



## 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:

- Take advantage of our Fall Deadline Special! 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](#).
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- Just announced: February 24 at the Capital One Arena in Washington, DC: [CLE and Milwaukee Bucks vs. Washington Wizards Basketball: Legal Writing Fast Break](#)
- Featured Story: On October 10, best-selling author and special guest speaker **John Grisham** will receive the 2019 Rule of Law Award and **David P. Bobzien** will be posthumously honored with the Civility in the Law Award at the Virginia Holocaust Museum. Learn more about the event in the article below or [register on our website](#).

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

### Upcoming Experience CLE

**Don't miss** the chance to see **John Grisham** speak after CLE at the Virginia Holocaust Museum: Hate Crime Legislation and Prosecution in Virginia on October 10!

**Next week! The Fifth Annual Constitutional Institute at George Washington's Mount Vernon:** Litigating the Constitutionality of Executive Actions — Including Lessons from President Trump's Southern Border Emergency Declaration

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## Grant Spotlight: The Charlottesville-Albemarle Bar Association

The Charlottesville-Albemarle Bar Association (CABA) is implementing a "Best Practices" Pro Bono Program to advance the pro bono efforts of its members. VLF funding will enable CABA to research, test, and ultimately disseminate best practices for attorney recruitment, design of intake/vetting systems, and dissemination and monitoring of pro bono cases.



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“The Virginia Law Foundation has given us the opportunity to take what we have learned about pro bono and setting up a pro bono program and push it out to other bar associations of our size so they can use those materials as well,” said Bryan Slaughter, President-Elect of CABA and Chair of its Pro Bono Committee.

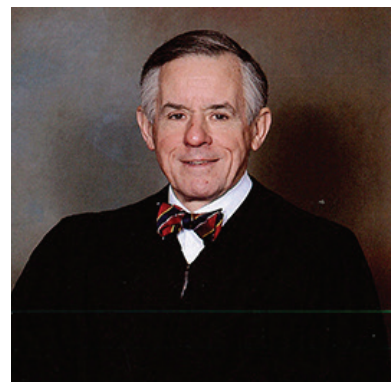
Watch the video on [our website](#).

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## Fellow Spotlight: Hon. Rodham Tulloss Delk, Jr. (Class of 2019)

The Virginia Law Foundation is proud to present the Honorable Rodham Tulloss Delk, Jr. as a member of its 2019 Fellows Class.

Judge Delk received his undergraduate degree from Virginia Military Institute and his J.D. from the University of Virginia following 6 years of service in the U.S. Army Reserve. Following 21 years of law practice in Smithfield, Virginia, Judge Delk served as a circuit court judge for the 5th Judicial Circuit from 1993-2014. Judge Delk has served the country and state of Virginia throughout his long career and we are grateful for his service.



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## Featured Story: The Virginia Law Foundation to Host Annual Rule of Law Award Program

**David P. Bobzien will be posthumously honored with the Civility in the Law Award and special guest speaker John Grisham will be presented with the Rule of Law Award**

Join us on Thursday, October 10 at the Virginia Holocaust Museum in Richmond for the 2019 Rule of Law Award program. Best-selling author John Grisham will address those in attendance after being presented with the 2019 Rule of Law Award. Past President of the Virginia Law Foundation David P. Bobzien will also be posthumously awarded the Civility in the Law Award at the ceremony.

The Rule of Law Award honors individuals whose lives and work emulate the highest ideals enshrined in the principles that established the Nuremberg Military Tribunal and later the International Court of Justice. As the Rule of Law is a constant thread throughout his many novels, Mr. Grisham has imparted an understanding and appreciation of the Rule of Law to millions of readers worldwide. His career as a legislator and trial lawyer in Mississippi further demonstrates his dedication to upholding the Rule of Law, as do his many charitable endeavors.

In addition to serving twenty-three years as the County Attorney for Fairfax, David P. Bobzien served as the President of the Virginia Law Foundation as well



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as the President of the Virginia State Bar, the Local Government Attorneys of Virginia, Virginia Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program (previously titled Lawyers Helping Lawyers), and the Fairfax Law Foundation. While he passed away in December, his memory lives on through the countless lives he changed over his decades of service. He will be posthumously honored with the Civility in the Law Award for his enduring impact on the legal community.

Preceding the ceremony and a complimentary dinner, Associate Provost and Professor at Wake Forest University School of Law Kami N. Chavis will present a 1-hour continuing legal education seminar on Hate Crime Legislation and Prosecution in Virginia. This timely program will explore whether hate crimes are on the rise, barriers to prosecution, and solutions to overcoming those limitations. In response to a surge of hate crimes in 2016, members of the Association of Holocaust Organizations co-authored a statement that said, "History teaches us that intolerance, unchecked, leads to persecution and violence."



The dinner and award ceremony are generously sponsored by the Nuremberg Courtroom Committee of the Virginia Holocaust Museum, the Virginia Law Foundation, and VLF Fellow Jay Weinberg and his wife, Marilyn.

To learn more or register for this event, [please visit our website](#).

Guests not seeking MCLE credit may register free of charge by emailing Tanya Morris at [tmorris@vacle.org](mailto:tmorris@vacle.org)

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- **October 1, 21, 29, December 4:** [Ethics Update for Virginia Lawyers 2019](#)
- **October 1, 2:** [Defending Serious Traffic Cases: Strategies and Tactics in Representing Clients](#)
- **October 3, 8, 10:** [38th Annual Family Law Seminar 2019](#)

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