

# JUDGE MCLAUGHLIN

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## Friends of Debra McLaughlin

4253 Martinsburg Road  
Berkeley Springs, WV 25411

Dear Ms.

My name is Bill Wright. I am a volunteer serving on the committee, 'Friends of Debra McLaughlin'. Following Judge Yoder's passing, the governor appointed Debra McLaughlin to fill his vacancy in WV's 23<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit Court. After her appointment, Judge McLaughlin decided to campaign for this position in the election to be held on Tuesday May 8, 2018.

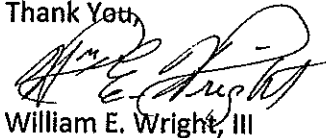
I have known Debbie and her husband, Kevin, for almost 20 years. We met while I coordinated the opening of Kevin's surgical practice and I am honored to be a Godparent of their eldest daughter. Debra has the credentials and, as former Morgan County Prosecutor, the years of trial experience needed to qualify her to be a Circuit Court Judge; but more so, she has the required work ethic, integrity and common sense. Without reservation, I wholeheartedly endorse Debra for this judgeship. I am writing to ask you for your vote and for you to consider using your personal influence to elect her.

The election of a judge is nonpartisan (neutral toward any particular political group); so voting by party affiliation is not a great concern. However, Debra faces this challenge. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court is comprised of the entire Eastern Panhandle and while her name is well known in Morgan County, it is much less recognized in Jefferson and Berkeley Counties and when a voter does not recognize a candidate's name, they tend to vote for a candidate from their 'home' county. Because the majority of 'eastern panhandle' voters live in Jefferson and Berkeley we must increase Debra McLaughlin's name recognition in those counties.

Debbie is attempting to reach voters through personally attending parades, dinners and the website [judgemclaughlin.com](http://judgemclaughlin.com); however, there is only so much time a 'sitting judge' can dedicate to personal campaigning. In order to effectively obtain the desired name recognition, it is necessary to utilize costly conventional promotional outlets.

Because campaigning for a judgeship is non-partisan, Judge McLaughlin will not receive funding from any political party and obviously, she cannot directly solicit contributions. So, the challenge of fundraising is left to supporters like me. If you agree that the election of well qualified judges is important, I ask you to consider making a contribution. If you would like to do so, please see the enclosed.

Thank You,



William E. Wright, III

Secretary, Friends of Debra McLaughlin

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Obviously, campaigning is expensive and we can't do this effectively without grassroots financial support.

If you value electing a judge possessing qualities of humility and integrity, who serves impartially and with an even hand, please join us by making a personal contribution in any amount and (*more important*) vote for Judge Debra McLaughlin on Election Day 'Tuesday May 8, 2018'.

*Debra McLaughlin currently serves as a Judge in West Virginia's (Eastern Panhandle) 23rd Judicial Circuit Court.*

*We, the committee 'Friends of Debra McLaughlin', know her well and are working to make Judge McLaughlin's name and qualifications known. For this reason, we are reaching out to you.*

*The Law: The value of an individual's contribution must not exceed \$1,000 per primary election and \$1,000 per general election. For all contributions, the contributor, contribution amount and date received must be reported (also address, occupation & employer if over \$250). Contributions are not tax deductible but are needed and appreciated!*

- Contributions by Check cannot be more than \$1,000 (Make payable to Friends of Debra McLaughlin)*
- Contribution by Debit or Credit Card can be made via our website at [judgемcLaughlin.com](http://judgемcLaughlin.com)*
- Cash Contributions cannot be more than \$50*

*Please complete and mail this form with your contribution.*

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contributor \_\_\_\_\_

*- If contributing more than \$250, please also provide -*

Residential Address \_\_\_\_\_ Contributor's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank You*  
*in advance for*  
*your vote and your*  
*financial support.*

*- Friends of Debra McLaughlin*

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