

Carl J. Witmeyer II Honored for Lifetime Achievement in Family Law

Carl J. Witmeyer II, who is recognized as one of the premier family law attorneys in Virginia, has been named the 2016 recipient of the Betty A. Thompson Lifetime Achievement Award by the Virginia State Bar's Family Law Section.

The award recognizes and honors an individual who has made a substantial contribution to the practice and administration of family law in Virginia. It will be presented at the Annual Family Law Seminar April 21 at The Jefferson Hotel in Richmond.

Witmeyer, of the Witmeyer Law Firm in Richmond, has been a litigator for forty years focusing on domestic relations law, personal injury, civil litigation, and criminal defense.

In his letter nominating Witmeyer for the award, Terrence R. Batzli of Batzli Stiles Butler noted that Witmeyer has concentrated his practice on family law. Batzli wrote: "Carl is a real 'in the

trenches' lawyer and has been throughout his career. In an era where many top family law practitioners practice in boutique family law firms, Cal is essentially a sole practitioner in a small firm... I am frequently amazed by the fact that he tries a case in one jurisdiction in the morning and in another venue that afternoon. I frankly don't know how he does it."

Witmeyer is a fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers and previously served as the chairman of the board of governors of the Virginia State Bar Family Law Section. He is a past president of the Hanover Country Bar Association and Richmond Metropolitan Family Law Bar Association. In 2013, he was the recipient of the Chief's Annual Award from Hanover Fire & EMT. He is a regular lecturer for legal continuing education seminars as well as an author, publishing



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numerous articles throughout Virginia for professional and continuing legal education organizations.

Witmeyer is a graduate of Gettysburg College and the T.C. Williams School of Law at the University of Richmond.

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