West Virginia Legislature  
Judicial Compensation Commission

August 24, 2017  
3:30 p.m.  
Room 208-W

The Judicial Compensation Commission met at 3:30 p.m. in room 208-W of the West Virginia State Capitol, on August 24, 2017. Gregory Bowman, Dean of WVU Law School, Chairman, called the meeting to order and the Clerk took a silent roll to establish a quorum.

Members present: Gregory Bowman and Virginia King. John “Danny” Martin was present via telephone.

Chairman Bowman recognized Derek C. Swope, Ninth Judicial Circuit Court Judge, who made introductory remarks, presented information to the Commission members, distributed handouts and answered questions of the Commission. Handouts 1. Types of Cases Heard by Judges of Analogous Courts of General Jurisdiction, 2. Supreme Court and Circuit Court Judge Presentation, and 3. Types of Cases Heard by Judges of Analogous Courts of General Jurisdiction, are attached.

Chairman Bowman recognized John A. Hutchinson, Tenth Judicial Circuit Court Judge, who presented information to the Commission members, distributed handouts and answered questions of the Commission. Handouts 4. West Virginia Circuit Court Workload Study and 5. West Virginia Redistricting Study, are attached.

Chairman Bowman recognized Gary Johnson, Administrative Director of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, who presented information to the Commission members and answered questions from the Commission.
Chairman Bowman recognized Kenneth D. Ballard, Eleventh Judicial Family Court Circuit Judge, who presented information to the Commission members, distributed handouts and answered questions of the Commission. Handout 6. West Virginia Family Court Judges Workload Needs Assessment Study is attached.

Virginia King moved that Gregory Bowman, Dean of WVU Law School, be named as Chairman of the Judicial Compensation Commission. The motion was adopted.

Anne B. Ellison, Counsel to the Commission and Assistant Director of Legislative Services, presented the draft report to the Commission and responded to questions.

Chairman Bowman asked that the minutes of the meeting reflect the excellence of the first draft and their appreciation as members for the very hard work done by staff.

With a consensus of the Commission members, the meeting was adjourned.

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Gregory Bowman, Chair             Date

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Felisha Sutherland, Clerk          Date