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Mr. Jeffrey Britt '95, Chair

Jeffrey M. Britt joined McGuireWoods Consulting in 2005 and serves as a senior vice president of MWCAdvocacy. Jeff's primary areas of service include coalition development, stakeholder engagement, as well as traditional and e-advocacy grassroots mobilization. His current client portfolio includes energy, land use and non-profit issue advocacy matters, as well as coordinating multi-state government relations and compliance for a Fortune 500 corporation. Jeff's broad experience in grassroots organization and knowledge of new innovations in issue advocacy enhances the level of service McGuireWoods Consulting provides for its clients. Jeff's previous organizational and grassroots experience includes work for several Republican statewide candidates in Virginia, including former Attorney General Jerry Kilgore and U.S. Senator John Warner, where he assisted with grassroots program development and implementation. His experience also includes tenure as the political director for the Republican Party of Virginia, and work in the Virginia General Assembly. In addition to earning his undergraduate degree from George Mason University, Jeff has completed coursework at the Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership at the University of Virginia, the Virginia Supervisory Institute at Virginia Commonwealth University, and recently earned a master's in public administration from Virginia Tech.

Mr. Kevin Massengill '95, Vice Chair

Kevin has been a resident of Dinwiddie County since the age of four when his father, now retired State Police Superintendent Gerald Massengill, was promoted to rank of First Sergeant and assigned to the Petersburg Area Office. He is a graduate of Dinwiddie County High School and Richard Bland College. Mr. Massengill received a bachelor's degree in Urban Studies from Virginia Commonwealth University and graduated from the Virginia Executive Institute. After college, he was hired by Governor Jim Gilmore as a Special Assistant. Kevin was quickly promoted to Deputy Director of Constituent Services and oversaw the daily operations of the largest division of the Governor's staff. He was asked to remain at the Governor's office under Mark Warner where he served for one year before beginning as Assistant County Administrator in Dinwiddie. In May 2006, Mr. Massengill accepted the role of County Administrator. Kevin and his wife, Courtney, live in Sutherland with their two sons. He is an active member of the community and Ocran United Methodist Church.

Ms. Jill Coleman, Secretary

Jill is an experienced philanthropy professional with more than twenty-five years of progressive experience with diverse communities, both urban and rural, in over 20 countries. Areas of expertise include strategic planning across cultures; capacity building; resource, grant and partnership development; advocacy; executive management to include change management and strategic communications. Extensive managerial leadership experience in the day-to-day operations of community-based organizations, with an emphasis on participatory approaches to community work, developing partnerships as resources; fundraising; fiscal accountability; and strategic alignment. Ms. Coleman currently serves as the Vice President for Programs, The Cameron Foundation. She received her

Bachelor of Psychology from American University and her Master of Business Administration from Averett University.

Mr. Basil Dosunmu, Treasurer

Basil Dosunmu joined the Capital Region Airport Commission (CRAC) and the Richmond International Airport (RIC) as the Chief Financial Officer in July 2022. He leads the Finance, Accounting, and Procurement subdivisions of the CRAC. Basil has nearly thirty years of financial expertise with over twenty of those in senior-level professional positions. Mr. Dosunmu began his financial management career in private sector accounting and then continued on as controller. Mr. Dosunmu served as the Senior Vice President – Administration and Finance/CFO at Greenville-Spartanburg Airport District (GSP) from September 2017 to July 2022. He rejoined Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority (MNA) in May 2015 as Assistant Vice President – Finance and served as the Interim Chief Financial Officer with primary responsibility for planning, organizing, and directing the financial, accounting, and treasury activities of MNA and MNA Properties Corporation. He was previously with the MNA as an Internal Auditor from 2005 to 2011. Prior to rejoining the Authority, Mr. Dosunmu was with the Department of Human Services for the State of Tennessee serving first as their Assistant Commissioner of Finance and Administration and then as their Deputy Commissioner of Finance and Administration. He also held various positions such as Assistant Director of Accounting for the Tennessee Department of Children’s Services, Assistant Controller, Senior Financial Analyst, and Staff Accountant. Mr. Dosunmu is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Internal Auditor, and a Certified Member of the American Association of Airport Executives. Mr. Dosunmu is a member of the South Carolina Board of Accountancy and the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA). He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from Rutgers University in Newark, NJ. He is a member of the Airports Council International – North America (ACI-NA) Finance Steering Group. He is a graduate of Leadership Greenville. He currently serves on various boards such as 4 Breath 4 Life, Solid Grounds Ministries, and Clemson Family Advisory Board. He is also a graduate of Diversity Leadership Initiatives, hosted by the Riley Institute at Furman University.

Dr. Debbie L. Sydow (Ex Officio)

Dr. Sydow is the fourth President of Richard Bland College of William & Mary. Dr. Sydow began her career as an English professor in the Virginia Community College System (VCCS) where she taught composition and literature. During her thirteen years in the VCCS, Dr. Sydow advanced the two-year college mission as a dean, vice president and, eventually, as Acting President of Mountain Empire Community College. Prior to joining Richard Bland College she was President of Onondaga Community College in Syracuse, NY which with nearly 13,000 students is one of the largest community colleges in the State University of New York System. Dr. Sydow graduated from the University of Virginia College at Wise with a B.A., from Marquette University with an M.A., and from Indiana University of Pennsylvania with a Ph.D. She is actively engaged in a number of civic and professional organizations nationally, locally serving on Richmond’s M&T Bank Board and previously serving on the boards for the Petersburg Chamber of Commerce and Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens.

Mr. Kevin O'Donnell, Legal Counsel (Ex Officio)

Kevin's core practice focuses on estate planning, estate administration, tax planning, and charitable giving. Kevin also advises clients on entity formation and general corporate law, adoptions, premarital agreements, property settlement agreements, guardianships and conservatorships, will contests, and other fiduciary litigation. He provides tailored solutions to fit the individual needs of each of his clients.

Kevin enjoys drafting complex, customized wills and trusts to meet each client's unique objectives, whether they be gift, estate, and generation-skipping transfer tax planning, asset protection planning, planning for blended families, or planning for the protection of young beneficiaries. He also enjoys counseling clients through charitable giving, including advising on the use of donor-advised funds, charitable trusts, and private foundations.

Kevin B. O'Donnell recently completed the requirements of the Southeast Fellows Institute. The Institute was created by Fellows of the American College of Trust & Estate Counsel to develop future leaders in the field of law.

Kevin earned his J.D., cum laude, from the University of Richmond School of Law in 2013.

He received a B.A. in History, cum laude, from Queens University of Charlotte in 2009 where he was a four-year starter for the Queens University of Charlotte's men's varsity soccer team, advancing to the Elite 8 of the NCAA Tournament in 2006, the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament in 2007 and received the Offensive MVP Award for the 2008-09 season. When he is not at work, Kevin is playing golf, at a concert, watching Liverpool F.C. play, or enjoying one of Richmond's many great restaurants or breweries.

Mr. Will Clements

Will Clements is a native of Carson, Virginia and continues to reside and work in the village. He graduated from the College of William and Mary as well as ABA School of Banking at Wharton. He currently serves The Bank of Southside Virginia as a board member and employee. Will is also a board member of GO Virginia's Region 4, which serves to promote high paying job growth in the Richmond and Tri Cities regions. He also serves on several financial services' national boards. He is the president of his local Ruritan club and a trustee of Carson United Methodist Church.

Mr. Barrett Chappell

Mr. Chappell is the Circuit Court Clerk for the County of Dinwiddie. He was first elected in 2007 at 25 years old and was re-elected in 2015. During his tenure as the Circuit Court Clerk, Barrett has been awarded numerous grants that allowed him to digitize the office which has enabled the office to be more efficient in serving the citizens to the highest standard. He served as president of Virginia Court Clerk's Association in 2020. He currently serves on the Education, Legislative, IT/TTF and Career Development Committees. Barrett graduated with honors from Virginia Tech with a B.S. in Finance.

Ms. Toni Clark

Toni is the Executive Director at Battersea Foundation in Petersburg, Virginia and also works as a consultant at The Virginia College Fund. Born and raised in Petersburg, Toni actively volunteers for several local non-profits including the Petersburg Garden Club, PAAL, Willcox Watershed, Friends of the Farmer's Bank, Historic Petersburg Foundation, Petersburg Study

Club and is currently the Vice-President of the Board of Trustees for Southside Virginia Emergency Crew. Toni graduated from Longwood College majoring in Art Education with a minor in Art History, continuing her education at VCU with a Masters in Fine Arts. Toni also received a Fundraising Executive certificate from the University of Richmond School of Philanthropy as well as a certificate in Nonprofit Management from Duke University.

Ms. Brenda Hicks

Brenda is the Director of Housing Counseling & Education at Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Virginia. It is a non-profit with the mission of equal access to housing for all. She is responsible for the contract management, administrative oversight and compliance of the comprehensive housing counseling and education programs including, Homeownership, Foreclosure Prevention, Reverse Mortgage, Rental Mobility and Financial Literacy. Brenda has a Master's in Public Administration from Virginia Commonwealth University, and a Bachelor's of Science in Medical Record Administration from the Medical College of Virginia. Overall, she has 30 plus years of leadership experience, extensive experience in program evaluation and compliance with government programs and contracts. She is a licensed Mortgage Loan Originator, Certified HUD HOME Program Specialist in Regulations, and HUD Certified Housing Counselor. Prior to working in the housing industry, Brenda spent 18 years in the health care industry as a Registered Health Information Administrator for in-patient general hospitals and outpatient behavioral health facilities. She also taught part time at a private for-profit college. Brenda currently is on the Board of Health Brigade who provides quality healthcare to those least served. She currently is the Board secretary and on the quality assurance committee and previously served on the governance committee. Brenda also is an active member and diaconate leader at the First Baptist Church of South Richmond.

Mr. Martin Johnson '96

Martin is the Senior Vice President of Government Relations for the Virginia Association of REALTORS®, the largest trade association in Virginia. In that role he serves as the Chief Lobbyist and oversees all aspects of lobbying, political and regulatory strategy, policy development, and PAC fundraising and disbursements. Prior to his tenure with the REALTORS®, he was a partner in a small lobbying and law firm where he specialized in land-use, residential and commercial development, pharmaceutical and technology clients and issues before the Virginia General Assembly, the Governor, the Attorney General and local governments throughout Central Virginia. An alumnus of Richard Bland College and the Virginia Commonwealth University, Martin lives in Chester with his wife of 18 years, Elizabeth (also an RBC alum) as well as their two kids Evelyn and Van.

Mr. Sean Robertson '96

Mr. Robertson is a Sports Anchor and Reporter for WTVR CBS 6. A native of Petersburg, Sean attended Richard Bland College and graduated from Virginia State University in 1999. He was recently honored with a spot on VSU's Athletic Wall of Fame for his years of service to the VSU athletic department through WVST radio and his service as the "Voice Of The Trojans" until 2008. Since joining the CBS 6 team, the sports department has earned several Virginia Association of Broadcasters honors and was recently named Outstanding Sports Operation of the Virginias by the Associated Press.

Mr. Samuel Parham '96

A native of Petersburg, Mayor Samuel Parham graduated from Petersburg High School in 1993 and earned an Associate of Science degree from Richard Bland College in 1996. While attending Richard Bland College, Mayor Parham founded the Multi-Cultural Alliance, co-founded the Rotaract Club, and participated in the College Players drama club. He later attended Virginia Commonwealth University, earning a bachelor's degree in Business Management in 1999. He is currently the Director of Business Operations with Colonial Cleaning Service, a family owned and operated Petersburg business since 1981. He was first elected to Petersburg City Council in November 2014. In January 2015, he was elected by his fellow council members to serve as Vice Mayor. In January 2017, he was elected by City Council to serve as Mayor and has continued to be re-elected. Mayor Parham is currently serving as a board member for the Virginia Gateway Region, Battersea Foundation, Crater Planning Board, and Crater Workforce Chief Elected Officials Consortium. He resides in Petersburg with his wife and two children.

Ms. Amy Everett '97

Amy joined Virginia's Gateway Region (VGR) in 2019, following a twenty-year career in community banking. Amy serves VGR as the Director of Customer Experience and is responsible for investor relations and stakeholder engagement. As a lifelong resident of the tri-cities and Dinwiddie County, Amy brings a wealth of knowledge of the communities that VGR serves. Amy earned her B.S. in finance from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Mr. Brandon Butterworth '02

Mr. Butterworth is currently the Vice President of Philanthropic Services for the Community Foundation for a Greater Richmond. He currently oversees donor acquisitions and donor engagement strategies, leads a team of Philanthropic Advisors, manages all non-cash complex gifts, and represents the Foundation locally and regionally. During his time at the Community Foundation for a Greater Richmond he has also served as a Senior Philanthropic Advisor. Mr. Butterworth previously worked as a Development Program Officer for the John Randolph Foundation and as the Director of Development for the Historic Richmond Foundation. Mr. Butterworth received a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in History from Virginia Commonwealth University. In May 2023, he became a Charter Advisor in Philanthropy through The American College of Financial Services. He currently serves as Board Treasurer for the Hopewell/Prince George Chamber of Commerce and has served on numerous boards including the Lamb Center for Arts and Healing, Hopewell Emergency Crew, Hopewell Electoral Board, Hopewell Downtown Partnership, Boy Scouts of America, NeXt Estate Planning Group, and the Southern Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. James K. Beazley, III '98

James K. Beazley joined the Virginia State and Local Affairs team of Dominion Energy on May 1, 2006. He currently directs a regional - state and local affairs team that includes regions of Central and Western Virginia for the company. And he has helped managed public affairs and outreach for some of the company's highest profile, most complex infrastructure projects. Previously, he supported public policy efforts for the successful

2008 permitting of a clean coal-fired power station in Wise County; directed local and state outreach activities in 22 jurisdictions in the commonwealth; and managed two back-to-back natural disasters in less than a week's time, the 2011 Mineral earthquake and Hurricane Irene. Beazley came to Dominion Energy with six years state government experience and previously served as director of policy and press for Delegate Terry G. Kilgore. Prior to that, he was the director of scheduling to Attorney General Jerry W. Kilgore, both in the Attorney General's office and his statewide campaign for Governor in 2005. He started his career as a special assistant to Virginia Governor James S. Gilmore. Beazley was named Young Alumnus of Year by Barton College in 2005 and is a 2009 graduate of LEAD Virginia. He currently serves as a board member to the Virginia Gateway Region and Heart of Virginia Scout Council. A native of Colonial Heights, Virginia, Beazley received an associate's degree of science from Richard Bland College of William and Mary and bachelor's degree in management of human resources from Barton College.

Mrs. Tanyea Darrisaw

Tanyea Darrisaw is an experienced executive government financial manager and Managing Director with Taye Consulting Group. Her leadership spans 25 years with expertise in accounting, finance, budgeting, grants, and procurement. For the last 20 years, she has proudly served the Commonwealth of Virginia and recently served as the Chief Financial Officer with the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT). Before joining DRPT, she served as the Budget Director at the Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) for 17 years. Mrs. Darrisaw holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from the University of Richmond, a Master of Arts in Accounting from Strayer University, and a Master of Arts in Higher Education Administration from Michigan State University. Tanyea is a Board Member and Chair of the Nominating Committee with Mental Health America of Virginia. She is also a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Order of the Easter Star of Virginia Prince Hall Affiliated, National Council of Negro Women and National Association of Black Accountants.

Mr. Dennis S. McDermott, PE, PMP

Mr. McDermott has thirty-five years of engineering, construction, project, and operations management experience providing services to large manufacturing and power industries, and to US military and weapons installations. His leadership roles span engineering, design, and self-perform construction organizations, site team management, and marketing and business development. His current role with ITAC is responsible for pre-project development and project cost estimating.

Mr. John Emery

Mr. Emery is currently the President of Bon Secours Memorial Regional Medical Center and Bon Secours Rappahannock General Hospital. He is responsible for strategic planning and physician recruitment and partnering with local mission leadership on Ministry Identity Assessment. Mr. Emery previously served as the President of Bon Secours Southside

Medical Center and Bon Secours Southern Virginia Medical Center. He serves on multiple boards including Greater Richmond SCAN, Virginia Gateway Region, Historic Petersburg Foundation, Rotary Club of Petersburg, and Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Emery received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Management with a minor in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences from the University of Florida. He also received a Master of Health Administration from the University of Florida.

Ms. Megan Samford

Megan is the VP, Chief Product Security Officer for Energy Management at Schneider Electric and is a security executive with a focus on industrial control systems security, critical infrastructure protection, and risk analysis. In her role at Schneider Electric, Megan is responsible for driving the product security strategy and program for Schneider Electric's Energy Management business. In taking her role at Schneider Electric, Megan became the first female CPSO for a major industrial without first being a CISO, this has been recognized as a huge achievement for women in industrial control systems security. Prior to Schneider Electric, Megan was the Global Director of Product Safety and Security for Rockwell Automation, Product Security Leader for GE Global Research and lead for the GE Product Security Incident Response Team. While in working in the public sector, she served as the Commonwealth of Virginia's Critical Infrastructure Protection Coordinator within the Governor's Offices of Tim Kaine and Bob McDonnell. Megan brings a unique perspective to the security community, based on her diverse security background, with an interest in utilizing proven concepts from traditional critical infrastructure protection and emergency management foundations, such as Incident Command System and preparedness, and applying those to cyber, in particular for industrial control systems incident response. She is currently leading a community driven effort, known as Incident Command System for Industrial Control Systems (ICS4ICS,) which seeks to establish a common language for responding to cyber incidents and provide avenues for mutual assistance between organizations. Megan has served on numerous boards including Virginia Commonwealth University's School of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE), Security Analysis and Risk Management Association (SARMA) Department of Homeland Security's Control Systems Security Working Group (CSWG), Trusted Computing Group (TCG), and Virginia Aviation Security Advisory Council (VASAC). She is also a returning 2020 Program Chair for the RSA Conference, "Secure All The Things" track. She holds a bachelor's degree in homeland security and emergency preparedness as well as a master's in public administration, both from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Ms. Angela Kelly-Wiecek '91

Ms. Kelly-Wiecek is currently the Chief Deputy Commissioner for Virginia Works, the state's new Department of Workforce Development and Advancement. Previously, she served on the Hanover County, Chickahominy District Board of Supervisors for 12 years. She is an alum of Richard Bland College and received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Averett University.

Mr. Stephen Wilson '92

Mr. Wilson is Executive Director at the St. John's Church Foundation, a 501©(3) nonprofit organization established in 1938 whose mission is to spark a global appreciation for understanding the role that Patrick Henry's "Give me liberty or give me death!" speech had in setting America on its path to liberty for all, and to ignite the public's interest in preserving the historic site where it happened.

He has been at St. John's Church Foundation since 2019. He served for two years as the organization's first Director of Development, and was named Executive Director in 2021. His nonprofit board experience includes Peter Paul RVA, the Richard Bland College Foundation, the Petersburg Area Art League, and Crater Community Hospice. He also serves on the Board of Managers for the Richmond Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution (SAR).

He has earned degrees from the University of Mary Washington and Richard Bland College of William and Mary, and he holds a certificate in Sustainable Urban Agriculture from Virginia State University.

In his spare time he enjoys hiking and maintaining an urban fig orchard. He lives in Westover Hills in the City of Richmond.

Dr. Sarah Whitley '00

Dr. Whitley is a scholar-practitioner with 20+ years of extensive experience in higher education, specializing in first-generation student success, strategic planning, and program development. She has proven leadership in executive roles, driving innovative research and advocacy initiatives aimed at improving educational outcomes. She is passionate about fostering inclusive academic environments and advancing educational equity. Dr. Whitley is an alum of Richard Bland College, received a bachelor's degree from Longwood University, a Master's of Education from James Madison University, and a doctorate from the University of Virginia.