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New circuit judge to take office in Lewis, Upshur Counties on August 9

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WESTON, W.Va. – Harrison County Assistant Prosecutor Kurt W. Hall will be sworn in as a judge in the Twenty-Sixth Judicial Circuit (Lewis and Upshur Counties) during a ceremony at 9 a.m. Friday, August 9, in the circuit court courtroom in the new Lewis County Judicial Annex in Weston. He will begin working as a judge that day.

Although the annex is not yet open for business, it will be open for this event, at which the public is welcome.

Senior Status Judge John L. Henning will deliver the oath of office.

Then-Chief Justice Menis Ketchum appointed Judge Henning to serve in the Twenty-Sixth Circuit on December 28, 2012, when he learned of the January 31, 2013, retirement of Judge Thomas Keadle. Judge Henning began serving in the two counties on February 1.

Mr. Hall has a bachelor of science in Mining Engineering Technology from Fairmont State University. He worked as a Project Engineer/Certified Mine Foreman's Assistant before earning a law degree from West Virginia University College of Law in 1995.

Hall was a law clerk in an Elkins law firm, a Public Defender in the Second Judicial Circuit (Marshall, Tyler, and Wetzel Counties) and then a Randolph County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney. For the last eleven years he has been an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in Harrison County.

He is a member of the Lewis County Democratic Executive Committee and the Lewis County Senior Center Board of Directors. He and his wife, Liz, live in Jane Lew with their three children.

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