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Recording and Resources

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The [League of Women Voters of Central Delaware County](#) held this recorded Zoom Hot Topic event on **March 11, 2022**.

This Hot Topic presentation by the League of Women Voters of Central Delaware County is intended to raise voter knowledge and awareness about the process, importance and possible consequences of constitutional ballot questions and the increasing attempts to misuse them by the Pennsylvania legislature as a political strategy for partisan gain.

Moderator: Jodine Mayberry, LWV CDC Legislative Advocacy Chair

Panelists:

Susan Gobreski, LWV PA Board and Government Policy Chair

Danielle Ohl, Capitol Reporter, Spotlight PA

Kadida Kenner, Executive Director of The New Pennsylvania Project & Co-Chair of Why Courts Matter - PA

Khalif Ali, Executive Director, Common Cause Pennsylvania

Since you registered for the Hot Topic Program we are sending you the link to the recorded presentation - [Click Here](#).

Resources shared as part of the event are:

Links to Panelists Organizations:

LWVPA <https://www.palwv.org/>

LWV CDC <https://my.lwv.org/pennsylvania/central-delaware-county>

Keystone Research Center & PA Budget and Policy Center <https://krc-pbpc.org/>

New PA Project <https://www.newpaproject.org/>

Why Courts Matter PA <https://whycourtsmatterpa.org/>

Spotlight PA <https://www.spotlightpa.org/>

Common Cause PA <https://www.commoncause.org/pennsylvania/>

Links to Resources Mentioned During the Presentation:

Spotlight PA Amendment Tracker

<https://www.spotlightpa.org/news/2022/01/pennsylvania-constitution-amendments-tracker-complete-guide>

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Spotlight PA: Voters could be flooded with proposed changes to the Pa. Constitution in 2023

<https://www.spotlightpa.org/news/2022/01/pennsylvania-constitutional-amendments-voters-id-regulations/>

LWVUS Impact on Issues

<https://www.lwv.org/impact-issues>

LWV PA - Where we Stand <https://www.palwv.org/where-we-stand-1>

LWV PA - Apportionment & Redistricting

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5cc0ef58755be24fe008e905/t/5dd6e0e2f33077682323ec0f/1574363363765/LWVPA+Position+on+Apportionment+and+Redistricting.pdf>

Protect the Courts Video <https://youtu.be/Cjhw7-wxX-w>

Other Legislative Links Discussed During the Presentation

PA House Bill 38

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?bn=38&body=H&sind=0&syyear=2021&type=B>

PA House Bill 2207

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?syyear=2021&sind=0&body=H&type=B&bn=2207>

PA House Bill 1880

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?syyear=2021&sind=0&body=H&type=B&bn=1880>

PA House Bill 2141

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?syyear=2021&sind=0&body=H&type=B&bn=2141>

PA Senate Bill 106

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?syyear=2021&sind=0&body=S&type=B&bn=106>

Marsy's Law Discussion Information and Links

The Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court, in a 3-2 decision, ruled that the Marsy's Law Crime Victims Rights Amendment violated the state's separate-vote requirement for constitutional amendments. On December 21, 2021, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court upheld the commonwealth court's decision. Pennsylvanians voted on Marsy's Law at the election on November 5, 2019. The ballot measure received 74% of the vote. Results were never certified for the ballot measure pending the court case.

Marsy's Law Discussion Info from ACLUPA on Marsy's law

[-https://www.aclupa.org/sites/default/files/field_documents/aclu-pa_marsys_law_-_top_five_reasons_to_vote_no.pdf](https://www.aclupa.org/sites/default/files/field_documents/aclu-pa_marsys_law_-_top_five_reasons_to_vote_no.pdf)

More on Marsy's Law -

<https://www.palwv.org/news/statement-on-pa-supreme-court-rejection-of-marsys-law-ballot-question>

Panpanelists Feedback Requests & Shared Emails in Chat:

Please let us know if you have any feedback on the tracker! We're still trying to make it better and hoping to promote it next week during Sunshine Week. My email is dohl@spotlightpa.org

Kadida Kenner, she/her, New PA Project and WCM-PA Feel free to reach out to the New Pennsylvania Project re: voter registration and engagement. Kadida@newparproject.org