



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Office of the Governor

Kelly Thomasson
Secretary of the Commonwealth

January 22, 2018

TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA:

Pursuant to Sections 2.2-106 of the *Code of Virginia*, I am reporting the list of gubernatorial appointments to secretariats, made since the start of Governor Northam's administration on January 13, 2018.

Supporting documentation, including resumes and statements of economic interests, have been provided to the Privileges and Elections Attorney in the Division of Legislative Services for your review. My office is always happy to provide any of this information directly to you as well.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance as you review these appointments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kelly Thomasson" with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Kelly Thomasson
Secretary of the Commonwealth

Daniel Carey of **Lynchburg**, Virginia 24503, Secretary of Health and Human Resources, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed William A. Hazel Jr.

Keyanna Conner of **Henrico**, Virginia 23228, Secretary of Administration, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed Nancy Rodrigues.

Megan Healy of **Richmond**, Virginia 23221, Chief Workforce Development Advisor to the Governor, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to fill a new seat.

Carlos Hopkins of **Henrico**, Virginia 23228, Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed himself.

Aubrey Layne of **Virginia Beach**, Virginia 23452, Secretary of Finance, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed Richard Brown.

Esther Lee of **McLean**, Virginia 22101, Secretary of Commerce and Trade, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed Todd Haymore.

Clark Mercer of **Ashland**, Virginia 23005, Chief of Staff to the Honorable Ralph S. Northam, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed Paul Reagan.

Brian Moran of **Midlothian**, Virginia 23113, Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed himself.

Atif Qarni of **Manassas**, Virginia 20111, Secretary of Education, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed Dietra Trent.

Bettina Ring of **Charlottesville**, Virginia 22947, Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed Basil Gooden.

Matthew Strickler of **Cape Charles**, Virginia 23310, Secretary of Natural Resources, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed Russ Baxter.

Kelly Thomasson of **Ashland**, Virginia 23005, Secretary of the Commonwealth, for a term of four years beginning January 22, 2018, and ending January 23, 2022, to succeed herself.

Shannon Valentine of **Lynchburg**, Virginia 24503, Secretary of Transportation, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor beginning January 14, 2018, to succeed Aubrey Layne.