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A newsletter for members of The Bar Association of the City of Richmond

June 2018

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

President Douglas D. Callaway passed the gavel to Terrence L. Graves at the Bar's Law Day Luncheon on May 1st. The Honorable William C. Mims, Supreme Court of Virginia, delivered the keynote address and administered the oath to new officers. In addition, the John Marshall Foundation presented its annual awards to Virginia government and civics teachers.



Doug Callaway passes the presidents gavel to Terrence Graves.



New officers and directors take the oath of office.

2018-2019 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 27, 2018

Speaker: Carla Williams, Director of Athletics at UVA

Thursday, October 25, 2018 (Bench Bar Conference)

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

Jeff Schapiro, *Richmond Times Dispatch* Political Columnist

Thursday, February 21, 2019

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 (Law Day)

Terrence L. Graves, becomes Association's 134th President

Terrence L. Graves became the Richmond Bar Association's 134th President when he took office on June 1, 2018.

In addition to serving on the Association's Board of Directors, Mr. Graves has served on the Executive Committee, the Finance Committee, the Personnel Committee, the Membership Committee, and the CLE Committee, among others. He had previously served as Chairman of the Young Lawyers Section.

Mr. Graves is a shareholder and Co-Leader of the Litigation Group at Sands Anderson P.C. where he practices in the areas of transportation, product liability, construction defect, premises liability, and professional liability defense. He has tried cases in a majority of judicial circuits and all federal district courts in Virginia and has also been admitted pro hac vice in state courts in Maryland, North Carolina, and the District of Columbia.

Mr. Graves graduated cum laude from Howard University in 1986.

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Share the news

If you've recently landed a new job or 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.

The Honorable Gerald Bruce Lee (Ret.) has joined The McCammon Group where he will serve the mediation, arbitration, special master, and judge pro tempore needs of lawyers and litigants throughout Virginia, D.C. and beyond.

The Honorable James R. Spencer (Ret.) has joined The McCammon Group where he will serve the mediation, arbitration, judge pro tempore, and special master needs of lawyers and litigants throughout the Commonwealth and beyond.

Barry D. Gabay has joined Burtch Law PLLC. He will focus his practice in the areas of employment, independent school and administrative law.

Harman Claytor Corrigan & Wellman welcomes two attorneys to their Richmond office: **Saemi Murphy** joins as a Senior Associate and will defend claims involving civil rights, wrongful death, personal injury, construction defect, logging/trucking accident, malicious prosecution, excessive force, premises and professional liability.

Charles M. Matthews joins as a Junior Associate and will focus his practice on general civil litigation.



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Edited by Lelia N. Martin

The McCammon Group

is pleased to announce our newest Neutral



Hon. James R. Spencer (Ret.)

Retired Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia

The Honorable James Spencer (Ret.) joins The McCammon Group after over thirty years of dedicated service as for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, including several years as Chief Judge. Judge Spence his legal career as a Captain in the U.S. Army JAG Corps and as an attorney with the Atlanta Legal Aid Society. I went on to serve as a U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, where he was a member of the elite Major Division. Judge Spencer later joined the U.S. Attorney's office in the Eastern District of Virginia, until he was ap as the first African-American U.S. District Court Judge in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Judge Spencer now this exceptional record of service and accomplishment to The McCammon Group to serve the mediation, arbi judge pro tempore, and special master needs of lawyers and litigants throughout the Commonwealth and I

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Terrence Graves becomes Association's 134th President

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He worked as a paralegal for 2 years before going on to law school. He graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1991.

A frequent lecturer on many aspects of law at the local, state, regional, and national levels, Mr. Graves is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a former president of the Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys and a member of the Defense Research Institute and the Vir-



Terrence L. Graves

ginia Bar Association among many other affiliations. His honors include being recognized by "Best Lawyers in America" (Transportation Law and Personal Injury-Defense), "Super Lawyers", and Virginia's Legal Elite." He has also been named as one of "Virginia's Top Lawyers" by the Richmond Times-Dispatch. When not in the office, he enjoys piloting drones, spending time with family, and traveling. Mr. Graves and his wife, Jackie have one grown son, Terrence Jr.

Firm bill dues list members

If you are affiliated with one of the following firms, your 2018-2019 dues bill was submitted directly to the organization for payment:

- Allen, Allen, Allen & Allen
- Beale, Davidson, Etherington & Morris
- Boleman Law
- Christian & Barton
- Duane, Hauck, Davis & Gravatt
- Durette, Arkema, Gerson & Gill
- Florance, Gordon and Brown
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- Midkiff, Muncie & Ross
- Parker, Pollard, Wilton & Peaden
- Randolph, Boyd, Cherry and Vaughan
- Sands Anderson
- Setliff Holland
- Spotts Fain
- Thompson McMullan
- University of Richmond Law School
- White & McCarthy
- Williams Mullen

Refer new members and earn rewards

Promote RBA membership and earn incentives during the 2018-2019 membership drive!

- Recruit 1-2 new members and receive 1 free reservation to a 2019-20 luncheon
- Recruit 3-4 new members and receive 1 free reservation to the Spring Cocktail Party
- Recruit 5-6 new members and receive 1 free reservation to the Holiday Cocktail Party
- Recruit 7-9 new members and receive 2 free reservations to the Cocktail Party of your choice
- Recruit 10+ new members and your 2019-2020 dues are free!

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

The sun shines on the Bar's Spring Cocktail Party

After a cold, wet winter guests enjoyed the scenery and camaraderie at the Bar's Spring Cocktail Party at Willow Oaks Country Club on April 18th. The Association appreciates the generosity of our Select Sponsors: Find Law, Halasz Court Reporting, Minnesota Lawyers Mutual Insurance Company, Old Republic National Title Insurance Co., South State Bank, Protiviti, Superior Document Services and Tranzon Fox. More photos at <https://www.richmondbar.org/events/social-events/>.



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Nominations sought for Association'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 June 22nd to Sarah Warner (swarner@t-mlaw.com) or Lee Martin (lmartin@richmondbar.org).



*Principle of Professionalism #1
To be good stewards of the legal profession by maintaining and enhancing our knowledge of and respect for the law.*

Welcome new members

The Richmond Bar Association welcomes the following new members:

Kathryn A. Crowe
Johnie R. Muncy
Matthew T. Paulk
Lawrence H. Pearson, Jr.
Kristen R. Welsh

Each new member is contacted by a member of the Board of Directors to encourage them to become active in Bar activities. We invite all RBA members to reach out and welcome our new members.

Save the date for the RBA's "don't-miss" party of the year!

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the RBA's Holiday Cocktail Party on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 from 6-8 p.m. at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

Sections elect new officers for 2018-2019

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CALENDAR

June

- 4 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 5 Bench-Bar Conference Committee meeting, 5:30 p.m.,
2nd floor conference room
- 7 Board of Directors meeting & Retreat, 12:30 p.m.,
Hunton Andrews Kurth

July

- 4 Bar office closed for the holiday
- 10 Bench-Bar Conference Committee meeting, 5:30 p.m.,
2nd floor conference room
- 12 CLE Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference room
- 16 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office

August

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

September

- 3 Bar office closed for the holiday
- 4 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 6 Board of Directors meeting, 12:30 p.m.,
Hunton Andrews Kurth, 20th floor
- 10 Pro Bono Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m.,
2nd floor conference room
- 13 CLE Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference room
- 27 RBA Luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Omni Hotel
Speaker: Carla Williams, Athletic Director at UVA

October

- 1 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 4 Board of Directors meeting, 12:30 p.m.,
Hunton Andrews Kurth, 20th floor
- 8 Bar office closed for the holiday
- 25 Bench-Bar Conference, 9:00 a.m., Omni Hotel
- 25 RBA Luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Omni Hotel
Speaker: TBA
- 29 Executive Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m., Bar office
- 30 VSB-RBA Tech Talk CLE seminar, 9:00 a.m.,
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