

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

RE: RECALL OF THE HONORABLE JAMES J. ROWE TO ACTIVE SERVICE TO THE TWENTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BEGINNING ON JUNE 14, 2021

The Honorable Warren R. McGraw, Judge of the Twenty-Seventh Judicial Circuit, has advised the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals that he is retiring on June 21, 2021.

To prevent undue delay in trials, hearings, and the general delivery of court services to the people of the Twenty-Seventh Judicial Circuit, and to provide timely access to the courts, the Chief Justice deems it necessary to assign a senior status judge to preside in the Twenty-Seventh Judicial Circuit until a successor takes office.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, that the Honorable James J. Rowe, Senior Status Judge, be, and he hereby is, recalled for temporary assignment to preside in the Twenty-Seventh Judicial Circuit under the provisions of Article VIII, §§ 3 and 8 of the Constitution of West Virginia and West Virginia Code § 51-9-10, with said assignment to begin on June 14, 2021, and continue until a successor is appointed by the Governor, sworn into office, and assumes the official duties of the office. Judge Rowe's assignment will begin a week prior to Judge McGraw's retirement to allow him access to court files in preparation of any hearings and trials that are scheduled after June 21, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that, upon completion of this assignment, Judge Rowe is authorized to enter orders that would conclude matters considered or heard by him during this assignment.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Circuit Clerk of Wyoming County record this Order in the Office of said Clerk and that proceedings be held in the manner provided by law.

ENTERED: JUNE 11, 2021



EVAN H. JENKINS
Chief Justice