# WHY SHOULD I CARE ABOUT JUDGES?

Pennsylvania's Court System are at risk of being corrupted by the same billionaire-fueled dark money forces that put extremists on the US Supreme Court. This will undermine our democracy and our rights. We need to elect fair-minded, compassionate judges who will respect our Constitution and interpret the law in ways that protect our rights and advance the cause of justice.

## **Justice or Injustice?**

In Pennsylvania, we elect our judges. The direction of the PA Courts is in our hands.

The Constitution mandates equal justice under the law, regardless of wealth, status, or connections. Extremist judges, however, will undermine OUR democracy and OUR rights.

#### **PA APPEALS COURTS**

The **PA Supreme Court** is the last word on interpreting the PA Constitution.

The **PA Superior Court** hears all civil, criminal, and family appeals.

The **PA Commonwealth Court** hears all governmental and election-related appeals.

#### PA LOCAL COURTS

Every PA County has a Court of Common Pleas where local civil, criminal, and family cases are heard.

Every county also has Magisterial District or Municipal Courts that handle claims that are lower in value.



Extremists on these courts will:

- Make it more *difficult to vote*
- Take us back to gerrymandered legislative maps
- Uphold laws that deny reproductive care
- Overturn sensible regulations on assault weapons
- Uphold book bans
- Undermine privacy protections
- Refuse to hold *polluters* accountable

#### Extremists on these courts will:

- *Side with insurers and large companies* over PA families and workers
- Lower the quality of our public schools
- Weaken our access to healthcare, including reproductive care
- Weaken protections for consumers
- Weaken protections for workers
- Make it easier to discriminate, harass, and retaliate
- Make it easier for *polluters* to ruin our air and water

Vote Carefully! In the United States, Money Should Not Buy Justice.

# WHY COURTS MATTER

**WORKERS RIGHTS** 

**VOTING RIGHTS** 

MARRIAGE EQUALITY

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

THE ENVIRONMENT

ABORTION RIGHTS

CORPORATE INFLUENCE

IMMIGRATION

**RACIAL JUSTICE** 

### **PENNSYLVANIA COURTS ARE ON THE BALLOT!**

To find out about your local candidates, visit your County Party's website or visit Voter Services at <u>https://www.chesco.org/156/Voter-Services</u>.

Then Google each candidate to see if their party and values align with yours

Please Vote in the Nov. 7 General:

In-Person at your polling place (7:00 am to 8:00 pm) on Nov. 7, 2023.

Vote by Mail: Your ballot must be RECEIVED by Voter Services by 8:00 pm Nov. 7, 2023.

#### • Put ballot in any mailbox

Allow plenty of time for US Postal delivery (mail no later than Oct. 30)

or\_

 Use a Chester County Ballot Drop Box Return Your Own Ballot Only. Locations and hours will be posted on

https://www.chesco.org/4758/Ballot-Drop-Off-Locations

Drop boxes will be open until 8:00 pm on election day.

• Overseas/Military ballots due by Nov. 14, 2023.

Need a mail in ballot? https://www.vote.pa.gov/Voting-in-PA/Pages/Mail-and-Absentee-Ballot.aspx

## **PROTECT OUR PENNSYLVANIA COURTS!**

