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May 23, 2022

Joseph Mittleman, Esquire
Director of Judicial Services
Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts
1515 Market Street
Suite 14114
Philadelphia, PA 19101

IN RE: Amended Dauphin County Reestablishment Plan

Dear Mr. Mittleman:

Please find enclosed the pertinent documents related to Dauphin County's amended reestablishment plan. These documents include an updated Magisterial District Map schedule to begin in January 2024, amended 12th Judicial District Worksheet, amended 12-3-01 Magisterial District Worksheet, amended 12-3-05 Magisterial District Worksheet and an amended Draft Reestablishment Plan.

After receiving public comments, discussing with the affected Magisterial District Judges, and the Pennsylvania State Police, we have decided to realign a second Magisterial District upon the closure of Magisterial District Court 12-3-02. This will still occur at the end of 2023 due to the sitting Magisterial District Judge's term expiration and decision to not run for retention.

Two of the local municipalities (Middle Paxton Township and the Boro of Dauphin) will now be under the jurisdiction of Magisterial District Court 12-3-05. Magisterial District Court 12-3-05 is also a district that abuts current Magisterial District Court 12-3-02 and the caseload and workload fall outside of the acceptable ranges. By giving this jurisdiction two of the local municipalities, we believe that it will help alleviate the disparities that exist in Magisterial District Court 12-3-05.

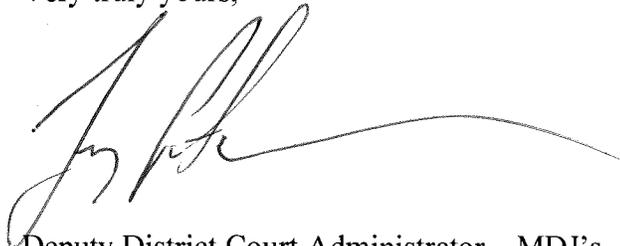
This decision was arrived at not only because of travel distance for clients, but due to the fact that current Magisterial District Court 12-3-02 is patrolled by two separate Pennsylvania State

Police barracks. By giving two local municipalities to Magisterial District Court 12-3-05, it will split coverage between the two barracks equally.

This amendment will also help Dauphin County in general, because it will now keep the current location for Magisterial District Court 12-3-01 more centrally located within its large judicial district without drastically changing the travel times for the two local municipalities that will now be with the jurisdictional limits of Magisterial District 12-3-05.

As always, please feel free to reach out to us if you should have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. P. H.', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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NOTICE OF DRAFT PROPOSAL

REESTABLISHMENT OF THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS WITHIN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA- DAUPHIN COUNTY

February 4, 2022

NOTICE is hereby given that the 2022 Reestablishment proposal for the Magisterial Districts within the Twelfth Judicial District (Dauphin County) is now available for examination and review until March 7, 2022 at the following locations:

1. The office of the Deputy Court Administrator, 3rd Floor, Dauphin County Administration Building, 2 South 2nd Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101
2. On the Dauphin County [website at: www.dauphinc.org/mdj_reestablishment/](http://www.dauphinc.org/mdj_reestablishment/)

Any written comments or suggestions pertaining to the proposed reestablishment plan may be directed to MDJreestablishment@dauphinc.org or by mailing them to:

Deputy Court Administrator – MDJ's
Dauphin County Administration Building – 3rd Floor
2 South 2nd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

All written comments or suggestions must be received **no later than Monday, March 7, 2022.**

Honorable John F. Cherry
President Judge

Details of the Dauphin County Reestablishment plan are explained within the following pages and individual Magisterial District Court Worksheets.

A brief summary of the Magisterial District Courts in Dauphin County are as follows:

- Dauphin County is a Third Class (3rd) county and contains 15 Magisterial Districts.
- Other 3rd class counties average 14 Magisterial Districts.
- Dauphin County Magisterial District Courts' average 5,669 case filings per court. The average for other 3rd class counties is 4,919 cases. Dauphin County's average caseload ranks 3rd out of 10 compared to other 3rd class counties.
- Dauphin County's average Magisterial District Court workload (Calculation based on a weighing caseloads) is 49,859.
- The ideal workload range for Dauphin County Magisterial Courts (15% higher or lower than the average workload) ranges from 42,380 to 57,338.
- The draft proposal recommends that 12 Magisterial District Courts in Dauphin County be Reestablished (No changes to the Magisterial District boundaries).
- The draft proposal recommends that 2 Magisterial District Court in Dauphin County be Realigned (Changes made to the Magisterial District Boundaries) beginning 1-1-24.
- The draft proposal recommends that 1 Magisterial District Court in Dauphin County be Eliminated effective 1-1-24.
- Other caseload/workload adjustments are proposed to be made through administrative methods unrelated to Magisterial District Boundaries.
- The draft proposal recommends that the allotment of Magisterial Districts in Dauphin County be reduced to 14.

Dauphin County Magisterial District Courts Reestablishment Recommendations

Magisterial District Courts to be reestablished (13)

(no changes made to boundaries)

- **Magisterial District Court 12-1-01**
 - o Judge Marian Urrutia – Current term expires 12/31/2028
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 7,054
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 69,435
 - Caseload and workload data indicate that some changes are needed to achieve equity with other courts within Dauphin County. Case reassignments to be considered without realigning due to the various logistical issues that changing boundaries would create.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-1-02**
 - o Judge Barbara Pianka – Current term expires 12/31/2023
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 10,162
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 55,594
 - While average caseloads are the highest in Dauphin County, a majority of all cases are Traffic filings from parking in the City of Harrisburg resulting in a workload that falls within the guidelines for reestablishment due to the lower weight that is assigned to Traffic filings.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-1-04**
 - o Judge David F. O’Leary – current term expires 12/31/2023
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 10,161
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 64,372
 - Although this court is on the higher end in both caseload and workload, due to the nature of the district containing two busy sections of the city, realignment is very difficult and would only create a different office in the city ending up outside of the acceptable parameters.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-1-05**
 - o Judge Hanif L. Johnson, Sr. – current term expires 12/31/2023
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 4,542
 - o Current average workload (2014 – 2019) is 48,480
 - No action is necessary as both caseload and workload are equitable to other courts within the county.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-1-06**
 - o Judge Joseph S. Lindsey – current term expires 12/31/2023
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 5,765
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 54,544
 - No action is necessary as both caseload and workload are equitable to other courts within the county.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-2-01**
 - o Judge Michael J. Smith – current term expires 12/31/2023
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 7,008
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 92,830
 - This is the busiest office as far as criminal cases are concerned. This district is landlocked with other Magisterial District Courts. Administrative measures will be taken attempting to reach equality with other Magisterial District Courts instead of changing boundaries.
 - All Criminal cases from the Pennsylvania State Police, Troop H, will be administratively directed to be filed in Magisterial District 12-3-05. All Traffic filings from the Pennsylvania State Police, Troop H will be administratively directed to be filed in Magisterial District Court 12-3-03.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-2-02**
 - o Judge Kenneth A. Lenker – current term expires 12/31/2028
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 4209
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 43,227
 - No action is necessary as both caseload and workload are equitable to other courts within the county.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-2-03**
 - o Judge David H. Judy – current term expires 12/31/2023
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 4,515
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 42,655
 - No action is necessary as both caseload and workload are equitable to other courts within the county.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-2-04**
 - o Judge Sonya M. McKnight – current term expires 12/31/2028
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 4,184
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 45,608
 - No action is necessary as both caseload and workload are equitable to other courts within the county.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-2-05**
 - o Judge Paul T. Zozos – current term expires 12/31/2028
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 4,271
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 47,808
 - No action is necessary as both caseload and workload are equitable to other courts within the county.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-3-03**
 - o Judge William C. Wenner – current term expires 12/31/2028
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 5,413
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 40,028
 - Planned Administrative Order directing the Pennsylvania State Police, Troop H, to file all traffic fillings occurring within the jurisdictional boundaries of Magisterial District Court 12-2-01 in this court.

- **Magisterial District Court 12-3-04**
 - o Judge Dominic A. Pelino – current term expires 12/31/2028
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 6,359
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 44,299
 - No action is necessary as both caseload and workload are equitable to other courts within the county.

Magisterial District Courts recommended to be realigned

- **Magisterial District Court 12-3-01**
 - o Judge Rebecca Jo Margerum – current term expires 12/31/2023
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 3,566
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 30,861
 - Court to be merged with local municipalities from 12-3-02
 - Magisterial District boundaries to be added to the current boundaries include: Halifax Borough, Halifax Township, Jackson Township, Jefferson Township, Reed Township, Rush Township, and Wayne Township beginning on 1-1-2024.

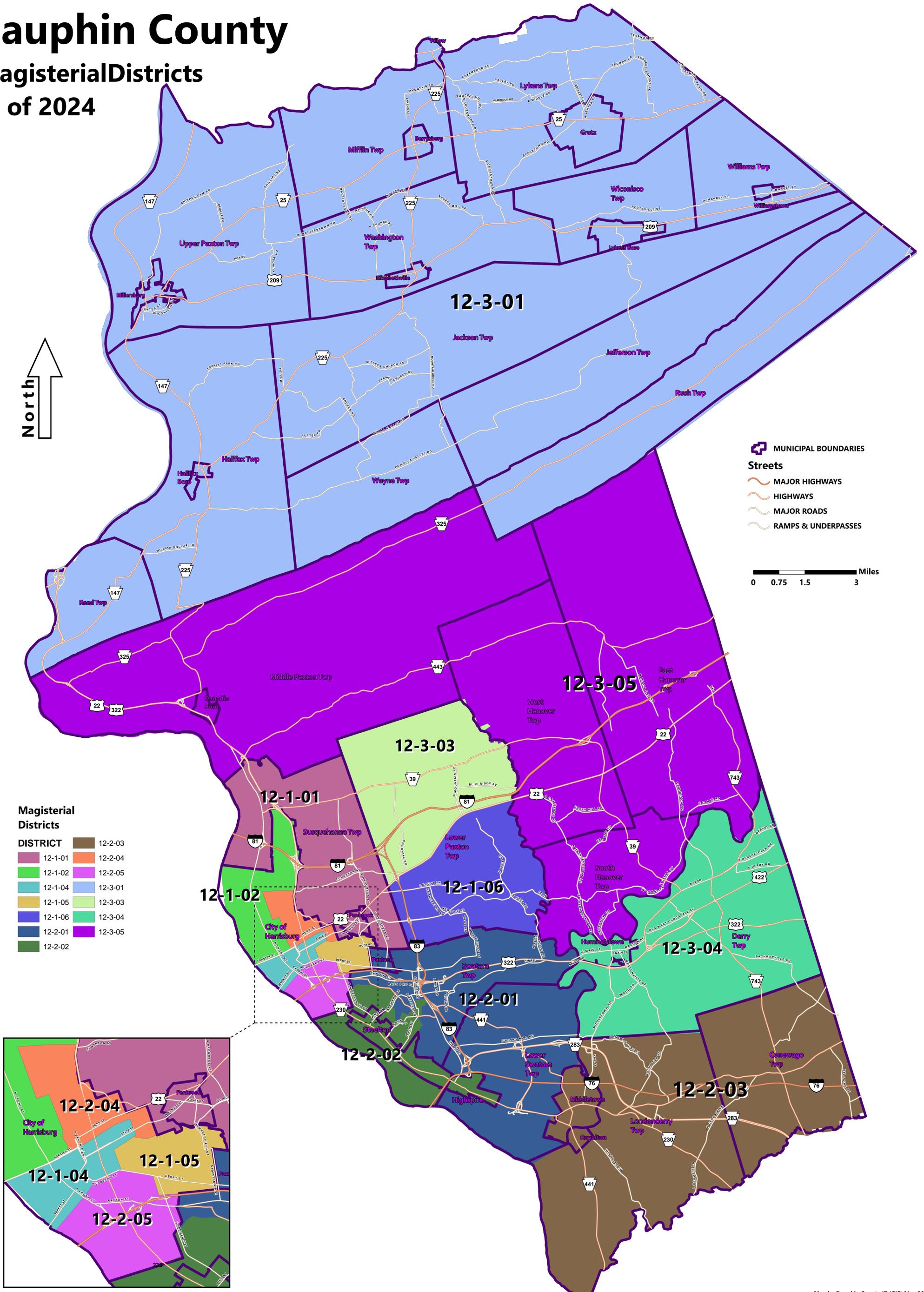
- **Magisterial District Court 12-3-05**
 - o Judge Dale E. Klein – current term expires 12/31/2028
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 3,222
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 27,044
 - Court to absorb two local municipalities from current Magisterial District 12-3-02
 - Magisterial District boundaries to be added to the current boundaries include: Dauphin Boro and Middle Paxton Township.

Magisterial District Courts recommended to be eliminated

- **Magisterial District Court 12-3-02**
 - o Judge Gregory D. Johnson – Current term expires 12/31/2023
 - o Current average caseload (2014-2019) is 4084
 - o Current average workload (2014-2019) is 23,710
 - Current Magisterial District Judge indicated his intention to not run for reelection in 2023. This Magisterial District’s jurisdictional boundaries to be merged with the jurisdictions contained within Magisterial District 12-3-01 and Magisterial District 12-3-05 effective 1-1-2024.

Dauphin County

Magisterial Districts as of 2024





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MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT PLAN FOR DAUPHIN COUNTY NOW OPEN TO PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Twelfth Judicial District of Pennsylvania – which encompasses Dauphin County – is announcing that its Decennial Magisterial District Reestablishment plan is now available for public inspection and comment.

In accordance with state law, each judicial district must reestablish the number of magisterial districts and their boundaries every 10 years.

The plan may be viewed at www.dauphincounty.org/mdj_reestablishment/index.php or at the Dauphin County Administration Building, 3rd Floor (Office of the Deputy Court Administrator), Harrisburg, Pa. 17101.

All public comments must be submitted in writing to the address above or via email to mdjreestablishment@dauphinc.org by March 7, 2022.

The plan will be available for 30 days prior to submission to the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts.

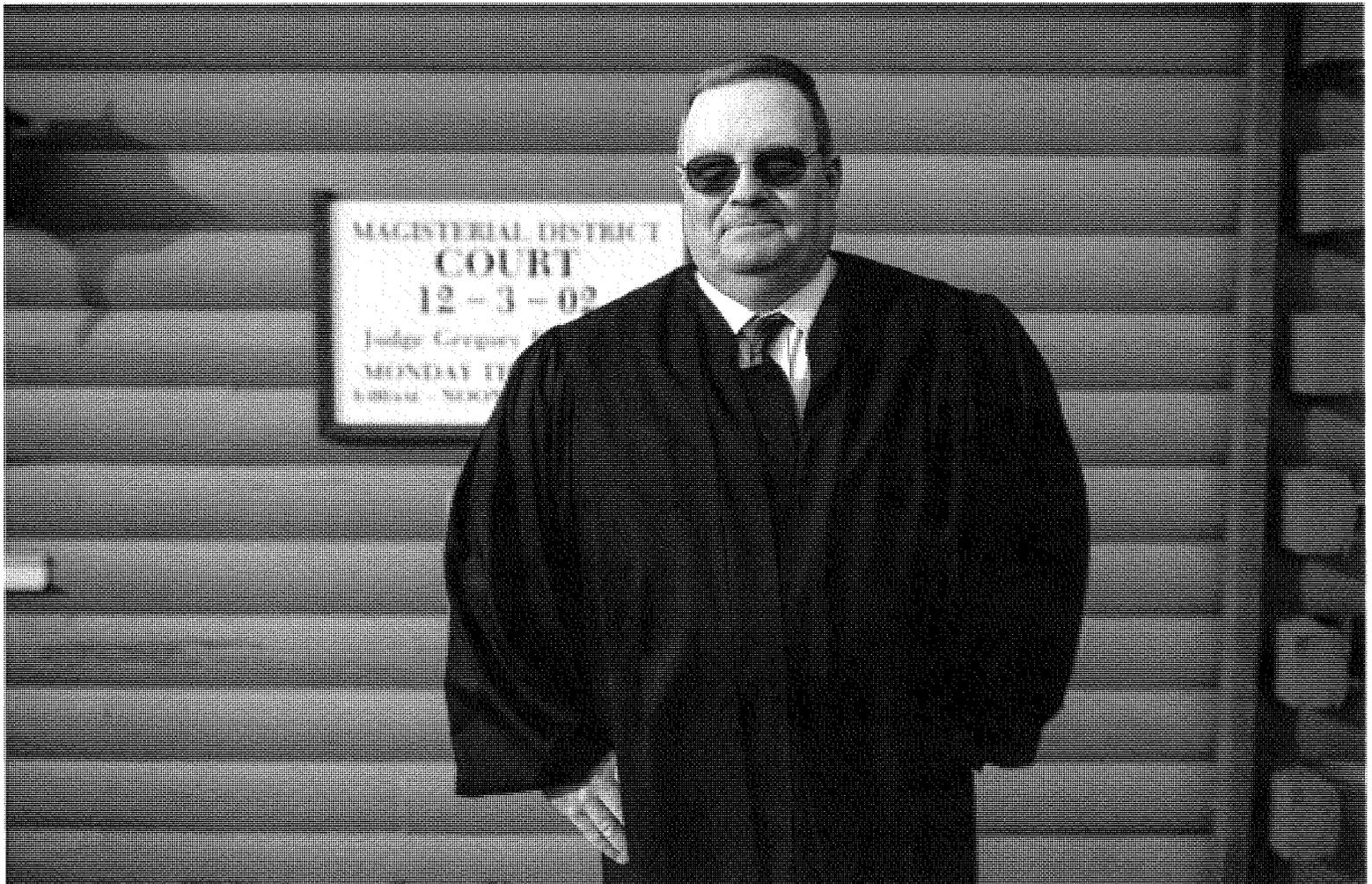
The plan is composed through a comparative process considering caseload and workload data within the district, as well as against similar-sized counties.

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News

Dauphin County recommends closing magisterial district judge office

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By **Christine Vendel | cvendel@pennlive.com**

Dauphin County officials have recommended the elimination of a magisterial district judge office because of low workload, as part of a statewide review that happens every 10 years.

The office targeted targeted for elimination was highlighted in a 2020 PennLive investigation that examined the workloads of district justices throughout the state, and found that some held court proceedings only a few days a week while collecting \$93,000 salaries and other perks.

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Magisterial District Judge Gregory Johnson, whose office would be eliminated under the plan released Friday, had the second lightest schedule of any district judge in the state, PennLive found. He sometimes presided over court proceedings on as few as two days a week, and ran a tree nursery business on the side.

The plan to reduce Dauphin County's district judges from 15 to 14 comes even as the population of the county grew slightly between 2010 and 2020.

A similar redrawing of magisterial districts is taking place in counties across the state, including Delaware County, which also stood out in PennLive's investigation.

Delaware County was determined by PennLive's investigation to be home to five of the 10 district judges with the lightest schedules. That county recently proposed eliminating four of its 30 district judge offices despite an increase in population over the past decade of nearly 20,000 residents.

One of the offices targeted for closure is run by a judge that PennLive identified as having the seventh lightest schedule in the state. Another office is run by a judge whose calendar was ranked, according to PennLive, as having among the fewest days without proceedings in the county. Neither judge is running for re-election, according to county officials.

The elimination of Johnson's office would save taxpayers \$460,000 annually, between the salary of each judge, staff, security, and building upkeep. The state pays the judges' salaries and benefits, while the counties pay for office operations.

Eliminating four district judge offices in Delaware County would mean a savings of more than \$1.8 million annually for taxpayers.

Each county's plan is open for public comment for 30 days after it is published. After that, each county's proposal will be reviewed for approval by Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts.

Delaware County filed its plan in mid-January so the 30-day period for feedback ends Feb. 22. Dauphin County was granted an extension of several weeks so all public comments must be submitted via email to mdjreestablishment@dauphinc.org by March 7.

Under Dauphin County's plan, the five offices in Harrisburg would remain with no boundary changes or eliminations, including the office of Barb Pianka, whose office was identified in PennLive's investigation as having the tenth lightest calendar across the state.

If Dauphin County's plan to eliminate Johnson's office succeeds, cases from the office, which covers, Dauphin, Halifax, Reed Township and other municipalities would be transferred to Rebecca Margerum's office in Elizabethville. Her office also had a lower workload compared to other offices in the county.

The closure and transfer would begin in 2024 after Johnson's term expires. He was not planning to run for re-election after serving as a judge since 1992.

During the last realignment in 2011, Dauphin County recommended closing down one office. Delaware County also recommended closing one office.

Across Pennsylvania, the 512 elected district judges are the gatekeepers of the court system and the most likely to interact with residents. They preside over traffic cases, set bail amounts in criminal cases, and rule on civil disputes, such as home evictions.

PennLive's yearlong investigation partnering with Spotlight PA found huge variations in how many days each had court proceedings.

An analysis of the the calendars of 466 district judges for 2019, showed that 10 percent of the judges had at least 60 days without court appearances, above and beyond holidays, weekends, and training days.

By comparison, the average full-time American worker had 19 days of paid vacation and sick time, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Even when the judges had proceedings, they weren't always logging eight hours in the courtroom, according to PennLive's investigation. Some, particularly in rural areas, only heard a handful of matters, while others stacked their schedules in the morning, and their courtrooms sometimes went dark after 1 p.m.

The varying workload occurred despite the state's guidance that judges should not have workloads that exceed or fall below 15 percent of the county's average caseload.

READ MORE:

[Some judges enjoyed light workloads as taxpayers ponied up millions for salaries, pensions, health care.](#)

[Millions of records and months of work become eye-opening report on district judges](#)

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From: Jesse Shutt <jshutt_131@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 6:31 PM
To: MDJreestablishment
Subject: Reestablishment of the Magisterial District Courts

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my disapproval for the elimination of Magisterial District Court 12-3-02 and my disapproval of the realignment of Magisterial District Court 12-3-01.

Eliminating the one court and enlarging the other's boundaries would be a wrong move in every direction. First off, it would double the caseload and workload of one court to handle, and I foresee cases getting mired down in the system and taking far longer to work through than the current layout. Secondly the overall area proposed by the realignment of Court 12-3-01 would mean it is covering the largest geographical area of the entire county. Living in one of those areas, I can tell you that the population is continuing to grow in that entire area, which would lead to increased cases being filed and eventually a larger caseload and workload.

The residents of this geographical area would be much better served by maintaining both Court 12-3-01 and Court 12-3-02 as they currently are.

Sincerely,
Jesse Shutt
Concerned Dauphin County Resident.

**Alejandro Davila
11 North 3rd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101**

February 13th, 2022

Attn: Deputy Court Administrator – MDJ's
Dauphin County Administration Building – 3rd Floor
2 South 2nd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

RE: Comments to the 2022 Reestablishment proposal for the Magisterial District courts
within the Twelfth Judicial District (Dauphin County)

Dear Honorable John, F. Cherry:

I am writing to voice my public opinion on the proposed changes of the Magisterial District Courts that are to be reestablished, specifically in Harrisburg. Under the proposed changes of the 2022 proposal, there are no plans to eliminate at least one office in Harrisburg, which I strongly believe needs to happen due to inequitable workload according to PennLive's investigation that examined the workloads of district justices throughout the state. In the investigation, PennLive used the same formula that the state of Pennsylvania uses for determining whether judges have equitable workloads and concluded that the state does not appear to be following their own system in the reapportionment process. In addition, as a lifelong taxpayer of Dauphin County, I am keen to how my tax paying money is used in the city. If the elimination of one office in Harrisburg can save thousands of tax paying dollars for residents of the city and data supports more equitable workloads for the remaining offices then I urge you to reevaluate the 2022 proposal and include the elimination of one office in Harrisburg, primarily the office of Judge Barbara Pianka.

In closing, we must ensure anyone who serves as a judge in any magisterial district is adhering to the state's guidance that judges should have equitable workloads based on that county's average workload. When a judge or judges constantly fall under the state's own guidance using the states own formula for measuring workload and equitability then we need to ask are tax paying citizens getting their money's worth? In addition, as an elected official, what is the responsibility of a magisterial district judge if not committed to be in office every day while their peers are and continue to be in office daily since they took the bench.

Sincerely,

Alejandro Davila

Alejandro Davila

Petery, Troy

From: Jeffro <jeffcrotsley@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 28, 2022 9:30 PM
To: MDJreestablishment
Subject: Reestablishment proposal

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Good Evening,

My name is Jeffrey Crotsley and I've lived within the district for a short time, and I'd like to add that I am a law abiding citizen as well as an Army veteran. It turns out that I am one of the lucky few to become aware of the proposed realignment in Dauphin County. Being part of the "lucky few" is because every person I spoke with about this realignment and cancellation of an MDJ position, 100% had zero clue what I was talking about. If the people are to vote on positions such as this, then the people should be made aware of such a proposed huge shift. The main purpose is to express my disagreement with this new proposal in regard to our district and township. Fair would be the word that rings true, and being fair is not publicly letting your people know what will be happening to their rights within the county. Fair is not keeping information from the public or making them wait longer for their case. Fair is not about pleasing oneself despite others. This is a community that will be affected by such a decision and the community should have a voice.

v/r

Jeff Crotsley

Petery, Troy

From: ShannonPRParty Wheeler <prbyshannonwheeler@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 2, 2022 12:44 PM
To: MDJreestablishment
Subject: 12-3-01, 12-3-02 Re-establishment

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Good Afternoon,

My name is Shannon Wheeler, and I am a Halifax resident who takes pride in being a consistent supporter of our local community. I want to express my concern over the current proposal to combine 12-3-01 and 12-3-02. The current proposal made by President Judge Cherry is like many others happening in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. However, I can only express my thoughts for my district.

After viewing the proposal, my concerns are many. However, I understand the magnitude and cost each court holds for our county. Therefore, I understand the desire to remove 1 Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) based on the number of residents and the 3rd class county status.

According to the proposal, Dauphin MDJs average 5,669 case filings per court. The average for other 3rd class counties is 4,919 cases. Our average caseload ranks 3rd out of 10 compared to other 3rd class counties. We are on the higher end of the spectrum and growing. Removing an MDJ from our county in a time of exponential growth is very concerning. Being the Capital of Pennsylvania, we welcome more and more residents each year. This is ever so clear in Halifax district 12-3-02. What's concerning if this proposal takes effect, is not the current case load but our potential case load over the next 10 years.

The current proposal is based on 2014-2019; understandably, updated statistics may not be available due to the recent Covid conditions. I am concerned these stats will not accurately represent the district as it is now in 2022 and furthermore for 2023. Our town, like many others, has made available low-income housing for those in need. This change will result in a higher caseload on 12-3-02 and surrounding districts. This growth has affected our residents, schools, traffic and our 1st responders. All of which our local MDJ plays a significant role. Along with the low-income housing and the pandemic, we have seen a rise in rental properties. This should escalate the number of Landlord and Tenant cases and will put a strain on the local judicial system. The low income rentals are not our only growth. During the recent boom in home sales we have welcomed many new families to our community. (Local bingo is the new hot spot.) This growth will be sure to come with its fair share of growing pains. I desire that losing our local MDJ is not another added strain on our community.

The concern of our current times also plays strongly on my mind. If you consider here in Halifax, we do not have a police department. Our community relies on local State Police in Elizabethville and other local Police Departments. Moving such a large area with a growing population as 12-3-01 and 12-3-02 into one district could mean disaster for our communities and 1st responders. How will (more then) doubling the caseload in 12-3-01 affect our local authorities?

Finding the right way to remove an MDJ must be difficult. Removing an MDJ who plans to retire would understandably be the easiest way for our judicial leaders. However, I do not believe that is in the best interest of our residents. If we are looking for the district with the smallest caseload, 12-3-05 would be the district to eliminate with the least amount of disruption to the community, in my opinion. Considering this seat has only been filled for a small amount of time. I also believe this district experienced an empty seat for some time, if I'm not mistaken.

I believe proposed changes have been made to 12-3-01 and 12-3-02 to re-establish by our President Judge because it's best to combine these 2 districts then to have an open seat. At this time, I would like to express my intentions of running for this position. I have obtained my PA law certificate for this position, and I am fully prepared to file my PAC this November. I have intentions of running for this elected position based on my community's needs. Judge Gregory Johnson has served us well for over 30 years. I would love to continue the level of service this community deserves. I feel Judge Rebecca Jo Margerum is doing an excellent job for district 12-3-01. I wouldn't want that to change, and I have faith that I can be just as successful in the role of Magisterial District Judge for district 12-3-02.

Thank you for considering my concerns and future endeavors.
Shannon Wheeler
3110 Armstrong Valley Rd
Halifax, PA, 17032

Petery, Troy

From: J C garner <drjcgarnier@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 2, 2022 3:24 PM
To: MDJreestablishment; Petery, Troy; Cherry, John; Pries, Mike
Subject: A plan to eliminate a Hbg (city) MDJ office - Establishing FOUR MDJ districts in the City of Hbg.

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To:
President Judge Hon. John F. Cherry
Deputy Court Admin. for MDJs Troy A. Petery

Here is my plan to realign the City of Hbg's FIVE MDJs into FOUR MDJs

To eliminate ONE MDJ 12-1-02
(currently MDJ Pianka)

To relieve the issues with adjudicating the Hbg parking tickets issued by SP+
by appointing administrative hearing officers to handle these specific city ordinance parking violation issues.

The point of this plan is to ensure that tax dollars are being efficiently spent and that taxpayers are getting MDJs who attend FULL TIME to their duties by being physically present in their office during normal business hours.

I had brought this MDJ realignment plan up with Commissioner Chair Mike Pries before Christmas.

From: J C garner

Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2021 1:39 PM
To: mpries@dauphinc.org <mpries@dauphinc.org>
Subject: Getting together to discuss a City of Hbg MDJ realignment

MDJs are elected to a six-year term.

PA Constitution Article V. § 15. Tenure of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

MDJs (all judicial officers) must take mandatory retirement at the end of the year in which they reach age 75.

PA Constitution Article V. § 16. Compensation and retirement of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

MDJs salaries and benefits are paid by the Commonwealth - the MDJs are state employees.

Dauphin County pays for everything else related to the District Courts (lease, utilities, office supplies, clerical staff, etc.).

Each MDJ court is app. \$460,000 in annual expenses to the county.

The salary of a MDJ is \$ 98,565. (Jan. 1, 2022)

(g) *Magisterial district judge*. The annual salary of a magisterial district judge shall be \$98,565. 204 Pa. Code § 211.2. Judicial salaries effective January 1, 2022.

Some MDJs are reportedly NOT physically present (working?) in their offices for more than 30 hours per week, instead available(?) by phone.

see the excellent and informative articles by our own Christine Vendel on PennLive.

"An analysis of the calendars of 466 district judges for 2019, showed that 10 percent of the judges had at least 60 days without court appearances, above and beyond holidays, weekends, and training days."

Of particular note in this article's details is :

Judges with the lightest schedules

The state tracks judges' case events, which includes hearings, search warrants and weddings. These judges logged the fewest days with case events in 2019, according to the data. There were 243 business days for judges in 2019, which excludes weekends, holidays and training.

MDJ Greg Johnson - Dauphin Co - 118 days WITHOUT PROCEEDINGS (48.5% absence from the 243 business days of the court)

MDJ Barbara Pianka - Dauphin Co. - 95 days WITHOUT PROCEEDINGS (39% absence from the 243 business days of the court)

The PA Supreme Court by policy has favored a reduction in the overall number of MDJs. There are currently 15 MDJs in Dauphin Co.

The City of Harrisburg (Hbg) has 5 magisterial district courts (MDJs).
with a US Census Bureau population of 50,099 (Apr. 1, 2020)
Lower Paxton Twp. has only TWO MDJs (12-1-06, 12-3-03)
with a US Census Bureau population of 53,501 (Apr. 1, 2020)
Susq. Twp. & Penbrook Borough have only ONE MDJ (12-1-01)
with a US Census Bureau population of 30,010 (Apr 1, 2020)
East, West, South Hanover Twps. have only ONE MDJ (12-3-05)
with a US Census Bureau population of 23,925 (Apr. 1, 2020)

Dividing the City of Hbg into 4 quadrants / FOUR MDJs makes it far easier for HPD police officers to know what MDJs to file complaints / citations.

MDJ Court 12-1-03 (Midtown Hbg) (formerly Jos. Soloman) was eliminated by a realignment Order of the PA Supreme Court last decade.

The City of Hbg was until three decades ago served by ONLY FOUR MDJs (12-1-02, 12-1,03, 12-1-04, 12-1-05) (The SCOPA adding 12-2-04 and 12-2-05)

(The City of Hbg could AGAIN be efficiently served by FOUR MDJs)

The CCP has set March 7 as the deadline for public response to the Realignment Plan.

PROPOSAL -

A Realignment of the City of Hbg MDJs into 4 MDJ courts (app. pop. of 12,500 each MDJ)

AND To eliminate MDJ office 12-1-02 -

at significant savings to both Dauphin Co and to the Commonwealth,
without any burden to the current MDJs.

12-1-02 is the only MDJ office in the City of Hbg that is Leased

All FOUR MDJ offices to remain after realignment in the City of Hbg are Dauphin County owned / county authority owned

REALIGNMENT - TO BE ELIMINATED

MDJ 12-1-02 MDJ Barbara W. Pianka dob 02-24-1957
term ends Jan. 2024. re-elected 2017
Uptown Shopping Center 17110 (14th ward)
parcel ? owner ?

Currently - Hbg wards- 5th, 6th, 10th (10-1, 10-3), 11th, 12th, 14th

REALIGNMENT - TO BE ADJUSTED - These FOUR MDJs.

MDJ 12-1-04 MDJ David F. O'Leary dob Sep. 1949 (age 75 mandatory retirement@ 12-31-2024)
term ends Jan. 2024. re-elected 2017
1520 Walnut St. 17103 (8th ward)
parcel 08-019-064 owner - Dauphin County

Currently - Hbg wards- 3rd, 4th, 8th, 9th (9-1)

Realignment - Hbg wards - retaining 8th, 9th (9-1)
adding 5th, 6th, 9th (9-2), 11th, 12th
removing 3rd, 4th

Midtown and Hill - Central

MDJ 12-1-05 MDJ Hanif L. Johnson
term ends Jan. 2024. elected 2017
538 S. 29th St. 17104 (13th ward)
parcel 13-030-016 owner - Dauphin County

Currently - Hbg wards- 9th (9-2, 9-3, 9-4, 9-5), 13th (13-1, 13-2, 13-3)

Realignment - Hbg wards - retaining 9th (9-3, 9-4, 9-5), 13th
adding 15th
removing 9-2

Hill - North East

MDJ 12-2-04 MDJ Sonya M. McKnight
term ends Jan. 2028. re-elected 2021
1805 N. Cameron St. 17103 (7th ward)
parcel 07-061-010 owner - Dauphin Co. Industrial Development Authority

Currently - Hbg wards - 7th, 10th (10-2, 10-4), 15th

Realignment - Hbg wards - retaining 7th
adding 10th, 14th
removing 15th

Uptown (Susquehanna Twp to Maclay)

MDJ 12-2-05 MDJ Paul T. Zozos
term ends Jan, 2028. re-elected 2021
1300 Rolleston St. 17104 (1st ward)
parcel 01-007-084 owner- Dauphin Co. General Authority

Current - Hbg wards - 1st (1-1, 1-2, 1-3) & 2nd (2-1, 2-2)

Realignment - Hbg wards - retaining 1st & 2nd
adding 3rd & 4th wards

Downtown (Forster St South to City Line, including Shipoke) & Hill -South West

AND also:

By Administrative Order (AO) of the CCP President Judge (Proposed Order)

All local ordinance violations issued by Parking Officers (SP+) will be heard by Masters (appointed attorneys) on days and times as ordered by the CCP.

(maybe in the Lawyers Lounge at Dauphin Co. Courthouse) (maybe at Central Court at DCP or at the Booking Center)

(30 day right of de novo appeal to CCP)

Those parking violations issued by HPD police officers will remain in the respective MDJ courts.

Those parking ordinance violations issued by parking officers of SP+ are predominately for overtime/meter expired violations occurring midtown and downtown

Those parking ordinance violations issued by HPD Police officers are predominately for other violations (handicap parking, fire lane, to close to corner, blocking driveway) outside of the Downtown district. (by neighborhood complaint often)

The workload at 12-1-02 (MDJ Pianka) is described in the County MDJ Plan as:

"... a majority of all cases are Traffic fillings from the parking in the City of Hbg...."

Respectfully, for your consideration,

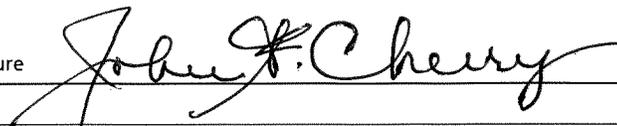
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Judicial District Summary Worksheet – Reestablishment 2021-2022

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Judicial District Number:	12	County:	Dauphin	Class of County:	3
<p>1. List the existing magisterial districts in your judicial district (##-#-##):</p> <p>12-1-01, 12-1-02, 12-1-04, 12-1-05, 12-1-06, 12-2-01, 12-2-02, 12-2-03, 12-2-04, 12-2-05, 12-3-01, 12-3-02, 12-3-03, 12-3-04, 12-3-05</p>					
Caseload Analysis					
2. Average total caseloads:		<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>		<i>Avg for Class of County</i>	
		A. 5,669		B. 4,919	
3. Compare the difference between the caseload average of your judicial district to the class of county.		<i>Difference (2A - 2B)</i>		<i>Ranking Total</i>	
		750		3rd out of 10	
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	
Proposed Actions					
5. Are any magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment?					Yes
<p>If YES, list the magisterial districts proposed for reestablishment (no changes).</p> <p>12-1-01, 12-1-02, 12-1-04, 12-1-05, 12-1-06, 12-2-01, 12-2-02, 12-2-03, 12-2-04, 12-2-05, 12-3-03, 12-3-04</p>					
6. Are any magisterial district proposed for realignment?					Yes
<p>If YES, list the magisterial districts proposed for realignment (changes).</p> <p>12-3-01and 12-3-05</p>					
7. Are any magisterial districts proposed for elimination?					Yes
<p>If YES, list the magisterial districts proposed for elimination.</p> <p>12-3-02</p>					

Additional Workload Factors	
8. Do you have a night court operating within the judicial district?	Yes
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 YES , briefly explain the types of programs.	No
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	
Our intention is to reestablish Twelve (12) Magisterial District Courts, Realign two (2) Magisterial District Courts, and Eliminate one (1) Magisterial District Court upon the retirement of the current Magisterial District Judge at the end of 2023.	
Verification of Submission	
20. Date submitted to AOPC:	
21. President Judge Name: John F. Cherry	
Signature	

Magisterial District Summary Worksheet - Reestablishment 2021-2022

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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-1-01	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 7,054	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		1385	3rd out of 15
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>
		2135	43 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 69,435	B. 49,859	
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>
		19,576	39 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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>This continues to be a very busy that is unfortunately landlocked by other busy districts. It abuts 3 Harrisburg City offices to the Southwest, 2 districts that split up Lower Paxton Township to the East, and a very busy office in Swatara Township to the South. To the North it does butt up against a lower workload office, but geographically there is a mountain separating the districts and the lower workload office is the largest geographic district in Dauphin County. While not a major concern, doing any sort of realignment could result in drives of 30 minutes or more for some users.</p>			

Magisterial District Information			
10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:			
Marian Urrutia	[REDACTED]	12/31/28	7/20/47
<i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	<i>Birthdate</i>	<i>Term Expiration Date</i>	<i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:			
2125 Paxton Church Road, Harrisburg, PA 17110			
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.			
Susquehanna Township Police Department, Penbrook Boro Police Department, PA Game Commission, PA			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
Interstate 81, Route 22/322			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.			
Penbrook Boro Susquehanna Township			
19. Are the proposed municipalities the same as above? If NO , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).			Yes
20. Additional Comments:			
We will continue to look for ways to administratively address the inequity that would result in a lower workload for this office. This may be through assigning alternate issuing authorities for specific case types (particularly looking at the Borough of Penbrook) and what type of workload adjustments we could potentially make by reassigning certain types of cases without creating issues for court users or the police.			

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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-1-02	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 10,162	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		4493	1st out of 15
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>
		5243	107 %
<p>6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">While this office is substantially above as it relates to average caseload, a majority of the filings are parking tickets in the City of Harrisburg. As seen below, this does not result in the office falling outside of the acceptable range when it comes to workload.</p>			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:		<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>
		A. 55,594	B. 49,859
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>
		5,735	12 %
<p>9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:			
Barbara Pianka	[REDACTED]	12/31/23	2/24/32
<i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	<i>Birthdate</i>	<i>Term Expiration Date</i>	<i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:			
2967-A North 7th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110			
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.			
Harrisburg Police Department, State Police provide additional patrols			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.			
Harrisburg Wards 5, 6, 10-1, 10-3, 11, 12, 14			
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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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-1-04	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 10,161	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		4492	2nd out of 15
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>
		5242	107 %
<p>6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Like Magisterial District Court 12-1-02, the caseload filings in this court are dominated by parking tickets in the City of Harrisburg.</p>			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 64,372	B. 49,859	
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>
		14,513	29 %
<p>9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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;">This office contains two primary areas within the City of Harrisburg that contribute a higher number of Criminal cases which affect the workload. This district only contains 4 voting wards, but they encompass the downtown Harrisburg area and the office itself is located near the area of Allison Hill which tends to be an area of higher crime. Realigning this district would only cause one of the districts that abut it to have a higher workload that would then place them outside of the 15% threshold.</p>			

Magisterial District Information			
10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:			
David F. O'Leary		12/31/23	9/19/24
<i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	<i>Birthdate</i>	<i>Term Expiration Date</i>	<i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:			
1520 Walnut Street, Harrisburg, PA 17103			
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.			
Harrisburg Police Department, State Police provide additional patrols, Capital Police Department, Attorney 			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.			
Harrisburg Wards 3, 4, 8, 9-1			
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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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-1-05	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 4,542	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		-1127	8th out of 15
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>
		-377	-8 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>		<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>
	A. 48,480	B. 49,859	
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>
		-1,379	-3 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:			
Hanif L. Johnson <i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	[REDACTED] <i>Birthdate</i>	12/31/23 <i>Term Expiration Date</i>	4/27/65 <i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location: 538 South 29th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17104			
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. Harrisburg Police Department, Additional patrols by the Pa State Police			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past. Harrisburg Wards 9-2, 9-3, 9-4, 9-5, 13			
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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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-1-06	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 5,765	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		96	6th out of 15
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>
		846	17 %
<p>6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (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 office continues to be centrally located in the County and contains major areas of retail and public housing which result in a lot of Non-Traffic and Landlord/Tenant cases. While the caseload is above 15%, the workload for this district falls within the acceptable range.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The workload in this district has leveled off to equitable numbers since the last reestablishment process.</p>			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 54,544	B. 49,859	
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>
		4,685	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 and you are proposing to reestablish 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:			
Joseph S. Lindsey <i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	 <i>Birthdate</i>	12/31/23 <i>Term Expiration Date</i>	1/4/27 <i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location: 5925 Locust Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17109			
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. Lower Paxton Police Department			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district. Interstate 83			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past. Lower Paxton Township Precincts 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 22, 23, 26, 27			
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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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-2-01	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 7,008	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		1339	4th out of 15
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>
		2089	42 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>		<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>
	A. 92,830	B. 49,859	
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>
		42,971	86 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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.			
Please see attached document labeled as MDJ Court 12-2-01 - Response to #9			

Magisterial District Information			
10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:			
Michael J. Smith <i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	[REDACTED] <i>Birthdate</i>	12/31/23 <i>Term Expiration Date</i>	4/18/28 <i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location: 1201 South 28th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17111			
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. Lower Swatara Police Department, Paxtang Police Department, Swatara Township Police Department, PA 			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district. Interstate 83, Interstate 283, US 322, PA 283, PA Turnpike			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past. Lower Swatara Township, Paxtang Boro, Swatara Township Wards 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9			
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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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-2-02	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 4,209	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		-1460	11th out of 15
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>
		-710	-14 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 43,227	B. 49,859	
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>
		-6,632	-13 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:			
Kenneth A. Lenker <i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	██████████ <i>Birthdate</i>	1/2/28 <i>Term Expiration Date</i>	6/12/29 <i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location: 102 Agnes Street, Harrisburg, PA 17104			
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. Highspire Police Department, Steelton Police Department, Swatara Township Police Department			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past. Highspire Boro, Steelton Boro, Swatara Township Wards 1, 3			
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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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-2-03	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 4,515	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		-1154	9th out of 15
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>
		-404	-8 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>		<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>
	A. 42,655	B. 49,859	
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>
		-7,204	-14 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:

David H. Judy

Magisterial District Judge Name

[REDACTED]

Birthdate

12/31/23

Term Expiration Date

10/26/27

Mandatory Retirement Date

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

50 Canal Street, Royaltown, PA 17057

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.

Middletown Police Department, Royaltown Police Department (Part-time), Londonderry Township Police

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

Interstate 283, Interstate 76 (Turnpike)

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

Conewago Township, Londonderry Township, Middletown Boro, Royaltown Boro.

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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Magisterial District Court Number: 12-2-04		County: Dauphin	
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 4,184	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		-1485	12th out of 15
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>
		-735	-15 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 45,608	B. 49,859	
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>
		-4,251	-9 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:			
Sonya M. McKnight	[REDACTED]	1/2/28	12/11/41
<i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	<i>Birthdate</i>	<i>Term Expiration Date</i>	<i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:			
1805 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17103			
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.			
Harrisburg Police Department, State Police provide additional patrols, Attorney General, Auditor General 			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.			
Harrisburg Wards 7,10-2, 10-4, 15			
19. Are the proposed municipalities the same as above?			
If NO , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).			
20. Additional Comments:			



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Magisterial District Court Number: 12-2-05		County: Dauphin	
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 4,271	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
	-1398		10th out of 15
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>
	-648		-13 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>		<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>
	A. 47,808	B. 49,859	
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>
	-2,051		-4 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:			
Paul T. Zozos	██████████	1/2/28	12/26/61
<i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	<i>Birthdate</i>	<i>Term Expiration Date</i>	<i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:			
1300 Rolleston Street, Harrisburg, PA 17104			
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.			
Harrisburg Police Department, State Police provide additional patrols			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.			
Harrisburg Wards 1, 2-1, 2-2			
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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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-3-01	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Realign		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 3,566	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		-2103	14th out of 15
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>
		-1353	-28 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 30,861	B. 49,859	
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>
		-18,998	-38 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:

Rebecca Jo Margerum

██████████
Birthdate

12/31/23

Term Expiration Date

1/1/42

Mandatory Retirement Date

Magisterial District Judge Name

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

185 Manors Road, Suite 1, Elizabethville, PA 17023

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.

Millersburg Police Department, PA State Police Troop H - Elizabethville

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

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

Berrysburg Boro, Elizabethville Boro, Gratz Boro, Lykens Boro, Lykens Township, Mifflin Township, Millersburg Boro, Pillow Boro, Upper Paxton Township, Washington Township, Wiconisco Township, Williams Township, Williamstown Boro

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

No

Berrysburg Boro, Elizabethville Boro, Gratz Boro, Halifax Boro, Halifax Township, Jackson Township, Jefferson Township, Lykens Boro, Lykens Township, Mifflin Township, Millersburg Boro, Pillow Boro, Reed Township, Rush Township, Washington Township, Wayne Township, Wiconisco Township, Williams Township, Williamstown Boro

20. Additional Comments:

All municipalities except Middle Paxton Township and Dauphin Boro from current Magisterial District Court 12-3-02 will be merged into Magisterial District Court 12-3-01 beginning January 1, 2024. The two municipalities not included are patrolled by PSP, Troop H and, if included, would cause excessive travel.

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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-3-02	County:	Dauphin	
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Eliminate		2. Effective date: 1/1/2024		
Caseload Analysis				
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>	
	A. 4,084	B. 5,669	C. 4,919	
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</i>	<i>Total</i>
		-1585	13th	out of 15
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>	
		-835	-17 %	
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.				
Workload Analysis				
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>		<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 23,710	B. 49,859		
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>	
		-26,149	-52 %	
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:			
Gregory D. Johnson	[REDACTED]	12/31/23	3/24/31
<i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	<i>Birthdate</i>	<i>Term Expiration Date</i>	<i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:			
1025 Peters Mountain Road, Dauphin PA 17018			
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.			
Halifax Police Department			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
Rte 322			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.			
Dauphin Boro, Halifax Boro, Halifax Township, Jackson Township, Jefferson Township, Middle Paxton Township, Reed Township, Rush Township, Wayne Township			
19. Are the proposed municipalities the same as above? If NO , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).			Yes
To remain the same until 1/1/2024			
20. Additional Comments:			
This Magisterial District Court is to be eliminated as of 1/1/2024. All local municipalities contained in the current district will be merged and incorporated in Magisterial District Court 12-3-01.			

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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-3-03	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 5,413	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		-256	7th out of 15
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>
		494	10 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 40,028	B. 49,859	
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>
		-9,831	-20 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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>As mentioned in the judicial worksheet for 12-2-01, our intention is to administratively sign an order directing the Pennsylvania State Police, Troop H, to file any traffic violations occurring within the jurisdictional limits of 12-2-01 in Magisterial District Court 12-3-03. According to statistical analysis of the number of filings, we believe that doing this will create a more equitable workload compared to other MDJ offices in the county.</p>			

Magisterial District Information			
10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:			
William C. Wenner	[REDACTED]	1/2/28	1/15/34
<i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>	<i>Birthdate</i>	<i>Term Expiration Date</i>	<i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i>
11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:			
5925 Stevenson Avenue, Suite B, Harrisburg, PA 17112			
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.			
Lower Paxton Township Police Department			
17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.			
Interstate 81			
18. List the current municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click HERE for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.			
Lower Paxton Township Precincts 2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 12, 16, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25			
19. Are the proposed municipalities the same as above? If NO , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).			Yes
20. Additional Comments:			

Magisterial District Summary Worksheet - Reestablishment 2021-2022

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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-3-04	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 6,359	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		690	5th out of 15
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>
		1440	29 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 44,299	B. 49,859	
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>
		-5,560	-11 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:

Dominic A. Pelino

Magisterial District Judge Name

Birthdate

1/2/28

Term Expiration Date

8/28/29

Mandatory Retirement Date

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

576 East Main Street, Hummelstown, PA 17036

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.

Derry Township Police Department, Hummelstown Police Department

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

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

Derry Township, Hummelstown Boro

19. Are the **proposed** municipalities the same as above?

If **NO**, please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).

Yes

20. Additional Comments:

Although the statistics show that the caseload filings in this district are 29% higher than average, we are seeing a decline in filings in the most recent years. Due to COVID, we are unsure if this is a temporary phenomenon or if it will be on-going. It is something that we will monitor over the next couple years.

Magisterial District Summary Worksheet - Reestablishment 2021-2022

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Magisterial District Court Number:	12-3-05	County:	Dauphin
1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Realign		2. Effective date: 1/3/2022	
Caseload Analysis			
3. Average total caseloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	<i>Avg for Class of County</i>
	A. 3,222	B. 5,669	C. 4,919
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>
		-2447	15th out of 15
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>
		-1697	-34 %
6. If this magisterial district is at the lower end of the caseload range and you are proposing to reestablish (no changes), please summarize your response from the plan that explains why you are departing from caseload equity.			
Workload Analysis			
7. Average total workloads:	<i>Avg for Magisterial District</i>	<i>Avg for Judicial District</i>	
	A. 27,044	B. 49,859	
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>
		-22,815	-46 %
9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower than</i> your judicial district average workload and you are proposing to reestablish 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:

Dale E. Klein

██████████
Birthdate

1/2/28
Term Expiration Date

5/2/47
Mandatory Retirement Date

Magisterial District Judge Name

Birthdate

Term Expiration Date

Mandatory Retirement Date

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

8010 Bretz Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112

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.

PA State Police - Troop H

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

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

East Hanover Township, South Hanover Township, West Hanover Township

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

No

Dauphin Boro, East Hanover Township, Middle Paxton Township, South Hanover Township, West Hanover Township.

20. Additional Comments:

The two local municipalities added from Magisterial District Court 12-3-02, proposed to be closed 1/1/2024, are contiguous to this Magisterial District and are both patrolled by PSP Troop H. Travel time for the police would be drastically reduced if included in Court 12-3-05, instead of 12-3-01.