

Berks Judge Frederick retains district court seat

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AMITY — Incumbent District Court Judge Victor M. Frederick IV handily won re-election during Tuesday's primary election, according to unofficial election results.

Frederick, 44, of Amity, a former township police officer and detective, held off a challenge from Wendy K. Lessar, 49, of Oley, a substitute teacher and part-owner of Pauline's Soups in Reading, according to unofficial tallies.

Frederick, who cross-filed during the primary, captured 1,006 Republican votes and 663 Democratic votes, to win both parties' nominations on Tuesday, essentially winning the chance to appear on both ballots in November and win re-election.

Lessar, who also cross-filed during the primary, captured 389 GOP votes and 544 Democratic votes, according to unofficial Berks results.

Frederick has held the district court post since 2006.

In addition to Amity and Oley, the district includes Topton, Alsace, District, Longswamp, Pike, Rockland and Ruscombmanor.