



*You are cordially invited to the
Inauguration Ceremony of the*

Honorable Andrew McCoy Warner

As Secretary of State

Monday, January 16, 2017 at 1 p.m.

on the South Plaza

The State Capitol, Charleston, West Virginia

Public access opens at 9 a.m.
Seating available on first come, first serve basis

The Secretary and Mrs. Warner
will receive the public at a reception in the
Upper Rotunda, Senate side, shortly after
the Inaugural Ceremony

Entrance to the Capitol Complex
will be open on the West Wing
across from the Culture Center

Not paid for at taxpayer expense

BIOGRAPHY:

[Mac Warner was elected as West Virginia Secretary of State November 8, 2016]

Mac Warner is a lifelong conservative running for West Virginia Secretary of State because West Virginians deserve elected officials who are accountable to our people, and who go to work every day seeking ways to make our state government better.



Warner is a West Point graduate, a retired Army officer, a father of four Military officers, a husband of 34 years, and a sixth generation West Virginian who has spent his life serving American ideals of democracy and freedom around the globe.

His work overseas showed him the connections between clean, fair elections and the success of an economy. Warner recently returned home to West Virginia to apply his professional service and experience of fixing broken governments around the world to the challenges facing our Mountain State.

He spent five years as a U.S. Department of State contractor in Afghanistan working to build a functional, legitimate government. He mentored top government officials and implemented new programs to create a more civil society operating under the rule of law. He specifically worked to eliminate corruption from government, and often met with World Bank officials and other finance experts who confirmed the advice he routinely gave top government officials: The corruption must stop, justice must be predictable, and elections must be fair. Economic success begins at the ballot box, and depends on justice in the courts.

In addition to Afghanistan, he has worked to fix broken and failing states in Central America, South America, Eastern Europe, and Asia. In each of those places, Warner worked to enhance the lives of women, to promote human rights, and to implement the rule of law. He learned firsthand what works and what does not.

Citizen involvement makes government actually help local businesses, and holds officials accountable to serving the community's needs with goods and services. These are lessons he will put to good use in Charleston.

From his experience around the world, Warner understands a better West Virginia must start in the Secretary of State's office. West Virginia is ready for new leadership and new ideas. It must be fixed and he has the tools to do it. He will work tirelessly every day to improve election fairness and promote transparent government that welcomes investment, jobs and new businesses. This is why he says, "A Better West Virginia Starts Here!"

Warner has been married to Debbie Law Warner of Charleston for 34 years and they have raised four children: Steven Warner, Wharton Business School and former Captain, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Captain Krista Warner Cook, Physician Assistant and US Army Reserve Medical Service Corps, Fort Richardson, Alaska; Lieutenant Lisa Warner Miller, US Army Adjutant General Corps, FT Jackson, SC; Lieutenant Scott Warner, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, FT Leonard Wood, Missouri.

While Mac has served and worked around the world for a number of years, he is a lifelong resident of the Mountain State with roots throughout West Virginia. As the descendant of frontiersman in the Pendleton County area, his ancestors also included farmers and railroad workers in the Barbour, Randolph, Upshur, Lewis and Harrison County areas, as well as coal miners in the Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas and Kanawha County areas. Today he lives in Monongalia County, and has relatives in Wood, Putnam and Kanawha Counties.

Age: 61

Hometown:

Morgantown

Education:

LL.M, International Law, University of Virginia, 1991

LL.M, Military Law, Judge Advocate General's School, 1987

JD, West Virginia College of Law, 1982

BS, United States Military Academy at West Point, 1977

SOURCE: <http://www.warnerforwvsos.com/biography/>