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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 has served as Chief Justice four times. She previously was elected to the Court in November 1988, giving her the distinction of being the first woman elected to the Court and the first woman elected to statewide office in West Virginia.

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. 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 for the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit (Kanawha County). In 1976, she served as an advance person in the Carter presidential campaign, and



MARGARET L. WORKMAN Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

she later worked on the campaign staff of U.S. Senator Jay Rockefeller. She then opened her own law office in Charleston. In 1981, 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, 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.

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. 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.

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 and Emily Faith Gardner.

Justice Tim Armstead was appointed to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia by Governor Jim Justice to fill the seat vacated by the resignation of Justice Menis Ketchum. He took office September 25, 2018. He will serve until the November 6 general election, in which he is a candidate to retain the seat until the end of the term on December 31, 2020.

Justice Armstead became Speaker of the West Virginia House of Delegates in 2015 and was re-elected in 2017. Prior to serving as Speaker of the House, he had been Minority Leader since 2006 and a member of the House since 1998.

Justice Armstead began his public service career as a press intern for Governor Arch Moore. He later worked as Executive Assistant to the Chief of Staff of Governor Cecil Underwood. He served as a law clerk for U.S. District Judge David A. Faber.

Justice Armstead is a graduate of the University of Charleston West Virginia University College of Law. He lives in Elkview with his wife, Anna. They have one daughter and a grandson.



TIM ARMSTEAD

Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

Justice Allen H. Loughry II was elected to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia in 2012 and served as Chief Justice in 2017. He was born in 1970 and is a native of Tucker County, West Virginia.

He obtained four law degrees: an SJD (Doctor of Juridical Science) from American University, Washington College of Law, where he had the distinction of being one of the first three people to be admitted to the SJD program; an LLM from the University of London; an LLM from 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.

In 1999, Justice Loughry completed the program of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law through the American University, Washington College of Law Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, and the University of Utrecht, Netherlands Institute of Human Rights. He also studied law at the University of Oxford and received the program's top political science award. He



ALLEN H. LOUGHRY II

Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

has a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism from West Virginia University. While there, he served on the West Virginia University Judicial Board.

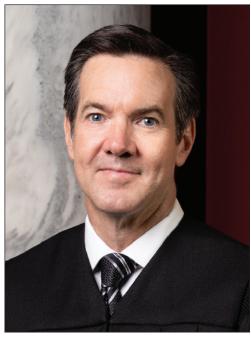
Justice Loughry was a Senior Assistant Attorney General in the West Virginia Attorney General's Office from 1997 to 2003. He served in both the Appellate and Administration Divisions and was appointed as a special prosecuting attorney on numerous occasions. Justice Loughry has argued cases before the 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. 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. 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. Due to his academic and professional background, Justice Loughry is a frequent speaker on issues of government, ethics reform, politics, history, education, and the election process.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Justice Loughry resigned from his judicial office on November 12, 2018, after being convicted on 11 of 23 federal charges. On December 12, 2018, Governor Justice appointed John A. Hutchison to replace Loughry. Justice Hutchison previously served as a circuit judge in Raleigh County and will serve on the Court until 2020.

Justice Evan H. Jenkins was appointed to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia by Governor Jim Justice on August 25, 2018, to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Justice Robin Jean Davis. Justice Jenkins will serve until the November 6 general election. He is a candidate in that election to retain the seat, until the end of the term in December 31, 2024.

At the time of his appointment to the bench, Justice Jenkins was a member of the United States House of Representatives, to which he was elected in 2014 and re-elected in 2016, representing the citizens of West Virginia's Third Congressional District. For four years he served on the House Appropriations Committee and most recently as the Vice-Chairman of the Commerce, Justice and Science Sub-Committee. He previously served three terms in the West Virginia House of Delegates, beginning in 1994, representing Cabell and Wayne counties, followed by three terms in the West Virginia Senate, from 2003 to 2015. Before his election to Congress, he was executive director of the West Virginia



EVAN JENKINS

Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

State Medical Association, general counsel of the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and taught business law at Marshall University. Justice Jenkins was admitted to the practice of law in West Virginia thirty years ago and began his legal career as an associate attorney with the Huntington law firm of Jenkins Fenstermaker, PLLC in 1988.

Justice Jenkins is a native of Huntington. He has a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Florida and a law degree from the Cumberland School of Law at Samford University.

Justice Jenkins and his wife, Elizabeth, live in Huntington where they raised two sons and a daughter. He is active in the community as a member of the First Presbyterian Church and has served as a volunteer leader for the American Red Cross, Boy Scouts of America, Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Tri-State Area, Foundation for the Tri-State Community, Foster Foundation, and Lily's Place, a nationally recognized facility that cares for newborn infants suffering from drug exposure during pregnancy.

Justice Elizabeth D. "Beth" Walker was elected to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia on May 10, 2016, becoming the first Justice elected in a non-partisan race. She took office on January 1, 2017.

Justice Walker was raised in Huron, Ohio. She is a 1987 summa cum laude graduate of Hillsdale College in Hillsdale, Michigan. She earned her law degree in 1990 from The Ohio State University, where she was Articles Editor for The Ohio State Law Journal. During her years of private practice, she participated in courses offered by the Program on Negotiation at Harvard Law School, including its Mediation Workshop.

Immediately after graduating from law school, Justice Walker moved to West Virginia and joined the law firm of Bowles Rice McDavid Graff & Love (now Bowles Rice) in Charleston. During her 22 years at Bowles Rice, she concentrated her statewide practice on labor and employment law and mediation. Justice Walker served on the firm's Executive Committee and in several other leadership roles.



ELIZABETH D. WALKER

Justice, Supreme Court of Appeals

After moving from Charleston to Morgantown in 2011, Justice Walker became Associate General Counsel for the West Virginia United Health System (also known as West Virginia University Medicine). In that role, she advised WVU Medicine's hospitals and other affiliates regarding labor and employment matters from 2012 until she resigned in 2016 to take office.

In 2012, Justice Walker was elected a Fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. She is a 1999 graduate of Leadership West Virginia.

A lifelong Girl Scout, Justice Walker is former chairwoman and current member of the board of directors of Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Council. She has been an active community volunteer and served as chairwoman of the boards of Leadership West Virginia and Kanawha Pastoral Counseling Center.

She is married to Mike Walker and stepmother to Jennifer. 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.

# SUPREME COURT AS OF DEC. 31, 2018

# CHIEF JUSTICE

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

# JUSTICES

Tim Armstead of Elkview, Kanawha County (term expires December 31, 2020)
Evan H. Jenkins of Huntington, Cabell County (term expires December 31, 2024)
Elizabeth D. "Beth" Walker of Charleston, Kanawha County (term expires December 31, 2027)
\*Allen H. Loughry II, of Charleston, Kanawha County (suspended August 9, 2018, resigned November 12, 2018); Paul Farrell Jr., of Huntington, Cabell County (sitting by temporary assignment August 9, 2018, through December 31, 2018)



# Legislature Embarks on Impeachment Process After Supreme Court Controversy

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Following an Eyewitness News report uncovering lavish spending on renovating state Supreme Court justices' offices and a subsequent federal investigation, Gov. Jim Justice called the Legislature into extraordinary session for impeachment proceedings.

The process culminated in the House adopting impeachment articles against four sitting Supreme Court justices and the Senate voting to acquit Justice Beth Walker – the only justice to go through the trial process in the Senate. The impeachment process ultimately came to a halt following an action brought by Chief Justice Margaret Workman.

By the end of 2018, two justices were charged as a result of the federal investigation and three of the five justices had resigned.

An Eyewitness News Waste Watch report by Kennie Bass in 2017 brought to light spending within the West Virginia Supreme Court. The report found former Chief Justice Allen Loughry spent \$363,000 on his office renovations, including \$32,000 for a couch and \$1,700 for throw pillows.

The news report additionally listed renovations for other justices – former Justice Robin Davis' office renovations cost about \$500,000; Workman's renovations cost about \$111,000; former Justice Menis Ketchum's renovations cost about \$194,000; and Walker's renovations cost about \$131,000.

The Legislative Auditor's office later looked into the court's spending, releasing a series of audits. The audit found Loughry used court vehicles and rental cars paid by the state for his personal use. The first report additionally stated Loughry's personal use of state vehicles and keeping an antique desk at his home may have violated the West Virginia Ethics Act.

That report stated Ketchum used a court vehicle to commute to Charleston from his Huntington home and additionally used the same vehicle to travel to a golf outing in Virginia. Ketchum reimbursed the state for mileage reimbursements he should not have received, the report stated.

Another report found Davis in seven instances used a court vehicle where a destination was provided but no business purpose was provided.



Former Chief Justice Allen Loughry stands with his attorney John Carr before the Court of Impeachment. Loughry faced the most articles of impeachment against him related to office renovations, including taking home an antique desk, making false statements before the House Finance Committee, and using court vehicles and court computers for personal use.

Photo: Perry Bennett

The reports also looked into renovation expenses between 2012 and 2016, which totaled about \$3.4 million. The total combined cost of renovations to justices' chambers was \$1,943,357. However, several of the renovation projects did not have invoice documentation with enough detail to analyze.

Additionally, the report stated between 2009 and 2017, chief justices allowed 10 senior status judges in the Judicial Retirement System to exceed the statutory compensation cap 20 times, costing a total of \$271,000.

After court spending came to light, in the 2018 regular session, the Legislature adopted the Judicial Budget Oversight Amendment. This resolution proposed an amendment to the state constitution to put the state Supreme Court's budget under the authority of the Legislature.

The resolution provided the safeguard that the Legislature would not decrease the total appropriation less than 85 percent, the amount of total general revenue appropriation to the judiciary in the most recent budget without two-thirds majority approving such a decrease in a separate vote.

Voters overwhelmingly supported the amendment later that year.

In June 2018, the West Virginia House gaveled into the second extraordinary session with the House Judiciary Committee meeting later that day.

Before 2018, the most recent impeachment proceeding took place in 1989, when the West Virginia House of Delegates voted to impeach State Treasurer A. James Manchin. Manchin resigned before going to trial in the Senate.

The most recent trial to take place in the Senate happened in 1876, when the Senate convicted State Treasurer John S. Burdette and acquitted State Auditor Edward A. Bennett.

The House Judiciary Committee met sporadically over the next three months and later adopted a total of 16 articles of impeachment that encompassed all sitting West Virginia Supreme Court justices.

The House voted to impeach Loughry, Davis, Workman, and Walker and adopted 11 of those 16 articles of impeachment.

Of that total amount, Loughry was named in seven articles related to Loughry's office renovation, taking home a Cass Gilbert desk worth an estimated value of \$42,000, reserving state vehicles with-

out providing destinations, using a state gas card to drive to book signings at The Greenbrier, using state computers for personal use at home, and making false statements under oath before the House Finance Committee when he denied involvement in the renovations.

Davis was named in four articles of impeachment, Workman in three, and Walker in one – which included articles individually focusing on particular justices and some that combined them.

Articles against Davis related to office renovations. Articles charged Workman, Loughry, and Davis with approving contracts overpaying senior status judges.

The last article adopted accused all justices of failing to adopt travel policies, report taxable fringe benefits including vehicle use and regular lunches on their W-2s, failing to provide supervision of state purchasing cards, failing to provide supervision over recordkeeping with state vehicles, failing to supervise state property, and failing to supervise purchasing procedures.

Since Ketchum submitted his letter of resignation before the bulk of the impeachment hearings took place, the House Judiciary Committee did not consider evidence against him.



Delegates Chad Lovejoy, D-Cabell and Ben Queen, R-Harrison, walk through the state Supreme Court offices on a tour to see office renovations firsthand. Renovation expenses between 2012 and 2016 cost an estimated \$3.4 million with combined cost to renovate justices' chambers \$1,943,357, according to a Legislative Audit Report.

Photo: Perry Bennett

The Senate made preparations for the trial phase of the impeachment process. In October, following about two hours of deliberation, the Senate acquitted Walker in her impeachment trial and adopted a resolution to publicly reprimand her.

Workman, who was scheduled for an impeachment trial after Walker, petitioned the state Supreme Court for a writ of mandamus seeking to halt impeachment proceedings against her.

The opinion granted the writ of prohibition and stated articles of impeachment against Workman



Delegates review articles of impeachment against state Supreme Court justices. The House voted to impeach former justices Allen Loughry and Robin Davis; and Justices Margaret Workman and Beth Walker— adopting 11 of 16 articles of impeachment.

Photo: Perry Bennett

violated the separation of powers doctrine. The opinion also charged the House of Delegates failed to set out findings of fact and pass a resolution adopting the articles of impeachment, which violated due process.

Two justices were charged as a result of a federal investigation into the state Supreme Court. Loughry faced a 23-count indictment and was later convicted on 11 criminal counts. Ketchum was charged and later pleaded guilty to a federal wire fraud charge.

One of Loughry's charges, a mail fraud count, related to claiming mileage to attend a conference in Baltimore. He claimed he used a personal vehicle when he used a court vehicle, according to a release from the U.S. Attorney's office.

Seven wire fraud charges involved the use of a government fuel card for trips that were not official business including a trip to attend book-signing events at The Greenbrier for a book he wrote about public corruption in West Virginia, according to the release.

Loughry also was charged with lying to the FBI, claiming he didn't drive state vehicles for his personal use, and for claiming he did not know a desk he had in his home was a Cass Gilbert desk.

Ketchum was charged with personal use of a state car and a state fuel credit card in connection to commuting from his home in Huntington and a trip to a private golf club in Virginia.

Three justices ended up resigning in 2018 — Ketchum, Davis, and Loughry. The governor appointed former Congressman Evan Jenkins and former House Speaker Tim Armstead to the bench. Armstead later was elected to a two-year unexpired term and Jenkins, a six-year unexpired term. The governor later appointed former Raleigh County Circuit Judge John Hutchison following Loughry's resignation.

# **IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDINGS - TIMELINE**

to state Supreme Court.

November 14, 2017	Eyewitness News released Waste Watch report on lavish spending on court
	office renovations.
April 16, 2018	First Post Audit report released on state Supreme Court spending.
June 8, 2018	Allen Loughry suspended from the state Supreme Court.
June 20, 2018	Allen Loughry charged in 22-count indictment.
June 25, 2018	Gov. Jim Justice called an extraordinary session for impeachment.
June 26, 2018	The House Judiciary Committee began impeachment process.
July 17, 2018	Allen Loughry charged with 1 additional count under superseding indictment, now facing 23-count indictment.
July 27, 2018	Menis Ketchum resigned.
July 31, 2018	Menis Ketchum charged in federal information with one wire fraud count.
August 7, 2018	House Judiciary adopted 16 articles of impeachment against Allen Loughry, Margaret Workman, Robin Davis, and Beth Walker.
August 13, 2018	House voted to impeach Allen Loughry, Margaret Workman, Robin Davis, and Beth Walker. The House impeached justices on 11 of the 16 articles of impeachment.
August 14, 2018	Robin Davis sent her letter of retirement.
August 20, 2018	Senate convened to establish rules for the trial phase of the impeachment.
August 23, 2018	Menis Ketchum entered guilty plea to wire fraud charge.
August 25, 2018	Gov. Jim Justice appointed former Congressman Evan Jenkins and former House Speaker Tim Armstead to the state Supreme Court.
October 1, 2018	Impeachment Trial for Beth Walker began in the Senate.
October 2, 2018	Senate voted to acquit Beth Walker in her impeachment trial.
October 11, 2018	Acting state Supreme Court issued opinion in <i>S.E.R. Margaret Workman v. Mitch Carmichael</i> , finding the articles of impeachment violated the separation of powers doctrine and that the House's impeachment proceedings were flawed in that it failed to set out findings of fact and pass a resolution adopting the articles of impeachment.
October 12, 2018	Allen Loughry is convicted of 11 of 23 federal charges.
November 6, 2018	Voters approved Judicial Budget Oversight Amendment. Tim Armstead elected to a two-year unexpired term to the state Supreme Court. Evan Jenkins elected to six-year unexpired term to state Supreme Court.
November 12, 2018	Allen Loughry resigned.
December 12, 2018	Gov. Jim Justice appointed former Raleigh County Circuit Judge John Hutchison

# **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: Edythe Nash Gaiser Deputy Clerk: Virginia Payne Senior Staff Attorney: C. Casey Forbes

Assistant Clerks:

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Bar Admissions Administrator: Madeline Jaeck

Deputy Bar Admissions Administrator: Melissa Menefee

# STAFF ATTORNEYS

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 Armstead:

Mark Farrell Tom McQuain Peter Chambers

To Justice Jenkins:

Cindy Bowman Toni Takarsh Louis Palmer To Justice Walker: Shannon Akers Jessie Reckart Kate Shaffer Ashley Deem

Redonna Thompson

Cassandra A. Wine

To Justice Loughry: Amie Johnson Becky Hentschel Trina Leone 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:

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Katherine M. Nichols

Writ Clerks:

Lindsay Agee Adam Dean Iordan Martin Anthony D. Eates Sara A. Jones

Olubunmi Kusimo-Frazier

Joshua Mullins

Emily Chapman Andrew Ryan

Office of Counsel for Workers' Compensation Appeals

Chief Counsel: Tomas Vernon Writ Clerk: Brittany Rimmey

# 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: Barbara Allen

Executive Assistant: Mary Greene

Executive Administrative Assistant: Joan Mullins

Receptionist: Debby Moore Receptionist/Floater: Barbara Hart

# **DIVISION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION**

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

Public Information Officer: Jennifer Bundy Public Information Specialist: April Harless

### OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE COUNSEL

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

Administrative Counsel: Lori J. Paletta-Davis

Administrative Assistant: Vacancy

# DIVISION OF FACILITIES AND FLEET MANAGEMENT SERVICES

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

Director: Kimberly Ellis

Messenger/Runner: Paul Mendez Warehouse Supervisor: Russell Shelton Maintenance Engineer: Zachary Thompson Administrative Services Assistant: Dee Hill

Custodian: Brian Mott

# 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

Budget Analyst: Lori Elliott

Accounting Manager: Lisa Spencer

Accounts Payable Specialist: Stephanie Anderson Accounts Payable Specialist: Jessica Beane Accounts Payable Specialist: Lynn Fielder

Procurement and Fixed Asset Manager: Sandra Johnson

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Renee Richardson-Powers Matthew Tiller

Anthony Wilmer

Deanna Lacy

#### DIVISION OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The Division of Children and Juvenile Services assists with the Court's initiatives to improve the outcomes for children and families involved in abuse and neglect, child welfare and juvenile justice systems. The Court Improvement Program and the Juvenile Justice Commission are housed in this department.

Director of Division of Children's Services: Cindy Largent-Hill Public Education Coordinator: Kandi Greter-Kirk Administrative Assistant: Stacie Mullins CIP Analyst: Andria Jones

# DIVISION OF COURT SERVICES

The Division of Court Services oversees numerous projects to improve the court system, including Mental Hygiene Services, Access to Justice, and Judicial Education, which includes training programs for all judicial officers and court staff, mandatory and continuing judicial legal education credits, college/graduate school education benefits for court staff, and general conference information. It also works to provide access for all in the court system through language access and sign language interpreters.

Director: Vacancy

Court Statistics Coordinator: Carmen Combs

Director of Judicial Education and Access to Justice: Sara Thompson

Education Services Coordinator: Jessica Westfall

Education Technology Services Coordinator: Jason Carlson

Mental Hygiene Manager: Lou Weisberg

Mental Hygiene Registry Specialist: Robyn Clark Mental Hygiene Registry Specialist: Ali Dorsey

Mental Hygiene Abstractors:

Paul Embry Jessica Meadows Shelly Graddy Sheila Graddy

# DIVISION OF GRANT SERVICES

The Division of Grant Funding manages all grants awarded to West Virginia courts; oversees the financial administration, compliance, and reporting requirements of federal and state grants; and ensures that program staff accomplish their approved program initiatives.

Director: Evan Lynch

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Court Statistics Coordinator: Carmen Combs

Statewide Criminal Records Coordinator: Nanette Sloan

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Olivia Jones Sandie Boley Raven Bartlett Kathryn Blankenship Joseph Adams Kirby Hanson Johnna Leffingwell Megan Miller

# **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 Director of Court Security: Donald Frye

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: Lisa Tackett

Family Court Services Manager: 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: Joe Armstrong

Payroll/Personnel Services Director: Tammy Smith Payroll/Personnel Analyst: Janis Kitzmiller Insurance Coordinator: Linda Foster Payroll Coordinator: Cheryl Ingraham Payroll Specialist: Margaret Lacy

Receptionist and Payroll Assistant: Tracy Ferrell

Document Scanner: Dan Hagar

# DIVISION OF MAGISTRATE COURT SERVICES

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

Director: Janie Moore

Magistrate Clerk Services Manager: Caroline Stoker

Paralegal: Brenda Magann

Administrative Assistant: Melody Jordan

Data Entry/Validation Specialist: Rebecca Wilkinson

#### 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: Stephanie Bond Counsel to the Division: Vacancy

Data Analyst/Quality Assurance Specialist: Alicia Holman

Drug Court Coordinator: Nick Leftwich Drug Court Specialist: Angela Perdue

Administrative Specialist: Georgeann Lilly-Barker

Administrative Specialist: Randall Wagner

Offender Case Management Data Manager: Codie Smith

OCMS Regional Data Clerks:

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# **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.

Josh Taylor

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Deputy Director: Vacancy

Administrative Assistant: Angie Hardman

Procurement Specialist: Vacancy

Chief Information Security Officer: Thomas Toler

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Network Engineers: Andrew Hinte Scott Conrad

System Administrators:

Jeremy Shears Dave Wilson

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Applications Services Manager: Vacancy

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Russell Lucas Jake Arthur

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Jill Harvey Stuart Schweitzer Gregory Smetanko

Terri Stevens Laura Todd

#### 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. The library collection comprises over 100,000 volumes or 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.

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# 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, 2018) Honorable H. L. Kirkpatrick III - Beckley (term expires June 30, 2018) Honorable Christopher C. Wilkes - Martinsburg (term expires December 31, 2019)

# Senior Status Judge Member

Honorable Andrew N. Frye, Jr. - Petersburg (term expires July 31, 2018)

# FAMILY COURT JUDGE MEMBER

Honorable Robert C. Hicks - Sistersville (term expires December 31, 2019)

### Magistrate Member

Honorable Gail C. Boober, Vice Chair - Charles Town (term expires December 31, 2018)

#### Public Members

Thomas F. Burgoyne - Wheeling (term expires December 31, 2018) Robert P. Fitzsimmons - Wheeling (term expires December 31, 2018) F. Layton Cottrill, Jr. - Shepherdstown (term expires June 30, 2018)

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, 2018) Honorable Darrell Pratt - Wayne (term expires December 31, 2020)

# Family Court Judge Member

Honorable Patricia A. Keller - Huntington (term expires December 31, 2019)

# SENIOR STATUS JUDGE MEMBER

Honorable Robert G. Chafin, Vice Chair - Kenova (term expires July 1, 2018)

# Magistrate Member

Honorable Richard G. Postalwait - Grantsville (term expires December 31, 2020)

#### LAY MEMBERS

Jacqueline K. Farrell - Huntington (term expires December 31, 2018) Holly S. Planinsic - Wheeling (term expires December 31, 2020) Amber Urtso Sellaro - Morgantown (term expires December 31, 2020)

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, 2020)

Honorable Derek C. Swope - Princeton (term expires June 30, 2019)

Honorable Joanna I. Tabit - Charleston (term expires June 30, 2019)

Honorable Christopher J. McCarthy - Clarksburg (term expires June 30, 2020)

Honorable Jay M. Hoke - Hamlin (term expires June 30, 2021)

Honorable Booker T. Stephens - Welch (term expires June 30, 2021)

Honorable Jack Alsop - Webster Springs (term expires June 30, 2021)

Mass Litigation Manager: Kimberley R. Fields Administrative Assistant: Deborah K. Brogan

# STATE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS

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.

President: Marc B. Chernenko (term expires December 31, 2020) Vice President: Brent Everett Wear (term expires December 31, 2021)

Members:

Ancil G. Ramey (term expires December 31, 2018) Carol P. Smith (term expires December 31, 2019) Janice Lee Murray Hall (term expires December 31, 2022) Jason C. Pizatella (term expires December 31, 2024) Susan R. Snowden (term expires December 31, 2023)

Bar Admissions Administrator: Madeleine Jaeck Deputy Bar Admissions Administrator: Missy Menefee

# THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE BAR (INTEGRATED)

2000 Deitrick Boulevard, Charleston

Created by West Virginia Code Section 51-1-4a, effective May 1, 1947, the West Virginia State Bar serves as an agency of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. Under the Court's inherent rule-making power, as authorized by Chapter 44, Acts of the Legislature, 1945, the Court promulgated a definition of the practice of law, a code of professional ethics, a code of judicial ethics, a constitution, bylaws and rules for operation of the State Bar. Its membership consists of all persons lawfully admitted to the practice of law in West Virginia and those who have sought and obtained pro hac vice admission in specific cases.

The objects of the State Bar, as set out in its constitution, 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. Its purpose is to give effect to pertinent rules of the Supreme Court of Appeals and to perform the functions expressed in its constitution and bylaws. The State Bar currently consists of an administrative arm, a disciplinary arm and an arm charged with providing judges and lawyers who suffer from any physical or mental and/or emotional health conditions that affect their ability to practice or serve with immediate and continuous help.

The State Bar is governed by a board of governors, consisting of three State Bar officers, an immediate past president, 20 governors elected by the members of the bar from 16 geographically diverse districts, an African American representative and the chairperson of the young lawyers section executive committee.

President: Ann L. Haight

President-Elect: Monica N. Haddad

Vice President: Tom Scarr

Executive Director: Anita R. Casey

Chair, Young Lawyers' Section: Nicole Cofer

# OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL

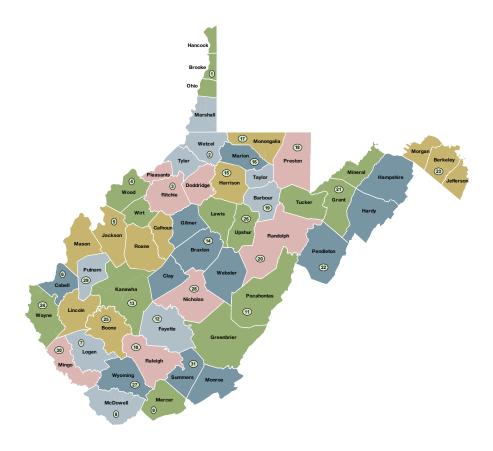
The Lawyer Disciplinary Board, along with the assistance of the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, has jurisdiction to investigate and when necessary prosecute complaints regarding violations of the Rules of Professional Conduct. The Board is authorized to hold hearings and to make recommendations to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia with respect to disciplinary action to be taken against lawyers. ODC and the Board give informal ethics advice and issue ethics opinions regarding compliance with the Rules of Professional Conduct. ODC staff also conduct continuing legal education seminars on legal ethics. The Board consists of two-thirds practicing lawyers and one-third non-lawyers, all appointed by the president of the Board of Governors of the West Virginia State Bar. The board is divided into an Investigative Panel, which reviews complaints, and a Hearing Panel, which presides over hearings and makes recommendations to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. Both the Lawyer Disciplinary Board and the Office of Disciplinary Counsel are funded by the West Virginia State Bar from dues paid by West Virginia lawyers.

Chief Disciplinary Counsel: Rachael L. Fletcher Cipoletti Senior Lawyer Disciplinary Counsel: Andrea J. Hinerman Lawyer Disciplinary Counsels:

Renee N. Frymyer Jessica H. Donahue Rhodes Joanne M. Vella Kirby

# Legal Assistants:

Maura A. Lewis, Senior Legal Assistant Mary E. Casto, Legal Assistant Amanda J. Unrue, Legal Assistant Alektra M. Watts, Legal Assistant Evelyn Stover, Office Manager



# 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 70 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, 2024. Salary: \$126,000, effective July 1, 2011.

# First Circuit

David J. Sims, Chief Judge, Wheeling

Ronald E. Wilson, Judge, Weirton

James A. Cuomo, Judge, Weirton

James P. Mazzone, Judge, Weirton

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., Chief Judge, Moundsville

Jeffrey Cramer, 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, 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, Chief Judge, Parkersburg

Robert A. Waters, Judge, Parkersburg

Jason Wharton, Judge, Parkersburg

Wirt .....Last Monday in March, June and September

Wood......Second Monday in January, May and September

# Fifth Circuit

Richard Craig Tatterson, Chief Judge, Point Pleasant

Anita Ashley, Judge, Spencer

Lora Dyer, 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, Chief Judge, Huntington

Alfred E. Ferguson, Judge, Huntington

Paul T. Farrell, Judge, Huntington

Gregory L. Howard, Judge, Huntington

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

#### Seventh Circuit

Eric H. O'Briant, Chief Judge, Logan

Roger L. Perry, Judge, Logan

Logan .....Second Monday in January, May and September.

# Eighth Circuit

Booker T. Stephens, Chief Judge

Rudolph J. Murensley II

McDowell......Third Monday in February, June and October.

# Ninth Circuit

Derek C. Swope, Chief Judge, Bluefield

William J. Sadler, Judge, Princeton

Mark Wills, Judge, Princeton

Mercer.....Second Monday in February, June and October.

#### Tenth Circuit

Robert A. Burnside Jr., Chief Judge, Beckley

John A. Hutchison, Judge, Beckley

H. L. Kirkpatrick III, Judge, Beckley

Raleigh.....Second Monday in January, May and September.

#### Eleventh Circuit

Robert E. Richardson, Chief Judge, Lewisburg

Jennifer P. Dent, Judge, Lewisburg

Greenbrier......First Tuesday in February, June and October.

Pocahontas......First Tuesday in April, August and December.

# Twelfth Circuit

John W. Hatcher Jr., Chief Judge, Fayetteville

Paul M. Blake Jr., Judge, Fayetteville

Fayette.....Second Tuesday in January, May and September.

# Thirteenth Circuit

Jennifer Bailey, Chief Judge, Charleston

Louis H. Bloom, Judge, Charleston

Tod J. Kaufman, Judge, Charleston

Charles E. King, Judge, Charleston

Joanna Tabit, Judge, Charleston

James C. Stucky, Judge, Charleston

Carrie L. Webster, Judge, Charleston

Kanawha.....Second Monday in January, May and September.

# Fourteenth Circuit

Richard A. Facemire, Chief Judge, Sutton

Jack Alsop, 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

Thomas A. Bedell, Chief Judge, Clarksburg

James A. Matish, Judge, Bridgeport

Christopher McCarthy, Clarksburg

Harrison.....First Monday in January, May and September.

Sixteenth Circuit

Patrick N. Wilson, Chief Judge, Fairmont

David R. Janes, Judge, Fairmont

Marion.....First Monday in February, June and October.

Seventeenth Circuit

Russell M. Clawges Jr., Chief Judge, Morgantown

Phillip D. Gaujot, Judge, Morgantown

Susan B. Tucker, Judge, Morgantown

Monongalia ......First Thursday after first Monday in January, May and September.

Eighteenth Circuit

Lawrance S. Miller Jr., Chief Judge, Kingwood

Preston ......First Tuesday in March and June and third Tuesday in October.

Nineteenth Circuit

Alan D. Moats, Chief Judge, Thornton

Barbour.....Fourth Monday in February, May and October.

Taylor.....Second Monday in January, April and September.

Twentieth Circuit

David H. Wilmoth, Chief Judge, Elkins

Randolph.....Last Monday in February, June and October.

Twenty-First Circuit

Lynn A. Nelson, Judge, Keyser

James W. Courrier Jr., 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, Chief Judge, Romney

C. Carter Williams, 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 Christopher C. Wilkes, Chief Judge, Martinsburg Gray Silver III, Judge, Martinsburg John Yoder, Judge, Harpers Ferry Bridgett Gohee, Judge, Martinsburg Laura V. Faircloth, Judge, Martinsburg Michael D. Lorenson, Judge, Martinsburg Berkeley
Twenty-Fourth Circuit  Darrell Pratt, Chief Judge, Prichard  James H. Young Jr., Judge, Ceredo  WayneFirst Monday in March, July and November.
Twenty-Fifth Circuit Jay M. Hoke, Chief Judge, Branchland William S. Thompson, Judge, Madison BooneThird Monday in January, April and September. LincolnThird Monday in January, April and September.
Twenty-Sixth Circuit Jacob E. Reger, Chief Judge, Buckhannon Kurt Hall, Judge, Weston Lewis
Twenty-Seventh Circuit Warren R. McGraw, Chief Judge, Pineville WyomingFirst Monday in February, May and October.
Twenty-Eighth Circuit James Rowe, Senior Status Judge, sitting by temporary assignment, Richwood** NicholasSecond Tuesday in January, May and September.
Twenty-Ninth Circuit Joseph Reeder, Chief Judge, Hurricane Phillip M. Stowers, Judge, Hurricane PutnamFirst Monday in March, second Monday in July and November.
Thirtieth Circuit Miki J. Thompson, Chief Judge, Williamson MingoThird Monday in January, April and September.

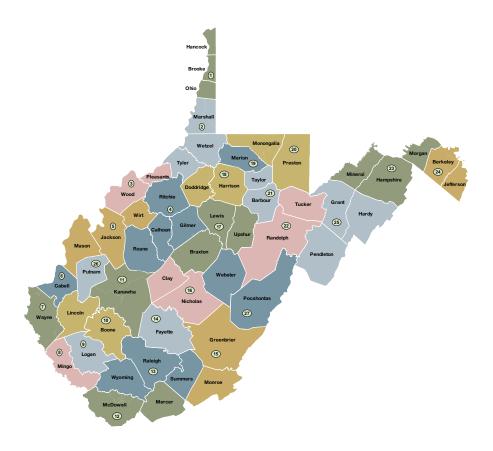
Summers ......First Tuesday in March, third Tuesday in July and November.

Monroe.....Second Tuesday in January, third Tuesday in May and second Tuesday in September.

Thirty-First Circuit

Robert A. Irons, Chief Judge, Pickaway

<sup>\*\*</sup>Judge Stephen D. Callahan (28th Circuit) took office January 1, 2017, and was suspended by the Supreme Court without pay for two years in an opinion issued February 9, 2017.



#### 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, Upshur 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, 2024. Salary: \$94,500, effective July 1, 2011.

# First Circuit

(Hancock, Brooke, and Ohio)
Joyce Dumbaugh Chernenko, Wellsburg
William F. Sinclair, Wheeling

# Second Circuit

(Marshall, Tyler, and Wetzel) Robert C. Hicks, Sistersville

#### Third Circuit

(Pleasants and Wood)
Ellen Smith, Parkersburg
C. Darren Tallman, Parkersburg

#### Fourth Circuit

(Calhoun, Gilmer, Ritchie, and Roane) Steve Jones, Grantsville

## Fifth Circuit

(Jackson, Mason, and Wirt)
Brian Cromley, Ripley
Constance Fisher Thomas, New Haven

# Sixth Circuit

(Cabell)

Patricia A. Keller, Huntington Jason Spears, Huntington Jara Howard, Huntington

#### Seventh Circuit

(Wayne) Sean Maynard, Wayne

## Eighth Circuit

(Mingo)

Sabrina Deskins, Williamson

#### Ninth Circuit

(Logan)

Kelly Gilmore Codispoti, Logan Christopher Workman, Logan

#### Tenth Circuit

(Boone and Lincoln)
Bobby Hale, Madison
Ron Salmons, Hamlin

# Eleventh Circuit

(Kanawha)

Ken D. Ballard, Charleston Robert M. Montgomery, Charleston Jim Douglas, Charleston Lera K. VanMeter, Charleston R. Joseph Zak, Charleston

#### Twelfth Circuit

(McDowell and Mercer)
Anthony Bisaha, Athens
Lisa K. Clark, Bluefield
Mary Ellen Griffith, Princeton

## Thirteenth Circuit

(Raleigh, Summers, and Wyoming)
H. Suzanne McGraw, Beckley
Louise G. Goldston, Mullens
Eric Shuck, Beckley

#### Fourteenth Circuit

(Fayette)

Matthew Dean England, Fayetteville

# Fifteenth Circuit

(Greenbrier and Monroe)
David M. Sanders (D), Alderson

#### Sixteenth Circuit

(Clay and Nicholas)

William Dorsey, Summersville

# Seventeenth Circuit

(Braxton, Lewis, and Upshur) Theresa Turner, Weston Eighteenth Circuit (Doddridge and Harrison) Lori Betler Jackson, Clarksburg Peter Conley, Clarksburg

Nineteenth Circuit (Marion)
Susan Riffle, Fairmont

Twentieth Circuit (Monongalia and Preston) Patricia Tolle Hill, Morgantown Randal A. Minor, Bruceton Mills

Twenty-First Circuit (Barbour and Taylor) Karen Johnson, Philippi

Twenty-Second Circuit (Randolph and Tucker) Lori Haynes, Elkins Twenty-Third Circuit (Hampshire, Mineral, and Morgan) Glen R. Stotler, Berkeley Springs Deanna Rock, Berkeley Springs

Twenty-Fourth Circuit (Berkeley and Jefferson)
David P. Greenberg, Martinsburg
Sally G. Jackson, Martinsburg
David Camiletti, Martinsburg

Twenty-Fifth Circuit (Grant, Hardy, and Pendleton)
Jeffrey R. Roth, Moorefield

Twenty-Sixth Circuit (*Putnam*)
Richard Witt, Hurricane

Twenty-Seventh Circuit (Pocahontas and Webster)
Joyce Merton, Webster Springs

# 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 in non-partisan races to four-year terms. The current terms expire December, 2020. Salary is \$57,500 beginning January 1, 2017 (\$50-1-3).

Barbour County	Clay County	Hardy County	Lincoln County
Kathi McBee	Jeffrey W. Boggs	Shawna Crites	Kim Clayton
Daniel Harris	Charles Rider	Craig A. Hose	Sophia J. Tully
Berkeley County	Doddridge County	Harrison County	Logan County
Betty Carpenter-Hersh	Olivia Adams	Frank A. DeMarco	Leonard Codispoti
Charles Cole Sr.	Jamie Lou Moran	Mark A. Gorby	Joe Mendez
Robert Lowe II	Janne Lou Iviolan	Donald Kepp	Dwight A. Williamson
William H. Norris	Fayette County	Keith W. Marple	Dwight 11. Williamson
Harry Snow	Leonard Bickford	Tammy F. Marple	Marion County
Tiarry Snow	Sharon R. McGraw	rammy 1. Waipic	Mark Hayes
Boone County	Samuel Parsons	Jackson County	Melissa Pride Linger
Neil Byrnside	Danita G. Young	Jacqueline R. Casto	Hank E. Middlemas
Danny B. Moore Jr.	Danita G. Toung	William T. Reynolds	Todd Rundle
Dainly B. Woole Ji.	Gilmer County	william 1. Reynolds	rodd Ruiidic
Braxton County	Alton Skinner II	Jefferson County	Marshall County
David Singleton	Carol L. Wolfe	Gail C. Boober	Mark A. Kerwood
Mary Beth Smith		Mary P. Rissler	David McLaughlin
	Grant County	William E. Senseney	Tom Wood
Brooke County	Willard L. Earle II	,	
Robin L. Snyder	Emory Feaster	Kanawha County	Mason County
Daniell Diserio	,	Josanna Kim Aaron	Cheryl M. Ross
	Greenbrier County	Rusty Casto	Gail L. Roush
Cabell County	Charles D. Beard	Brent Hall	
Rondall L. Baumgardner	Kimberly Johnson	Timothy C. Halloran	McDowell County
Darrell G. Black	Brenda J. Smith	Pete C. Lopez	Steve L. Cox
Dan Ferguson	, and the second second	Jack Pauley	Daniel Mitchell
Daniel M. Goheen	Hampshire County	Angela Perdue	James Richard VanDyke
John H. McCallister	Ronald DiCiolla	Joseph L.Shelton	•
Danne Vance	John Rohrbaugh	Michael Sisson	Mercer County
Michael J. Woelfel		Traci L. Strickland	Michael D. Flanigan
	Hancock County		Sandra Dorsey
Calhoun County	William S. Hicks	Lewis County	William Holroyd
Lora Davis	Michael W. Powell	Roger Clem Jr.	Susan C. Honaker
Richard G. Postalwait	Michael White	Michael Gissy	Charles N. Poe

Mineral County
Patrick Amoroso
David C. Harman

Mingo County Jim Harrey Davis Justice Donald Sansom

Monongalia County Saundra K. Holepit Hershel R. Mullins James E. Nabors Darris J. Summers

Monroe County Frank Basile Kevin L. Miller

Morgan County Kermit M. Ambrose Debra Ditto

Nicholas County Sarah Meadows Brown Mike Hanks Doren W. Plummer

Ohio County Charles W. Murphy Patricia L. Murphy Harry A. Radcliffe Joseph E. Roxby

Pendleton County Andrew M. Hinkle Kevin Puffenberger

**Pleasants County** Randy Nutter Lisa Taylor

Pocahontas County Cynthia Broce-Kelley Carrie Wilfong

Preston County Lewis F. Ault Harold E. Jenkins Jr. Rudolph Ward

Putnam County Elizabeth Kylene Brown Linda J. Hunt

Raleigh County Charles R. Humphrey Richard D. Jones Stephen D. Massie Tomi S. Peck Gregory W. Tanner Randolph County Robert R. Elbon Jr. George M. Riggleman Benjamin E. Shepler

Ritchie County Teresa C. Harper David Wayne Haugh

Roane County Jason D. Bennett Ronald White

Summers County Jack K. Hellems Jack W. Jeffries Jr.

Taylor County Robert Bolton, III Rick Reese

Tucker County Riley H. Barb William Miller

Tyler County Michael K. Griffin Mary Dotson Upshur County John M. Coffman Kay Hurst

Wayne County David Ferguson Billy Runyan Randall W. Wiles

Webster County Ryan Bruffy Richard S. Robertson

Wetzel County Judith P. Goontz Thomas J. Shepherd

Wirt County Charles David Roberts Janey I. Wigal

Wood County Joe Kuhl Brenda K. Marshall Joyce S. Purkey Robin Waters

Wyoming County Jeff Barlow James R. Boles Donald C. Cook

# JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA, 1863-2018

DIED	Nov. 8, 1902	Dec. 31, 1870	Oct.28, 1900	Feb. 5, 1903	July 7, 1904	Nov. 18, 1877	May 11, 1875	Dec. 15, 1893	June 29, 1887	Dec. 4, 1889	June 16, 1903	Mar. 30, 1882	June 24, 1896	Feb. 17, 1897	Nov. 24, 1914	July 18, 1916	July 24, 1909	Jan. 7, 1898	Sept. 11, 1909	April 15, 1913	Mar. 20, 1951	Dec. 29, 1920	Sept. 18, 1940	Feb. 17, 1927	Aug. 7, 1928	Oct.28, 1951	Oct. 28, 1921	Sept. 9, 1932	April 23, 1917	April 10, 1948	Aug. 22, 1947	April 18, 1942	Aug. 12, 1930
ELECTED	1863	1863	1863	1866	1870	1872	1872	1872		1876	1876		1882, 1884	1884	1888	1888	1890	1892	1892	1896	1900		1904	1904	1908	1908	1908	1912		1916	1920		1922
APPOINTED OR RESIGNED	*Sept. 10, 1868	†Sept. 1, 1868			†June 1, 1881	†June 1, 1876		†Jan. 1, 1883	*June 13, 1875	*Dec. 24, 1875		*June 1, 1881	*June 1, 1882, †Nov. 8, 1890	Jan. 1, 1883			*Dec. 11, 1889	*Nov. 7, 1890			†Dec. 31, 1922	*Jan. 17, 1903	†Jan. 28, 1907	†Oct. 1, 1907	*Jan. 29, 1907	*Oct. 15, 1907, †Oct. 26, 1915		†Dec. 31, 1921	*Nov. 1, 1915	†Nov. 30, 1922		*Jan. 2, 1922	
BORN	April 8, 1816	Aug. 27, 1795	Dec 25, 1818	July 16, 1825	Feb. 8, 1831	June 25, 1821	July 6, 1818	Dec. 15, 1823	Sept. 9, 1814	Nov. 5, 1820	Mar. 24, 1834	Sept. 19, 1843	Mar. 26, 1834	Sept. 19, 1822	Nov. 27, 1837	Jan. 31, 1831	Mar. 16, 1836	April 27, 1831	April 18, 1849	Feb. 20, 1836	Nov. 24, 1861	April 2, 1848	June 18, 1862	Aug. 26, 1866	Oct. 18, 1855	Sept. 16, 1869	Oct. 18, 1856	Mar. 11, 1851	Jan. 13, 1842	July 25, 1873	Nov. 18, 1864	Jan. 27, 1875	Dec. 22, 1855
SERVICE	1863-66, 1869-72	1863-68	1863-70	1867-72	1871-81	1873-75	1873-75	1873-82	1876	1876-89	1877-88	1881-82	1882-90	1883-88	1889-12	1889-00	1890-92	1890-96	1893-04	1897-08	1901-22	1903-04	1905-07	1905-07	1907-28	1907-15	1909-20	1931-21	1915-16	1917-22	1921-32	1922-24	1923-24
POLITICS	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	‡DemRep.	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Republican	Democrat
COUNTY	Monongalia	Harrison	Kanawha	Harrison	Mason	Harrison	Ohio	Marion	Lewis	Jefferson	Wood	Monroe	Greenbrier	Barbour	Lewis	Mason	Jefferson	Greenbrier	Taylor	Kanawha	Mason	Jackson	Monongalia	Mercer	Wood	Taylor	Greenbrier	Harrison	Marion	Mercer	Kanawha	Marion	Raleigh
NAME	Ralph Lazier Berkshire	William A. Harrison	James H. Brown	Edwin Maxwell	Charles P. T. Moore	John S. Huffman	James Paull	Alpheus F. Haymond	Matthew Edmiston	Thomas C. Green	Okey Johnson	James French Patton	Adam C. Snyder	Samuel Woods	Henry Brannon	John W. English	Daniel B. Lucas	Homer A. Holt	Marmaduke H. Dent	Henry C. McWhorter	George Poffenbarger	Warren Miller	Frank Cox	Joseph M. Sanders	William N. Miller	Ira E. Robinson	L. Judson Williams	Charles, W. Lynch	John W. Mason	Harold A. Ritz	Frank Lively	James A. Meredith	William H. McGinnis
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No.	NAME	COUNTY	POLITICS	SERVICE	BORN	APPOINTED OR RESIGNED ELECTED	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
9	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. 19, 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	tJan. 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	Thornton 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
90	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 Neely	Marion	Democrat	1973-95	Aug. 2, 1941	†April 15, 1995	1973	
99	Edwin F. Flowers	Hancock	Republican	1975-76	April 26, 1930	*Sept. 8, 1975		
57	Donald R. Wilson	Jackson	Republican	9261	May 17, 1917	*Jan, 26, 1967		Nov. 28, 1983
58	Sam R. Harshbarger	Cabell	Democrat	1977-84	Sept. 9, 1928		1977	Sept. 6, 1992
65	Thomas B. Miller	Ohio	Democrat	1977-94	May 4, 1929	†Aug. 31, 1994	1977	
09	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. Cleckley	Monongalia	Democrat	1994-96	Aug. 1, 1940	*Sept. 6, 1994		August 14, 2017
65	Arthur M. Recht	Ohio	Democrat	1994-96	Feb. 4, 1938	*May 26, 1995		
99	Joseph P. Albright	Wood	Democrat	1995-96	Nov. 8, 1938	*Sept. 26, 1995		March 20, 2009

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29	Robin Davis	Kanawha	Democrat	1997-2018	April 6, 1956	†Aug. 13, 2018	1996	
89	Larry Starcher	Monongalia	Democrat	1997-2008	Sept. 25, 1942		1996	
69	Elliott Maynard	Mingo	Democrat	1997-2008	Dec. 8. 1942		1996	May 1, 2014
20	John F. McCuskey	Kanawha	Republican	1998	Nov. 7, 1947	*Jan. 12, 1998		
71	Warren R. McGraw	Wyoming	Democrat	1999-2004	May 10, 1939		1998	
72	George M. Scott	Roane	Republican	1999-2000	Aug. 5, 1920	*Nov. 4, 1999		
73	Joseph P. Albright	Wood	Democrat	2001-2009	Nov. 8, 1938		2000	March 20, 2009
74	Brent D. Benjamin	Kanawha	Republican	2005-2016	July 3, 1957		2004	
75	Menis E. Ketchum II	Wayne	Democrat	2009-2018	Jan. 31, 1943	†July 27, 2018	2008	
92	Margaret L. Workman	Kanawha	Democrat	2009-present	May 22, 1947		2008	
77	Thomas E. McHugh	Kanawha	Democrat	2009-2011	March 26, 1936	*Sept. 1, 2008	2010	
78	Allen H. Loughry II	Kanawha	Republican	2013-2018	August 9, 1970	†Feb. 16, 2018	2012	
79	Elizabeth D. Walker	Kanawha		2016-present	March 24, 1965		2016**	
80	Tim Armstead	Kanawha		2018-present	Feb. 26, 1965	*Sept. 25, 2018		
81	Evan Jenkins	Cabell		2018-present	Sept. 12, 1960	*Oct. 1, 2018		

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

<sup>\*\*</sup>Footnose. Effective with the primary election of 2016, all elections for judicial officers will be nonpartisan. All indications of parry identifcation on election ballots for judicial officers shall be omitted.

