

WEST VIRGINIA

Voters in the Mountain State will elect a new governor, attorney general, and treasurer in 2024. All 100 seats in the state house as well as 17 of 34 state senate seats will also be on the ballot in November. Republicans are expected to maintain control of all executive offices and the legislature.

Attorney General

Democratic Nominee

Teresa Toriseva

Teresa Toriseva is a litigator with 30 years of experience in courtrooms. Her entire career has been in private practice, largely in her own firm. The firm primarily works on consumer protection cases as well as advocacy for first responders. Her public service includes being selected nine times to serve as a Special Assistant Attorney General for West Virginia in antitrust and consumer protection cases. Toriseva previously ran for a seat in the House of Delegates.

Toriseva's <u>campaign for attorney general</u> has a primary focus on **consumer protection** through prosecution of existing laws as well as <u>civil lawsuits</u>. To address **crime**, Toriseva plans to pursue higher wages and improved training for law enforcement officers alongside accountability of pharmaceutical companies' corporate misconduct in the **opioid epidemic**.

Toriseva does not support an expansion of the attorney general's prosecutorial powers for criminal cases and instead believes those should continue to be handled by county prosecutors. She pledges to enforce **transparency** laws, including FOIA and Sunshine Laws, to ensure government transparency. If elected as attorney general, Toriseva wants to open **satellite offices** across West Virginia to resolve what she sees as a disconnect between Charleston and the rest of the state.

She advocates for **coal** and natural resources to benefit all West Virginians through public-private cooperation. Toriseva supports protection for and access to **reproductive healthcare** as well as **second amendment** rights under a theme of individual rights.

In an interview, Toriseva stated <u>national-level issues</u> would not be her focus as attorney general. Her focus would instead be on <u>statewide and local issues</u> based on the needs of West Virginians.

Trivia: For a decade, Toriseva had her own local radio talk show where she discussed law and politics with an emphasis on the effects on working people and families.