

[J-20-2022]
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA
MIDDLE DISTRICT

CAROL ANN CARTER, MONICA : No. 7 MM 2022
PARRILLA, REBECCA POYOUROW, :
WILLIAM TUNG, ROSEANNE MILAZZO, :
BURT SIEGEL, SUSAN CASSANELLI, LEE :
CASSANELLI, LYNN WACHMAN, MICHAEL :
GUTTMAN, MAYA FONKEU, BRADY HILL, :
MARY ELLEN BALCHUNIS, TOM DEWALL, :
STEPHANIE MCNULTY AND JANET :
TEMIN, :

Petitioners

v.

LEIGH M. CHAPMAN, IN HER OFFICIAL :
CAPACITY AS THE ACTING SECRETARY :
OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF :
PENNSYLVANIA; JESSICA MATHIS, IN :
HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS DIRECTOR :
FOR THE PENNSYLVANIA BUREAU OF :
ELECTION SERVICES AND NOTARIES, :

Respondents

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PHILIP T. GRESSMAN; RON Y. DONAGI; :
KRISTOPHER R. TAPP; PAMELA GORKIN; :
DAVID P. MARSH; JAMES L. :
ROSENBERGER; AMY MYERS; EUGENE :
BOMAN; GARY GORDON; LIZ MCMAHON; :
TIMOTHY G. FEEMAN; AND GARTH :
ISAAK, :

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 Respondents :

ORDER

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 2nd day of March, 2022, presently before this Court are an Application for “Clarification” filed by the Acting Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Director for the Pennsylvania Bureau of Election Services and Notaries (Respondents), an Application for Intervention filed by the Delaware County Board of Elections (Delaware County), and Respondents’ subsequent Reply to the Application for Intervention. In their filings, Respondents seek modification of the Primary Election calendar for state party committees (State Committees) and local party committees a/k/a precinct committees (Local Committees), which neither Respondents nor this Court have previously addressed.

Upon consideration of Respondents’ Application and Delaware County’s response, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. The period for circulating and filing nomination petitions for Local Committees shall be aligned for all purposes with the period for circulating and filing nomination petitions by candidates for Congressional and statewide offices. Accordingly, the period for circulating nomination petitions for Local Committees shall commence immediately, and nomination petitions for Local Committees shall be filed on or before March 15, 2022.

2. The period for circulating and filing nomination petitions for State Committees shall be aligned for all purposes with the period for circulating and filing nomination petitions for seats in the Pennsylvania General Assembly, which will be set by further Order of this Court subsequent to its adjudication of the appellate challenges to the Final Plan of the Legislative Reapportionment Commission.

3. The Application for Intervention filed by Delaware County is **GRANTED** for the limited purpose of permitting Delaware County to present its counterargument to Respondents' Application for "Clarification."