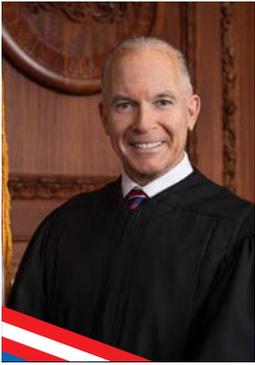

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CELEBRATING VETERANS

IN THE PENNSYLVANIA COURTS



The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania recognizes the contributions of jurists, court staff and their immediate families who have served in the United States military.



JUDGE DANIEL MCCAFFERY

SERVED 1983-1989

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Daniel McCaffery

Superior Court

- Served on active duty from 1983 - 1986
- Joined the Army at 18 years old and proudly served with the 1st Cavalry Division
- Selected to attend West Point Prep
- Served in the Army Reserves in the 304th Military Intelligence Unit from 1987 - 1989



JUDGE MARK MARTIN

SERVED 1985-2015

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Mark Martin

Cumberland County

- Retired as a Colonel after 30 years of service
- Served in active and reserve duty from 1985 - 2015
- Served as infantry officer during nine years active duty
- Military Police and civil affairs assignments during 21 years reserve time
- Stationed three and one half years in West Germany during the end of the Cold War and was there when the wall came down
- Served in the Global War on Terrorism, deploying twice to Iraq and twice to Afghanistan



JUDGE CHRISTOPHER KALACINSKI

SERVED 2008-2013

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Christopher Kalacinski

Potter County

- Served as a U.S. Army Military Police Officer and Investigator from 2008 - 2016
- Stationed at Schofield, Hawaii 2008 - 2013
- Deployed to Afghanistan from 2012 - 2013

“My military service and years abroad has significantly shaped and refined my world view, as I have had the opportunity to learn about and interact with people from dozens of cultures throughout the world, from regions such as Central America and Europe, to the Middle East. I believe that my experiences with people from so many diverse groups have helped me to better relate to those from other countries who have business in my court, and hopefully put them at ease while in my court.”



**PRESIDENT JUDGE
PATRICK DUGAN**

SERVED 1981-1989
REENLISTED IN 2003

UNITED STATES ARMY

President Judge Patrick Dugan
Philadelphia Municipal Court

- Joined the Army Reserves in 1981 and retired 2016
- Active Duty Army 1983-1989 as an Airborne Infantryman
- Reenlisted in Reserves with Civil Affairs 2003 after a 14-year break in service in response to 9/11 attacks
- Served in Iraq, Afghanistan, Panama and South Korea

“I felt that it was my duty to go back and assist in our war on terrorism. My military service is who I am. The military instilled in me the confidence to do what is conceived as impossible. My military background has assisted me greatly every day on the bench; the leadership taught in the Airborne Infantry is guiding me in leading Philadelphia Municipal Court as President Judge. I have been able to continue to assist my fellow service-members as I lead a dedicated team in Veterans Courts. I am blessed to be in the position I am today - and the road I traveled is who I am.”



JUDGE WADE KAGARISE

SERVED 1990-1996

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Wade Kagarise
Blair County

- Served as an Army Reserve Infantryman from 1990 - 1996
- Completed basic training and infantry school at Fort Benning, Georgia

“My military service was the initiation of a lifelong commitment to public service. I urge young adults to consider military service as a way to give back to our country or alternatively to find other ways to serve their communities.”



**JUDGE
CATERIA R. MCCABE**

SERVED 1986-1994

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Cateria R. McCabe
Philadelphia County

- Enlisted in Civil Affairs units with various military occupational specialties (MOS)
- JAG officer

“It was an honor to serve in the U.S. Army Reserve. I obtained some life-long friends and learned valuable lessons. My military experience has enhanced my skills as a jurist in Family Court.”



JAKE PRESLEY
SERVED 2004-2010

UNITED STATES ARMY

Jake Presley
AOPC

- Operation Iraqi Freedom - December 2004 to November 2005
- Operation Iraqi Freedom - March 2007 to May 2008
- Operation Enduring Freedom - November 2009 to November 2010



SENIOR JUDGE
ROBERT MAZZONI
SERVED 1970-1976

UNITED STATES ARMY

Senior Judge Robert Mazzone
Lackawanna County

- Served in the U.S. Army National Guard from 1970 - 1976
- Rank: E4



JOHN M. SKOCIK
SERVED 1988-1994

UNITED STATES ARMY

John M. Skocik
AOPC

- 72G MOS Telecommunications TSSBI
- Basic - FT. Jackson, SC. Squad Leader
- AIT - Signal Corps Ft. Gordon, GA
- Combat Support Coordination Team #3 -Camp Yongin, South Korea
- US ARMY Criminal Investigation Division Command - FT. Holabird, MD



JUDGE
JEFFREY JOHN WOOD
SERVED 1971-1977

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Jeffrey John Wood
Perry County

- U.S. Army, Pennsylvania National Guard
- Rank: E6



SENIOR JUDGE
D. WEBSTER KEOGH

UNITED STATES ARMY

Senior Judge D. Webster Keogh
Philadelphia County

- 103rd Engineer Battalion
- Combat Engineer, 1331 CPT Company Commander



JUDGE
LEONARD G. BROWN, III
SERVED 1991-2019

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Leonard G. Brown, III
Lancaster County

- Retired in 2019 after 28 years of service
- Served during his early years as an airborne combat engineer
- Transitioned to the Army Reserve Judge Advocate General's Corp (JAG)
- Ended career working with the U.S. Africa Command in Stuttgart, Germany



JUDGE
MATTHEW P. SMITH
SERVED 26 YEARS

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Matthew P. Smith
Cumberland County

- Colonel - Pa Army National Guard
- Currently the State Staff Judge Advocate
- Served in the military for over 26 years in various positions such as Ammunition Platoon Leader, Intelligence Officer, Instructor, Trial Counsel and Deputy Staff Judge Advocate
- Deployed overseas three times, once each to Nicaragua, Iraq and Kuwait
- Performed temporary duty at The United States Embassy in Kuwait and interacted with his counterparts in the Kuwaiti, Saudi Arabian and Jordanian militaries
- Awards include the Bronze Star for Meritorious Service, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Citation, Combat Action Badge, and Airborne and Air Assault Badges, amongst others



PRESIDENT JUDGE
MICHAEL H. SHOLLEY
SERVED 1975-1995

UNITED STATES ARMY

President Judge Michael H. Sholley
Snyder and Union Counties

- Served in the Military Police Corp from 1975 - 1978
- Commissioned a Lieutenant, U.S. Army, Infantry 1981
- Served in the National Guard and Reserves as an Infantry, Armor and JAG officer until 1995 and resigned as a Major



LUKE BROWN
CADET AT WEST POINT

UNITED STATES ARMY

Luke Brown
*Son of Judge Leonard Brown,
Lancaster County*

- Cadet at West Point, Class of 2024, majoring in mechanical engineering



NATHANIEL JONES, JR.

2022 GRADUATE OF
WEST POINT

UNITED STATES ARMY



JUDGE MATTHEW WOLF

SERVED 2003-PRESENT

UNITED STATES ARMY

Nathaniel Jones, Jr.

*Son of Judge Lucretia Clemons,
Philadelphia County*

- 2022 Graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point
- Second Lieutenant
- 199th Infantry Division, Calvary, Amour Basic Officer Leadership Course
- Stationed at Fort Benning, GA

Judge Matthew Wolf

Philadelphia Municipal Court

- Joined the Army Reserves at age 35 in 2003
- Deployed to Iraq in 2006 and Afghanistan in 2008
- In Afghanistan, he served as the Rule of Law adviser to the sole lawyer overseeing the Afghan National Police
- In February 2020, Judge Wolf transferred from being a Major (O-4) in the United States Army Reserve to Alpha Troop, 1st Squadron - 104 Cavalry Regiment, 28th Infantry Division, Pennsylvania Army National Guard, and enlisted in that unit as a Specialist (E-4)
- In June of 2020 he served for a period of time on State Active Duty dealing with civil unrest in the City of Philadelphia, stationed mostly in the Kensington neighborhood of Philadelphia
- Completed his MOS transition course from 27A to 19D (Cavalry Scout) in September 2020
- Continues to drill monthly and perform Annual Training at Fort Indiantown Gap



SENIOR JUDGE
JAMES GARDNER COLINS

SERVED 1978-1983

UNITED STATES ARMY

Senior Judge James Gardner Colins

Superior Court

- Served in the U.S. Army Reserves for eight years
- Honorably discharged with the rank of Captain in 1983
- Assigned to various civil affairs units during his service

“The Army has enriched my life. The first big thing the Army teaches you is about doing things for more than just yourself. You think of others. There’s no place for ego. Leadership comes from that. You have the back of your fellow soldiers and they have yours. As a judge, you continue to work as a team with the staff, the parties, attorneys and witnesses to achieve justice. It is a wonderful thing if it works right and just like the Army, justice is not about me being the judge, it is about being a member of a team. A judge is like a high-ranking officer and that judge has to guide people through a challenge. It is about ensuring a fair process and a fair result.”



SENIOR JUDGE
DAN PELLEGRINI

UNITED STATES ARMY

Senior Judge Dan Pellegrini
Superior Court

- Artillery Officer
- Served in Turkey



DANIEL CEISLER

UNITED STATES ARMY

Daniel Ceisler
*Son of Judge Ellen Ceisler,
Commonwealth Court*

- Deployed to Afghanistan once
- Deployed twice to the Pentagon to assist the Army with regards to military issues and needs related to the COVID-19 crisis and then to address domestic civil unrest



SHEYLA STREET

SOPHOMORE AT WEST POINT

UNITED STATES ARMY

Sheyla Street
*Daughter of Judge Sierra Thomas Street,
Philadelphia County*

- Sophomore Cadet at West Point
Major: Cybersecurity



JOHN WITHEROW

SERVED 1984-1991

UNITED STATES ARMY

John Witherow
AOPC

- PA Army National Guard
- Aviation company executive officer



SENIOR JUDGE
EDWARD REIBMAN

SERVED 1969-1975

UNITED STATES ARMY

Senior Judge Edward Reibman
Lehigh County

- Served in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1969 - 1975
- Served as a Drill Sergeant



DARYL WALKER

SERVED 1980-2012

UNITED STATES ARMY

Daryl Walker

AOPC

- JAG
- Served in Grenada for war claims investigations, and Frankfurt, Germany as a Military Magistrate
- Retired in 2012 with more than 31 years of service



RICH AMMONS

SERVED 2003-2004

UNITED STATES ARMY

Rich Ammons

AOPC



DANIEL A. DURST

SERVED 1989-1993

UNITED STATES ARMY

Daniel A. Durst

Pa. Supreme Court Rules Committee

- Medic



PRESIDENT JUDGE
DANIEL WALLACE

SERVED 1988-1992

UNITED STATES ARMY

President Judge Daniel Wallace

Mercer County

- Graduated from West Point in 1988
- Deployed for combat during Operation Desert Storm



JUDGE
CRAIG STEDMAN

SERVED 1986-1994

UNITED STATES ARMY

Judge Craig Stedman

Lancaster County

- Captain
- Military Intelligence



SENIOR JUDGE DANIEL BOWMAN

JOINED 1969

UNITED STATES ARMY

Senior Judge Daniel Bowman

Adams County

- Joined the Army at 17 years old in 1969
- Served in Vietnam as a Sgt. E-5 with 9th Inf., 25th Inf. and E Troop 17 Cav. 173 Airborne Brigade
- He was motivated to serve by the service of his father, seven uncles and two aunts who served in World War II
- He believes that his Catholic education and the words of President John F. Kennedy inspired him to serve: "And so, my fellow Americans-ask not what your country can do for you-ask what you can do for your country. My fellow citizens of the world-ask not what America will do for you but what together we can do for the freedom of man."

"I have learned to never discount anyone. Everyone has strong and weak points. Work with whomever you have to deal with, form a relationship in a joint effort towards the goal you seek. Be fair, be civil but don't be afraid to use any tools that you need to make good and fair decisions."



SSG NICHOLAS A RANGOS

CURRENTLY DEPLOYED

UNITED STATES ARMY

SSG Nicholas A Rangos

Son of Judge Jill Rangos, Allegheny County

- Active duty special forces
- Currently deployed



MARK FRANKLIN

SERVED 1984-1987

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Mark Franklin

AOPC



STEVEN L. YEAGER

SERVED 1982-1986

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Steven L. Yeager

AOPC



JUDGE JAMES T. ANTHONY

SERVED 1981-2009

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS



LEO ZUVICH

SERVED 1984-1990

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Judge James T. Anthony

Lehigh County

- Commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve through the PLC program in August 1981 after graduating from OCS in Quantico, VA
- Designated an unrestricted officer in June 1984 after graduating from the Basic Officer Course at the Basic School in Quantico, VA
- Served on active duty from 1984 - 1987, including a one year deployment to Okinawa
- Joined the Selected Marine Corps Reserve in January 1988
- Returned to active duty from June 2004 - June 2005, and from September 2006 - September 2007, with two deployments to Iraq and temporary duty in Afghanistan
- Awarded the Bronze Star Medal in 2006 for service in Iraq
- Served in support, combat arms and staff billets during career
- Retired at the rank of colonel in March 2009
- Father of an active-duty Army officer and an active-duty Navy officer - veterans of the war in Afghanistan and the war in Iraq, respectively

Leo Zuvich

Judicial Conduct Board

- United States Marine Corps Reserve (North 2nd St in Harrisburg)
- Corporal
- Company "E" 2nd Battalion, 25th Marines, 4th Marine Division "Semper Fi!"



JUDGE DAVID HOWELLS

SERVED 1977-1983

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Judge David Howells

Lehigh County

- Presidential Security Marine for President Carter stationed at Camp David



JUDGE LEE GRIMES

SERVED 2005-2010

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Judge Lee Grimes

Delaware County

- Specialty: Infantry
- Deployment: Iraq



JUDGE MICHAEL THATCHER

SERVED 2006-PRESENT

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Judge Michael Thatcher

Allegheny County

- Graduated from the Naval Academy in 2006
- U.S. Marine Corps Infantry Officer
- Deployed to Afghanistan in 2008 and 2010 in Helmand Province with 1st Battalion 6th Marine Regiment
- Served as Company Commander for Kilo Company 3rd Battalion 25th Marine Regiment, a reserve unit based in Pittsburgh
- Currently assigned to 25th Marine Regiment in Massachusetts



JUDGE
JEFF CONRAD
SERVED 1985-1990

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Judge Jeff Conrad

Lancaster County

- Rank: First Lieutenant

“Serving my country as a United States Marine Corps Officer was a dream come true. As a child, I met an uncle of mine who was a Marine and his walk, talk and bearing was different; he moved with confidence and took life in stride. The training I received as a Marine helped me to realize that the human body is made to do so much more than we think and that groups of hard-charging Americans infused with esprit de corps, and God’s blessing, can conquer any enemy. Civilian world translation: there is no problem too big to handle.”



JAMES MUNDY

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

James Mundy

Son of Justice Sallie Updyke Mundy

- First Lieutenant, USMC Infantry Division



SENIOR JUDGE
DAVID KLEMENTIK

SERVED 26 YEARS

UNITED STATES NAVY

Senior Judge David Klementik
Somerset County

- Served as a Captain
- Served six years active duty, 20 years reserve
- Flew the A-6 Intruder aboard the USS Forrestal for two deployment cruises with over 200 carrier landings



JUDGE DANIEL DAVIS

SERVED 24 YEARS

UNITED STATES NAVY

Judge Daniel Davis
Mercer County

- Served in the Navy Reserves for 24 years



JUDGE TIM KRIEGER

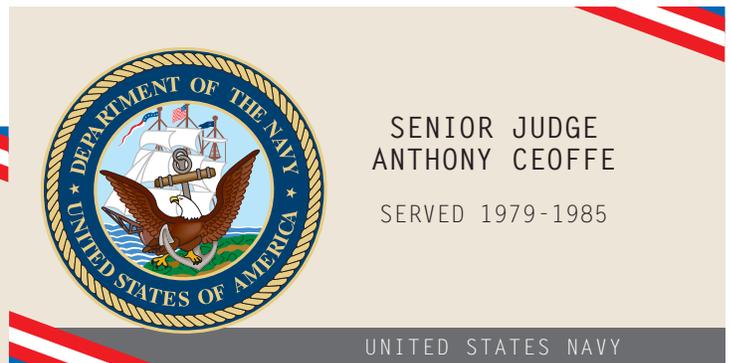
SERVED 1985-1991

UNITED STATES NAVY

Judge Tim Krieger
Westmoreland County

- Served active duty USN 1985 - 1989, USNR 1989 - 1991
- Served as a Surface Warfare Officer on the USS Penscola (LSD-38)
- Deployed to Mediterranean twice as part of Marine Amphibious Ready Group (MARG)
- Spent four months at Guantanamo, Cuba
- Distinguished Graduate of the Naval Officer Candidate School

“The responsibilities entrusted to me as a young naval officer shaped me in some profound ways. I draw upon those experiences every day as a judge.”



SENIOR JUDGE
ANTHONY CEOFFE

SERVED 1979-1985

UNITED STATES NAVY

Senior Judge Anthony Ceoffe
Allegheny County

- Petty Officer Second Class (Communications)
- Served aboard the USNS Marias an Oiler that refueled ships destined for an attempt to rescue the hostages held in Iran
- Later served aboard the USS Charleston, an amphibian cargo and assault ship that participated in the Granada Campaign
- Entered service two months prior 18th Birthday
- Traveled to over 32 countries on three different Continents



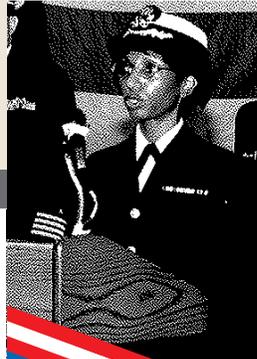
JUDGE MILES BIXLER

SERVED 1976-1981

UNITED STATES NAVY

Judge Miles Bixler
Lancaster County

- Rank: Hull Technician 1st Class
- Made four deployments aboard the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga to the Mediterranean Sea



SENIOR JUDGE
CHERYL AUSTIN

SERVED 24 YEARS

UNITED STATES NAVY

Senior Judge Cheryl Austin
Montgomery County

- Retired as a Captain
- Served for 24 years—seven active duty and 17 in Reserves
- Entered the Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps in its first class of women while she was an undergraduate student at Northwestern University



RYAN Q. MILLER

CURRENTLY DEPLOYED

UNITED STATES NAVY

Commander Ryan Q. Miller
*Son of Judge Charles Miller,
Schuylkill County*

- Attached to the Carl Vinson Strike Group
- Home base San Diego, California
- Currently deployed in the Pacific Ocean



JUDGE MICHAEL MCCARTHY

SERVED IN VIETNAM

UNITED STATES NAVY

Judge Michael McCarthy
Allegheny County

- Served as a Combat Engineer with the Navy Seabees
- Received the Navy Combat Badge and a Bronze Star
- Deployed to Vietnam from 1970 - 1971



STEVE SONDHEIMER

SERVED 1980-1987

UNITED STATES NAVY

Steve Sondheimer

AOPC

- U.S. Navy - Data Systems Technician 3rd Class
- Served aboard USS America (CV-66)
- Stationed at Submarine Base, New London, Connecticut



JENNIFER A. EICHENLAUB

SERVED 1995-1997

UNITED STATES NAVY

Jennifer A. Eichenlaub

AOPC

- Served as a Personnelman at the Career Counselor Office from 1995 - 1997
- Stationed at Naval Auxiliary Landing Field San Clemente Island, California
- Recipient of the National Defense Service Medal



AARON FRANCISCO

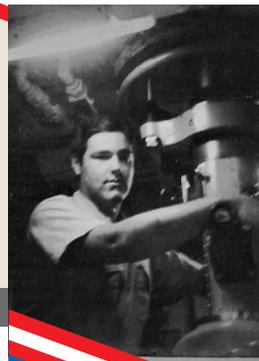
SERVED 2019-PRESENT

UNITED STATES NAVY

Aaron Francisco

Son of Angela Butler, AOPC

- Petty Officer Third Class (AC3)
- Enlisted in 2019 and graduated boot camp Feb. 7, 2020
- Graduated A-School approx. October 2020
- Meritorious Mast - November 4, 2021
- Deployed on amphibious assault ship, USS Tripoli (LHA-7) - 2022
- Currently in active service



JUDGE RICHARD THOMAS

SERVED 24 YEARS

UNITED STATES NAVY

Judge Richard Thomas

York County

- Retired as Lieutenant
- Stationed on the USS John Marshall (SSN-611) submarine in the early 1980s
- Served as a nuclear trained submarine officer during the Cold War
- Mission was to observe and monitor Soviet submarines and ships in the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea while remaining undetected

“Being in the military shapes you for a lifetime; it certainly did for me. You learn discipline, but more importantly, you learn to take responsibility for your actions.”



SENIOR JUDGE
ALLAN TERESHKO
SERVED 1963-1967

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Senior Judge Allan Tereshko
Philadelphia County



JUDGE JAMES LILLIS
SERVED 1974-2004

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Judge James Lillis
Berks County

- Retired from PA Air National Guard as Brigadier General after serving in the Guard and U.S. Air Force from 1974 - 2004
- Served five years active duty as Minuteman Missile Crew Commander
- Deployed as a NATO Commander for Operations Allied Force during the Kosovo conflict and for Operation Decisive Endeavor, Bosnia-Herzegovina
- Served as Vice Commander, 193d Special Operations Wing, Middletown, during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Force



BRIAN DARBROW
SERVED 1992-1999

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Brian Darbrow
AOPC

- Computer Technician, 37 CS/SCST
- LAN Technician, HQ USCINCPAC



JENNIFER LOVE
SERVED 1999-2001

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Jennifer Love
AOPC

- Stationed in Los Angeles, California
- Served as a Medical Assistant

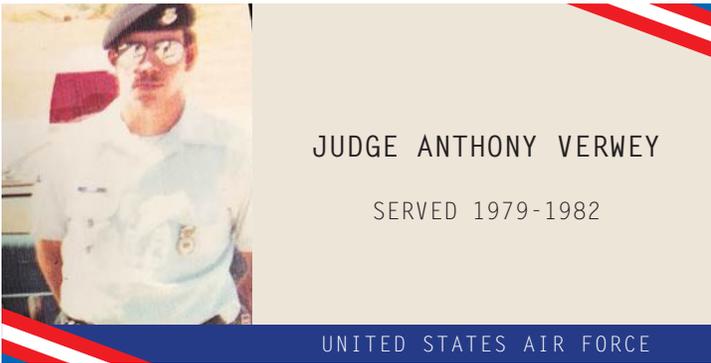


JUDGE
DEAN R. PATTON
SERVED 1973-1977

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Judge Dean R. Patton
Berks County

- 509th Security Police Pease AFB, NH
- 36th Security Police Bitburg AFB, Germany
- U.S. Army National Guard from 1983 - 1984
- 1028th MP Squadron, Hamburg, PA



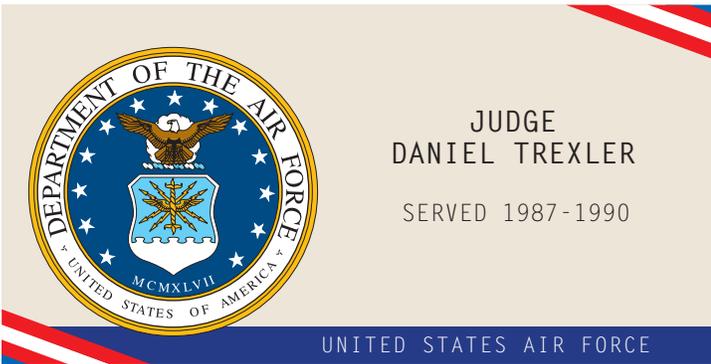
Judge Anthony Verwey
Chester County

- Served in in the United States Air Force from 1979-1982
- Security Police (Law Enforcement Specialist)



Cynthia Lose-Morgan
*Deputy District Court Administrator
Clearfield County*

- United States Air Force, Pennsylvania Air National Guard
- Technical Sergeant
- Rank: E-6
- 193 Special Operations Wing: 211 Engineering Installation Squadron based out of Fort Indiantown Gap
- Deployments: May, 2012-November, 2012 -Camp Integrity, Bagram Air Force Base, and Camp Phoenix all in Afghanistan; January, 2017 - August, 2017= Al Asad Air Base, Iraq; Muwaffaq Salti Air Base, Jordan; Al Dahfra Air Base, United Arab Emirates; Al Jaber and Ali Al Salem Air Bases, Kuwait; and Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar



Judge Daniel Trexler
Lehigh County

- Aerospace ground equipment mechanic, Macdill AFB Tampa, Fl.

“My military service has, among many things, taught me to be flexible in fast-paced, dynamic environments with individuals from many different backgrounds. I find myself drawing on my military experience daily in the county-level judicial system.”

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