

WEST VIRGINIA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

Number: WVBRC 2023-10 Species: Black-necked Stilt – Randolph Co

Vote (select only one) For State List Hypothetical List Against Exotic

Reasons voting FOR the record: (*attach more pages if necessary*)

- CM1) Black-necked Stilt quite simply cannot be confused with any other species in North America. The photographs and description show that this bird is indeed a Black-necked Stilt.
- CM2) The includes excellent photographic evidence that the bird in this record is a Black-necked Stilt. The main field marks of black on the head, neck, back and tail with a white neck, spot above the eye, breast and undertail coverts, and long pinkish red legs document this bird as a Black-necked Stilt. There are no other similar birds to this species except Black-winged Stilt, but it has less black on the face and lacks the white spot above the eye.
- CM3) Although the description is lacking, the pictures are diagnostic.
- CM4) Not much to say. Excellent photos of Black-necked Stilts.
- CM5) Clear, unmistakable photos from an observer who has experience with the species.
- CM6) Highly distinctive species photographed by experienced observer.
- CM7) 1. Excellent image documentation 2. Written descriptions 3. Reputation of submitter