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The Chief Justice of the Virgin Islands Supreme Court, Honorable Rhys S. Hodge, and the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands, Honorable Debra S. Watlington congratulate the Honorable Harold W. L. Willocks on his confirmation today by the 35<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the Virgin Islands to serve as a Justice of the Virgin Islands Supreme Court.

Judge Willocks was first nominated by the Honorable John P. de Jongh, Governor of the Virgin Islands of the United States, to serve a six-year term as a Judge of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands, and was confirmed unanimously by the 28<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the Virgin Islands with his first term commencing effective January 24, 2010. During this term of office, he was designated by Presiding Judge Michael C. Dunston to serve as Administrative Judge in the District of St. Croix. In 2016, Judge Willocks was nominated to serve a second 6-year term as Judge of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands by the Honorable Kenneth E. Mapp, Governor of the Virgin Islands, and unanimously confirmed by the 31<sup>st</sup> Legislature of Virgin Islands. His second term began effective June 2, 2016. Judge Willocks was nominated to serve a third 6-year term by the Honorable Albert A. Bryan Jr., Governor of the Virgin Islands of the United States, and again unanimously confirmed by the 35<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the Virgin Islands on June 14, 2023. Prior to his nearly 13 years of distinguished service on the Superior Court Bench, Judge Willocks served 22 years in the Office of the Territorial Public Defender, 18 of those years as the Chief Public Defender.

On behalf of the Judicial Branch of the Virgin Islands, we thank Judge Willocks for his dedicated service as a Judge of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands and look forward to his continued service within the Judiciary and to the Territory of the Virgin Islands as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands.

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