

PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Write your full name.

MARY JANE BOWES

2. Date and place of birth:

July 18, 1954

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:

No.

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

Yes. August 12, 2009, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Family Division, FD08-09048.

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:

No.

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

Duquesne University	1972-1974	
Georgetown University	1974-1976	B.A., Government
University of Pittsburgh School of Law	1976-1979	J.D.

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: 35%

2. Criminal: 60%

3. Other: a) Publishing articles pertaining to the Superior Court:

Article, PBA Appellate Advocacy Newsletter, *On Review*, "Applications for Reconsideration/Reargument," by Judge Mary Jane Bowes, Spring 2007.

Article, *The Lawyers Journal*, Allegheny County Bar Association, "How to Search for Superior Court Memorandum Decisions," by Judge Mary Jane Bowes, co-authored with Wake Forest Law School Student Megan Bode, September 12, 2008.

Article, *The Pennsylvania Lawyer*, "Private Justice or Public Right? Pennsylvania Superior Court Memoranda," by Judge Mary Jane Bowes, co-authored with Wake Forest Law School Student Megan Bode, November/December, 2008, Vol. 10, No. 19 edition.

b) Speaking Engagements/CLEs: Please see attached list.

4. Administrative responsibilities: 5%

Statewide Administrative Wiretap Judge, 2003-2004

Member, Superior Court Case Management Committee, 2002-2005

Member, Superior Court Security Committee, 2006

Member, Superior Court Employment Issues Committee, 2007-2008

Co-Chair, PBA Appellate Advocacy Committee, 2007-2009

Chair, Superior Court I.O.P. Advisory Committee, 2008-present

Member, PBA Appellate Advocacy Committee, 2005-present

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

Please see attached list.

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:

Judges are routinely sued by disgruntled litigants, mostly criminal defendants. When the lawsuit is served, it is immediately forwarded to the Administrative Offices of the Pennsylvania Courts to be handled by its internal legal staff. I have been sued in my capacity as a judge a handful of times.

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).

Elected, **Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County**, 1996

Pennsylvania's 1997 **Best 50 Women in Business** Award

Pitt Law Women's Association and Allegheny County Bar Association's **Marjorie Matson Woman of the Year Award**, April 16, 2007

PBA Special Achievement Award, Appellate Practice Committee Co-chair, May 2008

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

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the citizens of Pennsylvania as a Superior Court Judge. I have worked very hard to administer impartial justice in a timely manner, and I have remained faithful to my oath of office to uphold the Constitutions of the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. If the citizens of this Commonwealth vote to retain me, I will continue to do my best to execute my solemn duties as a judge of the Superior Court.

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.

Mary Jane Bowes

Type or print name

Signature

June 29, 2011

Date

**Addendum to PBA
Personal Data Questionnaire
Judge Mary Jane Bowes
Superior Court
Question 6 (a)(3):**

Speaking engagements/CLEs since elected to the Superior Court in 2001:

Sept. 16, 2002	Seton LaSalle High School, "The Superior Court of PA."
June 1, 2003	Bishop Canevin Commencement speaker.
June 15, 2003	ACBA Bench Bar Conference (CLE) Appellate Practice Committee, " Can You Hear Me Now " — A Primer on Effective Oral Argument.
February 27, 2004	Appellate Practice CLE, "Incorporating Technology into Appellate Practice" (Submitted written material, did not attend)
April 6, 2004	WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," Duquesne University School of Law
October 7, 2004	WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," University of Pittsburgh School of Law
January 27, 2005	Lawrence County Appellate Practice Lunch & Learn CLE
February 10, 2005	American Inns of Court, " Can You Hear Me Now? "
February 17, 2005	WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," Duquesne University School of Law
March 9, 2005	Duquesne University School of Law Brown Bag Lunch discussion
March 31, 2005	Cambria County Bench Bar Conference Appellate Practice CLE
April 12, 2005	Oakland Catholic High School Career Day
May 1, 2005	Law Day, St. Agnes School
May 9, 2005	Trinity Christian School address to 9 th graders at Supreme Ct. Courtroom
June 8, 2005	American Inns of Court <i>Lunch with the Judge</i> Program
June 16, 2005	Beaver County Appellate Practice Lunch & Learn CLE

July 30, 2005 PBA Young Lawyers Division Summer Conference Appellate Oral Argument Practicum, "**A Primer on Effective Oral Appellate Advocacy**" CLE

August 24, 2005 PBI CLE, "**Winning Your Case on Appeal**"

September 16, 2005 Somerset County Appellate Practice dinner CLE

October 27, 2005 WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," University of Pittsburgh School of Law

November 10, 2005 ACBA Young Lawyers Division Appellate Advocacy CLE (mock oral argument - *Com of Pa v. Aiken*)

March 8, 2006 WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," Duquesne University School of Law

March 14, 2006 Barbara Chait Symposium for Young Women Leaders, (Career Day) Oakland Catholic High School

April 1, 2006 PBA, Young Lawyers Division High School Mock Trial Finals Tournament (Presiding Judge) Harrisburg, PA

April 21, 2006 WBA CLE, "**Mother at Law**," First in a series on Practical Professionalism

April 30, 2006 PBA Civil Litigation Section Annual Retreat CLE, "**Don't Slip on Appeal**"

May 16, 2006 Westmoreland County Bar Association CLE, "**A Primer on Effective Oral Appellate Advocacy**"

June 7, 2006 "**Traditional Independence under the Pa Constitution**," YLD Seminar, PBA Annual Meeting.

June 16, 2006 ACBA Bench Bar Conference CLE, "**Pitfalls of Appellate Practice**"

October 30, 2006 Monroe County Bar Association Lunch & Learn, "**How Not to Slip on Appeal**"

November 9, 2006 WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," University of Pittsburgh School of Law

January 12, 2007 PBI "**The Appellate Wheel of (Mis)Fortune**" seminar. CLE Course Planner. Koppers Building, Pittsburgh

February 15, 2007 KDKA "Pittsburgh Today Live" Judge Bowes and Megan Jones Rolla discussing the Color of Justice Program.

March 7, 2007 Barbara Chait Symposium for Young Women Leaders, (Career Day) Oakland Catholic High School

March 8, 2007 WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," Duquesne University School of Law

August 16, 2007 PBI "Appellate Advocacy Practicum" (Mock Trial/CLE *Theodore and Douglas Rothrock v. Rothrock Motor Sales* and *Com. of PA v Richard Aiken*. Superior Court Courtroom, Philadelphia.

September 28, 2007 Monroe County Bench Bar, "Appellate Practice Do's and Don'ts."

October 24, 2007 WBA CLE, Approaching the Bench Series, "Practical Guidance on Running for Judge in Pennsylvania."

October 26, 2007 Blair County CLE, "Effective Appellate Advocacy"

November 7, 2007 PBA Education Seminar. "Winning Your Case on Appeal," Two Mellon Center Pittsburgh

November 15, 2007 WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," University of Pittsburgh School of Law

December 4, 2007 PBA/Homer S. Brown CLE "Appellate Advocacy Practicum," *Com. of PA v. Aiken* mock trial, Supreme Court Courtroom, Pittsburgh.

January 18, 2008 Presentation about the Judicial System to Marshall Middle School

April 16, 2008 Ellis School and Ellis Middle School, The Important Role of the Judiciary.

April 29, 2008 WBA/NAWJ "Color of Justice," Duquesne University School of Law

June 12, 2008 Course planner and participant, PBI/CLE "Appellate Advocacy Practicum," Pittsburgh, PA, Superior Court of PA courtroom.

June 19, 2008 ACBA Bench Bar 2008, Sevens Springs, CLE – Appellate Practice Workshop, "Appealing After Trial: Tips From The Appellate Bench And Bar."

September 18, 2008 Course planner, PBI/CLE "Appeal in the Time of Cholera," Pittsburgh, September 18, 2008, Mechanicsburg, September 23, 2008 and Philadelphia, September 25, 2008.

September 19, 2008 Bucks County Bench Bar, Keynote speaker.

October 20, 2008 CLE, Bucks County Bar Association. "Winning Your Case on Appeal." "Appellate Practice Do's and Don'ts."

January 29, 2009 Lunch and Learn, Pitt Law School Women's Association

March 31, 2009 Lunch and Learn, Duquesne School of Law

August 27, 2009 PBI Appellate Advocacy Practicum, Harrisburg, PA

November 19, 2009 ATLAC Appellate Court Program, Supreme Court Courtroom, Pittsburgh, PA.

March 23, 2010 Matrimonial Inns of Court Pittsburgh. "Accelerated Superior Court Law Docket; How it Works, How it is Working and Where it is Headed." Allegheny County Courthouse.

October 15, 2010 Centre County Bench Bar Conference, Keynote speaker

March 4, 2011 Pitt Law legal writing class.

April 1, 2011 Erie County Bar Association Lunch and Learn, "Do's and Don'ts of Appellate Practice."

April 7, 2011 PBI CLE Appellate Advocacy. Philadelphia Supreme Court Courtroom

May 10, 2011 Bucks County CLE, "Ten Mistakes You Can Make on Appeal, But Shouldn't!"