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Fourteenth Circuit Judge named Bar Foundation Fellow

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. – Fourteenth Judicial Circuit (Braxton, Clay, Gilmer, and Webster Counties) Judge Jack Alsop has been named a West Virginia Bar Foundation Fellow.

The West Virginia Bar Foundation, the philanthropic organization of the state legal profession, each year chooses lawyers and judges to become fellows whose “professional, public and private careers have demonstrated outstanding dedication to the welfare of their communities and honorable service to the legal profession.”

This year’s group of 22 new fellows will be honored at a private dinner at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at the Charleston Marriott Town Center.

Judge Alsop, a past president of the West Virginia Judicial Association, currently serves on the Legislative, Re-alignment, Pensions, and Special Needs Committees of the Judicial Association. He is a frequent speaker at continuing education seminars and is very active in the Supreme Court’s Robes to Schools program, in which he reads to school children and tells them about the judicial system.

Judge Alsop is Chairman of the Supreme Court Compliance Committee on Prisons and Jails. He was Chairman of the West Virginia Regional Jail and Correctional Facilities Authority under Governor Gaston Caperton from 1989 until his appointment to the bench in 1996.

Judge Alsop was re-elected in 1998, 2000, and 2008. He previously served as Webster County Prosecuting Attorney from 1985 to 1989 and was a sole practitioner in Webster Springs from 1977 to 1996.

He is Co-Director of the Webster County Woodchopping Festival.

Judge Alsop has a 1973 bachelor’s degree from West Virginia University and a 1977 law degree from West Virginia University College of Law.

He and his wife, Linda, live in Webster Springs. Their son, Rob, is an attorney and is Chief of Staff to Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin; daughter Jill has a doctoral degree in physical therapy and practices in the Charleston area; and daughter Jenny is an optometrist in Richmond, Va. The judge and his wife have five grandchildren.

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