Survey to Chief APOs

Issue: Court Public Information Officer

Question: (from Lancaster County)

Does your Court have its own (separate from the County) Public Information Officer position (or something like it)?

If so, are you willing to share the job description?

Bedford County	Does not
Berks County	Does not
Blair County	Does not
Bradford County	Does not
Cambria County	Does not
Carbon County	Does not
Clarion County	Does not
Elk County	Does not
Forest County	Does not
Jefferson County	Does not
Northampton County	Does not
Snyder County	Does not
Somerset County	Does not
Tioga County	Does not
Union County	Does not
Venango County	Does not
York County	Does not

Allegheny County

Does not have a dedicated public information officer, but all inquiries are handled by a specific deputy court administrator.

Butler County

The Courts have a deputy court administrator serve as the right to know officer

Chester County

No, if it is a non-controversial issue, I can speak on behalf of the Department. If it is something other, we would reach out to the AOPC public affairs staff.

Indiana County

Does not. Public (court) information inquiries historically have been directed to our Court Administrator.

Lackawanna County

Similar to Westmoreland County response

Lebanon County

Right to know requests in Lebanon are handled by the Court Administrator. If there is a high publicity event, we have utilized the AOPC Public Relations Officer for media questions.

Lehigh County

Does not have a Public Information Officer. All public inquiries are handled by our Court Administrator.

Pike County

Same as Lehigh

Westmoreland County

Does not. It would be at the discretion of the PJ as to any information that may be disseminated to the public. We would also seek guidance from the AOPC.