
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, authorizing political activity by judges.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby resolves as follows:

5 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
6 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with
7 the provisions of Article XI thereof:

8 That subsection (a) of section 17, Article V be amended to
9 read:

10 § 17. Prohibited activities.

11 (a) Justices and judges shall devote full time to their
12 judicial duties, and shall not engage in the practice of law [,
13 hold office in a political party or organization,] or hold an
14 office or position of profit in the government of the United
15 States, the Commonwealth or any municipal corporation or
16 political subdivision thereof, except in the armed service of
17 the United States or the Commonwealth.

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