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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:

- Ends October 31! Get 1 FREE double-volume or 2 FREE single-volume books when you buy a 12-Credit Online Bundle. Or, get 1 FREE single-volume book when you buy an 8-Credit Online Bundle. You choose the books and the format. Learn more about [Virginia CLE Online Bundles](#).
- Just published: the 2019-2020 edition of [A Guide to the Rules of Evidence in Virginia](#).
- Jay B. Myerson (Fellows Class of 2014) will serve as the 2021-22 Virginia State Bar President. Learn more about Myerson on the [VSB website](#).
- Featured Story: Supported by a Virginia Law Foundation grant, the Supreme Court of Virginia's new Judicial Learning Center is now open to the public. Read more in this issue's featured story or visit the [Judicial Learning Center's website](#).

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

Grant Spotlight: Northern Virginia Family Service

The Virginia Law Foundation supports Northern Virginia Family Service's Immigration Legal Services, which provides multi-lingual, family-based, and humanitarian immigration legal assistance to refugees, survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, and other vulnerable immigration populations.

"We currently have been serving about 1,700 clients each year and funding from the Virginia Law Foundation is critical to us being able to continue to have the staff to support those existing clients" said Sara Kreitzer, Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations for Northern Virginia Family Service.

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Fellow Spotlight: Cathryn F. Evans (Class of 2019)

The Virginia Law Foundation is proud to present Cathryn F. Evans as a member of its 2019 Fellows Class.

Mrs. Evans serves as the Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney for the City of Arlington and is the Special Victims Unit team supervisor. She has been extensively involved in youth-focused organizations, including Alexandria's Child Advocacy Center Trained Stewards of Children, and was recognized with the Outstanding Dedication to Alexandria's Children Award in 2012.



Featured Story: The Supreme Court of Virginia's Judicial Learning Center

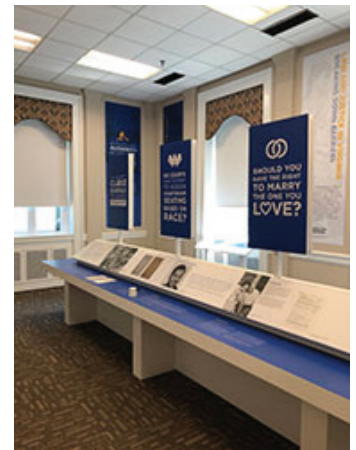
In September, the Supreme Court of Virginia announced the opening of its new Judicial Learning Center. Supported by a Virginia Law Foundation grant, the Judicial Learning Center is an invaluable educational resource for visitors to the Supreme Court building. Its goal is to “promote public understanding of the rule of law and appreciation for the structure and function of the judicial branch of government in the Commonwealth.”

Located within the Supreme Court of Virginia building in Richmond, the Judicial Learning Center tells the comprehensive story of Virginia's judiciary history and how it impacted the development of the United States' legal system. The multimedia exhibits are designed to be interactive to best engage with both visitors familiar with the Supreme Court of Virginia and those with a novice understanding of its history.

“I believe the Virginia Judicial Learning Center will be the most important project of my career and a significant milestone for the Supreme Court of Virginia,” said Virginia State Law Librarian Gail Warren.

The Judicial Learning Center includes an extensive portrait gallery of the Justices of the Supreme Court of Virginia, photographs detailing Virginia's “Judicial Trailblazers” and important civil rights cases, as well as oral history interviews describing key developments and cases in Virginia's judiciary history. These exhibits highlight the importance of an independent judiciary in a democratic society and emphasize the role of the rule of law from both a modern and a historical perspective.

To learn more about the Judicial Learning Center or to schedule a tour, please visit <https://scvahistory.org>.



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