



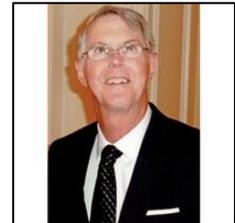
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Fall Class Notes 2019



Lacy Lee Scoggin Jr. ('65) passed away this past November. Born and raised in Virginia, he enlisted in the United States Air Force before his honorable discharge in 1960. He then graduated from Old Dominion University before attending the College of William and Mary and the Law School. After his graduation, he served as the Hampton Assistant City Attorney for three years before opening a private practice in Hampton; throughout his career, he received commendation for his strong legal ability and high ethical standards. He also served as a judge in both the Hampton General District and Juvenile Relations Court, as well as a special justice for civil psychiatric hearings until his retirement. Lacy had a passion for pro-bono and civil service, nature, and his family. He is survived by his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and siblings.

Saul Ralph Pearlman ('70) passed away this past November. Saul graduated from the University of South Carolina before attending William & Mary Law School. After graduation, Saul worked in private practice, as well as serving as general counsel for many businesses. He enjoyed reading, as well as foreign affairs. His family and friends will remember him for his kind and affectionate nature. His wife, daughter and son-in-law, and granddaughter survive him.



Martin Johnson Saunders ('73) passed away this past November. Marty was born and raised in Cincinnati, graduated from William & Mary in 1973, and moved to Pittsburgh following his graduation from NYU with his L.L.M. He practiced labor and employment law for over forty years. At the end of his career, he opened Steptoe & Johnson's labor practice in Pennsylvania, and he was often recognized by Best Lawyers in America. He is survived by his wife and children.

Thomas Norment ('73) has been reelected to the Virginia Senate, representing the 3rd Senate District. He also serves as the Minority Leader of the Virginia Senate.

Dinah Walsh Eitelman ('74) passed away this past October. Dinah began her career as a teacher at Hampton High School as a government teacher before enrolling at the William & Mary Law School. After graduation, she worked for the Hampton City Attorney. Dinah was known for her energetic nature, love for the different waters of Tidewater, and her love for animals. She is survived by her grandson and numerous cousins.





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Garen E. Dodge ('82) joined the Epstein Becker employment, labor, and workforce management team in their Washington, D.C. office. Previously, Garen was a partner at Sheppard Mullin for three years, as well as a partner in Jackson Lewis PC's employment and labor practice for over eight years.

Monica Lea Parry ('83) married Luis Ernesto Aparicio this past October in Tucson, Arizona. Currently, Monica works at Morgan Lewis.



The Honorable Junius P. Fulton III ('85) will receive the Harry L. Carrico Professionalism Award in February from the Criminal Law Section of the Virginia State Bar. Judge Fulton has served on the Norfolk Circuit Court for more than twenty years, in addition to participating in many committees on both the state and national levels.

Ann B. Brogan ('85) has been elected president of the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Stage Company.

D. Lee Roberts Jr. ('86) has been inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Lee is a partner at Weinberg Wheeler Hudgins Gunn & Dial where he represents clients in a wide array of cases, such as product defect, toxic tort, healthcare, wrongful death, and contracts.



Steven P. Kramer ('86) is currently serving as Chair of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the Arizona State Bar and as Chair of the Arizona State Bar Civil Jury Instructions Committee.



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John Wallis Raymond ('88) passed away this past October in Williamsburg. Born in Alabama, he moved frequently during his childhood as a member of an Army family before settling in St. Petersburg, Florida. John enlisted in the U.S. Army, attended the U.S. Military Academy, and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Air Force. John had a twenty-one year Air Force career, earning numerous awards and serving his country in many ways. When he retired from the Air Force, his family moved to Williamsburg when he enrolled at the William & Mary Law School. After graduation, he opened his own law practice specializing in bankruptcy law. His wife, three sons, and eight grandchildren survive John.



R.J. Scaggs Jr. ('88) has been named the recipient of the Delaware State Bar Association's 2019 Distinguished Mentoring Award. The award is given to a Delaware lawyer or judge who, by distinguished mentoring of other Delaware lawyers over a period of many years, has served as an inspiration to and a model for those lawyers in striving for and maintaining the highest standards in their professional careers and in their community involvement. R.J. is a partner at Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP, where he concentrates his practice on corporate litigation and other business disputes.

Lee S. Bender ('88) passed away recently in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He had been a trial attorney at Joseph Chaiken and Associates for twenty years. Prior to that, he was an Assistant District Attorney for the City of Philadelphia for five years. He is survived by a wife and two sons.

Lawrence "Larry" Henry Gennari ('89) has been appointed as chair of the Board of Directors for American Student Assistance.

Rodney Willett ('90) has been elected to the Virginia House of Delegates, representing the 73rd House District.

Kevin L. Antoine ('91) has accepted a position with Bucks County Community College as their first Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, overseeing regulatory compliance and programs while working to cultivate an inclusive environment. Previously, Kevin has owned a human-resources consulting firm and served as an Assistant Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion at SUNY Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, among other positions.



Steffi Garrett ('91) is now General Counsel for the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services.



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Mary Kay Bernosky ('92) has accepted a role with the York County Community Foundation as their VP/Chief Development Officer. Mary Kay has led the service organization Safe Berks for the past fifteen years as their CEO. Under her leadership, Safe Berks has been able to expand their reach to more women in the community and offer new programs and facilities to survivors.



Belinda A. Bacon ('93) has joined Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman as of counsel in the firm's Coral Gable office.

The Hon. Clifton L. Corker ('93) has been sworn in as a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.



Cliff Fleet ('95) has been announced as the new president and CEO of Colonial Williamsburg. Cliff has served as the president of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation and as a board member of that same organization since 2009. He also serves as the vice chairman for development strategy for the William & Mary Foundation's board of trustees. He is also currently a business professor at William & Mary.

Richard Ottinger ('95) has been elected to the executive board for Vandeventer Black LLP. Currently, he is a partner at the firm, specializing in commercial litigation, transportation and maritime litigation, and complex trusts and estate disputes.



Amy Seneshen ('97) has been named to "Who's Who in Energy" by the Denver Business Journal. She is the managing partner at Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley.



Gurbir Grewal ('99) was honored at the Fairfield Police Casino Night Fundraiser. He received the Chief's Recognition Award at the event. Gurbir is the 61st Attorney General of New Jersey, and he is the first Sikh-American to hold the position of state Attorney General in the history of the United States. He will also be given an honorary degree from Montclair State University this January.

Laura Rugless ('00) has been named Cornell's new Associate Vice President for the Office of Institutional Equity and Title IX Coordinator. Rugless has practiced law and worked in areas of civil rights compliance for numerous universities and organizations.





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Brian G. Muse ('01) has been elected shareholder at Sands Anderson in Williamsburg. He is a member of the firm's Litigation and Business Groups, focusing his practice on labor and employment law and litigation. He supports clients in problems concerning discrimination, harassment, disability, retaliation, and wage and hour claims.

Daniel J. Fortune ('02) has joined the Birmingham office of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP as a partner in the firm's Government Enforcement and Investigations practice group, as well as the Cybersecurity and Privacy Team. He represents clients in matters of cybersecurity, white collar defense, government enforcement actions, and regulatory compliance. Daniel was previously the Deputy Chief Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Criminal Division. He is also an adjunct professor at the Birmingham School of Law and the Miles School of Law.



Jason Miyares ('05) has been reelected to the Virginia House of Delegate, representing the 82nd House District.

Annie Lahren ('06) has been included in the 2019 class of Leaders in the Law selected by Virginia Layers Media. She focuses on labor and employment, family law, and immigration at Pender & Coward.



Chara O'Neale ('07) was an individual recipient of the inaugural Diversity and Inclusion Awards present by the North and South Carolina Lawyers Weekly. Chara was recognized as an attorney who significantly advances diversity, inclusion, and the dignity of all people in the Carolinas' legal profession. She is the Director of Talent Management and Diversity & Inclusion at Parker Poe.

Alison Wickizer Toepp ('07) was recently nominated and, ultimately, named one of this year's Legal Elite for Civil Litigation by Virginia Business. Alison is an associate at Reed Smith LLP in Richmond.



Svetlana Ivy ('07) has been named as an honoree in the Rochester Business Journal's Forty under 40. She is a member at Harris Beach.



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Andrew F. Knaggs ('08) has registered to run for the Republican nomination for a seat representing the Richmond suburbs in the House of Representatives. Andrew was the deputy assistant secretary of defense for special operations and combating terrorism; he was also deployed twice to Iraq as a Green Beret.

Brad Ridlehoover ('08) made partner at McGuire Woods. He works in the firm's Tax & Employee Benefits office in Richmond. He helps taxpayers with federal tax disputes, working with them through various steps in the process. He also works with nonprofits and charities on similar issues.



Diana Clarkson ('08) has both been named as an honoree in the Rochester Business Journal's Forty under 40 and elected partner at Harter Secret & Emery LLP. She is a member of the firm's Tax and Trusts & Estates practice groups. She works with individuals and business owners on many tax, succession, wealth transfer, and estate planning matters.

Reneta L. Green-Streett ('09) was promoted to partner at Morris James in Delaware. She represents clients at trial in personal injury, premises liability, and property damage claims. Reneta has been recognized as a Top Lawyer in Personal Injury and Insurance Law in Delaware. Additionally, she serves on or participates in numerous committees and groups in her field.



Jessica Bonney Reveley ('10) passed away recently at the age of thirty-six. Jess was raised in New Jersey, attended Princeton University, and then came to William & Mary for her law degree. She clerked for Justice LeRoy F. Millette Jr. of the Supreme Court of Virginia. Jess had a passion for volunteer work, as well as puzzles, wine, and her family. Her husband, her children, her parents and extended family, survives her.

Kristen D. O'Connor ('10) became a partner at Troutman Sanders in Virginia Beach. Kristen works with businesses in various aspects, such as formation, capital raising, expansion, and growth. She works on mergers and acquisitions, as well as many other types of transactions.





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Jason Ohana ('11) joined Willcox Savage as a partner in their Commercial Litigation practice group. Jason focuses on complex litigation, with a focus on business litigation. He represents companies in various courts, as well as before arbitration panels.

Joe Allen ('12) joined Willcox Savage as a partner in their Corporate, Securities, and Finance practice group. He works on mergers and acquisitions, joint venture transactions, and complex commercial transactions, as well as other jobs. Joe will be in the Tysons Corner office.



Kojo Asamoah-Caesar ('12) is running to represent the First Congressional District of Oklahoma in the U.S. House of Representatives.



Alicia Raines Barrs ('14) has been named to the National Black Lawyers 2019 Top 40 Under 40 list for Texas. Alicia is an Antitrust Compliance Counseling and Litigation/Complex Commercial Litigation Attorney at Barner & Thornburg LLP.

Abigail Norris ('14) joined LeChase Construction Services LLC in Rochester. She works in real estate law and corporate law.



Brian Focarino ('15) and **Brian Shea ('15)** were married in Boston this past October. The couple met during their time here at William & Mary Law School. Mr. Focarino works at the Boston office of Palo-Alto based firm Cooley. Mr. Shea specializes in corporate and securities law at Mintz in Boston.



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Owen Morris ('16) married Morgan Fancher this past September in Fairhope, Alabama. Capt. Morris is a judge advocate general attorney in the U.S. Army stationed in Savannah, Georgia.



Parisa Tabassian ('16) has joined Williams Mullen's Richmond office. She joins the firm as an associate in its Corporate Division. She assists companies with a number of business transactions, including commercial contracts, agreements, and joint ventures.

Caroline Thee ('17) is joining Greenberg Traurig in Chicago. Caroline has experience in business and finance.



Mohammed Alkuwaity (LLM '17) was featured in *The National Jurist's* Fall edition feature: "Who's Who of Foreign Attorneys." Mohammed is a Saudi legal counsel working in management consulting. He is currently the Chief Legal Officer of SEA Ventures Co.

Charlie Alvis ('17) has joined Williams Mullen in Charlottesville. Charlie joins the Real Estate Section and will assist clients in the commercial real estate transactions and other corporate matters.





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Gregory S. Dahl ('18) has been hired by Wiley Malehorn Sirota & Raynes in Morristown.

Mary V. Pickard ('18) has joined Howard & Howard's Royal Oak Office. She focuses her practice on business and corporate law, specifically mergers, acquisitions, and general corporate transactions.



Morgan McEwen ('18) is a new associate at Parks Zeigler, PLLC. Prior to this, Morgan spent a year as a Judicial Law Clerk for the Honorable Chief Justice Mary Jane Hall and the Honorable Jerrauld C. Jones at the Norfolk Circuit Court. Morgan practices in Family and Civil Law.

Sarah E. Simonetti ('19) has joined the law firm Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP. Sarah will practice in the firm's Intellectual Property Litigation Group. Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell is based in Delaware.



Miranda N. Gilbert ('19) has joined the law firm Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP. Miranda will practice in the firm's Corporate and Business Litigation Group. Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell is based in Delaware.



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Krystal Gurnell ('19) graduated from the Air Force JAG School's Judge Advocate Staff Officer Course in December.



Megan Italiano ('19) has joined Williams Mullen as an associate at the firm. She will be based out of their Virginia Beach office, working in the firm's Health Care Section. She assists health care clients, including hospital systems, long-term care providers, and physicians, with a range of health care-related matters.

William C. Brown III ('19) joined the Huntington office of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP. He will practice in their corporate department.

