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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.

Read about the latest developments in both our CLE and philanthropy work that could be of interest to you:

- **Experience Philanthropy Online Benefit Concert & Encore CLE:** This entertaining concert series continues on November 11 with an online performance by award-winning Nashville singer-songwriters Anna Wilson & Monty Powell. Before the concert, Virginia CLE® is offering the 1.0-credit MCLE course, [Essentials of Advocacy: An Advocate's Top 40](#), taught by Executive Director Ray White. [Learn more and register here!](#)

**ONE-HOUR ENCORE CLE:**  
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**Followed by an Online Benefit Concert**  
Featuring **Troubadour 77**, the brainchild of award-winning singer-songwriters **Anna Wilson** and **Monty Powell**.

**Thursday, November 11**

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- **Recently Published:** New editions of [Objections: Interrogatories, Depositions, and Trial](#), [A Guide to the Rules of Evidence in Virginia](#), [Juvenile Law and Practice in Virginia](#), and [A Guide to Legal Research in Virginia](#).
- **A Year in Review:** While it has been a year of challenges, it has also been a year of celebrations. Dive into this year's Annual Report to learn more about 2021 grant recipients and other inspiring Foundation initiatives. [Visit this link to view our report](#), and if you are interested in continuing your support of our annual grants program, [follow this link to make a gift online](#).

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

## Presenting: Our Next Experience Philanthropy Online Benefit Concert & Encore CLE

Our exciting online concert series continues with award-winning Nashville singer-songwriters **Anna Wilson & Monty Powell, aka Troubadour 77** performing for our Virginia CLE® and Virginia Law Foundation friends and family the afternoon of November 11. Before the benefit concert, you can take this optional 1.0-credit MCLE course, [Essentials of Advocacy: An Advocate's Top 40](#), featuring Virginia Law Foundation Executive Director Ray White.

**This course is specially designed to provide 40 simple, time-tested tips to help build your advocacy skills for any courtroom proceeding.** The one-hour course will help get a newer attorney up to speed immediately, while also serving as a refresher — along with some new tips — for the experienced attorney. If you've already completed this year's CLE requirements, you can also just tune into the concert.

### Introducing Featured Musical Duo Troubadour 77

Troubadour 77, also referred to as T77, is an American duo featuring Anna Wilson (Piano/Lead Vocals) and Monty Powell (Guitar/Vocals), who are forging a sound and spirit that celebrates the tradition of the American troubadour. Their compelling performances are rich with raw and honest emotion, and their songs sing of social change, life, death, love, and redemption that play like



musical love letters to their influencers, the troubadours of the so-called Laurel Canyon era.

Monty Powell is a highly decorated songwriter who was named SESAC's Songwriter and Publisher of the Year and is the recipient of the CMA Triple Play Award for penning three #1 songs in one calendar year. His most treasured accomplishment is "For You," co-written with Keith Urban for the movie *Act of Valor*. The

song topped the country chart, achieving Gold record sales status, earning Powell Golden Globe and Critics Choice Award nominations for Best Original Song in a Motion Picture. Powell has penned number-one hits for Tim McGraw, Billy Ray Cyrus, Diamond Rio, Colin Raye, Brooks & Dunn, and his songs appear on more than 60 million records.

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Anna Wilson has penned songs for Lady Antebellum, Reba McEntire, Billy Ray Cyrus, and other top artists and is a critically acclaimed artist with a voice that *Jazz Times* likens to "crème de cocoa."



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Wilson's *Countrypolitan Duets* album, a collaborative project featuring jazz renditions of classic country songs, also features Grammy award-winning and legendary artists Keith Urban, Lady Antebellum, Kenny Rogers, Larry Carlton, Ray Price, Connie Smith, and more.

Enjoy this Encore CLE plus the concert for \$65, or register exclusively for the concert for just \$10 and share the concert with your entire household. [Learn more and register here!](#)

**As always, the entire portion of VACLE revenue will support Virginia Law Foundation grants to deserving law-related not-for-profit organizations throughout the Commonwealth. This Encore CLE benefit concert series is made possible by our partnership with the Nashville Songwriters Association International (NSAI) and event sponsorship by Sensei Enterprises, Inc.**

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## **Announcing: [The Virginia Law Foundation/Virginia CLE® Qualified Counselor and Qualified Master Counselor Designations](#)**

The Virginia Law Foundation and Virginia CLE® have created two new professional designations, the Qualified Counselor and Qualified Master counselor designations, a prestigious new form of professional recognition now available to some of Virginia's finest and best-trained attorneys. Currently these designations are available in the areas of Bankruptcy Practice, Divorce and Family Law Practice, Real Estate Law Practice, Trial Practice/Litigation, and Trusts and Estates Practice. We expect to add additional practice area designations soon.

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## **Fellows Spotlight: Meet Two Fellows from the Class of 2021**

**Michael J. Quinan** is a director at Thompson McMullan, P.C., in Richmond, concentrating in the areas of energy, public utility, and administrative law. The latter has been Michael's focus for much of his volunteer service on the Administrative Law Advisory Committee of the Virginia Code Commission and in the Administrative Law Section of the Virginia State Bar (VSB). He also served on the VSB Board of Governors, including as chair in 1996-1997, and as chair of the National Regulatory Conference in 1996.

Following his tenure on the executive council of the Young Lawyers Section of the Virginia Bar Association (VBA) and as chair of the Lawyers for Literacy Committee, Michael served in a series of roles for the VBA,



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including as general counsel, on the board of governors, chair of the Practice Management Division and Professional Skills Development Committee, and the Administrative Law Section and Committee on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar.

**Colleen Marea Quinn** is a principal at Locke & Quinn in Richmond with a focus on family law. A member of the John Marshall Inn of Court since 2008, Colleen is a fellow of the Academy of Adoption & Assisted Reproduction Attorneys and was invited into the American Academy of Assisted Reproductive Technology Attorneys and the LGBT Bar Family Law Institute.



Colleen has been very active in the Virginia State Bar (VSB), serving on the Young Lawyers Conference Board of Governors, as Docket Call editor, and No Bills Night statewide coordinator. In addition, she has been a member of the Virginia Bar Association's Virginia Family Law Coalition since 2018. In each of these professional organizations, Colleen has assumed leadership positions, and in 2015, she received the VSB Family Law Service Award. Colleen is currently serving on the Virginia Law Foundation board of directors.

[Learn more about the 2021 Fellows Class on our website.](#)

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## Fellow in Memoriam

### Honoring the Legacy of Leigh B. Middleditch, Jr., from the Fellows Class of 1985

The Virginia Law Foundation mourns the loss of Leigh B. Middleditch, Jr. (Fellows Class of 1985), who passed away Monday, October 4, 2021 at the age of 92. Mr. Middleditch was the co-founder of Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership at the University of Virginia and was known for his efforts to bolster bipartisan cooperation in the Commonwealth. He will be remembered in no small way for his decades of civil service and his contributions to our legal community.



For details on Mr. Middleditch's life, [please read his obituary here.](#)



## CLE Spotlight

By choosing Virginia CLE®, you are also supporting nonprofits that help legally underserved Virginians.

- October 25: [Ethics Update for Virginia Lawyers 2021, What's New at the Virginia Supreme Court? An Overview of Recent Civil Decisions 2021](#)
- October 26: [Trials of the Century I](#)
- October 27: [Attorney Fee Awards in Virginia, Ethics Wars! The Force of the Rules vs. The Dark Side, featuring Jack Marshall and John May](#)
- October 28: [What's New at the Virginia Supreme Court? An Overview of Recent Civil Decisions 2021, A Quick Primer on Medicaid Estate Recovery in Virginia](#) (live-interactive credit pending)
- October 29: [10th Annual Avoiding Legal Malpractice Seminar 2021, Logic and Argumentation for Lawyers](#)
- November 4: [Essentials of Products Liability](#)
- November 5-6: [42nd Annual Construction Law and Public Contracts Seminar 2021](#)
- November 9: [Estate Planning for the Personal Injury Client—Understanding Disability Benefits, Criminal Rules of Discovery Update](#)
- November 11: [Essentials of Advocacy: An Advocate's Top 40, Plus a Special Online Benefit Concert](#) (pre-recorded and not eligible for live-interactive credit)
- November 16: [Cannabis and Law: A Deeper Look into Virginia's Newest Budding Industry](#)
- November 17: [The New Reality for Religious Organizations and the Law Today: Liberties and Liabilities](#) (live-interactive credit pending)
- November 18: [A Quick Primer on Medicaid Estate Recovery in Virginia](#)

[View all upcoming seminars.](#)

## Newly Added Online Seminars, Available 24/7 On Demand

- [Vaccine Law: Third-Quarter Update, and What Employers Need to Know](#)
- [30th Annual Advanced Elder Law Update 2021](#) (Individual Sessions Available)
- [Title IX Case Law and Regulations Governing Sexual Harassment on College Campuses—In a State of Flux](#)
- [2021 Sexually Violent Predators Law Overview and Update](#) (Individual Sessions Available)
- [Fundamentals of Pooled Special Needs Trusts and the Disbursement Process: Suggested Best Practices](#)
- [Elimination of Bias: Racial Bias Challenges in the Legal System](#)
- [Assisted Reproductive Technology Law: The Evolving World of Family Formation](#)
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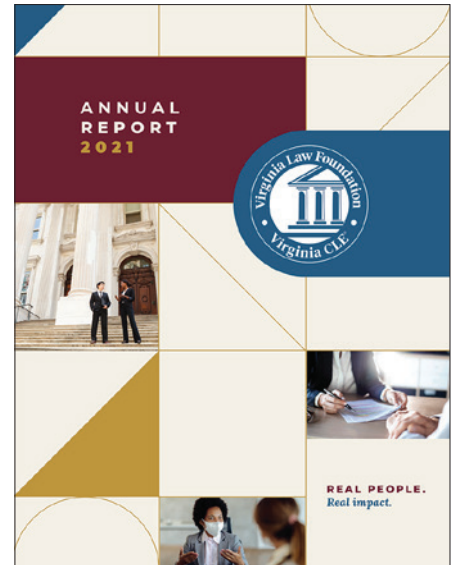
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## Our 2021 Annual Report: A Year in Review

The year 2021 has been both challenging and exciting for the Virginia Law Foundation's philanthropy division and continued shifting to 24/7, on-demand accessibility for Virginia CLE®, our educational division. As we approach the end of the year, we are celebrating a monumental year and invite you to explore our Annual Report, which features inspiring information about this year's grant recipients and other Foundation projects.

In addition to recognizing the 2021 grant recipients and the meaningful work they are doing to promote the Rule of Law, access to justice, and law-related education, we also recognize and appreciate the many 2020 donors that donated last year and directly supported our 2021 grant recipients. Your generosity fuels our annual grants program and is a catalyst for our mission. Because of your support, we were able to increase this year's overall grant budget, awarding nearly \$600,000 to 24 not-for-profits who provide access to justice for Virginia's underserved populations or law-related education of the general public on the Rule of Law, the essential foundational basis of our democracy.

You'll also hear from Jon Huddlesotn, the 2021 president of the Virginia Law Foundation Board of Directors, and Executive Director Ray White, who has guided the Foundation and Virginia CLE® for more than a decade. Complete lists of Fellows, board members, and committee members are also included in the Annual Report. To explore our 2021 Annual Report, [the PDF version is available here](#).



## Your Generous Investment in the Foundation Matters

With your help, we can go further than ever toward making sure every Virginian has meaningful access to justice. Every dollar of your donation goes directly to our annual grant allocation.



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