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Allegheny County Bar Association Recommends Six Common Pleas Judges Running for Retention on Nov. 7

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Bar Association has recommended retaining the six Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas judges running for retention in the Nov. 7 municipal election. The judges are:

Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas

- The Hon. **Eleanor L. Bush**
- The Hon. **Paul E. Cozza**
- The Hon. **Lawrence J. O’Toole**
- The Hon. **Jill E. Rangos**
- The Hon. **Jennifer A. Satler**
- The Hon. **Christine A. Ward**

All six incumbents are serving the final year of their 10-year terms and will face the electorate in a “yes-no” retention election. Those who are retained will serve another 10-year term. Although sitting judges run unopposed, voters will be asked whether the judges should remain on the bench based on their qualifications, performance, and merit.

The ACBA conducted a poll of its members – the attorneys of Allegheny County – during the spring, asking members to indicate whether each candidate should be “recommended” or “not recommended” for retention. Each of these judges received “recommended” rating from the bar association membership.

“Keeping qualified judges on the bench is crucial for our democracy, but many members of the general public are not in a position to evaluate our sitting judges because most residents do not routinely interact with judges,” explained ACBA President Marla Presley. “That’s where the ACBA comes in. ACBA members often appear in front of these judges and are knowledgeable about each judge’s qualifications and performance.”

“Not only did all six of these judges receive a ‘recommended’ rating from the ACBA, the response in support of these retention candidates was overwhelmingly positive. That’s why we recommend you vote ‘yes’ to retain these qualified judges.”

For more information, visit www.JudicialVote2023.org.

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