

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF STAUNTON

IN RE:

PETITION FOR A WRIT OF ELECTION)
ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO)
FILL THE VACANCY ON THE SCHOOL)
BOARD OF THE CITY OF)
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA.)

Case No. CU7-9

WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION

IT APPEARING to the Court by a verified Petition for Writ of Special Election filed by the School Board of the City of Staunton, Virginia (the "School Board"), by counsel, that a vacancy exists on the School Board as a result of the death of one of its members, Mr. Joel Grogan, on December 16, 2016; and

AND IT FURTHER APPEARING that any interim appointment made by the School Board to fill this vacancy pursuant to Va. Code § 24.2-228(A) shall be effective only until the qualified voters of the City of Staunton fill the vacancy for the remaining portion of the term by special election pursuant to Va. Code §§ 24.2-226, 24.2-228, and 24.2-682.

NOW, THEREFORE, after the Court's review of the Petition for Writ of Special Election and accompanying affidavit, it is hereby **ORDERED** as follows:

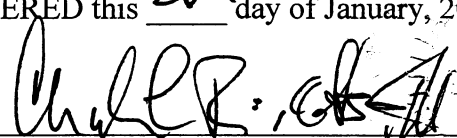
1. Pursuant to Va. Code § 24.2-226 this Writ of Special Election IS HEREBY ISSUED AND ENTERED and the Electoral Board of the City of Staunton (the "Electoral Board") shall take steps and prepare such means as may be necessary to hold the special election on the date of the regularly scheduled 2018 general election in the City of Staunton to fill the vacancy on the School Board of the City of Staunton, in the manner and at the places as would be executed for the general election to be conducted on such date;

2. The Electoral Board and General Registrar of the City of Staunton (the "General Registrar") shall observe the directives set forth in Virginia Code § 24.2-681, *et seq.* when conducting the special election;

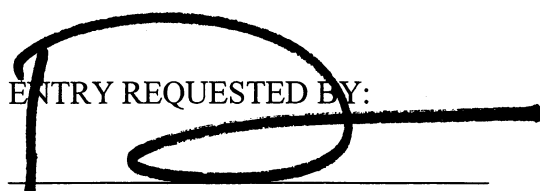
3. The Secretary of the Electoral Board of the City of Staunton shall cause notice of the special election to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in this jurisdiction at least ten (10) days before the special election and to do all things as prescribed by law to conduct such an election of a person to serve the portion of the remaining term of the office now vacant; and

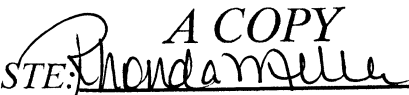
4. The Clerk of this Court shall transmit a certified copy of this Writ of Special Election to the Secretary of the Electoral Board of the City of Staunton, the Virginia State Board of Elections, the General Registrar, the Chairman of the School Board of the City of Staunton, and counsel for the Petitioner.

This matter may be dismissed from the active docket of this Court and placed among the ended causes.

ENTERED this 26th day of January, 2017

JUDGE

ENTRY REQUESTED BY:


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