

**In the Matter Of:**

*Department of Natural Resources & Environmental Control*

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*FISH & WILDLIFE HEARING DOCKET 2022-R-F-0016*

*November 22, 2022*

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1 DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL  
2 RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL  
3 DIVISION OF FISH & WILDLIFE

3 VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING

4 Re: Proposed Revisions )  
to 7 DE Admin. )Docket No.  
5 Code 3300 Non-tidal )2022-R-F-0016  
Finfish, 3301-Definitions)  
6 and 3304 Creel Limit, )  
Size Limits and Seasons. )

7  
8 Tuesday  
November 22, 2022  
9 6:00 p.m.

10 BEFORE:

11 TERESA NEWMAN, HEARING OFFICER

12 APPEARANCES:

13 JOHN CLARK, DNREC,  
14 DIVISION OF FISH & WILDLIFE

15 JANELLA SAPP, DNREC

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1 THE HEARING OFFICER: I want  
2 to thank everyone for joining us today.  
3 I believe everyone is now connected and  
4 ready to go, so we will begin the  
5 virtual public hearing.

6 Again, I want to thank you  
7 for taking your time out of your busy  
8 schedules to connect with us today.  
9 The date is Tuesday, November 22, 2022.  
10 We are here this evening to provide a  
11 virtual process for the State of  
12 Delaware's Department of Natural  
13 Resources and Environmental Control to  
14 conduct its virtual public hearing on  
15 the Proposed Revisions to 7 DE Admin.  
16 Code 3300-Non-tidal Finfish  
17 Regulations, more specifically, Section  
18 3301 - Definitions, and Section 3304 -  
19 Creel Limit, Size Limits and Seasons,  
20 Part 3.0 Trout.

21 My name is Teresa Newman,  
22 and Secretary Garvin has appointed me  
23 to serve as the hearing officer for  
24 tonight's formal proceeding.

1                   This hearing is being  
2 conducted virtually. No one is  
3 together in the same room. Everyone is  
4 participating independently at their  
5 own respective location. While we are  
6 not physically gathered tonight, Webex  
7 does generate a list of those that are  
8 virtually present for the proceeding so  
9 the Department will still have a record  
10 for those who have electronically  
11 joined this event.

12                   At the conclusion of the  
13 introductory remarks, I will be turning  
14 the hearing over to the Department  
15 staff to provide the presentation for  
16 the record being generated in this  
17 matter. Once the presentations  
18 conclude, those persons who  
19 preregistered in advance of this  
20 hearing will be acknowledged and  
21 provided the opportunity to offer  
22 comment on the proposed regulatory  
23 matter in alignment with DNREC's  
24 standard comment protocol.

1           There is a court reporter  
2 virtually present who will prepare a  
3 verbatim transcript of the hearing  
4 according to the statutory requirement  
5 for DNREC to have the same prepared.  
6 And as always, that transcript will be  
7 posted on the hearing web page  
8 dedicated to this matter as it is  
9 received.

10           In addition, I would  
11 encourage those who are attending  
12 tonight's hearing to also visit the  
13 hearing web page dedicated to this  
14 matter for additional details  
15 concerning the proposed regulatory  
16 matter. The hearing web page can be  
17 found online under the Administrative  
18 Law Section of DNREC's website that  
19 will be listed at the conclusion of  
20 tonight's hearing.

21           Before we begin the  
22 presentation tonight, please be advised  
23 that the following protocols remain in  
24 place for all DNREC public hearings.

1 All comments received must  
2 be limited solely to the subject matter  
3 of tonight's hearing. All comments  
4 pertinent to the subject matter of this  
5 virtual hearing will be integrated into  
6 the record being generated in this  
7 matter.

8 In order to assure that  
9 everyone who wishes to offer comments  
10 for the Secretary's consideration is  
11 accommodated, the record shall remain  
12 open following tonight's proceeding  
13 through December 7th, 2022.

14 There is only one authentic  
15 record of this formal hearing tonight  
16 and it is the official court reporter's  
17 verbatim transcript.

18 The purpose of tonight's  
19 hearing is to build a record with  
20 regards to the Department's proposed  
21 actions. A record consisting of the  
22 transcript of this hearing tonight, all  
23 written comments, all exhibits and  
24 eventually the Hearing Officer's report

1 will be reviewed by Secretary Garvin.

2           The Secretary will  
3 ultimately issue the order following  
4 that review process containing his  
5 decision on this matter and the reasons  
6 therefor.

7           Per DNREC standard hearing  
8 protocols, there will be no Q and A or  
9 chat session permitted during the  
10 hearing. Those who have preregistered  
11 to offer verbal comments will be  
12 acknowledged to speak at the conclusion  
13 of the presentation portion of  
14 tonight's proceeding. Additional  
15 instructions with regard to offering of  
16 verbal comments tonight will be  
17 provided at that time.

18           Lastly, it is important to  
19 note that no decision has already been  
20 made by the Department nor will any  
21 decision be made tonight with regard to  
22 this proposed amendment to the  
23 regulation.

24           As previously stated, that I

1 wish to ensure that everyone is  
2 enabled to offer their comments for  
3 inclusion into the record being  
4 generated in this matter, therefore,  
5 the record will remain open through  
6 December 7th, 2022, so the public may  
7 offer written should they wish to do  
8 so.

9           Comments may be submitted  
10 through a comment form link on this  
11 hearing web page via email to  
12 DNREChearingcomments@Delaware.gov or  
13 via the U.S. Postal Services at the  
14 physical address for DNREC indicated on  
15 the hearing web page and on the public  
16 notices previously issued in this  
17 matter.

18           Written comments to DNREC  
19 may not be submitted via social media  
20 platforms such as Twitter, Facebook,  
21 YouTube or text messaging.

22           Please remember that all  
23 comments received via USPS or via the  
24 electronic mechanism just noted now, as



1 long as receipt of the comment is on or  
2 before December 7th, will bear the  
3 exact same weight and will be  
4 considered equally by the Secretary  
5 prior to making his final decision on  
6 this matter.

7           Lastly, the ultimate  
8 decision regarding this matter is made  
9 by Secretary Garvin.

10           This formal hearing tonight  
11 acts as a mechanism to enable the  
12 Department to thoroughly vet the  
13 proposed regulatory amendments to the  
14 public and to let the public know the  
15 various ways to which comment may be  
16 submitted for Secretary Garvin's  
17 consideration, if so desired.

18           I will now hand it over to  
19 Mr. Clark with the Division of Fish &  
20 Wildlife for the Department's  
21 presentation.

22           MR. CLARK: Thank you,  
23 Teresa.

24           I assume everybody can see

1 the presentation I have up here. And I  
2 will go right into it, give some  
3 background as to why we want to make  
4 these changes, these proposed  
5 amendments to the trout regulation and  
6 what we actually propose to do,  
7 briefly.

8           There are two parts to the  
9 proposed amendments. The first part I  
10 will cover are the amendments to Red  
11 Clay Creek. Red Clay Creek for many,  
12 many years was highly contaminated and  
13 was not fishable. Due to water quality  
14 improvements, a section of Red Clay  
15 Creek was designated as a trout stream  
16 in 2018, and trout stocking resumed  
17 there. And the section of Red Clay  
18 Creek stocked was in Auburn Valley  
19 State Park, which is run by another  
20 part of DNREC, our Parks & Recreation  
21 Division.

22           And we've had wonderful  
23 cooperation with Auburn Valley State  
24 Park, and thanks to that cooperation,

1 they've allowed the addition of  
2 four-tenths of a mile of Red Clay Creek  
3 in an undeveloped area of the park to  
4 be added to our designated trout  
5 stream.

6           The growing popularity of  
7 fly fishing and repeated requests from  
8 anglers to add more fly fishing-only  
9 areas prompt the division to designate  
10 this additional four-tenths of a mile  
11 of Red Clay Creek as a fly fishing-only  
12 stretch for trout fishing.

13           And the Advisory Council on  
14 Wildlife & Freshwater Fish recommends  
15 adoption by regulation of the Red Clay  
16 Creek amendments just described here at  
17 its August 2021 meeting.

18           This next screen shows a map  
19 of the area that we will be adding in  
20 Red Clay Creek. As you can see, the  
21 upstream boundary of the fly fishing-  
22 only section that we intend to add is  
23 at Yorklyn Road four-tenths of a mile  
24 downstream. The downstream end is at

1 Creek Road. So that's what we are  
2 proposing to do on Red Clay Creek.

3 The next part of our  
4 amendments to the trout regulation are  
5 covering Youth Day.

6 And DNREC Secretary Garvin  
7 designated the first day of the 2020  
8 trout season on the streams as Youth  
9 Day. And "youth" is defined by  
10 regulation as anglers under age 16.

11 And this was done under the authority  
12 granted to the DNREC Secretary by the  
13 governor's COVID-19 Emergency Order.

14 As you may recall, because everything  
15 was shut down in March, there was a lot  
16 of concern as to what children would be  
17 able to do since they weren't in  
18 school. It took us awhile to decide  
19 that we would stock the trout streams  
20 in 2020. They were stocked later. I  
21 believe it wasn't until April that we  
22 opened up, but we did have a Youth Day  
23 on the first day of the season and it  
24 was extremely popular. So it was

1 repeated in 2021 on Newton Pond and on  
2 the trout streams in New Castle County.

3           However, the termination of  
4 DNREC's emergency authority later in  
5 2021 required that the division to  
6 amend the regulation if the first day  
7 of trout season on the ponds and  
8 streams are to continue as Youth Days.

9 I say "Youth Days" because, of course,  
10 the first day of trout season on the  
11 ponds is the first Saturday in  
12 March and the first day of trout season  
13 on the streams is the first Saturday in  
14 April.

15           The Advisory Council on  
16 Wildlife & Freshwater Fish recommends  
17 adoption by regulation of the proposed  
18 Youth Fishing Days again at that same  
19 August 2021 meeting.

20           Youth Days provide a great  
21 introduction to trout fishing for  
22 Delaware's youth, and the hope is that  
23 many of the Youth Day participants will  
24 become lifelong anglers. The very

1 successful American model of fish and  
2 wildlife conservation is a user pays  
3 model. So the tremendous success we've  
4 had with our anglers purchasing fishing  
5 licenses and trout stamps is what  
6 allows us to stock the trout in the  
7 ponds and streams. It allows us to  
8 maintain all our fishing access areas,  
9 build new boat ramps and provide all  
10 the access that we can for our anglers.  
11 So we think this is a great way to get  
12 more youth involved in fishing and, as  
13 I said, hopefully become lifelong  
14 anglers.

15 So that is the conclusion of  
16 the presentation about the amendments,  
17 and I will now read the exhibits into  
18 the record.

19 The exhibits we are  
20 submitting for these proposed  
21 amendments to the trout regulation are:

22 Exhibit 1 is the final  
23 meeting minutes from the aforementioned  
24 August 24th, 2021 meeting of the

1 Advisory Council on Wildlife &  
2 Freshwater Fish, and it includes the  
3 recommendations to the Division of Fish  
4 & Wildlife to proceed with this  
5 regulatory action;

6           Exhibit 2 is a copy of the  
7 Start Action Notice No. 2022-04  
8 pertaining to the proposed amendments;

9           Exhibit 3 is a copy of the  
10 Regulatory Flexibility Analysis,  
11 Regulatory Impact Statement  
12 corresponding to this proposed action  
13 and as published in the November  
14 Delaware Register of Regulations;

15           Exhibit 4 is a copy of the  
16 register notice for Start Action Notice  
17 22-04 and the proposed amendments to  
18 the trout regulation as published also  
19 in the November Register of  
20 Regulations;

21           Exhibit 5 is evidence for  
22 the publication of legal notice  
23 regarding the proposed amendments to  
24 the trout regulations in the Delaware

1 State News and in the Wilmington News  
2 Journal, which were both published on  
3 October 30th, 2022.

4 Exhibit 6 is notice of this  
5 public hearing as it appeared on  
6 Delaware Statewide Calender, as was  
7 posted on October 21st, 2022;

8 Exhibit 7 is a copy of the  
9 legal notice for tonight's public  
10 hearing, as posted on DNREC's public  
11 notices website starting on  
12 October 30th, 2022;

13 Exhibit 8. Additional  
14 noticing sent to the Fisheries listserv  
15 by email and posted on the Division's  
16 Facebook page regarding tonight's  
17 hearing on the trout regulation.

18 And just to note that the  
19 email and Facebook page were -- the  
20 email was sent last week and the  
21 Facebook page was updated last week  
22 about this hearing. And another email  
23 was sent to the listserv this morning  
24 to remind people that today was the



1 hearing. And the Facebook page was  
2 also updated yesterday to remind people  
3 of the hearing.

4 Finally, Exhibit 9 is a copy  
5 of the presentation on the proposed  
6 amendments as given here tonight.

7 Then, finally, Exhibit 10,  
8 rather, is the final exhibit, and that  
9 is a copy of comments received prior to  
10 the hearing.

11 So those are all the  
12 exhibits we are submitting to support  
13 this action, Ms. Newman.

14 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank  
15 you, Mr. Clark. I have received an  
16 electronic version of the proposed  
17 exhibits by the Department, and I  
18 hereby mark these exhibits as  
19 Department's Exhibits 1 through 10.

20 Does this conclude the  
21 Department's presentation?

22 MR. CLARK: Yes, it does.

23 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank  
24 you. Now that the presentation has

1 concluded by the Department, we will  
2 turn our attention to those who have  
3 preregistered for the opportunity to  
4 offer verbal comment at tonight's  
5 hearing.

6           Per the protocol set forth  
7 on DNREC's public hearing web page,  
8 those wishing to offer verbal comments  
9 during the virtual hearing must have  
10 preregistered with DNREC no later than  
11 noon of the day of this hearing. The  
12 order of those comments made tonight  
13 was established as a result of the  
14 preregistration process. All  
15 commenters must adhere to the  
16 Department's protocol with regard to  
17 offering verbal comment, including  
18 making their comments as concise as  
19 possible, respecting the three-minute  
20 time limit and limiting the comment to  
21 the subject matter of this hearing.

22           There are four preregistered  
23 commenters that will be called upon in  
24 the following order to offer verbal

1 comment.

2 First to speak will be Mac  
3 Mattingly. Second is Jim Jordan.  
4 Third is Brian Winslow. And fourth is  
5 Ed O'Donnell.

6 To assist the commenters  
7 with the amount of time they have,  
8 there is a visual timer that will  
9 appear on the screen that will count  
10 down three minutes. When it is that  
11 speaker's turn to comment, the  
12 speaker's audio will be unmuted, their  
13 identity will be confirmed and the  
14 timer will begin. At the end of the  
15 three minutes, the speaker's audio will  
16 be automatically placed on mute as we  
17 will move on to the next person to be  
18 acknowledged to offer comment.

19 Please note there is no  
20 video feed of the commenter. It is  
21 audio only.

22 All comments will be  
23 transcribed by the court reporter and  
24 thereby incorporated into the hearing

1 record. If the speaker is not able to  
2 finish their comments within the three-  
3 minute time period, the Department  
4 encourages you to please submit your  
5 comments in writing no later than  
6 December 7th. No commenter will be  
7 granted more than three minutes of time  
8 to speak for any reason.

9           With that being said, may I  
10 have Mr. Mac Mattingly unmuted and  
11 please state your first and last name  
12 for the record. And you may begin.

13           MS. SAPP: Teresa, I don't  
14 see Mr. Mac Mattingly on our attendee  
15 list.

16           THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.  
17 We will move on to the second.

18           All right. Then second we  
19 have Mr. Jim Jordan.

20           MR. JORDAN: My name is Jim  
21 Jordan. I'm Executive Director and CEO  
22 of Brandywine Red Clay Alliance, the  
23 oldest small watershed organization in  
24 the country. I live at 734 Morris

1 Road, Yorklyn, Delaware. I guess I've  
2 been involved with the -- let me start  
3 off by saying, Brandywine Red Clay  
4 Alliance fully supports the  
5 fourth-tenths of a mile addition to the  
6 designated trout stream adjacent to  
7 Auburn State Park, and we also support  
8 the Youth Fishing Day being the  
9 Saturday before trout season.

10 Give you a little  
11 background. The Brandywine Red Clay  
12 Alliance is dedicated to the  
13 preservation, restoration of the Red  
14 Clay Creek and watershed. Our mission  
15 is watershed restoration, environmental  
16 education and land preservation.

17 I was fortunate enough to be  
18 involved with a regular experimental  
19 stocking on the Red Clay back in the  
20 late '60s working with the state  
21 fisheries' biologist at that time, Fred  
22 Bonner, and saw it transition from a  
23 bait stretch to a fly stretch and then  
24 to the pollution problems close.

1                   Brandywine Red Clay Alliance  
2           and myself work closely with DNREC  
3           officials at Fish & Wildlife in the  
4           Fisheries Section. We're green to get  
5           this stream back to the point where it  
6           could be stocked on a put and take  
7           fishery and had the honor of working  
8           with Rick at putting the first honorary  
9           trout in the Red Clay when it was  
10          stocked again in 2018. 2018-2019.

11                   So we coordinate with the  
12          state and help stock the trout. So we  
13          think it's a great boon for the Red  
14          Clay Creek. It helps the RC's  
15          business, as we want to get people  
16          enjoying the natural resources of the  
17          Red Clay watershed. I think it's great  
18          for the Yorklyn community and for  
19          Auburn State Park. I was involved in  
20          preserving the Auburn State Park.

21                   And Brandywine Red Clay  
22          Alliance owns adjacent land in  
23          Pennsylvania, which is Marshall Mill  
24          Preserve. We think adding the

1 fourth-tenths of a mile of fly fishing-  
2 only is an absolutely phenomenal idea.  
3 This is without taking fishing away  
4 from the regular bait fishermen. And  
5 fly fishing is a growing sport in this  
6 region.

7 As far as the Youth Fishing  
8 Day, the RC does a lot of youth  
9 programs. I'll conclude with I've  
10 never seen a child get in trouble with  
11 a fishing rod in their hand.

12 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank  
13 you, Mr. Jordan, for your comment.

14 We will now move on to  
15 Mr. Winslow.

16 MR. WINSLOW: Hi. My name  
17 is Brian Winslow. I live in Hockessin,  
18 Delaware. I also work for Brandywine  
19 Red Clay Alliance with Mr. Jordan, who  
20 just spoke. I work on water quality as  
21 watershed conservation director. My  
22 comments really focus on John Clark's  
23 comments about water quality improving,  
24 allowing the trout stocking in the

1 Delaware.

2           Our organization has worked  
3 on the Red Clay since 1952 along with a  
4 lot of other partners really focused on  
5 water quality. Our goal has always  
6 been to make the Red Clay drinkable,  
7 swimmable and fishable for all the park  
8 community. I think we have really made  
9 great progress since 1952 when we were  
10 founded. In fact, without those  
11 improvements, you wouldn't be able to  
12 allow to have this trout stocking.

13           And I think each of these  
14 changes in the regulations really is a  
15 way to celebrate that improved water  
16 quality and engage the public in that.

17           To highlight some of the  
18 water quality improvements. At the  
19 beginning, we were focused on point  
20 source water pollution. Now we work on  
21 nonpoint source water pollution, and a  
22 tremendous investment has been made  
23 upstream in the Chester County portions  
24 of the watershed. We're working in



1 agricultural areas to remove livestock  
2 from the watershed. We're working on  
3 dealing with erosion that contributes  
4 sediment to the stream that inhibits  
5 the aquatic life, especially macro  
6 invertebrates that the fish depend on.  
7 We're working on storm water upstream.

8           And our group has completed  
9 five projects on the Red Clay in the  
10 east branch. We've done over 1.8 miles  
11 of streams. We're now working on the  
12 west branch Red Clay plan. We work  
13 with our partners in the Delaware River  
14 Watershed Initiative. We have  
15 identified the Red Clay as a focus  
16 area. We've planted miles of streams,  
17 trees with Stroud Water Research,  
18 Brandywine Conservancy, UD Water  
19 Resource Center, and all of this has  
20 improved the water quality. And not to  
21 mention that the State of Delaware has  
22 invested a tremendous amount of money  
23 in the park as well as cleaning up zinc  
24 in the creek. And I think there is

1 just no better way to celebrate and  
2 engage the community to continue that  
3 work other than allowing the fishing  
4 and engaging youth in that.

5 So really we just wanted to  
6 support that water quality is a strong  
7 reason to celebrate and make this  
8 fishery available to everybody.

9 And that's the close of my  
10 comments. Thank you for allowing us to  
11 speak.

12 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank  
13 you, Mr. Winslow.

14 Last, we have Mr. Ed  
15 O'Donnell. If you could please state  
16 your name and spell your first and last  
17 name for the record before providing  
18 your comments.

19 MR. O'DONNELL: Thank you.  
20 My name is Edward O'Donnell. Thank you  
21 for allowing us to give the testimony  
22 tonight. I'm with the White Clay Fly  
23 Fishers. We wish to indicate our  
24 support for the Red Clay fly fishing

1 section. We were pretty heavily  
2 involved with members of DNREC. I'd  
3 like to thank those people, Mark  
4 Zimmermann, Mike Stangl, as well as the  
5 parks superintendent for Auburn  
6 Heights.

7           This provided us an  
8 opportunity to increase recreational  
9 activities in the park. It also eases  
10 some of the pressure on the White Clay  
11 now in that fly fishing section. Also,  
12 as somebody stated, I think Mr. Clark  
13 indicated, fly fishing is one of the  
14 growing sports in the area and this  
15 again helps to provide more  
16 opportunities for that.

17           The stocking that has taken  
18 place has really taken off. There are  
19 still fish there as of today. We were  
20 catching trout there within the last  
21 two weeks. So we know that there's a  
22 good holdover of population there.

23           Again, I'd like to also  
24 thank the Brandywine Red Clay Alliance

1 again as well as the Auburn State folks  
2 and DNREC folks for helping get that  
3 section stocked. And we'd like to  
4 really see it designated as a fly  
5 section.

6           On the Youth Day, that has  
7 been a tremendous success. We  
8 witnessed that on the White Clay. Our  
9 club, the White Clay Fly Fishers,  
10 basically is involved in the stocking  
11 of that fly section in cooperation with  
12 DNREC. And the Youth Day, it's just  
13 been a tremendous outpouring of people.  
14 Myself and my two grandsons have really  
15 enjoyed that opportunity. So we really  
16 heartily endorse the idea of having a  
17 Youth Day that Saturday before the  
18 opening of the trout season.

19           Again, I would like to thank  
20 everybody who was involved in getting  
21 us to this point in time either from  
22 the water quality perspective or from  
23 the actual stocking designation of the  
24 stream. Again, we're in full support

1 of the Youth Day. Thank you.

2 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank  
3 you, Mr. O'Donnell. I want to thank  
4 everyone who provided their verbal  
5 comment at tonight's hearing. That  
6 does conclude the public hearing for  
7 tonight.

8 Again, the record will  
9 remain open through Wednesday,  
10 December 7th, 2020. For those who  
11 would like to provide their written  
12 comment, you may do so. There are some  
13 ways listed on the screen right now in  
14 which to submit those written comments.  
15 I want to thank you all for attending  
16 the virtual hearing tonight. The  
17 hearing is now concluded at 6:29 p.m.

18 Thank you.

19 (Hearing concluded at 6:29  
20 p.m.)

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Exhibit 1 1/24/21 meeting

minutes of the Advisory Council on

Wildlife & Freshwater Fish

Exhibit 2 Copy of the Start Action

Notice No. 2022-04 regarding proposed

amendments

Exhibit 3 Copy of Regulatory

Flexibility Analysis, Regulatory Impact

Statement

Exhibit 4 Copy of Register notice for

Start Action Notice 22-04 and the

proposed amendments to the trout

regulation

Exhibit 5 Certificates of Publication

of the hearing notice regarding

proposed amendments to the trout

regulations in the Delaware State News

and in the Wilmington News Journal

Exhibit 6 Notice of public hearing, as

it appeared on Delaware Statewide

Calender

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Exhibit 7 Copy of legal notice for  
public hearing, as posted on DNREC's  
public notices website

Exhibit 8 Additional hearing noticing  
sent to the Fisheries' listserv by  
email and posted on the Division's  
Facebook page

Exhibit 9 Copy of the presentation on  
the proposed amendments

Exhibit 10 Copy of comments received  
prior to the hearing

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1 State of Delaware )  
2 New Castle County )

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4 CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

5 I, Lucinda M. Reeder, Registered  
6 Diplomat Reporter, Certified Real-time  
7 Reporter and Notary Public, do hereby  
8 certify that the foregoing record is a  
true and accurate transcript of my  
stenographic notes taken on  
November 22, 2022 in the  
above-captioned matter.

9 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have  
10 hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th  
11 day of November 2022 at Wilmington,  
12 Delaware.



13 Lucinda M. Reeder, RDR, CRR  
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