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Casey, Toomey Announce Applications for Federal District Court Judge for Middle District of Pennsylvania

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senators Bob Casey (D-PA) and Pat Toomey (R-PA) announced today they are accepting applications from persons interested in being considered for appointment to the position of Federal District Court Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania (MDPA). The U.S. District Court for the MDPA serves 33 counties from offices in Scranton, Harrisburg, Williamsport and Wilkes-Barre.

"Since 2011, during both Democratic and Republican presidential administrations, Senator Toomey and I have worked together to submit consensus candidates for Federal District Court seats in Pennsylvania," **said Senator Casey.** "I look forward to continuing this important bipartisan work to identify and support highly-qualified judicial candidates in Pennsylvania with the necessary experience, character and temperament for lifetime appointments to the federal judiciary."

"Since joining the Senate in 2011, I've worked with Senator Casey to confirm 29 qualified nominees to fill district court vacancies on the federal bench in Pennsylvania," **said Senator Toomey.** "Only two states - New York and Texas - have had more district court vacancies filled during this time. This is a testament to the bipartisan process Senator Casey and I use to ensure that knowledgeable and ethical candidates become federal judges in Pennsylvania. I look forward to continuing this important work to confirm judges to the federal bench in Pennsylvania who have the necessary intellect, character, and knowledge to serve Pennsylvania well."

U.S. District Court Vacancies in the Middle District of Pennsylvania:

Senators Casey and Toomey will employ the following process to fill vacancies on the Federal District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania:

- A judicial nomination advisory panel will be established in the Middle District of Pennsylvania.
- This panel will screen applicants for judicial vacancies and submit the names of qualified applicants to the two U.S. Senators.
- Senators Casey and Toomey will each appoint panel members and one co-chair. The co-chairs will be Neil T. O'Donnell of O'Donnell Law Offices and Gerald K. Morrison of Smigel, Anderson & Sacks, LLP.

Application:

In order to be considered for a U.S. District Court Judge position in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, please visit Senator Casey's website to fill out and submit an online application: <https://casey.senate.gov/mdpa>

The deadline for submitting a completed application is **Thursday, July 8, 2021**. For any questions regarding the application process, please email: judiciary@casey.senate.gov and judgeappMDPA@toomey.senate.gov.