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Governor Musgrove Appoints William Gowan, Jr., As Replacement for Judge Bobby DeLaughter

(Jackson, MS) – Following his announcement yesterday appointing Judge Bobby DeLaughter as Circuit Court Judge for the Seventh District, Governor Ronnie Musgrove today named William A. Gowan, Jr., as DeLaughter's replacement as County Court Judge.

"Bill Gowan is well-known in the legal community and his experience is unquestioned," Musgrove said. "He will bring strong wisdom and respect for the law to the bench."

After receiving his law degree from the University of Mississippi Law School, Gowan went into private practice. He worked as an assistant prosecutor for the City of Jackson from 1978-90, as prosecutor from 1991-94, and as city attorney from 1994-98. He presently serves as counsel to the Hinds County Sheriff's Department.

Gowan is a member of the Mississippi State Bar Association and the Mississippi Prosecutors Association. He and his wife attend Christ United Methodist Church. They have two children.

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