

**WILLIAM & MARY LAW SCHOOL
2015 SPRING AND SUMMER
CLASS NOTES**



Thomas S. Reavely, '71 was recognized by the firm for 20 years of service to Whitfield & Eddy, PLC, in Des Moines, Iowa.

LeRoy F. Millette, Jr., '74 a Virginia Supreme Court Justice has announced his retirement as of July 31, 2015. Lee will continue to serve as a senior justice, which means he will hear cases – typically as a replacement for an active justice who has been recused. Lee was appointed by Governor Tim Kaine to a 12 year term in 2008, and confirmed by the Virginia General Assembly.



Catherine-Sylvia C. Johnson '79 is in the private practice of law with virtual offices in Peninsula Town Center and City Center in Hampton, Virginia.



Neil V. Birkhoff '80 a principal with Woods Rogers PLC in Roanoke, Virginia, will be serving as the Interim Director of the Tax Clinic at the Washington & Lee University School of Law for the fall 2015 semester. Neil is the Chair of the Tax & Estate Planning Group at Woods Rogers, a Fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel, and has been an Adjunct Professor of Law at Washington & Lee since 2007.

Douglas L. Fleming, Jr., '82 has been confirmed by the Virginia General Assembly as a fifth judge to Virginia's 20th Circuit Court. Douglas currently practices general civil and criminal law in Leesburg.



William A. Lascara '83 has been elected to the executive/management committee at Pender & Coward. Bill has served as the Chief Financial Officer since 2004 and is in the Virginia Beach, Virginia offices.



John C. Garde '86 has been named the recipient of the 2015 William A. Dreier Award for Excellence in Product Liability Law. John was presented with the award at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick on April 9, 2015. It is given annually to an attorney noted for advancing the case of litigants in complex products liability cases. John is a partner with the law firm of McCarter & English in Newark, New Jersey.

Stephen R. Larson, MLT '86 has joined Christian & Barton, LLP in Richmond as Counsel where he will continue his legal practice focused on federal regulation of financial transactions, securities law, tax and international trade restrictions. Prior to joining the firm, Stephen held federal government positions including associate chief counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and acting general counsel for the Department of Treasury, among others. He also served as vice-president and general counsel special projects for CSX Corporation for more than a decade.



W. Neal McBrayer '89, judge for the Tennessee Court of Appeals, will deliver the commencement address to Maryville College's Class of 2015 at their graduation ceremonies. During the ceremony, he will also receive the honorary doctor of laws degree.

Catherine M. Stanton '89 was recently installed as a Fellow at the College of Workers' Compensation in an induction ceremony which took place in Naples, Florida. Cathy is a Senior Partner and Past President of Workers' Injury Law and Advocacy Group. She is with the law firm of Pasternack Tilker Ziegler Walsh Stanton & Ramono LLP.





Sara A. Austin '90 will become president-elect of the Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA) at the conclusion of the PBA Annual Meeting on May 8th in Philadelphia. Sara is a partner in the Austin Law Firm LLC, York Pennsylvania. She is also an adjunct at the Widener School of Law in Harrisburg.

David A. Arnold '82 is the secretary/at large officer with Pender & Coward and has been elected to the executive committee. David has been practicing law for more than 20 years and is chairman of Pender & Coward's Eminent Domain Practice Group in the Suffolk, Virginia offices.

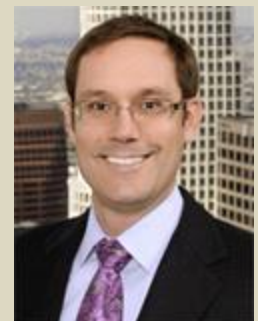


Cressondra B. Conyers '92 (Sandy), presiding judge for the Gloucester, Mathews and Middlesex Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court since 2012, is the 2015 recipient of the William & Mary's Prentis Award. Sandy is also an adjunct professor at William & Mary Law School. Dean Davison M. Douglas said that anyone "looking for a living example of a citizen lawyer need look no further than the life and work of Judge Conyers."



Clifton L. Corker '93 has been appointed to the position of U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee. Corker was sworn in by Chief U.S. District Judge Tom Varlan during a private ceremony at the James H. Quillen U.S. Courthouse in Greenville. He served as a law clerk to U.S. Magistrate Judge Cynthia Kinser in Abingdon, Virginia in 1993, was an attorney at the law firm of Terry, Terry & Stapleton, and began his own practice in 1996.

Brian T. Holmen '01 is now with the Hay Group as Senior Principal. He is a compensation consultant and serves as the West Coast leader for executive compensation within the company. Brian was formerly with the firm of Jones Day for eleven years.





Toyja E. Kelley '01 has been named as a 2015 Influential Marylander. Toyja was selected for significant contributions in his respected field and leadership in the areas of civic leadership, communications, education, finance, freestyle, general business, health care, law, philanthropy, real estate and technology.

Michael S. Goode '02 is now with the law firm of Stites & Harbison in Nashville, Tennessee. He is Counsel to the firm and a member of the Business & Finance and the Trusts & Estate Planning Service Groups. Michael's primary practice is in tax, business and estate planning. He wrote new pension legislation for a school district pension plan that was successfully enacted into law in Georgia. Before joining Stites & Harbison, Michael was a partner at a boutique trusts & estate planning law firm located in the Atlanta, Georgia area.



Mary Reeves Murphy '04, Lieutenant Commander with the Navy's Judge Advocate General's Corp, was chosen as one of the Navy's first Victims Legal Counsel (VLC) in her hometown, Norfolk, Virginia. Mary will provide legal services to eligible victims of sexual assault, including assistance and advocacy in the investigative and military justice processes. She began her career as an attorney at Naval Legal Service Office Mid-Atlantic providing legal assistance, tax assistance, and defense services in the Hampton Roads area.



Shane L. Smith '06 has been elevated to partnership at the firm of Williams Mullen in their Virginia Beach, Virginia offices.

William N. Federspiel '08 is now in-house as a Trademark Counsel at Reebok in Boston, Massachusetts. Will was formerly with the IP Group of McGuireWoods in Richmond, Virginia.



Sherwin C. Ignacio '09 is now an attorney with the Social Security Administration. He was formerly a Captain in the U.S. Air Force JAG Corp.



Jeffrey S. Gulley '10 has joined the U.S. Social Security Administration as an Attorney in their new Woodlawn, Maryland office. Jeff was formerly with the Government Accountability Project in Washington, D.C.



Lindsay M. Bouffard '12 has joined the law firm of Roetzel & Andress, LPA in their Columbus, Ohio office as an associate in the Employment Services Group. Lindsay focuses her practice on the representation of management in all aspects of labor and employment law. She provides advice and counsel to employers regarding preparation and implementation of personnel policies, employee hiring and discipline, disability accommodation issues, discrimination claims, and litigation matters. Before joining the firm, Lindsay was with the law firm of Steptoe & Johnson PLLC.

Jason M. Howell '12 has taken a permanent position in the federal government as a Human Resources Specialist with the Food and Drug Administration in Bethesda, Maryland.

Barbara J. Marmet '13 has joined the Warrenton, Virginia law firm of Walker Jones. Barbara's practice areas include probate, wills, trusts and estate planning and administration.



Faculty News



The Honorable Walter S. Felton, Jr., retired recently after serving on the Court of Appeals of Virginia for twelve years concluding his service as the Chief Judge. Prior to his election to the bench, he was first appointed as Deputy Attorney General of Virginia and then as Senior Counsel to the Attorney General. He later served as Counsel to the Governor of Virginia and Director of Policy. Walter is a former Professor of Law at William & Mary Law School. He is now a member of The McCammon Group to serve the mediation, arbitration, judge pro tempore, and special master needs of lawyers and litigants throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia and beyond.