

University of Richmond's Coggins Earns Highest Honor from American Association of Law Library Hall of Fame



The American Association of Law Library Hall of Fame will award the Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award, its highest honor, to Timothy L. Coggins, associate dean for Library and Information Services at Richmond School of Law.

"This award recognizes an individual who has completed or is nearing completion of an active professional career for outstanding, extended, and sustained service to law librarianship, to the association, or for contributions to the professional literature," wrote Frank G. Houdek, chair of the AALL Awards Committee.

Coggins directs the Muse Law Library, a resource center that is home to

more than 430,000 volumes. During his tenure he has led efforts to bolster collections and improve the physical space, all the while managing major shifts in technology and the increasingly seamless integration of library staff into the classroom. Coggins will retire this summer.

Coggins came to Richmond in 1997 as director of the law library and associate professor. He became professor in 2003 and associate dean in 2004. Coggins previously worked at the University of Alabama School of Law and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law.

"Tim is one of the finest library directors in the country and has built a truly outstanding law library for us

here," said Wendy Perdue, dean of the law school. "His commitment to excellence leaves a lasting legacy and he is a model for library directors everywhere."

"Receiving the Gallagher Award from the American Association of Law Libraries is an incredible honor, one that I will treasure always," said Coggins. "I was able to contribute professionally and to make a difference regarding equitable access to legal information because Dean Perdue, other Richmond law school deans, and my law library colleagues at Richmond supported and valued my efforts."

Coggins will receive the award at AALL Annual Meeting and Conference in Philadelphia in July.

Kevin F. DeTurris and **Brian R. Sanderson** have joined Blankspace & Keith PC as counsel.

Justin E. Fairfax, former Assistant US Attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia, has joined **Venable LLP** as a commercial and white-collar criminal litigation counsel in its Tysons Corner office.

Jeanne E. Floyd has joined Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart PC as of counsel in the firm's Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation practice group.



Floyd

Hirschler Fleischer has formed the Data Privacy and Security Practice, a multidis-

ciplinary group advising on the evolving laws and industry standards that regulate the collection, use, and disclosure of personal data, led by **Collin J. Hite**, **Jacqueline C. Hedblom** and **Angela R. Matney**.

David S. Galeski has joined Duane, Hauck, Davis & Gravatt PC as an associate attorney. He will practice in the area of litigation, focusing on insurance defense, personal injury law, and criminal defense.



Galeski

Paul C. Harris has joined Sodexo Inc. as vice president and assistant general counsel. He will head the Office of Ethics, Compliance and Privacy at the

company's headquarters in Gaithersburg, Maryland.

Stuart Landin Harms recently joined the Alexandria law firm of MercerTrigiani as an associate.



Harms

Brian J. Hooper has joined the Atlanta office of Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice LLP in its Mass Torts group as a senior associate.



Hooper

Morani Horani has been named a partner in the Divorce and Family Law Group at Pasternak & Fidis.



Horani

Professional Notices

Hunton & Williams has announced multiple promotions of lawyers to partner:

- **Andrew J. Blanchard**, Richmond, concentrates on structured finance, securitization, and corporate finance transactions.
- **Tara L. Elgie**, Dallas, focuses on consumer finance litigation and compliance
- **Kurt G. Larkin**, Richmond, counsels on the full range of labor and employment issues.
- **James M. Pinna**, Richmond, represents health care providers in transactional, corporate, regulatory, and compliance matters.

Stephen R. Larson has joined Christian & Barton LLP in Richmond as counsel, where he will continue his legal practice focused on federal regulation of financial transactions, securities law, tax, and international trade restrictions.

William D. Ledoux Jr. has been elected as a partner at Eckert Seamans Cherin and Mellott, LLC in Richmond. He litigates matters in state and federal courts at both the trial and appellate levels, including employment litigation, legal malpractice, contract disputes, commercial litigation, products liability and tort actions.

Jeremy R. Moss, of MercerTrigiani, has been elected to the College of Community Association Lawyers, a national industry organization of 150 attorneys who have made significant contributions to the practice of community association law.

Williams Mullen has announced changes to the firm's practice group and regional leadership as chosen by President and CEO Calvin W. "Woody" Fowler Jr., who assumed the role on April 1.

- **Craig L. Rascoe** continues in his role as chief operating officer, while maintaining his tax practice.
- **David C. Burton**, chair of Williams Mullen's Labor and Employment section, will also take on the position of Practice Group chair.
- **Farhad Aghdami** will serve as the managing partner for Richmond.
- **Adam Casagrande** will serve as the managing partner for Hampton Roads.
- **Wyatt S. Beazley IV** has been named chair of the Health Care practice group.
- **Gregory R. Bishop** has been named chair of the Business and Corporate section.
- **Turner A. Broughton** has been named chair of the Litigation practice.
- **J. Conrad Garcia** will be chair of the Tax Law practice.

Jeffrey H. Newhouse has joined the Hirschler Fleischer litigation section as a partner. He advises clients on complex commercial litigation matters, including class actions and high-exposure individual actions.

Nathan J. Olson has become a partner at Cooper Ginsberg Gray PLLC.

Eric M. Page has joined Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott LLC's Richmond office as a member of the firm's Utilities, Telecommunications, Energy, and Insurance groups.

Catherine M. Reese was admitted into the board of Family Law Trial Advocacy, an American Bar Association accredited organization.

Lauren E. Fisher White has joined Christian & Barton LLP in Richmond as an associate, where she will continue her labor/employment and litigation practice.

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