

**MAKING THE CASE FOR
VETERANS COURTS**



**Friday, September 20, 2019
9 am to 1 pm**

**Widener University Commonwealth Law School
Room A180, Administration Building
3737 Vartan Way, Harrisburg PA 17110**

Program:

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am Welcome by Widener Law Commonwealth Dean Christian Johnson

9:05 am Opening keynote remarks

Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Debra Todd

9:15 am Veteran Justice Outreach Coordinator Panel

Introduction by Andrew Simpson, Problem Solving Courts Judicial Programs Analyst

Panelists

Christy Beaver, VJO Coordinator, Butler VA

Gelu Negrea, VJO Coordinator, Lebanon VA

Karen Baer, VJO Coordinator, Wilkes-Barre VA

Moderator: Bill Cress, VISN 4 Network Homeless Coordinator, Pittsburgh

10:10 am County Commissioners Panel

Introduction by Angela Lowry, Problem Solving Courts Administrator

Panelists

Commissioner Mike Baker, Chair, Indiana County (Tentative)

Commissioner Jeff Haste, Dauphin County

Commissioner Wayne E. Nothstein, Chair, Carbon County

Moderator: Ken Kroski, Director of Media and Public Relations, County Commissioners
Association of Pennsylvania

11:05 am Judges Panel

Introduction by Angela Lowry, Problem Solving Courts Administrator

Panelists

Judge Nancy Butts, Lycoming County Court of Common Pleas

Judge Patrick F. Dugan, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas

Judge Craig Trebilcock, York County Court of Common Pleas

12:00 Conference Closing Remarks

Angela Lowry, Problem Solving Courts Administrator, Administrative Office of Pennsylvania
Courts

12:10 pm Buffet lunch

12:20 pm Keynote Address: Pennsylvania Adjutant General Anthony Carelli

1:00 pm Adjourn

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