# STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

### **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

#### At Charleston

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## By the Governor

WHEREAS, the retirement of the Honorable Robin Jean Davis has caused a vacancy in the office of Justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section seven of the Constitution of West Virginia provides that if from any cause a vacancy shall occur in the office of a Justice of the Supreme Court, the Governor shall issue a directive of election to fill such vacancy in the manner prescribed by law for electing a Justice of the Supreme Court, and the Justice shall be elected for the unexpired term; and

WHEREAS, Section three, Article ten, Chapter three of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, provides that where an unexpired term of office for a Justice of the Supreme Court is for a period of more than two years, the vacancy shall be filled by a successor who has timely filed a certificate of candidacy and has been elected in a non-partisan election and qualified to fill the unexpired term; and

WHEREAS, at the time of Justice Davis' retirement, more than two years remained unexpired in the term of office of Justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM JUSTICE, Governor of the State of West Virginia, under the authority vested in me by the Constitution of West Virginia and the laws of this State, do hereby proclaim and declare that the unexpired term of office for Justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals shall be filled by the voters of West Virginia at an election to be held concurrently with the general election held on the sixth day of November, Two Thousand Eighteen.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.



By the Governor

**DONE** at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the fourteenth day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eighteen, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Sixth year of the State.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE

Mac Warner