

Winter 2009 Class Notes (as of 24 February)

Class of 1972

Michael A. Inman BA '68, JD '73 of Inman & Strickler PLC, has been selected for membership at the college of Community Association Lawyers.

Class of 1978

Barbara Weaver Lindemuth JD '78 passed away on February 16, 2009. Born January 3, 1952 in Pennsylvania, Barbara was a graduate of Penn State University and received her JD from William & Mary in 1978. She practiced family law for many years. She was interested in politics and women's issues and enjoyed reading, particularly Elizabethan era history. She is survived by her husband of 37 years and college sweetheart, Jeff, her sister, Nancy, and her brother, Tom.

Class of 1981

Robert B. "Chip" Delano, Jr., BA '78, JD '81 shareholder and member of the Risk Management practice group at the law firm of Sands Anderson Marks & Miller, received the 2008 Defense Research Institute (DRI) Community Service Award. The Community Service Award recognizes outstanding commitment to the well-being of the public by participating in programs which have an extraordinary impact on the community. Chip was recognized for having continuously served for over 20 years in various adult leadership positions in the Boy Scouts of America.

Renae Reed Patrick JD '81 was presented with the Virginia Women Attorneys Association's first Citizen Attorney Award in the fall of 2008. VWAA President, Kathleen J.L. Holmes said Renae is exactly the type of person the organization wants to recognize, "the person who when other are saying 'somebody needs to do something about that,' becomes 'the somebody who did something.'" The award honors a lawyer who has "worked to make their communities better places to live, through representation of clients, civic involvements, or a combination of both." Renae currently serves as the supervising attorney for the blue Ridge Legal Services in Harrisonburg.

Candis Trusty BA '76, JD '81 has been recognizes as one of the "Top Lawyers in South Florida." Candis is a partner in the South Florida firm of Markowitz, Davis, Ringel & Trusty, P.A.

Class of 1982

Gregory P. Williams JD '82 director at Richards, Layton & Finger, has been invited to be a fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America (LCA), a highly selective trial lawyer honorary society. Williams is the chair of the Corporate Department and the immediate past president of

the firm. He represents corporations and their directors and officers, providing advice and counseling to his clients and representing them in courts in Delaware across the country.

Class of 1983

David M. Zobel JD '83 an attorney with Huff, Poole & Mahoney PC, has been elected president of the Boys & Girls Club of Southwest Virginia for a two-year term.

Class of 1986

Edwin "Ted" N. Wilmot JD '86 has been selected to serve as the Gloucester County Attorney. Ted previously served as the city attorney for the City of Hopewell.

Class of 1989

Elizabeth Besio Hardin BS '85, JD '89 and her husband Adlai are proud parents of a baby girl, Phoebe, born on September 29th and weighs 7 lb. 9 oz and is 10 ³/₄ inches long. Elizabeth states "being a Mom is the hardest job ever and the best."

Class of 1990

Megan Rae Rosia JD '90 has joined Crowell & Moring LLP's Aviation Group as a partner. Megan will focus her practice on aviation regulatory, transactional, and public policy matters. Megan is the former Assistant Administrator for Government and Industry Affairs for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the U.S. Secretary of Transportation recently awarded Megan the "Outstanding Achievement Gold Medal" in recognition of exceptionally outstanding leadership and service.

Class of 1991

Kevin Lavigne Antoine JD '91 was appointed the Chief Diversity Officer at State University of New York Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York in August 2008. His son Mikey started the first grade in 2008. Good luck to both Kevin and Mikey!

Class of 1994

David M. Spooner '94 has joined the law and consulting firm of Squire Sanders & Dempsey. David served as the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for import administration from 2005 to 2009. He will be working in the firm's Antitrust, Competition, Trade and Regulatory Practice Group and will work with Squire Sanders Public Advocacy, LLC, Squire Sanders' government relations affiliate.

Class of 1999

Robert D. Kucler '99 is now Senior Licensing Counsel at Research In Motion, located in Waterloo, Ontario Canada. He and his **Dianna Kucler '99** welcomed twins Wren YuChan and

Robin YuJuan, born February 12, 2007, from Jiang Xi, China into their family by adoption and daughter Violet Lark Kucler was born on June 20, 2008. Congratulations to the entire Kuclear family!

Class of 1996

Susan Lynn Healy MBA '91, JD '96 passed away on February 20, 2009 following a courageous battle with cancer. Susie attended Walsingham Academy and graduated from James Madison University in 1987. Upon graduating from law school Susie accepted a position with Ernst & Young as a tax attorney in their National Tax Office. She was a valued employee and won many honors and awards. She is survived by her husband, Tim, and their two sons, Joseph, 13, and Tyler, 5. The family is asking in lieu of flowers that donations be made to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation in Susie's memory.

Class of 2000

Jeffrey Chamberlin JD '00 has been named to partnership in Duane Morris LLP's Princeton office. Jeffrey concentrates his practice in patent prosecution, due diligence, and patent litigation. He has experience in patent matters involving medical devices, medical imaging systems, communications-related electronic hardware and software, semiconductor manufacturing, energy generation and storage systems, building products, business methods and consumer goods.

Class of 2003

Cheran Cordell JD '03 has left the Portsmouth City Attorney's Office and is now a judicial law clerk to U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Frank J. Santoro in Norfolk, Virginia.

Class of 2004

Albert Guthrie JD '05 and Sarah-Neil Walsh JD '04 welcomed William Clark Guthrie into their family on September 24, 2008. Welcome to the William and Mary family William!

Class of 2005

Captain Chris Nagel JD '05 married Molly Henneberg in July 2008. Molly is a correspondent for Fox News and Chris is a lawyer in the Marines. Congrats to the bride and groom and welcome to the Marshall Wythe family Molly!

Class of 2006

Justin M. Laughter '06 and his band, Silly Bus, have released a new children's music album entitled "Alphabet-Volume 2." Justin co-founded Silly Bus, also known as Educational Media Creations Co. in 2004 to help teach preschool and elementary education topics through alphabet-themed albums.

Class of 2007

Erin Ashcroft JD '07 has joined McGuireWood LLP's Norfolk office as an associate in its business and securities department. Erin practices securities litigation.

Nathalie Claire Fassi JD '07 is engaged to Drew David Pascarella. Nathalie is an associate attorney at Schonfeld & Ushan, an immigration law firm in New York City and Drew is a director in technology investment banking at Citi in New York City. A May 30, 2009 wedding is planned in Roanoke, Virginia.

Class of 2008

After living apart for one year after law school, **Darren Abernethy JD '08** and **Amy Markopoulos JD '08** are getting married in September 2009. Congrats Darren and Amy!

Margot F. Alicks JD '08 was admitted to the Delaware bar on December 11, 2008. Alicks is an associate in the Business Department of Richards, Layton & Finger in Wilmington, Delaware. She practices primarily in the area of alternative entities, working with limited liability companies, limited partnerships and general partnerships on a variety of transactional issues.

David T. Bules JD '08 has joined the litigation group of the Cincinnati, Ohio firm of Keathing Muething & Klekamp.

Geraldine Doetzer JD '08 is the first full-time Equal Justice America Post-Graduate Fellow to serve in Virginia.

Joy Thompson JD '08 has passed the New Jersey and New York bar exams.

Aaron W. Stewart JD '08 was admitted to the Delaware bar on December 11, 2008. Stewart is an associate in the Corporate Department of Richards, Layton & Finger in Wilmington, Delaware. A member of the corporate transactional group, his practice focuses on transactional matters involving Delaware corporations, including mergers and acquisitions and corporate governance.

William Sleeth III JD '08 has joined the New Town Williamsburg office of LeClair Ryan as an associate in the real estate group.

Shalanda Franklin-Verdell JD '08 has joined the Norfolk office of Vandeventer Black. Shalanda concentrates her practice in estate planning and administration, labor and employment, business transactions, creditor's rights and general litigation.

Andreae J. Via JD '08 has joined the Virginia Beach office of Williams Mullen as an associate. Andrea focuses his practice on commercial real estate and banking services. He previously served as an instructional aide in the Roanoke County Public School system where he worked with children with special needs.

Class of 2009

Marin Hoplamazian JD '09 has been awarded a scholarship from the Virginia Community Criminal Justice Association to pursue an independent research project.