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SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE MARIA MCLAUGHLIN ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR SEAT ON PENNSYLVANIA SUPREME COURT

Philadelphia- Today Judge Maria McLaughlin officially announced she is running for the one open seat on the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

In 2017, Judge McLaughlin led the ticket amongst nine candidates statewide for a seat on the Superior Court. She traveled to all 67 Counties and built a strong network of support from Philadelphia to Erie and everywhere in between.

"My candidacy shines a light on the endless possibilities open to little girls and young women everywhere who come from humble beginnings. This is for all of us!" Stated Judge McLaughlin.

"For far too many Pennsylvanians the justice system has been neither blind or fair — that's why who we elect to the bench matters. Judge McLaughlin has a proven track record of being ethical, fair, and deeply committed to using the law to make life better for those on the margins. As a single mom, she knows in her bones how difficult it is for working parents and working families to get ahead." stated Pennsylvania State Representative Malcolm Kenyatta (Philadelphia)

As a woman of deep faith she knows the value of a second chance. And as a skilled attorney and now jurist, she understands how our courts run and where they must improve. For those reasons and more not only am I proud to endorse her campaign for Supreme Court I'm proud to serve as an honorary co-chair. Now is the time to elect to the highest court in the commonwealth individuals who share our highest hopes and ideals — Judge McLaughlin fits the bill perfectly!" Representative Kenyatta added.

"Judge McLaughlin is no stranger to Erie. We were one of the first places she visited in 2017 and today. She has always been active and present throughout western Pennsylvania, and I enthusiastically support her candidacy for Pennsylvania Supreme Court.." stated Erie native and House Democratic Policy Chair, Ryan Bizzarro.

"Raising two boys as a hardworking single mother and judge, her dedication to family and community is evident through her service in our court system. Her understanding of the law and focus on improving the justice system makes her the ideal state Supreme Court Justice". Added Representative Bizzarro.



Judge McLaughlin's strong and building campaign committee includes Ryan Boyer, Business Manager, Laborers District Council of Philadelphia who will serve as Treasurer for the Maria McLaughlin for Supreme Court Campaign. "I have always supported Judge McLaughlin in her past campaigns for both Common Pleas and her 2017 Superior Court campaigns. Stated Mr. Boyer "Judge McLaughlin is an extremely ethical, qualified, and well-respected Judge, who has always stood with working families and communities of color in our city and throughout the Commonwealth. Her commitment and compassion is obvious to all who know her. I am especially proud to serve as Treasurer for her campaign and I have no doubt she will be an outstanding Justice on the Pennsylvania Supreme Court."

Superior Court Judge McLaughlin officially launched her campaign for the Pennsylvania Supreme Court with a video allowing the voters of Pennsylvania an opportunity to get to know her a little better as this important race for the High Court begins.

Click here to watch: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8-Q21H1IeqI</u>

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