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Trenton—Chief Justice West J. B. Trenchard of the Superior Court of Collier County said Saturday that appellate courts "cannot avoid making political law" because new legislation covering cases brought before them.

He said that appellate courts are not interested in making law, but that sometimes different decisions are independently reached by various courts.

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The chief justice was speaking at the annual meeting of the Virginia Bar Association in Richmond.