

# Lawyers Helping Lawyers Concludes Fall Conference

Virginia Lawyers Helping Lawyers hosted its 2013 fall conference at the Wintergreen Resort on September 13 and 14. More than eighty lawyers and presenters participated in the conference.

CLE accredited programs included a panel discussion, “Views of the Impaired Attorney From the Bench, Bar, and Discipline;” a presentation by North Carolina Lawyers Assistance Program Executive Director Robynn Moriates titled “Getting Lost in Our Own Lives;”

an overview by Peter Coleman, M.D. of recent medical research pertaining to “Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health Issues;” and a talk about “The Importance of Drug Courts” presented by the Honorable Catherine C. Hammond. The keynote presentation Saturday evening was a disbarred lawyer’s moving account about his battle with and recovery from alcohol and drug addiction and successful petition to be reinstated to the practice of law in

Virginia, and his lawyer’s description of the reinstatement process.

The VALHL fall conference afforded attendees a great opportunity to renew and establish friendships and enjoy the beauty of the Blue Ridge Mountains. To register for VALHL’s 2014 conference at the Wintergreen Resort contact Emily Radford at (804) 644-3212 or [eradford@valhl.org](mailto:eradford@valhl.org).

SAVE THE DATE



**Friday, November 15, 2013**

**Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden**  
Richmond, Virginia

Presented by the VSB Conference of Local Bar Associations

Details and registration information will be posted on the CLBA website at <http://www.vsb.org/site/conferences/clba-calendar>.

Resources and topics of interest to current and prospective local, statewide and specialty bar leaders will be offered.

## Nominations Sought for 2014–15 District Committee Vacancies

The Standing Committee on Lawyer Discipline calls for nominations for district committee vacancies to be filled by the Virginia State Bar Council in June 2014.

Nominations, along with a brief resume, should be sent to the Virginia State Bar by February 28, 2014.

For more information see <http://www.vsb.org/site/news/item/nominations-2014-15-DC>