

STATE SENATOR  
**MICHAEL J. STACK**  
5TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

□ SENATE BOX 203005  
THE STATE CAPITOL  
HARRISBURG, PA 17120-3005  
TELEPHONE: (717) 787-9608  
FAX: (717) 772-2162

□ 12361 ACADEMY ROAD  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19154-1927  
TELEPHONE: (215) 281-2539  
FAX: (215) 281-2798

□ 8016 BUSTLETON AVENUE  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19152-2802  
TELEPHONE: (215) 695-1020  
FAX: (215) 695-1027

stack@pasenate.com  
www.senatorstack.com



## Senate of Pennsylvania

### COMMITTEES

BANKING & INSURANCE,  
DEMOCRATIC CHAIR  
APPROPRIATIONS  
DEMOCRATIC VICE CHAIR  
AGING & YOUTH  
JUDICIARY  
LABOR & INDUSTRY  
LAW & JUSTICE  
POLICY

### APPOINTMENTS

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
JOINT STATE GOVERNMENT  
COMMISSION TASK FORCE ON  
DECEDENTS' ESTATES LAWS  
PHIX ADVISORY COUNCIL

**TO:** All Senators

**DATE:** December 20, 2010

**FROM:** Senator Michael J. Stack

Handwritten signature of Michael J. Stack in black ink.

**SUBJECT:** Co-Sponsorship of Legislation

In the near future, I intend to **reintroduce Senate Bill 891 of the 2009-10 Session**, that would amend the notary law to allow judge advocates, including reserve judge advocates to serve as notaries in the courts of the Commonwealth when they are attending training, drill, or performing their normal duties. The Judge advocate shall receive no fee or payment for their services. The signature of judge advocate acting as notary and the title of their office shall be prima facie evidence that the signature is real and that they are authorized to perform notarial acts.

The proposed legislation is identical to federal law governing notarial acts of judge advocates. It was requested by members of the PA Army National Guard. The legislation will allow judge advocates to more expediently and efficiently execute legal documents for deploying soldiers.

**Previous co-sponsors included Senators Ferlo, Fontana, Kitchen and Orie.**

If you have any questions or would like to co-sponsor this bill, please call my office at 7-9608.