



**EARL RAY TOMBLIN**

**President**

**Lieutenant Governor**

EARL RAY TOMBLIN, Democrat, of Chapmanville, Logan County, 7th District, Elected to the House of Delegates in 1974-78. Elected to the Senate in 1980-2004. Chairman, Committee on Confirmations, 65th-66th Legislatures; Majority Whip, Chairman, Select Committee on Energy, Industry and Mining, 67th Legislature; Chairman, Committee on Finance, 68th-71st Legislatures; Elected President January 11, 1995, at the beginning of the 72nd Legislature; January 8, 1997 at the beginning of the 73rd Legislature; January 13, 1999 at the beginning of the 74th Legislature; January 10, 2001 at the beginning of the 75th Legislature, January 8th, 2003, at the beginning of the 76th Legislature, January 12, 2005, at the beginning of the 77th Legislature and January 10, 2007, at the beginning of the 78th Legislature, the 48th President of the Senate. Longest serving Senate President in the history of the State of West Virginia. (See biographical sketch on page 457.)

**BIOGRAPHIES OF SENATE MEMBERS**

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**FIRST DISTRICT**

[Brooke and Hancock Counties and a Portion of Ohio County]



**EDWIN J. BOWMAN**  
**1st District, Hancock County**  
**Democrat**  
**Chair, Committee on**  
**Government Organization**

Golf Course General Manager/Retired **Born** December 20, 1946, in Baltimore, Maryland, the son of Edwin and Emma Vargo Bowman **Education** West Liberty State College **Wife** Kathy Mrvos **Children** Kristin **Legislative Service** Elected 1994-2006 **Legislative Positions Held**

Chair, Committee on Confirmations, 73rd Legislature; Chair, Committee on Government Organization, 74th, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Other Public Service** Mayor, City of Weirton, 1987-95; Councilman, City of Weirton, 1983-87 **Religion** Serbian Orthodox **Address** 129 West Circle Dr., Weirton 26062 **Telephone** 723-1479.



**ANDY McKENZIE**  
**1st District, Ohio County**  
**Republican**

Financial Advisor, McKenzie & Riedel Investment Consulting Group of Wachovia Securities **Born** August 16, 1970, in Wheeling, West Virginia, the son of the late Ronald A. McKenzie and Karen D. McKenzie **Education** West Virginia University, M.B.A. West Liberty State College B.S.; College for Financial Planning - Chartered Retirement Plans Specialist, CRPS **Wife** Carrie A. Martin **Children** Austin, Levi, Quinn **Affiliations**

Member, Executive Board, Wheeling Area Chamber of Commerce; Board Member, Ohio Valley Medical Center; Member, Wheeling Convention and Visitors Bureau; Leadership Wheeling Class of 1991; Weirton Chamber of Commerce; Wellsburg Chamber of Commerce; Wheeling Lions Club; American Council of Young Political Leaders Delegation to the Country of Australia; Civil Air Patrol, Legislative Squadron; Recipient, 2000 Leadership Award, West Virginia Care Home Association for Elderly Rights; 1999 Northern Panhandle Aging Service Directors Award; 1998 Legislator of the Year, YWCA Family Violence Prevention Program; 1996 U. S. Small Business Administration Entrepreneur of the Year for West Virginia; Former Board Member of Walter Long Teen Challenge for New Life; Family Service of the Upper Ohio Valley (Senior Services) **Legislative Service** Elected 1996-2004, one of the youngest at age 26 ever elected to the State Senate in 1996 **Legislative Positions Held** Minority Whip, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Religion** Protestant **Address** 142 Miller Street, Wheeling 26003 **Telephone** 232-2550 **O.**

**SECOND DISTRICT**

[Calhoun, Doddridge, Marshall, Ritchie, Tyler and Wetzel Counties  
and a Portion of Ohio, Marion and Monongalia Counties]

**LARRY J. EDGELL****2nd District, Wetzel County****Democrat****Chairman, Committee on Agriculture****Vice Chair, Committee on Education**

Educator **Born** November 16, 1946, in Hundred, West Virginia, the son of John W. and the late Edith Hostutler Edgell **Education** B.A., Fairmont State College; M.A., Salem Teikyo University **Wife** Cecilia Herrick **Children** Eva, Josh **Affiliations** American Legion; Habitat for Humanity **Legislative Service** Elected 1998-2006

**Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Agriculture and Vice Chairman, Committee on Education, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Other Public Service** New Martinsville City Council, 1966-1970 **Military** U.S. Navy **Religion** Catholic **Address** 600 5th St., New Martinsville 26155 **Telephone** 455-5304 **H.**

**JEFFREY V. KESSLER****2nd District, Marshall County****Democrat****Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary**

Attorney **Born** November 16, 1955, in Wheeling, West Virginia, the son of George H. and Rosemary Krupica Kessler **Education** B.A., West Liberty State College; J. D., West Virginia University College of Law **Wife** Gretchen **Children** Jacob, Lauren, Jackson **Affiliations** Member, St. Jude Church; Board of Directors, Regional Economic Development Partnership; Wheeling Area Chamber of Commerce; Recipient, 1998, 1999, 2001 Senate Perfect Roll Call Attendance Award; 1998 Legislator of the Year Award, YWCA Family Violence Prevention Program; Legislator of the Year Award, 1999 and 2005, West Virginia Trial Lawyers Association; 2004 Legislator of the Year, WV American Trauma Society; 1994 Marshall County Democrat of the Year Award **Legislative Service** Appointed November, 1997, to fill a vacancy created by the death of Larry Wiedebusch; Elected 1998-2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Vice Chair, Committee on Banking and Insurance and Select Committee on Economic Development, 75th Legislature; Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Other Public Service** Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Marshall County, 1985-2000; City Solicitor, City of Benwood, 1983-1997; Municipal Court Judge, City of McMechen, 1982-1989 **Religion** Roman Catholic **Address** 607 Wheeling Avenue, Glen Dale, 26038 **Telephone** 845-2580 **O.** 843-1386 **H.**

**THIRD DISTRICT**

[Pleasants, Wirt, Wood Counties and A Portion of Roane County]



**DONNA J. BOLEY**  
**3rd District, Pleasants County**  
**Republican**

Retired **Born** in Tyler County, the daughter of Glen A. and Grace Jones Northcraft **Education** WVU Parkersburg **Husband** Jack E. Boley **Children** Brian, Kari, seven grandchildren **Affiliations** St. Marys Woman's Club **Legislative Service** Appointed 1985; Elected 1986-2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Minority Leader, 70th, 71st and 72nd Legislatures **Other Public Service** Chairman,

Pleasants County Republican Executive Committee; Member, State Republican Executive Committee; Past Chairman, West Virginia Republican Legislative Committee; Member, Pleasants County Republican Women; Former Legislative Chairman, West Virginia Federation of Republican Women; Republican National Committeewoman, 1992-2004; Delegate, Republican National Convention, 1988-2004; George W. Bush Senior Advisor, 2000 West Virginia Campaign **Religion** Methodist **Address** 2332 Greens Run Road, St. Marys 26170 **Telephone** 684-3266 **H. Fax** 684-3266 **E-mail:** donnaboley@charter.net



**J. FRANK DEEM**  
**3rd District, Wood County**  
**Republican**

Businessman **Education** Mountain State Business College; West Virginia University; Marietta College, B.S. **Wife** Rebecca Lewellyn **Children** Deborah Ann, Pamela, Michael Stephen, Patti Carol, Kathy, John Fulton, Zachery Wilson, Catherine Wilson **Affiliations** Member, Farm Bureau; BPOE; Alpha Sigma Phi; Pi Epsilon Tau; Wood County Read Along; Parkersburg Country Club; Pond Run Investment Club; Five time Delegate to the

Republican National Convention; Member, Duquense Club and Lago Mar Beach Club **Legislative Service** Elected to the House 1954-62; Elected to the Senate 1964-78; Reelected to the House, 1988; Reelected to the Senate, 1994-2006 **Religion** Methodist **Military Service** U. S. Navy **Address** 5518 Second Avenue, Vienna 26105 **Telephone** 295-6593 **Email:** fdeem@mail.wvnet.edu

**FOURTH DISTRICT**

[Jackson, Mason, Putnam Counties and A Portion of Roane County]



**KAREN LYNN FACEMYER**  
**4th District, Jackson County**  
**Republican**

Former Educator **Born** June 17, 1954, in Fort Belvoir, Virginia, the daughter of Mary E. Froendt and the late John E. Froendt **Education** Glenville State College, B.S.; Marshall University, M.S. **Husband** Les Facemyer **Children** Travis Lee, Justin Michael **Affiliations** Member, Jackson, Mason, Roane and Putnam County Chambers of Commerce; American Legion Auxiliary Unit #23; Co-Chair of Council of State Government

Agriculture and Rural Development Committee; President of Polymer Alliance Zone **Legislative Service** Elected to House, 1992-98; Elected to the Senate, 2000-2004 **Religion** United Methodist **Address** Rt. 1, Box 142, Ripley 25271 **Telephone** 372-2260 **H. Fax** 372-7171. [kfacemyr@mail.wvnet.edu](mailto:kfacemyr@mail.wvnet.edu)



**WILLIAM MICHAEL HALL**  
**4th District, Putnam County**  
**Republican**

Businessman **Born** November 3, 1948, in Huntington, West Virginia **Education** Marshall University, B.A. **Wife** Vicki Sue Steele **Children** Jonathan Eric, William Michael II **Affiliations** Hall & Son LLC, AIG Financial Advisor **Legislative Service** Elected to the House, 1994-2004; elected to the Senate, 2006 **Legislative Positions Held** Minority Whip, 75th Legislature **Religion**

Presbyterian **Address** 12 Stonegate Drive, Hurricane 25526 **Telephone** 757-8249 **O.** 757-8249 **H. E-mail** [mhall@citynet.net](mailto:mhall@citynet.net)

**FIFTH DISTRICT**

[Cabell County and A Portion of Wayne County]



**EVAN H. JENKINS**  
**5th District, Cabell County**  
**Democrat**

**Chair, Commission on Interstate Cooperation**  
**Vice Chair, Committee on Banking**  
**and Insurance**  
**Vice Chair, Committee on Transportation**  
**and Infrastructure**

Attorney/Association Executive **Born** September 12, 1960, in Huntington, West Virginia, the son of John E. and Dorothy C. Jenkins **Education** B.S., University of Florida; J.D., Cumberland School of Law **Wife** Elizabeth Weiler **Children** Evan Jr. (Hollin), Charles, Olivia **Affiliations** President, Operation B.E.S.T.; CEO, West Virginia Medical Foundation; Board of Directors, Foster Foundation and Riverview Manor; Past President, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Tri-State; Elder, First Presbyterian Church of Huntington; Member, West Virginia State Bar Association; Former Business Law Instructor, Marshall University; Member, State Legislative Advisory Council, Democratic Leadership Council; Member, Community Advisory Committee, YMCA Activate America; Member, US Delegation to Taiwan, American Council of Young Political Leaders; Former Co-Chairman, Health Care Committee, West Virginia State Chamber of Commerce; Past Member, Board of Directors, Western West Virginia Chapter of the American Red Cross; Organizer, WV Health Initiative, Inc., and WV Center for Patient Safety; Recipient, AMA Medical Executive Achievement Award, 2006 **Legislative Service** Elected to the House 1994-1998; Elected to the Senate, 2002-2006 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Pensions and Retirement, 74th and 76th Legislatures; Vice Chair, Committee on Banking and Insurance, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Chair, Commission on Interstate Cooperation, 77th Legislature **Religion** Presbyterian **Address** 306 Holswade Drive, Huntington 25701 **Telephone** 523-1365 **H.** 925-0342 **O.**





**ROBERT H. PLYMALE**  
**5th District, Wayne County**  
**Democrat**

**Chair, Committee on Education**

Director, RTI **Born** February 21, 1955, in Huntington, West Virginia, son of Shearl H. and Sallie (Hamer) Plymale **Education** Marshall University **Wife** Jennifer Thompson **Children** Lauren Elise, Allison Lynn, James Jeffrey **Affiliations** Member, Huntington Regional Chamber of Commerce; Board Member-CCCSO; Huntington Museum of Art; Wayne County

Economic Development Authority; Co-President Keith Albee Theater Performing Arts, Inc.; SREB Executive Committee and Advisory Council; Education Commission of the States; National Coal Heritage Authority; Vice Chairman, NCSL Education Committee; NCSL Blue Ribbon Commission on Higher Education Finance, NCSL National Task Force on “No Child Left Behind”; NCSL Blue Ribbon Commission for Higher Education; West Virginia Veteran’s Home Advisory Board **Legislative Service** Elected 1992-2006 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Education, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Chairman, Committee on Pensions, 72nd, 73rd, 74th and 75th Legislatures; Vice Chair, Committees on Education and Health and Human Resources, 75th Legislature; Chairman, Committee on Transportation, 71st Legislature; CoChairman, Forest Management Review Commission, 71st and 72nd Legislatures; Member Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council; Chairman, Select Committee on PEIA, 73rd Legislature **Religion** Methodist **Address** P. O. Box 519, Ceredo 25507-0543 **Telephone** 357-7937 **O.** 453-6321 **H.**

**SIXTH DISTRICT**

[McDowell and Mingo Counties and  
Portions of Mercer and Wayne Counties]



**H. TRUMAN CHAFIN**  
**6th District, Mingo County**

**Democrat**

**Majority Leader**

**Vice Chair, Committee on Confirmations**

Attorney **Born** July 10, 1945, son of Hazel Marie Chafin and the late Tom Chafin **Education** Marshall University, B.B.A.; Detroit College of Law, University of Michigan; Emory University, J.D. **Wife** Letitia Neese **Children** Elizabeth Truman, Carah Catelyn, Carly Letitia **Affiliations** Member, American, West Virginia State and Mingo

County Bar Associations; Trial Lawyers of America; Pi Kappa Alpha; LOOM; BPOE; Scottish Rite Masons; Beni Kedem Shriner, Governor's Judicial Advisory Committee **Legislative Service** Elected 1982-2006 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary, 67th Legislature; Majority Leader, 69th, 70th, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Vice Chair, Committee on Confirmations, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Other Public Service** President, Mingo County Commission, 1981-82; Judge, City of Williamson; Former member, State Democratic Executive Committee **Religion** First Presbyterian Church **Address** P. O. Box 1799, Williamson 25661 **Telephone** 235-2221 **O. Fax** 235-2777.

**JOHN PAT FANNING****6th District, McDowell County****Democrat****Chair, Committee on Natural Resources**

Mortician **Born** August 14, 1934 in Iaeger, West Virginia, the son of James Patton and Gertrude Neal Fanning **Education** Davis and Elkins College **Wife** Kathryn K. Killen **Children** Brenda Jean Wells, Deborah Ann Tankersly, John William, Stacy V. Killen **Affiliations** Member, Masons; Shrine **Legislative Service** Appointed June 10, 1968, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Glen Hatcher; Elected in 1968-76; Reelected 1984; 1996-2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Finance, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th Legislatures; Chairman, Committee on Transportation, 67th Legislature; Chairman, Committee on Labor, 74th and 75th Legislatures; Chairman, Committee on Natural Resources, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Vice Chair, Committee on Pensions, 75th and 76th Legislatures; **Other Public Service** Mayor, Town of Iaeger, 1962-66 **Religion** Methodist **Address** U.S. Rt. 52, N., P.O. Box 126, Iaeger 24844 **Telephone** 938-5331 **O.** 938-2446 **H.**

**SEVENTH DISTRICT**

[Boone, Lincoln and Logan Counties and a Portion of  
Wayne County]

**RON STOLLINGS****7th District, Boone County****Democrat****Vice Chair, Committee on****Health and Human Resources**

Physician **Born** April 24, 1955, in Madison, West Virginia, the son of the late Alma Stollings

**Education** Scott High School; B.A., M.S., West Virginia University; M.D., Marshall University School of Medicine; Wake Forest University

**Children** Whitney L. Stollings **Affiliations** Past President, Madison Rotary Club **Legislative**

**Service** Elected 2006 **Other Public Service** Chairman, Boone County Airport Authority; Former Member, Vice Chairman, University System Board of Trustees; Former Member, Higher Education Policy Commission; Former Chairman, Corridor G Regional Development Authority **Religion** Protestant **Address** P.O. Box 365, Madison 25130 **Telephone** 369-6194 **H.** 369-5170 **O.**



**EARL RAY TOMBLIN**  
**7th District, Logan County**  
**Democrat**  
**President**  
**Lieutenant Governor**

Businessman **Born** March 15, 1952, in Logan County, son of Earl and Freda Jarrell Tomblin **Education** West Virginia University, B.S.; Marshall University, M.B.A.; University of Charleston **Wife** Joanne Jaeger **Children** Brent Jaeger Tomblin **Affiliations** Member, Kappa Alpha; Honorary Doctorate, Southern West Virginia

Community and Technical College; Former Member, Logan County Development Authority; Listed in Who's Who in American Politics; Outstanding Young Men in America; Chairman, Southern Legislative Conference, 1999; Chairman, 2004-2005, Council of State Governments; Member, Executive Committee, Southern Legislative Conference and National Conference of State Legislatures; Chairman, WV 2000 Committee; Member, Board of Directors, State Legislative Leaders Foundation; Became West Virginia's first Lieutenant Governor under the provisions of Chapter 169, Acts, Regular Session, 2000 **Legislative Service** Elected to House, 1974-78; Elected to the Senate, 1980-2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Confirmations, 65th-66th Legislatures; Majority Whip, Chairman, Committee on Energy, Industry and Mining, 67th Legislature; Chairman, Committee on Finance, 68th-71st Legislatures; President of the Senate, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Religion** Presbyterian **Address** P. O. Box 116, Chapmanville 25508 **Telephone** 855-7270 **O.**

**EIGHTH DISTRICT**

[Kanawha County]

**VIC SPROUSE****8th District, Kanawha County****Republican**

Business Owner **Born** April 29, 1968, in Altoona, Pennsylvania, the son of Lawrence and Mary Sprouse **Education** Pennsylvania State University, B.S., Chemical Engineering **Children** Marie Anne, Maxwell **Affiliations** Member, Christopher Columbus Lodge; Member of the Board, American Red Cross; Member, Regional Contractors Assistance Council; Board Member, March of Dimes **Legislative Service** Elected to the House,

1994; Elected to the Senate, 1996-2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Minority Leader, 74th, 75th and 76th Legislatures **Other Public Service** Former Chairman, Kanawha County Young Republicans; 1995 Leadership West Virginia Graduate **Religion** Catholic **Address** P.O. Box 8635, South Charleston 25303 **Telephone** 552-1211 **O.**

**ERIK P. WELLS****8th District, Kanawha County****Democrat****Vice Chair, Committee on the Military**

Public Relations/Media Consultant; Owner, Wells Media Group LLC **Born** February 5, 1967, in Santa Monica, California, the son of Paul and Grace Wells **Education** B.A., St. Vincent College, Latrobe, Pennsylvania; M.A., West Virginia University **Wife** Natalie Tennant **Children** Delaney **Affiliations** Member, Public Relations Society of America; West Virginia Chamber of Commerce; Marion

County Chamber of Commerce; Board Member, American Heart Association, Ohio Valley Affiliate **Legislative Service** Elected 2006 **Religion** Roman Catholic **Military Service** Lieutenant, U.S. Navy (Reserves), Public Affairs Officer, 2001-Present **Address** 849 Maple Road, Charleston 25302 **Telephone** 395-3745 **H.**

## NINTH DISTRICT

[Raleigh County and A Portion of Wyoming County]



**BILLY WAYNE BAILEY JR.**  
**9th District, Wyoming County**  
**Democrat**  
**Majority Whip**  
**Vice Chair, Committee on**  
**Government Organization**

Businessman **Born** June 7, 1957, in Bluefield, West Virginia, the son of William Wayne and Ellen Jack Lester Bailey **Wife** Bobbi Jo Thomas of Parkersburg **Children** Isabella Maria, Sophia Ellen, William III, Richard Thomas **Affiliations** Member, Knights of Columbus; Kentucky Colonel;

Civil Air Patrol; Sons of Italy; Associate Member, West Virginia Federation of Democratic Women; American Legion, Mullens Post; Loyal Order of Moose **Legislative Service** Appointed January 9, 1991, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Juliet Rundle; Elected 1992-2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Majority Whip, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Vice Chair, Committee on Government Organization, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Other Public Service** Sheriff, County of Wyoming; President, West Virginia Young Democratic Clubs; Vice President, Voter Registration, State Democratic Executive Committee; Member, Democratic Legislative Campaign Board of Directors, Southern Project; Former Senate Chairman, Democratic Legislative Council **Military Service** Army & Air National Guard, Retired **Religion** Roman Catholic **Address** P.O. Box 1793, Pineville 24874 **Telephone** 294-8800 **O.** 732-6405 **H.**



**MICHAEL GREEN**  
**9th District, Raleigh County**  
**Democrat**

**Vice Chair, Committee on Labor**

Businessman/Real Estate Developer **Born** November 5, 1973, the son of Basil E. Green and Susie B. Stover **Education** Woodrow Wilson High School; Concord University; Mountain State University; West Virginia State Police Academy **Wife** Kelly Suzette Neely **Children** Sydney Michelle, Michael Bradyn **Affiliations** Member, Beckley-Raleigh County Chamber of Commerce; NRA; National Wild Turkey Federation; Trout

Unlimited; Mullens Loyal Order of Moose Lodge; Friends of Coal; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Board of Directors, Mountain State Academy; Former Member, Fraternal Order of Police, Black Diamond Lodge; Former canine handler/instructor of law enforcement **Legislative Service** Elected 2006 **Religion** Baptist **Address** P.O. Box 274, Daniels 25832 **Telephone** 763-3365 **H.** 252-1285 **O.** 252-4346 **F.**



**TENTH DISTRICT**

[Greenbrier, Monroe and Summers Counties and a Portion of Fayette and Mercer Counties]



**DONALD T. CARUTH**  
**10th District, Mercer County**  
**Republican**  
**Minority Leader**

Attorney **Born** May 23, 1950, in Princeton, West Virginia, the son of William B. And Elizabeth S. Caruth **Education** Athens High School; B.A., Concord College; J.D., West Virginia University College of Law **Wife** Laura **Children** Maria, Andrea, and Christie Boby; Allison and Madison Caruth **Affiliations** Member, West Virginia State Bar; Mercer County Bar Association; Former Executive Director, West Virginia Career College; Former Adjunct Professor, Concord College and

Bluefield State College; Former Regional Supervisor, Veteran's Education and Training, West Virginia Department of Education **Legislative Service** Elected to the House, 2002; Elected to the Senate, 2004 **Other Public Service** Athens Town Attorney; Former Treasurer, Member, New River Parkway Authority; Board of Directors, Athens Volunteer Fire Department and Athens Medical Center; Board of Directors, Childrens Home Society of West Virginia; Chairman, Church Council, Concord United Methodist Church **Religion** Methodist **Address** P.O. Box 280, Athens 24712 **Telephone** 384-9642 **H.** 325-9177 **O.**



**JESSE O. GUILLS**  
**10th District, Greenbrier County**  
**Republican**

Attorney **Born** June 5, 1946, in Bluefield, West Virginia, the son of Jesse O. Sr. and Grace D. Guills **Education** Greenbrier Military School; B.A., West Virginia University; J.D., West Virginia University School of Law **Children** Amy Michelle and Patrick Brian **Affiliations** Member, West Virginia State Bar; Chairman, Greenbrier County Airport Authority; President, Hollowell Foundation **Legislative Service** Elected 2002-2006 **Military Service** U.S. Army **Religion**

Methodist **Address** 117 N. Court St., Lewisburg 24901 **Telephone** 645-1795 **H.** 667-0273 **O.**

**ELEVENTH DISTRICT**

[Clay, Nicholas and Webster Counties  
and A Portion of Fayette and Upshur Counties]

**SHIRLEY D. LOVE****11th District, Fayette County****Democrat****Chair, Committee on Confirmations****Vice Chair, Committee on Agriculture**

Retired Former Broadcaster, WOAY TV-Radio

**Born** May 15, 1933, in Oak Hill, West Virginia,the son of Earl C. and Winona M. Love **Education**Public Schools **Wife** Audrey Painter **Children**

James C. IV, Crystal Lynn, Brian Stephen

**Affiliations** Member, Mason-Shrine; NRA;

Civitan; Fayette Plateau Sportsman Club; Oak Hill

United Methodist Church and Choir; West Virginia Broadcasters Hall of Fame

**Legislative Service** Appointed August 14, 1994, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Charles Smith; Elected 1994-2004 **Legislative Positions Held**

Vice Chairman, Committee on Transportation, 72nd Legislature; Chairman,

Committee on Confirmations, 74th, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Vice

Chair, Committee on Agriculture, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Other Public****Service** Member, State Democratic Executive Committee; Former Member,

West Virginia Cable Advisory Board; Former Member, West Virginia Housing

Development Fund; Former Member and Chairman, Fayette County Democratic

Executive Committee **Religion** Protestant **Address** P.O. Box 1173, Oak Hill25901 **Telephone** 469-4425.

**C. RANDY WHITE****11th District, Webster County****Democrat****Chair, Committee on Enrolled Bills****Vice Chair, Committee on Natural Resources**

Businessman **Born** May 10, 1955, in Charleston, West Virginia, the son of Goodridge E. and Barbara K. White **Education** Greenbrier Military School; West Virginia University, B.S. **Wife** Deborah E. Hamlin **Children** Emily, Alexandra, Clark **Legislative Service** Elected to the House 1996-2000; Elected to the Senate 2002-2006

**Legislative Positions Held** Chair, Committee on Enrolled Bills, Vice Chair, Committee on Labor and Natural Resources, 77th Legislature **Affiliations** President, Webster County Development Authority; Chairman, Region 4 Planning and Development Council; Member, Webster County Historical Society; Nicholas Shrine Club; Horizon Lines River Club; Holly River State Park Foundation; Webster Springs Main Street, Inc.; and AF & AM #116; Richwood Chamber of Commerce; Summersville Chamber of Commerce **Other Public Service** 1991 to Present, Mayor, Town of Addison **Religion** Methodist **Address** 212 River Drive, Webster Springs 26288 **Telephone** 847-5305 **O.** 847-7489 **H. Fax** 847-2557. **E-mail** crwhite@mail.wvnet.edu

**TWELFTH DISTRICT**

[Braxton, Gilmer, Harrison and Lewis Counties]



**JOSEPH M. MINARD**  
**12th District, Harrison County**  
**Democrat**  
**Chairman, Committee on**  
**Banking and Insurance**

Business Executive **Born** in Clarksburg, West Virginia, the son of the late Michael and Rose Oliverio Minard **Education** B.S., West Virginia University **Wife** Mary Contento **Children** Michele, Marisa, Marcia, Michael, Maria, Samuel **Affiliations** Member, LOOM; VFW; American Legion; Columbian Club; Serra; Knights of Columbus; Clarksburg Lions; Elks; Past President, Harrison County Catholic School Board; Past President, West Virginia Hospitality Association **Legislative Service** Appointed to the House in 1983 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Donald L. Kopp; Elected to the House, 1984-1988; Elected to Senate, 1990; 1998-2006 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Banking and Insurance, 71st, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Chairman, Legislative Rule-Making Review, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Vice Chairman, Committee on Government Organization, 69th Legislature; Chairman, Committee on Interstate Cooperation, 74th Legislature **Other Public Service** Chairman, Clarksburg Urban Renewal Authority **Military** U.S. Army, Signal Corps **Religion** Catholic **Address** 510 Haymond Highway, Clarksburg 26301 **Telephone** 623-1711 **O.** 622-6488 **H.** email [jminard@westvirginia.net](mailto:jminard@westvirginia.net)



**WILLIAM R. SHARPE JR.**  
**12th District, Lewis County**  
**Democrat**  
**President Pro Tempore**  
**Chair, Committee on Energy,**  
**Industry and Mining**  
**Vice Chair, Committee on Finance**

Electrical Contractor; Registered Professional Engineer **Education** West Virginia University; Salem College; Bliss Engineering School **Wife** Pauline Lester **Affiliations** Mason; Shriner; BPOE;

LOOM; Fraternal Order of Elks; Fraternal Order of Eagles; IOOF; Scottish Rite; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers **Legislative Service** Elected 1960-80, 1984-2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Majority Whip, 61st-64th Legislatures; Chairman, Committee on Interstate Cooperation, 67th Legislature; Chairman, Committee on Energy, Industry and Mining, 68th-77th Legislatures; President Pro Tempore, 70th-77th Legislatures; Vice Chair, Committee on Finance, 75th-77th Legislatures; Chairman, Southern Legislative Energy Board; Member, Executive Committee of the Southern Legislative Conference **Other Public Service** Member, State Democratic Executive Committee **Religion** Methodist **Address** 607 Center Avenue, Weston 26452 **Telephone** 622-4681 **O.** 269-4624 **H.**

**THIRTEENTH DISTRICT**

[Portions of Marion and Monongalia Counties]



**MICHAEL A. OLIVERIO, II**  
**13th District, Monongalia County**  
**Democrat**  
**Chairman, Committee on Labor**  
**Vice Chair, Committee on**  
**Economic Development**  
**Vice Chair, Committee on the Judiciary**

Life Insurance Agent **Born** August 6, 1963, in Fairmont, West Virginia, son of Michael and Julia Oliverio **Education** West Virginia University, MBA, BSBA **Wife** Melissa Kirk Oliverio

**Affiliations** Member, Knights of Columbus; Morgantown area and Marion County Chambers of Commerce; National Life Underwriters Association; American Heart Association **Legislative Service** Elected to the House, 1992; Elected to the Senate, 1994-2006 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Freshman Caucus, 1993-94; Chairman, Committee on Small Business, 73rd, 74th and 75th Legislatures; Vice Chairman, Committee on Economic Development, 76th Legislature; Chairman, Committee on Labor; Vice Chair, Committee on Economic Development, Vice Chair, Committee on the Judiciary, 77th Legislature **Other Public Service** Chairman, Governor's Committee on Crime, Delinquency and Corrections; Board Member, Family Protection Services; West Virginia University Student Body President, 1985-86; Member, Small Business Advisory Council; Domestic Violence Advisory Team; Coal Research Advisory Team; Energy Committee, Southern Legislative Council; Reserve Officers Association; State Chair, American Legislative Exchange Council **Military Service** U.S. Army, Captain **Religion** Catholic **Address** 121 Simpson St., Morgantown 26501 **Telephone** 292-3339 **O.**



**ROMAN W. PREZIOSO JR.**  
**13th District, Marion County**  
**Democrat**  
**Chair, Committee on**  
**Health and Human Resources**

Administrator **Born** June 29, 1949, son of the late Roman W. and Amelia A. Prezioso **Education** Fairmont State College, A.B.; West Virginia University, M.S.; Marshall University **Wife** Deborah M. Haught **Children** Christopher James **Affiliations** Education Commission of the States Steering Committee; Elementary/Secondary School Improvement Act, Chapter II Advisory Committee; Fairmont Personnel Appeals Board; Kiwanis

Club of Fairmont-Past President; Marion Regional Development Corporation; Motor Sports Advisory Committee; Phi Delta Kappa; Southern Regional Education Board, 2004 Vice Chair, 2005 Chair, Legislative Advisory Committee; Southern Legislative Conference, Chair, Health and Human Services and Public Safety Committee; State Policy Academy on Managing Systemic Education Change; West Virginia Adult Education Association; West Virginia Poison Center Advisory Board; West Virginia School Health Committee; West Virginia University's Eberly College of Arts and Sciences Advisory Board; Governor's Committee on School Facilities Evaluation; Marion County Chamber of Commerce's Public Servant of the Year, 8/6/2003; Times West Virginian Public Servant of the Year 2002; American Legion Department of West Virginia 2001 Distinguished Service Award, 2/2/2002; West Virginia Nurses Association 2001 Nursing Award, 5/8/2001; Fairmont State College School of Technology, Appreciation Award, 4/23/99; Pricketts Fort Memorial Foundation, History Maker of the Year, 10/18/98; West Virginia Public Theatre's Producer's Award, 7/25/98; Fairmont State College's 1997 Alumnus Achievement Award, 10/18/97; Fairmont State College's Presidential Service Award, 5/11/96; West Virginia State Troopers Association's Appreciation Award, 1993; American Vocational Association Region One's Legislator of the Year, 12/7/92; Outstanding Young Men in America **Legislative Service** Elected to the House 1988-94; Elected to the Senate, 1996-2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Vice Chair, Committee on Constitutional Revision, 70th and 71st Legislatures; Vice Chair, Committee on Education, 70th and 71st Legislatures; Vice Chair, Committee on Pensions and Retirement, 71st, 72nd and 73rd Legislatures; Chair, Committee on Education, 72nd Legislature; Vice Chair, Committee on Computers and Technology, 72nd Legislature; Chair, Committee on the Military, 73rd Legislature; Chair, Student Intern Committee, 73rd, 74th, 75th and 76th Legislatures; Chair, Committee on Health and Human Resources, 75th, 76th and 77th Legislatures; Chair, Legislative Oversight Commission on Health and Human Resources **Religion** Catholic **Address** 1806 Dogwood Drive, Fairmont 26554 **Telephone** 363-7323 **O.** 366-5308 **H.**

**FOURTEENTH DISTRICT**

[Barbour, Mineral, Preston, Taylor and Tucker Counties and  
Portions of Grant and Monongalia Counties]

**JON BLAIR HUNTER****14th District, Monongalia County****Democrat****Chair, Committee on the Military****Vice Chair, Committee on Energy,  
Industry and Mining**

Educator/Administrator **Born** December 25, 1938,  
in Richwood, West Virginia, the son of the late  
John Patrick Hunter and Johnnie Hollifield  
Hinkleman **Education** University of Wisconsin,  
B.S., MSW, Phd. (ABD) **Wife** Judy Raught

**Children** Greg, Beth **Affiliations** Member, VFW; A.A.R.P.; Past Founder,  
President, Coalition on Legislation for Elderly; 4H-Road Community  
Association; Retired Executive Director, West Virginia Council of Home Health  
Agencies; Board of Directors, WV Senior Legal Aid and PACE Tech  
Rehabilitation Center **Legislative Service** Elected 1996-2004 **Legislative  
Positions Held** Vice Chairman, Committee on the Military, 73rd Legislature;  
Vice Chair, Committee on Labor, 74th Legislature; Chair, Committee on the  
Military, 75th-77th Legislatures **Other Public Service** Past Executive Director,  
Region VI Planning and Development Council, Governor's Long Term Care  
Task Force; Past Director, Region VI Area Agency on Aging; Past Member,  
Federal Council on Aging, Appointed by U.S. Senate; Advisory Board, West  
Virginia Rural Development Council, West Virginia Center on Rural Health  
**Religion** Catholic **Military Service** U. S. Army **Address** 1265 4-H Camp Rd.,  
Morgantown 26508 **Telephone** 291-3782 **H. Fax** 291-6008 **E-mail:**  
senhunter@mountain.net



**DAVE SYPOLT****14th District, Preston County  
Republican**

Professional Land Surveyor/Independent Mapping and Cartographic Consultant/SSAC Registered Football Official **Born** September 28, 1964, in Morgantown, West Virginia, the son of Charles R. and Alice Sypolt **Education** A.S., Land Surveying and Regents; B.A., Glenville State College **Wife** Dr. Susan Rhines **Children** Joshua, Tara Sypolt Groves, Uriah **Affiliations** Curriculum Advisor, Fairmont State University, Glenville State College;

Life Member, NRA; NRA Certified Pistol Safety Instructor; Area 4 Director, WV State Rifle and Pistol Association; Supporter, JROTC Rifle Team and WVU Rifle Club; Supporter, FFA and 4-H Programs; Supporter, Mountaineer Boy Scout Council; Licensed Ham Radio Operator KC8YSO; Instructor, Citizens Emergency Response Team; Member, WVSPS; ACSM; NSPS; Amateur Radio Emergency Services; Amateur Radio Relay League; Preston County Farm Bureau; Independent Oil and Gas Association; Preston County Retired School Teachers Association; Friends of Coal; West Virginians for Life; Preston County Chamber of Commerce **Legislative Service** Elected 2006 **Other Public Service** Preston County Surveyor, 2000-2004; Past Chairman, Preston County Republican Executive Committee; Member, State Republican Executive Committee; Chair, 2006 Friends of the NRA Dinner, Morgantown **Religion** Methodist **Address** P.O. Box 5, Kingwood 26537 **Telephone** 698-5299

**FIFTEENTH DISTRICT**

[Hampshire, Hardy, Morgan, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Randolph and Portions of Berkeley, Grant and Upshur Counties]



**CLARK BARNES**  
**15th District, Randolph County**  
**Republican**  
**Minority Whip**

Businessman **Born** August 6, 1950, in Portsmouth, Virginia, the son of Howard S. and Dorothy Queen Barnes **Education** A.A.S., Davis and Elkins College; B.A., West Virginia University; M.A., Pensacola Christian College **Wife** Deborah Lynn Chewning **Children** Thadeus, Erickson, Elizabeth, Rachel **Affiliations** Member, American Legion; N.R.A., SCI for Hunters; Izaak Walton League; United States Chamber of Commerce; National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) **Legislative Service** Elected 2004 **Other Public Service** President, West Virginia Hearing Society; Past President, Wild Rivers Soccer Club; Past President, Seneca Soccer Club **Religion** Baptist **Military Service** SP 4, United States Army, 1973-76 **Address** 1105 Harrison Ave., Elkins 26241 **Telephone** 636-5146 **O.**



**WALT HELMICK**  
**15th District, Pocahontas County**  
**Democrat**  
**Chair, Committee on Finance**

Businessman **Born** April 25, 1944, the son of Dock and Cleo Helmick **Education** Marshall University; West Virginia Institute of Technology, B.A. **Wife** Rita Fay Hedrick **Children** Sam, Tim, Brian, Shelly (Deceased) **Affiliations** Member, Huntersville AF&AM; Scottish Rite Masons; York Rite Masons; Past President, Marlinton Little League Football and Basketball; Region IV

Council; North Central Community Action **Legislative Service** Elected to the House, 1988; Appointed to the Senate, September 13, 1989, to fill an unexpired term; Elected 1990-2006 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on the Military, 71st and 72nd Legislatures; Chairman, Committee on Banking, 73rd and 74th Legislatures; Chair, Committee on Natural Resources, 75th Legislature; Chair, Committee on Finance, 76th and 77th Legislatures **Other Public Service** Member, State Democratic Executive Committee; Pocahontas County Board of Education; Board Member, Pocahontas County Parks and Recreation; Board Member, Pocahontas County Hospital; Pocahontas County Airport Authority; Chairman, Pocahontas County Board of Health; President and Member, Pocahontas County Commission **Religion** Presbyterian **Address** HC 82, Box 130, Marlinton 24954 **Telephone** 799-7172 **H.**

**SIXTEENTH DISTRICT**

[Berkeley and Jefferson Counties]

**JOHN R. UNGER II****16th District, Berkeley County****Democrat****Chairman, Committee on Transportation  
and Infrastructure****Vice Chair, Commission on  
Interstate Cooperation**

Businessman/Economic Development **Born**  
January 24, 1969, in Martinsburg, West Virginia  
**Education** B. A., West Virginia University, Phi  
Beta Kappa's Albert Lee Strum Scholar; Harry S.

Truman Foundation Scholar; University of Hong Kong; International Development Center (Oxford); B.A., M.A., University of Oxford, Rhodes Scholar **Affiliations** Member, Executive Committee, National Conference of State Legislatures; United Way of the Eastern Panhandle; American Red Cross; Boards of Directors: Habitat for Humanity; Family Resource Network for the Eastern Panhandle; EVAK K9 Search and Rescue Team; Founder, West Virginia Campus Compact; WVU Office of Service Learning; Fund Distribution Executive Committee, United Way of Berkeley and Morgan Counties; Graduate, Leadership Berkeley; Member, James Rumsey Technical Institute School Improvement Council; Chamber of Commerce; Martinsburg Rotary; Eastern Panhandle Business Association; West Virginia Farm Bureau; **Recipient**, American Institute of Public Service's Jefferson Award, 1993; United States Presidential Award for National Service, 1991; USA Today's ALL-USA College First Academic Team, 1992; Time Magazine College Achievement Award, 1990 **Legislative Service** Elected 1998-2006 **Other Public Service** Founder, Past President, WV International Trade Development Council; Deputy Director, Berkeley County Emergency Services; Board Member, Berkeley County Development Authority; Local Emergency Planning Committee; Chairman, Children's Summit for the Eastern Panhandle's Future; Berkeley County Democratic Executive Committee; WV State Democratic Executive Committee; Political Advisor, Hong Kong Legislative Council; Special Assistant to the Director, United States Refugee Program (Hong Kong); Member, United Nations Operation Provide Comfort, 1991, Northern Iraq; Coordinated relief efforts during monsoons and riots in Calcutta with Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity, 1990; Iraq Humanitarian Relief Mission, Save the Children, 2003 **Religion** Lutheran **Address** P. O. Box 2415, Martinsburg 25402 **Telephone** 357-7939 **Fax** 357-7987 **H. E-mail:** unger@mail.wvnet.edu



**JOHN YODER**  
**16th District, Jefferson County**  
**Republican**

Attorney **Born** January 9, 1951, in Newton, Kansas, the son of Gideon G. and Stella H. Yoder **Education** B.A., Chapman College; J.D., University of Kansas; M.B.A., University of Chicago **Affiliations** Member, West Virginia State Bar; District of Columbia Bar Association; Indiana Bar; Kansas Bar **Legislative Service** Elected 1992; 2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Minority Whip,

71st Legislature **Other Public Service** District Court Judge, 9th Judicial District, Kansas, 1976-80; Supreme Court Fellow, Supreme Court of the United States, 1980-81; Special Assistant to the Chief Justice of the United States, 1981-83; Director, Asset Forfeiture Office, U. S. Department of Justice, 1983-84; Vice-President, United States Supreme Court Fellows Alumni Association, 2006-2008 **Religion** Mennonite **Address** P. O. Box 940, Harpers Ferry 25425 **Telephone** 535-6842 **H.** 535-2809 **F.** 535-6842 **O.**

**SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT**

[Kanawha County]

**DAN FOSTER****17th District, Kanawha County****Democrat****Chairman, Committee on Pensions**

Physician/Physician Administrator, Charleston Area Medical Center **Born** January 31, 1948, in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, the son of Ward and Mary Foster **Education** B.A., Harvard College; M.D., Stanford University School of Medicine; Surgery Residency, Tulane University Associated Hospitals; Practiced general and vascular surgery in Charleston from 1979-2001 **Wife** Kathy

Sylvester **Children** Greg, Brad, Doug **Affiliations** Member, Board of Directors, The Education Alliance; The University of Charleston; The West Virginia Symphony; Charleston Convention and Visitors Bureau; Metro 911 **Legislative Service** Elected to the House 2002; Elected to the Senate, 2004 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Pensions, 77th Legislature **Religion** Roman Catholic **Address** 701 Crawford Road, Charleston 25314 **Telephone** 388-5977 **O.** 344-1060 **H.**

**BROOKS F. MCCABE JR.****17th District, Kanawha County****Democrat****Chairman,****Committee on Economic Development****Vice Chair, Committee on Pensions**

Businessman **Born** January 19, 1949, in Charleston, West Virginia, the son of Brooks F. and Jane M. McCabe **Education** B.S., M.Ed., University of Vermont; Ed.D., West Virginia University **Wife**

Barbara Given **Children** Katherine Jane **Affiliations** American Planning Association; Urban Land Institute; Congress for the New Urbanism; National Association of Realtors; Kanawha County Board of Realtors; National Trust for Historic Preservation; Member, American Institute of Certified Planners; Certified Commercial Investment Member of REALTORS National Marketing Institute **Legislative Service** Elected 1998-2006 **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Economic Development, Vice Chairman, Pensions; Co-Chair, Joint Commission on Economic Development; Co-Chair, Legislative Oversight Commission on Workforce Investment, 77th Legislature **Other Public Service** Member, West Virginia Roundtable; West Virginia Chamber of Commerce; 21st Century Jobs Cabinet of West Virginia; Ex-officio member of; Past Chairman of West Virginia Commission on Governing in the 21st Century; West Virginia Work Force Investment Council, West Virginia Jobs Investment Trust Board, and West Virginia Industrial Council **Religion** Episcopal **Military** U.S.A.R. **Address** 1223 Staunton Road, Charleston 25314 **Telephone** 347-7500 **O.** 342-1961 **H.**

## OTHER ELECTIVE OFFICERS

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### CLERK

**DARRELL E. HOLMES****Kanawha County****Democrat**

**Born** October 19, 1934 in Kanawha County, son of the late Russell J. and Macel F. Carpenter Holmes **Education** Morris Harvey College; West Virginia State College **Wife** Nell Jean Kiser **Children** David E., Gregory A., Eric J. **Affiliations** Mason; Kentucky Colonel; Member, International Association of Machinists **Legislative Service** Elected to the House 1974-80; Elected to the Senate

1982-86; Appointed Senate Clerk August 15, 1989, to fill vacancy created by the retirement of Todd Willis; Elected 1991, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005 and 2007, the 19th Clerk of the Senate **Legislative Positions Held** Chairman, Committee on Labor, 66th, 67th, 68th and 69th Legislatures; Vice Chairman, Committee on Energy, Industry and Mining, 68th Legislature **Military Service** U.S. Air Force **Religion** Baptist **Address** Office of the Clerk, Room 215, State Senate, State Capitol, Charleston 25305 **Telephone** 357-7800  
**O.**



**DOORKEEPER**

**ANDREW J. "JACK" TRAIL**  
**Democrat**

Retired Director, U.S. Department of Labor, Veterans Employment **Born** October 30, 1925, in Iaeger, son of A. J. and Mary Trail **Education** Bluefield State College; Morris Harvey College; Temple and Michigan Universities **Wife** Josephine Morgan **Children** Sharon Jackie Kinder; Grandsons, Randy and Andrew **Legislative Service** Elected Doorkeeper 1996, reelected 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005 and 2007, the 50th Doorkeeper of the Senate **Affiliations** Life Member, D.A.V.;

M.O.P.H.; V.F.W., Past Grand Master, I.O.O.F. of West Virginia **Military Service** U.S. Army, 1940-45, Retired Officer, Decorated nine times; Decorated by the President of France; Recipient, West Virginia Meritorious Achievement Medal, General Allen Tackett, WV National Guard **Other Public Service** Chief Assistant Doorkeeper, 1989-95 **Religion** Baptist **Address** 712 Ellette Dr., Charleston 25311 **Telephone** 343-8407.

**SERGEANT AT ARMS**

**HOWARD WELLMAN**  
**Democrat**

**Born** July 23, 1944, in Bluefield, West Virginia, son of David and Betty Wellman **Education** Montcalm High School; B.S., Bluefield State College **Wife** Beverly Crane **Children** Wendy, Jennifer **Affiliations** Member, Masons; Scottish Rite; Shrine; Jesters; Lions Club; Loyal Order of Moose **Legislative Service** Appointed to the House of Delegates in 1984 to fill a vacancy created by the death of Don Anello; Elected to the House,

1986-1988; Elected Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, 2005-2007, the 49th Sergeant at Arms **Other Public Service** Former Assistant to Commissioner Miller, Department of Highways, 1978-80; Assistant to Governor Jay Rockefeller, 1981-1984; Assistant to Governor Caperton, 1989-1993 **Religion** Protestant **Address** Rt. 5, Box 452, Bluefield 24701 **Telephone** 589-5607 **H.** 357-7801 **O.**