

Profile of state and county Democratic Candidates on the 11/8/11 ballot

Judge of the Superior Court - DAVID WECHT was a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for Allegheny County since 2003. He has an undergraduate and law degree from Yale University.

Judge of the Commonwealth Court - KATHRYN BOOCKVAR is an attorney from Bucks County. She has devoted her practice for the past 17 years to working for people and non-profit organizations. The Pennsylvania Bar Association gave her a rating of "Recommended" and she was named a legal Rising Star three times. She's been backed by a wide variety of organizations and unions.

Judge of the Court of Common Pleas - Vote for two

FREDDA MADDOX is from Birmingham Township and has a wide range of experience that makes her ideally suited for the bench. Fredda has been a PA State Trooper, served in the Pennsylvania Attorney General's office and was with the Public Defender's Office in Philadelphia for over 10 years. She has a law degree from Widener University, a Master's degree in Criminal Justice from West Chester University, and a Bachelor's degree from Edinboro University.

TOM PURL is from Downingtown. After retiring from a distinguished career in the military, Tom went to law school at Widener and finished in 27 months (just a little over two years). Tom has extensive trial experience in various areas of law, including almost ten years with the juvenile division of the Philadelphia Defender's Office. Tom will bring his leadership and his legal experience to serving on the bench.

County Commissioner - Vote for two

KATHI COZZONE has represented her constituents tirelessly since she was elected Commissioner in 2007. She was elected as the first Democrat to serve as Vice Chair of the County Commissioners earlier this year.

SUSAN BAYNE is a long-time resident of Chester County. She has served on the West Chester Borough Council for the past eight years, including two years as Council President. Susan works full time for Siemens Medical Solutions USA as a buyer in the Health Services Procurement department.

District Attorney - SAM STRETTON has been a trial attorney for over 35 years, handling cases in Philadelphia, Chester County and throughout Pennsylvania. Sam has tried over 300 homicide cases and many more appeals. He is currently handling the appeal of the Barnes Foundation move. Sam has been listed as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer every year since 2005. Sam has degrees from Penn State University and the Dickinson College of Law.

Sheriff - ALEX CATON is a graduate of Virginia Tech and has a Masters Degree in Criminal Justice. Alex is a resident of West Bradford Township and is currently working on his PhD.

Register of Wills - DAN TYMAN is an attorney with both legal experience and managerial background. He is a lifelong resident of Chester County and lives in Pocopson Township. Dan is a graduate of West Chester University and has a law degree from Temple University's Beasley School of Law.

Recorder of Deeds - RUSS PHIFER is from London Grove Township and runs his own environmental health and safety consulting business. He has lived in Chester County his whole life and has extensive real estate experience in many of the counties in Pennsylvania. Russ has over 30 years of serving the people and businesses of Chester County. He has assessed and performed title searches on hundreds of properties in Chester County.