



Patrick Morrissey
Office of the Governor

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TO: The Honorable Members of the
West Virginia Senate

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following nominations for your advice and consent:

1. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Administration, the Honorable Eric Householder, Martinsburg, Berkeley County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
2. For Curator and Acting Secretary, West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture, and History, Ennis Smith, Charleston, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
3. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Commerce, Dr. Matthew L. Herridge, Williamstown, Wood County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
4. For Acting Secretary, West Virginia Department of Economic Development, Michael R. Graney, Charleston, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
5. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Harold D. Ward, Lake, Logan County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.

6. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Health, Dr. Arvinjit Singh, EdD, MBA, MPH, MS, FACHE, Charleston, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
7. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Human Services, Alex Mayer, Charleston, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
8. For Adjutant General, West Virginia National Guard, Major General James D. Seward, Charleston, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
9. For Acting Executive Director, West Virginia Parkways Authority, Parrish T. French, Winfield, Putnam County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
10. For Acting Director, West Virginia Public Employee Insurance Agency, Jason A. Haight, Culloden, Putnam County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
11. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Revenue, the Honorable Eric Nelson Jr., Charleston, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
12. For Superintendent, West Virginia State Police, James L. Mitchell, Mount Hope, Fayette County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
13. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Transportation, and Commissioner of the Division of Highways, Stephen Todd Rumbaugh P.E., Winifrede, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
14. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Tourism, Chelsea A. Ruby, Charleston, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
15. For Secretary, West Virginia Department of Veterans' Assistance, the Honorable Edward Ryan Kennedy, Clarksburg, Harrison County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
16. For Commissioner, West Virginia Bureau of Senior Services, the Honorable Dianna Graves, Charleston, Kanawha County, to serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor.
17. For Member, Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College Board of Governors, the Honorable Sonya M. Dingess Porter, Chapmanville, Logan County, for the term ending June 30, 2027.

18. For Member, Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College Board of Governors, Scotty Dingess, Chapmanville, Logan County, for the term ending June 30, 2026.

Sincerely,



Patrick Morrissey
Governor

PM: SW, MF

cc: Clerk of the Senate
Senate Confirmations Chair