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Hillsdale Alumnus Appointed to Alabama Supreme Court

William B. Sellers, 1985 Hillsdale graduate, named associate justice on state's highest court

HILLSDALE, Mich. – Hillsdale College is proud to congratulate alumnus William B. Sellers on his recent appointment as an associate justice of the Alabama Supreme Court. Governor Kay Ivey announced the appointment in May, saying Sellers’ “conservative principles and his commitment to the rule of law along with his commitment to his family, church, and community are foundations that make him uniquely qualified for the position of associate justice.”

Sellers completed his bachelor’s with high honors at Hillsdale College in 1985 before going on to earn his Juris Doctor in 1988 from the University of Alabama School of Law and an LL.M in taxation in 1989 from New York University.

Hailing from Montgomery, Ala., Sellers practiced law as a partner at Balch & Bingham, LLP, before being tapped to fill the seat formerly held by now-Chief Justice Lyn Stuart. He brings 28 years of legal experience dealing with taxation, business organizations and finance to his position on the court, including litigation against the Internal Revenue Service and the Alabama Department of Revenue.

While at Hillsdale, Sellers studied history, political economy and English. He also engaged in campus leadership as president of history honorary Phi Alpha Theta and participation in the Hillsdale chapter of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. Sellers has continued this pattern of investment in his community through participation in civic organizations like the Rotary Club of Montgomery, The YMCA of Greater Montgomery, the River Region United Way campaign, the Fair Ballot Commission and the Alabama State Council on the Arts, among others. Additionally, he has served as a member of the Electoral College in four presidential elections and was awarded the President’s Award in 2012 for his service to the Alabama Bar Association.

Sellers resides in Montgomery with his wife, Lee, and their three children. They are members of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

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