



**Ed S. Booth**  
**Second Circuit**

I've been a lawyer in Virginia since 2004. I've worked as a public defender, a prosecutor, and I am currently a partner in a Virginia Beach law firm where I represent plaintiffs in personal injury cases. I am an elected officer to my local bar association in Virginia Beach. I'm also on the board of the charitable arm of my local bar association and I'm an active member of the VTLA.

I believe that involvement with other lawyers in your area and across the Commonwealth – whether through your local bar or statewide service opportunities – makes the practice of law more rewarding. From that service, I've developed a good sense of the issues and pressures facing lawyers today. I would be grateful for the opportunity to serve on Bar Council and impact the important rule and policy decisions that govern our profession.



**Julie A. Currin**  
**Second Circuit**

I am an attorney practicing in the Virginia Beach Office of Ware Morrison Law. Previously, I ran my own law office for over two decades in Henrico. I have always prided myself on giving my clients high quality representation at reasonable prices. I never advertised and built a steady clientele by referral only. Solo practice has its challenges with which I am extremely familiar. I am now learning more about practice in a medium-sized firm.

I strongly believe my education, undergraduate BS in psychology/criminal justice, William & Mary Marshall-Wythe law school, and a year into a Ph.D. in social policy and 30 years in the legal profession will enhance my contribution to the Virginia State Bar's governing council. Please vote for me to represent you in the Virginia Second District.



**Anna P. Ernest**  
**Second Circuit**

I seek an opportunity to serve a first term on Bar Council. I am the owner of Ernest Law Group, an award-winning law firm in Virginia Beach. I represent Clients in complex Immigration and Family Law matters. I am also among a select few attorneys in the country practicing in the area of Assisted Reproductive Technology Law. Additionally, I have extensive courtroom experience in federal civil litigation.

I have been recognized for my work by Super Lawyers, Virginia's Business, and Coastal Virginia Magazine. I try to dedicate as much of my time as possible volunteering for the Concerned Lawyers Advocating Spousal Safety project as a pro bono attorney to victims of domestic violence at the hearings for protective orders. I was born and raised in Russia, and for the past sixteen years I have lived in Virginia Beach. I hope that my unique experiences will help my service on Council.



**Ryan G. Ferguson**  
**Second Circuit**

I am seeking re-election to Bar Council for a second term. One of my goals in my second term is to implement ways to better inform practitioners in the 2<sup>nd</sup> circuit of the VSB's initiatives. I also serve as an officer of the VBBA, which I believe affords me the opportunity to achieve the above-referenced goal. My perspective is informed by experience gained as a prosecutor and as a practitioner in medium and large firms. I have been a partner with Bischoff Martingayle since 2013. I maintain a robust civil, criminal and domestic relations litigation practice.

I have been recognized as one Virginia's Legal Elite (2011-current), as a Rising Star (2009-15), as a Super Lawyer (2016-current) and as a Top Lawyer (2018-current). I also serve on the boards of the Virginia Beach SPCA and Beach Day School, a non-profit preschool in Virginia Beach.



## **Bretta Marie Zimmer Lewis**

### **Second Circuit**

Since graduating from The Marshall Wythe School of Law School in 2000, I have practiced in both large firm and boutique practices. For 20 years, I have represented clients from every socioeconomic and cultural background, and also have experience with corporate litigation. I have been certified as a *Guardian Ad Litem* for children for 15 years and have served the legal community on multiple committees dedicated to improving the quality of representation available to children and indigent clients, as well as improving the quality of resources and training available to the small practitioner.

I served the Virginia State Bar as a member of the 2<sup>nd</sup> District Disciplinary Committee from 2002 – 2008, as well as the State Bar Disciplinary Board from 2013 – 2019 and am a frequent lecturer at Family Law and Ethics CLEs. I am currently an adjunct Law Professor at William & Mary.



**S. Mario Lorello**  
**Second Circuit**

After graduating from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2010 and completing a judicial clerkship, I moved to Virginia Beach and began my current career as a prosecutor. I have tried hundreds of cases, including complex murders, robberies, and physical & sexual abuse. I found these latter cases involving child victims—though heart-wrenching—to be particularly rewarding as a lawyer. Prosecution, however, is not about seeking convictions, and I always strive to treat defendants fairly in the pursuit of justice. I regularly teach CLEs throughout the state, and I also instruct federal law enforcement agents on technology issues throughout the country.

With important new legislation and advances to discovery and technology on the horizon, it is an exciting time to be a lawyer. As a representative, I hope to share my perspective as a public servant and trial attorney while representing every attorney in our circuit.