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REGISTRY CHAIRMAN BEGINS TWELFTH CONSECUTIVE TERM

FRANKFORT, KY -- Louisville attorney Craig C. Dilger will begin serving an unprecedented twelfth consecutive one-year term as chairman of the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance on December 17, 2018. He was unanimously re-elected to continue to serve in this capacity at the Registry's October 11, 2018, meeting. His service as chairman continues to mark the longest continuous period of service as chairman in the Registry's history.

Dilger, a Republican, was first appointed to the Registry by then-Gov. Fletcher from names submitted by organizations demonstrating a nonpartisan interest in fair elections and informed voting. He was re-appointed to the Registry by then-Gov. Beshear on October 29, 2008, and again on November 21, 2012. He previously served two consecutive terms as vice-chairman of the Registry.

Following his re-election, Dilger said, "I am honored to continue to serve as Chairman of the Registry. With my re-election as chairman, the importance of our work here at the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance and our role in the electoral process reminds me of how important this agency is to maintaining fair and transparent elections. I appreciate the faith and support of the Board in electing me to serve my Commonwealth in such a vital leadership role."

"Serving a tenure this long as chairman has provided the necessary block of time to make critical lasting changes that will give the agency the necessary tools and resources required to fulfill its statutory mandate and assist the regulated community. Changes in our structure, processes, a new and advanced website, searchable databases to assist candidates and our work with the legislature on critical initiatives all make the Registry extremely effective, efficient and user-friendly," said Dilger.

A Louisville native, Dilger is a graduate of Bellarmine University and the Salmon P. Chase College of Law.



He is a partner with the law firm of Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC, and serves as chair of the firm's Sports Law and Criminal Law practices. He is also a member of the Labor, Employment & Employee Benefits, Business Torts, Antitrust, Trade Regulation & Franchise, Healthcare, and Environmental practices.

His practice focuses on commercial litigation, education law, sports law, and complex white collar criminal defense law. Prior to joining Stoll Keenon Ogden in 2001, Dilger served as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney in Jefferson County. Dilger is a member of the American, Kentucky and Louisville Bar Associations, and a member of the American Inn of Court, Brandeis Chapter. His career accolades include recognition as "Pick of the Judges" in *Louisville Magazine's* Best Lawyers Under Age 40; *Business First* "Forty Under 40" in 2003; *Louisville Magazine Top Lawyer*, 2012-2014; Best Lawyers in America®, 2012-2014; and Kentucky Super Lawyers, 2013-2014.

As the Registry's chairman, Dilger has been a featured panelist, moderator and participant at annual conferences of the Council on Governmental Ethics Laws (COGEL), the preeminent international organization of government ethics officers. He has made presentations at the Kentucky Bar Association Annual Convention (2013), the Kentucky Judicial Conference (Spring 2013), the Louisville Bar Association, and at conferences of the Kentucky County Clerks Association.

Also at the Registry's meeting on October 11, 2018, Elizabeth G. Weber was unanimously elected to serve as the vice-chair of the Registry, replacing Terry Naydan who, having served in that capacity for five consecutive terms, chose to not be nominated again. Weber's term will also begin December 17, 2018.

Weber is partner at the law firm of Dressman Benzinger LaVelle PSC. She is in the firm's business, bankruptcy, and commercial law practice.

A fifth-generation lawyer, Weber obtained a B.A. from the University of Illinois in 1982 and a law degree from the University of Notre Dame in 1985. She is admitted to practice law in both Kentucky and Ohio, and is a member of the Northern Kentucky and Kentucky Bar Associations. She served as a member of the Kentucky Board of Tax Appeals from 1996-2004 and she is a former member of the Kentucky's Workers Compensation Nominating Commission.

Outside the office, Weber has been actively involved with Diocesan Catholic Children's Home and Covington Catholic High School, having served on both boards. She has also recently become involved with the Women's Initiative of the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Weber was appointed to the Registry by then-Gov. Beshear in December of 2015 as the Democratic Party nominee to the Registry.

The Registry is charged with administering Kentucky's campaign finance laws, including those relating to all candidates who run for election in 2018. Kentucky law requires the disclosure by a candidate of contributions to and expenditures by the campaign.