

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

BARBARA DIAMOND, STEVEN
DIAMOND, NANCY CHISWICK,
WILLIAM COLE, RONALD FAIRMAN,
COLLEEN GUINEY, GILLIAN
KRATZER, DEBORAH NOEL,
MARGARET SWOBODA, SUSAN
WOOD, AND PAMELA ZIDIK,
Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil Action No. 17-5054

ROBERT TORRES, Acting Secretary of
the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and
JONATHAN MARKS, Commissioner of
the Bureau of Elections, in their official
capacities,
Defendants

On Application to Convene a Three Judge District Court

Present: D. Brooks Smith, *Chief Judge*

Section 2284 of Title 28 United States Code authorizes the convening of a Three Judge District Court when an action challenges the constitutionality of the apportionment of congressional districts.

The complaint in this case challenges the constitutionality of the apportionment of congressional districts in Pennsylvania. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §

2284, this action must be heard and determined before a district court of three judges.

Accordingly, I hereby designate a Three Judge District Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2284 as follows:

Kent A. Jordan, *Circuit Judge*
Yvette Kane, *District Judge*
Michael M. Baylson, *District Judge*

to hear and determine this cause in accordance with the law. Circuit Judge Kent A. Jordan shall preside.

The Clerk of the District Court shall process this Order forthwith.

By the Court,

s/D. Brooks Smith
Chief Judge, United States Court
of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Date: January 2, 2018