Petition for a third Newspaper of Record in Delaware County, NY

In order to ensure that the majority of our county is informed about changes in county law and important notices, we the undersigned, all residents of Delaware County, hereby petition the Delaware County Board of Supervisors to designate The Reporter as a third "Newspaper of Record" for the purposes of publishing public notices in accordance with Article 2 of NY County Law Section 214. This article requires that "The board of supervisors shall annually designate **at least two** newspapers published within the county as official newspapers for the publication of all local laws, notices and other matters required by law to be published. In such designations consideration shall be given to those newspapers advocating the principles of the two major political parties into which the people of the state are divided **and their general circulation throughout the county**."

The two newspapers currently designated for Article 2 Local Laws and Notices reach only a small portion of Delaware County. The Hancock Herald is distributed primarily in the Town of Hancock, and the Mountain Eagle is distributed in the eastern half of the county.

The Delaware County Democratic Party has asked the Board to designate a third paper - the Reporter - which has a wide distribution and more paid subscribers than either of the current papers, so that the entire county has information about legal notices, county job opportunities, and bidding on proposed infrastructure projects.