The 2007 elections resulted in a net gain of five Virginia lawyers to the state Senate.

In 2005—the last time Virginia Lawyer counted the number of state legislators in active practice in Virginia—there were ten in the Senate and twenty-eight in the House of Delegates.

When the current session opened on January 9, 2008, fifteen of the forty state senators were in the active practice of law in the commonwealth. The number in the House increased since 2007 by one—now twenty-nine of one hundred delegates.

For many years, lawmakers have expressed concern about declining representation of the legal profession in their ranks.

Virginia Gov. Timothy M. Kaine—himself a lawyer—issued a call in 2004 for more lawyers to join the ranks of legislators. The General Assembly needs their intellectual training, their abilities to understand different points of view, and their skill at debating without personalizing conflict, he said.

In May 2005, U.S. Magistrate Judge Dennis W. Dohnal of the Eastern District of Virginia paid tribute to the citizen-lawyer during the Virginia State Bar’s pro bono awards ceremony. More than half of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were lawyers, Dohnal observed.

The lawyer statesman “was one who was possessed of practical wisdom and persuasive powers. He was devoted to the public good while being keenly aware of human frailties as well as political realities—what should be done, what could be done, what might be done in time,” Dohnal said.

Dean W. Taylor Reveley III of the College of William and Mary School of Law said, as he presented the college’s Citizen Lawyer Award in 2005, “[Thomas] Jefferson wanted law students at William and Mary to learn not simply how to be skilled practitioners of law, but also how to be leaders for the common good at the community, state and national levels; Jefferson wanted William and Mary law students imbued with a sense of responsibility to lead for the common good, recognizing the comparative advantages that lawyers have for such leadership and the importance of law in American society.”

The following lawyer-legislators are attorneys licensed in Virginia or another U.S. jurisdiction. Most work in law firms. They also include a prosecutor, a consultant, and a corporate counsel. They are listed with their party affiliations and legislative districts, the law schools they graduated from, the years they were admitted to the bar (Virginia, in all but one case), and their contact information.

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