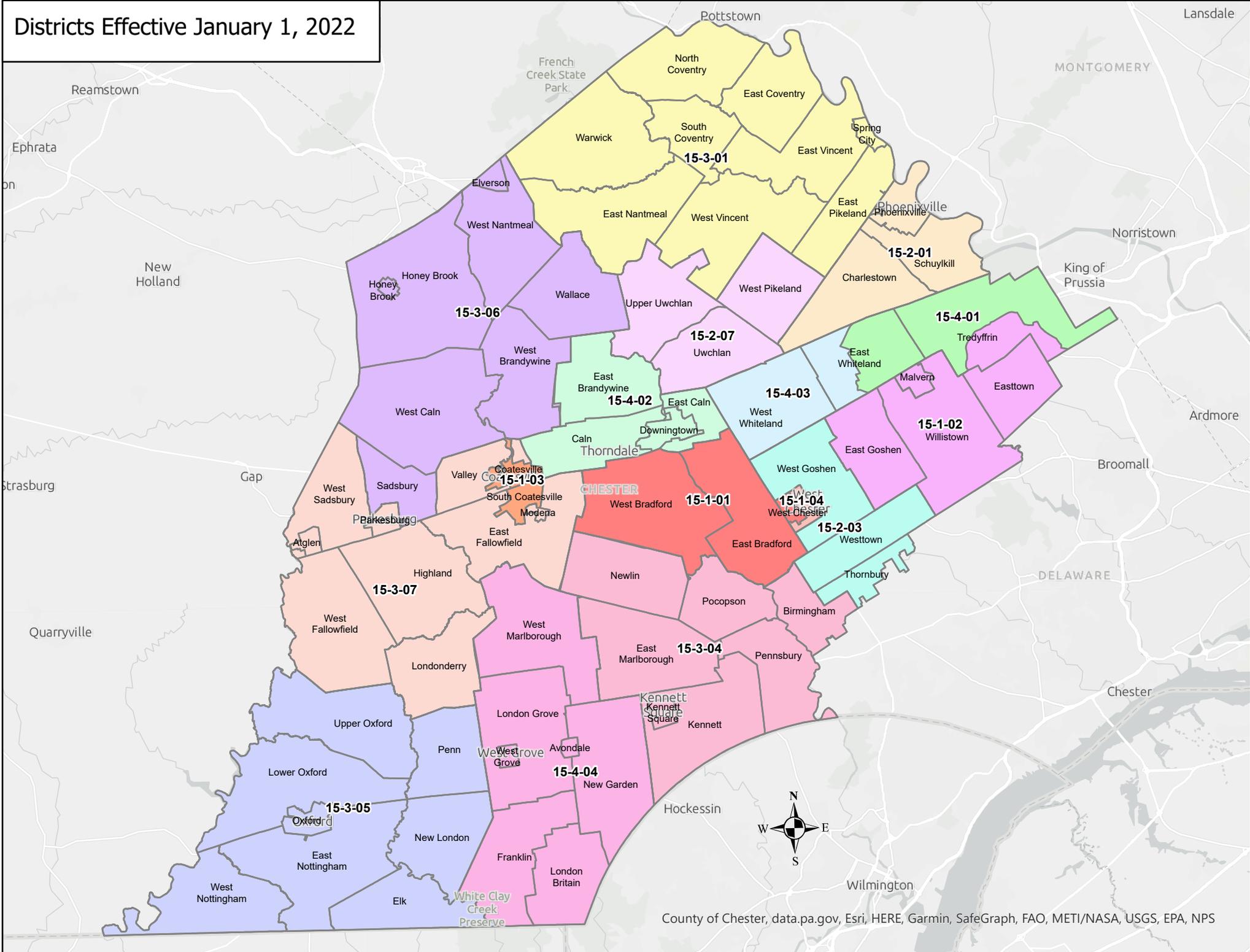
MDJ-15-2-01	346	721	5,229	274	205	47	4	1	6,827
MDJ-15-2-03	361	358	4,446	233	193	67	322	3	5,983
MDJ-15-2-07	213	443	5,520	232	140	47	2	1	6,598
MDJ-15-3-01	434	639	3,136	317	254	58	0	1	4,839
MDJ-15-3-04	487	483	4,392	196	41	81	281	2	5,963
MDJ-15-3-05	532	1,006	4,064	221	105	52	3	1	5,984
MDJ-15-3-06	412	565	4,475	261	341	84	3	2	6,143
MDJ-15-3-07	431	833	3,413	518	483	99	1	0	5,778
MDJ-15-4-01	421	317	6,079	228	45	65	0	1	7,156
MDJ-15-4-02	565	799	5,187	358	282	96	4	13	7,304
MDJ-15-4-03	510	382	3,726	215	102	64	2	1	5,002
MDJ-15-4-04	552	420	5,364	187	50	84	1	0	6,658

Table 8  
**Chester County Average Caseloads (Ranked) Compared to Each Magisterial District Office (2014-2019)**

Rank	District Court	Caseload
1	MDJ-15-1-01	7,872
2	MDJ-15-4-02	7,304
3	MDJ-15-4-01	7,156
4	MDJ-15-1-04	6,863
5	MDJ-15-2-01	6,827
6	MDJ-15-4-04	6,658
7	MDJ-15-2-07	6,598

8	MDJ-15-1-03	6,282
9	MDJ-15-3-06	6,143
10	MDJ-15-3-05	5,984
11	MDJ-15-2-03	5,983
12	MDJ-15-3-04	5,963
13	MDJ-15-3-07	5,778
14	MDJ-15-1-02	5,734
15	MDJ-15-4-03	5,002
16	MDJ-15-3-01	4,839

# Districts Effective January 1, 2022





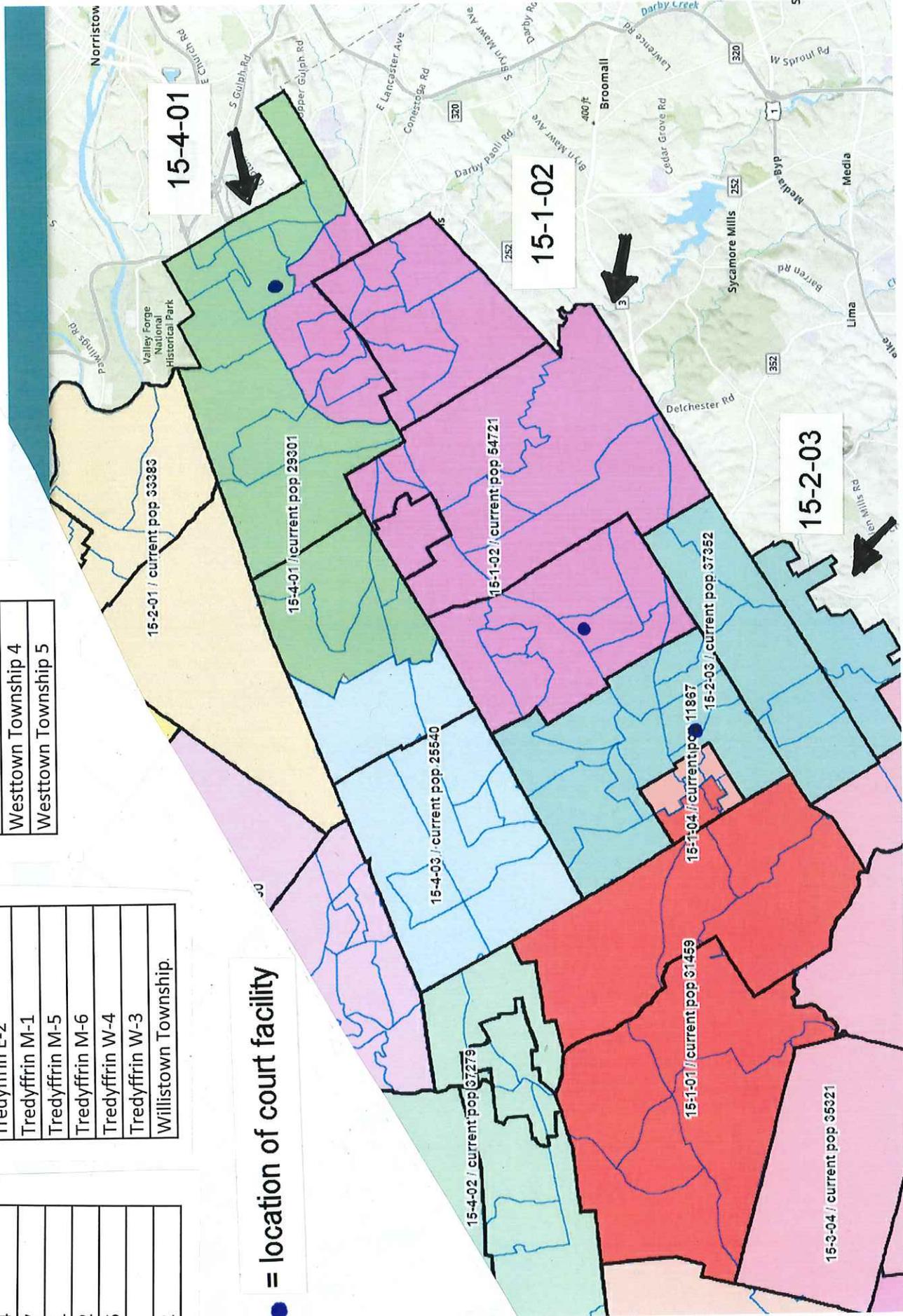
# Current Jurisdictions

<b>15-2-03 (Goch)</b>
Thornbury Township
West Goshen Twp.
Westtown Township 1
Westtown Township 2
Westtown Township 3
Westtown Township 4
Westtown Township 5

<b>15-1-02 (Smith)</b>
East Goshen Twp
Easttown Township
Malvern Boro
Tredyffrin E-1
Tredyffrin E-2
Tredyffrin M-1
Tredyffrin M-5
Tredyffrin M-6
Tredyffrin W-4
Tredyffrin W-3
Willistown Township.

<b>15-4-01 (Holt)</b>
East Whiteland Twp.
Tredyffrin E-4
Tredyffrin E-5
Tredyffrin M-3
Tredyffrin M-4
Tredyffrin M-7
Tredyffrin W-1
Tredyffrin W-2
Tredyffrin W-5
Tredyffrin E-3
Tredyffrin M-2

● = location of court facility



# Proposed Jurisdictions

## 15-4-01 (Holt)

East Whiteland Twp.
Tredyffrin E-4
Tredyffrin W-3
Tredyffrin M-3
Tredyffrin M-4
Tredyffrin M-7
Tredyffrin W-1
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Tredyffrin E-3
Tredyffrin M-2

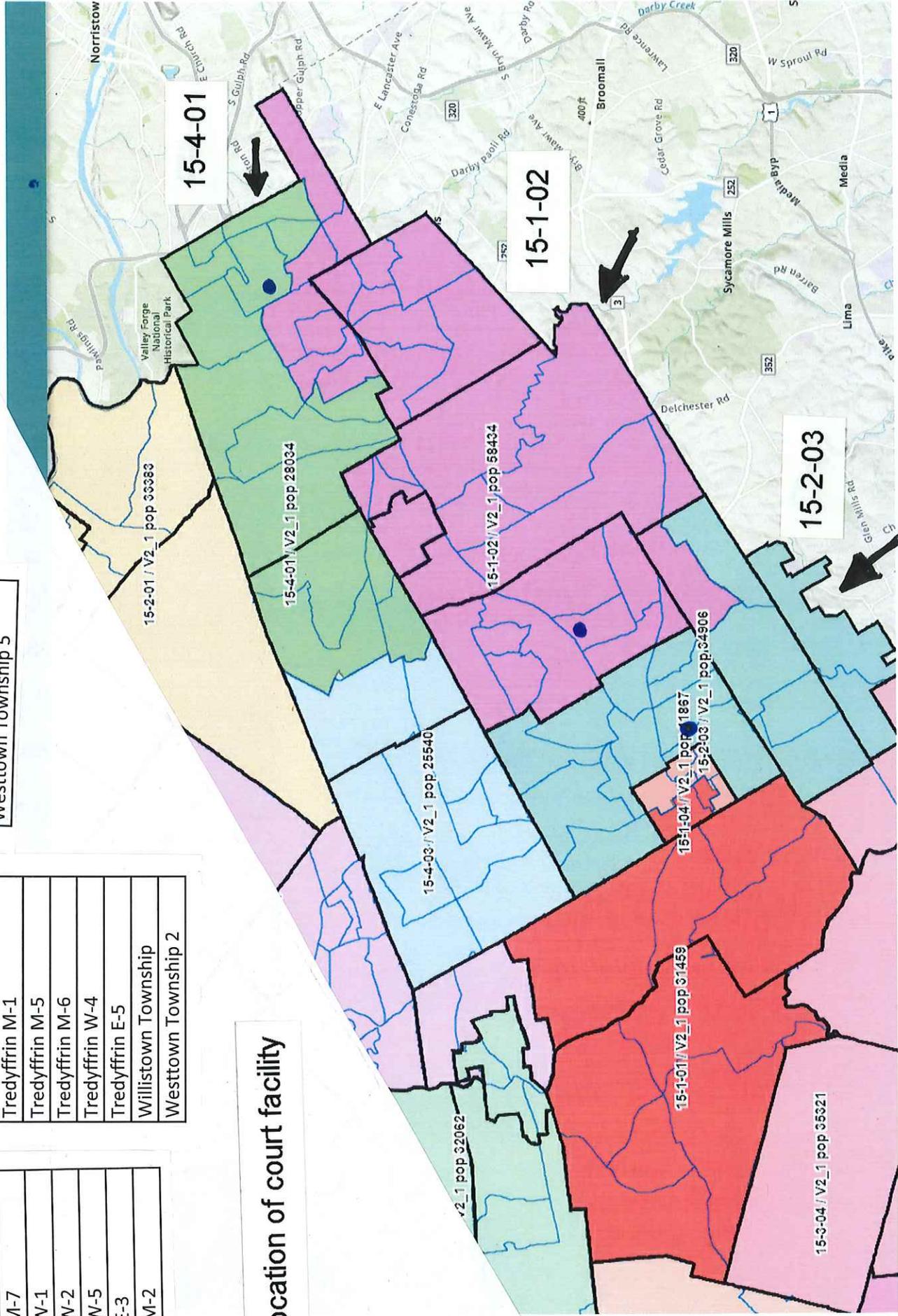
## 15-1-02 (Smith)

East Goshen Twp
Easttown Township
Malvern Boro
Tredyffrin E-1
Tredyffrin E-2
Tredyffrin M-1
Tredyffrin M-5
Tredyffrin M-6
Tredyffrin W-4
Tredyffrin E-5
Willistown Township
Westtown Township 2

## 15-2-03 (Goch)

Thornbury Township
West Goshen Twp.
Westtown Township 1
Westtown Township 3
Westtown Township 4
Westtown Township 5

● = location of court facility



15-4-01

15-1-02

15-2-03

15-2-01 / V2\_1 pop 33383

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15-1-02 / V2\_1 pop 58434

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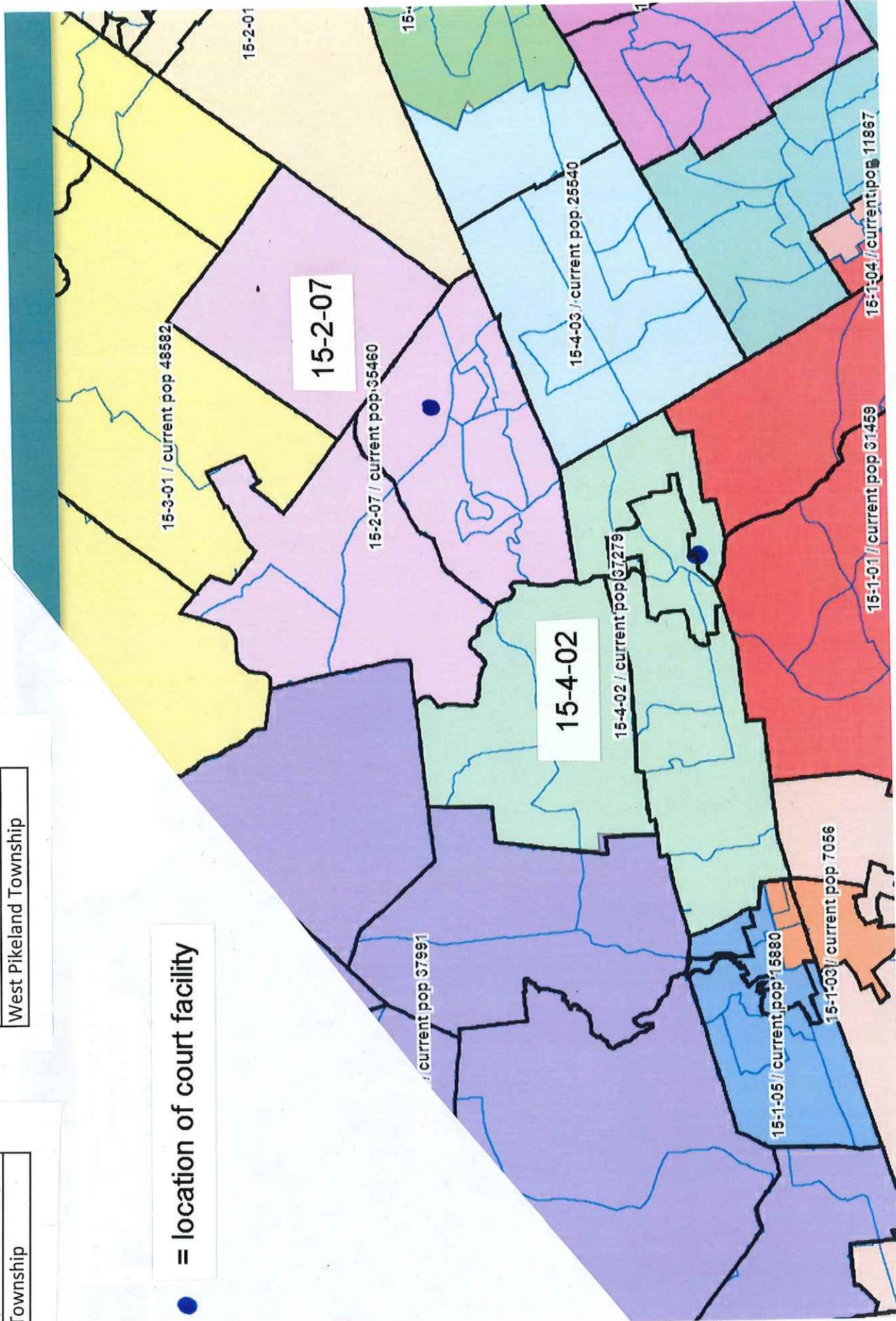
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# Current Jurisdictions

15-4-02 (Feldman)
Borough of Downingtown
Caln Township
East Brandywine Township
East Caln Township

15-2-07 (Simmons)
Upper Uwchlan Township
Uwchlan Township
West Pikeland Township

● = location of court facility

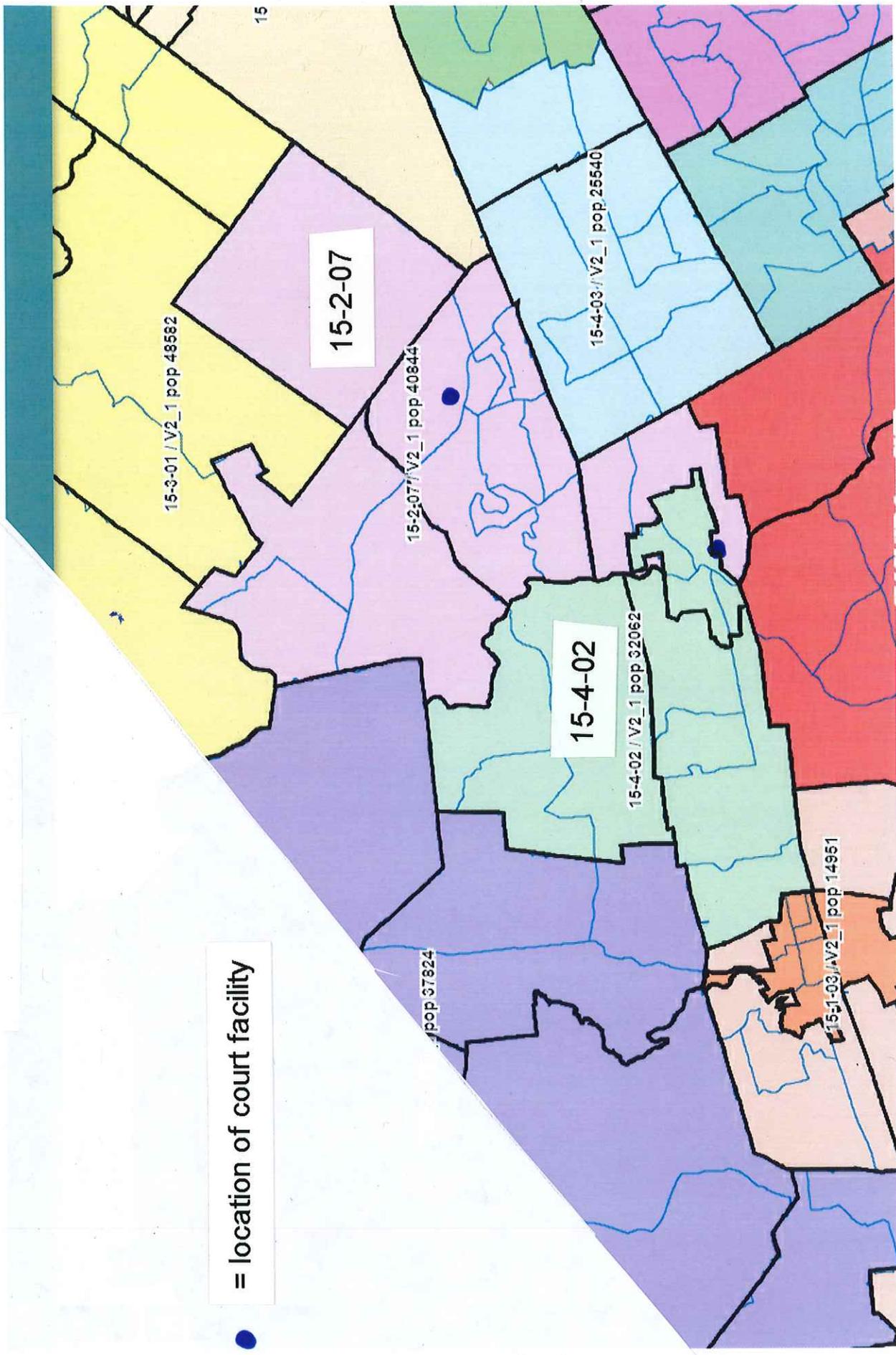


# Proposed Jurisdictions

15-2-07 (Simmons)
East Caln Township
Upper Uwchlan Township
Uwchlan Township
West Pikeland Township

15-4-02 (Feldman)
Borough of Downingtown
Caln Township
East Brandywine Township

● = location of court facility



**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

IN RE: : NO.  
: :  
RULE 101(B) OF THE PENNSYLVANIA : MAGISTERIAL RULES  
RULES AND STANDARDS WITH :  
RESPECT TO OFFICES OF :  
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGES :  
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**PETITION TO APPROVE EXISTING LOCATION OF A MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT  
JUDGE'S OFFICE OUTSIDE OF THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT FROM WHICH THE  
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE HAS BEEN ELECTED**

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John L. Hall  
Attorney ID No. 38455  
President Judge, 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District  
(Chester County)

Chester County Justice Center  
201 West Market Street  
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Petitioner

**PETITION TO APPROVE LOCATION OF A MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE'S  
OFFICE OUTSIDE OF THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT FROM WHICH THE  
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE HAS BEEN ELECTED**

The Petitioner, John L. Hall, President Judge of the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, respectfully avers as follows:

1. Pursuant to Rule 101(B) of the Pennsylvania Rules and Standards with Respect to Offices of Magisterial District Judges, the office of a magisterial district judge may be located a few hundred yards outside of the boundaries of the magisterial district from which the judge is elected, upon petition of the president judge of the judicial district.
2. The magisterial district court facility for magisterial district court 15-4-02 is currently located at 231 Boot Road, Downingtown, in East Caln Township, Pennsylvania.
3. The proposed realignment petition seeks to move East Caln Township to magisterial district 15-2-07. If approved, this realignment will place the district court facility for magisterial district court 15-4-02 outside the magisterial district from which the Magisterial District Judge has been elected.
4. The physical location of the court lies within a few hundred yards outside of the Borough of Downingtown in East Caln Township. The proposed realignment order realigns magisterial district 15-4-02 to include the Borough of Downingtown and the Townships of Caln and East Brandywine but exclude East Caln Township.
5. The magisterial district (15-2-07) in which the office will be located adjoins the magisterial district (15-4-02) in which the magisterial district judge is elected.
6. Maintaining the current location of the office would not cause inconvenience or confusion to the public or to law enforcement. The court has been conducting court business at this location since July 2011 without complaint by the residents of the judicial district.
7. After leasing the facility for ten years, the County of Chester finalized the purchase of this facility December 21, 2021. Relocating this facility would create a financial hardship to the

county taxpayers and create an inconvenience to the residents of magisterial district court 15-4-02.

8. Cost savings to the county for purchasing the building were estimated at \$329,965 over a twenty-year period.
9. The cost to relocate into a new leased facility is estimated be \$1,407,677 over a ten-year period (including build-out costs).
10. Consequently, I hereby certify that the proposed location of this court facility for magisterial district court 15-4-02 is more suitable or affordable than the facilities that are available within the magisterial district from which the Magisterial District Judge is elected.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests this Honorable Court to issue an order, effective January 1, 2024, permitting the magisterial district court facility for magisterial district court 15-4-02 to remain in its current location at 231 Boot Road, Downingtown, Pa. which lies outside of, but immediately adjacent to, the magisterial district from which the Magisterial District Judge has been elected.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
John L. Hall, President Judge

<sup>1</sup> This petition has not been separately published for public comment and hearing. The provisions of Rule 101(B) of the Pennsylvania Rules and Standards with Respect to Offices of Magisterial District Judges require petitions for *relocation* to be published for public comment and hearing before the petition is submitted to the Court Administrator. This petition to approve an existing court location does not seek to relocate the office for magisterial district court 15-4-02 but rather seeks permission for the office to remain in its current location where it has served the public of the judicial district since 2011.



# Location of Magisterial District Court 15-4-02

231 Boot Road, Downingtown, East Caln Township, Pennsylvania.



## **Norwood-Foden, Patricia L.**

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**From:** Brain, Rebecca L.  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 23, 2021 11:06 AM  
**To:** Brain, Rebecca L.  
**Cc:** Norwood-Foden, Patricia L.  
**Subject:** Press Release - Proposed Reestablishment Plan for the Magisterial Districts of the Fifteenth Judicial District, Chester County Court of Common Pleas



**County of Chester**

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

**EDITORS:** The following is for immediate release. If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Norwood-Foden, Chester County Court Administrator, at [pnfoden@chesco.org](mailto:pnfoden@chesco.org) or Rebecca Brain, Chester County Public Information Officer, at [rbrain@chesco.org](mailto:rbrain@chesco.org).

### **Proposed Reestablishment Plan for the Magisterial Districts of the Fifteenth Judicial District Chester County Court of Common Pleas Chester County, Pennsylvania**

As required pursuant to both constitutional and statutory provisions, reestablishment is a process by which the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania reviews the boundaries of the magisterial districts within each judicial district, except the First Judicial District-Philadelphia County. This review is undertaken in each year following the official reporting of the decennial census figures. The view is based upon reported population figures, case types and case filings, case weights, geographic positioning of the magisterial districts and related issues.

A reestablishment of Magisterial District Courts petition is being proposed to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

To inform you of this process, and to offer the opportunity for public comment to the proposal, copies of the proposed plan are available for review at the Chester County Justice Center in the office of Court Administration, 201 West Market Street, Suite 4100, West Chester, PA. Copies are also available at the Magisterial District Courts, the Chester County Public Library in Exton, PA and the Henrietta Hankin Library located at 215 Windgate Drive, Chester Springs, PA. It may be viewed online on the Court of Common Pleas web page at [www.chesco.org](http://www.chesco.org).

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**Norwood-Foden, Patricia L.**

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**From:** Jon Altshul <jaltshul@westtown.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 4, 2022 3:04 PM  
**To:** Norwood-Foden, Patricia L.  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] - Westtown Township Public Comment on Magisterial District Redistricting Plan

**EXTERNAL: Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.**

Good afternoon:

Last night, the Westtown Township Board of Supervisors discussed the proposed redistricting plan for the County's magisterial districts. Westtown is especially impacted by this plan as the proposal would migrate Westtown Voting Precinct 2 from 15-2-03 to 15-1-02.

The Board of Supervisors had no significant concerns and deferred on the matter to Brenda Bernot, our Chief of Police. Chief Bernot does not believe that the plan will negatively impact witness, victims, or defendants by increasing travel times, or for that matter impact the Westtown East Goshen Police Department's operations or OT costs as the department currently utilizes both courts.

Thank you,

**Jon Altshul**  
Township Manager  
Westtown Township  
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January 20, 2022

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Patricia Norwood-Foden  
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County of Chester  
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RE: Transfer of Magisterial District Court Jurisdiction

Dear Ms. Norwood-Foden:

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed transfer of Westtown 725 Precinct 2 (Westtown Precinct 2) from the jurisdiction of Magisterial District Court 15-2-03 (Judge Goch) to Magisterial District Court 15-1-02 (Judge Smith). I am writing not as a lawyer who practices before these courts, but as a resident of Westtown.

I am distressed by what I perceive to be a growing loss of faith in our institutions of government, and I believe that this proposed change is precisely the type of action that rationalizes that loss of faith in a disgruntled citizen. Residents of Westtown did not have the opportunity to vote for Magisterial District Judge Smith, rather, in their election they chose Magisterial District Judge Goch. Now, residents of Precinct 2 will be shuffled to a Judge they didn't choose, and I think a litigant from Precinct 2 would be justified in wondering why he or she was in a different court than they would have been when they voted.

I serve on the Westtown Planning Commission. When applicants for variances come before us, we take pains to make sure that the applicants and other stakeholders, such as their neighbors, understand the duties and function of the Planning Commission, and we make sure the applicants and stakeholders know that their voices are being heard, and we do these things because we believe that we

can only serve our community successfully if the citizens believe that they are being given a fair shake when they appear before us.

Moving a Precinct 2 litigant to another court where they had no chance to choose that judge is the type of government action that can raise the question of whether the system is fundamentally fair, regardless of your best intentions, and I urge you not to take this action.

Very Truly Yours,

Thomas Sennett

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January 21, 2022

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Chester County Justice Center  
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Attn: Patricia Norwood-Foden, Court Administrator

RE: PROPOSED REESTABLISHMENT PLAN FOR MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT  
COURTS OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT  
15-2-03)

Dear Ms. Norwood-Foden:

I have been practicing law for thirty plus years in Chester County before our Court of Common Pleas and the Magisterial District Courts of our County. I have lived in Westtown Township for over 23 years and currently serve as the Chairman of the Westtown Township Board of Supervisors and served previously as the Chairman of the Westtown-East Goshen Police Commission. I write to provide comments regarding the Proposed Reestablishment Plan for Magisterial District Courts of the Fifteenth Judicial District ("Proposed Reestablishment Plan") and in particular to provide comments regarding the proposed exclusion of Westtown Voting Precinct 2 from Magisterial District 15-2-03.

In my capacity as Township Supervisor, I have been approached by residents of Westtown Voting Precinct 2 who oppose the removal of Westtown Voting Precinct 2 from current Magisterial District 15-2-03. Among others, the complaints/concerns voiced by residents include:

- (1) the exclusion of Westtown Voting Precinct 2 from Magisterial District 15-2-03 severs that voting precinct from the remaining precincts so that those residents' cases and claims will be heard by a judicial officer other than the one who hears the cases and claims of their neighbors;

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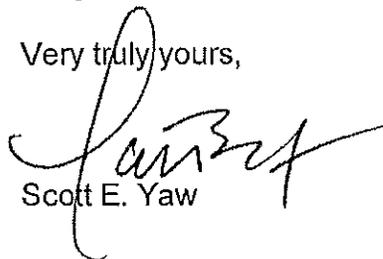
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- (2) moving Westtown Voting Precinct 2 from Westtown Magisterial District 15-2-03 results in certain township residents having their cases and claims heard by a judicial officer for whom they did not have the opportunity to vote; and
- (3) for virtually all other governmental purposes, all five of Westtown's voting precincts are included within the same "district", e.g. the same congressional district, the same state senatorial district, the same state representative district, among others.

In addition, I am advised that the current Magisterial District Judge for Magisterial District Court 15-2--03 is not of the belief that his Court is unable to address and/or handle Court business originating from Westtown Voting Precinct 2. To the contrary, I understand the current Magisterial District Judge is of the belief that his Court has adequate time and resources to handle such business. Of course, I encourage you to confirm that to be the case with that judicial officer.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



Scott E. Yaw

SEY:smh

cc: John Altshul, Westtown Township Manager (via email)

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1. I oppose dividing the Westtown Township community into two magisterial districts, because I believe that communities should be kept together unless compelling reasons exist for a division, and because the change is likely to be confusing for many residents. Further, increased consistency of decisions for Westtown Township residents is more likely if the entire township is served by one magisterial district;
2. I did not have an opportunity to vote for the Magisterial District Judge in East Goshen Township, and so I object to the proposed change since it infringes on my right to vote for a magistrate judge who will have jurisdiction over matters arising in my precinct;
3. I live in Westtown 725 Precinct 2 and attending to magisterial court matters at the Chester County Government Center is more convenient for me;

Ms. Patricia Norwood-Foden  
January 21, 2022  
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4. Many more services (voter services, health department, etc.) are available at the Government Center, so attending court at the Government Center is more convenient for me and other residents of Westtown Precinct 2;
5. I have discussed the change in magisterial districts with Magistrate Judge Goch and he reports that he can manage the existing case load; and
6. The data on which the proposed transfer is predicated is skewed by the very high case values reported for the Coatesville district.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R. Embick", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John R. Embick

**Proposed Reestablishment Plan for the Magisterial Districts of the  
Fifteenth Judicial District  
Chester County Court of Common Pleas  
Chester County, Pennsylvania**

A reestablishment/merger of MDJ courts petition is being proposed to the Supreme Court due to a significant reduction of filings in the Magisterial District Offices 15-1-01 and 15-1-04 and a vacancy in 15-2-06. The impact of this proposal will result in a savings of approximately \$444,950 annually with a ten year projection of \$4.45 million.

In an effort to educate the public about this process and offer the opportunity for public input to the proposal, copies of the proposed plan are available in the Court Administration Office (Suite 4100), 201 West Market Street, West Chester, PA. Copies are available at the Magisterial District Offices 15-1-01, 15-1-04, 15-2-06, 15-4-02 and 15-2-03. The document may also be viewed on Chester County's Website <http://www.chesco.org/chesco/site/default.asp> under the County News/Info Section.

All comment to the proposed petition must be in writing. Comments specific to the proposed petition will be included with the final petition that is forwarded to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania for approval. All comments must be addressed as follows:

Court Administration  
c/o Reestablishment Petition Comments  
Chester County Justice Center  
201 W. Market Street, Suite 4100  
P.O. Box 2748  
West Chester, PA 19380

Comments may also be faxed to 610-344-6127.

Comments will be accepted until September 4, 2013.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA  
EASTERN DISTRICT

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NO. \_\_\_\_\_ 2013

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IN RE: PETITION FOR REESTABLISHMENT OF THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS  
WITHIN THE 15<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

THE HONORABLE JAMES P. MACELREE II  
PRESIDENT JUDGE OF CHESTER COUNTY  
PETITIONER

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PETITION TO REESTABLISH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS

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The Honorable James P. MacElree II  
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President Judge, Chester County

Chester County Justice Center  
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Petitioner

## **PETITION TO REESTABLISH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS**

The Petition of Honorable James P. MacElree, II, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District represents as follows:

1. There are currently 19 Magisterial Districts within the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Chester County Pennsylvania a 3<sup>rd</sup> Class County. After December 31, 2013, there will be 18 Magisterial Districts based upon the Supreme Court order dated January 24, 2013.
  2. The following changes will occur in the boundaries of the stated magisterial districts if this petition is granted:
    - a. Magisterial District 15-2-06 as currently established is comprised of the following areas; Downingtown Borough, East Bradford Township, East Caln Township and West Bradford Township, will be eliminated. This Magisterial District currently has a Magisterial District Judge vacancy due to the retirement of the elected Judge.
    - b. Magisterial District 15-1-01 as currently established is comprised of the following areas; West Chester Borough Voting Ward 7, West Chester Borough Voting Ward 6, West Chester Borough Voting Ward 3, and West Chester Borough Voting Ward 5, will include West Bradford Township, East Bradford Township, East Caln Township and exclude West Chester Borough Voting Ward 3 and West Chester Borough Voting Ward 5.
    - c. Magisterial District 15-1-04 as currently established is comprised of the following areas; West Chester Borough Voting Ward 1, West Chester Borough Voting Ward 2 and West Chester Voting Ward 4, will include West Chester Borough voting Ward 3 and West Chester Borough Voting Ward 5 and will exclude West Chester Borough Voting Ward 1
    - d. Magisterial District 15-4-02 as currently established is comprised of the following areas; East Brandywine Township and Caln Township will include Downingtown Borough.
    - e. Magisterial District 15-2-03 as currently established is comprised of the following areas; West Goshen Township, Westtown Township and Thornbury Township will include West Chester Borough Voting Ward 1.
  3. The Magisterial Districts that comprise West Chester 15-1-01 and 15-1-04 have seen a significant decrease in filings due to policy change with borough parking citations. Traffic dockets have decreased from a high of 20,806 between the two locations in 2010 to 11,382 in 2012 a reduction between the two courts of 9,424 traffic dockets.
  4. Public notice had not been given.
  5. The 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District does not have either night or central court.
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WHEREFORE, petitioner prays this Honorable Court grant this petition for reestablishment of the magisterial districts with the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, and enter an order effective November 6, 2013.

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JAMES P. MACELREE II  
President Judge

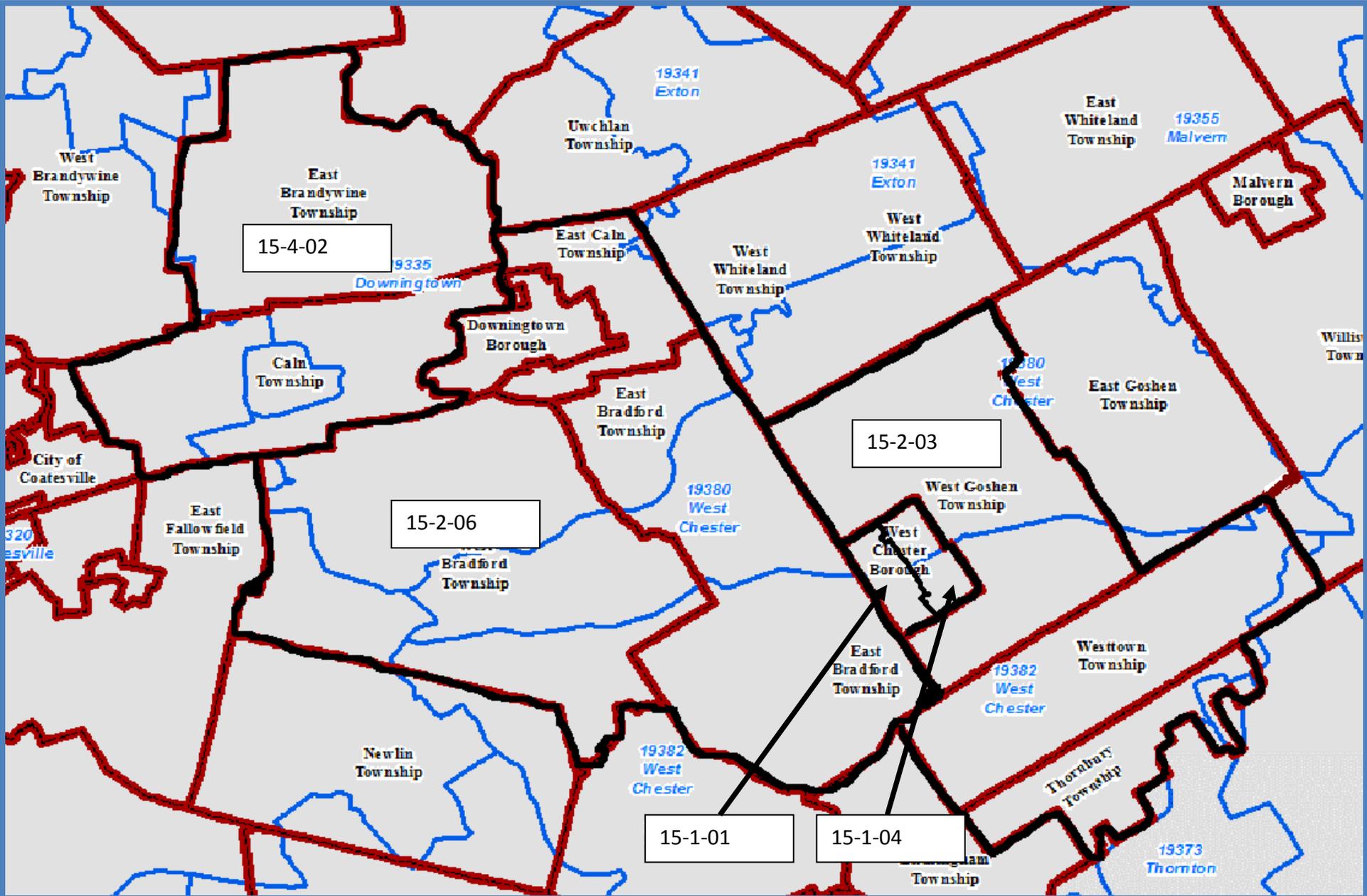
### Elimination of Magisterial District 15-2-06

Existing Magisterial District Municipalities in each Magisterial District	Proposed Magisterial District Municipalities in each Magisterial District
15-2-06	
Downingtown Borough	
East Bradford Township	
East Caln Township	
West Bradford Township	
15-1-01	15-1-01
West Chester Borough Voting Ward 3	West Bradford Township
West Chester Borough Voting Ward 5	East Bradford Township
West Chester Borough Voting Ward 6	East Caln Township
West Chester Borough Voting Ward 7	West Chester Borough Voting Ward 6
	West Chester Borough Voting Ward 7
15-1-04	15-1-04
West Chester Borough Voting Ward 1	West Chester Borough Voting Ward 2
West Chester Borough Voting Ward 2	West Chester Borough Voting Ward 3
West Chester Borough Voting Ward 4	West Chester Borough Voting Ward 4
	West Chester Borough Voting Ward 5
15-2-03	15-2-03
Thornbury Township	West Chester Borough Voting Ward 1
West Goshen Township	Thornbury Township
Westtown Township	West Goshen Township
	Westtown Township
15-4-02	15-4-02
East Brandywine Township	East Brandywine Township
Caln Township	Caln Township
	Downingtown Borough

**Elimination of Magisterial District 15-2-06**

	<b>15-1-01</b>		<b>15-1-04</b>		<b>15-2-06</b>		<b>15-4-02</b>		<b>15-2-03</b>	
<b>2012</b>	309	11,346	294	10,796	507	18,617	333	12,228	385	14,137
<b>Current</b>	1,433	15,390	1,796	19,289	596	6,401	613	6,584	990	10,633
<b>Workload</b>	8,098	18,463	6,212	14,163	4,918	11,213	3,817	8,703	4,137	9,432
	234	2,640	163	1,839	508	5,730	453	5,110	603	6,802
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	<u>45</u>	<u>1,466</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>2,801</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>1,694</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>1,889</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>1,531</u>
	10,119	<u>49,306</u>	8,551	<u>48,888</u>	6,581	43,655	5,274	<u>34,513</u>		<u>42,535</u>
Less Birmingham						<u>(7,192) *</u>				
Per Previous Order						<u>36,463</u>				
West Bradford		7,395				(7,395)				
West Chester Ward 1			(10,000)							10,000
Downingtown Borough						(14,293)	14,293			
East Bradford		6,645				(6,645)				
East Caln		8,130				(8,130)				
West Chester Ward 3		(12,000)		12,000						
West Chester Ward 5		(10,000)		10,000						
<b>Proposed Workload</b>	<u>49,476</u>	<u>60,888</u>	<u>60,888</u>	<u>60,888</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>48,806</u>	<u>48,806</u>	<u>52,535</u>	<u>52,535</u>

Magisterial Districts as Currently Defined



# Proposed Magisterial Districts

