

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As Covid19 era seems to evolve daily, Virginia's judiciary seems to evolve, analyze, and adapt to keep moving forward. All practitioners who regularly attend court seem to have two questions, when will jury trials be held, and when will routine bench trials resume? Those questions are very complicated and have many implications and unanticipated consequences.

The Virginia Beach Courts are doing all it can to address the many implications and unanticipated consequences. The plans address many topics such as courthouse entry, amount of people in the courthouse, air filtration, jury summonses, jury assembly, admonishment of jurors to avoid crowds, cleaning, what happens when symptoms appear during trial, and many others. Many of these topics are discussed weekly.

In many respects attorneys who frequent the courthouse, takes mere entry into it for granted. Our concern is usually how fast we can get in and bypass any line. The courthouse security has many roles in Covid19 era. From monitoring entrants for security risks, to preventing entry with contraband, and to make sure those who enter the courthouse do not pose a threat. Unfortunately, the threat now is if a sick person comes in, has an inadequate face covering, or fails the questions asked upon entry. I applaud the courthouse security and Sheriff Stolle for their diligence and always being ahead of the proverbial curve. The courthouse security, with new duties, has done a great job in keeping order, and moving people in and out of the courthouse safely and efficiently.

Chief Judges Croshaw, Lahne and Hollowell have had a lot of duties in formulating plans for their respective courts and the judges within them, keeping the dockets moving and being mindful of all stakeholders who rely on the judiciary. No case is more important in the mind of a litigant than that party's case. Justice Lemons wrote on August 20 that he had received complaints from attorneys [around the state] saying some judges were not wearing masks and were not requiring bailiffs, clerks, attorneys, and litigants to wear masks. Further, some courts were not enforcing the six-foot separation standard, the lawyers complained. While there may have been some bumps in the road enforcing face coverings, social distancing, and general Covid19 safety precautions, the Virginia Beach Courts have diligently worked through those bumps in the road. Virginia Beach Courts have taken safety concerns of all

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stakeholders seriously and that is apparent in their proposed jury plan and following health department guidelines. I hope to publish a picture of the proposed jury trial court room once the Virginia Beach Courts' Plan is approved.

So, I challenge all our members and those who utilize the area's Courts. Be vigilant about the safety of others. Understand that some have a differing view on Covid19, and respect that others are entitled to their views, but safety is as important as being a steward of following the law. Sometimes, we as attorneys are in a better role to educate the public as to why the courts have not opened to "business as usual." With that, I also challenge our members to be understanding educators of the public as we must reassure our clients, and colleagues that Covid19 is only a bump in the road. Soon the era will be in our rearview with the area courts being open for all, justice being served, and differences being resolved by the courts.

-Christopher Jacobs, President
Virginia Beach Bar Association



ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues are due on January 1 each year. You may renew your membership online at <https://www.vbbarassoc.com/join/> or by mail to:

Virginia Beach Bar Association
2425 Nimmo Parkway
Bldg. 10, Room 49
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

We look forward to a great year of CLE's and social events throughout 2020!



VBBA JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS BOARD

The VBBA has added a new job announcements board for members to share attorney employment opportunities with the membership.

Go to <https://www.vbbarassoc.com/job-announcements/> for all listed job postings including current attorney openings from the following firms:

New Office Share & Office Space Available – See Listings
Cooper Hurley Injury Lawyers
Doumar & O'Brien
Shapiro & Appleton
Pender & Coward
Shupert Chaing
The Moody Firm
Wolcott Rivers Gates

To publish a job posting, contact
Kathy Stull at kstull@vbbarassoc.com

VBBA JUDICIAL ENDORSEMENT PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Pursuant to the VBBA Bylaws, the Virginia Beach Bar Association Judicial Endorsement Panel met and interviewed the candidates to fill the pending vacancy on the General District Court.

The following candidates were either recommended or highly recommended by the Panel:

Highly recommended:

Christopher Boynton
Wanda Cooper
Vivian Henderson

Recommended:

Scott Hallauer
Tariq Louka
Stephen Pfeiffer

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TIMOTHY AIKEN, Rack Law, P.C.

TERESA DONALDSON, Patzig Law

CHARLES HATLEY, Cordell and Cordell

DAVID JOHNSON, Invictus Law

MAX MILLER, Law Offices of Max E. Miller, P.C.

GRAYSON ORSINI, Wolcott Rivers Gates

NEW STUDENT MEMBERS

KELSEY MCGEE

THE VBBA HOSTED LIVE WEBINARS THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER INCLUDING THE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE, THE INS AND OUTS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS, AND DEALING WITH A MENTALLY ILL DEFENDANT.

The Legislative Update featured the following delegates: Delegate Joseph C. Lindsey – 90th District, Delegate Jason S. Miyares – 82nd District, and Delegate Jay Jones – 89th District.

The Ins and Outs of Public School Disciplinary Hearings CLE was presented by Dannielle C. Hall-McIvor, Esq., Associate City Attorney with the Virginia Beach City Attorney's Office and Kevin E. Martingayle, Esq. with Bischoff Martingayle, P.C.

The Dealing with a Mentally Ill Defendant CLE Webinar was hosted by the JDR Committee with Annette Miller serving as the presenter. Thank you to the JDR Committee for the planning and hosting of this informative CLE.

Each of the CLEs were well attended by the membership.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Executive Board of the Virginia Beach Bar Association is calling for nominations for those attorneys or other persons who may be deserving of recognition for any of the below listed awards. Nominations should be accompanied by information in support of why the person nominated deserves recognition and should be submitted no later than **November 16, 2020** to Jonathan Stone by email to jstone@moodyrllaw.com. The awards are as follows:

VBBA Community Service Award — Presented periodically to a member of the VBBA who has given of his or her time and talents in community service activities or who has distinguished himself or herself in pro-bono activities that are a service to the community.

VBBA Bar Service Award — Presented periodically to a member of the VBBA who has distinguished himself or herself through the active participation in State and/or local bar activities whether within the VBBA or on its behalf.

Joseph L. Lyle, Jr., Professionalism Award — Presented periodically to a member of the VBBA who exemplifies the concept of professionalism. This is a person who can be held up to the other members of the VBBA as a role model for the way in which that attorney conducts himself or herself in their day to day practice of law.

Brydges-Russo Distinguished Service Award — Presented periodically to a current or past member of the VBBA who has enjoyed a distinguished career as a member of the bench and/or bar for a period of at least 25 years and who has demonstrated the highest character and qualities during that career.

Jean W. Keary Citizen Service Award – Presented periodically to a non-lawyer who has provided distinguished service to the VBBA, its members, or the broader community through law-related activities

VBBA RECEIVES CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FROM THE VIRGINIA STATE BAR FOR LEGAL MINDS HELPING HANDS

The VBBA was recognized with a Certificate of Achievement For high achievement in bar projects.

Virginia Beach Bar Association - VBBA Feeds the Homeless: Legal Minds; Helping Hands

The Feed the Homeless: Legal Minds; Helping Hands project, is an ongoing community involvement initiative. Recognizing the growing homeless problem in Virginia Beach, the board of the Virginia Beach Bar Association and members of the VBBA began an effort to provide food, shelter, and hygiene products to those less fortunate in the City of Virginia Beach. In 2019, the VBBA contributed 57 volunteer hours at local homeless shelters and provided 4,292 meals to underserved populations. Last year the VBBA had over 20% of its members participate by donating food or volunteering.

Thank you to the Public Service Project Committee for spearheading these invaluable initiatives that support our community.

VIRGINIA BEACH BAR FOUNDATION UPDATE & SURVEY

Foundation Funds Purchase of Thermometers at Request of Circuit Court:

Responding to a request by the Virginia Beach Circuit Court judges, the VBBF has funded the purchase of 9 contactless thermometers for use at the entrance of the courthouse and in its various courtrooms. This is a part of the plan being developed by the court to safely reopen the courthouse and to re-commence jury trials. The thermometers will be used to screen people entering the courthouse and to help protect jurors during trials and deliberations. The VBBF Board of Trustees voted unanimously to provide the requested funding.

WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK: a survey of our membership is on-going:

A reminder that the VBBF is conducting an on-line survey of the VBBA membership concerning your preferences for charitable giving by the VBBF in the future. The Foundation is the charitable arm of the VB Bar Association. We want to know which charities and good causes should be supported with the donations you give to the Foundation. Please take a minute to fill out the survey.

THERE ARE LINKS TO THE SURVEY AT THE VBBF WEBSITE: www.vbbarfoundation.org OR IN THE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENT EMAILED TO YOU BY THE VB BAR ASSOCIATION.

JUDGE KEVIN M. DUFFAN'S INVESTITURE CEREMONY WAS HELD ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 2020

The event was livestreamed and adhered to all social distancing and masking protocols. Members of the VBBA Executive Board presented at the event. The reception after the ceremony was postponed to a later date and time. Congratulations to Judge Duffan on this historical appointment as Judge for the Second Judicial Circuit of Virginia.



(L to R) Ryan Ferguson, Treasurer, Ed Booth, Secretary, Christy Wood, President Elect.





Presents:
The 22nd Annual
Richard G. “Dick” Brydges Memorial Courthouse Classic
Golf Tournament



Cypress Point Country Club
Friday, October 16, 2020

Check In: 11:30 a.m. – Shotgun Start: 12:30 p.m.
 Captain’s Choice Best Ball
 Goodie Bag, Lunch, Dinner, Refreshments, Prizes & Awards

\$100 per VBBA Member - \$125 per Non-Member

(Tournament participation limited to the first 125 golfers to register)

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Registration Form

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Participant's names:

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 - **You may fax or email this form to Kathy Stull at KStull@vbbarassoc.com.**
 - **For any questions or more information please contact:**
 - o **Tom Sheppard at (757) 452-4734, TomSheppardLaw@gmail.com or,**
 - o **Brian Latuga at blatuga@wolriv.com**

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Bischoff Martingayle P.C. is proud to announce that attorney Juliana Lyons has joined its regional law firm. Juliana will handle civil litigation, administrative law and appeals. She is fluent in both English and Spanish.

Before joining Bischoff Martingayle, Juliana clerked in Fairfax Circuit Court and, during law school, held internships in Richmond, Williamsburg and Arlington. She is a 2016 graduate of the University of San Diego and a 2019 graduate of William & Mary Law School.

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VIRGINIA BEACH
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UPCOMING VBBA EVENTS

For more information and to register click [here](#)



VBBA JDR Committee Annual CLE

September 17, 2020

9:00 am - 4:45 pm

6.5 (2.0) credit hours anticipated

The CLE will be held solely through Zoom.

22nd Annual Richard G. "Dick" Brydges Courthouse Classic Golf Tournament & Food Drive

Friday, October 16th, 2020

Check In: 11:30 am – Shotgun Start: 12:30 pm

Cypress Point Country Club

5340 Club Head Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23455

Welcome Back! WPLL is Open!

New titles at Wahab Public Law Library...

Virginia CLE 24th Annual Advanced Real Estate Seminar
 Virginia CLE 29th Annual Employment Law Update
 Virginia CLE 36th Annual Advanced Family Law
 Virginia CLE 50th Annual Criminal Law Seminar
 Virginia CLE Annual Bankruptcy Practice Seminar 2020
 Virginia CLE Elder Law Basics 2020
 Virginia CLE Insurance Law in Virginia 2020

Virginia Practice Family Law 2020
 Virginia Practice Trial Handbook for Virginia Lawyers 2020
 Virginia Search & Seizure for Law Enforcement Officers 2020
 Virginia Workers Compensation Case Finder 2020

Others of Note:

Adventurous Lady: Margaret Brent of Maryland by Dorothy Fremont Grant
Before You Leap: What a Lawyer Wants You to Know About Starting a Gig Economy Business by Joel Ankney



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 VBPL Nook
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Westlaw access free
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 For login information contact us at
llstaff@vbgov.com

WPLL 2020 HOLIDAY CLOSURES

11/11	Veteran's Day
11/26-27	Thanksgiving
12/24-12/25	Christmas
01/01	New Year's Day

VISITING OUR LIBRARY:

We are located within the Virginia Beach Judicial Center in Building 10B. Take the elevator down to the ground floor. The library entrance will be on the left.

Hours of operation:
Monday through Friday
8:30am-4:30pm.

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COURT COVID-19 ORDERS & UPDATES

In an effort to keep the VBBA membership and public as up to date as possible please refer to the link below on the mandate from the Virginia Supreme Court and Court Orders. We will update this link as we receive updates and information from the Courts. The link is located at <https://www.vbbarassoc.com/court-covid-19-orders/>.

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE HAS SATELLITE OFFICE TO PROVIDE SOME SERVICES:

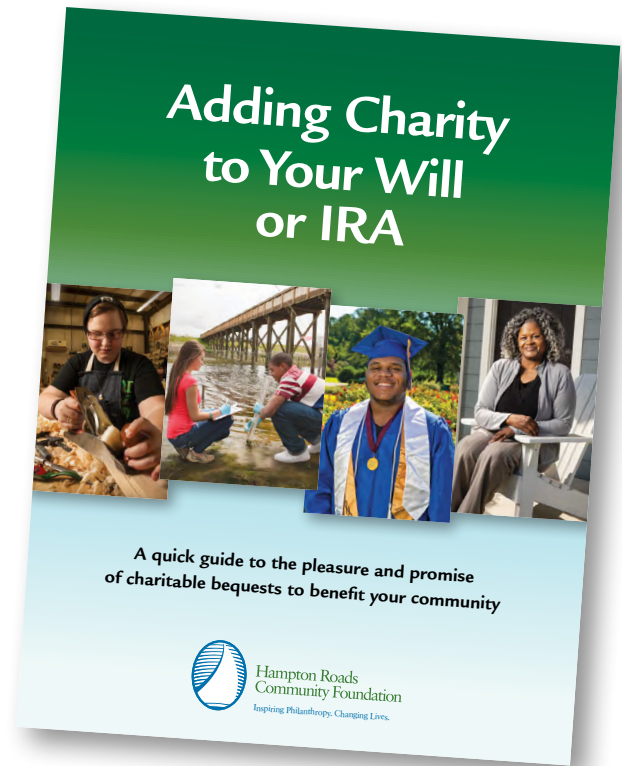
Drive-Through Service Only

The Circuit Court Clerk's Office opened a satellite office at 1804 Princess Anne Road to be able to provide some services it had to curtail when the Courthouse building closed to the general public, and we are continuing to run a Satellite Office through the end of 2020 so that we can help keep traffic out of the main courthouse building and hopefully help minimize the spread of COVID-19. This Satellite Office is open from 8:30am to 2:30pm, Monday thru Friday, for drive-through service only, and only for the following:

First-time Concealed Carry Permits – applicants must bring a current application, a government-issued picture ID, proof of competency and \$50 fee (cash or check). First time applicants must appear in person. For further information about the requirements, visit the Virginia State Police website at <https://www.vsp.virginia.gov/Firearms.shtm> or call Nancy White at (757) 385-8532. We are also taking Renewal Applications at this location.

Marriage Licenses—both parties must be present, have government-issued photo identification and have completed the marriage license application. It is available online at www.vbgov.com/marriage and at the satellite office. The license fee is \$30 in cash (please have exact cash, if possible).

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MISSION STATEMENT

To be an inclusive and diverse organization that fosters legal excellence, encourages a culture of integrity, honor, collegiality, professionalism, and civility among the bar and the bench, promotes justice and fair play in the legal system, provides public service opportunities to its members, and serves its membership and the public with distinction.

VISION STATEMENT

The Virginia Beach Bar Association will be viewed as the “best in class” local bar association – an exemplary benchmark. It will be known within the legal community and the community-at-large as a bar association that provides excellent professional development, leadership, service, networking, and social opportunities that are timely, relevant, and continuously improving. It will be considered an invaluable “must-join” bar association for any attorney residing in or providing legal services in or around Virginia Beach. The association will utilize best practices in communications and technology to provide our membership with efficient and cost-effective services that maximize their membership investment. The association will display pride and excellence in all of its activities and services.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES*

SIZE	COST PER ISSUE
Full Page	\$265.00
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1/6 Page	\$60.00
Classified Ad (6 lines)	\$35.00

*The VBBA offers a 10% discount on half-year advertisements (2 issues) and a 20% discount on annual advertisements (4 issues). Classified ads and notices are free to members. For Premium Placement - 1st 3 pages add 25%. Next Newsletter submission deadline is November 15, 2020. Contact Kathy Stull, kstull@vbarassoc.com

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Destination CLE	Colin O’Dawe	Jennifer Shupert (Co-Chair)	Chris Jacobs
General District Court	Greg Surber	Beth Ufkes	Ryan Ferguson
Golf Tournament	Tom Sheppard	Brian Latuga	Ryan Ferguson
J&DR Court	Christi Cunningham	Bretta Lewis	Christy Wood
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VIRGINIA BEACH GENERAL DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

Updated 5/20/2020

2020

Holiday, No Court,
Clerk's Office Closed



No Court
Clerk's Offices Open



Conflict
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Mental Health
Docket



Civil ONLY- No Court
Clerk Office Open



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Important dates and Information

Judicial Conference: August 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28

Dates when NO Court/Clerks Office Open: Bond Hearings at 8:00 AM / Arraignments at 10:00AM / Protective Orders at 2:00 PM

November 25 – half day close at noon – Protective Orders heard at 11am.