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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Honorable Novelle E. Francis Senate President Thirty-Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands Capitol Building St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00802

Re: Re-nomination of Harold W.L. Willocks to the Superior Court of Virgin Islands for the District of St. Croix

Dear Senate President:

In accordance with the provisions of Title 4, Chapter 5, Section 72 of the Virgin Islands Code, I hereby re-nominate Harold W.L. Willocks to the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands for the District of St. Croix. The term of appointment is six (6) years.

Accordingly, it is my pleasure to ask the advice and consent of the Legislature on this re-nomination. A copy of Mr. Willocks resume is enclosed for your review.

Your prompt and favorable confirmation will enhance the Superior Court's ability to meet its robust agenda and serve the people of the United States Virgin Islands.

Sincerely,

Albert Bryan Jr.

Governor

Enclosure

Cc: Senator Diane T. Capehart

Chair, Committee on Rules and Judiciary

RESUME

of

HAROLD W. L. WILLOCKS, ESQUIRE

P.O. Box 2646 Kingshill St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands 00850 340-778-9750

Education:

Antioch School of Law, Washington, D.C. Juris Doctorate (1987).

Howard University Graduate and Law School, Washington, D.C. (32 Grad. Credits) Political Science, Public Administration, Philosophy, (1979-1981)

Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland. B.A. in Political Science (1976-1978)

Experience:

Judge of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands (2010 - Present)

Chief Public Defender, Office of the Territorial Public Defender (1992-2009) Clifton Hill, Kingshill, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. Duties: In charge of the Virgin Islands Office of the Territorial Public Defender, prepare budgets; train attorneys; act as a legal consultant to attorneys; represent clients in various cases: felonies, misdemeanors, juveniles, mental competency hearings, extraditions, traffic, and appeals; in charge of an office that handled a case load of over 750 cases and a staff of attorneys on each island.

Public Defender, Office of the Territorial Public Defender (1988-1992), 46-47 Company Street, Christiansted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. Duties: Represented clients in various cases: felonies, misdemeanors, juveniles, mental competency hearings, extraditions, traffic, and appeals; was the only attorney in the Public Defender's Office, St. Croix, on several occasions; was responsible at times for a caseload of over 125 cases.

Assistant Attorney General (1987-1988) Department of Justice, Golden Rock, Christiansted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. **Duties:** Prosecuted felonies, misdemeanors, traffic, civil, juvenile, and abuse and neglect cases.

Legal Intern (Sept 1986 - Jan. 1987). Law Offices of Ross & Cannon, 47-A Marshill, Frederiksted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. Duties: Conducted legal research; wrote memoranda, motions; conducted interviews of clients.

Legal Counselor (1985-1986). Landlord/Tenant Clinic, Antioch School of Law, Washington, D.C. Duties: Gave legal advice as to tenant's rights, conducted research, prepared legal papers, and represented clients at hearings.

Social Science Teacher (1984-1985). St Croix Central High School, Kingshill, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. **Duties:** Taught U.S. and Virgin Islands History.

Graduate Assistant (1981). Department of Philosophy, Howard University, Washington, D.C. Duties: Tutored Philosophy courses, conducted research, and monitored exams.

Social Science Teacher (Summer, 1980). Arthur Richards Junior High School, Frederiksted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. **Duties:** Taught U.S. History.

Summer Intern (1979). Territorial Court of the Virgin Islands, Kingshill, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. **Duties:** Conducted research and wrote memoranda of law for the late Judge Irwin J. Silverlight.

Bar Memberships: Pennsylvania Bar Member (1987)

Virgin Islands Member (1988) Third Circuit Court of Appeals (1988)

Special Training:

National Center for State Courts (2011). St. Croix. Completed training on the Fundamental Issues of Caseflow Management.

The Center for Medicolegal Research and Consultation (1997). Las Vegas, Nevada. Participants received two days of training in regard to Investigation of Crime: The Shaken Baby Syndrome and Investigation Pitfalls.

Florida Department of Law Enforcement (1996). Florida.

Participants received three days of training in regard to Crime Scene Procedures.

Labor Arbitration Training (1994). St. Thomas.

Seminar on Civil Practice in the Virgin Islands (1994). St. Thomas.

Federal Mediation Training (1993). St. Croix.

National Institute for Trial Advocacy (1992). Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Participants received five days of training in the giving and taking of depositions, the problems that may arise, and how to deal with those problems.

National Institute for Trial Advocacy (1992). Washington, D.C. Participants received approximately two weeks of training in civil trials, from the filing of complaint to the recovery of damages, with special emphasis on the determination of damages.

Advanced Criminal Defense (1991). National Criminal Defense College, Atlanta, Georgia.

Two-week training in all the advance facets of criminal trials, from the arrest to the acquittal, with special emphasis on scientific and demonstrative evidence, and advanced cross-examination and preservation of the record. Participants worked in small groups and were videotaped and critiqued.

DNA Training Based Upon Promega (1990). National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Washington, D.C.

Participants learned what DNA is, how to defend against the use of DNA, and how to cross-examine the expert.

National Criminal Defense College (1989). George Mercer University, Macon, Georgia.

Participants received training in the special techniques of direct and cross-examinations, scientific and demonstrative evidence, preserving the record, and appeals.

Community Involvement:

Basketball Referee. Member and legal advisor of the Board of the Ronald Charles Mini-Basketball League. Legal advisor for the Blue Foundation. Legal advisor for Keep Gallows Bay Afloat, Inc. Community counselor, lecturer, and advisor on Virgin Islands History, Civics, Geography, laws, and juvenile rights. Organized and coordinated the Annual Virgin Islands Geography, History, Civics Juvenile and Character Enhancement Bowl.

Special Awards: or Recognition & Appreciation

Virgin Islands Humanities Scholar
Virgin Islands Cultural Bearer
Virgin Islands Police Department
Legislature of the United States Virgin Islands
Virgin Islands Department of Education
Virgin Islands Housing Authority
John H. Woodson Jr. High School
St. Croix Central High School
St. Croix Educational Complex School
Evelyn M. Williams Elementary School
Good Hope School

Publications:

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The Umbilical Cord: The History of the United States Virgin Islands from

Pre-Columbian to the Present.

The Umbilical Cord: The History of the United States Virgin Islands from

Pre-Columbian to Present Workbook

The Umbilical Cord Workbook The History of the United States Virgin Islands from Pre-Columbian to Present (Teacher's Edition)

Massacre in Paradise

Our Virgin Islands Our Virgin Islands Workbook Our Virgin Islands Workbook (Teachers Edition)

Civicus: Virgin Islands Civics and Character Enhancement

Civicus: Virgin Islands Civics and Character Enhancement Workbook Civicus: Virgin Islands Civics and Character Enhancement Workbook

(Teachers Edition)

Virgin Islands Geography: The Geography of the United States Virgin Islands

Over the Horizon: Virgin Islands Geography and Civics

Over the Horizon: Virgin Islands Geography and Civics Workbook Over the Horizon: Virgin Islands Geography and Civics Workbook

(Teachers Edition)

Harry the Proud Peacock

By the Bayside

Our History

Our Islands

Our Government

Our Heroes

Our Historical Buildings

Numerous papers, articles, and presentations on Virgin Islands history, culture, laws, and juvenile rights.