

MEDIA ADVISORY

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BUCKS COUNTY REGISTER OF WILLS, DON PETRILLE, APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR TOM WOLF TO THE COUNTY RECORDS COMMITTEE

DOYLESTOWN, PA – Don Petrille, Bucks County Register of Wills and Clerk of Orphans’ Court, took the oath of office today to serve as a member of the County Records Committee. Mr. Petrille was appointed to serve on the committee for a four year term by Governor Tom Wolf on January 27.

The County Records Committee is comprised of 15 members of varying county offices from across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, along with one member of the general public. The committee works alongside the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to determine how county records will be copied, preserved, saved and disposed of.

After taking the oath of office from Judge Jeffrey G. Trauger of the Bucks County Court of Common Pleas, Mr. Petrille stated, “I am excited to work with elected leaders from across the Commonwealth to protect our history, and ensure our records are accessible, secured and preserved.”

The office of Register of Wills and Clerk of the Orphans’ Court is responsible to admitting wills to probate, appointing administrators of intestate estates, collecting inheritance taxes on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, issuing marriage licenses and processing filings involving estate disputes, incapacitated persons and adoptions which are heard before the Orphans’ Court Division of the Court of Common Pleas. Don Petrille has served in the office since 2012. Mr. Petrille is currently the Legislative Liaison and First Vice President of the Registers of Wills and Clerks of the Orphans’ Court Association, and the Vice President of the Pennsylvania State Association of Elected County Officials.

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