

# Roanoke and Prince William County Bar Associations Win 2018 Awards of Merit

The Virginia State Bar's Conference of Local and Specialty Bar Associations (CLSBA) has bestowed Awards of Merit on two local bars for creating outstanding programs that improve their communities and the legal system.

The awards recognize projects that serve the bench, the bar, and the people of Virginia.

The conference makes information on winning projects available to other groups that want to consider similar programs. For information, contact Paulette J. Davidson at Davidson@vsb.org or (804) 775-0521.

**The Prince William County Bar Association** (PWCBA) operates in the 31st Judicial Circuit and implement-

ed a comprehensive plan to heighten awareness of its existing programs while partnering with community organizations to better expand their impact and outreach. Some of these included joining the Prince William County Chamber of Commerce, developing a Speakers Bureau of lawyers willing to address the public on legal topics of interest, and working with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) to provide volunteers and raise money for the group, in addition to numerous ongoing pro bono initiatives for juveniles, senior citizens, and low-income county residents. The president of the PWCBA is Sarah J. Knapp of ShounBach.

An Award of Merit was also given to the **Roanoke Bar Association** of the 23rd judicial circuit for creating a public education seminar entitled "Foster Care: The Road to Permanency and Social Media & Internet Safety." This program is part of a broader initiative called "You and the Law" that the RBA implemented in 2010 at the behest of Circuit Court Judge William Broadhurst to help educate the public about the courts and the legal system. The foster care seminar brought together commonwealth attorneys, sheriffs, social workers, and lawyers and was delivered live as well as videotaped for viewing on the RBA website. The RBA's president is Kevin W. Holt of Gentry Locke.

## Local and Specialty Bar Elections

### **Madison-Greene Bar Association**

Scott Braxton Puryear, President  
Amanda Drumheller Strecky, Secretary  
Ryan Jay Rakness, Treasurer  
Scott Braxton Puryear, Conference Representative  
John Michael Powell, Past President

### **Metropolitan Richmond Women's Bar Association**

Joanna Lee Suyes, President  
Michele Lynn Satterlund, President-elect  
Candace Stinson Mundy, Vice President  
Mollie Colleen Barton, Secretary  
Katherine Garrett Gray, Treasurer

### **Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association**

Caryn Rivett West, President  
Charles Malcolm Lollar, President-elect  
Lamont Demetrius Maddox, Treasurer

### **The Alexandria Bar Association**

George Christopher Wright, President  
Jessica Lynn Leischner, President-elect

Rebecca Janet Wade, Secretary  
Tamika Dawn Jones, Treasurer  
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Phoenix Shannon Michele Ayotte Harris, Director  
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Clarissa Katharine Pintado, Director

### **Virginia Trial Lawyers Association**

Michael Bryan Slaughter, President  
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Joanna Lee Suyes, Treasurer  
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