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Immediate Release

**Virginia Bar Association Installs 2011 Officers –
Trigiani as President, Fain as President-Elect**

Richmond, VA (February 8, 2011) . . . The Virginia Bar Association (VBA) installed Alexandria attorney Lucia Anna “Pia” Trigiani as president and elected Hugh M. Fain, III as president-elect during the Association’s 121st annual meeting on Saturday, Jan. 22 in Williamsburg, VA.

Trigiani is a founding partner of MercerTrigiani located in Old Town Alexandria. Her previous leadership experience includes chairing the VBA board of governors and VBA Real Estate Section Council and serving as a member of the VBA Administrative Law Section Council.

A nationally-recognized community association law attorney, Trigiani currently chairs the Virginia Common Interest Community Board. She is past president of the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of Community Associations Institute (CAI) and has chaired the CAI’s Government and Public Affairs Committee. She also serves as a board member of the Foundation for Community Association Research and is a charter fellow of CAI’s College of Community Association Lawyers. In 2009, *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* named Trigiani among “Virginia’s Influential Women.” A graduate of Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame, she received her law degree from the University of Richmond.

During her tenure, Trigiani will focus VBA legislative and other efforts to advocate for additional funding for legal services for economically disadvantaged Virginians and to lift the freeze on filling vacant judgeships throughout Virginia. “These are two critical initiatives to ensure that the citizens of Virginia have access to justice. Since its founding in 1888, the mission of the Virginia Bar Association has been the improvement of the law and the administration of justice,” she explained. We recently affirmed that mission and it is my honor to share that message on behalf of our members.”

Fain is managing director at Richmond law firm Spotts Fain PC. Currently, he is a member of the board of trustees of the Virginia Military Institute (VMI) Foundation, Inc. He is past president of the Richmond Bar Association, VMI Alumni Association, VMI Club of Richmond and Innsbrook Rotary Club. A VMI graduate, Fain received his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law.

The VBA also elected other new officers and members to the board of governors:

- Thomas R. Bagby – Woods Rogers, Roanoke, board chair 2011
- James P. Cox, III – MichieHamlett, Charlottesville
- Harry M. Johnson, III – Hunton & Williams, Richmond
- Monica T. Monday – Gentry Locke Rakes & Moore, Roanoke
- Alfred M. Randolph, Jr. - Kaufman & Canoles, Norfolk
- Hon. Ward Armstrong – Member of Virginia House of Delegates, Martinsville

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The VBA's Young Lawyers Division installed the following officers:

- B. Webb King – Woods Rogers, Roanoke, chair
- Daniel E. Ortiz – Blankenship & Keith, Fairfax, chair-elect

To schedule an interview with Ms. Trigiaini, or obtain background information or a quote relating to the VBA's position on filling judicial vacancies or other legislative issues, please contact VBA executive director Guy K. Tower by calling 804/644-0041 or at guytower@vba.org.

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