William & Mary Law School 2015 Winter Class Notes

The Honorable William Wellington Jones, JD '47. Suffolk model of jurisprudence, William Wellington Jones, passed away in January after several years of declining health. The Judge is remembered for his love of history, law and most importantly, people.





The Honorable William T. Prince, JD '57, passed away on December 15, 2014. He was appointed a United States Magistrate Judge in 1990, and served until his retirement in October of 2014. Previously he had served as President of the Virginia State Bar, and was a member of the firm Williams Kelly and Greer from 1963-1990.

Oldric LaBell Jr., JD '67, passed away on November 21, 2014. His long career included several years as an Assistant Prosecutor in the Newport News Commonwealth Attorney's Office, a long stint in private practice, and two years in the Newport News Public Defenders Office before his retirement. After retiring, he remained busy in the legal profession, acting as associate counsel to other attorneys and appellate counsel for the Virginia Indigent Defense Commission.



Frank M. Mortin III, JD '68, passed away on January 4, 2015. After receiving his JD, he went to work as an Assistant City Attorney for Newport News, and was hired in 1973 as the first County Attorney for James City County. He spent the next thirty one years providing legal guidance to the County Board of Supervisors.

Anthony Giorno, JD '76, has been promoted from First Assistant United States Attorney to the role of Acting United States Attorney for the Western District of Virginia.





Jay Porter, JD '78. Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP announced that Jay Porter has been included on the 2015 Super Lawyers List for his work in real estate. *Super Lawyers* magazine distinguished the top five percent of attorneys in Ohio in more than 70 practice areas.

Joyce Melvin-Jones, JD '80, has been named a member of the Virginia Law Foundation's 2015 Class of Fellows. This group is comprised of Virginia lawyers, law professors, and retired judges recognized for their legal excellence and community involvement.



Janet Nesse, JD '81, is the co-author of the book *A Practical Guide to Bankruptcy* & *Government Contracts*, which was published by Thomson Reuters.

Michael Garvin, JD '84. Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP announced that Michael Garvin has been included on the 2015 Super Lawyers List for his work in intellectual property litigation. *Super Lawyers* Magazine distinguished the top five percent of attorneys in Ohio in more than 70 practice areas.





Timothy N. Thomes, JD '84. Florida governor reappoints William & Mary's Law School grad to Judicial Nominating Commission for the 16th Circuit. Timothy anchors Gunster's Key Largo office, one of Florida's oldest and largest full-service business law firms. He has practiced law in Florida since 1984, and lived and worked primarily in the Florida Keys. He represents clients throughout the U.S., Mexico, Canada, Europe and Japan in business, litigation, real estate, estate planning and asset protection matters.

The Honorable D. Arthur Kelsey, JD '85. The General Assembly has unanimously appointed Court of Appeals Judge D. Arthur Kelsey as a justice to the Virginia Supreme Court. He has served on the Court of Appeals since 2002, previously serving as a circuit judge in the 5th Circuit, which includes Suffolk, Southampton County and Isle of Wight County. Arthur is also an Adjunct Professor of Law at William & Mary Law School.





Cynthia Eppes Hudson, JD '87, serves as Virginia's Chief Deputy Attorney General and was sworn into the William & Mary Eta Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society. Every year, the Eta Circle of W&M chooses two individuals whose lives of leadership merit honorary membership. She was also named a member of the Virginia Law Foundation's 2015 Class of Fellows.

Will Murphy, JD '90. Will is a member of Murphy's Law Firm, PA and Dispute Resolution Services, Inc. In addition to litigation, Will practices as a mediator and arbitrator. He is also the president of Synergy Outdoor Adventure Resources, a small not-for-profit that promotes exercise, an outdoor lifestyle, leadership & teamwork. He is the Race Director for the Synergy Series, dragon boat races held in South Florida.



Brian Golden, JD '92 has been named to the permanent post of Director of the Boston Redevelopment Authority by the Mayor of Boston. This follows his role as acting director for the past eleven months, as well as a career in both politics and the military after graduating law school.

Tammy Finley, JD '93, has been promoted to Executive Vice President, Human Resources and General Counsel for Advance Auto Parts. She has been with the company since 1998, and will now be responsible for Legal, Risk Services, and Government Affairs functions, as well as Corporate Secretary for the organization.





R. Lee Livingston, JD '93, formerly with Livingston Law Firm has joined the Personal Injury Group at MichieHamlett Attorneys at Law and is a partner with the firm focusing on medical malpractice, legal malpractice, defamation and personal injury. Lee was selected by The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia to work on a committee which writes and edits jury instructions for all Virginia Cases.

Linda Jackson, JD '94, has been named a co-chair of the Littler's Government Contracts Industry Group.



Carla Archie, JD '95. Carla is humbled and honored to serve as the next Superior Court Judge for District 26B. Carla's extensive legal experience and professional involvement has prepared her for this wonderful accomplishment.

The Honorable Richard Yorke AtLee, Jr., JD '96. Poquoson Circuit Judge Richard Yorke AtLee, Jr., was named to the Court of Appeals of Virginia during a January General Assembly session. Judge AtLee was appointed to the circuit court seat in 2011 after serving as Juvenile and Domestic Relations Judge.

Wayne Farmer, JD '96, has been appointed by the General Assembly to Virginia's 5th Circuit Court. He was previously elected as Commonwealth's Attorney in 2008.

Kevin O'Neill, JD '99, was featured on NBC's The Today Show on December 10, 2014, for a segment discussing the University of Virginia's decision to suspend fraternities and sororities.





David Lannetti, JD '99, previously an attorney with the firm of Vandeventer Black, was appointed by the General Assembly to the Circuit Court. His spouse, Kamala H. Lannetti, was named a member of the Virginia Law Foundation's Fellows Class of 2015.

Stephen Bowman, JD '00, passed away unexpected on December 3, 2014. He worked conducting legal and policy analysis for the Virginia General Assembly and the Joint Commission on Health Care in Richmond, Virginia.





Paul Merullo, JD '00, has been appointed by the Virginia General Assembly to General District Court. Previously, he worked as an attorney with Shuttleworth, Ruloff, Swain, Haddad & Morecock.

Anthony A. Mingione, JD '03. Tony has been elected partner at Blank Rome LLP. He represents management in employment litigation and advises employers to ensure compliance with federal and state employment, labor, and employee benefits laws and regulations. He also represents corporate clients in commercial litigation involving fraud, breach of contract, shareholder disputes, internal investigations, and bankruptcy. Tony received the Firm's Pro Bono Hero award in 2010 for his work with Holocaust survivors.





Kathryn Jensen, JD '04 has been promoted to partner at Hollingsworth LLP. Kathy specializes in the defense of complex serial and mass tort litigation, including the defense of personal injury litigation involving pharmaceutical products, medical devices, and alleged workplace exposures.



Kelly Street Brown, JD '05. Young Moore and Henderson is pleased to announce that William & Mary Law School alumnae Kelly Street Brown was selected for inclusion in the North Carolina Super Lawyers 2015 publication in the "Rising Stars" category.

Shannon Frankel, JD '05. Young Moore and Henderson is pleased to announce that William & Mary Law School alumnae Shannon Frankel was selected for inclusion in the North Carolina Super Lawyers 2015 publication in the "Rising Stars" category.





Stacy Haney, JD '05 was recently promoted to Partner at Reed Smith. She is located in the firm's Richmond office and is part of the U.S. Commercial Litigation practice group. The firm announced that in their decision to elect their new partners that it is based on the individual's commendable commitment to the profession, the firm, and their clients.

M. Janelle Lyons, JD '05, was recently named a Partner at the firm of Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog LLP. She practices in the Defense Litigation Practice Group. Janelle has been chosen for inclusion in the *2015 North Carolina Super Lawyers* as 2015 Rising Star in the practice areas of civil litigation, defense.



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Nirav N. Desai '06 has been elected director at Sterne Kessler Goldstein &Fox, an intellectual property law firm in Washington, D.C. As a director in the firm's litigation and electronics groups, he focuses on patent litigation and general intellectual property strategy, representing clients in a wide range of technology in district courts, before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, and at the Federal Circuit. The firm has just announced the election of the largest director class in firm history.



Elizabeth Pannill Fletcher (Lizzie) '06 has been promoted to partner at Ahmad, Zavitsanos, Anaipakos, Alavi & Mensing P.C. or AZA located in Houston, Texas. Lizzie has been included on the 2012 – 2014 Texas Rising Stars lists, recognizing the best and brightest lawyers in Texas under the age of 40 and in practice no longer than ten years.



Jeffrey Geiger, **JD** '06, has been elected shareholder for the firm of Hirschler Fleischer. His focus has been on work involving several influential projects across Virginia, including the rezoning efforts of the Jahnke Road project in Richmond, Virginia.

Hannah W. Hutman, JD '06. Upon graduating from William & Mary Law School, Hannah practiced law in Dayton, Ohio. After returning home to the Shenandoah Valley, Hannah practiced as a sole-practitioner representing business and individuals in bankruptcy proceedings and creditor negotiations. She has received the honors: Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Star, Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Star, and Virginia Legal Elite. She and her husband Matthew have a young son and live in Harrisonburg, Virginia.



Tal Kedem, JD '07. Tal, previously an associate at Fish & Richardson P.C., is now an associate at Desmarais LLP.





Julian Long, JD '07, has been hired as Community Development Coordinator/Grants Manager for the City of Rochester's Office of Economic Development. This follows an extensive ten years of experience in non-profit policy and community activism in Virginia and New Hampshire.

Captain Victoria Starks, JD '08, married Kevin Camire on 25th of October 2014 in Fort Myer, Virginia.





James D. Marky, JD '09 is now an associate at Jones
Walker LLP in the firm's Banking & Financial Services Practice Group in the
Washington, D.C. office. James focuses on corporate and securities matters for financial
institutions and other public and private companies. He represents clients in connection
with mergers and acquisitions, securities law matters and corporate governance issues.
Prior to practicing law, Mr. Marky worked in finance at a prominent hedge fund.

Stephanie Morales, JD '09, is standing for election as Portsmouth Commonwealth's Attorney. She has received endorsements from Portsmouth's mayor, and the Commonwealth's Attorneys of Hampton, Newport News, and Portsmouth.





Patrick Henry, JD '10. Effective January 1, 2015, the Marrs Law Firm, PLLC is now Marrs & Henry. Congrats, Patrick!

Adrienne Sakyi, JD '10 is an Associate with Schempf & Ware, PLLC in Yorktown, Virginia.





Meredith L. Baio, JD '11. Meredith has been hired at Hinman, Howard & Kattell LLP, a Binghamton-based law firm. Meredith's practice areas include real estate matters, trusts and estates, elder law, Medicare planning, guardianships, and adoptions.

Melissa Gutridge, JD '11, and her husband Matt Gutridge, welcomed newborn Henry Raymond Gutridge into the world on January 3, 2015 weighing 7lbs, 9oz.





Brandon M. Waterman, JD '11. Brandon has started his new job with the Civil Division of the SDNY USAO.



Jessica A. Glajch, JD '12 is an attorney in Rawls McNelis & Mitchell's Fairfax office. Prior to joining the firm in 2014, she served two years as an out-of-chambers clerk with the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, where she assisted the Court in resolving civil and criminal cases. Jessica's areas of practice include Medical Malpractice Defense Litigation, Appellate Litigation, and Department of Health Professions Regulatory Boards including Board of Medicine, Virginia and Military Medical Malpractice.

Margaret McEvoy, JD '12. Margaret has recently become a member of Compton & Duling, L.C. at their Prince William office in Northern Virginia. Specializing in real estate and land use, Margaret will ensure that Compton & Duling's clients continue to receive the highest quality representation. "Margaret's experience is key to growing our firm." – Firm's Managing Member.





Julie Silverbrook, JD '12, was recently featured in a tribute video to Robert Edsel, the author of the book *The Monuments Men*, produced by the National Archives Foundation.

Jillian Jacobs, JD '13, has left Dechert's Boston office and joined the firm of Phillips Lytle at their Rochester, New York office.





Paige Nestel, JD '13, is now an associate in the Florham Park, New Jersey office of Greenberg Traurig.



Brian Daly, JD '13, married **Merideth Snow, JD '13,** on January 2, 2015. Brian has moved to Richmond, Virginia from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



Eileen Jackson, JD '14, has joined the firm of Williams Mullen on their Financial Services and Real Estate team.





Emily Wilson, JD '14, has been recognized with an honorable mention in the National Association of Women Lawyers' Selma Moidel Smith Writing Competition.

Kayla McCann Marty '14 and Jeffrey Todd Marty were united in marriage August at First United Methodist Church in Ashland, North Carolina. Kayla is with the law firm of McGuireWoods in Charlotte, North Carolina and focuses her practice on healthcare law, representing healthcare providers, including hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, dialysis centers and physician practices in healthcare transactions and healthcare compliance matters.

