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JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS

Chief Justice Margaret L. Workman was elected to the Supreme Court of Appeals in November 2008 and is serving her fourth term as Chief Justice. She previously was elected to the Court in November 1988, when she became the first woman elected to the Court and the first woman elected to statewide office in West Virginia.

Chief Justice Workman was born in Charleston, the daughter of Mary Emma Thomas Workman and Frank Eugene Workman, a coal miner whose ancestors were among the first settlers of Boone County. Chief Justice Workman attended Kanawha County public schools and was the first in her family to go to college. She attended West Virginia University and West Virginia University College of Law. After she received her law degree in 1974, she served as assistant counsel to the majority of the U.S. Senate Public Works Committee, whose chairman was Senator Jennings Randolph of West Virginia. She returned to West Virginia to work as a law clerk to the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit (Kanawha County). In 1976, she served as an advance person in the Carter Presidential Campaign, and she later worked on the campaign staff of U.S. Senator Jay Rockefeller. She then opened her own law office in Charleston. In 1981, Chief Justice Workman became the youngest circuit court judge in the state when then-Governor Jay Rockefeller appointed her to the Kanawha County Circuit Court. She ran for the unexpired term in 1982 and the full term in 1984. As a circuit judge, Chief Justice Workman inherited West Virginia's largest backlog of cases, and during her tenure on the court reduced it to the lowest in the circuit and held more jury trials than any other circuit judge in the state during the same period. She also visited every prison and secure juvenile correctional facility in West Virginia.



MARGARET L. WORKMAN
Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

After her election to the Supreme Court in 1988, she served as Chief Justice in 1993 and 1997. In her capacity as Chief Justice, she fostered a close working relationship between the court system and domestic violence programs, and she visited many shelters to learn how the court system could be more effective in addressing domestic violence. Chief Justice Workman created the Task Force on Gender Fairness in the Courts and the Task Force on the Future of the Judiciary. She formed the Broadwater Committee, which made reforms in the court system's response to children's issues and spearheaded the development of rules governing child abuse and neglect cases. In her tenure as Chief Justice in 2011, she focused on improving rehabilitation services for juveniles and established the Adjudicated Juveniles Rehabilitation Commission, now the Juvenile Justice Commission, which monitors juvenile facilities and works to improve rehabilitative services.

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Chief Justice Workman has been active in church and community activities. She is the mother of Lindsay, Chris, and Ted Gardner and the grandmother of Lilly Elizabeth Gardner.

Justice Robin Jean Davis was born in Boone County, West Virginia, on April 6, 1956. She is married to Scott Segal and they have one son, Oliver. She received her bachelor's degree from West Virginia Wesleyan College in 1978 and her master's degree and law degree from West Virginia University in 1982. She was engaged in the private practice of law from 1982 until 1996 at the six-person law firm of Segal and Davis, L.C. She concentrated in the field of employee benefits and domestic relations. In 1993, she became the first lawyer in West Virginia to be inducted into the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers.

In 1991, the Supreme Court of Appeals appointed her to the seven-person West Virginia Board of Law Examiners, on which she served until her election to the Supreme Court in 1996. She initially was elected to an unexpired term and was re-elected in November 2000 and November 2012 to full 12-year terms. Justice Davis served as Chief Justice in 1998, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2010, and 2014, and is the only person to have served as Chief Justice six times. Justice Davis is the Supreme Court's designee to the Judiciary's Initiative on Truancy, and in that role she has held dozens of public meetings to encourage collaborative community truancy programs.



ROBIN JEAN DAVIS
Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

Under her leadership as Chief Justice in 2010, the Court approved Revised Rules of Appellate Procedure, which modernized and comprehensively changed the appellate process in West Virginia to provide a decision on the merits in every case. The Court in 2010 also approved new Rules of Juvenile Procedure. In her previous terms as Chief Justice, she initiated a number of programs which have proven to be essential to the Court's continuing work with children and families and that have allowed the Judicial Branch to remain current with the constant changes in technology. These initiatives include the Workers' Compensation Mediation Program; the expansion of parent education programs; Rules on Mass Litigation; the expansion of courtroom technology, including the video initial appearance pilot project; the creation of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules; the establishment of an online Child Abuse and Neglect database; and additions to legal rules governing child abuse and neglect proceedings. In 2007 she led the West Virginia delegation to the National Judicial Leadership Summit in New York City and she was responsible for the Court using a competitive federal grant to initiate the West Virginia Domestic Violence Registry. Under her guidance, the Supreme Court Administrative Office also received other major grants that have been used to improve the way the court system handles abuse and neglect cases. She expanded the Supreme Court's outreach efforts by taking the Court for the first time in recent years to Wheeling and Charles Town, the beginning of what are now regular out-of-Charleston argument dockets. She established the LAWS program for high school students and the Robes to Schools program for all West Virginia school students.

In 2000, Justice Davis received the Distinguished West Virginian Award from then-Governor Cecil H. Underwood. In 2008 she received the Graduate of Distinction Award from the West Virginia Education Alliance. Justice Davis is the author of several West Virginia Law Review articles, including "A Tribute to Franklin D. Cleckley: A Compendium of Essential Legal Principles from his Opinions as a Justice on the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals"; "A Tribute to Thomas E. McHugh: An Encyclopedia of Legal Principles from his Opinions as a Justice on the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals"; and "An Analysis of the Development of Admitting Expert Testimony in Federal Courts and the Impact of that Development on West Virginia Jurisprudence." She is the co-author with Louis J. Palmer, Jr., of "Punitive Damages Law in West Virginia" and "Workers' Compensation Litigation in West Virginia: Assessing the Impact of the Rule of Liberality and the Need for Fiscal Reform." She is the co-author with former Justice Cleckley and Mr. Palmer of the "Litigation Handbook on West Virginia Rules of Civil Procedure." She has given numerous presentations at West Virginia Judicial Association conferences and community forums. Justice Davis is the most senior member of the Supreme Court of Appeals.

Justice Brent D. Benjamin was elected to a 12-year term on the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia in November 2004. He served as Chief Justice in 2009 and 2013. Justice Benjamin is a native of Marietta, Ohio, and holds both a bachelor's degree and a Juris Doctor degree from The Ohio State University, where he played varsity sports.

After graduation from law school in 1984, Justice Benjamin joined Robinson & McElwee, PLLC, in its Charleston office, being a partner/member for most of his 20 years with the firm. His practice at the firm focused on general civil litigation, including civil rights, toxic torts, and complex litigation. Justice Benjamin is a regular presenter and speaker at national and international forums on civil rights, equal access to justice, judicial selection, and judicial education, including the American Bar Association's Annual Meeting, the National Press Club in Washington D.C., the International Association of Defense Counsel, and most recently, to prosecutors and judges in Ankara and Antalya, Turkey, at the invitation of the Republic of Turkey. He also speaks frequently to law schools and bar-related groups, and he is a frequent guest on broadcasts and in print media on the judicial system and constitutional principles.



BRENT D. BENJAMIN
Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

On the Supreme Court of Appeals, Justice Benjamin has been a leader in establishing and expanding treatment courts in West Virginia, including Drug Courts, Veterans Courts, and Mental Health Courts. As Chief Justice in 2013, he worked closely with Governor Earl Ray Tomblin to bring Justice Reinvestment to West Virginia and with legislative leaders to expand Drug Courts statewide, and he oversaw the establishment of electronic filing in circuit courts. He established the New View Project and other related projects to enhance the permanent placement of children in the foster care system. As Chief Justice in 2009 he established West Virginia's Access to Justice Commission, a Compliance Committee on Prisons and Jails, a nationally acclaimed Domestic Violence Database, and a statewide Mental Hygiene Registry. He has actively advanced equal access to West Virginia Courts, children's issues, drug and mental health issues, and domestic violence issues. He also has worked to enhance and expand court outreach, public education, and media-court relations. Justice Benjamin has practiced before the United States Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, and various courts in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He is a member of the bars of West Virginia and Kentucky.

Away from his judicial duties, Justice Benjamin is a Fellow of the Salzburg Seminar in Austria, a graduate of Leadership West Virginia, and a member of the Hocking College Archaeological Mission. He previously was a member of the Amenmesse Project, co-sponsored by the Republic of Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities. He has participated in archaeological excavations in the United States and Egypt, including the recent discovery and excavation of tomb KV63 (the first intact tomb to be discovered in the Valley of the Kings since the discovery of the tomb of Tutankhamun), the continued excavation of KV10, and the re-excavation of TT320 (also known as the "Royal Cache Tomb").

Justice Benjamin attends Christ Church United Methodist in Charleston. He is the father of five children and the grandfather of one.

Justice Menis Ketchum was elected to a full 12-year term of the Supreme Court of Appeals on November 4, 2008. He served as Chief Justice in 2012. Justice Ketchum was born in 1943 in Huntington, West Virginia, and was raised in Wayne County. He was educated in Wayne County public schools before attending Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, where he played varsity baseball and was a member of the 1964 Mid-American Conference Championship Baseball Team. Justice Ketchum returned to West Virginia to attend West Virginia University College of Law. While in law school he was a contributing writer and associate editor of the *West Virginia Law Review*. He received his law degree in 1967 and returned to Huntington to join his father, Chad W. Ketchum (1911-1998), in the practice of law with the firm of Greene, Ketchum & Baker.

He practiced at that firm and its successors, eventually becoming the senior partner, until his election to the Court. Justice Ketchum's law practice included insurance defense, personal injury, and criminal defense. He was recognized continuously from 1989 to 2008 in *The Best*

Lawyers in America and was a member of the Leading Honoraries, the American College of Trial Lawyers, and the American Board of Trial Advocates. Throughout his legal career he published legal articles and presented numerous continuing legal education seminars. Justice Ketchum also served as a member of the Board of Governors of Marshall University from 2002 until his campaign for the Court, and served as chairman or vice-chairman of the board from 2003 until 2008. At the time of his election to the Court, he served on the boards of the Public Defender Corporations for the Sixth and Twenty-fourth Judicial Circuits. He previously served on the Huntington Urban Renewal Authority, participated in the statewide Vision Shared Health Care Team, and the Governor's Mine Safety Task Force.

Justice Ketchum has been married to the former Judy Varnum since 1966. They have three children - Kelli Morgan, Bert Ketchum, and Chad Ketchum - and six grandchildren.



MENIS KETCHUM

Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

Justice Allen H. Loughry II was elected to a 12-year term on the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia in 2012. He was born in Elkins, West Virginia, in 1970 and raised in Tucker County, West Virginia. He obtained four law degrees: an S.J.D. (Doctor of Juridical Science) from The American University, Washington College of Law; an LL.M. (Master of Laws in Criminology and Criminal Justice) from the University of London; an LL.M. (Master of Laws in Law and Government) from The American University, Washington College of Law; and a JD (Juris Doctor) degree from Capital University School of Law, where he graduated with the honor of Order of the Curia.



ALLEN H. LOUGHRY II
Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

On October 4, 2013, American University Washington College of Law awarded him its Distinguished Alumnus Award. He studied law in England at the University of Oxford and received the program's top political science award. He has a bachelor of science degree in journalism from West Virginia University. While there, he served on the West Virginia University Judicial Board. Justice Loughry was a senior assistant attorney general in the West Virginia Attorney General's Office from 1997 to 2003. He served in both the Appellate and Administration divisions. He was appointed as a special prosecuting attorney on numerous occasions to handle criminal cases throughout West Virginia. Justice Loughry has argued a significant number of cases before the West Virginia Supreme Court in addition to having argued or filed legal pleadings in the Supreme Court of the United States, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Northern Districts of West Virginia and the Southern District of Florida, among other legal forums. Justice Loughry served as a special assistant to U.S. Rep. Harley O. Staggers, Jr., and as a direct aide to West Virginia Governor Gaston Caperton. In 1997, he completed a legal externship at the Ohio Supreme Court. He also served as a personal assistant to the Tucker County prosecuting attorney in 1988 and 1989.

Additionally, he wrote for two newspapers (The Parsons Advocate and The Dominion Post of Morgantown) and was a freelance writer for The Associated Press. Justice Loughry began working as a lawyer at the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia in 2003. In 2006, his book, *Don't Buy Another Vote, I Won't Pay for a Landslide*, was published. It is a non-partisan look at West Virginia's history of political corruption. Forewords were written by U.S. Senator John McCain (R-AZ) and the late U.S. Senator Robert C. Byrd (D-WV). Justice Loughry began teaching political science at the University of Charleston in 2010. Due to his academic and professional background, Justice Loughry is a frequent speaker throughout the country on issues of government, ethics reform, politics, history, education, and the election process.

Justice Loughry and his wife, Kelly, a native of Morgan County, West Virginia, have one son, Justus. They live in Charleston.

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS

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- » Regular terms of Court begin on the second Tuesday in January and on the first Wednesday in September.
- » Special terms are held at such times as may be designated by the Court.
- » Salaries of Justices of the Supreme Court of Appeals: \$136,000, effective July 1, 2011.

CHIEF JUSTICE

Margaret L. Workman (D) of Charleston, Kanawha County (*term expires December 31, 2020*)

JUSTICES

Robin Jean Davis (D) of Charleston, Kanawha County (*term expires December 31, 2024*)

Brent D. Benjamin of Charleston, Kanawha County (*term expires December 31, 2016*)

Menis E. Ketchum (D) of Huntington, Wayne County (*term expires December 31, 2020*)

Allen H. Loughry II of Elkins, Randolph County (*term expires December 31, 2024*)

COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS

To Chief Justice Workman: Jeanne Stevenson

To Justice Davis: Jennifer Stover

To Justice Benjamin: Jane Charnock

To Justice Ketchum: Ruth Melvin

To Justice Loughry: Vici Shafer

CLERK AND ASSISTANTS

The Supreme Court Clerk's Office is the central point of contact for doing business with the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. The Clerk's Office accepts papers for filing, preserves all court documents and information, and performs a wide variety of duties for the court, the public, and attorneys. The office answers questions regarding the status of cases before the Court and routine procedural questions but cannot provide legal advice or referrals.

Clerk: Rory L. Perry II

Deputy Clerk: Edythe Nash Gaiser

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LAW CLERKS

Law clerks provide legal research and analysis to assist in the drafting of opinions of the Court.

Personal Clerks to Justices

To Chief Justice Workman:

Dianna Canfield

Teresa Kleeh

Marcella Riley

Susan Scott

To Justice Ketchum:

Peter Chambers

Mark Farrell

Tom McQuain

Robert Pruet

To Justice Davis:

Cynthia Bowman

Toni Takarsh

Michelle Barker

Louis Palmer

To Justice Loughry:

Becky Hentschel

Amie Johnson

Trina Leone

Cynthia Nelson

To Justice Benjamin:

Sarah A. McDaniel

Jane Charnock

Shannon Akers

Ray Franks

Bobby Lipscomb

CHIEF COUNSEL'S OFFICE

The Office of Counsel serves as central staff counsel to the Supreme Court. The Office of Counsel provides memoranda on legal issues to assist the Court in its role as the court of last resort in West Virginia. The various motions and other matters requiring rulings in cases pending before the Court are presented to the Court through the Office of Counsel. The Office of Counsel also provides assistance to the chief justice in consideration of motions for disqualifications and temporary assignment of circuit court judges, family court judges and magistrates.

Chief Counsel: Bruce A. Kayuha

Deputy Counsels:

Alison Chambers

Amie Johnson

Trina L. Leone

Deputy Counsel, Workers' Compensation Clerk:

Tomás R. Vernon

Senior Supervisor Writ Clerk:

Blake Westfall

Writ Clerks:

Aimee Lim

Adam Dean

Joshua Mullins

Andrea Nease Markins

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

The Administrative Office of the Supreme Court of Appeals, under the supervision and direction of the Court, has charge of all administrative matters relating to the offices of circuit judges, family court judges, magistrates, probation officers, and all of their clerical and administrative personnel, and circuit clerks; the preparation of statistical data and reports of business transacted in all of the circuit courts and needs for assistance, if any; the preparation of the court system budget; the purchase, exchange, transfer and distribution of equipment and supplies; and such other matters as may be assigned by the Court.

Administrative Director of the Courts: Steven D. Canterbury

Deputy Administrative Director: Jennifer Singletery, Esq.

Executive Assistant: Mary Greene

Executive Administrative Assistant: Joan Mullins

Compliance Officer: Thomas Scott

Receptionist: Debby Moore

Receptionist/Floater: Dee Hill

DIVISION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Division of Public Information issues publications and provides press relations for the judicial system.

Director of Public Information: Jennifer Bundy

Public Information Specialist: April Harless

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

The Office of General Counsel provides legal counsel to the administrative director.

General Administrative Counsel: Kirk Brandfass

Administrative Assistant: Debra Henley

DIVISION OF SPECIAL PROJECTS

The Division of Special Projects provides administrative and advisory counsel to task forces, boards, panels and commissions dealing with social and equal justice issues. The office also studies and reports on comparative state judicial administrative policies and procedures. Matters dealing with court foreign language interpreters are also handled by this office.

Special Projects Counsel: Sarah Johnson

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Division of Administrative Services oversees facilities, inventory and surplus and also recordings. The Division also provides court reporter support.

Director of Administrative Services: P. Fletcher Adkins

Deputy Director: Kim Ellis

Messenger/Runner: Paul Mendez

Warehouse Supervisor: Russell Shelton

Maintenance Engineer: Zachary Thompson

DIVISION OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Division of Financial Management oversees the court system budget matters, including cost allocation, appropriations, purchasing and credit card administration.

Director of Financial Management: Sue Racer-Troy

Chief Invoice Auditor: Nikki Preece

Invoice Auditors:

Jill Connolly

Sandy Johnson

Purchasing Coordinator: Susan Allowatt

Purchasing Card Coordinator: Dan Hager

DIVISION OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The Division of Children's Services assists with initiatives to improve outcomes for children and families involved in child abuse and neglect and youth services cases, including the Court Improvement Program. The Division also coordinates the Supreme Court's civic education programs.

Director of Division of Children's Services: Nikki Tennis

Public Education Coordinator: Kandi Greter-Kirk

Administrative Assistant: Tamera Gilmore

DIVISION OF COURT SERVICES

The Division of Court Services oversees numerous projects to improve the court system and manages all grants awarded to West Virginia courts. The Division operates the Domestic Violence Registry, the Warrants Database, the Child Abuse and Neglect Database, the West Virginia Court Statistics Database, the Criminal Disposition Database, and the West Virginia Offender Case Management System. The Division of Court Services also administers Court Security Funding and the Court Security Judge system, the Judicial Fatality Review Process, and Family Court facility leases. The Division provides training, technical assistance, statistical analysis, and program evaluation for many court initiatives including the Court Improvement Program, Kanawha County Domestic Violence Court Pilot Project, Drug Courts, Division of Probation Services programs, Criminal Records Disposition, the West Virginia Court Statistics Project, and other systemic improvement initiatives.

Director: Angela D. Saunders

Deputy Director: Evan Lynch

Executive Administrative Assistant: Barbara J. White

Grants Fiscal Manager: Laura Sarver

Grants Program Manager: Tom Hansen

Senior Statistical Analyst: Tabettha Blevins

CIP Analyst: Ashley Connolly

CIP Analyst: Monica Evans

Special Project Analyst: Laura Walsh

Statewide Criminal Records Coordinator: Olivya Atik

Domestic Violence Data Manager: Jeremy Nagy

Domestic Violence Registry Validation Specialist: Sandy Hathaway

Offender Case Management Database Quality Manager: Kathleen Lindsey

Offender Case Management Database Manager: Kenny Ward

DIVISION OF COURT SECURITY

The Division of Court Security oversees judicial system security and support.

Director of Court Security: Arthur Angus

Deputy Director of Court Security: Jess Gundy

Deputy Court Marshal: Harold Dailey

DIVISION OF FAMILY COURT SERVICES

The Division of Family Court Services provides training and support services for family courts, judges and staff.

Director of Division of Family Court Services: Lisa Tackett

Program Coordinator for Family Court Services: Pepper Arrowood

Family Court Services Secretary: Cheryl Porter

Administrative Assistant: Sherrie DeBord

DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES

The Division of Human Resources oversees court system personnel issues, payroll processing and employee benefits.

Director of Division of Human Resources: Christine Workman

Payroll Administrator: Tammy Smith

Associate Payroll Administrator: Janis Kitzmiller

PEIA Administrator: Linda Foster

Receptionist and Payroll Assistant: Tracy Ferrell

DIVISION OF JUDICIAL EDUCATION

The Division of Judicial Education oversees training programs for judicial officers and court staff.

Director of Judicial Education: Sara Thompson
Administrative Assistant: Jessica Westfall
IT Liaison to Judicial Education: Jason Carlson

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE ANALYSIS

The Division of Legislative Analysis works on the lawmaking process and informs judicial officers of potential effects on the judiciary. The Division also coordinates communication between judicial officers and legislators as well as prepares and files all fiscal notes with the Legislative Manager.

Director of Division of Legislative Analysis: Tina Payne

DIVISION OF MAGISTRATE COURT SERVICES

The Division of Magistrate Court Services provides administrative support for magistrate courts, magistrates, clerks and assistants.

Director of Division of Magistrate Court Services: Janie Moore
Computer Field Coordinator: Caroline Stoker
Paralegal: Brenda Magann
Administrative Assistant: Melody Jordan

DIVISION OF MENTAL HYGIENE & MENTAL HEALTH COURT SERVICES

The Division of Mental Hygiene and Mental Health Court Services oversees involuntary commitments, guardianship and conservatorship issues.

Director: Linda Richmond Artimez
MHVTC Assistant: Alisha Lawson
Assistant Quality Data Manager: Robyn Clark
Administrative Assistant: Brianna Yoho

DIVISION OF PROBATION SERVICES

The Division of Probation Services oversees circuit court probation services, including policy development. It also provides administrative oversight of, and support to, the state's adult and juvenile drug courts, sex offender intensive supervision officers (SOISO) program, and the school-based probation officer program. The Division also administers the Interstate Compact for Juveniles.

Director of Division of Probation Services: Michael B. Lacy
Deputy Director of Probation-SOISO: Caren Bills
Deputy Director for Juvenile Drug Courts: Lora Maynard
Quality Assurance Specialist: Jessica Napier
Counsel to the Division: Robert McKinney
Drug Court Training and Development: Tim Hanna
Quality Assurance and Field Support for Drug Courts: Sean Noland
Administrative Assistant: Georgeann Lilly-Barker
Administrative Assistant: Chasity Huffman

DIVISION OF TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

The Division of Technology Services oversees the Unified Judicial Application (UJA) information system, networking, email, hardware, software, technology systems, management and support and the Jury Management System.

Director: Scott Harvey

Deputy Directors:

Patricia Tillery

Dave Wilkinson

Administrative Assistant: Barbara Hart

Manager Applications Development: Marybeth Norris

Network Operations Manager: Mark Smith

Network Operations Support: Scott Conrad

Jury System Support Specialist: Steve Tarbett

Unified Jury Management System: Steve Tarbett

UJA Helpdesk Technician: Gary Conner

UJA Application Trainers:

Sonya Dean

Angela Markham

Clarita Fisher

Mary Jane Carrico

UJA Application Support: Andrea Snyder

UJA Trainer and Process Specialist: Mandona Weaver

IT Help Desk Support Specialist: Tara Harper

Network Wiring Technician: Anthony Hatfield

AppTraining Support Specialist: Angela Markham

Field Support Technicians:

Andrew Hinte

Jeremy Shears

Microsoft Operations Support: Michael Sefton

STATE LAW LIBRARY

The State Law Library's primary mission is to assist the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, the statewide unified court system and all judicial staff in carrying out the administration of justice. The Library provides access to law-related information to the judiciary, legal community and the general public, comprising over 100,000 volumes and volume equivalents, including books, periodicals, treatises, microforms and electronic databases to support the state's need to access to Anglo-American law. It is the second largest law library in West Virginia. The State Law Library is a member of the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) whose mission is to disseminate information products from all three branches of the government to select libraries nationwide at no cost. One of just 1,250 FDLP libraries in the United States, the State Law Library is a partial depository library, acquiring about seven percent of the holdings of the federal government in a variety of formats, including print, CD-ROM, microfiche and electronic.

The State Law Librarian administers and manages the State Law Library, which is located on the fourth floor of the East Wing of the Capitol Building in room E-404; phone: (304) 558-2607; fax: (304) 558-3673. It is open to the public six days a week.

State Law Librarian: Kaye L. Maerz

Reference & Instructional Services Librarian: Vanessa White

Technology Services Librarian: Janet Nicholson

Payments Manager: Sandy Stemple

Periodical Library Assistant: Barbara Hayes

Government Documents/Looseleaf Library Assistant: Jimmy Carpenter

Acquisitions and Payment Manager: Lisa Spencer

THE JUDICIAL INVESTIGATION COMMISSION

Created by rules promulgated by the Supreme Court of Appeals by order entered December 15, 1982, the Judicial Investigation Commission is authorized to investigate alleged violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct by judicial officers, which include supreme court justices, circuit court judges, family court judges, magistrates, mental hygiene commissioners, special commissioners, special masters and senior status and special judges of this state. After presentation of a report of the investigation by counsel and if a majority of the members believe that probable cause exists that an ethics violation occurred, the Commission may issue an admonishment if it believes that formal discipline is not warranted or it shall file formal charges with the Clerk of the Supreme Court, which initiates the hearing process before the Judicial Hearing Board.

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE MEMBERS

Honorable Ronald E. Wilson, Chair - New Cumberland (*term expires June 30, 2015*)

Honorable H. L. Kirkpatrick III - Beckley (*term expires June 30, 2015*)

Honorable Christopher C. Wilkes - Martinsburg (*term expires December 31, 2016*)

SENIOR STATUS JUDGE MEMBER

Honorable Andrew N. Frye, Jr. - Petersburg (*term expires July 31, 2015*)

FAMILY COURT JUDGE MEMBER

Honorable Robert C. Hicks - Sistersville (*term expires December 31, 2016*)

MAGISTRATE MEMBER

Honorable Gail C. Boober, Vice Chair - Charles Town (*term expires December 31, 2015*)

PUBLIC MEMBERS

Thomas F. Burgoyne - Wheeling (*term expires December 31, 2015*)

Robert P. Fitzsimmons - Wheeling (*term expires December 31, 2015*)

Alice Chakmakian - Shepherdstown (*term expires June 30, 2015*)

Chief Counsel: Teresa A. Tarr

Assistant Counsel: Brian J. Lanham

Executive Assistant: Mary Pamela Schafer

JUDICIAL HEARING BOARD

Created by rules promulgated by the Supreme Court of Appeals by order entered December 15, 1982, the Judicial Hearing Board conducts evidentiary hearings on formal ethics charges filed by the Judicial Investigation Commission against judicial officers, which include justices of the Supreme Court of Appeals, circuit court judges, family court judges, magistrates, mental hygiene commissioners, special commissioners, special masters and senior status and special judges. Following the hearing, the Board makes recommendations to the Supreme Court of Appeals regarding disposition of the charges.

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE MEMBERS

Honorable Lawrence S. Miller, Jr., Chair - Kingwood
Honorable Alan D. Moats - Philippi (*term expires June 30, 2015*)
Honorable Darrell Pratt - Wayne (*term expires December 31, 2017*)

FAMILY COURT JUDGE MEMBER

Honorable Patricia A. Keller - Huntington (*term expires December 31, 2016*)

SENIOR STATUS JUDGE MEMBER

Honorable Robert G. Chafin, Vice Chair - Kenova (*term expires July 1, 2015*)

MAGISTRATE MEMBER

Honorable Richard G. Postalwait - Grantsville (*term expires December 31, 2017*)

LAY MEMBERS

Jacqueline K. Farrell - Huntington (*term expires December 31, 2015*)
Holly S. Planinsie - Martinsburg (*term expires December 31, 2017*)
Darrell Shull - Williamson (*term expires December 31, 2017*)

Board Counsel: Ancil G. Ramey

MASS LITIGATION PANEL

The Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia has adopted a process for efficiently managing and resolving mass litigation that includes the establishment of a Mass Litigation Panel. The procedure for referral of cases to the Mass Litigation Panel is set forth in West Virginia Trial Court Rule 26.

The Mass Litigation Panel consists of seven active or senior status circuit court judges appointed by the chief justice with the approval of the Supreme Court of Appeals. Each appointment is for a term of three years and there is no prohibition against serving successive terms. The chief justice annually designates a panel member to serve as its chair to preside over the activities of the panel and to report to the Supreme Court of Appeals. West Virginia Trial Court Rule 26.02.

JUDGE MEMBERS

Honorable Alan D. Moats, Chair - Grafton (*term expires June 30, 2017*)
Honorable David W. Hummel, Jr. - Moundsville (*term expires June 30, 2015*)
Honorable Jay M. Hoke - Hamlin (*term expires June 30, 2015*)
Honorable John A. Hutchison - Beckley (*term expires June 30, 2017*)
Honorable James P. Mazzone - Weirton (*term expires June 30, 2016*)
Honorable Booker T. Stephens - Welch (*term expires June 30, 2015*)
Honorable Derek C. Swope - Princeton (*term expires June 30, 2016*)

Mass Litigation Manager: Kimberley R. Fields

Administrative Assistant: Deborah K. Brogan

ACCESS TO JUSTICE COMMISSION

The West Virginia Access to Justice (WVATJ) Commission was created by the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia in January 2009 to address barriers to the civil justice system experienced by West Virginians. The WVATJ Commission is charged to identify civil legal needs and develop long-term plans to develop and provide these services for West Virginians.

Chair: Jeffrey M. Shawver - Charleston

Judge Members:

Justice Brent D. Benjamin - Charleston

Family Court Judge Lisa Clark - Bluefield

Members:

Robert M. Bastress - Morgantown

Steve Canterbury - South Charleston

Harry Deitzler - Parkersburg

Charles DiSalvo - Morgantown

David Stewart - Charleston

Jane Charnock Smallridge - Charleston

Jim Martin - Charleston

Catherine D. McConnell - Gladesville

Kevin J. Robinson - Beckley

Stephanie Welsh - Morgantown

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The West Virginia Board of Law Examiners consists of seven members of the West Virginia State Bar who are appointed by the Supreme Court of Appeals. The Board represents different geographical regions of West Virginia. Board members serve seven-year terms and may be reappointed by the Court for additional terms. The Board evaluates educational background, credentials, character and fitness, and competence of each applicant for admission to the practice of law in West Virginia under the Supreme Court's Rules for Admission to the Practice of Law. Three full-time staff members serve as the Board's liaisons to applicants for admission, the general public, and agencies requiring bar admissions assistance and information.

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THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE BAR (INTEGRATED)

2000 Deitrick Boulevard, Charleston

Created by the Supreme Court of Appeals under its inherent rule-making power as authorized by Chapter 44, Acts of the Legislature, 1945. The court adopted and promulgated a definition of the practice of law, a code of professional ethics, a code of judicial ethics and a constitution and bylaws for the government of the State Bar, effective May 1, 1947. Its membership consists of all persons lawfully admitted to the practice of law in West Virginia.

By a majority vote in 2005, the members of the State Bar consented to the payment of an annual membership fee as follows: Less than one year, \$100; one to three years, \$200; over three years, \$250.

The objects of the State Bar are to protect the interests of the public; to advance the administration of justice and the science of jurisprudence; to improve the relations between the public and the bench and the bar; to uphold and elevate the standards of honor, integrity, competency and courtesy in the legal profession; and to encourage cordial relations among its members. It is its declared purpose to give effect to pertinent rules of the Supreme Court of Appeals and to perform the functions expressed in its constitution and bylaws. A principal duty of the State Bar is to uphold the standards of professional ethics and to investigate and prosecute violations of these standards diligently and vigilantly.

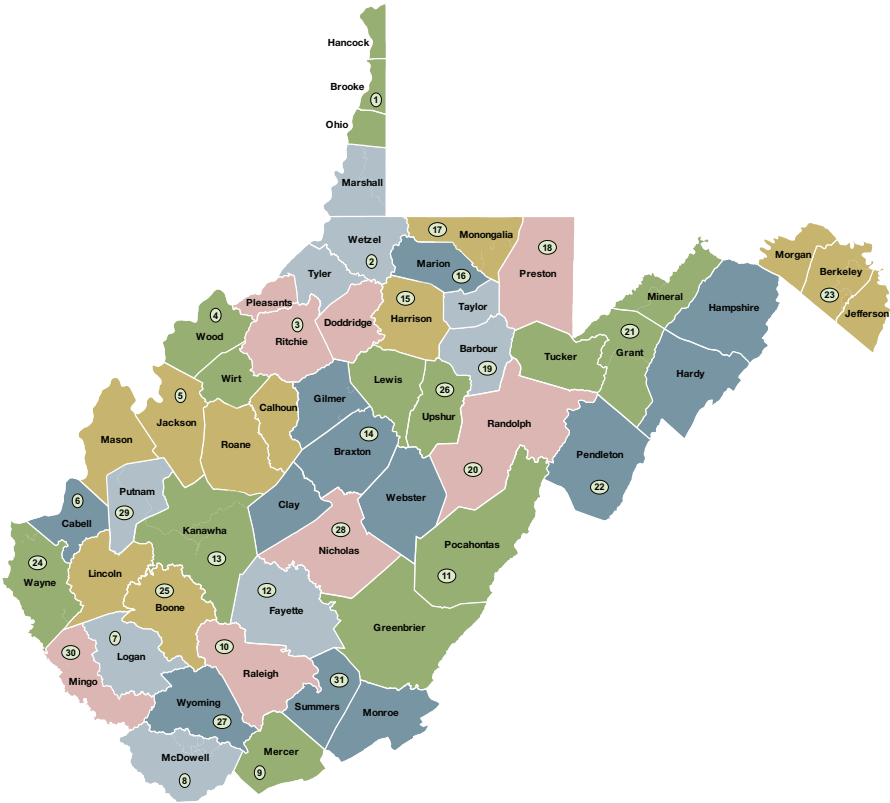
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MAP, WEST VIRGINIA JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

- First Circuit: Brooke, Hancock, Ohio
- Second Circuit: Marshall, Tyler, Wetzel
- Third Circuit: Doddridge, Pleasants, Ritchie
- Fourth Circuit: Wirt, Wood
- Fifth Circuit: Calhoun, Jackson, Mason, Roane
- Sixth Circuit: Cabell
- Seventh Circuit: Logan
- Eighth Circuit: McDowell
- Ninth Circuit: Mercer
- Tenth Circuit: Raleigh
- Eleventh Circuit: Greenbrier, Pocahontas
- Twelfth Circuit: Fayette
- Thirteenth Circuit: Kanawha
- Fourteenth Circuit: Braxton, Clay, Gilmer, Webster
- Fifteenth Circuit: Harrison
- Sixteenth Circuit: Marion

- Seventeenth Circuit: Monongalia
- Eighteenth Circuit: Preston
- Nineteenth Circuit: Barbour, Taylor
- Twentieth Circuit: Randolph
- Twenty-first Circuit: Grant, Mineral, Tucker
- Twenty-second Circuit: Hampshire, Hardy, Pendleton
- Twenty-third Circuit: Berkeley, Jefferson, Morgan
- Twenty-fourth Circuit: Wayne
- Twenty-fifth Circuit: Boone, Lincoln
- Twenty-sixth Circuit: Lewis, Upshur
- Twenty-seventh Circuit: Wyoming
- Twenty-eighth Circuit: Nicholas
- Twenty-ninth Circuit: Putnam
- Thirtieth Circuit: Mingo
- Thirty-first Circuit: Monroe, Summers

CIRCUIT COURTS

The Circuit Courts are trial courts of record, with seventy judges sitting in 31 circuits that range in size from one county with seven judges to nine counties with one judge each.

Circuit judges are responsible for hearing all felony criminal cases, civil lawsuits and appeals from magistrate courts. They have concurrent jurisdiction over misdemeanors with magistrate court. They review domestic relations appeals from family court when both parties, by mutual agreement, decide not to appeal directly to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. They also conduct various administrative judicial actions.

Judges are elected for eight-year terms. Current terms expire December 31, 2016. Salary: \$126,000, effective July 1, 2011.

First Circuit

Ronald E. Wilson (D), Chief Judge, Weirton

Martin J. Gaughan (D), Judge, Weirton

James P. Mazzone (D), Judge, Weirton

David J. Sims (D), Judge, Wheeling

Brooke *First Monday in March, June and November.*

Hancock *Second Tuesday in January, April and September.*

Ohio *Second Monday in January, May and September.*

Second Circuit

David W. Hummel, Jr. (D), Chief Judge, Moundsville

Jeffrey Cramer (D), Judge, Moundsville

Marshall *Second Tuesday in March, July and November.*

Tyler *Second Tuesday in February, June and October.*

Wetzel *Second Tuesday in January, May and September.*

Third Circuit

Timothy L. Sweeney (D), Chief Judge, St. Marys

Doddridge *Second Monday in February and July and fourth Monday in October.*

Pleasants *Second Monday in January, third Monday in May and fourth Monday in September.*

Ritchie *Fourth Monday in January, first Monday in June and first Monday in October.*

Fourth Circuit

J. D. Beane (D), Chief Judge, Parkersburg

Robert A. Waters (R), Judge, Parkersburg

Jeffrey B. Reed (R), Judge, Parkersburg

Wirt *Last Monday in March, June and September*

Wood *Second Monday in January, May and September*

Fifth Circuit

David W. Nibert (D), Chief Judge, Point Pleasant

Thomas C. Evans III (R), Judge, Ripley

Calhoun *First Tuesday in January, May and September.*

Jackson *Fourth Tuesday in February, June and October.*

Mason *First Monday in January, May and September.*

Roane *Fourth Tuesday in January, May and September.*

Sixth Circuit

Chris Chiles (R), Chief Judge, Huntington

Alfred E. Ferguson (D), Judge, Huntington

Paul T. Farrell (D), Judge, Huntington

F. Jane Hustead (D), Judge, Huntington

Cabell *First Monday in January and May and second Tuesday in September.*

Seventh Circuit

Roger L. Perry (D), Chief Judge, Logan
Eric H. O'Briant (D), Judge, Logan
Logan *Second Monday in January, May and September.*

Eighth Circuit

Sabrina Deskins (D), Williamson
Mingo *Third Monday in January, April and September.*

Ninth Circuit

Omar J. Aboulhosn (D), Chief Judge, Princeton
William J. Sadler (D), Judge, Princeton
Derek C. Swope (D), Judge, Bluefield
Mercer *Second Monday in February, June and October.*

Tenth Circuit

Robert A. Burnside, Jr. (D), Chief Judge, Beckley
John A. Hutchison (D), Judge, Beckley
H. L. Kirkpatrick III (D), Judge, Beckley
Raleigh *Second Monday in January, May and September.*

Eleventh Circuit

Robert E. Richardson (D), Chief Judge, Lewisburg
James J. Rowe (D), Judge, Lewisburg
Greenbrier *First Tuesday in February, June and October.*
Pocahontas *First Tuesday in April, August and December.*

Twelfth Circuit

Paul M. Blake, Jr. (D), Chief Judge, Fayetteville
John W. Hatcher, Jr. (D), Judge, Fayetteville
Fayette *Second Tuesday in January, May and September.*

Thirteenth Circuit

Jennifer Bailey (D), Chief Judge, Charleston
Louis H. Bloom (D), Judge, Charleston
Tod J. Kaufman (D), Judge, Charleston
Charles E. King (D), Judge, Charleston
Joanna Tabit (D), Judge, Charleston
James C. Stucky (R), Judge, Charleston
Carrie L. Webster (D), Judge, Charleston
Kanawha *Second Monday in January, May and September.*

Fourteenth Circuit

Richard A. Facemire (D), Chief Judge, Sutton
Jack Alsop (D), Judge, Webster Springs
Braxton *First Monday in February, June and October.*
Clay *Third Monday in March, second Monday in July and first Monday in November.*
Gilmer *First Monday in March, July and November.*
Webster *Second Monday in January and first Monday in May and September.*

Fifteenth Circuit

J. Lewis Marks, Jr. (D), Chief Judge, Salem
Thomas A. Bedell (D), Judge, Clarksburg
James A. Matish (D), Judge, Bridgeport
Harrison *First Monday in January, May and September.*

Sixteenth Circuit

David R. Janes (D), Chief Judge, Fairmont
 Michael John Aloï (D), Judge, Fairmont
Marion.....*First Monday in February, June and October.*

Seventeenth Circuit

Russell M. Clawges, Jr. (D), Chief Judge, Morgantown
 Phillip D. Gaujot (D), Judge, Morgantown
 Susan B. Tucker (D), Judge, Morgantown
Monongalia.....*First Thursday after first Monday in January, May and September.*

Eighteenth Circuit

Lawrance S. Miller, Jr. (R), Chief Judge, Kingwood
Preston.....*First Tuesday in March and June and third Tuesday in October.*

Nineteenth Circuit

Alan D. Moats (D), Chief Judge, Thornton
Barbour.....*Fourth Monday in February, May and October.*
Taylor.....*Second Monday in January, April and September.*

Twentieth Circuit

David H. Wilmoth (D), Chief Judge, Elkins
Randolph.....*Last Monday in February, June and October.*

Twenty-first Circuit

Lynn A. Nelson (R), Chief Judge, Keyser
 Phillip B. Jordan, Jr. (D), Judge, Keyser
Grant.....*First Tuesday in March, second Tuesday in July and first Tuesday in November.*
Mineral.....*Second Tuesday in January, first Tuesday in May and September.*
Tucker.....*Second Tuesday in February, first Tuesday in June and October.*

Twenty-second Circuit

Judge H. Charles Carl III (D), Chief Judge, Romney
 Charles E. Parsons (R), Judge, Romney
Hampshire.....*First Tuesday in January, May and September.*
Hardy.....*First Tuesday in February, June and October.*
Pendleton.....*First Tuesday in March, July and November.*

Twenty-third Circuit

David H. Sanders (D), Chief Judge, Charles Town
 Gray Silver III (D), Judge, Martinsburg
 Christopher C. Wilkes (R), Judge, Martinsburg
 John Yoder (R), Judge, Harpers Ferry
Berkeley.....*Third Tuesday in February, May and October.*
Jefferson.....*Third Tuesday in January, April and September.*
Morgan.....*First Tuesday in January, April and September.*

Twenty-fourth Circuit

Darrell Pratt (D), Chief Judge, Prichard
 James H. Young, Jr. (D), Judge, Ceredo
Wayne.....*First Monday in March, July and November.*

Twenty-fifth Circuit

Jay M. Hoke (D), Chief Judge, Branchland
William S. Thompson (D), Judge, Madison
Boone *Third Monday in January, April and September.*
Lincoln *Third Monday in January, April and September.*

Twenty-sixth Circuit

Jacob E. Reger (D), Chief Judge, Buckhannon
Lewis *First Monday in March, second Monday in July and first Monday in November.*
Upsbur *Second Monday in January, May and September.*

Twenty-seventh Circuit

Warren R. McGraw (D), Chief Judge, Pineville
Wyoming *First Monday in February, May and October.*

Twenty-eighth Circuit

Gary L. Johnson (D), Chief Judge, Richwood
Nicholas *Second Tuesday in January, May and September.*

Twenty-ninth Circuit

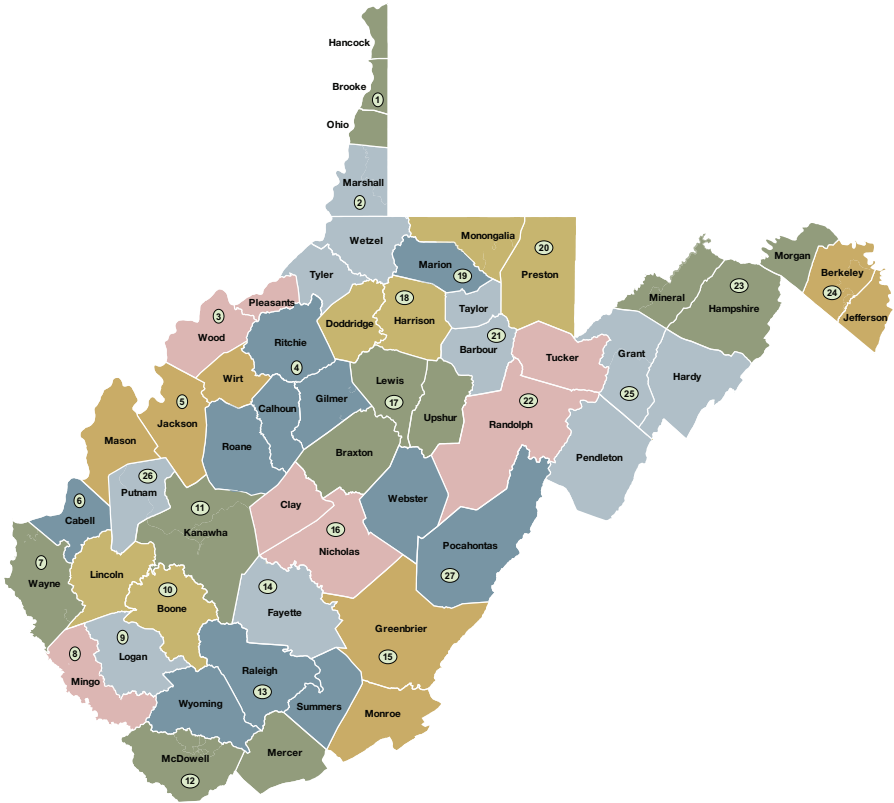
Phillip M. Stowers (D), Chief Judge, Hurricane
Joseph Reeder (R), Judge, Hurricane
Putnam *First Monday in March, second Monday in July and November.*

Thirtieth Circuit

Miki J. Thompson (D), Chief Judge, Williamson
Mingo *Third Monday in January, April and September.*

Thirty-first Circuit

Robert A. Irons (D), Chief Judge, Pickaway
Monroe *Second Tuesday in January, third Tuesday in May and second Tuesday in September.*
Summers *First Tuesday in March, third Tuesday in July and November.*



MAP, WEST VIRGINIA FAMILY COURT SYSTEM CIRCUITS

First Circuit: Brooke, Hancock, Ohio

Second Circuit: Marshall, Tyler, Wetzel

Third Circuit: Pleasants, Wood

Fourth Circuit: Calhoun, Gilmer, Ritchie, Roane

Fifth Circuit: Jackson, Mason, Wirt

Sixth Circuit: Cabell

Seventh Circuit: Wayne

Eighth Circuit: Mingo

Ninth Circuit: Logan

Tenth Circuit: Boone, Lincoln

Eleventh Circuit: Kanawha

Twelfth Circuit: McDowell, Mercer

Thirteenth Circuit: Raleigh, Summers, Wyoming

Fourteenth Circuit: Fayette

Fifteenth Circuit: Greenbrier, Monroe

Sixteenth Circuit: Clay, Nicholas

Seventeenth Circuit: Braxton, Lewis, Upsher

Eighteenth Circuit: Doddridge, Harrison

Nineteenth Circuit: Marion

Twentieth Circuit: Monongalia, Preston

Twenty-first Circuit: Barbour, Taylor

Twenty-second Circuit: Randolph, Tucker

Twenty-third Circuit: Hampshire, Mineral, Morgan

Twenty-fourth Circuit: Berkeley, Jefferson

Twenty-fifth Circuit: Grant, Hardy, Pendleton

Twenty-sixth Circuit: Putnam

Twenty-seventh Circuit: Pocahontas, Webster

FAMILY COURT JUDGES

The Family Court system was created, in part, by a constitutional amendment ratified in November 2000, and by Chapter 5, Acts of the Legislature, Fifth Extraordinary Session, 2001, effective September 19, 2001. The Family Court system replaced the family law master system created by Chapter 2, Acts of the Legislature, Second Extraordinary Session, 1986.

West Virginia is divided into 27 family court circuits served by 45 family court judges. Family court judges are elected for eight-year terms. Current terms expire December 31, 2016. Salary: \$94,500, effective July 1, 2011.

First Circuit

(Hancock, Brooke, and Ohio)

Joyce Dumbaugh Chernenko (D), Wellsburg
William F. Sinclair (D), Wheeling

Second Circuit

(Marshall, Tyler, and Wetzel)

Robert C. Hicks (D), Sistersville

Third Circuit

(Pleasants and Wood)

Brian C. Dempster (D), Williamstown
C. Darren Tallman (R), Parkersburg

Fourth Circuit

(Calboun, Gilmer, Ritchie, and Roane)

Larry S. Whited (R), Grantsville

Fifth Circuit

(Jackson, Mason, and Wirt)

Rebecca Stafford Cornett (R), Cottageville
Constance Fisher Thomas (R), New Haven

Sixth Circuit

(Cabell)

Ronald E. Anderson (D), Huntington
Patricia A. Keller (D), Huntington

Seventh Circuit

(Wayne)

R. Stephen Lewis (D), Huntington

Eighth Circuit

(Mingo)

Miki J. Thompson (D), Williamson

Ninth Circuit

(Logan)

Kelly Gilmore Codisposti (D), Logan
Jason D. Harwood (D), Holden

Tenth Circuit

(Boone and Lincoln)

Cynthia J. Jarrell (D), Danville
Scott E. Elswick (D), Alum Creek

Eleventh Circuit

(Kanawha)

Ken D. Ballard (D), Charleston
Mike J. Kelly (D), Charleston
Robert M. Montgomery (D), Charleston
Sharon M. Mullens (D), Charleston
D. Mark Snyder (D), Charleston

Twelfth Circuit

(McDowell and Mercer)

Anthony Bisaha (D), Athens
Lisa K. Clark (D), Bluefield
Mary Ellen Griffith (D), Princeton

Thirteenth Circuit

(Raleigh, Summers, and Wyoming)

K. Bruce Lazenby (D), Beckley
H. Suzanne McGraw (D), Beckley
Louise G. Staton (D), Mullens

Fourteenth Circuit

(Fayette)

Matthew Dean England (D), Fayetteville

Fifteenth Circuit

(Greenbrier and Monroe)

David M. Sanders (D), Alderson

Sixteenth Circuit

(Clay and Nicholas)

Donald K. Bischoff (D), Summersville

Seventeenth Circuit

(Braxton, Lewis, and Upshur)

Robert Reed Sowa (R), Frametown

Eighteenth Circuit

(Doddridge and Harrison)

Lori Betler Jackson (D), Nutter Fort
Cornelia Reep (D), Bridgeport

Nineteenth Circuit

(Marion)

Amy J. Swisher (D), Fairmont

Twentieth Circuit*(Monongalia and Preston)*Patricia Tolle Hill (D), Morgantown
Randal A. Minor (D), Bruceton Mills**Twenty-first Circuit***(Barbour and Taylor)*

Beth Longo (D), Philippi

Twenty-second Circuit*(Randolph and Tucker)*

Michelle W. Good (D), Elkins

Twenty-third Circuit*(Hampshire, Mineral, and Morgan)*

Glen R. Stotler (R), Berkeley Springs

Twenty-fourth Circuit*(Berkeley and Jefferson)*David P. Greenberg (D), Martinsburg
Sally G. Jackson (D), Martinsburg
William T. Wertman, Jr. (D), Martinsburg**Twenty-fifth Circuit***(Grant, Hardy, and Pendleton)*

Amanda Hatfield See (D), Moorefield

Twenty-sixth Circuit*(Putnam)*

William M. Watkins, III (R), Hurricane

Twenty-seventh Circuit*(Pocahontas and Webster)*

Jeffrey L. Hall (D), Diana

MAGISTRATE COURTS

Magistrate Courts supplanted the justice-of-the-peace system through the 1974 Judicial Reorganization Amendment. There are 158 magistrates statewide, with at least two in every county and 10 in the largest county, Kanawha.

More than 300,000 cases a year are handled by magistrate courts. Each magistrate has jurisdiction of most misdemeanors, including traffic and natural resource offenses; preliminary hearings in felony cases; civil cases in which \$5,000 or less is in dispute; domestic violence proceedings involving protective orders; brief commitments under mental hygiene law; and initial hearings in juvenile cases if designated as a juvenile referee.

Magistrates are elected to four-year terms. The current terms expire December, 2016. Salaries, in two tiers, are \$51,125 and \$57,500, effective July 1, 2011. The tiers are determined by the population of the county. Salary tiers are calculated by the number of magistrates authorized for each county divided into the population of the county. Magistrates who serve fewer than 8,400 people are in Tier 1 and are paid the lower salary while those who serve more than 8,400 people are in Tier 2 and are paid the higher salary (\$50-1-3).

Barbour CountyKathi McBee
Tina Mouser**Braxton County**David Singleton
Mary Beth Smith**Calhoun County**Lora Davis
Richard G. Postalwait**Gilmer County**Alton Skinner, II
Carol L. Wolfe**Berkeley County**Betty Carpenter-Hersh
Charles Cole, Sr.
Robert Lowe, II
William H. Norris
Harry Snow**Brooke County**Robin L. Snyder
Linda Viderman**Clay County**Jeffrey W. Boggs
Charles Rider**Grant County**Willard L. Earle, II
Emory Feaster**Boone County**Sammy Burns
Clarence Porter Snodgrass**Cabell County**Rondall L. Baumgardner
Wayne Bias
Darrell G. Black
Daniel M. Goheen
John H. McCallister
Danne Vance
Michael J. Woelfel**Doddridge County**Olivia Adams
Jamie Lou Moran**Greenbrier County**Charles D. Beard
James Childers, Sr.
Brenda J. Smith**Fayette County**Leonard Bickford
Sharon R. McGraw
Samuel Parsons
Danita G. Young**Hampshire County**Ronald DiCiolla
Shirley A. Timbrook

Hancock County William S. Hicks Michael W. Powell Michael White	Marion County Mark Hayes Melissa Pride Linger Hank E. Middlemas Dana Shay	Nicholas County Sarah Meadows Brown John D. Morton, Jr. Doren W. Plummer	Roane County Jason D. Bennett Ronald White
Hardy County Shawna Crites Craig A. Hose	Marshall County David M. Buzzard Mark A. Kerwood David McLaughlin	Ohio County Charles W. Murphy Patricia L. Murphy Harry A. Radcliffe Joseph E. Roxby	Summers County Jack K. Hellemes Jack W. Jeffries, Jr.
Harrison County Garth Beck Frank A. DeMarco Mark A. Gorby Keith W. Marple Tammy F. Marple	Mason County Cheryl M. Ross Gail L. Roush	Pendleton County Andrew M. Hinkle Kevin Puffenberger	Taylor County Robert Bolton, III Rick Reese
Jackson County Jacqueline R. Casto William T. Reynolds	McDowell County Steve L. Cox Daniel Mitchell James Richard VanDyke	Pleasants County Kathy M. Elder Randy Nutter	Tucker County Riley H. Barb William Miller
Jefferson County Gail C. Boober Mary P. Rissler William E. Senseney	Mercer County Jerry Flanagan Michael D. Flanigan Sandra Dorsey Susan C. Honaker Charles N. Poe	Pocahontas County Cynthia Broce-Kelley Carrie Wilfong	Tyler County Michael K. Griffin Mary Dotson
Kanawha County Josanna Kim Aaron Brent Hall Timothy C. Halloran Ward Harshbarger, III Pete C. Lopez Jack Pauley Joseph L. Shelton Michael Sisson Traci L. Strickland Julie M. Yeager	Mineral County Patrick Amoroso David C. Harman	Preston County Lewis F. Ault Harold E. Jenkins, Jr. Rudolph Ward	Upshur County Juanita Adams John M. Coffman
Lewis County Roger Clem, Jr. Michael Gissy	Mingo County Herbert (Jim) Harvey Barry Marcum Ricky Mounts	Putnam County Ronald Stone Elizabeth Kylene Brown Linda J. Hunt	Wayne County John Cavins David Ferguson Randall W. Wiles
Lincoln County Kim Clayton Sophia J. Tully	Monongalia County Saundra K. Holepit Hershel R. Mullins James E. Nabors Darris J. Summers	Raleigh County Charles R. Humphrey Richard D. Jones Stephen D. Massie Tomi S. Peck Gregory W. Tanner	Webster County Richard S. Robertson John R. Stone
Logan County Leonard Codispoti Steven Gray Dwight A. Williamson	Monroe County Nancy P. Crews Kevin L. Miller	Randolph County Robert R. Elbon, Jr. George M. Riggelman Benjamin E. Shepler	Wetzel County Judith P. Goontz Thomas J. Shepherd
	Morgan County Kermit M. Ambrose Gregory L. Miller	Ritchie County Teresa C. Harper David Wayne Haugh	Wirt County Charles David Roberts Janey I. Wigal
			Wood County Joe Kuhl Brenda K. Marshall Joyce S. Purkey Robin Waters
			Wyoming County James R. Boles Donald C. Cook Ida Fulford

JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA, 1863-2012

No.	NAME	COUNTY	POLITICS	SERVICE	BORN	APPOINTED OR RESIGNED	ELECTED	DIED
1	Ralph Lazier Berkshire	Monongalia	Republican	1863-66, 1869-72	April 8, 1816	*Sept. 10, 1868	1863	Nov. 8, 1902
2	William A. Harrison	Harrison	Republican	1863-68	Aug. 27, 1795	†Sept. 1, 1868	1863	Dec. 31, 1870
3	James H. Brown	Kanawha	Republican	1863-70	Dec 25, 1818		1866	Oct. 28, 1900
4	Edwin Maxwell	Harrison	Republican	1867-72	July 16, 1825		1866	Feb. 5, 1903
5	Charles P. T. Moore	Mason	Democrat	1871-81	Feb. 8 1831	†June 1, 1881	1870	July 7, 1904
6	John S. Huffman	Harrison	Democrat	1873-75	June 25, 1821	†June 1, 1876	1872	Nov. 18, 1877
7	James Paull	Ohio	Democrat	1873-75	July 6, 1818		1872	May 11, 1875
8	Alpheus F. Raymond	Marion	Democrat	1873-82	Dec. 15, 1823	†Jan. 1, 1883	1872	Dec. 15, 1893
9	Matthew Edmiston	Lewis	Democrat	1876	Sept. 9, 1814	*June 13, 1875		June 29, 1887
10	Thomas C. Green	Jefferson	Democrat	1876-89	Nov. 5, 1820	*Dec. 24, 1875	1876	Dec. 4, 1889
11	Okey Johnson	Wood	Democrat	1877-88	Mar. 24, 1834		1876	June 16, 1903
12	James French Patton	Monroe	Democrat	1881-82	Sept. 19, 1843	*June 1, 1881		Mar. 30, 1882
13	Adam C. Snyder	Greenbrier	Democrat	1882-90	Mar. 26, 1834	*June 1, 1882, †Nov. 8, 1890	1882, 1884	June 24, 1896
14	Samuel Woods	Barbour	Democrat	1883-88	Sept. 19, 1822	Jan. 1, 1883	184	Feb. 17, 1897
15	Henry Brannon	Lewis	‡Dem.-Rep.	1889-12	Nov. 27, 1837		1888	Nov. 24, 1914
16	John W. English	Mason	Democrat	1889-00	Jan. 31, 1831		1888	July 18, 1916
17	Daniel B. Lucas	Jefferson	Democrat	1890-92	Mar. 16, 1836	*Dec. 11, 1889	1890	July 24, 1909
18	Homar A. Holt	Greenbrier	Democrat	1890-96	April 27, 1831	*Nov. 7, 1890	1892	Jan. 7, 1898
19	Marmaduke H. Dent	Taylor	Democrat	1893-04	April 18, 1849		1892	Sept. 11, 1909
20	Henry C. McWhorter	Kanawha	Republican	1897-08	Feb. 20, 1836		1896	April 15, 1913
21	George Poffenbarger	Mason	Republican	1901-22	Nov. 24, 1861	†Dec. 31, 1922	1900	Mar. 20, 1951
22	Warren Miller	Jackson	Republican	1903-04	April 2, 1848	*Jan 17, 1903		Dec. 29, 1920
23	Frank Cox	Monongalia	Republican	1905-07	June 18, 1862	†Jan. 28, 1907	1904	Sept. 18, 1940
24	Joseph M. Sanders	Mercer	Republican	1905-07	Aug. 26, 1866	†Oct. 1, 1907	1904	Feb. 17, 1927
25	William N. Miller	Wood	Republican	1907-28	Oct. 18, 1855	*Jan. 29, 1907	1908	Aug. 7, 1928
26	Ira E. Robinson	Taylor	Republican	1907-15	Sept. 16, 1869	*Oct. 15, 1907, †Oct. 26, 1915	1908	Oct. 28, 1951
27	L. Judson Williams	Greenbrier	Republican	1909-20	Oct. 18, 1856		1908	Oct. 28, 1921
28	Charles W. Lynch	Harrison	Republican	1931-21	Mar. 11, 1851	†Dec. 31, 1921		Sept. 9, 1932
29	John W. Mason	Marion	Republican	1915-16	Jan. 13, 1842	*Nov. 1, 1915	1912	April 23, 1917
30	Harold A. Ritz	Mercer	Republican	1917-22	July 25, 1873	†Nov. 30, 1922	1916	April 10, 1948
31	Frank Livey	Kanawha	Republican	1921-32	Nov. 18, 1864		1920	Aug. 22, 1947
32	James A. Meredith	Marion	Republican	1922-24	Jan. 27, 1875	*Jan. 2, 1922		April 18, 1942
33	William H. McGinnis	Raleigh	Democrat	1923-24	Dec. 22, 1855		1922	Aug. 12, 1930

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No.	NAME	COUNTY	POLITICS	SERVICE	BORN	APPOINTED OR RESIGNED	ELECTED	DIED
34	M. O. Litz	McDowell	Republican	1923-36	Aug. 4, 1874	*Jan. 1, 1923	1924	Dec. 1, 1955
35	John H. Hatcher	Raleigh	Republican	1924-40	June 29, 1875		1924	June 20, 1950
36	Homer B. Woods	Ritchie	Republican	1925-36	July 16, 1869		1924	Mar. 4, 1941
37	Haymond Maxwell	Harrison	Republican	1928-40	Oct. 24, 1879	*Aug. 21, 1928	Dec. 18, 1958	
38	J. N. Kenna	Kanawha	Democrat	1933-50	Jan. 10, 1888		1932	Jan. 20, 1950
39	Fred L. Fox	Braxton	Democrat	1937-52	Oct. 24, 1876		1936	Aug. 8, 1952
40	James B. Riley	Ohio	Democrat	1937-58	July 26, 1894		1936	June 29, 1958
41	Herschel H. Rose	Marion	Democrat	1941-45	April 20, 1877		1940	June 17, 1945
42	William T. Lovins	Cabell	Democrat	1941-57	Aug. 27, 1887	†Jan. 11, 1957	1940	Dec. 12, 1957
43	Frank C. Haymond	Marion	Democrat	1945-72	April 13, 1887	*July 1, 1945	1946	June 10, 1972
44	Leslie E. Given	Kanawha	Democrat	1950-62	July 3, 1893	*Jan. 27, 1950	1950	May 11, 1962
45	Chauncey Browning	Logan	Democrat	1952-71	May 15, 1903	*Aug. 18, 1952	1952	June 24, 1971
46	Henry L. Ducker	Cabell	Democrat	1957-58	Oct. 5, 1893	*Jan. 11, 1957		April 6, 1978
47	Robert T. Donley	Monongalia	Republican	1958	July 13, 1904	*July 3, 1958		May 28, 1977
48	Thorton G. Berry, Jr.	McDowell	Democrat	1958-76	Dec. 13, 1904		1958	Nov. 27, 1987
49	Harlan M. Calhoun	Hardy	Democrat	1958-72	Oct. 25, 1903	†May 15, 1972	1958	April 17, 1977
50	Fred H. Caplan	Harrison	Democrat	1962-80	Dec. 3, 1914	*May 18, 1962	1962	March 4, 2004
51	John E. Carrigan	Marshall	Republican	1971-72	Aug. 25, 1910	*July 13, 1971		Feb. 21, 1984
52	Charles H. Haden, II	Monongalia	Republican	1972-75	April 16, 1937	*June 21, 1972, †Dec. 19, 1975	1973	March 18, 2004
53	Oliver D. Kessel	Jackson	Republican	1972	Jan. 12, 1901	June 23, 1972		Nov. 5, 1992
54	James M. Sprouse	Monroe	Democrat	1973-75	Dec. 3, 1923	†Aug. 27, 1975	1973	July 3, 2004
55	Richard Nedy	Marion	Democrat	1973-95	Aug. 2, 1941	†April 15, 1995	1973	
56	Edwin F. Flowers	Hancock	Republican	1975-76	April 26, 1930	*Sept. 8, 1975		
57	Donald R. Wilson	Jackson	Republican	1976	May 17, 1917	*Jan. 26, 1967		Nov. 28, 1983
58	Sam R. Harshbarger	Cabell	Democrat	1977-84	Sept. 9, 1928		1977	Sept. 6, 1992
59	Thomas B. Miller	Ohio	Democrat	1977-94	May 4, 1929	†Aug. 31, 1994	1977	
60	Darrell V. McGraw, Jr.	Wyoming	Democrat	1977-88	Nov. 8, 1936		1977	
61	Thomas E. McHugh	Kanawha	Democrat	1981-97	Mar. 26, 1936	†Dec. 31, 1997	1980	
62	W. T. Brotherton, Jr.	Kanawha	Democrat	1984-95	April 17, 1926	†Aug. 31, 1995	1984	April 6, 1997
63	Margaret L. Workman	Kanawha	Democrat	1988-99	May 22, 1947	†Aug. 31, 1999	1988	
64	Franklin D. Cleaveley	Monongalia	Democrat	1994-96	Aug. 1, 1940	*Sept. 6, 1994		
65	Arthur M. Rehr	Ohio	Democrat	1994-96	Feb. 4, 1938	*May 26, 1995		
66	Joseph P. Albright	Wood	Democrat	1995-96	Nov. 8, 1938	*Sept. 26, 1995		

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No.	NAME	COUNTY	POLITICS	SERVICE	BORN	APPOINTED OR RESIGNED	ELECTED	DIED
67	Robin Davis	Kanawha	Democrat	1997-present	April 6, 1956		1996	
68	Larry Starcher	Monongalia	Democrat	1997-08	Sept. 25, 1942		1996	
69	Elliott Maynard	Mingo	Democrat	1997-08	Dec. 8, 1942		1996	May 1, 2014
70	John F. McCuskey	Kanawha	Republican	1998	Nov. 7, 1947	*Jan. 12, 1998		
71	Warren R. McGraw	Wyoming	Democrat	1999-04	May 10, 1939		1998	
72	George M. Scott	Roane	Republican	1999-00	Aug. 5, 1920	*Nov. 4, 1999		
73	Joseph P. Albright	Wood	Democrat	2001-09	Nov. 8, 1938		2000	March 20, 2009
74	Brent D. Benjamin	Kanawha	Republican	2005-present	July 3, 1957		2004	
75	Menis E. Ketchum, II	Wayne	Democrat	2009	1943		2008	2008
76	Margaret L. Workman	Kanawha	Democrat	2009-present	May 22, 1947		2008	
77	Thomas E. McHugh	Kanawha	Democrat	2009-11	March 26, 1936	*Sept. 1, 2008	2010	
78	Allen H. Loughry, II	Kanawha	Republican	2013-present	August 9, 1970		2012	

*Appointed †Resigned ‡Elected in 1888 on the Democratic ticket and reelected in 1900 on the Republican ticket.

