WHO IS PSPN?

THE PENNSYLVANIA STUDENT POWER NETWORK IS A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE ADVOCATING AROUND THE ISSUES IMPACTING US AND OUR COMMUNITIES. WE LEAD ISSUE CAMPAIGNS AROUND RACIAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUES. WE STRATEGICALLY EDUCATE AND BUILD OUR BASE FOR ELECTIONS, ESPECIALLY LOCAL ELECTIONS, THROUGH OUR MOVEMENT VOTE PROGRAM. WE DO DEEP LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT, THROUGH TRAININGS AND PAID FELLOWSHIPS, TO BUILD THE NEXT GENERATION OF GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP IN OUR STATE.

DELAWARE COUNTY:

THIS YEAR, IT’S TIME TO GO ALL OUT AS YOUNG PEOPLE TO VOTE OUR MOVEMENT INTO OFFICE. OUR COUNTY IS CHANGING POLITICALLY AND WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES WHO WILL WORK TO MAKE A DELAWARE COUNTY THAT WORKS FOR US.

THIS FALL'S DISTRICT ATTORNEY, COUNCIL COUNCIL AND JUDGES RACES ARE CRUCIAL TO DETERMINING WHAT JUSTICE LOOKS LIKE IN DELAWARE COUNTY. IN OUR COUNTY SITS THE ONLY PRIVATELY RUN PRISON IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, WE CAN CHANGE THAT THIS NOVEMBER.

WILL WE CONTINUE TO PUSH TO END MASS INCARCERATION? COULD THIS BE YEAR THAT DELAWARE COUNTY BRINGS AN END TO ALMOST A CENTURY-LONG REPUBLICAN HOLD ON COUNTY COUNCIL? WILL WE ELECT JUDGES WHO ARE COMMITTED TO ADVANCING FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE FOR ALL?

TOGETHER, WE CAN SHIFT THE BALANCE OF POWER IN OUR COUNTY—FROM CORPORATIONS AND THE FORCES OF RACISM AND CORRUPTION TO THE PEOPLE. ON NOVEMBER 5TH, LET'S VOTE FOR JUSTICE.

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**CANDIDATES**

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**DR. MONICA TAYLOR (D):**
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**CHRISTINE REUTHER (D):**
Reuther is currently serving as the Rutledge Borough Solicitor. Her platform includes bringing George Hill under public management and implementing a modern review board at the prison. She is also running to prioritize issues around diversity and economic development in Delaware County.

**ELAINE PAUL SCHAEPFER (D):**
Schaepfer is an environmental activist and formerly served as the president of Radnor Township’s Board of Commissioners as the first woman to do so. She is fighting for increased local government accountability and transparency and greater investment in Delco’s natural environment and recreational facilities.

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

You can vote for one candidate for DA. The DA ultimately determines what justice looks like in Delaware County.

**JACK STOLLSTEIMER (D):**
Stollsteimer is a former US attorney and assistant district attorney in Delco. He currently serves on the Delaware County Bar Association and is a founding member of Delco Coalition for prison reform. Stollsteimer is running on a 10 point smart on crime platform which includes deprivitizing George Hill Correctional Facility, reforming the cash bail system, and supporting the establishment of a county health department.

**KATAYOUN COPELAND (R) (INCUMBENT):**
Copeland is currently Delco’s interim DA and is running to serve a full term. She was appointed to District Attorney after Jack Whelan was elected to to Court of Common Pleas in 2017. Copeland worked in the county’s district attorneys office for 19 years, during which she became the chief of drug enforcement. Copeland has taught many years at the Delaware County Municipal Police Academy and was an instructor for the Pennsylvania State Police, Pennsylvania District Attorney Association, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

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**JUDGES**

There are 4 open seats for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas. Judges are the ultimate decision makers when it comes to a person’s fate in our justice system.

**RICK LOWE (D):**
Lowe served as the Swarthmore’s first Democratic mayor from 2010-2014, outside of his practice, he is a volunteer at SCI Phoenix prison, where he serves as an outside liaison for currently incarcerated people seeking legislation regarding parole eligibility for life sentences.

**NUSRAT RASHID (D):**
Rashid has her own practice and is an attorney specializing in criminal and family law. Rashid has served as acting zoning solicitor for Chester Township.

**STEPHANIE KLEIN (D):**
Klein served as the magisterial judge for Media, Nether Providence and Swarthmore from 1995 to 2013 becoming the first woman and democrat to be elected to that seat. She also co-chairs the Women in the Law Committee for the Delaware County Bar Association and sits on the board of Legal Aid of Southeast PA.

**KELLY ECKEL (D):**
Eckel is a partner at the Duane Morris LLP law firm in Philadelphia, where she specializes in civil matters.