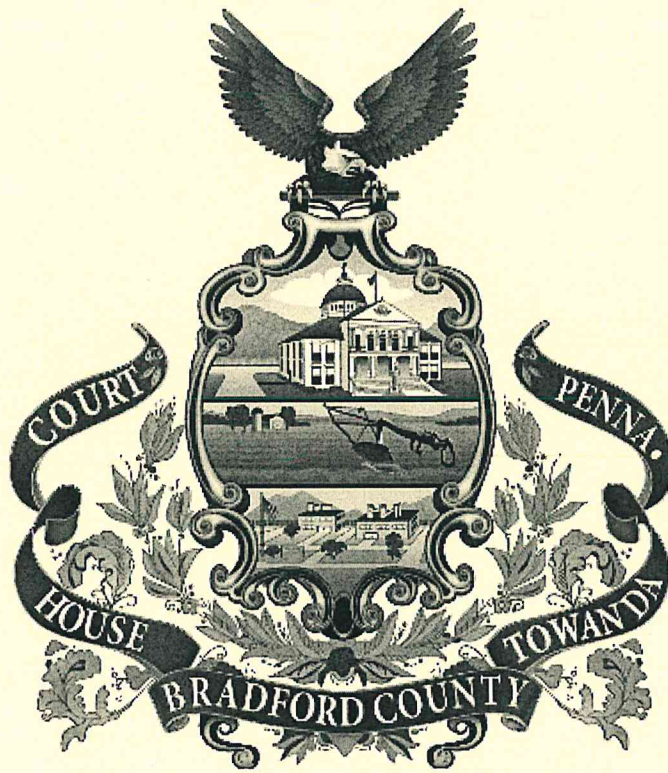


MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT  
REESTABLISHMENT PLAN

2022



Forty-Second Judicial District

Bradford County

Pennsylvania

## BRADFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

### 42<sup>ND</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### 2021-2022 MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT REESTABLISHMENT PLAN

Following analysis of the data which includes case filings and weighted workloads from the years 2014-2019 and considering anticipated future needs, the Honorable Maureen T. Beirne, President Judge of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District, will submit the following proposed Magisterial District Reestablishment Plan to the Supreme Court for approval. This plan will be submitted on or before February 28, 2022. Public Comment may be made in writing to Mary Corbin, District Court Administrator, Bradford County Courthouse, 301 Main Street, Towanda, Pennsylvania; or by email at [courtadmin@bradfordco.org](mailto:courtadmin@bradfordco.org). Comments must include sender's full name and mailing address. The deadline for comments is February 24, 2022. The plan is based upon the following considerations:

1. Four magisterial districts exist within Bradford County, Pennsylvania, the 42<sup>nd</sup> Judicial.
2. Bradford County consists of 1,150 square miles. According to the 2020 federal census, the population of Bradford County has decreased by approximately 2,500 over the past 10 years to 59,967.00. Bradford County experienced being the epicenter of the Marcellus Shale Gas Industry drilling activity for several years (2010-2016-2018). I believe there remain a small number of migrant workers in this natural gas industry which are not accounted for in the census. The ebb and flow of natural gas drilling is difficult to predict and could possibly increase again tremendously in the next 10 years. There remains a need for interpreters for Magisterial District Courts and the Court of Common Pleas. When needed, staff must spend additional time obtaining interpreters, updating them on any changes and arranging for presence at hearing.
3. The data used for purposes of this analysis encompasses six years: 2014 through 2019. This data then provided an average caseload and workload for each Magisterial District Court. A portion of said data is attached for public viewing. There is no noticeable trend of increasing or decreasing of caseloads or workloads in the magisterial district offices during these years. Caseload data is the number of cases filed. Workload data provides information as to the amount of time each type of case requires. The average workload data in the analysis takes into consideration the number of cases and the amount of time each type of case requires. Workload data provides a better measure of work being conducted and relied upon more in this plan than caseload/case filings.
4. The caseload data, as set forth on the Magisterial District Summary Worksheets – Reestablishment 2021-2022, attached hereto, indicates a variance in the case filings of the four Magisterial District Courts ranging from 536 filings above to 419 filings below the average case filings for Bradford County. The workload data indicates a variance in the workload of the

four Magisterial District Courts, ranging from 23 % above to 35% below the average district workload for Bradford County.

5. Bradford County's geography and population dispersion do not lend themselves to an easy realignment of municipalities for the creation of more equitable workloads. The heaviest workloads are with Magisterial District Courts 42-3-02 and 42-3-03. Magisterial District Court 42-3-02 cannot be realigned in that it consists of Athens Township which is a split municipality (I and II) and surrounds the remaining districts. It also has 3 police departments within the District. The Magisterial District Court Judge for 42-3-02 also presides over the County's Treatment Court Program at this time and is happy to do so even with his workload.

42-3-03 can be realigned placing Ulster Township with the magisterial district 42-03-01 and Sheshequin Township with magisterial district 42-3-04. This obviously increases the workload for the 2 receiving districts, and reduces the workload for the 42-3-03 as set forth on the summary worksheets. This creates more equity between these three districts. 42-3-03 also handles an every other week Driving Under the Influence Appearance Day which increases its workload, but is not reflected in the data.

Maps of the Magisterial Districts, current and proposed, are attached.

6. The District Attorney is proposing a program for individuals charged for the first time with possession of a controlled substance or drug paraphernalia. This would be a pre-preliminary hearing program and thus agreement and arrangement for admission to the program will take place at the Magisterial District Court. The Magisterial District Judge workload will increase slightly when it is implemented. All Magisterial District Judges work with the schools and local Children and Youth Services in dealing with truancy cases. Each judge spends more time on each case than a typical truancy case.

7. I am unaware of new or potential developments for Bradford County that would affect the magisterial district's filings. The natural gas industry drilling has seemed to ebb in the last several years. However, this could explode at any time again in the future as Bradford County is the epicenter of the Marcellus Shale.

8. Closing one of the Magisterial District Courts was considered and the most obvious choice would have been 42-3-04 in that the Magisterial Court Judge's term is about to expire and his mandatory retirement age is within 2 years. However, attempting to then realign the municipalities so as not to disturb the location of offices and maintaining the magisterial district judges' residences within their districts, was unrealistic. Any such realignment would create more difficult access to the courts than currently exists given the geography of Bradford County. Access to courts is a prime consideration. In order to have contiguous districts, residents of south eastern municipalities would be required to travel to the western district magistrate office, if such a closure were made. This would be unacceptable.

9. Finally, future consideration will be given to (1) reassigning cases if any one Magisterial District Court Judge believes they are in need of assistance; (2) central court for certain types of cases; (3) moving DUI appearance day to a different magisterial district court; and/or (4) exploring Central Court for Bradford County.

### **PROPOSED REALIGNMENT**

The Magisterial District Reestablishment Worksheets set forth the details of each Magisterial District Court as well as my request as President Judge of Bradford County to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania for realignment of the boundaries of Magisterial District Courts 42-3-01, 42-3-03 and 42-3-04. It is requested that Ulster Township be removed from the Magisterial District Court 42-3-03 and added to Magisterial District Court 42-3-01; and that Sheshequin Township be removed from the Magisterial District Court 42-3-03 and added to Magisterial District Court 42-3-04.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen T. Beirne  
President Judge  
42<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District

**AVERAGE CASE FILINGS PER YEAR BY TYPE FOR  
EACH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT  
(2014-2019)**

| District     | Civil | Landlord/<br>Tenant | Criminal | Non-<br>Traffic | Private<br>Criminal | Private<br>Summary | Traffic | Misc.<br>Docket | TOTAL       |
|--------------|-------|---------------------|----------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------|-------------|
| 42-3-01      | 241   | 38                  | 201      | 250             | 1                   | 107                | 843     | 33              | 1714        |
| 42-3-02      | 227   | 80                  | 405      | 291             | 6                   | 110                | 1019    | 42              | 2180        |
| 42-3-03      | 194   | 56                  | 325      | 396             | 11                  | 51                 | 1585    | 51              | 2669        |
| 42-3-04      | 218   | 57                  | 182      | 247             | 4                   | 63                 | 1163    | 36              | 1970        |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |       |                     |          |                 |                     |                    |         |                 | <b>8533</b> |

AVERAGE FILINGS = 2133

**CURRENT AND PROPOSED  
AVERAGE CASELOAD PER YEAR FOR  
EACH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT  
(2014-2019)  
AND  
COMPARISON TO COUNTY AVERAGE**

| District                    | Caseload    | Variance<br>from<br>average | Add/Subtract<br>municipal<br>average case<br>load | Proposed<br>average<br>caseload | Proposed<br>variance<br>from<br>average |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| MDJ 42-3-01                 | 1714        | -20%                        | + Ulster<br>137                                   | 1851                            | -13%                                    |
| MDJ 42-3-02                 | 2180        | +2%                         | 0   | 2180                            | +2%                                     |
| MDJ 42-3-03                 | 2669        | +25%                        | - Ulster<br>-137<br>-Sheshequin<br>-186           | 2346                            | +10%                                    |
| MDJ 42-3-04                 | 1970        | -8%                         | +Sheshequin<br>+186                               | 2156                            | +1%                                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>8533</b> |                             |   |                                 |   |
| <b>AVERAGE<br/>CASELOAD</b> | <b>2133</b> |                             |   |                                 |   |

**CURRENT AND PROPOSED  
AVERAGE WORKLOAD PER YEAR  
EACH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT  
(2014-2019)  
AND  
COMPARISON TO COUNTY AVERAGE**

| District                    | Workload      | Variance from average | Add/Subtract average workload for municipality | Proposed new average workload | Proposed variance from average |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| MDJ 42-3-01                 | 17,482        | -19%                  | + Ulster<br>1236                               | 18,718                        | -13%                           |
| MDJ 42-3-02                 | 26,647        | +23%                  | 0  | 26,647                        | +23%                           |
| MDJ 42-3-03                 | 25,116        | +16%                  | - Ulster and<br>Sheshequin<br>1236<br>1200     | 22,680                        | +5%                            |
| MDJ 42-3-04                 | 17,154        | -35%                  | +<br>Sheshequin<br>1200                        | 18,354                        | -15%                           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>83,399</b> |                       |  |                               |                                |
| <b>AVERAGE<br/>WORKLOAD</b> | <b>21,600</b> |                       |  |                               |                                |



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE  
OF PENNSYLVANIA COURTS

Reestablishment Data 2021-22

|                 | 2014 CR Filings | 2015 CR Filings | 2016 CR Filings | 2017 CR Filings | 2018 CR Filings | 2019 CR Filings | Total CR Filings | Average CR Filings |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Bradford</b> | 177             | 185             | 160             | 109             | 107             | 109             | 677              | 113                |
| 42-3-01         | 209             | 216             | 188             | 231             | 203             | 159             | 1206             | 201                |
| 42-3-02         | 424             | 447             | 375             | 379             | 373             | 432             | 2430             | 405                |
| 42-3-03         | 374             | 320             | 308             | 301             | 341             | 303             | 1947             | 325                |
| 42-3-04         | 164             | 152             | 229             | 189             | 158             | 199             | 1091             | 182                |

|                 | 2014 TR Filings | 2015 TR Filings | 2016 TR Filings | 2017 TR Filings | 2018 TR Filings | 2019 TR Filings | Total TR Filings | Average TR Filings |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Bradford</b> | 5414            | 4148            | 3482            | 4453            | 5423            | 4757            | 27657            | 4610               |
| 42-3-01         | 727             | 795             | 579             | 853             | 1094            | 1012            | 5060             | 843                |
| 42-3-02         | 1645            | 1071            | 865             | 962             | 855             | 717             | 6115             | 1019               |
| 42-3-03         | 1619            | 1253            | 1312            | 1554            | 2081            | 1688            | 9507             | 1585               |
| 42-3-04         | 1423            | 1029            | 726             | 1064            | 1393            | 1340            | 6975             | 1163               |

|                 | 2014 NT Filings | 2015 NT Filings | 2016 NT Filings | 2017 NT Filings | 2018 NT Filings | 2019 NT Filings | Total NT Filings | Average NT Filings |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Bradford</b> | 1153            | 1286            | 1251            | 1453            | 1159            | 948             | 7101             | 1184               |
| 42-3-01         | 211             | 262             | 287             | 270             | 301             | 169             | 1500             | 250                |
| 42-3-02         | 362             | 333             | 349             | 286             | 214             | 202             | 1746             | 291                |
| 42-3-03         | 362             | 426             | 384             | 388             | 406             | 408             | 2374             | 396                |
| 42-3-04         | 218             | 275             | 231             | 319             | 269             | 169             | 1481             | 247                |

|                 | 2014 PS Filings | 2015 PS Filings | 2016 PS Filings | 2017 PS Filings | 2018 PS Filings | 2019 PS Filings | Total PS Filings | Average PS Filings |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Bradford</b> | 328             | 366             | 376             | 356             | 241             | 314             | 1911             | 300                |
| 42-3-01         | 67              | 85              | 158             | 157             | 72              | 103             | 642              | 107                |
| 42-3-02         | 101             | 112             | 93              | 116             | 101             | 136             | 659              | 110                |
| 42-3-03         | 72              | 99              | 55              | 24              | 29              | 26              | 305              | 51                 |
| 42-3-04         | 88              | 70              | 70              | 59              | 39              | 49              | 375              | 63                 |



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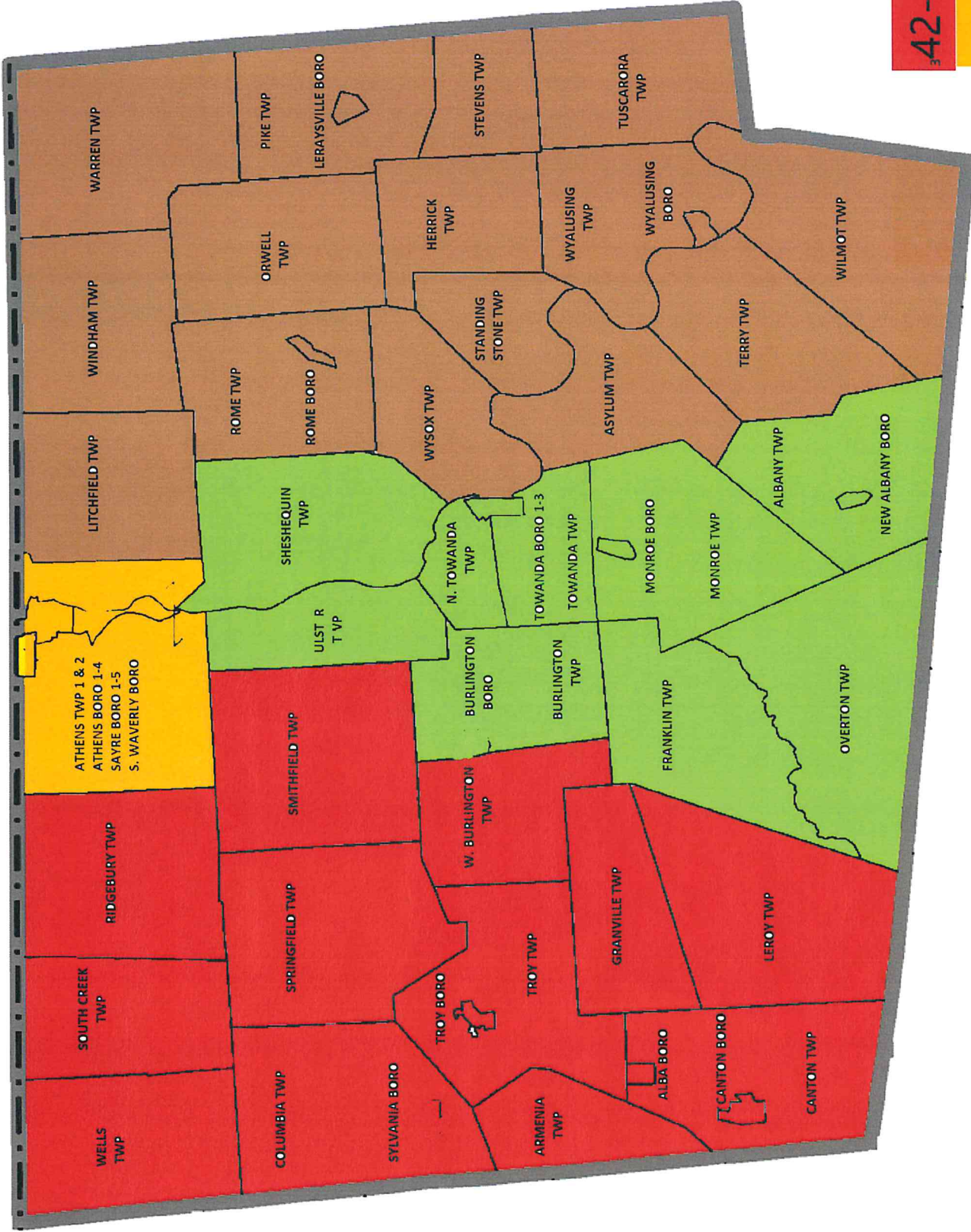
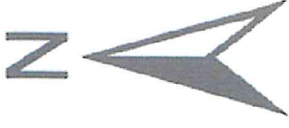
Reestablishment Data 2021-22

|          | 2014 PC Filings | 2015 PC Filings | 2016 PC Filings | 2017 PC Filings | 2018 PC Filings | 2019 PC Filings | Total PC Filings | Average PC Filings |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Bradford | 44              | 29              | 23              | 17              | 7               | 6               | 136              | 23                 |
| 42-3-01  |                 | 2               |                 | 1               | 3               | 1               | 7                | 1                  |
| 42-3-02  | 7               | 8               | 13              | 5               | 1               | 3               | 37               | 6                  |
| 42-3-03  | 30              | 17              | 7               | 9               | 3               | 1               | 67               | 11                 |
| 42-3-04  | 7               | 2               | 13              | 2               |                 | 1               | 25               | 4                  |

|  | 2014 LT Filings | 2015 LT Filings | 2016 LT Filings | 2017 LT Filings | 2018 LT Filings | 2019 LT Filings | Total LT Filings | Average LT Filings |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
|  | 203             | 205             | 205             | 251             | 236             | 290             | 1591             | 232                |
|  | 32              | 28              | 36              | 55              | 33              | 46              | 230              | 38                 |
|  | 57              | 68              | 77              | 90              | 83              | 106             | 481              | 80                 |
|  | 58              | 48              | 38              | 48              | 70              | 76              | 338              | 56                 |
|  | 56              | 62              | 54              | 58              | 50              | 62              | 342              | 57                 |

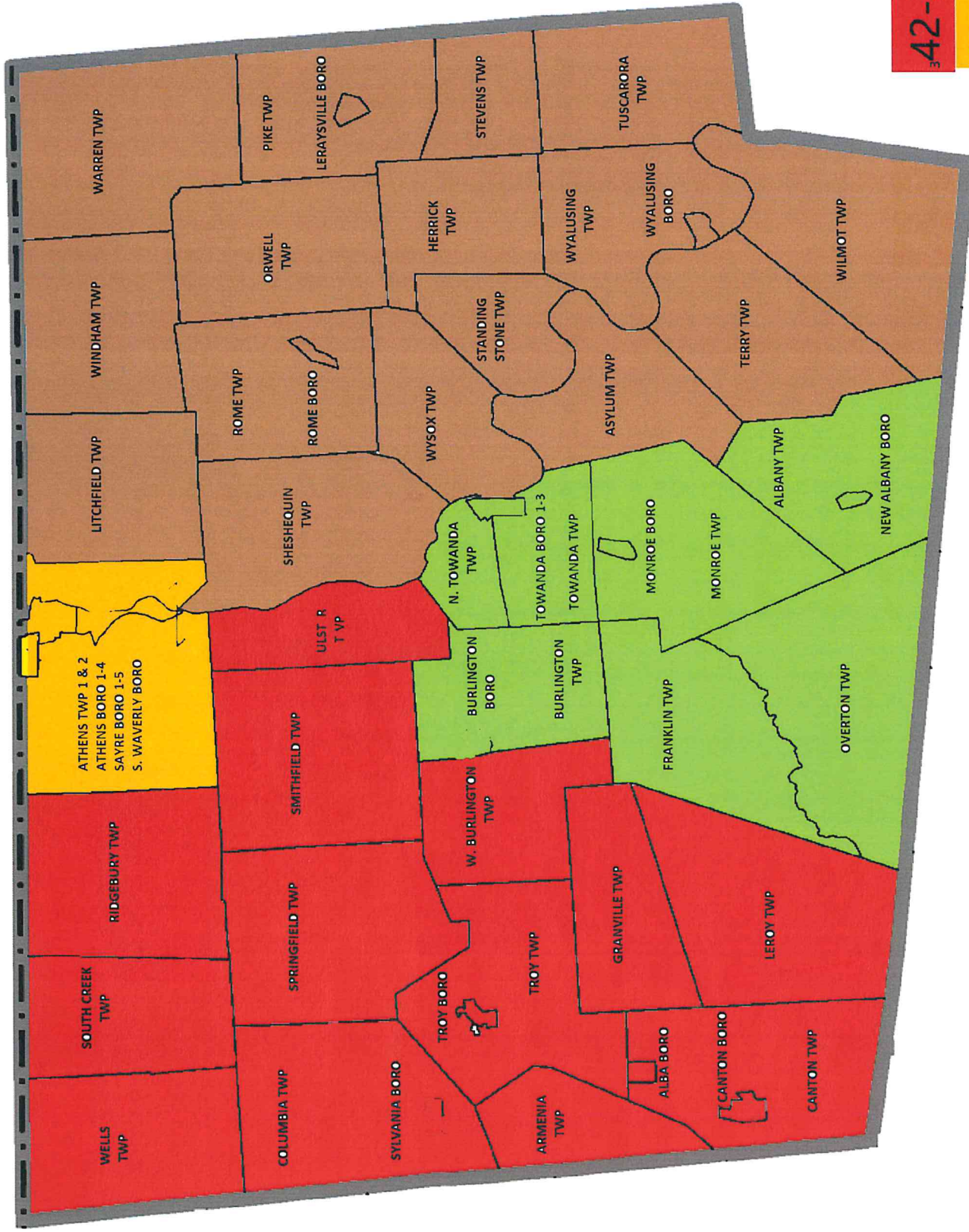
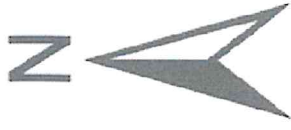
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|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Bradford | 820             | 799             | 698             | 878             | 1152            | 929             | 5276             | 879                |
| 42-3-01  | 203             | 214             | 202             | 220             | 328             | 276             | 1443             | 241                |
| 42-3-02  | 186             | 203             | 159             | 201             | 320             | 294             | 1363             | 227                |
| 42-3-03  | 255             | 196             | 166             | 203             | 209             | 132             | 1161             | 194                |
| 42-3-04  | 176             | 186             | 171             | 254             | 295             | 227             | 1309             | 218                |





- 42-3-01
- 42-3-02
- 42-3-03
- 42-3-04

# Bradford County Magisterial Districts as of 2012-2022



- 42-3-01
- 42-3-02
- 42-3-03
- 42-3-04

# Bradford County Magisterial Districts Proposed 2022

## Magisterial District Summary Worksheet - Reestablishment 2021-2022

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|   |                                     |                                  |                                |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>   | 42-3-04                             | <b>County:</b>                   | Bradford                       |
| 1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Realign   |                                     | 2. Effective date: 1/1/2023      |                                |
| <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. 1,970                            | B. 2,133                         | C. 3,230                       |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | -163                             | 3rd out of 4                   |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | -1260                            | -40 %                          |
| 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. 17,154                           | B. 21,600                        |                                |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | -4,446                           | -35 %                          |
| 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:  |                                |   |   |
| Fred M. Wheaton<br><i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>  | ██████████<br><i>Birthdate</i> | 12/31/23<br><i>Term Expiration Date</i> | ██████████ 2024<br><i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i> |
| 11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:<br>1959 Golden Mile Road, Wysox, PA 18854  |                                |   |   |
| 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.<br>PSP   |                                |   |   |
| 17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.<br>SR 6; SR 187  |                                |   |   |
| 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.  |                                |   |   |
| Asylum Township  | Pike Township                  | Tuscarora Township                      |   |
| Herrick Township   | Rome Borough                   | Warren Township                         |   |
| Leraysville Borough  | Rome Township                  | Wilmot Township                         |   |
| Litchfield Township  | Standing Stone Township        | Windham Township                        |   |
| Orwell Township  | Stevens Township               | Wyalusing Borough and Township          |   |
|  | Terry Township                 | Wysox Township                          |   |
| 19. Are the <b>proposed</b> municipalities the same as above?<br>If <b>NO</b> , please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).  |                                |   | No  |
| Asylum Township  | Pike Township                  | Terry Township                          | Wysox Township                                      |
| Herrick Township   | Rome Borough                   | Tuscarora Township                      |   |
| Leraysville Borough  | Rome Township                  | Warren Township                         |   |
| Litchfield Township  | Sheshequin Township            | Wilmot Township                         |   |
| Orwell Township  | Standing Stone Township        | Windham Township                        |   |
|  | Stevens Township               | Wyalusing Borough and Township          |   |
| <b>20. Additional Comments:</b>  |                                |   |   |
| Adding Sheshequin Township to this district will increase average case load to 2,156 and 1.0 % above average caseload for Magisterial Districts in county. The workload will increase to 18,354 and 15% under average workload for all Magisterial Districts in county. See Plan accompanying the worksheets |                                |   |   |

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|   |                                     |                                  |                                |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>   | 42-3-03                             | <b>County:</b>                   | Bradford                       |
| 1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Realign   |                                     | 2. Effective date: 1/1/2023      |                                |
| <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. 2,669                            | B. 2,133                         | C. 3,230                       |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | 536                              | 1st out of 4                   |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | -561                             | -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. 25,116                           | B. 21,600                        |                                |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | 3,516                            | 16 %                           |
| 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:

Todd Carr

*Magisterial District Judge Name*

~~12/31/23~~  
Birthdate

12/31/23

*Term Expiration Date*

~~2044~~ 2044

*Mandatory Retirement Date*

11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:

200 Main Street, Towanda, PA 18848

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.

Towanda Borough; PSP

17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.

SR 6, Rte 414, RT 220, Rte 5, Rt. 514

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

Albany Township

Monroe Township

Towanda Borough

Burlington Township

New Albany Borough

Towanda Township

Burlington Borough

North Towanda Township

Ulster Township

Franklin Township

Overton Township

Monroe Borough

Sheshequin Township

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

No

Albany Township

Monroe Township

Towanda Borough

Burlington Township

New Albany Borough

Towanda Township

Burlington Borough

North Towanda Township

Franklin Township

Overton Township

Monroe Borough

**20. Additional Comments:**

Subtracting Sheshequin and Ulster Townships from this district will decrease average case load to 2,346 and 10% above average caseload for Magisterial Districts in county. The workload will decrease to 22,680 and 5% above average workload for Magisterial Districts in county. See Plan accompanying the worksheets.

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|   |                                     |                                  |                                |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>   | 43-3-02                             | <b>County:</b>                   | Bradford                       |
| 1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: Reestablish   |                                     | 2. Effective date: 1/1/2023      |                                |
| <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. 2,180                            | B. 2,133                         | C. 3,230                       |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | 47                               | 2nd out of 4                   |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | -1050                            | -33 %                          |
| 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. 26,647                           | B. 21,600                        |                                |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | 5,047                            | 23 %                           |
| 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>This is the busiest magisterial district and smallest geographically. It is not possible to realign this district because Athens Township surrounds the other municipalities. This Office has 1 staff more than the other offices to compensate for the additional workload. We could look into reassigning cases to other magistrates, but the current magistrate does not mind the work.</p> |                                     |                                  |                                |

| <b>Magisterial District Information</b>   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| 10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:   |   |   |  |
| Larry Hurley<br><i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>  | <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del><br><i>Birthdate</i> | 12/31/23<br><i>Term Expiration Date</i> | <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> 2033<br><i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i> |
| 11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:<br>75 Herrick Avenue, Sayre, PA 18840   |   |   |  |
| 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.<br><br>No. However, as explained in plan, natural gas drilling could return in larger form in the future. | No/Not Sure                               |   |  |
| 16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.<br>Athens Borough, Athens Township, Sayre Borough, PSP  |   |   |  |
| 17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.<br>Rte 220; I-86 = NYS 17   |   |   |  |
| 18. List the <u>current</u> municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click <a href="#">HERE</a> for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.<br><br>Athens Borough, Athens Township, Sayre Borough, South Waverly Borough  |   |   |  |
| 19. Are the <u>proposed</u> municipalities the same as above?<br>If NO, please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).   | Yes                                       |   |  |
| <b>20. Additional Comments:</b>   |   |   |  |
| Further explanation accompanies the worksheets.   |   |   |  |



## Magisterial District Summary Worksheet - Reestablishment 2021-2022

Start by saving the fillable worksheet template locally on your system as a PDF form. Then, open and complete the worksheets in a PDF browser (not a web browser) to ensure all options and functionality are available. Answer the questions by typing or selecting responses. Press TAB or click on a field to advance. Hover the fields for tips and instructions. Save and upload the completed form to SharePoint.

|   |                                     |                                  |                                |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Magisterial District Court Number:</b>   | 42-3-01                             | <b>County:</b>                   | Bradford                       |
| 1. Proposed plan for this magisterial district: <b>Realign</b>  |                                     | 2. Effective date:               |                                |
| <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. 1,714                            | B. 2,133                         | C. 3,230                       |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | -419                             | 4th out of 4                   |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | -1516                            | -48 %                          |
| 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. 17,482                           | B. 21,600                        |                                |
| 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>           |
|   |                                     | -4,118                           | -19 %                          |
| 9. If this magisterial district's average workload is fifteen (15%) percent <i>higher or lower</i> than 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. |                                     |                                  |                                |

| <b>Magisterial District Information</b>   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| <b>10. Magisterial District Judge (MDJ) Information:</b>  |  |  |  |
| Jonathan M. Wilcox<br><i>Magisterial District Judge Name</i>  | <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del><br><i>Birthdate</i>  | 12/31/23<br><i>Term Expiration Date</i>  | <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> 2044<br><i>Mandatory Retirement Date</i> |
| <b>11. Magisterial District Court Information - Physical Location:</b>  |  |  |  |
| 430 Canton Street, Suite 2, Troy, PA 16942  |  |  |  |
| <b>12. Is this court within the boundaries of the magisterial district?</b>   | Yes  |  |  |
| <b>13. Is the MDJ's residence within the boundaries of the magisterial district?</b>  | Yes  |  |  |
| <b>14. Are all portions of the magisterial district contiguous?</b>   | Yes  |  |  |
| <b>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.</b>  | No/Not Sure  |  |  |
| <b>16. List any police departments located within this magisterial district.</b>  |  |  |  |
| Troy Borough, Canton Borough, PSP   |  |  |  |
| <b>17. List any major highways within this magisterial district.</b>  |  |  |  |
| SR 6; SR 14   |  |  |  |
| <b>18. List the <u>current</u> municipalities for this magisterial district (alphabetically). For a list, click <a href="#">HERE</a> for Realignment Orders submitted in the past.</b>  |  |  |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alba Borough</li> <li>Canton Borough</li> <li>Sylvania Borough</li> <li>Troy Borough</li> <li>Armenia Township</li> <li>Canton Township</li> <li>Columbia Township</li> <li>Granville Township</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leroy Township</li> <li>Ridgebury Township</li> <li>Smithfield Township</li> <li>South Creek Township</li> <li>Springfield Township</li> <li>Troy Township</li> <li>Wells Township</li> <li>West Burlington Township</li> </ul> |  |  |
| <b>19. Are the <u>proposed</u> municipalities the same as above? If NO, please list all proposed municipalities (alphabetically).</b>   |  |  | No   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alba Borough</li> <li>Canton Borough</li> <li>Sylvania Borough</li> <li>Troy Borough</li> <li>Armenia Township</li> <li>Canton Township</li> <li>Columbia Township</li> <li>Granville Township</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leroy Township</li> <li>Ridgebury Township</li> <li>Smithfield Township</li> <li>South Creek Township</li> <li>Springfield Township</li> <li>Troy Township</li> <li>Ulster Township</li> </ul>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wells Township</li> <li>West Burlington Township</li> </ul> |  |
| <b>20. Additional Comments:</b>   |  |  |  |
| Adding Ulster Township to this district will increase average case load to 1,851 and 13% under average caseload for Magisterial Districts in county. The workload will increase to 18,718 and 13% under average workload for all Magisterial Districts in county See Plan accompanying the worksheets |  |  |  |