

VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF WYTHE COUNTY

In re: Petition for Writ of Special Election)
Ordering a Special Election to Fill the) Case Number: _____
Vacancy in the Office of Sheriff)

WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION

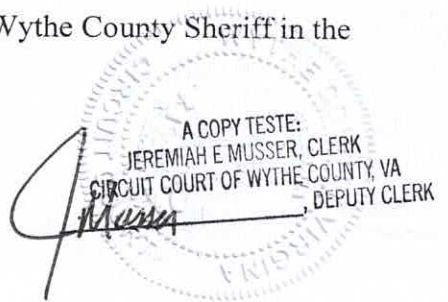
This matter came to be heard upon the Petition of the Wythe County Board of Supervisors, by counsel; and

It appearing to the Court that W. Keith Dunagan has announced his retirement as Wythe County Sheriff, effective August 1, 2021, and that the next general election of Wythe County, Virginia, will take place on November 2, 2021, at which time the County wished to hold its special election to fill this vacancy.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Charles Foster, formerly the Chief Deputy, shall be appointed as Wythe County Sheriff, effective August 1, 2021, and shall hold this office until the Special Election shall take place, and hold the same as an elected person and exercise all powers, perform all duties and be entitled to all privileges and protections afforded by law to such elected constitutional officer, until qualified voters fill the Office of Wythe County Sheriff by election and the newly elected officer has qualified and taken the oath of office;
2. Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 24.2-228.1 and 24.2-683 this Writ of Special Election is hereby issued and entered and the Wythe County Electoral Board shall take steps and prepare such means as may be necessary to hold the special election on the date of the regularly scheduled 2021 general election, **November 2, 2021**, to fill the vacancy for Wythe County Sheriff in the

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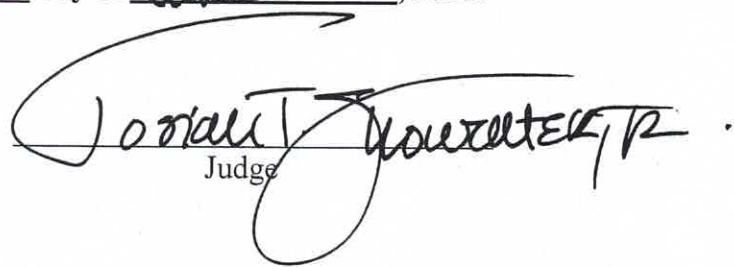


manner and at the places as would be executed for the general election to be conducted on such date;

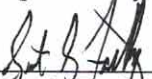
3. The Electoral Board and General Registrar of Wythe County shall observe the directives set forth in Virginia Code § 24.2-681, *et seq.*, when conducting the special election;
4. The Secretary of the Electoral Board shall cause notice of the special election to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in this jurisdiction at least ten (10) days before the Special Election and otherwise to do all other things as prescribed by law to conduct such an election of a person to serve the portion of the remaining term of the office now vacant; and
5. The Clerk of this Court shall transmit a certified copy of this Writ of Special Election to the Secretary of the Wythe County Electoral Board, the Virginia State Board of Elections, the General Registrar, the Chairman of the Wythe County Board of Supervisors, and counsel for the Petitioner.

This matter may be dismissed from the active docket of this Court and placed among the ended cases.

Entered this 8th day of June, 2021.


Judge

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