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### Governance

# VSB to Evaluate Candidates for Virginia Court of Appeals Vacancy

The Virginia State Bar has been asked by Senator R. Creigh Deeds, co-chair of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate of Virginia, to evaluate candidates for a vacancy on the Court of Appeals of Virginia.



## <u>Supreme Court of Virginia Approves Two VSB Petitions; Amends Fine</u> Schedule

On Friday, September 29, 2023, the Supreme Court of Virginia approved two Virginia State Bar Council petitions presented to the Court after its June 15, 2023, meeting.

## Supreme Court of Virginia Amends Rule 1A:1

The Supreme Court of Virginia amended the Rules of Court, Rule 1A:1, Admission to Practice in This Commonwealth Without Examination effective November 13, 2023.

## **VSB Seeks Comment on Legislative Activity for Child Dependency Cases**

The Virginia State Bar (VSB) is seeking public comment on proposed VSB engagement in legislative activity seeking to improve the quality of legal representation in certain child dependency cases, pursuant to Section IV, Part 6, Paragraph 9(J) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia, in the 2024 General Assembly Session.

## **Compliance**

**If you haven't paid your dues:** Take Action by the October 8

deadline to **AVOID SUSPENSION**. <u>Sign in now</u> to complete outstanding renewal requirements.

The CLE course completion deadline is **October 31**, **2023**. The reporting deadline is December 15, 2023. Sign into the <u>VSB website</u> to review your MCLE record. Now is also the time to apply for non-approved courses and complete your MCLE requirement.

**Reminder:** Of the 12.0 CLE hours required each year, 2.0 must be in ethics or professionalism and 4.0 must be from live, interactive programs. Answers to most questions and a list of courses may be found on the <u>MCLE page</u>. If you have questions, please contact the Regulatory Compliance Department at (804) 775-0577 or <u>MCLE@vsb.org</u>.

**Dues statements for 2024-2025 will be emailed**, so lawyers should keep emails current with the VSB.

## **Discipline**

Disciplinary hearings are public meetings found on the <u>disciplinary docket</u> and on the VSB calendar.

#### Recent disciplinary system actions:

<u>Jason Meyer Krumbein</u>, license suspended, effective September 19, 2023.

<u>Reginald Robert Yancey</u>, license suspended, effective September 28, 2023.

<u>Bradley Glenn Pollack</u>, license suspended, effective November 6, 2023.

<u>James W. Hilldrup</u>, public reprimand, effective August 22, 2023.

<u>Steven Morton Oser</u>, public reprimand, effective September 11, 2023.

<u>Ryan Douglas Huttar</u>, public reprimand, effective September 28, 2023.

<u>Dennis Eugene Pryba II</u>, administrative suspension, effective September 26, 2023.

**Private discipline:** 1 private admonition, 3 private reprimands.

## Pro Bono / Access to Justice



Please join us for the the <u>Pro Bono</u>
<u>Conference</u> on October 18 at the
Greater Richmond Convention Center.
The conference includes 6 hours
of **free** CLE with the theme of "Poverty
& the Law: Context and Content for
Lawyers Representing Low-Income
Clients." The 2023 Powell Award and
Legal Aid Award will be presented at the
dinner.

## **VSB Videos**

# Senior Lawyers Conference Premieres Film for Litigators

The VSB Senior Lawyers
Conference has
released Civility and
Professionalism in a
Successful Litigation
Practice—Mentorship from
the Bench and Bar, a film
project in coordination with



the VSB Litigation Section and the Virginia Law Foundation featuring wisdom from lawyers and jurists, including Chief Justice S. Bernard Goodwyn.



VSB Real
Property
Section
Releases New
Living Library
Video Series
The Real
Property
Section has
created
the Living
Library
Project,

beginning with three videos on real estate title insurance. The videos are part of a series intended to assist lawyers who work in property law and to encourage attorneys to join the ranks of the "dirt lawyers."

### **Events and Award Nominations**

The YLC will host its Northern Virginia Minority
Pre-Law Conference on Saturday, October 28, at
George Mason's Antonin Scalia Law School with
VSB President Chidi I. James as the keynote
speaker. This FREE conference encourages
minority and non-traditional students to attend law
school and excel in the field of law. Please
share event details with college students who may
be interested in attending. Registration is required
to attend.





Nominate a colleague or peer for the prestigious Harry L. Carrico
Professionalism Award created by the Criminal Law Section to recognize an individual (judge, defense attorney, prosecutor, clerk, or other citizen) who has made a singular and unique contribution to the improvement of the criminal justice system in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Deadline: December 1, 2023.

Nominations are now being accepted for the <u>William R. Rakes Leadership in Education Award</u>. Nominate a deserving individual from the bench, the practicing bar, or the academy before December 1, 2023. The recipient will be recognized at the 2024 Annual Meeting.

CLE

**42nd Annual Family Law Seminar** is in three locations or via webcast:



- Richmond (live on site and webcast): October 3
- Fairfax (live on site): October 10
- Virginia Beach (live on site): October 17

**44th Annual Construction Law and Public Contracts Seminar is November 3 and 4** in Charlottesville at the Boar's Head Resort or via webcast. Find <u>more</u> information on these CLEs.



49th Annual Advanced Business Law Conference: Friday, Dec. 8, through Saturday, Dec. 9. This CLE is the section's marquee event, offering 10 hours of CLE (2 hours ethics) while learning from a distinguished faculty of experts in their field and connecting with other business lawyers.

Check out our available <u>free and low-cost CLEs</u>, including **ALPS "Firm Retreat"** which *starts tomorrow* and is a fun, virtual way to get 3.0 FREE in-person hours. During the panel discussions, attendees will be encouraged to ask questions and share comments. <u>More information and registration</u>.





## Volunteers Sought for VSB Disciplinary Board 2024

Three volunteer attorneys and one lay member are needed to serve on the

Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board beginning on **July 1, 2024**.

### **Volunteers Sought for Medical Malpractice Review Panels**

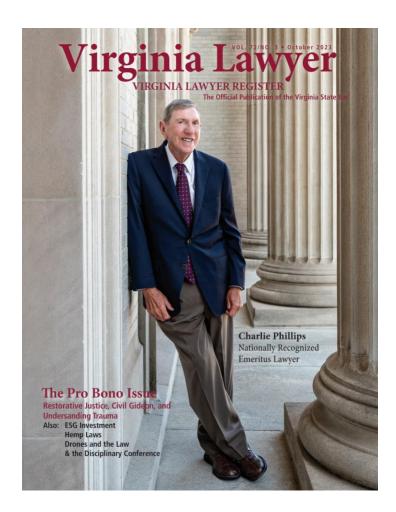
There are three lawyer vacancies with terms available immediately, and six lawyer vacancies available July 1, 2024, as of August 29.

Learn more about other volunteer opportunities at the VSB.

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