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CAPTION

Ryan Covert, Darlene J. Covert, and Erik Hulick, Petitioners

v.

2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission, Respondent

CASE INFORMATION

Initiating Document: Petition for Review

Case Status: Closed

Journal Number:

Case Category: Administrative Agency

Case Type(s):

Redistricting

CONSOLIDATED CASES

RELATED CASES

Docket No / Reason	Type
11 MM 2022 Same Issue(s) Benninghoff, K, Pet v. 2021 Legislative Reapp Comm	Related
14 MM 2022 Same Issue(s) Boscola, L., Pet. v. 2021 Legislative Reapp Comm	Related
16 MM 2022 Same Issue(s) Roe, E., Pet. v. 2021 Legislative Reapp Comm	Related
17 MM 2022 Same Issue(s) Donagi, R, et al, Pets, v 2021 Legislative Reap Com	Related
18 MM 2022 Same Issue(s) Ingram, G, et al, Pets v 2021 Legislative Reap Com	Related
7 WM 2022 Similar Issues Koger, T., Pet. v. 2021 Legislative Reapp Comm.	Related
11 WM 2022 Same Issue(s) Hutz, J., Pet. v. 2021 Legislative Reapp Comm	Related
12 WM 2022 Same Issue(s) Kress, E., Pet v. 2021 Legislative Reapp Comm	Related

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FEE INFORMATION

Fee Dt	Fee Name	Fee Amt	Receipt Dt	Receipt No	Receipt Amt
02/15/2022	Petition for Review	90.25	02/15/2022	2022-SUP-W-000293	90.25

AGENCY/TRIAL COURT INFORMATION

Court Below:
 County: Division:
 Date of Agency/Trial Court Order:
 Docket Number:
 Judge(s): OTN:
 Order Type:

ORIGINAL RECORD CONTENT

Original Record Item	Filed Date	Content/Description
Agency Record	February 23, 2022	
Testimony	February 24, 2022	
Testimony	March 03, 2022	
Agency Record	March 04, 2022	
Testimony	March 04, 2022	
Testimony	March 05, 2022	

Record Remittal:

BRIEFING SCHEDULE

Amicus Curiae	Intervenor - Respondent
County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania	McClinton, Joanna E.
Brief	Brief
Due: Filed: March 7, 2022	Due: March 11, 2022 Filed: March 11, 2022
Holt, Amanda E.	Respondent
Brief	2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission Brief
Petitioner	
Covert, Darlene J.	Due: March 11, 2022 Filed: March 11, 2022
Brief	

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Petitioner

Covert, Darlene J.**Brief**

Due: March 7, 2022

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Covert, Ryan**Brief**

Due: March 7, 2022

Filed: March 7, 2022

Hulick, Erik**Brief**

Due: March 7, 2022

Filed: March 7, 2022

DISPOSITION INFORMATION

Related Journal No:

Judgment Date:

Category:

Decided

Disposition Author:

Per Curiam

Disposition:

Order Denying Petition for Review

Disposition Date:

March 16, 2022

Dispositional Filing:

Author:

Filed Date:

DOCKET ENTRY

Filed Date	Docket Entry / Representing	Participant Type	Filed By
February 15, 2022	Petition for Review		
		Petitioner	Covert, Ryan
		Petitioner	Hulick, Erik
		Petitioner	Covert, Darlene J.
February 15, 2022	Amended Certificate of Service		
	Covert, Ryan	Petitioner	Gilliland-Vanasdale, Jennifer L.
	Hulick, Erik	Petitioner	Gilliland-Vanasdale, Jennifer L.
	Covert, Darlene J.	Petitioner	Gilliland-Vanasdale, Jennifer L.
February 17, 2022	Praecipe for Appearance		
	2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission	Respondent	Mintz, Leah Ariel
February 17, 2022	No. 569 Judicial Administration Docket - Order dated February 17, 2022		Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
February 23, 2022	Agency Record Received		Legislative Reapportionment Commission

Comments:

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February 24, 2022	Agency Transcripts of Testimony		Legislative Reapportionment Commission
Comments: Transcripts of Testimony Vol. I - XVII (pages 1-1021, plus exhibits)			
Comments: Transcripts of Testimony Vol XVIII-XXII (pages 1022-1464, plus exhibits)			
March 3, 2022	Agency Transcripts of Testimony		Legislative Reapportionment Commission
Comments: Transcripts of Testimony Vol XVIII-XXII (pages 1022-1464, plus exhibits)			
March 3, 2022	Application for Oral Argument and Other Relief in Response to 2/17/22 and 2/23/22 Orders of Court		
		Petitioner	Covert, Ryan
		Petitioner	Hulick, Erik
		Petitioner	Covert, Darlene J.
March 4, 2022	Supplemental Application for Oral Argument and Other Relief		
		Petitioner	Covert, Ryan
		Petitioner	Hulick, Erik
		Petitioner	Covert, Darlene J.
March 4, 2022	Answer to Application for Relief		2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission
March 4, 2022	Agency Record Received		Legislative Reapportionment Commission
Comments: Report of Mark A. Nordenberg, Chair of the 2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission, Regarding the Commission's Final Plan			
March 4, 2022	Notice of Intervention		
		Intervenor - Respondent	McClinton, Joanna E.
March 4, 2022	Order Denying Application for Relief		Per Curiam
Comments: AND NOW, this 4th day of March, 2022, the Application for Oral Argument and Other Relief and the Supplemental Application for Oral Argument and Other Relief are DENIED.			
March 4, 2022	Order Exited		Office of the Prothonotary
March 4, 2022	Agency Transcripts of Testimony		Legislative Reapportionment Commission
Comments: Transcripts of Testimony Vol XXIII (pages 1465-1582, plus exhibits)			

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March 5, 2022	Agency Transcripts of Testimony		Legislative Reapportionment Commission
Comments: Transcripts of Testimony Vol. XXIV-XXV (pages 1582-1795, plus exhibits)			
March 7, 2022	Amended Petition for Review	Petitioner Petitioner Petitioner	Covert, Ryan Hulick, Erik Covert, Darlene J.
March 7, 2022	Amicus Curiae Brief	Amicus Curiae	County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania
March 7, 2022	Petitioner's Brief	Petitioner Petitioner Petitioner	Covert, Ryan Hulick, Erik Covert, Darlene J.
March 10, 2022	Application for Leave to File Brief Nunc Pro Tunc	Amicus Curiae	Holt, Amanda E.
March 11, 2022	Answer to Petition for Review	Intervenor - Respondent	McClinton, Joanna E.
March 11, 2022	Intervenor - Respondent's Brief	Intervenor - Respondent	McClinton, Joanna E.
March 11, 2022	Answer to Petition for Review	Respondent	2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission
March 11, 2022	Respondent's Brief	Respondent	2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission
March 11, 2022	Answer to Application for Leave to File Amicus Brief Nunc Pro Tunc	Petitioner Petitioner Petitioner	Covert, Ryan Hulick, Erik Covert, Darlene J.
March 11, 2022	No Answer Letter to Application for Leave to File Amicus Brief Nunc Pro Tunc	Intervenor - Respondent	McClinton, Joanna E.
March 11, 2022	No Answer Letter to Application for Leave to File Amicus Brief Nunc Pro Tunc	Respondent	2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission
March 11, 2022	Amicus Curiae Brief	Amicus Curiae	Costa, Senator Jay

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March 14, 2022	Application to Deny Senator Costa Amicus Participation & to Strike Consolidated Answer of Intervenor	Petitioner Petitioner Petitioner	Covert, Ryan Hulick, Erik Covert, Darlene J.
March 16, 2022	Answer to Application for Relief	Respondent	2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission
March 16, 2022	Answer to Application for Relief	Amicus Curiae	Costa, Senator Jay
March 16, 2022	Answer to Application for Relief	Intervenor - Respondent	McClinton, Joanna E.
March 16, 2022	Supplemental Answer from LRC in Opposition	Respondent	2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission
March 16, 2022	Application for Relief	Petitioner Petitioner Petitioner	Covert, Ryan Hulick, Erik Covert, Darlene J.
March 16, 2022	Order Regarding Petition for Review	Per Curiam	
<p>Comments:</p> <p>AND NOW, this 16th day of March, 2022, upon consideration of the above-captioned legislative reapportionment appeals filed pursuant to PA. CONST. art. II, § 17(d) (indicating that "[a]ny aggrieved person may file an appeal from the final plan [of the 2021 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission] directly to the Supreme Court"), this Court finds that the Final Reapportionment Plan of the Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission filed on February 4, 2022, is in compliance with the mandates of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the United States Constitution and is not contrary to law, and, therefore, shall have the force of law. See PA. CONST. art. II, § 17(d) & (e) (specifying that "[i]f the appellant establishes that the final plan is contrary to law, the Supreme Court shall issue an order remanding the plan to the commission" and that "[w]hen the Supreme Court has finally decided an appeal...the reapportionment plan shall have the force of law..."). Further, it is hereby ordered that said Plan shall be used in all forthcoming elections to the General Assembly until the next constitutionally-mandated reapportionment shall be approved.</p> <p>All outstanding motions filed in the above-captioned matters are hereby DISMISSED.</p> <p>This Court's February 23, 2022 Order, at Judicial Administration Docket No. 569, which temporarily suspended the General Primary Election calendar relative to elections for seats in the General Assembly, is VACATED. Our adjustment to that calendar is resolved by separate order at that docket number and entered today.</p> <p>Jurisdiction relinquished.</p>			
March 16, 2022	Order Exited	Office of the Prothonotary	
April 4, 2022	Reconsideration Time Expired/Case Closed	Office of the Prothonotary	