

**FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PHILADELPHIA COUNTY**

Amended No. 04 of 2020

President Judge Administrative Order

In re: ELECTION DAY JUDICIAL ASSIGNMENTS

2020 Primary Election - Tuesday, June 2, 2020

ORDER

AND NOW, this 21st day May, 2020, this Court's order dated March 4, 2020 is vacated and replaced by the within order. The following Election Court assignments are made, which shall supersede other assignments during the scheduled Election Court hours only.

CENTRAL ELECTION COURT. ASSIGNMENTS. JURISDICTION– Tuesday, June 2, 2020

On June 2, 2020, Central Election Court will convene at 7:00 AM and will remain open continuously until 10:00 PM. In light of the Coronavirus Pandemic, and in order to minimize exposure to court users, all hearings will be held remotely, through Zoom.

The following Protocol shall be followed when a hearing is requested:

The Petitioning party shall contact the Office of Judicial Records-Civil ("OJR"), c/o Steven Wulko, Deputy Director, at Steven.Wulko@courts.phila.gov or (215) 459-0040 and provide the names of all parties who are to participate in the hearing. If necessary, Petitioning party may submit a request in person in the Stout Center for Criminal Justice, Bail Acceptance Unit, B-02. However, all hearings will be held remotely as provided below.

- OJR will provide to the Petitioning Party a time for all participants to log in, or to call into, the Zoom Courtroom
- OJR will email the assigned hearing time and meeting information to the Election Judge, court reporter, representative of the Office of City Commissioners, and to the other individuals identified by the Petitioning party;
- Upon joining the Zoom Hearing through a computer or smart phone or device or by calling the local phone number provided, all Participants will be placed in a "Waiting Room" until the hearing commences
- Upon the entry of an order, OJR will email a copy of the order to all interested parties including, as appropriate, the Sheriff's office.

Judges assigned to the Central Election Court will have jurisdiction over all election matters, and shall, as provided in 25 P.S. § 3046:

act as a committing magistrate for any violation of the election laws;

settle summarily controversies that may arise with respect to the conduct of the election;

issue process, if necessary, to enforce and secure compliance with the election laws;

decide such other matters pertaining to the election as may be necessary to carry out the intent of the Election Code; and

when an individual is seeking a judicial order to vote, inform the individual of the provisional ballot process set forth in 25 P.S. § 3050. Section 3050 provides, *inter alia*:

- **an individual who claims to be properly registered and eligible to vote at the election district but whose name does not appear on the district register and whose registration cannot be determined by the inspectors of election or the county election board shall be permitted to cast a provisional ballot.**
- **Prior to voting the provisional ballot, the elector shall be required to execute an affidavit which must be signed by the voter, the Judge of Election and minority inspector.**
- **After the provisional ballot has been cast, the individual shall place it in a secrecy envelope. The individual shall place the secrecy envelope in the provisional ballot envelope and shall place his signature on the front of the provisional ballot envelope.**

No judge who is not assigned to Central Election Court shall take any action with respect to any election matter, unless prior approval is obtained from the President Judge.

	<u>Judge</u>	<u>Court Reporter</u>
7 AM to 2:30 PM	Honorable Lucretia Clemons	Theresa Valentino
2:30 PM to 10 PM	Honorable Joshua Roberts	Danielle Gleason

POST-ELECTION MATTERS

Any post-election disputes will be heard remotely, also through Zoom, as follows:

June 3 and June 5, 2020	Honorable Abbe Fletman
June 4, 2020	Honorable Stella Tsai

OFFICIAL ELECTION COUNT

The official election count will commence on Friday, June 5, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., at Riverview Place, 6th Floor, Delaware Avenue and Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

*This Election Schedule is available on the First Judicial District Web Site at:

<http://www.courts.phila.gov>.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Idee C. Fox

**Honorable Idee C. Fox, President Judge
Court of Common Pleas**