Benjamin M. Andrews and Andrew Lucchetti have joined the Halperin Law Center as associates in the center’s new office at 5225 Hickory Park Drive, Suite B in Glen Allen. Both attorneys focus their practice on serious personal injury and wrongful death claims on behalf of plaintiffs.

Ashley M. Antonides has joined Asmar, Schor & McKenna PLLC as an of counsel in the business law practice. She specializes in all elements of transactional work and contract management.

Stephen E. Baril leads the litigation and government relations practice at Kaplan Voelker. KVCF just moved into a renovated warehouse building at 1401 E. Cary Street in Richmond.

W. Ashley Burgess and Andrew R. McRoberts have been elected shareholders of the Sands Anderson PC law firm.

Melissa Ann (Newton) Conner recently moved to Park Palais LLC in Richmond where she concentrates her practice on complex commercial litigation, franchise law and litigation, insurance coverage and professional liability disputes, and employment-related FINRA arbitrations.

Megan Martz Gilliland has been elected a partner of Christian & Barton LLP, a broad-based civil law firm in Richmond. Gilliland concentrates her practice on public finance, local government, general corporate, and tax-related matters.

Julia Ciarlo Hammond has joined the Richmond office of Eckert Seamans Cherin and Mellott LLC as a senior manager in the Government Affairs Group. She recently served as the director of legislative affairs and policy advisor for Governor Robert F. McDonnell.

Charles D. Hatley recently joined Hanover Law PC, a law firm that serves Northern Virginia, Washington DC and Maryland. Hanover Law focuses its practice in immigration, family, and criminal law.

J. Neal Insley, former chairman of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and the National Alcohol Beverage Control Association, has joined Eckert Seamans Cherin and Mellott LLC in Richmond as a member in the Hospitality and Government Affairs practice groups.

M. Lee Kristeller Johnson recently married and now practices under the name of M. Lee Cording. She continues to practice with the Department of the Navy.

Stephehn L. Kabler has joined Potomac Law Group as a partner.

Jamie L. Karek, Seth R. Carroll, Dana T. Charback, Lauren B. Carroll, Matthew W. Lastrapes, and Elyse H. Stiner have formed Commonwealth Law Group. Their practice focuses on personal injury, workers’ compensation, employment law, and civil rights.

Sara B. Lord has opened Sabel Legal PLC, focusing on antitrust law, financial fraud matters, and corporate transactions. Previously, she was an attorney at Skadden Arps et. al.

The Marbury Law Group PLLC has opened a satellite office in the Boston metropolitan area in Burlington, MA. The intellectual property law firm has a home office in Reston.

John G. McJunkin has joined Baker Donelson’s Financial Institutions Group in the Washington, DC, office.

Janet G. Murrell has joined AJS Law in Wytheville as an associate. She will practice primarily in Bland, Smyth, and Wythe counties with a focus on family law, including divorces and adoptions, guardianships and conservatorships, wills, and estate planning. She is also in the process of becoming certified as a guardian ad litem for children.

Michelle E. O’Brien has joined The Marbury Law Group PLLC as a partner. She was most recently a founding partner of O’Brien Jones PLLC in Tyson’s Corner. Her patent prosecution and counseling practice focuses on chemical and pharmaceutical technologies.

Trey T. Parker has joined the Williamsburg office of Carrell Blanton Ferris & Associates PLC. He focuses his practice areas on estate planning, estate and trust administration, and business formations.

Scott W. Putney, after twenty-four years with the U.S. Department of Justice, has reentered private practice as Scott W. Putney PC at 1600 E. Little Creek Rd., Suite 302, Norfolk. His practice is general but focuses on criminal defense, asset forfeiture, and tax matters.

Michael J. Quinan has been elected managing partner of Christian & Barton LLP in Richmond. Quinan will continue his legal practice principally in the areas of business litigation, administrative law, and public utility regulation.

Reiner H. Smith has joined the Richmond office of Carrell Blanton Ferris & Associates PLC. He focuses his practice areas on the representation of businesses, litigation, real estate transactions, and estate planning and administration.

Barbara Anne (B.A.) Spignardo has joined Shapiro, Lifschitz & Schram as senior counsel. Her practice will focus on commercial real estate transactions, commercial lending, and general commercial transactions.

Mark M. Viani has joined Bean, Kinney & Korman as a shareholder. He practices in the areas of land use, real estate, environmental, public utilities, municipal and other areas of administrative law in Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia.
Professional Notices

Eric J. Wallace, a recent magna cum laude graduate of the University of Richmond School of Law, has joined the GreeneHurlocker law firm as an associate in energy law and litigation.

John L. Walker III of Richmond is the 126th president of The Virginia Bar Association. Walker is a partner at the Williams Mullen law firm in Richmond. His term runs until the association’s next annual meeting, in January 2015.

Danielle J. Wang, a 2012 Wake Forest University Law School graduate and merit scholar, has joined The Shaheen Firm PC in Blacksburg as an associate. She will concentrate her practice in real estate and associated civil law.

Judge Patricia L. West, who served as a judge in the Virginia Beach Circuit Court and who most recently served as chief deputy attorney general of Virginia, has joined Regent University as a distinguished professor of law and government and as associate dean in the School of Law.

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