

The Senate of West Virginia
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The Honorable Randy E. Smith
President of the West Virginia Senate
Room 229M, Building 1
State Capitol Complex
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25305

Dear President Smith,

It is with a heavy, but grateful, heart that I submit to you my resignation from the West Virginia Senate, effective immediately. After 41 years as a member of the Senate, I have decided it is time for me to retire from public service and focus on my health and my family full time.

It has been the honor of my life to represent Pleasants County and the Third Senatorial District for more than 40 years. I would not have been able to do that without the support of my constituents, who chose to elect me 11 times. To all of you, the words "thank you" are not enough. I will be forever grateful and proud to have been your voice in Charleston, and I enjoyed my time in service to you.

I thank you, President Smith, for your kindness and for being an example of "family first." Although I will miss my fellow Senators and the Senate staff, especially my loyal and dedicated assistant of 25 years, Carolyn Dawson, I know that it is time for me to put my family first and to enjoy many more good years with my children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

May God bless you all in this new year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Donna J. Boley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Donna J. Boley
President Pro Tempore

cc: The Honorable Patrick J. Morrissey, Governor
The Honorable Lee Cassis, Clerk
Chairman Josh Holstein, West Virginia Republican Party