

# Henrico Bar News

## June 2017

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### *From the Desk of Brian J. Schneider, HCBA President*

As the newly elected President of the Henrico County Bar Association, it is my good fortune to be working alongside my fellow officers this year: Natalie McClearn, Ryan Young, Emily Bishop, and Jason Hart; as well as our Directors: Michael Gill, Jeffrey Miller, Andrew Newby, Susan Parrish, and David Stock. I thank each of them for bringing their talents to bear on behalf of the organization. To my predecessor, Julie Palmer, is owed a debt of gratitude for her leadership and the example she set. Lastly, a thank you to Mary Lou Wellman, for her tireless efforts as Administrator of the HCBA and without whom nothing would get done.



With the arrival of spring comes the start of a new year for the HCBA and, with our spring banquet held on May 10 at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, we are off to a strong start. Thank you so very much to our friends at Planet Depos and Juridical Solutions for their support. As evidenced by the write-up and photos below, a good time was surely had by all. In addition to such enjoyable social events, we will continue our commitment to the very valuable CLE programming offered to our members, as well as to serving this community in which we are so fortunate to live. I hope you might look for ways to become involved with the bar.

As a lifelong resident of Henrico County, I am humbled by the honor to serve and look forward to continuing the reputation of civility, professionalism, and service enjoyed by the HCBA. All the best for an enjoyable and relaxing summer.

Sincerely,  
Brian J. Schneider  
President

### **Annual Spring Reception**

On May 10, 2017, the HCBA held its annual Spring Reception at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Members and their guests spent time together enjoying good food and good music supplied by the Flying Sulzers band.

The small bit of business conducted during the gathering started with outgoing President Julie Palmer addressing the attendees and calling the new slate of officers and directors to be sworn in. The Hon. Craig B. Dunkum, of the Henrico County General District Court, administered the oath of office to the new Board of Directors.

Newly elected President Brian Schneider addressed those in attendance regarding the work of the HCBA. He then introduced the Hon. Catherine C. Hammond, retired Judge of the Henrico County Circuit Court and current mediator with event co-sponsor Juridical Solutions, who provided a few closing remarks about the Association.

We would like to thank both Juridical Solutions and Planet Depos for sponsoring this event and their continued support!

### **Save the Date**

#### **Breakfast with the GDC and Circuit Court Judges**

Tuesday, September 12, 2017  
7:45 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.  
Jury Room

#### **Breakfast with the J&DR Court Judges**

Friday, September 22, 2017  
8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  
JDR Courtroom #6

#### **Cyber Security CLE**

Wednesday, October 4, 2017  
12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Harman Claytor Atrium

#### **Ethics CLE**

Monday, October 30, 2017  
4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Henrico County Board Room

#### **Holiday Reception**

Thursday, December 7, 2017



Judge Hammond and Stan Wellman



Sarah Collie, Amber Ford, Carson Johnson,  
Doug Pittman and Julie Palmer



Judge Hicks and Judge Balfour

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Willow Oaks Country Club

Please check the Calendar of  
Events on our website at  
[www.henricobar.org](http://www.henricobar.org) for the  
most up to date information.

### **In This Issue**

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### **Drug Court News**

We will potentially be accepting up to five new referrals during the month of June. Due to the limited availability, we will be revising our screening criteria to prioritize eligible referrals who reside in Henrico and whose legal obligations are primarily in Henrico as well. Circuit Court judges will be made aware of these openings on a weekly basis as they become available by the two Drug Court judges.

Our program was selected as a pilot site to implement a Vivitrol Program with a grant funded by the State General Fund. Vivitrol is a form of medication assisted treatment that helps treat opiate dependence. Through a collaborative effort with the Sheriff's Department, we are now identifying and prepared to refer participants for this treatment intervention.

And lastly, on May 3, 2017, we participated in our annual basketball game which is played by our program participants and staff vs. members of the Sheriff's Department and the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office. It was a very spirited game that unfortunately we lost by eight points. The pro-social events are conducted throughout the calendar year to (re)introduce our participants and their families to drug-free recreational activities. We GREATLY appreciate the consistent support of both the CA's office and the Sheriff's



Jon Nichols and Tom and Martha Edmonds



Mary Anne and Judge Dunkum with Shannon Taylor



Judge Dunkum swears in the the 2017-2018 Officers and Directors

Department. We couldn't have a program without the commitment of both offices.

## Clerk's Corner

### A Message from J&DR Court, Clerk of Court, Shanda R. Ellis

Henrico JDR continues to transition into the Paperless world of JDIS (Juvenile & Domestic Imaging System) as of February 2017.

What is JDIS (Juvenile & Domestic Imaging System)?

JDIS is a tool that helps clerks manage and index case documents digitally. Initially, JDIS will require an investment from staff members but once added to the daily workflow and used consistently and efficiently, this investment will pay off.

If imaging consistently, JDIS will provide the court with immediate access to case documents. JDIS will minimize the loss of case files and documents and save the court time locating files. Eventually, the use of JDIS will lessen the amount of space currently used for storing files.

JDIS sets the foundation for systems in the future. The viewing of case documents is determined by the classification of those documents. It is critical that documents are classified appropriately as we are moving towards the installation of the Juvenile Secure Viewing System and Public Access Terminals. The Juvenile Secure Viewing System (JSVS) allows outside agencies to view court documents from a remote location. Public



Matthew Hundley, Michelle Andino, Kate McCauley, Brian Schneider, Liv Schneider, Laura May Hooe and Eric Reeves



Jim Hundley and Keith Barker



Michelle Harman, John Mizell, and Dan and Beth Rosenthal

For more pictures from the Spring Reception, please visit our website at [www.henricobar.org](http://www.henricobar.org).

### H. Albert Nance, Jr. Award

On May 11, 2017, graduation ceremonies were held for recruits of Henrico County's 64th police training academy. The event was attended by family and friends, as well as Chief Judge James Yoffy of the Henrico County Circuit Court, Pat O'Bannon of the Henrico Board of Supervisors, Commonwealth's Attorney Shannon Taylor, and County Manager John Withoulkas. During their training, recruits

Access Terminals (PAT) grants the public access to adult cases and juvenile cases after verification. (PAT pending for Henrico JDR public use)

Imaging is not an option. Imaging is mandatory for all filings once JDIS is implemented in a Court.

Henrico JDR Court would like all court appointed attorneys/GALs to be reminded in cases where they need the services of an interpreter at his/her office for interviews or to translate written documents, such as a letter, and the court has concluded that the appointment of an interpreter is appropriate - the court will pay for this service. The court appointed attorney/GAL must make contact with the Clerk of Court to start the process.

As of May 22, 2017, Henrico JDR Court now has the TouchPay system in its court lobby for payment of DCSE cases. The Kiosk is available to the public Monday - Friday from 8:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The system will take DCSE support payments and provide the customer with a valid receipt which the court will accept for court ordered purge payments.

### J&DR Twitter Page

Please check out the Twitter page for the Henrico Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court @HenricoJDRct.

### Pro Bono Volunteer Opportunity

As an effort to improve access to legal services in our community, we are expanding our contact list for pro bono services. If you are interested in providing pro bono services, please send to Natalie McClearn, [ntmcclearn@flaor.com](mailto:ntmcclearn@flaor.com), your contact information and the area(s) of practice for which you are willing to provide pro bono representation. Thank you to those of you who already volunteer regularly.

were given an assignment to analyze and discuss the legal problems associated with a complex, but realistic scenario. The award, named in memory of H. Albert Nance, Jr. who served as Commonwealth's Attorney for the County of Henrico (1980-1987), is awarded to the recruit who has demonstrated a superior comprehension of the law as realized through his or her academic analysis and application. The Henrico County Bar Association reviews the entries and selects the winner of the award. President Brian Schneider presented the H. Albert Nance, Jr. Award to this year's recipient, Officer Benjamin Watkins.



Officer Benjamin Watkins receives the H. Albert Nance, Jr. Award

## Member Spotlight



Full Name: David Anthony Stock

Employer and Position: Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney,  
Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney

College: James Madison University

Law School: T.C. Williams School of Law (U of R)

Years in Practice: 18 years

Hobbies and Interests: Fly fishing & cooking

Favorite Movie: Goodfellas

Favorite Book: Bright Lights, Big City by Jay McInerney

Favorite Pro and College Sports Team: New York Giants and JMU  
Dukes

One Thing You Might Not Know About Me: I ran and finished the

## Welcome New Members

Kimberly A. Chandler  
Joseph M. Kirchgessner

## Members on the Move

If you have recently changed jobs or been promoted, please share your news with the Henrico Bar. We would like to post your announcement in our newsletter and update your member profile.

Announcements can be emailed to Mary Lou Wellman at [admin@henricobar.org](mailto:admin@henricobar.org). Please include your name, firm or employer's name, new title and areas of concentration.

## Officers and Directors

### President

Brian J. Schneider

### President-Elect

Natalie T. McClearn

### Vice President

Ryan C. Young

### Secretary

Emily P. Bishop

### Treasurer

Jason M. Hart

### Immediate Past-President

Julie S. Palmer

### Directors

Michael R. Gill  
Jeffrey P. Miller  
Andrew R. Newby  
Susan L. Parrish  
David A. Stock

### Administrator

Mary Lou Wellman

Richmond Marathon in 2008. Really.

Best Thing About Practicing Law in Henrico: The collegiality among the members of the bar.

Funniest Experience as an Attorney: The time I misspelled "illiterate" when noting on a client's file that he was indeed illiterate.

Advice to Young Attorneys: Don't take being a lawyer too seriously.



Full Name: Lauren Ann Caudill

Employer and Position: Jacobs, Caudill & Gill

College: University of Rhode Island

Law School: T.C. Williams School of Law (U of R)

Years in Practice: 28 years

Hobbies and Interests: Stained glass, reading, traveling, spending time with family and friends

Favorite Movie: Casablanca

Favorite Book: My Sister's Keeper (or any book by Jodi Picoult)

Favorite Pro and College Sports Team: New England Patriots and Rhode Island Rams

One Thing You Might Not Know About Me: I spent the first two months of my senior year of high school studying in Israel, at High School in Israel.

Best Thing About Practicing Law in Henrico: The comraderie with the bar, and the fair and kind demeanor of the bench.

Funniest Experience as an Attorney: Realizing that truth is stranger than fiction and we couldn't make this stuff up if we tried, including prior cases that involve parents who are vampires and other parents involved with voodoo in the bayou.

Advice to Young Attorneys: Keep yourself open to all experiences, and strive to learn something new every day. Do not be afraid to ask questions. Treat others with the kindness and respect you would like back in return. Always remember you are only as good as your word. Take time for yourself.



