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# From Whence We Came



## Meet Our Honorees

West Virginia Civil Rights Day

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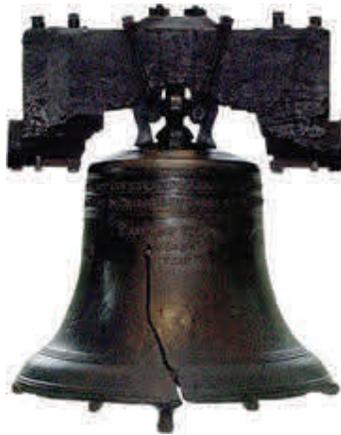
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*Joe & Gayle Manchin  
Governor and First Lady  
of West Virginia*



**PROCLAMATION**  
*by*  
**Governor Joe Manchin III**

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- Whereas,** equal rights and opportunities for all West Virginians are fundamental to our well-being, and these rights and opportunities are protected in our Declaration of Independence and in our state's Constitution; and,
- Whereas,** equal opportunities in employment, public accommodations and housing are public policy in West Virginia; and,
- Whereas,** the West Virginia Legislature created the Human Rights Act prohibiting discrimination in employment and in places of public accommodations based on race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, age or disability; and,
- Whereas,** the West Virginia Human Rights Commission encourages mutual respect among all racial, religious and ethnic groups within the state; and,
- Whereas,** it works cooperatively with government agencies, community and civic organizations and representatives of minority groups to promote programs and campaigns devoted to the achievement of tolerance, understanding and equal protection of the law;

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Joe Manchin III, Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim **February 22, 2007**, as:

***Civil Rights Day***

in the Mountain State.

**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

**Done** at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Seven and in the One Hundred Forty-fourth year of the State.



*Joe Manchin III*  
Governor

By the Governor:

*Betty Ireland*  
Secretary of State



DR. CHARLES R. BYRD  
POSTHUMOUSLY

Immediately following the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, Dr. Charles Byrd was active in helping integrate West Virginia State College to facilitate “equal protection principles” across the board. He was one of the civil rights leaders in higher education in West Virginia in the 1950s and 1960s.

A graduate of Hampton University, Dr. Charles Byrd earned a B.S. degree in Technology Education. He received his master’s degree from New York University, and his Doctorate in Communications from Syracuse University.

Dr. Charles Byrd worked at West Virginia State College (now University) for fifty years. The majority of his fifty years in education were spent at West Virginia State College. Dr. Byrd was also an employee with the West Virginia State Department of Education for several years.

He was an active member in community and civic organizations including: The Charleston Lion’s Club, of which he was President. He later served as the first African American District Governor of West Virginia. He was also a member of the Board of Directors of Goodwill Industries, the Kanawha County- Charleston Area Animal Shelter, the Nitro City Planning Commission, the West Virginia Public Broadcasting Authority, and was the Chairmen of the Nitro Fire Civil Service Commission. He was a member of Upsilon Boule of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, and a lifetime member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. In 1999, Dr. Byrd was introduced into the West Virginia State College “W-Club” Hall of Fame.

Dr. Charles R. Byrd, who passed away on September 9, 2004, and his wife Charlene have devoted their entire adult lives to civil rights thru their work in education. At a time in our history when integration was new, they helped move our segregated society toward integration long before it became “acceptable” to do so. Their efforts greatly affected the pace of integration in the Kanawha County public school system.



ANNA EVANS GILMER

Anna Evans Gilmer, a Charleston, WV native and historian, has been documenting histories for her family, church, community and state for 30 years. In segregated schools, Boyd Junior, Garnet High and Bluefield State College, she learned that the pen is mightier than the sword. From 1967 until 1973, Mrs. Gilmer was the first black female to teach at Sissonville Senior High School, a white school, which had only one black student.

Her passion for recording history began when she made a Family Reunion Booklet of photos, beginning in the first decade of the 1900's, to share the photos with the extended family. These photos were part of a Black History Exhibit at the WV Cultural Center. Later, the WV Division of Culture and History gave the photos a permanent spot on the State's web site.

Mrs. Gilmer was an active member of a Statewide Planning Committee of the Alliance for the Collection, Preservation and Dissemination of WV Black History. She was an advisor in the preservation of the historic African Zion Baptist Church, Malden, and its archives. As a member of a special committee for the WV Women's Commission, she researched and wrote some of the entries in the Commission's 2002 book, a sampling of WV's African American Women of Distinction.

Mrs. Gilmer's news stories have been in the **WV Beacon Digest** since 1978. A book, **Black Past**, which she co-authored with the late photographer, James D. Randall in 1989, compiled many of these stories.

Her awards and honors include: Living the Dream Award for Scholarship, a History Hero Award by the WV Cultural Center, Garnet Foundation Hall of Fame Award and a Celebrate Women Award by the WV Women's Commission as an Unsung Hero.

Anna Evans Gilmer and her late husband of 58 years, Rev. Dr. Paul J. Gilmer, built a legacy of faith and achievement. Their children are: Paul, Jr.; Rodney "Rocky;" Vikki; Charles and Janet.



### THE HONORABLE MICHAEL KELLY

Judge Kelly is a native of Homestead, Pennsylvania. He graduated from West Virginia University and received his law degree from Pitt University.

Judge Kelly began his legal career in West Virginia working in Mingo County in 1976 with Appalachian Research and Development Fund (APPALRED) covering a wide range of civil matters. Also, he was the Interim Executive Director, at the Legal Aid Society of Charleston.

He was the Assistant Administrative Director in the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals in charge of statewide administration of the Magistrate Courts, judicial education for magistrates and investigation of complaints from 1981-1983. He was the first Executive Director, Juvenile Justice Committee of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals.

While Deputy Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division of the West Virginia Attorney General's Office, Judge Kelly was the chief litigator for administrative, trial court and appellate cases involving the West Virginia Human Rights Commission and alleged violations of the West Virginia Human Rights Act from 1989 through 1991.

From April 1991 to October 1999, Mr. Kelly was in a private practice specializing in employment and civil rights law, rights of the disabled and education law. He was the primary attorney in hundreds of civil rights cases in state circuit courts, the U.S. District Court and before administrative bodies, with extensive trial and appellate experience. He was appointed an administrative law judge pro tempore by the West Virginia Human Rights Commission.

Judge Kelly is currently a Family Circuit Judge in the Eleventh Family Court Circuit for Kanawha County. He was Chief Judge in the Eleventh Family Circuit in 2002 and 2006. During his tenure as the Chief Judge, he implemented a formal Bench/Bar Committee for the Circuit and a separate Citizens Advisory Council to assist in addressing community issues relevant to Family Court.



RASHIDA KHAKOO, M.D.

For many years Dr. Khakoo has worked for the advancement of women. She is a graduate of Makerere University Medical School, Kampala, Uganda 1964-1969, and Azania Secondary School, Dar es Salaam, Cambridge University, Higher School Certificate, January 1962-November 1963. Among her many honors is the WVU Foundation Outstanding Teacher Award 1995 and 1996. As Chair of the Faculty Development Advisory Committee as well as Assistant Vice President of Health Sciences and Faculty Development, Dr. Khakoo creates an environment that is conducive to the growth and advancement of women at the Health Sciences Center. As the mentor to many young medical students as well as junior faculty members, she helped them navigate through academia. Dr. Khakoo's impact as a role model is evident by the fact that she has been nominated and awarded year after year for her outstanding teaching. She is seen as a role model for men and women alike with regards to teaching excellence and her passion to encourage others to be accomplished educators.

Dr. Khakoo has worked tirelessly as the United States Chairman of the Aga Khan Foundation National Committee which provides oversight for the programs in health education in developing countries such as in Asia and East Africa. The Aga Khan Foundation is a non-denominational, international development agency established in 1967, by his Highness Aga Khan. Its mission is to develop and promote creative solutions to problems that impede social development, primarily in Asia and East Africa. Created as a private, non-profit foundation under Swiss law, the Foundation has branches and independent affiliates in 15 countries. It is a modern vehicle for traditional philanthropy in the Ismaili Muslim community under the leadership of the Aga Khan.

For almost six years Khakoo has worked tirelessly for the mission of the Faculty Development Program to assist faculty, students and staff recognize their potential. When one thinks of outstanding leadership at the West Virginia University Health Sciences Center one thinks of Rashida Khakoo.



JOHN E. LYNCH, JR.  
POSTHUMOUSLY

John E. Lynch, Jr., was a conciliator for the West Virginia Human Rights Commission and was formally recognized by the Commission for his contribution in reducing the backlog of cases at the Commission. He is credited with reducing the backlog considerably during the time he worked as a conciliator.

Mr. Lynch was a native West Virginian was born in Harewood. He attended Du-Bois High School in Mt. Hope. He graduated in 1937, and four years later received a degree in education from West Virginia State College.

After college, Mr. Lynch was a teacher in Wirt County; until 1943 when he joined the Navy. From 1947 to 1961, he was self-employed. In 1961, he was appointed Parole Officer and Director of Juvenile Field Services for the State Department of Corrections; until 1968 when he came to the West Virginia Human Rights Commission as a Field Representative. Also in 1968, he was appointed to the Governor's Committee on Crime, Delinquency and Corrections.

His community involvement began in 1945 when he became an active member of the NAACP. He was also a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi, the Congress of Racial Equality, the Masonic Lodge and Levi First Baptist Church.

He and his wife, Margaret, were been married for 35 years, have one daughter and grandchildren.



### THE HONORABLE CHARLENE MARSHALL

In 1998, Delegate Marshall was elected to represent the 44th District. She is currently serving in her 4th term in the West Virginia House of Delegates. She served on the West Virginia Human Rights Commission for eight years and was Commission Chair for five of those years.

Delegate Marshall grew up in the coal-mining town of Osage, and is a life-long resident of Monongalia County. She is a graduate of the public school system, and grew up during the era of segregated schools. Her father, step-father and a grandfather all died in mining accidents. In 1963, she was the first African-American woman to be hired at Sterling Faucet, where she worked for 15 years, and served as recording secretary for Steelworkers Local 6214, the first African-American female in that union local and its only African-American woman officer. She worked actively to break down segregation in hotels and restaurants. She also served as recording secretary and director for Volunteers in Politics (VIP) for the Monongalia-Preston Labor Council. She was a member of the Morgantown Human Rights Committee and chair of that organization in the 1980s.

In April 1991, Delegate Marshall was elected to the Morgantown City Council, the first, and to date the only African-American to serve on that body. She was elected Mayor in July 1991. The first African-American woman Mayor in West Virginia, she served in that position for seven years, to date the longest-serving Mayor in Morgantown history. Delegate Marshall received the West Virginia Mayor of the Year Award in 1994. She retired as staff from West Virginia University in 1997. During her employment there, she served on both the Social Justice Council and the President's Visiting Committee for Social Justice.

She serves on many boards, such as the Valley Health Care System, the West Virginia School of Nursing Advisory Board, and the Health Sciences and Technology Local Governing Board. She is a past president of the Morgantown chapter of the NAACP, and a former member of the Mt. Laurel Chapter of the American Red Cross.

She is a recipient of the Exceptional Service in the Public Interest Award from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and received the 1992 Martin Luther King, Jr. Award from West Virginia University. Delegate Marshall attended Bluefield State College. She is married to Rogers Marshall. They have three children and four grandchildren.



ATTORNEY JAMES B. "JIM" MCINTYRE  
POSTHUMOUSLY

Few lives in Charleston were left untouched by the life and legacy of James B. McIntyre.

Born in South Charleston to Donald M. and Kathalene G. McIntyre, Attorney McIntyre was raised in Marmet. A graduate of Morris Harvey College, where he met his future wife Virginia, he attended law school at the George Washington University School of Law before returning to Charleston to begin his legal career. After a stint at the Kanawha County Prosecuting Attorney's office, he entered private practice in the early 1960s and practiced law until his retirement last year.

A champion of legal rights for the poor, Attorney McIntyre led the effort to establish the first legal aid service in West Virginia. He and his wife Virginia were moving forces behind several major issues of the 1960s, particularly in the field of civil rights. Attorney McIntyre served on the state advisory committee for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and lent his voice and energy to local civil rights efforts during the 1960s and 1970s.

Attorney McIntyre ran for mayor of Charleston in 1963, narrowly losing to John Shanklin. He was instrumental in the campaign of his law partner Jim Sprouse for governor in 1968.

He and his wife Virginia were also ardent defenders of animal rights. Attorney McIntyre served on the board of the Kanawha/ Charleston Humane Association and was instrumental in efforts to curb cruelty to animals.

Attorney McIntyre was preceded in his death by his wife Virginia. He died on December 13, 2006 at the age of seventy seven. He survived by one daughter, Molly and her husband, Mike Jordan; daughter, Libby and her husband, Mark Chatfield; son, Jim, Jr. and his wife, Mary; son John; grandchildren, Michael, Kate, Clare, Sarah, Ben; and great-grandchildren, Maddy and Ella.



MARY WILLENE HAIRSTON MOORE

Mary Willene Hairston Moore was born in Williamson, West Virginia. She is the eldest of seven children, six girls and one boy, born to Zada Stowe Hairston and the late Elbert P. F. Hairston.

Mrs. Moore attended Liberty Grade School through the third grade. She transferred in 1957, during the “integration movement,” to East Williamson Grade School. She attended Williamson High School graduating in 1966. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Berea College, Berea, KY in 1971; and her Master of Arts degree from Eastern Kentucky University in 1975. She has post-graduate credits from both Marshall University and West Virginia University. Her certification is in Music Education, Pre-Kindergarten through twelfth grade.

Mrs. Moore is a thirty-five (35) year veteran of education in Mingo County, WV. She has taught at a variety of schools, such as: Main Building Grade, West End Grade, Chattaroy Grade, Nolan Grade, and Williamson Elementary, all of which, through the process of school consolidation eventually became known as Riverside Elementary. Mrs. Moore currently teaches at Riverside and Williamson Middle School.

Mrs. Moore is a long-time member of the WVEA and a member of the Music Educators National Conference (MENC). She was among those music educators who were recognized in 2006 by the WVMEA for more than twenty-five (25) years of dedicated service as a music educator in the state of WV. In February 1996, he received the Distinguished West Virginian Award from Governor Gaston Caperton.

She is an active member of the Williamson Branch NAACP, having first joined as a youth. In 2006, she was recognized by the Branch with a plaque for services rendered as chairman of the local NAACP Program Committee. She is the president of the Huntington Chapter of LINKS, Inc.

Mrs. Moore lives in Williamson with her husband, Henry Ray Moore. They have three children, Patrick O’Brian, Henry and Sarah Elizabeth-Marie.



ROBERT L. "BOB" MORRIS  
POSTHUMOUSLY

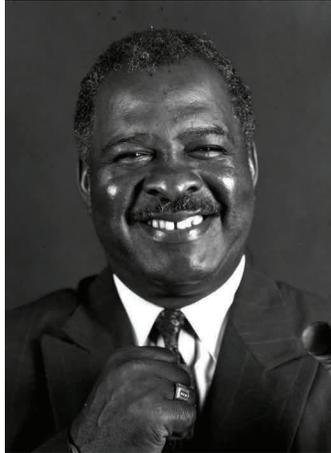
Governor Gaston Caperton appointed Mr. Robert L. "Bob" Morris to the West Virginia Human Rights Commission where he served on the Commission as a member until 2001. He served as chairperson of the Commission from 1993 until 2001. In February 1996, he received the Distinguished West Virginian Award from Governor Gaston Caperton.

Mr. Morris graduated from Hampden Sydney College in 1957 and from Morris Harvey College in 1964. From 1957 through 1973, he was employed with Columbia Gas System in Charleston. In 1973, Mr. Morris served as the vice president for personnel services for the Charleston Area Medical Center in Charleston until 1985.

He served three years as president of the Community Relations Council for the Charleston Job Corps Center for Women. He served as president of the Kanawha Valley Chapter, American Society for Training and Development and the West Virginia Hospital Personnel Directors Association.

From 1985 until 1990, he was director of external affairs at the Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins. In 1991, Mr. Morris established the Elkins Business Consultants, Inc. serving as president until his retirement. In this position, he served as chief executive officer for Tucker County Emergency and Ambulatory Center in Parsons, and for Health Facilities, Incorporated. He also served as a board member of the Tucker County Chamber of Commerce and the Tucker County Ambulance Authority and president of the United Way of Tucker County. He was an active member of the Elkins Rotary Club and was awarded the Paul Harris Fellowship.

Born June 28, 1935, in Charleston, he is the son of the late James Elbert and Ethel Bonham Morris. On September 12, 1981, he married Carol Mullins Morris, who survives him in Elkins. Also surviving is one son, Robert Lee "Robbie" Morris, Jr.



DR. TAYLOR J. PERRY, JR.

Dr. Perry was a Commissioner of the West Virginia Human Rights Commission from 1993 to 1999 and the Commission's Vice President from 1998-1999. Although he was raised in Cincinnati Ohio, most of his career has been spent in West Virginia in the area of education with his community efforts devoted to civil rights. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from West Virginia State University, a Master of Arts and Doctorate in Guidance and Counseling from West Virginia University in 1974 and 1975 respectively.

Dr. Perry served two terms as President of the Berkeley Branch of the NAACP, and is currently on the membership, voter education and education committees. Because of his active role in voter education, in 2004 the Berkeley Branch of the NAACP provided voter registration at federal agencies. In 1988, Dr. Perry coordinated the visit of Rev. Jesse Jackson, Presidential Candidate, to Berkeley County. During the same year, Dr. Perry initiated and implemented a diversity program to attract minority teachers to Berkeley County.

He has facilitated workshops for the Martinsburg City Police Department on multiculturalism and sensitivity training. Dr. Perry has been the primary person called upon by the Board of Education to assist with sensitive issues involving minority students discipline, performance, and personal problems.

Dr. Perry received the Governor's Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Award for his continued service to the community. He serves on the Shepard University Diversity and Equality Committee. He was a founder and charter member of the WV Counselors Association's Multi-cultural Committee. He is a member of the West Virginia State University Hall of Fame. Dr. Perry has served as a member of the WV Promise Scholarship Board, member and President of the Shepard College Board of Advisors

He retired from Berkeley County Board of Education in 2000, and now serves as the school system's Interim Diversity Coordinator and as the Eastern Panhandle Regional Coordinator of the WV Achievement Project.



JOSEPH CROMWELL PETERS  
POSTHUMOUSLY

Joseph C. Peters is a graduate of Aracoma High School, West Virginia State College (University) and the University of Wisconsin.

His remarkable career in West Virginia State government includes Assistant Clerk of the House Finance Committee, State Commissioner of Finance and Administration and Vice-President for Finance at Marshall University for eleven years and Division Director of the State Tax Department. After retirement, he was appointed by Governor Caperton, to the State College System Board of Directors, serving two terms as chair. In February 1996, he received the Distinguished West Virginian Award from Governor Gaston Caperton and again from Governor Joe Manchin in 2005. Mr. Peters found time for 27 years to officiate high school, college football and basketball. He was one of the first African-Americans to become a member of the West Virginia Football and Basketball Association.

His many honors included the Kappa Alpha Psi, Past Polemarch Award, and Induction into the West Virginia State College Sports Hall of Fame; a Citation from The National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education, upon a recommendation by Dr. Hazo W. Carter, Jr. He also received the West Virginia State University Alumnus of the Year Award, and the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Community Service Award. Dr. Jerry Beasley established the Joseph C. Peters Scholarship Fund in his honor at Concord University.

He received recognition in *Credit Union Executives*. In that edition of the magazine, the president of Nationwide Credit Union in Columbus, OH, with 158 million in assets, wrote, "My first job was in the late 60s. I had the privilege of working for a brilliant man, [Joseph Peters, then director of finance, at Marshall University, Huntington, WV] He used to tell me that I'd experience the same kind of difficulty getting into the business world as a women as he did as a black man, and when you get out of school, your going to have to start at the bottom. Don't consider any job too small, and no matter what they ask you to do, be the best employee they never had."



BISHOP DONALD L. PITTS

Bishop Donald L. Pitts graduated from Wheeling High School, Wheeling, West Virginia. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree from Bluefield State College in 1965, a Jurist Doctor from North Carolina Central University in 1969, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Biblical Studies from North Carolina College of Theology in 2004. He was honorably discharged from the United States Navy in 1960. Bishop Pitts was ordained an Elder in the Church of God of the Apostolic Faith in 1972 and a Bishop in the Church of God of the Apostolic Faith in 1981.

He has been active in the field of civil and human rights in West Virginia for many years. He was an Appalachian Aide from 1961 to 1972 for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He worked with the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in CORE, from 1965-68. He served as a member of the West Virginia Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights from 1961 to 1968. Bishop Pitts served as President of the Raleigh County, West Virginia, Branch of the NAACP from 1997-98 during which time he organized its first newsletter. Also, he served as a member of the President's Visiting Committee on Black American Affairs at West Virginia University from 1986 to 1992. He was the first Black President of the Raleigh County Bar Association in 1996.

His many accomplishments in the field of civil rights include organizing the State of West Virginia's participation at the Chicago Conference on New Politics in 1962; playing a key role in the integration of the Wheeling Downs Skating Rink in 1963; helping to organize the movement that led to the integration of movie theaters and restaurants in Bluefield, West Virginia; serving as one of the founders of the Bluefield State Chapter of the NAACP in 1962; traveling to West Africa to help establish churches and schools in Nigeria in 1976 and 1978; representing the NAACP in its suit against the West Virginia State Police in 1975; representing the Haitian boat people incarcerated in Federal Institutions in West Virginia and Florida; and leading the movement that resulted in the re-establishment of the Upper Ohio Valley Chapter of the NAACP in 2005.

Bishop Pitts is a distinguished author, lecturer, speaker and faith-base consultant.



MARTHA "SWEET PEA" DUNLAP SANDERS  
POSTHUMOUSLY

Martha Alberta Dunlap Sanders was born Tuesday, November 6, 1934, the only child of Dr. Sampson Dunlap and Mrs. Janie B. Dunlap. She was affectionately known as "Sweet Pea."

After graduation from Garnet High School in 1951 and from West Virginia State College in 1955, Martha married James M. Sanders of Savannah, Georgia. She loved people and enjoyed a long, distinguished career as a social services professional and advocate for American Civil Liberties; first, with the John F. Kennedy Center and the Junior League in Charleston; later, with the West Virginia Department of Human Services and finally was an investigator for the West Virginia Human Rights Commission.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church, the First Baptist Church of Vandalia Women's Bible Study, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated and also a member and past President of the Charleston Women's Improvement League. Mrs. Sanders found warmth and humor in life's day-to-day struggles and was a great encouragement to many people from all walks of life. A philosophical lesson that she shared with many was, "Don't sweat the small stuff."

Mrs. Sanders is survived by her three children: James M. Sanders, Jr. (Christi); Lewis F. Sanders, and Pamela Sanders Ellis (Byron).



### ATTORNEY CARTER ZERBE

Carter Zerbe graduated from Hampden Sydney College with a Bachelor of Science degree Political Science. He earned a Masters degree in Political Science and History from Marshall University and received his Juris Doctor degree from West Virginia University College of Law.

He spent several years working as an Assistant Attorney General in the Civil Rights Division of the West Virginia Attorney General's Office prosecuting discrimination cases under the West Virginia Human Rights Act.

He successfully argued several seminal civil rights cases before the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals and Federal District Court. He subsequently worked in the litigation unit of the West Virginia Legal Services Plan focusing on employment and environmental law. Since entering private practice, he has worked with the law firm of Hickock, Withers and Zerbe, and now as a solo practitioner limiting his practice to Social Security Disability and DUI defense.

With respect to Social Security Disability, he has represented thousands of claimants and has successfully pursued numerous claims in Federal Court. He is a former Chairman of the Social Security Committee of the State Bar, and a member of the National Organization of Social Security Claimant's Representative. He has been on the faculty of numerous Social Security seminars.

In connection with DUI's, he is one of the founders of the West Virginia Society for Criminal Justice, an organization devoted to DUI defense. He has attended numerous national DUI seminars in various parts of the country and has lectured at a number of DUI seminars. He is a certified instructor on standardized field sobriety testing. He has successfully defended numerous DUI cases in jury trials, administrative hearings and appeals.

Mr. Zerbe is also a member of the West Virginia State Bar and the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

## The 2006 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees



**Carole "Cookie" Glasser**



**Kent S. Hall**



**Della Louise Brown Taylor  
Hardman, Ph.D.  
(Posthumously)**



**Ken Hechler, Ph.D.**



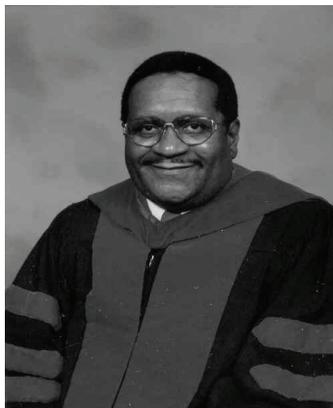
**Mildred Ruth T. Holt**



**Mentola Joyce Jackson**



**The Reverend Doctor Patricia  
Ann Jarvis, D.Min.**



**The Reverend Doctor  
David A. Kates  
(Posthumously)**



**Attorney J. Franklin Long**

## The 2006 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees

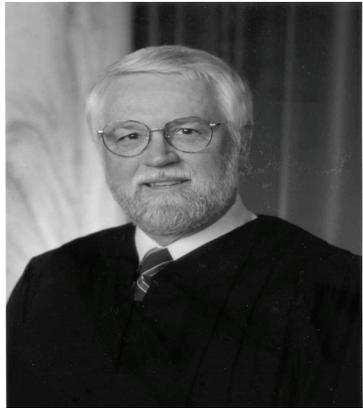
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**Anna L. McCright**



**Edward L. Peeks**



**The Honorable  
Larry V. Starcher**



**Clarence Wanzer**



## The 2005 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees

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**Attorney Willard L.  
Brown  
(Posthumously)**



**The Honorable  
Herman G. Canady, Jr.**



**Attorney Harry Jhe-  
opart Capehart  
(Posthumously)**



**Elizabeth E. Chilton**



**William E. "Ned" Chil-  
ton (Posthumously)**



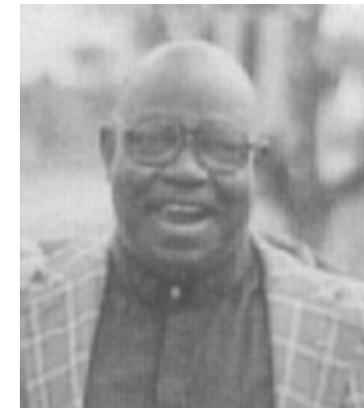
**Gustavus Werber  
Cleckley (Posthumously)**



**Savannah R. Evans**



**Faith Holsaert**



**Reverend Dr. Idus  
Jones, Jr.**

**The 2005 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees (Cont.)**



**Cora Francis  
Coleman Jones  
(Posthumously)**



**The Honorable  
A. James Manchin  
(Posthumously)**



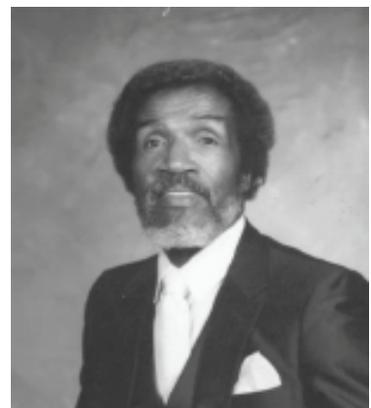
**Dr. Virgil E.  
Matthews**



**Blanche Wade**



**Attorney Thomas G.  
Nutter  
(Posthumously)**



**The Reverend Dr. David  
Louis Smith  
(Posthumously)**



**Dr. John Warner, Jr.**



**Richard G. Walker**



**William L. Williams, Jr.**

## The 2005 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees (Cont.)

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**The Reverend Dr.  
F. Emerson Wood**

## The 2004 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees

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**Dr. Elayne Croxier  
Abnathy**



**Dr. Mildred Mitchell  
Bateman**



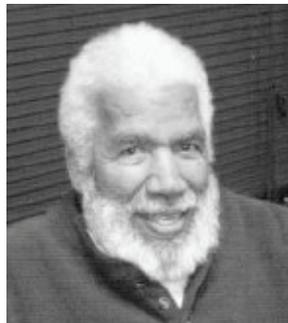
**Hollie James  
Brown**



**Madrith Chambers**



**Rev. David  
C. Chappell  
(Posthumously)**



**Sgt. Edward Clark,  
Jr. (Ret.)**



**Rabbi Samuel  
Cooper**



**Howard Samuel  
Crump**

**The 2004 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees (Cont.)**

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**The Honorable  
Gail Ferguson**



**Attorney Roger  
Forman**



**Robert Jackson  
Guerrant**



**Betty Agsten  
Hamilton**



**Jean F. L. Lazarus,  
(Posthumously)**



**Allen Edward Lee**



**Reverend Newsome  
(Posthumously)**



**Josephine Rayford**



**Lucile Meadows  
(Posthumously)**



**Dr. Sophia  
Peterson**



**Dr. Virgil A.  
Peterson  
(Posthumously)**



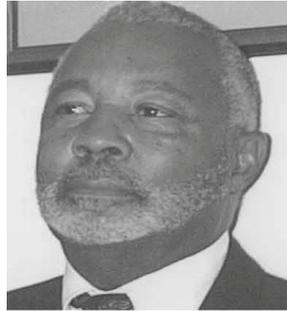
**Lucille Pianfetti**

## The 2004 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees (Cont.)

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**Charles E. Price  
(Posthumously)**



**George Rutherford**



**Steve Rutledge**



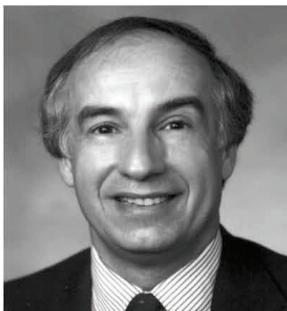
**Reverend Charles  
H. Smith**



**Mary Snow**



**The Honorable  
Nancy Starks  
(Posthumously)**



**Reverend Julian  
Sulgit, Jr.**



**The Honorable  
Booker T. Stephens**



**Dr. Leon Howard  
Sullivan  
(Posthumously)**

## 2003 West Virginia Civil Rights Day Honorees

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**Louise P.  
Anderson**



**Joan C.  
Browning**



**Philip W. Carter,  
Jr.**



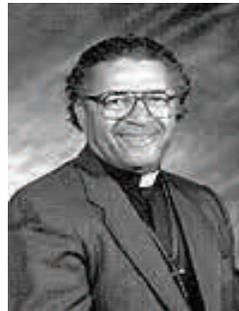
**George E.  
Chamberlain, Jr.**



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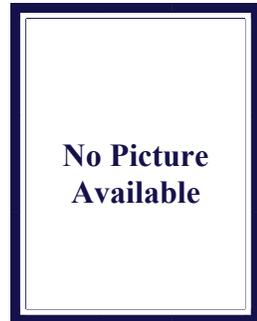
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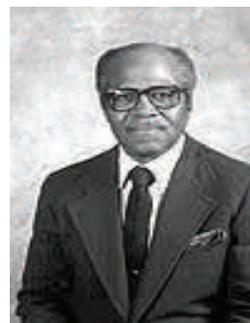
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