

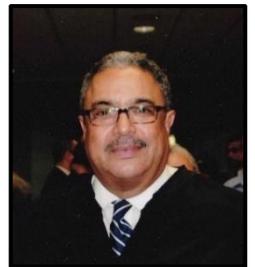


### Class Notes Winter 2019



**Thomas R. Frantz '73** was named to *CoVa Biz Magazine's* third-annual list of the Top Lawyers of Coastal Virginia. Williams Mullen chose Tom for his outstanding work in business law.

**Robert Hagans Jr. '79** recently passed away on January 17, 2019. Robert was the district judge for Virginia Beach, VA. He was born in Norfolk, VA on December 28, 1952. Robert went to Howard University before attending William & Mary Law School. He worked as a prosecutor in Norfolk, a defense lawyer, then eventually worked his way up to becoming a judge. He served as president of the Virginia Beach, South Hampton Roads and Old Dominion bar associations, and chaired numerous panels and committees. He was elected chairman of the School Board in 1996 and served two years. Robert is survived by his wife of 35 years, Peggy Emerson Hagans, and their three children: Hazel, Meagen and Robert Hagans III. His son, Robert, recently passed the bar exam on his first try and is working as an attorney in Maryland.



**Professor William W. Van Alstyne W&M Honorary '79** recently passed away on January 29, 2019. He was born on February 8, 1934 in Chico, CA. He came to William & Mary Law School to be a professor from Duke Law School. He was at Duke as a professor from 1974 to 2004. He was a Fulbright Fellow in Chile, a Senior Fellow at Yale, and a visiting faculty member at law schools across the nation including, for example, Berkeley, the University of Chicago, the University of Michigan, the University of Pennsylvania, and Stanford. He served on the National Board of Directors of the American Civil Liberties Union, president of the American Association of University Professors and the Association's General Counsel, and chaired the Association of American Law School's Committee on Academic Freedom. In recognition of his extraordinary contributions and achievements, he was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1994.

**Michael Garvin '84** has been included on the 2019 Ohio Super Lawyers/Rising Starts List. *Super Lawyers Magazine* distinguishes the top five percent of lawyers in Ohio in more than 70 practice areas and recognizes those who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement as Super Lawyers. He was selected as a Super Lawyer in the field of intellectual property litigation.





**Mark L. Tysinger '84** was announced as a recipient of the 50<sup>th</sup> annual Peninsula Humanitarian Awards by the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities (VCIC). The award honors individuals and organizations who have made significant contributions to the promotion of respect and understanding among people of diverse racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds in the Peninsula community. Under Mark's leadership and as part of his commitment to creating an inclusive work environment for all his employees and a key person in securing insurance benefits for domestic partners through the Virginia Automobile Dealers Association.

**Julie Currin '87** was recognized by the Virginia State Bar for her significant and noteworthy contribution by providing legal service to low-income Virginians.



**Cameron Cosby '90** joined Fried, Frank, Harris, Shiver & Jacobson LLP as a partner in the tax department as he works closely with the Firm's robust capital markets, mergers and acquisitions, tax, and real estate practices to represent real estate investment trust (REITs) clients.

**Cheshire l'Anson Eveleigh '90** was elected by the General Assembly to the bench as a judge on the Virginia Beach JDR Court starting in July 2019. She has practiced law with Wolcott Rivers Gates for the past 28 years since graduating William & Mary Law School. She practices in family law and helps clients with custody, support cases and divorces. She was also selected as a 2018 Women in Business honoree.



**Dion Hayes '92** has been inducted into the 2019 class of the American College of Bankruptcy. He is a nationally recognized insolvency and restructuring lawyer with McGuireWoods LLP. He also has served as chair of McGuireWoods Restructuring and Insolvency Department before becoming the firm's deputy managing partner for litigation.

**Robert Hogan '92** joined as Of Counsel to the firm of Rawle & Henderson LLP in Pittsburg, PA. He has over 20 years of experience in complex litigation and focuses on mass and toxic torts, professional liability, product liability, environmental, insurance coverage, construction and appellate matters. He was previously a Deputy Attorney General and Director of the Appellate Division for the West Virginia Attorney General's Office, practiced with a corporate defense law firm and defense litigation, and served as an adjunct instructor at Marshall University.





**Kenneth Dodds '94** joined Live Oak Bank as an Industry Expert for the government contracting lending team. Dodds joins the team to provide advisory services for those looking to buy or sell a government contracting business as he has more than 20 years of extensive Small Business Administration experience.

**Andrew Herrick '94** has been promoted to serve the Albemarle County Attorney's Office as deputy county attorney. He has served Albemarle as a senior assistant county attorney for the past 11 years and as an assistant county attorney for six years prior.



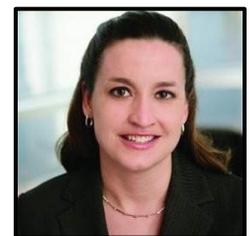
**Fred Jacob '94** has been appointed as the new Solicitor for The National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). He has over two decades of experience practicing labor law and advising federal agencies on ethics, administrative law and government operations. He served as Solicitor of the Federal Labor Relations Authority prior to NLRB.

**Jennifer Wexton '95** took office as a Senator for the Commonwealth of Virginia. Wexton will focus on renewing federal Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act (PRIIA) funding of \$150 million annually for the system. She also favors eliminating the House's "Holman Rule," which allows provisions in appropriations bills to eliminate certain programs and cut the salary of specific federal workers.



**Joshua Stump '97** was elected to be President of the law firm Buckley Law P.C. for 2019. He has served as co-president of the firm for the fourth quarter of 2018. For more than 20 years, he has represented and advocated for some of America's largest corporations as well as local businesses and individuals who faced a legal dispute. His areas of practice include business and commercial litigation, real estate litigation, civil-rights defense litigation, and many more.

**Kristan Burch '98** has been selected as a 2018 Women in Business honoree. She has worked in the litigation section at Kaufman & Canoles P.C. for 19 years. She negotiates construction contracts and handle construction litigation and arbitration.



**Elizabeth Weldon '01** contributed a chapter for a book published by the American Bar Association Forum on Franchising titled *The Annotated Franchise Agreement*. In her chapter "Fees, Initial Terms, and Renewal", she draws on her experience in franchise litigation which covers a variety of common franchising fees and charges. Her concentration at the firm Snell & Wilmer is in business litigation and franchise litigation.



**Meghann Supino '04** made partner in January 2019 at the firm Ice Miller LLP in Indianapolis, IN. She has been with the firm since 2013 and focuses her practice on regulatory compliance, commercial agreements, international trade and business litigation. Also, she handles a variety of general business, corporate and transactional matters for domestic and international clients.

**Amanda Wait '04** joined Norton Rose Fulbright, a global law firm, in Washington, D.C. She focuses her practice on guiding clients through the antitrust review of global mergers and acquisitions. She co-founded The Grapevine which is the first networking platform for Washington, D.C. area professional woman working in the competition and consumer protection space.



**Mike Kaufman '06** and his wife, **Megan Bisk '06** welcomed a baby boy to the family on December 25, 2018.

**Amy Blumenthal '07** has been elected for partnership with Kutak Rock LLP's office in Philadelphia, PA. She represents insurance companies in coverage related litigation and contractors in construction-related disputes and personal injury defense matters. She is experienced in handling employment discrimination matters and in counseling clients relative to employee discipline and performance managements.



**Ashley Marshall '07** became director for Young Women's Christian Association in Central Virginia and is working to achieve the organization's goals of serving and empowering women and families and working to eliminate racism.

**Cabell Clay '08** was recognized as the honoree of the *Women Lawyers of Charlotte* 2018 Woman of the Year Award. The award is given in recognition of a woman who exemplifies the WLC mission to foster professional and social relationships among the diverse group of women lawyers in the community. She currently serves as President of the Board of Directors for the Council for Children's Rights.



**Dana Hall '09** was elected as a new partner to Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. He represents clients engaged in corporate finance and private equity transactions.

**Krista Hanvey '09** was elected as a new partner to Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP. She has experience with all aspects of executive compensation, retirement plan, and health and welfare benefit plan compliance, planning, and transactional matters.





**Spencer Kiggins '09** recently joined the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Texas in El Paso, TX as an Assistant U.S. Attorney.

**William C. Smith Jr. '09** recently joined Solomon Law Firm, PLLC in their Washington D.C. office. He will advise clients on a range of employment discrimination and national security matters. Additionally, Smith is a state senator in Maryland and serves as the vice chairman of the judicial proceedings committee and chair of the Maryland Senate Veterans Caucus. He is working to finish his legislative agenda before his end of March deployment.



**J. Tyler Butts '10** was promoted to Counsel at Robinson & Cole in December. He represents the insurance and reinsurance and litigation departments of the firm.

**Jessica Sura '10** was elected as Principal of the firm of Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Sura has a litigation practice with a special emphasis in medical malpractice defense. She represents physicians, hospitals and other healthcare providers in cases alleging medical negligence.



**Joy C. Einstein '11** has been promoted to Partner at Shulman Rogers in Potomac, MD. Einstein represents companies in labor and employment disputes including equal employment litigation, wage and hour litigation, protection of confidential business information and enforcement of restrictive covenants. She also represents management in its dealing with labor unions.

**Krystle Waldron '11** has been named Principal with Goodman Allen Donnelly PLLC. She is with the veterans' benefits group.



**Erich Spessard '12** is running for Clarion County Judge of Common Pleas in Clarion, PA. He is currently the Chief Public Defender for Clarion County Office of the Public Defender. He serves on the Criminal Justice Advisory Board, the Drug and Alcohol Treatment Court team, and the Behavioral Health Court team for Clarion County.

**Mia Shirley Bowler '13** and husband, JT Bowler recently welcomed a baby girl on February 9, 2019 named Claire Elanor Bowler.





**Amelia Vance '13** is one of the foremost experts in the nation on education privacy. She is the Policy Counsel and Director of the Future of Privacy Forum (FPF) Education Privacy Project. She has a gift for making complex regulations and technical trends accessible to individuals who care about student privacy.

**Melanie Walter '13** was appointed as the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs in Trenton, NJ. She will also serve as the Chairperson of the State's Local Finance Board.



**Alexander Mackler '14** was announced as the Chief Deputy Attorney General for State of Delaware Department of Justice in Wilmington, DE. He has held several roles in public service, including as Senator Ted Kaufman's Deputy Chief of Staff and Senator Biden's Press Secretary.

**Christopher Antoine '18** received his license to practice law and was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar.



**Mary Kathryn Atkinson '18** joined Gentry, Locke, Rakes & Moore LLP as an Associate in Roanoke, VA. She will practice with the firm's Personal Injury team.

**Stefanie Felitto '18** joined Williams Mullen as an associate. She joins the healthcare practice team.



**Megan Watson '18** joined McCandlish Holton as an associate in the premises and product liability litigation practice group. She had interned as a fellow at the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia.