

Highlights of the Virginia State Bar Council Meeting

June 17, 2010

At its meeting on June 17, 2010, in Virginia Beach, the Virginia State Bar Council heard the following significant reports and took the following actions:

Budget

The council approved a proposed budget of \$12.3 million for 2010–11, which represents an increase of \$230,000 over FY 2010, due to a 3 percent bonus for the bar staff, which has not received a raise since November 2007.

Rule 1.15 Changes Approved

The council approved the Ethics Committee's proposed amendments to the Rules of Professional Conduct 1.15, the Rules of the Virginia Supreme Court Part 6, § IV, ¶ 20, and the trust account notification agreement. The proposal will be sent to the Court for its consideration. Details: http://www.vsb.org/pro-guidelines/index.php/rule_changes/item/rule-115-of-rules-of-professional-conduct-and-paragraph-20-of-part-6-iv/

ALPS

ALPS Executive Vice President Christopher L. Newbold reported that, over the last four years, ALPS has experienced a marked increase in the Virginia loss ratio and the claims frequency ratio. As a result, ALPS has adjusted an aspect of its underwriting formula specific to Virginia risk factors (the Virginia relativity factor) by reducing a credit it had ordinarily applied to Virginia law firms from 39 percent to 35 percent. This may result in increased premiums for some firms. Newbold reported that ALPS is financially strong with \$30,000,000 in policy holder surplus and maintains an A-minus (Excellent) A.M. Best rating.

Diversity Conference

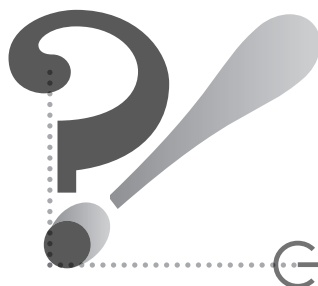
The new VSB Diversity Conference has its first board of governors, appointed by outgoing president Jon D. Huddleston. Officers are Manuel A. Capsalis of Arlington, chair; Michael HuYoung of Richmond, vice chair; Linda Y. Lambert

of Richmond, secretary; and Edward L. Weiner of Fairfax, treasurer. The conference must raise private funds to support its operations.

Strategic Planning Session

The 2010 VSB Strategic Plan sets out five goals in support of the VSB mission statement and outlines strategies to implement those goals. The goals are protecting the public, regulating the profession, advancing access to legal services, improving the legal profession and judicial system, and operating the bar.

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George Warren Shanks of Luray Is President-elect of Virginia State Bar

George Warren Shanks, who began a practice in Luray thirty-three years ago after working for U.S. Senator Harry F. Byrd Jr., is the Virginia State Bar's new president-elect. He will serve a year, then succeed Irving M. Blank of Richmond for the 2011-12 term as president.

Shanks took the office June 18 during the VSB's annual meeting in Virginia Beach.

A native of Wilmington, Delaware, Shanks earned an undergraduate degree from Indiana University and a law degree from Temple University. He began his legal career at a firm in Winchester before he joined Byrd's staff as a special assistant in 1972. Five years later, he moved to Luray, where he is now a partner in the firm Miller, Earle & Shanks PLLC.

Shanks served in the Virginia Army National Guard from 1969 until 1974, and in the U.S. Army Reserve from 1974 until 1975.

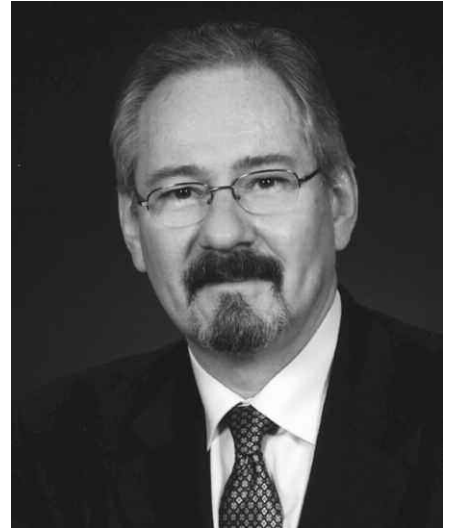
Shanks is the county attorney and commissioner of accounts for Page

County, and he is a commissioner in chancery in the Twenty-Sixth Judicial Circuit. In 1986, he created the award-winning Law-Related Education Project of the Page County Bar Association.

Through the program, which continues today, attorneys visit classrooms to talk to public school students about the law, and students are taken on a field trip to the U.S. Supreme Court.

He was named a Local Bar Leader of the Year by the VSB in 1990, and he has been an active volunteer at the agency for many years. His service has included professional discipline, substantive law, member support services, and administration of the agency.

He sat on the district committee that hears lawyer disciplinary cases in his region; is on the board of Lawyers Helping Lawyers, a program that assists lawyers impaired by substance abuse and mental illness; served on the board of governors of the General Practice Section that educates members on substantive law; was chair of the Conference



of Local Bar Associations, which provides support to practitioners throughout Virginia, and the Senior Lawyers Conference, which gives voice to lawyers aged 55 and older; and is a member of the bar's governing Council and Executive Committee.

He also is on the board of directors of Blue Ridge Legal Services.

Shanks and his wife, Janice D. Butler, have between them nine children and 11 grandchildren. They reside in Warren County.

NOTICE: Check Your MCLE Hours Online Now

Your MCLE compliance deadline is October 31, 2010. Go to <https://member.vsb.org/vsbportal/> to review your MCLE record.

If you do not have access to the Internet you may contact the MCLE Department at (804) 775-0577 to request that a copy of your transcript be mailed. Mailing of the Interim Report has been discontinued.

NOTICE: New MCLE Regulations Effective for the Compliance Year Ending October 31, 2011

The new regulations include a limitation on prerecorded programs. Members must attend a minimum of four hours of live interactive programs. Live interactive programs include traditional live programs, live telephone courses, and live webcasts through which the attendees can interact with the speaker. See the new regulations and other MCLE compliance information at <http://www.vsb.org/site/members/mcle-courses/>.

Virginia State Bar Harry L. Carrico Professionalism Course

August 19, 2010
Roanoke

September 30, 2010
Richmond

December 9, 2010
Richmond

See more dates and registration information at <http://www.vsb.org>.

VSB Honors Dedicated Attorneys

The Virginia State Bar recently recognized members with the following awards:

FAMILY LAW SERVICE AWARD

Christine E. “Christie” Marra,
Virginia Poverty
Law Center,
Richmond
*Presented by the
Family Law Section*



Marra is known as a tireless advocate for children, especially those in the foster care system. She developed an art project, Voices for Change, as a self-advocacy tool for teens in foster care. She has worked to make divorce more accessible to low-income persons and to legalize cooperative adoption, so youths can have permanent adoptive families and maintain ties to their birth families.

Presented April 30 at the Advanced Family Law Seminar in Richmond

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

William C. Wood,
Batzli, Wood &
Stiles PC,
Richmond
*Presented by the
Family Law Section*

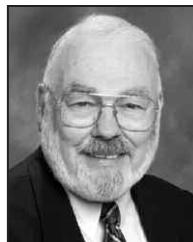


Wood has impressed the bar with his professionalism. Fellow lawyers in the Henrico County bar praise his honesty and integrity toward clients, colleagues, and the courts. “I am repeatedly told by other attorneys that it is ‘refreshing’ to have a case with Bill,” one of his partners wrote. In forty-four years of practice, he has volunteered for the VSB and helped develop uniform practices and procedures for domestic relations cases in metropolitan Richmond

Presented April 30 at the Advanced Family Law Seminar in Richmond

LOCAL BAR LEADER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Raymond B. Benzinger,
Law Office of
Raymond
Benzinger PC
*Presented by the
Conference of Local
Bar Associations*



Benzinger has never turned the Arlington County Bar Association away when it asked for help. He has been its president, sponsored networking opportunities, served as a mentor, and spent two birthdays installing shingles on senior citizens’ roofs as part of a bar community service project. He has an active family law practice that includes serving as a motions conciliator and a neutral case evaluator to help divorcing parties divide property without court intervention.

Presented June 18 at the VSB Annual Meeting

TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

V.R. “Shack” Shackelford III,
Shackelford,
Thomas & Gregg
PLC, Orange
*Presented by the
General Practice Section*



Shackelford has been a country lawyer with a general practice for thirty-six years. “His legal life is balanced by an active outdoor life,” Gail Starling Marshall wrote. He has always accepted court appointments. They “are not remunerative, nor are they glamorous or publicly heralded or even known about. But they are enormously important to the individual clients, as well as to the justice system.”

Presented June 19 at the VSB Annual Meeting

R. EDWIN BURNETTE JR. YOUNG LAWYER OF THE YEAR

Robert E. “Bob” Byrne Jr.,
MartinWren PC,
Charlottesville
*Presented by the
Young Lawyers
Conference*



The YLC credits Byrne with revitalizing the YLC Professional Development Conference — an annual program that offers practice management and substantive law training to young attorneys — in 2008. “Bob was conscientious (in) crafting a detailed program that would actually give young attorneys the practical skills to help them in their individual practices,” wrote Monica A. Walker, who cochaired the Professional Development Conference with Byrne last year.

Presented June 18 at the VSB Annual Meeting

These are in addition to three awards presented by the Special Committee on Access to Legal Services. (See pages 32 and 67.)

VSBA Honors Local Bar Associations

CLBA Awards

The following bar association projects received awards from the Conference of Local Bar Associations during the annual meeting. The awards recognize projects that serve the bench, the bar, and the people of Virginia. The CLBA makes information on winning projects available to other groups that want to sponsor similar programs.

AWARDS OF MERIT

For excellence in bar projects

Charlottesville Albemarle Bar Association

- Senior Law Day: A Toolkit for Surviving Life's Later Challenges, a seminar

Fauquier County Bar Association

- Fauquier County Circuit Court Neutral Case Evaluation Program

Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association

- Foster Children Training Program

Roanoke Bar Association

- You and the Law public education program

Salem/Roanoke County Bar Association

- Certification Training for Court-Appointed Attorneys

CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT

For high achievement in bar projects

Fredericksburg Area Bar Association

- **Wills for Heroes Program** to help first responders with estate planning

Metropolitan Richmond Women's Bar Association

- **Partnership with Boaz & Ruth**, a non-profit project that helps formerly incarcerated persons make the transition back into a community.

Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association

- **Ruffner Academy Mentoring Program**

for children in a Norfolk middle school.

- **Pro Bono Legal Outreach Clinic** with the Southeastern Tidewater Opportunities Project Inc.

Prince William County Bar Association Inc.

- **Arthur Meets the President** project to introduce the presidency and citizenship among elementary school students.
- **Wills for Heroes** to help first responders with estate planning

Washington Metropolitan Area Corporate Counsel Association

- **General Counsel Breakfast Club** for informal discussion experiences and best practices topics

Virginia Women Attorneys Association, Loudoun Chapter

- **Empty Bowls Project** to work with local potters to raise money for a local food bank

Virginia State Bar Card Revised

Beginning in the 2010–11 fiscal year, the Virginia State Bar will provide permanent bar cards to members with the following statuses:

- active;
- active/Virginia corporate counsel (VCC);
- active/military legal assistance attorney (MLAA); and
- emeritus.

Associate members will be sent a permanent bar card after they pay dues for 2010–11.

Temporary cards with an expiration date of December 31, 2010, will be sent to active, active/VCC, active/MLAA, and emeritus members

when they pay their 2010–11 dues. In December, the bar will send them permanent cards with no expiration date.

VSB members in other categories — judicial, retired, and disabled — no longer will be issued bar cards.

A member who changes status to active, associate, or emeritus will be sent the appropriate bar card at no charge.

Replacement cards will be provided for a \$10 fee.

In the past, the VSB annually sent all dues-paying members bar cards that expired in a year.

Initiated at the request of incoming president Irving M. Blank, the change saves the bar the annual cost of

printing and mailing cards to its forty-five thousand members.

The bar is also going to make changes that will permit security personnel at courts and correctional facilities to verify that an attorney has not been suspended or revoked, through a VSB-maintained online database.

The new cards will not include photos, but the VSB hopes eventually to issue cards with photos provided by members.

Questions about bar cards should be addressed to the VSB Membership Department at membership@vsb.org or (804) 775-0530.

Mims Installed as a Justice of the Supreme Court

William C. Mims was formally installed as a justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia by Chief Justice Leroy R. Hassell Sr. on April 29, 2010. Mims is a former member of the Virginia House of Delegates and Virginia Senate who represented Loudoun and Fairfax counties. He served as Virginia attorney general last year, when Robert F. McDonnell resigned to run for governor. Mims was elected by the General Assembly to succeed Justice Barbara Milano Keenan (left), who now sits on the Fourth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Photo by Bob Brown, *Richmond Times-Dispatch*



VSB Investigator Awarded for Work in Titus Cases

O. Michael Powell, an investigator for the Virginia State Bar Department of Professional Regulation, has received a public service award from U.S. Attorney Neil H. MacBride for his investigations of convicted swindlers and revoked lawyers Troy Aurelius Titus and Kristina Marie Cardwell, both of Virginia Beach.

Powell's investigation of bank reports that Titus had overdrafts in his attorney escrow and real estate trust accounts led to the revocation of his license to practice law (http://www.vsb.org/disciplinary_orders/titus_consent_revocation93005.pdf) in 2005—four years before a federal jury found him guilty of thirty-three fraud-related charges. <http://norfolk.fbi.gov/dojpressrel/pressrel10/nf041610.htm>

About thirty victims were defrauded of more than \$7 million by Titus, through a Ponzi scheme involving real estate and investments. The victims included elderly and incapacitated persons who were left penniless, unable to recover their life savings even where civil verdicts were awarded.

Titus, now 44, was sentenced to thirty years in federal prison.

After Titus consented to revocation of his law license and agreed that he will not pursue reinstatement, Investigator Powell turned his attention to Cardwell, a law firm associate of Titus who participated in his mortgage fraud schemes.

Powell shared his findings with federal prosecutors. Cardwell, now 40, pled guilty to wire fraud in 2008. She was sentenced to sixty-six months in prison and ordered to pay restitution. http://www.mortgagefraud.org/storage/cardwell_pr.pdf Her license to practice law was revoked with her consent in April 2009. http://www.vsb.org/docs/Cardwell_4-14-09.pdf

Powell was one of eleven law enforcement agents and others who were recognized by MacBride for their contributions to the Titus and Cardwell cases. The criminal cases were prosecuted by Michael C. Moore—a former member of the VSB committee that hears disciplinary cases in Norfolk—and Melissa E. O'Boyle.

"Titus's multifaceted scheme and artifice to defraud was complex and sophisticated, which made it difficult to both investigate and prosecute," according to a statement from MacBride's office. "These agents played critical roles in prosecuting ... Titus."

Powell joined the VSB staff in 2002 after a twenty-year career with the Defense Criminal Investigative Service, for which he investigated health-care and contract fraud, bribery, and theft. In that job he worked collaboratively with the Department of Justice and agency attorneys.

He drew on those skills for the Titus and Cardwell investigations, which required tracing monetary investments by each victim through multiple investment and real estate transactions. "Multiply that by the number of victims, and it was just a massive undertaking," Powell said.

The VSB routinely cooperates with law enforcement agencies in furtherance of the bar's public protection mission. "The Virginia State Bar is very pleased at the recognition of the bar's contribution to this criminal prosecution," said VSB Counsel Edward L. Davis, who oversees the Professional Regulation Department.

Powell's award "has shown that the VSB investigators have the skill level and reliability to prepare a very complicated prosecution, such as those of Titus and Cardwell," Davis said.

The VSB Clients' Protection Fund has paid out \$330,786—the maximum allowed under the rules of the fund—to victims of Titus. No claims have been paid to Cardwell's victims, and none are pending.



Local Bar Elections

The Alexandria Bar Association

Barbara Sattler Anderson, President
 Heather Nicole Jenquine, President-elect
 Sean Peter Schmergel, Secretary
 Kathleen Maureen Uston, Treasurer
 Stephen Christopher Swift, Director
 Sarah Elizabeth McElveen, Director
 Nicholas John Gehrig, Director
 Phoenix Shannon Michele Ayotte Harris,
 Director

Arlington County Bar Association

Brent Eugene Baxter, President
 Jay Evan Burkholder, President-elect
 Lisa Joy Harwood, Secretary
 Timothy Raymond Hughes, Treasurer

Fairfax Bar Association

David John Gogal, President
 William Patrick Daly Jr., President-elect
 Jay Barry Myerson, Vice President
 David Lyndon Marks, Secretary
 Edward Laurence Weiner, Treasurer

Harrisonburg-Rockingham Bar Association

Laura Ann Thornton, President
 Wynn Andrew Harding, President-elect
 Lindsay Cole Brubaker, Secretary
 Grant David Penrod, Treasurer

Lynchburg Bar Association

Sharon Kathleen Eimer, President
 Susan Lynn Wright Hartman,
 President-elect
 Burton Leigh Drewry Jr., Secretary-
 Treasurer

Metro Richmond Family Law Bar Association

Robert Edward Henley III, President
 Vanessa Laverne Jones, Vice President
 Christopher Hunt Macturk, Secretary
 Carrie Willis Witter, Treasurer

Metropolitan Richmond Women's Bar Association

Jayne Ann Pemberton, President
 Alexandra Silva Fannon, President-elect
 Sakina Karima Paige, Vice President
 Colleen Marea Quinn, Secretary
 Sharon Choi Stuart, Treasurer

Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association

Jeffrey Lance Stredler, President
 Nathaniel Beaman IV, President-elect
 Virginia Lynn Van Valkenburg, Secretary
 Gary Alvin Bryant, Treasurer
 Kevin Patrick Greene, YLS Chair

Northern Virginia Chapter, VWAA

Kyung Nam Dickerson, President

Old Dominion Bar Association

Robert Allen Williams, President
 Vinceretta Taylor Chiles, President-elect
 Leonard Lee Brown Jr., Vice President
 Doris Elcenia Henderson Causey,
 Secretary
 Tabrica Cook Rentz, Treasurer

Powhatan Bar Association

Anastasia Kerry Jones, President
 Tara Dowdy Hatcher, Vice President
 Richard Kenneth Cox, Secretary
 Philip Leroy McDaniel, Treasurer

Prince William Chapter, VWAA

Jane Oliver Smith, President

Richmond Bar (The Bar Association of the City of Richmond)

Thamer Eugene Temple III, President
 Tyler Perry Brown, President-elect
 Craig Thomas Merritt, Vice President
 The Honorable Mary Hannah Lauck,
 Honorary Vice President
 Anne Gaines Scher, Secretary-Treasurer

Roanoke Bar Association

Francis Hewitt Casola, President
 Lori Dawn Thompson, President-elect
 Thomas Harlan Miller, Secretary-
 Treasurer

Salem-Roanoke County Bar Association

Compton Moncure Biddle, President
 Matthew Jason Pollard, 1st Vice
 President
 Patricia Ann McGee Green, 2nd Vice
 President
 Lora Ann Keller, Secretary-Treasurer
 Holly Stemler Peters, Judge Advocate

Virginia Trial Lawyers Association

Matthew B. Murray, President
 Thomas Joseph Curcio, Vice President
 John Eric Lichtenstein, Vice President
 Edward Lefebvre Allen, Vice President
 Barbara S. Williams, Vice President
 Lisa Palmer O'Donnell, Vice President
 Stephanie Elaine Grana, Treasurer

Virginia Women Attorneys Association

Christine Helene Mouglin-Boal,
 President
 Catherine Mary Reese, President-elect
 Lauren Ebersole Hutcheson, Secretary
 Cynthia Kaplan Revesman, Treasurer

Williamsburg Bar Association

Daniel Read Quarles, President
 William Hunter Old, Vice President
 Nancy Kahn Bolash, Secretary
 Gordon Carmalt Klugh, Treasurer

Winchester-Frederick County Bar Association

Beth McNally Coyne, President
 William Andonia Truban Jr.,
 President-elect
 William August Bassler, Secretary
 Barbara S. Williams, Treasurer

York County-Poquoson Bar Association

Melanie Barbour Economou, President
 Karla Jeanette Keener, President-elect
 Patricia Ann Dart, Secretary
 Barbara Buchanan Cooke, Treasurer

In Memoriam

F. Mather Archer
Virginia Beach
February 1930–May 2010

James Emmett Anderson
Richmond
October 1950–April 2010

Kathleen Carson Barger
Alexandria
April 1948–October 2009

Kevin Jerome Barry
Chantilly
September 1942–April 2009

Douglas Gregory Campbell
Tazewell
June 1947–May 2010

Nathaniel Elliott Clement II
Chapel Hill, North Carolina
July 1945–March 2010

Robert Wayne Dawson
Richmond
September 1946–April 2010

James Lyle DeMarce
Arlington
October 1939–April 2010

Susan Marker Dern
Christiansburg
January 1948–April 2010

Lora Antoinette Dunlap
Orlando, Florida
October 1955–January 2010

Richard Elliott Henning Jr.
Reston
May 1950–March 2010

Robert E. Jackson
Seattle, Washington
May 1919–June 2009

Robert E. Jordan III
Washington, D.C.
June 1936–May 2010

Edward Emerson Lane
Richmond
January 1924–August 2009

Marvin Monroe Long
Falls Church
June 1918–February 2010

Samuel Arold Mohr
Bronxville, New York
October 1958–January 2010

R. Lamar Moore
Moultrie, Georgia
March 1918–April 2010

John Frederick Moring
White Stone
October 1935–May 2009

Theodore L. Plunkett Jr.
Roanoke
August 1923–March 2010

Beverley Ann Ramsey
Chantilly
October 1947–December 2009

William Elmore Spruill
Richmond
August 1966–May 2010

Richard C. Steffey
Washington, D.C.
May 1920–October 2009

Frances Sears Taylor
Williamsburg
July 1948–May 2010

John Paul Trygar
Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania
October 1934–January 2010

C.W. Wilkinson
Virginia Beach
September 1915–January 2010

Hon. William R. Yates
Richmond
January 1921–April 2010

VLF Elects Officers, Board

At its annual meeting on June 18, 2010, the Virginia Law Foundation Board of Directors elected the following officers: David P. Bobzien, president; Frank A. Thomas III, president-elect; Manual A. Capsalis, vice president; Guy K. Tower, secretary; Karen A. Gould, treasurer; and Sharon K. Tatum, assistant treasurer.

Elected to three-year terms on the board were incumbent members James V. Meath and J. Page Williams and new members F. Anderson Morse, John M. Oakey Jr., and John D. Epps.

Law in Society Scholarship Competition

Winners of the Virginia State Bar Law in Society Scholarship Competition, sponsored for high school students by the VSB Litigation Section were recognized at the VSB Annual Meeting. Shown at an awards presentation were U.S. Magistrate Judge B. Waugh Crigler, Virginia Supreme Court Justice S. Bernard Goodwyn, second-place winner Hailey Sadler of Gloucester, first-place winner Daniel S. Reuwer of Chesapeake, and Circuit Judge Wilford Taylor Jr.



Painting Honors Howard Martin



Crenshaw Ware & Martin LLP of Norfolk has donated a painting to the Virginia State Bar President's Collection in honor of the firm's managing partner, Howard W. Martin Jr. Martin (right) served as VSB president for the 2007–08 bar year.

The work, *Canada Goose Decoy*, was painted by Paul E. Fisher, a neighbor of Martin's. The President's Collection also includes a painting donated by the family of another Crenshaw Ware & Martin partner, the late Edward R. Baird, VSB president in 1959–60. That painting, *Snow Whisper*, is a winter scene of Canada geese flying over a barn on the Eastern Shore.

Artist Fisher is a former Suffolk County planning director and retired executive director of the Richmond Regional Planning Commission. The medium is acrylic on watercolor board.

On the left in the photo is outgoing VSB President Jon D. Huddleston. The presentation took place last month at the VSB Annual Meeting.

Nominations Sought for VSB Disciplinary Board, MCLE Board, and Council Members at Large

President Irving M. Blank has appointed a nominating committee to consider nominees for board vacancies in 2011 to be filled by the Supreme Court. The nominating committee consists of Jon D. Huddleston chair; Brian L. Buniva; Mark B. Holland; Ray W. King; Darrel T. Mason, Jean K. Niebauer; and Edna Ruth Vincent.

Vacancies beginning on July 1, 2011, are listed below. Appointments are for the terms specified. The nominating committee's recommendations will be acted on by the Virginia State Bar Council in October 2010, and the names of the nominees will then be forwarded to the Supreme Court of Virginia for consideration.

Council Members at Large: 3 vacancies (of which 2 incumbents are eligible for reappointment to a second term). May serve 2 consecutive 3-year terms.

Disciplinary Board: 5 lawyer vacancies and 2 lay member vacancies (of which 2 lawyer members are eligible for reappointment to a second 3-year term, 1 lawyer member is eligible for reappointment to a full 3-year term, and 2 lay members are eligible for reappointment to a second 3-year term). District committee service is preferred. May serve 2 consecutive 3-year terms.

Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Board: 5 lawyer vacancies (of which 3 current members are eligible for reappointment to a second term). May serve 2 consecutive 3-year terms.

Nominations, along with a brief résumé, should be sent by September 7, 2010, to
Jon D. Huddleston, Chair, VSB Nominating Committee, Virginia State Bar,
707 E. Main St., Suite 1500, Richmond, VA 23219, or e-mailed to
Valerie Breeden at breeden@vsb.org.

Mark Your Calendar

Bar Leaders Institute

Friday, October 22, 2010

Roanoke Higher Education Center, Roanoke, Virginia

More information will be posted when available on the Conference of Local Bar Associations page at
<http://www.vsb.org/site/conferences/clba/>.

Virginia Lawyer Referral Service brings clients to you.



For more information see <http://www.vsb.org/site/public/lawyer-referral-service/>.

Free and Low-Cost Pro Bono Training

Visit the Pro Bono page on the VSB website for free and low-cost pro bono trainings and volunteer opportunities:

http://www.vsb.org/site/pro_bono/resources-for-attorneys

Virginia Law Foundation Accepting Nominations for Fellows Class of 2011

Nominations for the 2011 class of Virginia Law Foundation fellows will be accepted through September 13, 2010. The 2011 class will be inducted at a dinner meeting in Williamsburg on January 20, 2011, during the Virginia Bar Association's annual meeting.

Candidates must (1) be an active or associate member of the Virginia State Bar for at least ten years; (2) be a resident of Virginia; (3) be a person of integrity and character; (4) have main-

tained and upheld the highest standards of the profession; (5) be outstanding in the community; and (6) be distinguished in the practice of law. Sitting full-time judges and constitutional office holders are not eligible during their tenures, but retired and senior status judges are eligible.

Nominations must be received by September 13, 2010, and should be submitted on a nomination form provided by the Virginia Law Foundation. To

obtain a nomination form, please contact the Virginia Law Foundation at 600 East Main Street, Suite 2040, Richmond, VA 23219 (804) 648-0112, or at vlf.info@virginialawfoundation.org. To obtain a form online, go to www.virginialawfoundation.org/fellownoms.htm. For a complete listing of current fellows, visit www.virginialawfoundation.org/.

SAVE THE DATE

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

October 1, 2010,
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.,
at Hunton & Williams LLP, Richmond

WHAT EVERY ATTORNEY NEEDS TO KNOW: SIX CORE TIPS AND TRAITS OF SUCCESSFUL YOUNG LAWYERS

6.0 CLE Credit Hours (pending)
(including 1.0 Ethics Credits)

This daylong seminar will include discussions on growing your practice, practice essentials for both litigators and transactional attorneys, and avoiding the pitfalls that face every young attorney.

Sponsored by the VSB Young Lawyers Conference, the Professional Development Conference is open to attorneys of all experience levels.

More information to come at www.vayounglawyers.com