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Cumberland County Welcomes 43 New Citizens from 29 Countries at Naturalization Ceremony

Carlisle, PA – On this Flag Day, Cumberland County today welcomed 43 new citizens during its 2 annual Naturalization Ceremony. The new citizens, representing 29 countries, took their oath in the county's Historic Courthouse and received certificates of naturalization from Cumberland County Prothonotary, Dale Sabadish. Naturalization ceremonies began in the county in 1795.

“This year, the number of people who became citizens doubled, it's a proud day for them and their families who chose Cumberland County to call home,” said Sabadish. “These individuals have devoted countless hours over many years to the citizenship process. We welcome and congratulate our candidates on their first day as citizens of the United States of America, and find it fitting that they have become naturalized on Flag Day.”

This year's ceremony was performed by Chris Baran of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. The oath was administered by Hon. Judge Christylee L. Peck. Remarks were given by Hon. Judge Albert H. Masland, Hon. Judge Thomas A. Placey, and Cumberland County Bar Association President Hon. Magisterial District Judge Jonathan Birbeck. In addition, representatives from state and county government attended the ceremony and several community organizations presented the newly naturalized citizens with commemorative gifts.

For additional information on how to access Cumberland County Naturalization information, please contact the Prothonotary's office at 717. 240.6195 or Prothonotary@ccpa.net. For copies of original naturalization papers and residents access more [information](#), on the history of naturalization inventory from 1798 to 1942.

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