

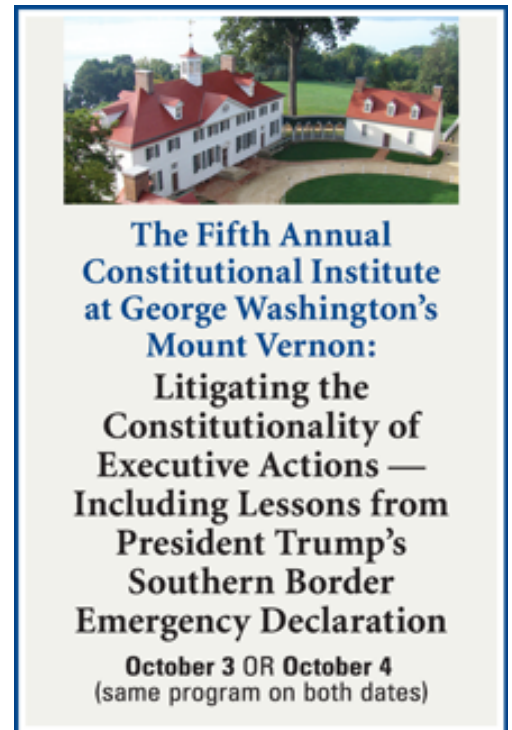


Welcome to The Brief

Welcome to the latest issue of *The Brief*, our newsletter designed to keep you updated on what's happening at your Virginia Law Foundation.

Here are a few things you might have missed:

- The Virginia Law Foundation has surpassed \$26 million in grants, including over \$500,000 in 2019. View the full list of this year's grant recipients on [our website](#).
- To accommodate overwhelming demand, we have secured an additional small block of tickets for next week's **CLE at Nationals Park for Charity: An Advocate's Top 40** in a PRIVATE PARTY SUITE. Get yours before we sell out again! Includes a one-hour CLE PLUS a free 4-credit Online Bundle. All net proceeds will go directly toward funding Virginia Law Foundation grants.
- Just Published: [Choosing a Virginia Business Entity](#)
- Featured Story: [The Fifth Annual Constitutional Institute at George Washington's Mount Vernon](#) is right around the corner! Learn more about this timely and immersive CLE experience in the article below.



Enjoy this issue of *The Brief* and thank you for supporting your Virginia Law Foundation.

Grant Spotlight: 2019 Grant Recipients

The Virginia Law Foundation is proud to announce its 2019 grant recipients. The VLF grants program funds initiatives that further the Foundation's mission: to facilitate access to justice, promote an appreciation and understanding of the Rule of Law, and to instill these values through education.

The full list of 2019 grant recipients is as follows:

- "Best Practices" Pro Bono Program, Charlottesville-Albemarle Bar Association – \$25,000
- Capital Defense Workshop, Virginia Bar Association – \$30,000

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- Hill Tucker Pre-Law Institute, Virginia State Bar – \$15,000
- Immigration Legal Services Program, Northern Virginia Family Service – \$25,000
- Jazz4Justice – \$3,000
- Justice In The Classroom Program, John Marshall Foundation – \$25,000
- Medical-Legal Partnership—Richmond, Medical College of Virginia Foundation – \$25,000
- Public Service Internship Program, The Oliver White Hill Foundation – \$46,179
- Rule of Law Day, Virginia Holocaust Museum – \$6,700
- Rule of Law Project, Center For Teaching The Rule of Law – \$25,000
- Rural Immigration Legal Services Program, Just Neighbors – \$40,000
- Southwest Virginia Training Initiative, Southwest Virginia Legal Aid Society – \$15,000
- Statewide Legal Aid Conference, Virginia Poverty Law Center – \$25,000
- Victim Services Project, Legal Aid Society of Roanoke Valley – \$30,000
- Virginia Beach Justice Initiative – \$42,000
- Virginia Justice Program, Capital Area Immigrants’ Rights Coalition – \$40,000
- Virginia Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program – \$20,000
- Virginia Sexual & Domestic Violence Action Alliance – \$25,000
- VLF Public Service Internships – \$50,000

More information on these grants can be found on [our website](#).

Fellow Spotlight: Polly Chong (Class of 2019)

Polly Chong is a Principal in the Law Offices of Polly Chong. She received her undergraduate degree from Christopher Newport University and studied for the bar through The Virginia State Bar’s Law Reader Program, gaining admittance in 1996. Beyond the hours she works at her law office, Polly Chong contributes her time to the Access to Justice Committee and was honored as one of the 2012 Influential Women of Law of Virginia.



Featured Story: The Annual Constitutional Institute at Mount Vernon

“Time after time, attendees tell me it reminds them of why they went to law school in the first place,” said Ray White, Executive Director of the Virginia Law Foundation.

The Constitutional Institute combines historical and practical perspectives on constitutional law with a truly immersive CLE experience. The Institute is held at George Washington’s Mount Vernon, a fitting site for this annual gathering that transports guests to the very root of constitutional jurisprudence.

“Thanks to the good work of former Director of Development at Mount Vernon and current VLF President Andy Morse, we were able to get this idea on Mount Vernon’s radar,” said White. “Ours has been a ‘marriage’ based on instant mutual respect, and our attendees continue to flock back to the Institute in large part due to its uniquely historic setting.”

The idea of a Constitutional Institute was first imagined by VLF Philanthropy Manager Suzanne Stinnett, who realized that for all the diverse content Virginia CLE offered, sufficient coverage of the Constitution was sorely lacking. The Institute has since provided an annual platform for Virginia attorneys to hear the most pressing constitutional issues facing our nation today, as discussed by a diverse and experienced group of speakers.

“We are blessed to have such a distinguished list of former and current faculty, and make no mistake about it – without them there would be no Institute,” said White. “The gravitas associated with the home of the first president, the industry-leading continuing legal education provider, and philanthropic organization that is the VLF all combined to attract a faculty willing to give their scarce time to be part of this unique confluence of energy, education, and excitement for a one-of-a kind event that clearly could not be replicated elsewhere.”

The Fifth Annual Constitutional Institute will take place on Thursday, October 3 OR Friday, October 4 (same program both dates). A special complimentary reception hosted by the Virginia Law Foundation will follow each day’s programs as well as optional Washington Library tours.

To learn more and to register for this year’s program exploring litigating the constitutionality of executive actions, including lessons from President Trump’s Emergency Declaration at our southern border, please visit the [Virginia CLE website](#).



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- August 27: [Mentorship for Virginia Attorneys](#)

View all upcoming seminars [here](#).

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