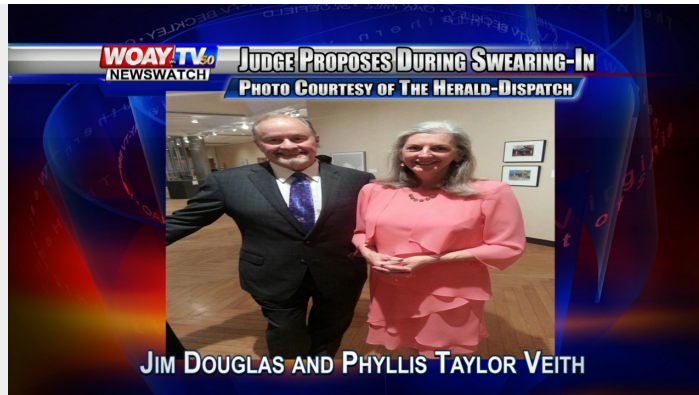


JUDGE PROPOSES AT SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

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A newly sworn Kanawha County family court judge is awaiting a very important verdict - from his girlfriend. He proposed during his swearing-in ceremony in front of family and friends. When the judge-elect Jim Douglas asked Phyllis Taylor Veith to marry him, she replied, "the jury is still out." The State Supreme Court of Appeals said in a news release Thursday, that Douglas was sworn in last Friday at the Robert C. Byrd Federal Courthouse in Charleston. Douglas' three children and five grandchildren attended the ceremony. His younger son held the bible for the oath, and his two other children performed the robing at the conclusion of the ceremony. Douglas was elected in May and begins his term January 1st.