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THE HONORABLE A. ELLEN WHITE IS RECIPIENT OF 2016 HARRY L. CARRICO OUTSTANDING CAREER SERVICE AWARD

The Judicial Council of Virginia has named Judge A. Ellen White, presiding judge of the Campbell County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, as the recipient of the 2016 Harry L. Carrico Outstanding Career Service Award. The award was presented to Judge White at the annual meeting of the Judicial Conference of Virginia for District Courts on August 28, 2017.

Awarded in honor of the longest serving chief justice and the longest serving member in the history of the Supreme Court of Virginia, The Harry L. Carrico Outstanding Career Service Award is presented annually by the Judicial Council of Virginia to a Virginia judge who, over an extended career, has demonstrated exceptional leadership in the administration of the courts while exhibiting the traits of integrity, courtesy, impartiality, wisdom and humility. All appellate, circuit and district court judges are eligible for nomination.

Judge White was appointed to the bench in 1994 and is currently serving a third term as Chief Judge of the 24th District Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Courts. She served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges for seven years, and is a past president of the Virginia Council of Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Judges. Judge White is a past chair of the Judicial Education Committee; the Law Revision Committee and the Judicial Administration Committee of the Judicial Conference of Virginia for District Courts. She received the Family Law Service Award from the Virginia State Bar Family Law Section in 2014, and has served as a faculty member for the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, the Virginia State Bar, the Virginia Continuing Legal Education Foundation and for numerous judicial education programs sponsored by the Supreme Court of Virginia.

Judge White obtained a B.A. Degree from the College of William and Mary in 1980 and her J.D. degree from the University of Richmond's T. C. Williams School of Law in 1983.

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Supreme Court is presiding officer for the Council whose membership includes one Court of Appeals judge, six circuit court judges, one general district court judge, one juvenile and domestic relations district court judge, two attorneys qualified to practice in the Supreme Court, and the Chairmen of the Committees for Courts of Justice in the Virginia Senate and House of Delegates. The Chief Justice and legislative members serve terms coincident with their terms of office, while other Council members are appointed by the Chief Justice and serve for four years or at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

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