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June 2016

Association's Law Day Luncheon features installation of officers, passing of the gavel, presentation of awards

President J. Tracy Walker IV passed the gavel to Vernon E. Inge, Jr. at the Bar's law Day Luncheon on May 2nd. Mr. Inge, an attorney with LeClairRyan becomes the Association's 132nd president. The Honorable Roderick C. Young, U.S. Magistrate Judge delivered the keynote address and administered the oath to new officers. Delegate Jennifer L. McClellan was on-hand to receive the Bar's Hill-Tucker Public Service Award, which is presented annually to members who distinguish themselves in service to society beyond the practice of law. In addition, the John Marshall Foundation presented its annual awards to Virginia government and civics teachers.



Tracy Walker passes the President's gavel to Vern Inge



New officers and directors take the oath of office. Pictured are Doug Callaway, Terrence Graves, Dan Lynch, Charlie Meyer, Julie Cillo and Vern Inge.



Del. Jennifer McClellan receives the Hill-Tucker Public Service Award

2016-2017 luncheon dates announced

Mark your calendar with the following RBA luncheon dates - luncheons are held at the Omni Hotel beginning at 12:30 p.m.:

Thursday, September 22, 2016
speaker: Lane Casadonte, Sports Director at Channel 6

Thursday, October 20, 2016 (Bench-Bar Conference)
speaker: Hon. Douglas Wilder

Wednesday, November 16, 2016
speaker: Jeff Schapiro of the *Richmond Times Dispatch*

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

Thursday, March 16, 2017

Monday, May 1, 2017 (Law Day)

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.

Douglas R. Burtch has opened Burtch Law PLLC, where he will continue to focus on employment law matters. His practice also encompasses independent school law, aspects of administrative and healthcare law, and business disputes. He is joined in the new firm by his father, **Jack W. (JB) Burtch Jr.** Both were recently with Macaulay & Burtch, PC.

Burtch Law is located at 1802 Bayberry Court, off Forest Avenue in the West End of Richmond. The firm's website is www.burtchlaw.com.

Two lawyers have joined Moran Reeves Conn PC.

Deborah Kelley Fourness joins the firm as senior counsel. She focuses her practice in real estate development, construction, commercial transactions, merger/acquisitions and corporate services, and financing.

Matthias Kaseorg joins the firm as an associate, concentrating in civil trial and appellate litigation, with a focus on asbestos defense litigation and medical malpractice defense litigation.

Jeffrey Newhouse has joined Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C. as a shareholder. He focuses his practice on representing employers involved in wage and hour class and collective action litigations under state and federal law.

Eckert Seamans welcomes **Rebecca M. Lightle** as an associate. She concentrates her practice on general commercial and employment litigation providing counsel to employers litigating a variety of federal and state claims, with a focus on law enforcement agencies and other public entities defending against claims of employment discrimination.

Chesterfield Circuit Court offering document mail bins

The Chesterfield County Circuit Court now has mail bins for attorney document pick-up. The mail unit is in the secured reception area, inaccessible to the public. Local Bar members should email Pat Timms, Reception Division Supervisor, (timmsp@chesterfield.gov) if they would like to have a designated box in the office. Depending on the level of interest, slots may be designated by firm rather than individual attorneys, so the email to Pat would need to include the firm name if applicable. Once an attorney/firm has a designated mail slot, all items for that attorney/firm will be placed in the internal mail slot unless a self-addressed envelope is included with the filing. If a self-addressed envelope is included, it will be assumed that the documents are to be returned via U.S. mail. Additionally, staff members will not be sending notification(s) when items are left in the mail slots; the attorney or firm will need to make regular checks.

Please note the internal mail pick-up process applies to civil and criminal case documents only. There is no change to land record processing. For additional information, please contact Pat Timms (timmsp@chesterfield.gov).

Save the date! The Bar's popular Holiday Cocktail Party is set for Wednesday, December 14th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts



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Edited by Lelia N. Martin

Vernon E. Inge, Jr. becomes Association's 132nd President

Vernon E. Inge, Jr. was installed as the Association's 132nd President on May 2, 2016, by the Hon. Roderick C. Young, U.S. Magistrate Judge for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (Richmond Division). In November 1991, Vern became a member of the Association and over the years, has served in many capacities, including terms on the Young Lawyers Section Board and as the YLS President and on the Association's Executive Committee, Board of Directors, Finance Committee, and Administration of Justice Committee, to name a few.

Vern is a Shareholder with LeClairRyan in the Downtown Richmond office. He leads the Commercial Litigation Team and the Sports and Entertainment Industry Team. He has been often recognized as a "Virginia Super Lawyer," one of "Richmond's Best Lawyers," and "Legal Elite" by *Virginia Business*, and he has carried the AV rating by Martindale-Hubbell for well over a decade.

Vern has a very broad law practice – from litigation to corporate to bankruptcy/creditors' rights to sports and entertainment to local government to contract law to

banking/finance. He routinely practices in both the Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia and the circuit courts. He is barred in Virginia and New York. Vern



Vernon E. Inge, Jr.

represents not only sports agents, professional athletes, bankruptcy trustees, and Fortune 500 companies, but also middle market and small businesses and lay persons in all areas. He also appears regularly before sports tribunals like the National Football League Players Association in arbitration cases.

Vern graduated *cum laude* from the University of Richmond in 1988 and received his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1991. In 2003, he became an Adjunct Professor with the University of Richmond School of Law originally teaching trial practice, and he continues in that capacity today teaching *Sports and The Law*. Vern has also taught sports law classes at both Virginia Commonwealth University (Center for Sports Leadership) and the College of William and Mary Marshall Wythe School of Law.

Vern has three sons – Trey, Bailey, and Callahan. Trey will graduate from Patrick Henry High School in June and will attend the University of Miami in the Fall where he will study business. Bailey is a junior at Patrick Henry, and Callahan will attend Patrick Henry in the Fall.

REFER NEW MEMBERS, REAP THE BENEFITS!

A new Bar year has begun! Promote Association membership and earn incentives during the 2016-2017 membership drive.

Total # of new members recruited/member reward (redeemed during the 2017-18 Bar year):

1-2	1 free reservation to a 2017-18 luncheon
3-4	1 free reservation to the Spring Cocktail Party
5-6	1 free reservation to the Holiday Cocktail Party
7-9	2 free reservations to the Cocktail Party of your choice
10+	Your 2017-2018 dues are free!

To be eligible, you must sign the new member's application on the "referred by" line.

Sunny skies, great food and good times had at Association's

Spring Cocktail Party at Willow Oaks Country Club



Brewster Rawls and Michael Lantz



Anne Scher, Jill Nunnally and Sakina Page



Meredith Brebner and Jodi Simopoulos



Brandon Bybee, Pamela and Judge C.N. Jenkins and Sara Patras



Gus Epps and Ellen Spong with Sue and Ed Betts

Guests enjoyed the scenery and camaraderie at the Bar's Spring Cocktail Party, presented by Protiviti, at Willow Oaks Country Club on April 20th. The Association appreciates the generosity of our Select Sponsors: Halasz Court Reporting, Minnesota Lawyers Mutual Insurance Company, Park Sterling Bank, Protiviti, Inc., Superior Document Services and Tranzon Fox. More photos at <http://www.richmondbar.org/events/social-events/>.



Allison Rienecker and Alexandria Cuff



Annemarie Cleary with Bill and Betsy Davis



Jason Harbour and Rob Smith



Mike Byrne, Sean Byrne, Michael Phelan, John Peterson and Dan Kincheloe



Judge Jayne Pemberton, Chris Jones, Judge Bev Snukals and Brandon Santos

Sections elect new officers for 2016-2017

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Principle of Professionalism #5

To guard jealously the privilege and the obligation to accept representations involving controversial and unpopular causes and to make the public aware that legal services should be accessible to all persons.

Nominations sought for RBA's Pro Bono Award

Nominations are being accepted for the Bar's John C. Kenny Pro Bono Award, which is presented annually to a recipient who has excelled in one or more of the following ways:

- (1) Demonstrated dedication to the development and implementation of pro bono projects to improve delivery of legal services to the poor;
- (2) Contributed significantly toward the development of innovative approaches to delivery of volunteer services;
- (3) Participated in an activity which resulted in addressing previously unmet legal needs or extending pro bono legal services to underserved segments of the legal community;
- (4) Successfully handled pro bono cases that favorably affected the provision of other services to the poor in the Richmond metropolitan area;
- (5) Participated in activities which resulted in the enactment of legislation that contributed substantially to the delivery of services (legal or otherwise) to the poor; and/or
- (6) Devoted significant time to furthering the delivery of legal services to the poor by handling one or more pro bono matters or providing training for or recruiting volunteer pro bono attorneys in the Richmond metropolitan area.

Nominations should be submitted no later than 4:00 p.m. on August 26th to Terrence Graves Chair of the Committee on Awards & Honors, at tgraves@sandsanderson.com.

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Welcome new members

The Richmond Bar Association welcomes the following new members:

Lawrence Bidwell
Tyler Crowe
Mark Dix
Marc Follmer
Jonathan Jones
Page Mizell
Adrienne Paterson
Kathleen Whitman

Firm bill dues list

If you are affiliated with one of the following firms, your 2016-2017 dues bill was submitted directly to the organization for payment:

Allen, Allen, Allen & Allen
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Randolph, Boyd, Cherry and Vaughan
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Setliff & Holland
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University of Richmond Law School
White & McCarthy
Williams Mullen

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Save the date!

The twenty-fifth annual Bench-Bar Conference will take place on Thursday, October 20, 2016 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Omni Hotel. Breakout sessions will cover topics in the areas of civil, criminal & domestic relations law.

CALENDAR

June

- 1 Board of Directors meeting & Retreat, 12:30 p.m., Hunton & Williams, 20th floor
- 6 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 7 Bench-Bar Conference Committee meeting, 5:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference room
- 13 Judicial interviews, 2:00 p.m. 2nd floor conference room

August

- 8 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 29 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office

July

- 4 Bar office closed for the holiday
- 11 Pro Bono Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference room
- 12 CLE Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference room
- 18 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office

September

- 1 Board of Directors meeting, 12:30 p.m., Hunton & Williams, 20th floor
- 5 Bar office closed for the holiday
- 12 CLE Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference room
- 13 Pro Bono Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference room
- 22 RBA Luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Omni Hotel
Speaker: Lane Casadonte, Sports Director, WTVR Channel 6

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