## **APPOINTMENT**

Approving the reappointment of Frederick Thieman, Esq. to serve as a member of the Community College of Allegheny County Board of Trustees for a term to expire on December 31, 2021.

## SPONSORED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE FITZGERALD

Read and approved by Motion of Council.

John P. DeFazio President of Council

Attest:

Jared Barker Chief Clerk

**Allegheny County Council** 





January 14, 2016

Honorable President and Members Allegheny County Council 119 Courthouse Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Members of Council:

Please find the attached resume of Frederick Thieman, Esq., whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Community College of Allegheny County Board ("CCAC Board").

The mission of CCAC is to make quality education affordable and accessible to the community, to provide leadership in workforce training, and support economic development of the region. I am recommending Mr. Thieman serve another six term to expire on December 31, 2021.

Mr. Thieman is currently the President of the Buhl Foundation. He previously served the United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania under President Bill Clinton.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Mr. Thieman will make himself available for review before the full Council or the appropriate committee, if members of Council wish to speak with him.

Sincerely,

Rich Fitzgerald

Allegheny County Executive

#### FREDERICK W. THIEMAN

Frederick W. Thieman was named President of the Buhl Foundation, Pittsburgh's oldest multi-purpose foundation, in June of 2007. A former United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Mr. Thieman arrived at Buhl with an impressive civic and professional background.

Appointed by President Clinton, Mr. Thieman served as the United States Attorney from 1993 to 1997, where he headed an office of 42 attorneys who both prosecuted criminal violations throughout Western Pennsylvania and handled voluminous civil litigation ranging from health care issues and tort liability to employment rights and environmental impact. While serving as the U. S. Attorney, Mr. Thieman was instrumental in establishing a youth crime prevention effort in Allegheny County that garnered national attention.

Over the course of his 30 year legal career, Mr. Thieman practiced as a trial attorney with a specialty in complex business related litigation. He began his career in 1977 as a law clerk to Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Thomas W. Pomeroy, Jr. While practicing law, Mr. Thieman was recognized in professional journals as one of the leading attorneys in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Thieman was admitted to practice in 1977 after graduating *magna cum laude* from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law where he was a member of the Order of the Coif and served as Assistant Editor of the Law Review. A 1973 honors graduate of the Pennsylvania State University, Mr. Thieman is a member of the American College of Trial Lawyers, Academy of Trial Lawyers, the Pennsylvania Bar, the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court. Mr. Thieman has served on numerous non-profit boards and foundation boards, including the Heinz Endowments and the Buhl Foundation, and is the recipient of numerous civic leadership awards from organizations such as the University of Pittsburgh, Urban League, Community College of Allegheny County, League of Women Voters and the Mentoring Partnership.

Mr. Thieman is a lifelong resident of the Pittsburgh area where he resides with his wife Christine. They have four children.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

THE BUHL FOUNDATION Centre City Tower, Suite 2300 650 Smithfield Street Pittsburgh, PA 15222 (412) 566-2711	2007 to Present
THIEMAN & WARD 2312 Koppers Building 436 Seventh Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15219 (412) 395-1245	1999 to 2007
TITUS & McCONOMY LLP 20th Floor, Four Gateway Center Pittsburgh, PA 15222	1997 to 1999
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY Western District of Pennsylvania 33 U.S. Post Office & Courthouse	1993 to 1997

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

HILNER, THIEMAN & FRAAS 1700 Law & Finance Building Pittsburgh, PA 15219

1983 to 1993

Assistant United States Attorney Western District of Pennsylvania Chief, White Collar Crime Unit 1979 to 1983

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Law Clerk to Justice Thomas W. Pomeroy, Jr. Pittsburgh, PA 15219 1977 to 1978

Admitted to the Bar, 1977, Pennsylvania, 1979 U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania and U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 1985, U.S. Supreme Court, 1985

#### **EDUCATION:**

University of Pittsburgh Law School Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Juris Doctor, magna cum laude – 1977

Pennsylvania State University State College, Pennsylvania Bachelor of Arts, With Distinction – Journalism 1973 Bachelor of Arts, With Distinction – English, 1973

South Hills Catholic High School – 1969

#### HONORS AND PUBLICATIONS:

Order of the Coif (Pitt Law, 1977); Owens Fellow (Pitt Law, 1976-77); Class Marshall (Pitt Law, 1977); Assistant Editor, University of Pittsburgh Law Review, 1976-77, Author: "Standing in Pennsylvania," 37 University of Pittsburgh Law Review 767; "A Survey of Pennsylvania Tort Law,": 38 University of Pittsburgh Law Review, 297; "A Survey of Pennsylvania Contract Law," 38 University of Pittsburgh Law Review 281; "Debarment: Mine Fields Within the Health Care Wars", Bender's Health Care Law Monthly, January 1998; Fellow, Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County; 1982 Recipient, Special Commendation for Outstanding Service, Department of Justice; 1997 Recipient, Ronald R. Brown Civic Leadership Award, Urban League; 1997 Recipient, Distinguished Alumnus of the Year, University of Pittsburgh Law Alumni Association: 1998 Recipient, Special Award for Outstanding Performance, Law Enforcement Agency Directors; 1999 Recipient, Special Recognition Award, The Mentoring Partnership of Southwestern Pennsylvania; 1999 Recipient, Western Pennsylvania Community Leadership Award, Department of Justice; 2000-Inductee into American College of Trial Lawyers; 2009recipient, Legends of Leadership Award, Community College of Allegheny County; Chambers USA: "America's Leading Business Lawyers." Philadelphia Magazine listed Mr. Thieman as one of the top 50 lawyers in Pittsburgh and one of the top 100 lawyers in the State of Pennsylvania.

#### **BAR MEMBERSHIPS:**

U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
Superior Court of Pennsylvania
Court of Common Pleas, Pennsylvania

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers, 2000-Present

Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County: Inducted 1990; Federal Judiciary Committee, 1991-1998 (Chair 1992); Federal Program Committee, 1996 – 2007 (Chair 1999); Board of Governors, 1992-1994, 2000-2003; Chair – Program Committee, 2006

Allegheny County Bar Foundation, Law Fellows and sustaining member, 1998-Present; Fellows Committee Member 1999 – 2004

Allegheny County Bar Association: Member, 1984-Present; ACBA Rules Committee, 1987-1993; ACBA CLE Committee, 1987-1993; ACBA Public Service Committee, 1987-1992; Federal Court Section, Counsel Member, 1991-1997; Federal Section Criminal Law Practice Committee, 1992-Present (Chair 1992); Young Lawyers Council, 1984-1986; Officer, Young Lawyers Section, 1986; ACBA Nominating Committee, 2002; Federal Court Section Nominating Committee, 2002

National Association of Former United States Attorneys, member, 1998-Present; Board of Directors, 2000 - 2003

Special Arbitrator, Federal Court, W.D. Pa., 1993-Present

Special Mediator, W.D. Pa., 1994-Present

Special Master Program, Allegheny County, 1991-Present

Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel, W.D. Pa

Neighborhood Legal Services Association, Director, 1987-1993; Officer, 1990

Pennsylvania Association of Trial Lawyers, 1991-1994; 1997 - 2000 Civil Justice Advisory Act Panel, 1993-2007

#### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

Youth Futures Commission, 2009-Present, Co-Chair, 2009-2010

Vibrant Pittsburgh, Board Member and Secretary/Treasurer, 2009-Present

Institute of Politics, University of Pittsburgh, Board of Fellows 2008-Present, Co-Chair, Fiscal Policy and Governance Committee, 2009-Present

Dick Thornburgh Forum for Law and Public Policy, Advisory Committee, 2008-Present Community College of Allegheny County, Board of Directors, Trustee, 2011-Present; Presidential Search Committee, 2013

Riverlife, Board of Directors and Executive Committee, 2008-Present

Carnegie Science Center, Board of Directors, 2008-Present

A+ Schools, Board Member (2004-2011; 2013-Present), Steering Committee Member, 2004-2011; Governance Committee, 2004-2013; Vice Chair, Board of Directors, 2006-2010; Strategic Planning Committee, 2012

YouthPlaces, Board Member 2000-Present; Board of Directors, Chair, 2005-2008; Advisory Council, 1996-1997; Chair, 2000-2005

Grantmakers of Western Pennsylvania, Board Member, 2010-Present; Vice-President, 2012-2013; President 2013-2014

Allegheny County Jail Collaborative, Chair, Civic Advisory Committee, 2010-Present

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette Jefferson Awards Selection Committee, 2009-Present

City-County Library Service Panel, Chair, 2014

Talent City, Steering Committee, 2013-2014

Regional Advisory Committee of the DHS Data Warehouse/School Districts Research Partnership, Chair, 2010-Present

Diocese of Pittsburgh, Bishop's Friends of the Church Cabinet, Member, 2010-Present

Office of Child Development, University of Pittsburgh, Advisory Committee, 2007-Present

Pennsylvania State Center Advisory Council, Co-Convener and Member, 2013-2014

Mentoring Partnership of Southwestern Pa., Board of Directors, 1994-2002; Emeritus Board Member 2002-Present; Chair – Strategic Planning Committee 2006-2007

YWCA Greater Pittsburgh, Center for Race and Gender Equity, 2010 Racial Justice Award Selection Committee

STORIES, Carnegie Mellon University, Advisory Board, 2009-2011

Diocese of Pittsburgh, Member – Diocesan Clergy Review Committee – Appointed by Bishop Donald W. Wuerl – 2003-Present; Blue Ribbon Panel – Financial Policies Review Committee – Appointed by Bishop Donald W. Wuerl – 1998; Reappointed by Bishop David Zubik 2009-Present

City of Pittsburgh—Allegheny County Efficiency in Government Initiative, Blue Ribbon Steering Committee, 2006-2008

Howard Heinz Endowments, Board of Directors, 1997-2007

Buhl Foundation, Board of Directors, 2006-2007

United Way of Allegheny County, Board of Directors, 1997-2002

Youth Crime Prevention Council of Allegheny County, Chair, 1994-1997, 2007-2008; Member, 1994-2002, 2005-2008

250th Celebration of Pittsburgh Episcopal Diocese, Co-Chair, 2006-2008

Pittsburgh Project Capital Campaign Steering Committee, 2004-2006

Pace School Capital Campaign Committee, 2003-2005 Boy Scouts of America, Board of Directors, 1994-1997

Law Enforcement Agency Directors, Chair, 1993-1997

Youth Works, Co-chair Steering Committee, 1994-1997; Emeritus Board Member

Working Together Consortium, Action Leader, 1994-2001

Edgewood Community Club, Council, 1993-1998, President, 1997-1998

Church of the Ascension, ongoing committee work including Sunday School Teacher; Vestry and Senior Warden, 1995-1999; Finance Committee 1995 - Present

#### **PERSONAL:**

Born: July 16, 1951

Married: Christine Thieman, four children



# **COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY**

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February 5, 2016

Mr. Frederick W. Thieman, Esq. The Buhl Foundation Centre City Tower, Suite 2300 650 Smithfield Street Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Dear Mr. Thieman:

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on February 2, 2016 Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Community College of Allegheny County Board of Trustees for a term to expire on December 31, 2021.

Congratulations on your reappointment and best of luck in this undertaking. We look forward to receiving your recommendations and stand willing to assist you in any way you believe appropriate.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Kress, Appointment Review Committee Chair

Edward J Kress

Allegheny County Council

Dr. Quintin B. Bullock, President, Community College of Allegheny County Amy M. Kuntz, Chair, CCAC Board of Trustees

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