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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Lamont Maddox

"Hang in there!" It's a phrase I find myself repeating often nowadays. More than just encouraging words, the phrase is meant to convey a sense of empathy and understanding to the recipient. A comforting message that I am rooting for you, and you will get through this!

No matter how bad and discouraging things seem at times, we need to keep the perspective that we're not alone. Even during these times of COVID isolation and social distancing, there's many ways to stay connected with family, friends, and colleagues that make up your support system. Zoom videoconferences, Facebook posts, text messages or just an old fashioned telephone call or handwritten note- all are easy ways to reach out and reunite.

NPBA is looking forward to upcoming programs, CLE offerings, and various committee meetings to bring its members together. Some will be virtual, and some are planned to be small in-person gatherings. Please take advantage of these NPBA activities to stay engaged and connected. We're all in this together, but it's up to you to show up if you truly want to make a difference.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CLE: "RIPARIAN RIGHTS AND WATERFRONT PROPERTY"

Wednesday, September 16, 2020 • 2-4 PM
Presenters: Bryan Peeples and Daniel Parrish
Zoom Or Live In-Person Presentation
Registration Required: CLICK HERE

SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

Thursday, September 17, 2020 • 11:45 AM—12:45 PM

The Chrysler Museum of Art

Erik H. Neil, Director, The Chrysler Museum of Art

Registration Required: CLICK HERE

BENCH BAR CONFERENCE [VIRTUAL]

Monday, September 21, 2020 ● 1-5 PM

Keynote Speaker: Hon. Mark Martin, Dean, Regent University School of Law, former

Chief Justice, North Carolina Supreme Court

Registration Required: CLICK HERE

CLE: "PERSONAL INJURY PRACTICE IN GENERAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE GENERAL PRACTITIONER" [VIRTUAL]

Thursday, September 24, 2020 • 1-3 PM
Presenter: John G. Baker and Griffin O'Hanlon
Registration Required: CLICK HERE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Willcox Savage is pleased to announce that Chris Abel (Maritime/ Transportation) is recognized in the Virginia Top 100 by Virginia Super Lawyers 2020.

A total of 19 Willcox Savage attorneys were selected for inclusion in the Virginia Super Lawyers/Rising Stars 2020.

MCLE Deadline Changed:

For active lawyers required to complete MCLE requirements, the completion

deadline for the 2020 MCLE requirement has been extended from October 31 to midnight EST December 31, 2020. Your CLE hours need to be reported no later than 4:45 p.m. EST February 15, 2021.

By December 31, 2020, all active lawyers must have completed 12 hours, 2 hours of which are in ethics, 4 hours of which are live interactive programs.

More information here: https:// www.vsb.org/site/news/item/ extensions to deadlines COVID

Young Lawyers Section

By Kerry Stolz, Chair • kstolz@pendercoward.com • 490-6277

Our YLS year is off to a great start! We We are still hosting YLS membership hosted our second "Virtual Breakfast with the Bench" with Judge Ottinger of Portsmouth General District Court. He joined us over a Zoom call that included both summer associate and young lawyer attendees. Judge Ottinger spoke with us about practice tips for young lawyers and the current state of the Virginia court systems during COVID-19. We are very thankful for his time and preparation for our presentation. Our Breakfast with the Bench series will remain in virtual format and will be running throughout the Zoom on September 14th and also ask upcoming year. We will continue to email these invitations to all YLS members.



Kerry Stolz

meetings over Zoom but we certainly look forward to the time when we can gather in person for meetings. Our committees are working hard to incorporate both socially distant inperson events and Zoom -based events into our

YLS calendar over the next few months. We invite you to join us for the next YLS membership meeting over you to check your email for upcoming YLS fall event announcements.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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Dear Members of the NPBA,

The Norfolk Law Library is now open to the public for in-person services at a reduced capacity. We have been working hard to make the library a safe environment for staff and patrons. In order to achieve this goal, we have invested in new personal protective equipment and supplies including an acrylic barrier for our reference counter. If you are able to do so, please consider making a donation to the law library to help us offset these costs and continue to develop our print and digital subscriptions. Donate here: https:// norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/ Donate

Staff members are available to assist with all of your research and information needs. Please contact the Norfolk Law Library by phone (757.622.2910), by email staff@norfolklawlibrary.org, or via the Contact Us page at https:// norfolklawlibrary.org/.

> Best regards, Isaac Needell Law Librarian

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Norfolk Law Library is now OPEN for in-person services during limited hours.

Please visit https://norfolklawlibrary.org/ for the most up-to-date information on open hours and updates.

Remote services continue to be available on our full schedule, Monday-Friday 9:30am to 4:30pm.

PRO BONO CORNER

Caryn R. West, Chair, Pro Bono Committee

The Pro Bono Committee has been meeting virtually since March and we are still in the process of planning the Pro Bono Week from October 25 - 31, 2020. We are looking at Virtual Options for Clinics.

We are working with Senior Services to move Senior Law Day from an in person event to a series of virtual sessions in the month of October, each on a different topic. If you're interested in being involved in one of our virtual sessions, please send me an email (cwest@pzlaw.com) with your interest and what topic(s) you'd be interested in speaking on.

Interested in speaking to the community on another legal issue? We are working in conjunction with Legal Aid to create more opportunities for attorneys to participate in community educational programming and more general advice legal clinics.

We are also looking at a potential online raffle or silent auction as a fundraiser for Legal Aid. To that end, we are collecting donated items. If you have items to donate, please contact me at cwest@pzlaw.com or (757) 427-4411.

If you'd like to join our now virtual pro bono committee, please email the bar association at contact@norfolkandportsmouthbar.org.

Pro Bono Spotlight - www.virginia.freelegalanswers.org

This is literally the easiest pro bono opportunity available to Virginia attorneys. You simply sign up to volunteer, log into the website as a volunteer attorney, pick a question, and answer it. If you want to provide pro bono services but think you don't have the time, check out this website.

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Isaac Needell • NPBA Executive Director

2020 has led to many changes for the Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association. I wanted to take a moment to thank you all for your adaptability and patience this year.

In the Spring, our biggest change was to fully reimagine our website and move to an online membership platform. Using the new platform, you can update your membership profile, view a detailed event schedule for bar association events, register for upcoming CLEs and events, and pay your membership dues.

<u>Website: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/</u>
Log in by clicking on the blue box in the upper right corner of the screen to edit your profile, see invoices, check your event registrations, etc.

Events: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/events

As we move into the Fall, our CLEs will be offered in either virtual or hybrid (live, in-person presentations broadcast live) formats. The virtual/broadcast portions of NPBA events will be held via Zoom videoconferencing. I hope that you will find the Zoom platform easy to use and intuitive. If you have any questions, problems, or suggestions regarding the delivery of NPBA programming, please do not hesitate to contact the bar association staff.

<u>Call:</u> (757) 622-3152 <u>Email: contact@norfolkandportsmouthbar.org</u>

Please note that the Virginia State Bar MCLE Board has extended the 2020 MCLE credit requirement deadline from October 31 to December 31. Full details can be found here: https://www.vsb.org/site/members/mcle-courses





Bischoff Martingayle P.C. is proud to announce that attorney Juliana Lyons has joined its regional law firm. Juliana will handle civil litigation, administrative law and appeals. She is fluent in both English and Spanish.

Before joining Bischoff Martingayle, Juliana clerked in Fairfax Circuit Court and, during law school, held internships in Richmond, Williamsburg and Arlington. She is a 2016 graduate of the University of San Diego and a 2019 graduate of William & Mary Law School.

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2020 CLE SESSIONS

Bench Bar Conference

Monday, September 21, 1-5 pm 22nd Annual Bench Bar Conference [VIRTUAL] 3 CLE (including up to 2 Ethics) Credits Pending*

Details here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/event-3799046

September CLEs

Wednesday, September 16, 2-4 pm

"Riparian Rights and Waterfront Property" [Hybrid

Program Live and Virtual]

Presenters: Bryan Peeples and Daniel Parrish - 2 CLE

Credits

Details here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/

event-3887445

Thursday, September 24, 1-3 pm

"Personal Injury Practice in General District Court for

the General Practitioner" [VIRTUAL]

Presenter: John G. Baker and Griffin O'Hanlon - 2 CLE

Credits

Details here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/

event-3954012

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October CLEs

Wednesday, October 7, 1-3 pm

"Conflicts of Interest: A Practical Roadmap"

Presenter: Thomas E. Spahn - 2 CLE (2 Ethics) Credits

Details here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/

event-3954021

CLE Day Thursday, October 8:

"Efficient Law Practice in Uncertain Times"

Presenter: Kellam T. Parks - 2 CLE Credits 1 Ethics

Pending*

Details here: https://

norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/event-3955474

"Toto, I don't think we are in Virginia anymore!" -

2020 Employment Law Update

Presenters: Thomas M. Lucas and James R. Theuer

- 2 CLE Credits

Details here: https://

norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/event-3936656

"Implicit Bias in the Law, the Court System, the Legal Community"

Presenter: Jamilah D. LeCruise - 2 CLE Credits

Pending*

Details here: https://

norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/event-3956342

Thursday, October 15, 1-2 pm

Post-Luncheon CLE: "Everything You Need to Know About Cost Basis and a Review of the Biden Proposed Tax Reforms"

Presenter: M. Powell Peters - 1 CLE Credit Pending* Details here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/event-3936643

Tuesday, October 27, 2-4 pm

"Zoom Training for Lawyers – Using it Securely and the Ins and Outs of Mediating Electronically "

Presenters: Sharon D. Nelson, John W. Simek,

Bretta Z. Lewis and The Honorable

Winship C. Tower (Ret.) - 2 CLE Credits Pending Details here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/ event-3960001

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November CLEs

Tuesday, November 10, 2-4 pm

"Equitable Distribution 101 and Settling Property in a Divorce"

Presenters: Regina F. Amick and The Honorable Winship C. Tower (Ret.) - 2 CLE Credits

Details here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/ event-3959985

Thursday, November 19, 1-2pm

Post-Luncheon CLE: "The Anatomy of a DUI Case in District Court"

Presenter: Stephen P. Pfeiffer - 1 CLE Credit

Details here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/

event-3936651

2020 - 2021 CLE Season Tickets available for \$250

Exclusively for NPBA Members, the CLE Season Ticket gives you access to all CLEs (Excluding the Bench Bar Conference) offered by the Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association from May 1, 2020, through April 30, 2021.

Purchase Here: https://norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/Store

^{*}Application for approval for this course or program is pending with the Virginia Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Board.

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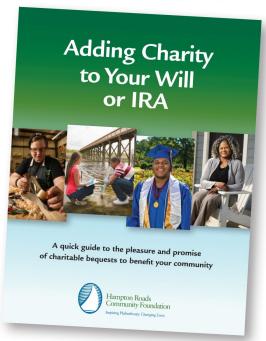
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