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Shawn Boyer, Founder and Chairman of Snagajob is Association's February luncheon speaker

Shawn Boyer, Founder and Chairman of the Board of Sangajob, will be the featured speaker at the Richmond Bar's luncheon on Thursday, February 20, 2014. The luncheon will be held at the Omni Hotel beginning at 12:30 p.m. Reservations may be made by returning the enclosed flier or by calling the Bar office at 780-0700. Additionally, you may make a reservation by visiting <http://www.richmondbar.org/events/luncheons/>. The deadline for reservations is 12:00 noon on Monday, February 17th. Cost to attend is \$28.00. **If you require a vegetarian meal or have a dietary restriction, please inform us at the time you make the reservation.**

The following members of the judiciary will be hosting Judges' Tables at the February luncheon: Hon. Keith N. Hurley, Hon. Lawrence B. Cann III and Hon. Lynn S. Brice. At the time you make your reservation, please indicate if you would like to be seated at a judge's table.

Shawn Boyer was CEO of Snagajob from 2000 to 2013 before moving into the role of Chairman of the Board. He has directed the Company's rapid growth from start-up to the nation's largest hourly employment network, which is powered by more than 40 million registered job seekers. Snagajob has been named to both Fortune Magazine's Great Place to Work Best Small & Medium Workplaces list and Deloitte's Technology Fast 500 for the past five years.

Prior to founding Snagajob in 1999, Mr. Boyer was a transactional attorney with the law firm of Brown & Wood LLP (now Sidley Austin, LLP). A graduate of the College of



Shawn Boyer

William and Mary and the Washington & Lee School of Law, he received his LL.M. in taxation from Georgetown University Law Center. He currently serves on the boards of several non-profit organizations: The Richmond Forum, Sports Backers, Comfort Zone Camp, Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce and the George C. Marshall Foundation. His insights on the hourly workforce have appeared in places such as "The Wall Street Journal", "USA Today", "Good Morning America", CNN and in daily newspapers throughout the nation. Mr. Boyer was named the 2008 National Small Business Person of the Year by the U.S. Small Business Administration and was
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Hon. Dennis W. Dohnal to receive Professionalism Award at luncheon

The Honorable Dennis W. Dohnal is the recipient of the Association's Hunter W. Martin Professionalism Award, which will be presented at the luncheon on February 20, 2014. The award is presented annually to members of the legal profession who, throughout their lives and careers in the law, have best exemplified the conduct and high ideals embodied in the Bar's Principles of Professionalism.

A graduate of the George Washington National Law Center (L.L.B. 1970), Judge Dohnal served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Richmond Division of the Eastern District of Virginia until he entered private practice in 1974. A highly respected attorney concentrating in the areas of criminal defense (federal and state) and complex civil litigation, he was appointed as a United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia in 2000. In February 2012, he retired from the Bench to join The McCammon Group.

Judge Dohnal is a former President of the Richmond Bar Association and the Richmond Criminal Bar Association, as well as a former Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Criminal Law Section of the Virginia State Bar and Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation.

While on the Bench, Judge Dohnal was one of the catalysts for the United States District Court's inaugural drug court program, the Second Chance Offender
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U.S. Bankruptcy and City of Richmond Judges offer feedback to Bar's Administration of Justice Committee. See page 8 for their comments.

Share the news

If you've recently landed a new job or plum promotion, share the good news with the Richmond Bar. Include your full name, your company's name and location, your new title and your areas of concentration in your letter, press release, fax or e-mail. Announcements can be e-mailed to lmartin@richmondbar.org or mailed to Lee Martin, at P.O. Box 1213, Richmond, VA 23218.

Christopher L. Spinelli has become an associate at Emroch & Kilduff. He will concentrate his practice in the areas of personal injury, automobile accidents, premises liability, general negligence and social security disability.

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BrownGreer announces the promotion of **Corinne Kizner** and **Alexander W. Mejias** to counsel.

Ms. Kizner manages review processes in a mass claims settlement program and serves as a liaison to claimants, lawyers, and accountants.

Mr. Mejias drafts claims administration policies, manages internal procedures, and contributes to the design of claims review processes. In addition, Alex provides legal counsel to artists, artist managers, and record labels in the music industry.



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Edited by Lelia N. Martin

Luncheon Registration Form

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If you require a vegetarian or special dietary meal, please inform us at the time you make the reservation.

Return this form to: Richmond Bar Association, P.O. Box 1213, Richmond, Virginia 23218-1213.

Reservations may be made by calling the Bar office at 780-0700 no later than noon on Monday, February 17, 2014.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Under the reservation policy, members who make reservations will be expected to pay whether or not they attend. No cancellations or refunds after noon on February 17th. Reservations made by credit card payment are subject to a 5% service fee if cancelled by the appropriate cut-off date.



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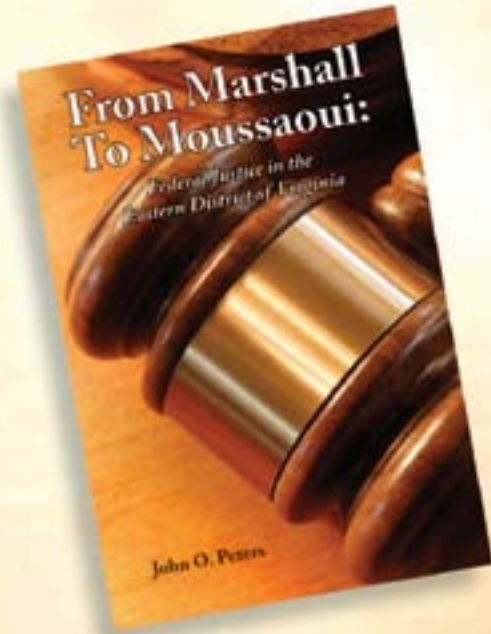
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Federal Justice in the Eastern District of Virginia
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Antonin Scalia, *Associate Justice United States Supreme Court*

John O. Peters' work entitled *From Marshall to Moussaoui: Federal Justice in the Eastern District of Virginia* is quite an accomplishment. Through the historical lens the reader quickly is transported to the times of the anecdotes that are sprinkled liberally across the pages. The U.S. District Court comes alive as Peters focuses the reader's attention on the brilliance – and the human foibles – of the jurists who have presided over cases that range from treason and trespass, to liquor and libel, and from civil war to civil rights. Collectively, the judges, lawyers and litigants personify the history of this important court of justice. It is also a rich and robust reflection of the history of America.

Gerald L. Bailey, *Director and CEO of The Miller Center University of Virginia Governor of Virginia (1986-90)*

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Hon. B. Waugh Crigler (Ret.)

Retired Magistrate Judge
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After more than thirty years of distinguished judicial service, United States Magistrate Judge Waugh Crigler has recently retired. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Crigler enjoyed a successful litigation career in Culpeper, handling a variety of cases including personal injury, medical malpractice, product liability, and appellate work. As a Magistrate Judge, his docket included complex commercial, construction, employment, and IP matters. A veteran of more than 500 settlement conferences, Judge Crigler now brings his extraordinary dispute resolution experience to The McCammon Group to serve the mediation, arbitration, judge pro tempore, and special master needs of lawyers and litigants throughout the Commonwealth and beyond.



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Hon. Dennis Dohnal receives Professionalism award

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Rehabilitation Effort (SCORE), a program that diverts substance abusers into intensive supervision and treatment in lieu of incarceration for federal supervised release violations. Members serving with Judge Dohnal on the administrative team write, "His collaborative spirit facilitates the discussions of our diverse group, which includes prosecutors, defense attorneys, probation officers, and a treatment provider. Judge Dohnal treats each participant with respect and civility. He inquires about their families, praises their sobriety, and expresses regret when they relapse."

Another SCORE volunteer comments, "he is compassionate and he cares deeply about the welfare and progress of each participant in the program. I have been touched on many occasions when he goes out of his way to be a cheerleader for the participants and, when the circumstances are unclear, to give the benefit of the doubt.

His leadership with the Drug Court is all about changing peoples lives, ending the cycle of repeated drug use and incarceration. Though great credit is due to Judge Dohnal for these results, he is always humble and modest, deflecting the credit to others."

The individual nominating Judge Dohnal sums it up by stating, "Judge Dohnal not only "exemplifies the conduct and high ideals embodied in the Bar's Principles of Professionalism," he helped re-vamp the Code of Conduct while serving as Chair of the Virginia State Bar Special Committee to Study the Virginia Code of Professional Responsibility. Judge Dohnal runs a respectful and civil courtroom, always infused with a touch of humor. He is admired, respected, and liked by all members of the bar and members of the judiciary."



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To cultivate public respect for the legal profession by acting in a forthright and discreet manner in all endeavors, by demonstrating devotion to the public good through public service in the community, and by defending our system of justice whenever it is challenged unfairly.

Scenes from the Bar's Holiday Cocktail Party -- good food



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and good cheer make for a very festive occasion



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Hamilton Bryson and Karen Michael



Christy Lantz, Judge Clarence Jenkins, Pam Jenkins and Michael Lantz

Over 450 lawyers, judges and their guests decked the halls at the Association's Holiday Cocktail Party held on December 11th at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. The Association appreciates the continued support of The McCammon Group, the event sponsor.

Additional photos can be found on our website at www.richmondbar.org.

Bar's Administration of Justice Committee members meet

In its continued effort to promote the administration of justice in the Richmond area and to facilitate cooperation between the bench and the bar, the Bar's Administration of Justice Committee recently concluded its annual interviews with the Honorable Judges for the **United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division** and the Judges of the **City of Richmond**. As in years past, the Judges were gracious with their time and spoke with candor to Committee members regarding the Court's work and the performance of the bar in their courtrooms.

United States Bankruptcy Court The Honorable Kevin R. Huennekens and Keith L. Phillips

Judge Huennekens and Judge Phillips serve on the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (Richmond Division). Judge Huennekens and Judge Phillips were very complimentary of the bar in general and noted the continued high level of professionalism of attorneys practicing before them. The Judges stated that in general the lawyers do a good job of handling matters before the Bankruptcy Court.

The Judges noted that several changes to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure went into effect on December 1, 2013. These changes include amendments to Rules 1007, 4004, 5009, 9006, 9013 and 9014. The amendments, including Advisory Committee notes and a red-lined version can be found on the Administrative Office of the United States Courts ("AO") website at: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CDOC-113hdoc28/pdf/CDOC-113hdoc28.pdf>.

There also have been several changes to the Official Forms, including Schedules I and J, and to the Bankruptcy Court Miscellaneous Fee Schedule, 28 U.S.C. § 1930, including a new fee for motions to sell property of the estate free and clear of liens under 11 U.S.C. § 363(f).

The Judges also wanted to notify the Bar that the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules has established a working group and is considering a National Mandatory Model Plan for Chapter 13 and associated bankruptcy rule amendments to implement the model chapter 13 plan. The working group is currently seeking feedback on the proposed model plan. The goal is to finalize a proposal for consideration by the Rules Committee so that they can be published for comment and go into effect in December 2014.

The Judges noted, bankruptcy filings in virtually all federal judicial districts nationwide continue a steady decline. Statistics released by the AO, which are accessible on the uscourts.gov Internet web site, provide information of interest. For the 12-month period ending September 30, 2013, bankruptcy filings declined throughout the country from 1,261,140 to 1,107,699, or by approximately 12 percent, over such filings during the same period in 2012, and declined from 1,467,221, or by approximately 25 percent, when compared with the same period in 2011.

For the 12-month period ending September 30, 2013, in the Eastern District of Virginia, total bankruptcy filings declined from 23,481 to 20,239, or by approximately 14 percent, over the same period in 2012, and declined from 26,504, or by approximately 24 percent, when compared with the same period in 2011.

Also, for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2013, bankruptcy filings in the Eastern District's Richmond Division declined from 7,691 to 7,011, or by approximately 9 percent, over such filings during the same period in 2012. When comparing these 12-month periods, the filings rate of decline was somewhat lower in the Richmond Division than for the Eastern District as a whole and the rate of decline in filings nationally.

Courts of the City of Richmond

The Honorable Bradley B. Cavado - Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond

Judge Cavado serves as the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond. At the outset, Judge Cavado emphasized that the professionalism of the Richmond Bar remains at the highest level.

Regarding local practice and procedure, Judge Cavado reminds the Bar of the importance of delivering courtesy copies of briefs and memoranda to the judge's chambers if a hearing is imminent. Court files are electronic, and while the Clerk's office strives to have pleadings and other submissions scanned on the day of filing, a variety of circumstances may delay scanning. To safeguard against that potential time lag and ensure that the judge sees your brief before the hearing, the Judge Cavado recommends that, for briefs filed within five business days before a hearing, a courtesy copy be delivered to chambers with a cover letter identifying the date of the hearing to which it applies. Nothing in this

recommendation, though, is intended to affect the time requirements for motions practice in Rule 4:15 of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

Judge Cavado also announced that there is a new guest Wi-Fi network in the John Marshall Courthouse that does not require a password or a user ID. The SSID broadcast name for the network is "guest-courts." The password-protected network remains "COR-Guests" for those users who want extra security. Lawyers had reported difficulty accessing the courthouse's protected guest Wi-Fi network because the password changes monthly. So now there is an open network for the convenience of visitors.

The Honorable Phillip L. Hairston – Chief Judge of the General District Court of the City of Richmond

Judge Hairston serves as the Chief Judge of the General District Court of the City of Richmond, sitting in the Court's Manchester location. He has handled both the Southside criminal and traffic dockets for the past eight months. The Southside traffic docket is primarily criminal-based offenses. Judge Hairston enjoys the variety provided by the traffic docket. He says his time spent as a former police officer, probation officer and intern in the Commonwealth Attorney's office have helped him greatly in his years on the bench.

The addition of Judge Cann to the Court this year has alleviated some of the caseload burden on the Judges of this Court, which now has seven of its eight seats filled. Judges Cann, Jamison, Cheek and Thorne-Begland handle the Northside criminal and traffic dockets, while Judges Taylor and Gaden continue to handle the civil docket from the John Marshall Courts Building. The Judges are working well together to handle rotations and the issues associated with some Judges having Chambers in two locations.

Judge Hairston has tremendous respect for the commitments of the parties, witnesses and attorneys that appear in his Courtroom and expects the attorneys and parties to show the same courtesies to each other. Judge Hairston cautions the Bar not to accept last minute representation of a client if the attorney cannot appear for an existing imminent trial date. Attorneys should notify the Court as early as possible of a conflict with a trial date and seek an appropriate and timely continuance. If timely notice is given of a conflict, the Court will typically grant a con-

with U.S. Bankruptcy and City of Richmond judges

tinuance, barring exceptional circumstances. The Court is mindful of not causing undue and unnecessary inconvenience to witnesses who take their time away from their jobs and homes to appear. Judge Hairston noted that the Court is understanding of emergency or unexpected situations that arise for attorneys that are unavoidable, such as being held over in a hearing in another Court, but urges attorneys to contact the Clerk's Office at the earliest opportunity to advise the Court. This proactive conduct is appreciated by the Court and is a part of the reputation of the members of the Bar who practice in his Court, a factor on which Judge Hairston places a great deal of importance.

Finally, Judge Hairston recommends that young lawyers who will be appearing in his Court talk to the Clerks and visit the Courthouse to learn first-hand the local procedures and expectations of the Bar.

The Honorable Richard B. Campbell – Chief Judge of the Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court of the City of Richmond

Judge Campbell serves as Chief Judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District

Court of the City of Richmond. The J&DR courts have jurisdiction over all proceedings involving domestic violence and family abuse, as well as custody, visitation, support, control or disposition of a child who is abused, neglected, in need of services, abandoned, truant, a runaway, a delinquent, violates traffic laws, requires commitment for mental illness, or consent to medical treatment and all adults involved in these proceedings. As in the past two years, the Richmond City J&DR Court is hearing more adult cases than juvenile cases, a statistic which surprises many members of the Bar.

Judge Campbell reported that Judge Buis will retire at the end of 2014 and absent his vacancy being filled, beginning in October 2014, the Court will become a four judge court. Currently, every five weeks, each Judge serves a duty week. This schedule will inevitably change following Judge Buis' retirement.

The Court's docket remains busy. Judge Campbell complimented the members of the Bar that practice regularly before the Court. He reminds the Bar that decorum and civility in the courtroom continues to be important and the practice of law a privilege. Specifically,

Judge Campbell suggested that attorneys with scheduling conflicts should notify the Court as soon as possible when they are unable to timely appear. He further encourages attorneys to maintain client control in the courtroom and relay to their clients the importance of consulting with their counsel prior to contacting opposing counsel or the Court.

The Court is interested in the opening of the new jail and particularly the alternative programs which will be offered. Additionally, the Court is an active participant in multiple teams addressing a broad spectrum of issues as they relate to juvenile justice and child welfare. The Court remains concerned about truancy in the City of Richmond and what it means for the schools and the city.

Judge Campbell wishes to remind the Bar that there are many opportunities for court-appointed and pro bono work in the J&DR Court. These opportunities present young lawyers with great opportunities to appear before the Court. The Court also shares information via Twitter (@OliverHillCtsBI) that many attorneys may find useful.

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For more information on how to join the Pro Bono Promise, how to register for JusticeServer and/or the next scheduled trainings, please contact Ali Fannon of the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation at afannon@grbf.org, or (804) 240-7822.

Nominations being accepted for Liberty Bell Award

The Committee on Awards and Honors is accepting nominations for the Liberty Bell Award. The Award is based on criteria established by the American Bar Association to recognize persons outside the legal profession who have served to promote a better understanding of our government. The award is given to persons who:

- (1) Promote a better understanding of our form of government, especially the Bill of Rights;
- (2) Encourage a greater respect for law and the courts;
- (3) Stimulate a deeper sense of individual responsibility to the end that citizens recognize their duties as well as their rights;
- (4) Contribute to the effective functioning of our institutions of government; and
- (5) Inculcate a better understanding and appreciation of the rule of law.

Recipients include S. Buford Scott (2013), Thomas A. Silvestri (2011), the Hon. Susan Clark Schaar and the Hon. Bruce F. Jamerson (2010), Laura Sanchez-de Solar (2008), Sister Cora Billings, Rev. Benjamin Campbell, Dr. Jack Spiro (2006), Dr. Warren Stewart (2005), Vernard W. Henley (2002), James E. Ukrop & Robert S. Ukrop (2001), Charlie McDowell (1999).

Nominations should be submitted no later than 4:00 p.m. on February 11th to Tracy Walker, Chair of the Committee on Awards & Honors, at twalker@mcguirewoods.com or fax: 698-2201.

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Legal Information Network for Cancer (LINC) - Denise Kranich 562-0371, ext. 6
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Richmond Domestic Violence Project - Robbi Gray 775-1227
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Harry L. Carrico Center for Pro Bono Services (UR Law) - Tara Casey 287-1207
Pro Bono services provided by law students and attorneys

No Fault Divorce Program - Tara Casey 287-1207
Pairs volunteer attorneys with law students who together represent clients seeking no-fault divorces

Central Virginia Legal Aid Society Emergency Lawyer Program - Steve Dickenson 648-1012
Provides volunteer attorneys to assist CVLA in emergency cases

Announcements

Bankruptcy Section hosts next CLE-luncheon on February 27th

The Bankruptcy Section will host a luncheon-CLE seminar on Thursday, February 27 2014 beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn, 501 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219. The program will feature a presentation by Hon. Brian F. Kenney, US Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, Alexandria Division entitled "Individual Chapter 11's - (A) Application of the Absolute Priority Rule in the Post Maharaj World; (B) the Disposable Income Rule of Sec. 1129 (a)(15); and (C) Discharge Issues. The program has been approved for 1.0 hour of MCLE credit. Cost to attend the luncheon is \$35. Register with a credit card by visiting the Bar's website (see link at the bottom of this page) or by calling 780-0700. Payment can also be made by returning the form on the flyer that was sent to all Section members. Reservations must be received by February 24th; no refunds will be issued after this date.

Business Law Section's Winter CLE seminar set for February 4th

Make your reservations for the the Business Law Section's Winter CLE Seminar & Reception on Tuesday, February 4, 2014, at Chez Foushee beginning at 4:30 p.m. The program, entitled "LLC Operating Assets - Avoiding the Pitfalls," will feature a panel discussion by J. Conrad Garcia of Williams Mullen, W. Jeffery Edwards of Hunton & Williams, Andrew W. White of LeClairRyan and Beverly L. "Bev" Crump of Durette Crump (moderator). The program, approved for 1.5 hour of MCLE credit, will be followed by a cocktail reception.

Cost to attend is \$20 for Section members and \$25 for non-Section members. Register with a credit card by visiting the Bar's website (see link at the bottom of this page) or by calling 780-0700. Payment can also be made by returning the form on the flyer that was sent to all Section members. Reservations must be received by January 30th; no refunds will be issued after this date.

The Section appreciates the generosity of the sponsors of the event, Keither, Xenith Bank and Marsh.

Young Lawyers Section to sponsor social at U of R Law School on February 20th

On Thursday, February 20, 2014, the RBA Young Lawyers Section will be hosting a social at the University of Richmond School of Law. The social is open to University of Richmond law students and to members of the Young Lawyers Section, with the goal of providing an opportunity for law students to meet and speak with young lawyers in the Richmond area. The social, featuring an open bar with beer and wine and very light hors d'oeuvres, will be held in the law school's atrium between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Reservations for all RBA Section events may be made online using a credit card:

<https://richmondbar.org/sections/section-events-registration/>

Save the date!

23rd Annual Bench-Bar Conference - Thursday, October 23, 2014

Welcome new members

The Richmond Bar Association welcomes the following new members:

Standish Alexander
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Shawri J. King-Casey
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Stephen J. Sovinsky
Gabriel A. Walker
Alan J. Wenger
Gibson S. Wright

Shawn Boyer to speak at luncheon

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publicly recognized by President George W. Bush for successfully creating a Web site to help hourly workers.

Judges are invited to attend the luncheon free of charge as guests of the Association. Judges who would like to be picked up at either the John Marshall Courts Building or the Supreme Court Building are asked to notify the Bar office by 1:00 p.m. on the day before the luncheon.

Richmond Public Law Library serves as legal resource for community

Located on the first floor of the Richmond Public Library at 101 East Franklin Street, the public law library serves the legal research needs of the general public and the legal community. The collection includes state and federal reported opinions, statutes, administrative regulations, and resources such as form books, treatises, loose-leaf services, legal newspapers, and reference materials oriented towards both the practitioner and the self-represented. The law library also offers free Westlaw, Lexis, and legal research classes for the public.

Hours of operation are: Monday-Wednesday, 9am-9pm; Thursday-Friday, 9am-6pm; and Saturday, 10am-5pm.

CALENDAR

February

- 3 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 4 Business Law Section CLE, 4:30 p.m., Chez Foushee
- 6 Board of Directors meeting, 12:30 p.m., Hunton & Williams
- 17 Bar office closed for the holiday
- 17 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 20 RBA Luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Omni Hotel
Speaker: Shawn Boyer, Founder and Chairman of Snagajob
- 20 Young Lawyers Section Social, 5:30 p.m., University of
Richmond Law School
- 25 Nominating Committee, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 27 Bankruptcy Section luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn

March

- 3 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 6 Board of Directors meeting, 12:30 p.m., Hunton & Williams
- 10 Pro Bono Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference
room
- 11 CLE Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference
room
- 17 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 20 RBA Luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Omni Hotel
Speaker: TBA
- 20 Bankruptcy Section Spring Social, 6:00 p.m., Sands Anderson
- 31 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office

April

- 1 Bench-Bar Conference Committee meeting, 5:30 p.m., 2nd
floor conference room
- 3 Board of Directors meeting, 12:30 p.m., Hunton & Williams
- 14 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 23 Annual Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Willow Oaks Country Club
- 23 Spring Cocktail Party, 6:00 p.m., Willow Oaks Country Club
- 28 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 29 Litigation Section CLE, 3:00 p.m., Federal Courthouse

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