Class of 1959

Theodore H. Focht JD ’59 passed away on April 22nd at the Orchard Ridge Care Center in Newport Richey, Florida. Ted was a lawyer and an educator. He taught at Columbia University, served as legal assistant to Commissioner Woodside at the Securities and Exchange Commission, taught at the University Of Connecticut School Of Law and served as Special Counsel on the securities legislation to the U.S. House of Representatives. He retired in 1994 as General Counsel and President of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation in Washington, D.C.

Sidney Jackson ‘Jack’ Baker JD ’59 passed away on September 27, 2010 after a recent hospitalization. Sidney practiced law in Williamsburg for many years before his recent retirement. Sidney was very proud of his career in the United States Navy: he served on active duty through 1955, and he obtained the rank of Captain and received the Noel Davis Trophy during his time in the Naval Reserve. Sidney served as chairman of the James City County school board, and as a substitute judge in the Williamsburg Municipal Court, James City County Court, and Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

Class of 1965

Johnston Brendel BCL’65 passed away on April 24th. Jack’s law career spanned 30 years in the Williamsburg community where he actively volunteered with the local school system, the Kiwanis Club, the Salvation Army Board, the Architectural Review Board, CDR Board, Social Services Board, This Century Gallery, and Bruton Parish Church.

Class of 1975

James Ashford Metcalfe JD ’75 retired from government service on May 1, 2010 after over 30 years as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Norfolk, VA, and over 50 years of total government service. On May 12th, he was presented the Eggleston-I’Anson Professionalism Award by the Norfolk and Portsmouth Bar Association.

Class of 1974

Lelia B. Hopper JD ’74 will be inducted as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation at the Virginia Bar Association’s annual meeting in Williamsburg on January 20th. Induction as a Fellow is a special honor conferred by the VLF Board on selected Virginia attorneys, law professors, and retired members of the judiciary who are deemed to be outstanding in their profession and in their community. Lelia is Director of the Court Improvement Program with the Supreme Court of Virginia in Richmond, Virginia.

Class of 1978

Jeffrey L. Mincks JD ’78 will take over as Chesterfield County attorney on July 1. Jeff was unanimously appointed by the Board of Supervisors and succeeds 34 year County Attorney Steven L. Micas.

Ann K. Sullivan JD ’78 will be inducted as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation at the Virginia Bar Association’s annual meeting in Williamsburg on January 20th. Induction as a Fellow is a special honor conferred by the VLF Board on selected Virginia attorneys, law professors, and retired members of the judiciary who are deemed to be outstanding in their profession and in their community. Ann is a partner with the law firm of Crenshaw Ware & Martin in Norfolk, Virginia.

Class of 1981

Candis Diamonstein Trusty JD ’81 has been named a Florida Super Lawyer. Candis is a partner with the law firm of Markowitz, Davis, Ringel, & Trusty P.A. in Coral Gables, Florida. The Florida Super Lawyers’ edition recognizes the top five percent of attorneys in Florida.

Class of 1982
Mark L. Earley, Jr. JD ’82 is a Policy Analyst and Re-entry Specialist with the Department of Correctional Education. Mark has worked in the Prison Fellowship Ministries within Justice Fellowship and has written on a variety of criminal justice issues with specialization towards prisoner re-entry.

Class of 1984

Brian R. Marron JD ’84 will be inducted as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation at the Virginia Bar Association’s annual meeting in Williamsburg on January 20th. Induction as a Fellow is a special honor conferred by the VLF Board on selected Virginia attorneys, law professors, and retired members of the judiciary who are deemed to be outstanding in their profession and in their community. Brian is a Shareholder & Director with Spotts Fain in Richmond, Virginia.

Eric a. Mazie JD ’84 has been recognized in the 2010 edition of Chambers USA – America’s Leading Lawyers for Business. Eric is a director with the law firm of Richards, Layton & Finger in Wilmington, Delaware and heads the firm’s Trust and Agency Services Group.

Gretchen A. Mundorff JD ’84 will become President of the Pennsylvania Bar Association on May 14th and is the second woman to ever hold this position. Gretchen is a founding partner in the Connellsville law firm of Watson, Mundorff, Brooks & Septic LLP.

David S. Massey MLT ’84 has been elected President of the North American Securities Administrators Association (NASAA), and is a member of the Financial Stability Oversight Council, which was created by the Dodd-Frank Financial Reform Act to identify systemic risks to the nation’s financial stability. Dan will remain with the North Carolina Secretary of State’s Office as director of its Securities Division.

Class of 1985

Channing M. Hall, III JD ’85 and his brother Lesslie Hall III have been named this year’s recipients of the Prentis Award from the College of William & Mary. President Reveley presented the award to Channing and Lesslie at an event in the Wren Building on May 11th. President Reveley stated that “William & Mary and its community are a far better place for their selfless service.”

Class of 1986

Jon D. Huddleston JD ’86 will be inducted as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation at the Virginia Bar Association’s annual meeting in Williamsburg on January 20th. Induction as a Fellow is a special honor conferred by the VLF Board on selected Virginia attorneys, law professors, and retired members of the judiciary who are deemed to be outstanding in their profession and in their community. Jon is a partner with the law firm of Sevila Saunders Huddleston & White in Leesburg, Virginia.

Anne C. Foster JD ’86 has been recognized in the 2010 edition of Chambers USA – America’s Leading Lawyers for Business. Anne is a Director with the law firm of Richards, Layton & Finger in Wilmington, Delaware, where she represents corporations, members of boards of directors, and substantial stockholders in litigation concerning corporate governance and fiduciary duties.

Susan H. Terlep JD ’86 has opened her own firm, Susan H. Terlep, LLC, in Towson, Maryland. Her practice will be focused on all aspects of family law.

Class of 1987

Steven F. Baicker-McKee JD ’87 was named by Pennsylvania Super Lawyers magazine as one of the top lawyers in Pennsylvania for 2010 – a distinction only five percent of Pennsylvania lawyers achieve. Steven is a shareholder with the law firm of Babst, Calland, Clements and Zomnir. P.C.

Kevin J. Pelton JD ’87 has a joint Chiropractic practice with his wife, Christine L. (Scott). Kevin is also an adjunct professor at the National University of Health Sciences in Chicago, and has staff privileges at the National University of Health Sciences in Chicago. Kevin and Christine live in Kingston with their two children, Emma and Joshua.

Class of 1988
The Honorable Eric I. Cantor JD ’88 was unanimously elected the first House Majority Leader from Virginia. Canter first won election to Congress in 2000. Before going to Congress, Cantor was a lawyer in Henrico County and a real estate developer. He also served nine years in the House of Delegates representing the 73rd District in parts of Henrico and Richmond.

Cheshire I’ Anson Eveleigh JD ’89 will be inducted as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation at the Virginia Bar Association’s annual meeting in Williamsburg on January 20th. Induction as a Fellow is a special honor conferred by the VLF Board on selected Virginia attorneys, law professors, and retired members of the judiciary who are deemed to be outstanding in their profession and in their community. Cheshire is with the law firm of Wolcott Rivers Gates in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Class of 1991

Monica Taylor Monday JD ’91 will be inducted as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation at the Virginia Bar Association’s annual meeting in Williamsburg on January 20th. Induction as a Fellow is a special honor conferred by the VLF Board on selected Virginia attorneys, law professors, and retired members of the judiciary who are deemed to be outstanding in their profession and in their community. Monica is a partner with the law firm of Gentry Locke Rakes & Moore in Roanoke, Virginia.

Class of 1992

Matthew J. O’Toole JD ’92 helped to draft the 2010 amendments to Delaware’s business entity laws and has written summaries of these amendments that appear in the Fall 2010 Edition of Delaware Laws Governing Business Entities. O’Toole is a Shareholder of Stevens & Lee and the Senior Legal Advisor to CSC® Media.

Class of 1994

Brian Alperstein JD ’94 is the managing partner with BSA Legal Group. Brian specializes in solving problems that deal with international business transactions and business and corporate law. His practice is primarily focused negotiating complex corporate transactions in the United States, Latin America and Europe.

Class of 1995

Michael D. Homans JD ’95 a shareholder with the firm Flaster/Greenberg, PC, has been named by Pennsylvania Super Lawyers magazine as one of the top lawyers in Pennsylvania for 2010 – a distinction only five percent of Pennsylvania lawyers achieve.

Stephen Dennis Otero JD ’95 is the Senior Associate General Counsel to the Vice President of Capital One in Richmond, Virginia.

Class of 1996

M. Eldridge Blanton III, JD ’96 is a principal at Carrell Rice Garrett & Van Horn. His practice will focus on estate planning and elder law. Eldridge was formerly with Legacy Law Group.

Class of 1997

Lynn Whipkey Mehler, JD ’97 is a partner at Hogan Lovells. She will be part of their Pharmaceutical and Biotechnology practice group in Washington, D.C. Mehler was formerly the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Senior Counsel for Drugs.

Class of 1999

David W. Lannetti JD ’99 will be inducted as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation at the Virginia Bar Association’s annual meeting in Williamsburg on January 20th. Induction as a Fellow is a special honor conferred by the VLF Board on selected Virginia attorneys, law professors, and retired members of the judiciary who are deemed to be outstanding in their profession and in their community. David is a partner with the law firm of Vandeventer Black in Norfolk, Virginia.
Kevin M. O’Neill JD ’99 has been made an equity partner at Patton Boggs in Washington, D.C. Kevin is also the President of the Alumni Association Board with William & Mary Law School.

Class of 2000

Stephen M. Lastelic JD ’00 of Alexandria, Virginia is recently engaged to Luisa Torres.

Class of 2002

Christopher S. Channel JD ’02 has been selected for inclusion in Pennsylvania Rising Stars 2010. Chris is with the law firm of Babst, Calland, Clements and Zomnir, P.C. and was acknowledged for his intellectual property litigation practice. Rising stars are nominated by lawyers on the superstars list and asked to vote for the best lawyers who are either 40 years of age or under, and who have been practicing for 10 years or less.

Courtney M. Malveaux JD ’02 was sworn in on May 3rd as the 17th Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry. Courtney was appointed by Governor McDonnell. Also, Courtney and his wife Mary welcomed their second child on April 20th. Richard Robinson at 6 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19 ½ inches long.

Cari Collins JD ’02 was promoted to General Counsel for the Missouri Department of Corrections. Collins was previously an Assistant Legal Counsel for the department, a position she served in for five years.

Class of 2004

Kevin M. Barnes JD ’04 is a strategy and policy consultant for the Council for Children’s Rights – The Larry King Center in Charlotte, NC.

Class of 2007

Matthew L. Gaetz JD ’07 was elected to serve in the Florida House of Representatives, District 4. Matt received 42.5% of the special election vote and was sworn in to the Florida House on April 13th.

Class of 2008

Shana Ann Hofstetter JD ’08 is with the Department of Commerce, Office of the Chief Counsel for Import Administration in Washington, D.C.

Shukita L. Massey JD ’08 was married to Melvin R. Massey on October 10, 2009. Shukita is an attorney with the 7th Judicial Circuit in Newport News, Virginia.