

Professional Notices

William H. Archambault, of Charlottesville, and **Edward B. McMahon Jr.**, of Middleburg, have been inducted as fellows in the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Michael J. Elston, a former assistant U.S. attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia, has been appointed by the postmaster general to the position of associate general counsel and chief ethics and compliance officer at the U.S. Postal Service.

The Hunter Law Firm opened its fourth office, in Portsmouth, on June 2.

Matthew B. Kirsner has been appointed to the board of directors at Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott LLC for a three-year term.

Steven P. Letourneau, partner at Inman & Strickler PLC, has been named to the board of management for the Armed Service YMCA.

Lawyers Helping Lawyers has appointed five new members to its board of directors. They will serve a two-year term beginning June 2014. They are **Claire G. Cardwell** with Stone, Cardwell & Dinkin PLC, **Andrew Lucchetti** with Halperin Law Center, **James M. McCauley** with the Virginia State Bar, **Kenneth Dennis Sisk** with McGuire Woods, and **Asha S. Pandya**, who is in private practice.

The Local Government Attorneys of Virginia Inc. elected new officers and members of the board of directors at its spring conference in Charlottesville. The following officers and directors will lead the LGA for the 2014–15 year: President **G. Carl Boggess**, Vice President **Roderick R. Ingram**, Treasurer **W. Clarke Whitfield Jr.**, Secretary **George A. McAndrews**; directors **Haskell C. Brown III**, **Deborah C. Icenhour**, **Michelle R. Robl**, and **Roderick B. Williams**.

K. Lorraine Lord has been appointed chief staff attorney for the Supreme Court of Virginia. She was senior counsel in the Complex Commercial Litigation Practice Group at McGuire Woods LLP in Richmond.

Mark J. Maier, a partner in McGuire Woods LLP's Tysons Corner office, has been promoted to full colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves and will take over as the U.S. Army's emergency preparedness officer for Maryland in June.

Letha Sgritta McDowell has joined InterActive Legal of Melbourne, FL, as special advisor on elder law planning.

Peckar & Abramson PC (P&A) has expanded its Washington, DC, office with the addition of seven attorneys from **Seeger PC**.

Sands Anderson PC was honored as the LINC Volunteer Law Firm of the Year on May 16 at the Legal Information Network of Cancer Spring Awards Luncheon.

Stephen A. Saltzburg, the Wallace and Beverley Woodbury university professor of law and co-director of the Litigation and Dispute Resolution Program at The George Washington University Law School, received the American Bar Association Grassroots Advocacy Award on April 8 for his outstanding efforts in support of some of the association's most important policy positions as they relate to criminal justice.

Jennifer O. Schiffer has joined Bean, Kinney & Korman as an attorney. Schiffer represents local businesses in their corporate structuring, civil litigation, and commercial leasing.

Gerard M. Stegmaier has joined Goodwin Procter's Privacy & Data Security Practice as a partner in its Washington, DC, office. He comes to

Goodwin from Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati.

Robert M. Tata has been appointed managing partner of the Hunton & Williams Norfolk office. He has assumed responsibilities from **Gregory N. Stillman**, who managed the office since its opening in 1979. Tata has been with the firm since September 1989.

P. David Tarter has been elected mayor of Falls Church. He is founder and principal of Tarter NoVa Law in Arlington, where he specializes in real estate and business law.

Norman A. Thomas has opened the firm of Norman A. Thomas PLLC in Richmond, focusing on appellate litigation. He recently retired from the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia

J.T. "Tom" Tokarz, Henrico County deputy county attorney, was honored by the Local Government Attorneys of Virginia Inc. with the 2014 Cherin Award for Outstanding Deputy or Assistant Local Government Attorney at the association's spring conference in Charlottesville.

Varela, Lee, Metz & Guarino LLP has opened a construction and engineering law firm in Tysons Corner.

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