

2016 GENERAL ELECTION UMOVA NOTICE

Official Notice of Election for Military and Overseas Voters Columbia County

2016 General Election November 8, 2016

This is an official notice of a General election to be conducted on 11/8/2016 in Columbia County. You may register to vote and request an official absentee ballot by using the Federal Postcard Application (FPCA), available at www.votespa.com or www.fvap.gov. You may apply for an absentee ballot by submitting your FPCA by fax to (570)-784-0257, or by email to mrepasky@columbiapa.org

You may request an absentee ballot from this office at any time prior to a primary or election. However, if time does not permit you to receive and return an official absentee ballot, you are also entitled to vote using the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB). Military electors may also use the FWAB to register to vote and vote simultaneously. <https://www.fvap.gov/eo/overview/materials/forms>

You may use the FWAB to vote for a candidate for President of the United States, United States Senator and U.S. Representative (Representative in Congress) as well as candidates for all state and local offices, and ballot initiatives.

To vote for state and local offices or for ballot initiatives, write the names of candidates or ballot initiatives in the Addendum section of the FWAB. Under the **Office/Ballot Initiative** heading, enter the office the candidate is running for or the title of the Ballot Initiative (referendum). Under the **Candidate Name, Party Affiliation or Initiative Vote** heading, list the name of the candidate you wish to vote for, or if you are voting on a Referendum questions write "yes" or "no."

Below you will find the list of names as they are known currently for the ballot.

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BALLOT

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES -- Vote for One -- All Precincts within Columbia County
VICE-PRESIDENT

UNITED STATES SENATOR -- Vote for One -- All Precincts within Columbia County

ATTORNEY GENERAL -- Vote for One -- All Precincts within Columbia County

AUDITOR GENERAL -- Vote for One -- All Precincts within Columbia County

STATE TREASURER -- Vote for One -- All Precincts within Columbia County

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS --11th Congressional District -- Vote for One -- All Precincts within
Columbia County

SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- 27 Senatorial District --Vote for One--

REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- 107th Legislative District --Vote for One--
Franklin Township, Cleveland Township, Locust Township, Conyngham Township, Centralia Borough

REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- 109th Legislative District --Vote for One--
Excluding: Franklin Township, Cleveland Township, Locust Township, Conyngham Township, Centralia
Borough

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
AMENDING THE MANDATORY JUDICIAL RETIREMENT AGE

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to require that justices of the Supreme Court, judges, and magisterial district judges be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years?

YES _____

NO _____

Plain English Statement of the Office of Attorney General

The purpose of the ballot question is to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to require that justices, judges and justices of the peace (known as magisterial district judges) be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years.

Presently, the Pennsylvania Constitution provides that justices, judges and justices of the peace be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70 years. Justices of the peace are currently referred to as magisterial district judges.

If the ballot question were to be approved, justices, judges and magisterial district judges would be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years rather than the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70 years.

This amendment to the mandatory retirement age would be applicable to all judges and justices in the Commonwealth, including the justices of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, judges of the Commonwealth Court, Superior Court, county courts of common pleas, community courts, municipal courts in the City of Philadelphia, and magisterial district judges.

The ballot question is limited in that it would not amend any other provisions of the Pennsylvania Constitution related to the qualification, election, tenure, or compensation of the justices, judges or magisterial district judges.

The effect of the ballot question would be to allow all justices, judges, and magisterial district judges to remain in office until the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years. This would permit all justices, judges, and magisterial district judges to serve an additional five years beyond the current required retirement age.

