Summer Class Notes 2008

Class of 1972

Alvin P. Anderson JD '72 has been elected to serve on the executive committee of the law firm Kaufman & Canoles.

The Honorable Thomas Stewart Shadrick JD '72 recently retired after nineteen years on the Virginia Circuit Court bench. Judge Shadrick still intends to preside over cases in the city of Virginia Beach and other circuits in the state. He will also help resolve disputes through mediation and arbitration for The McCammon Group.

Class of 1973

Albert J. Wicks JD '73 passed away on January 9, 2008 at the age of 67. Prior to his retirement in 1995, Albert was a career federal prosecutor who prosecuted many high profile mob cases in the Philadelphia region.

Class of 1974

Timothy A. Coyle JD '74 was selected for recognition in the 2007 Edition of Best Lawyers in America for his work in Municipal Law and in the 2007 Edition of Virginia Super Lawyers in the categories of Government/Cities/Municipalities and Real Estate. He currently works for Crenshaw, Ware & Martin, PLC.

The Honorable Julian Raney JD '74 recently announced that he would step down after 23 years of serving as a judge for the general district court in Roanoke and Roanoke County. He plans to spend his retirement in Charleston, SC.

Class of 1975

The Honorable George Mason III JD '75 passed away recently at his home in Colonial Beach at the age of 59. In 2005, following a two year stint as a judge for the district court, Mason began his time as a judge for the Circuit Court. A direct descendant of the famous Virginian George Mason (1725-1792), Judge Mason also served as president of the Northern Neck of Virginia Historical Society. He is survived by his wife Wanda, and his two sons, Latane and Justin.

Class of 1976

Mary Margaret Kalista, wife of Stephen J. Kalista JD '76, passed away on November 6, 2007, at UVA Medical Center in Charlottesville due to complications from heart surgeries and after an extended illness. She is survived by her husband of 35 years who lives in Big Stone Gap, VA, and four children.
Class of 1978

Jay P. Porter JD '78 was elected to the American College of Mortgage Attorneys (ACMA). Working for the law firm of Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP in Akron, Ohio, Jay is one of only twelve attorneys in Ohio admitted to the ACMA.

Ann K. Sullivan JD '78 was selected for recognition in the 2007 Edition of Best Lawyers in America for her work in Employment Law and in the 2007 Edition of Virginia Super Lawyers in the categories of Employment & Labor, Employee Benefits/ERISA, and Construction Litigation. Ann was also recognized by Virginia Business Magazine’s “Legal Elite” for Alternative Dispute Resolution. She is currently a partner with Crenshaw, Ware and Martin, PLC.

Class of 1981

Brad King JD '81, Co-Director of the Indiana Election Division of the Secretary of State’s office, was elected to serve as Secretary of the Board of Directors of the National Association of State Election Directors. He was sworn into office on February 7, 2008, at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building, located on the White House grounds in Washington.

Class of 1984

Maureen Ackerly JD '84 won the Napa Valley Marathon in early March with a time of 2 hours 44 minutes and 25 seconds, and in doing so, qualified for the women’s U.S. Olympic marathon trials on April 20 in Boston. She is currently a partner at McGuire Woods.

Patricia A. Casey JD '84 was named 2008 President of Association of Women’s Attorney’s in Houston, TX. Patricia is a partner in Haynes and Boone’s Business Litigation Practice Group.

Nora M. Everett JD '84 was named president of Principal Funds, effective March 1, 2008. Most recently, Nora had served as senior vice president and deputy general counsel at the Principal Financial Group.

Class of 1995

Laura Beth Miller JD '85 was named an Illinois Super Lawyer for 2008 by Law & Politics magazine. Laura currently works for the intellectual property law firm of Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione in Chicago.

Class of 1986
Jeremy Taylor JD ’86 recently announced his candidacy for the at-large seat on Waynesboro’s city council. Jeremy is currently in the midst of serving a four-year term on the Waynesboro Public School Board, to which he was elected in 2006.

Class of 1988

David H. Sump JD ’88 was selected for recognition in the 2007 Edition of Best Lawyers in America for his work in Maritime Law and in the 2007 Edition of Virginia Super Lawyers in the categories of Transportation/Maritime, Construction Litigation, and Environmental. David is currently a partner with Crenshaw, Ware and Martin, PLC.

Class of 1989

Cheshire Eveleigh JD ’89 was recognized as Virginia's Legal Elite in Family Law/Domestic Relations by Virginia Business Magazine. She is currently an attorney with Wolcott Rivers Gates in Virginia Beach.

Class of 1992

Michael P. Chu JD ’92 was named an Illinois Super Lawyer for 2008 by Law & Politics magazine. Michael currently works for the intellectual property law firm of Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione in Chicago.

Robert P. Hogan JD ’92 recently accepted a position at the law firm of Bowles Rice McDavid Graff & Love LLP in Charleston, WV. Robert practices in professional liability, complex litigation, products liability and insurance litigation. Prior to joining Bowles Rice, Robert had been an adjunct professor of engineering law at Marshall University College of Information Technology and Engineering.

Class of 1994

Christopher H. Wood JD ’94 was recently made partner in the antitrust practice of Dickstein Shapiro in Washington, DC.

Class of 1997

David Johansen JD ’97 recently made partner at the law firm of White & Case in New York City, where he practices securities law.

Adam Walsh JD ’97 joined the law firm of Seyfarth Shaw LLP in Washington, DC, as a partner in the real estate practice group. Adam works with clients in the acquisition, development, structuring, leasing, and financing of commercial real estate projects.

Class of 1999
Allen Bachman JD '99 was recently made partner in the global antitrust group of Howrey Simon Arnold and Wright in Washington, DC.

Cristen Sikes Rose JD '99 was recently made partner in the litigation practice of DLA Piper in Washington, DC.

Major James B. Smith JD '99 has been deployed with his cavalry squadron, the 1/104 Cavalry of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard, to Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt. The squadron will be part of the Multinational Force and Observers monitoring the Egypt-Israeli peace treaty. Major Smith is an associate at the Levinson Axelrod law firm in Edison, New Jersey.

Class of 2000

Patrick D. Blake JD '00 recently joined the law firm of Wilcox & Savage in Virginia Beach. His practice focuses on products and premises liability, toxic torts, and trucking cases.

Class of 2006

Jason Hobbie JD '06 recently accepted a position as an Assistant County Attorney with the Loudon County Government.

Sarah E. Spiers JD '06 joined the law firm of CowanGates PC as an associate in Richmond. Her practice focuses on commercial and residential real estate, property rights, and contract law. Sarah also currently serves as executive director for Attorneys for Family-Held Enterprises.

Class of 2007

Rebecca Price JD '07 was recently named a new associate at the law firm of Tallman, Hudders & Sorrentino in Lehigh Valley, PA. Rebecca will engage in general civil practice with a focus on real estate transactions.