



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**ORDER OF RECOUNT AND RECANVASS FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY FOR
JUDGE OF THE COMMONWEALTH COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Based on the unofficial returns for the Primary Election held May 17, 2011 that have been submitted to the Department of State by the 67 county boards of elections pursuant to section 1404(f) of the Pennsylvania Election Code (25 P.S. § 3154(f)), it appears that a candidate in the Democratic Primary for the office of Judge of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania was defeated by one-half of a percent or less of the votes cast for the nomination, and the candidate did not request that a recount and recanvass not be made under section 1404(h) of the Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3154(h).

Therefore, in accordance with section 1404(g)(1) of the Election Code (25 P.S. § 3154(g)(1)), I hereby **ORDER** a statewide recount and recanvass of the entire vote cast in the Democratic Primary for the office of Judge of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania to be conducted by the county boards of elections. The recount and recanvass shall commence on **June 1, 2011** and be completed by **Noon on Tuesday, June 7, 2011**. The county boards of elections must submit the results of the recount and recanvass no later than **Noon on Wednesday, June 8, 2011**. See 25 P.S. § 3154(g)(5)(ii), (iii) and (6).

The county boards of elections must follow the procedures outlined in section 1404(e) and (g) of the Election Code, the Directive Concerning the Operation and Conduct of Recounts Utilizing Electronic Voting Systems and the Statewide Recount Procedures and must report the recount numbers on the Recount or Recanvass Tabulation Form. (Directive, Procedures and Recount Form Attached). 25 P.S. § 3154(e) and (g). In accordance with section 1404(e) of the Election Code, the county boards of elections must "give notice in writing to the proper custodian of voting machines, and to each candidate, and to the county chairman of each party or political body, affected by the recount or recanvass; and each such candidate may be present in person, or by attorney, and each of such parties, or bodies, may send two representatives to be present at such recount or recanvass." See 25 P.S. § 3154(e).



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