

PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Write your full name.
Bonnie Brigance Leadbetter

2. Date and place of birth:
February 19, 1947, Houston, Texas

3. Family status:
 - a) Are you married? If so, state the date of marriage and your spouse's full name, including maiden name, if applicable:

May 8, 1971
Gary Raymond Leadbetter

 - b) Since assuming your current judicial position, have you been divorced? If so, state the date, the number of the case and the court:

No

4. Have you had any military service? If so,
 - a) Provide dates, branch of service, rank of rate, serial number and present status:

No

 - b) Have you ever been rejected or released from any of the armed services for reasons other than honorable? If so, please provide details:

Not applicable

5. List each college and law school you attended, including dates of attendance, and the degrees awarded.

Rice University, 1964-68, BA
University of Pittsburgh School of Law, 1968-71, JD

6. For the last five years or portion thereof during which you have held judicial office, please indicate:
 - a) The percentage of your time devoted to:

1. Civil: 95% [including administrative agency law]
2. Criminal:
3. Other:
4. Administrative responsibilities: Previously, about 5%. As of this year, when I assumed the position of President Judge, I am spending about 40% of my time on administrative duties, although I expect this will lessen significantly as I (and my staff) gain experience with the new role.

b) Please identify ten (10) of the more significant opinions you have rendered and citations thereto if the cases were reported:

The following cases, listed chronologically starting with the most recent, represent examples of various aspects of the Commonwealth Court's jurisdiction [please forgive abbreviated citation forms]:

Lock Haven Univ. Foundation v. Clinton Co. Bd. Of Assessment Appeals, 2007 WL 685463 [tax exemption as purely public charity]
Robertson v. Henry Clay Twp. Zoning Hearing Bd., 911 A.2d 207 [zoning]
BC v. Penn Manor Schl. Dist., 906 A.2d 642 [special education]
Phila. Housing Auth. v. AFSCME, 900 A.2d 1043 [arbitration/standard of review]
Stackhouse v. Pennsylvania State Police, 892 A.2d 54 [sovereign immunity]
Graham Packaging Co., LP v. Commonwealth, 882 A.2d 1076 [tax]
Bergdoll v. Commonwealth, 858 A.2d 185 [PA constitutional amendments]
PNC Corp. v. WCAB, 831 A.2d 1269 [common law marriage]
Dominion Retail, Inc. v. PA Public Utility Comm'n., 831 A.2d 810 [utility regulation]
In re: McMonagle, 793 A.2d 174 [election law]

7. Are you now an officer or director or otherwise actively engaged in the management of any business enterprise? If so, please provide details, including the name of the business enterprise, the nature of the business, the title or other description of your position, the nature of your duties and the term of your service:

No

8. Since assuming your current judicial position, have you been arrested, charged with or convicted of violating any federal law or regulation, state law or regulation, or county or municipal law, regulation or ordinance? If so, please provide details. Do not include summary traffic offenses:

No

9. Are you under any ongoing federal, state or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? If so, please provide particulars:

No

10. Since assuming your current judicial position, has a tax lien or other collection procedure been instituted against you by federal, state or local authorities? If so, please provide particulars:

No.

11. Since assuming your current judicial position, have you been a party to or otherwise been involved in any other legal proceedings? If so, please provide particulars. Do not list proceedings in which you were merely a guardian ad litem or stakeholder. Do include all legal proceedings in which you were a party in interest, a material witness, were named as co-conspirator or a co-respondent and any grand jury investigation in which you figured as a subject or in which you appeared as a witness:

I have been sued on four occasions by litigants (mostly prisoners*) who were unhappy with court decisions, along with other judges involved in the cases. The lawsuits were all dismissed on preliminary motions. I will make my files available to the Investigative Panel, if requested.

(*although we do not hear criminal cases, we hear appeals from decisions of the parole board and the department of corrections)

12. Since assuming your current judicial position, have you been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by, or been the subject of a complaint to, any court, administrative agency, bar association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If so, please provide particulars:

No

13. If you so desire, please list any honors, prizes, awards or other forms of recognition, which you have received (including any indication of academic distinction in college or law school).

See attached biographical statement for additional information.

14. In the space provided below, if desired, please provide any additional comments concerning your retention candidacy.

15. Did you sign the PBA Judicial Campaign Advertising Guidelines? (Please return signed pledge with completed questionnaire.)

Yes

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

The undersigned certifies that all of the statements made in this questionnaire are true, complete and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

Bonnie Brigance Leadbetter

Type or print name

Bonnie B. Leadbetter

Signature

4/16/07

Date