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### **New Magistrate Appointed in Kanawha County**

For immediate release Thursday, January 2, 2020

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – Thirteenth Judicial Circuit (Kanawha County) Chief Judge Charles E. King, Jr. announced that this morning he has appointed Gary Q. Sheff as Kanawha County Magistrate. Sheff replaces Tim Halloran, who retired at the end of 2019.

“Sheff’s ties to the business community and his long track record of working to improve the lives of youth and families make him ideal for the position of magistrate,” Judge King said.

Sheff has a bachelor’s degree in business from West Virginia State University. He has worked in the health care and commercial design furniture business for 29 years. Sheff has devoted himself to youths and families through his volunteer efforts with Family Counseling Connection (Board Chairman 2008 to 2010) and through the Charleston Church Recreation Association (President 1994 to present). Sheff has also served as a local basketball official and softball umpire for 20 years.

Sheff said, “I am honored to be appointed by Chief Judge King to this important position. There is nothing more important to me than being a part of improving lives in our community. I pledge to bring to this office a strong work ethic and fair and impartial judgment.”

**Sheff will be sworn in at 4 p.m. today, January 2, 2020 in the courtroom of Judge Duke Bloom on the fifth floor of the Kanawha County Judicial Building, 111 Court Street, Charleston.**

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