

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Willig, Williams & Davidson was honored by Philadelphia VIP with its William J. Brennan Award in recognition of the firm's pro bono legal services. The award was presented on March 13 at the Suzanne Roberts Theater during Philadelphia VIP's annual awards ceremony and reception. Pictured, from left, are Willig Williams partner Kristine A. Phillips and Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin attorney and Philadelphia VIP board of directors secretary Candace D. Embry.

ADDITIONS

Paul J. Smyth joined **Rawle & Henderson** as of counsel to the firm.

He works in the firm's New Jersey and Philadelphia offices.

Smyth concentrates his law practice

in the areas of environmental, toxic and mass torts, professional liability and construction.

Smyth earned his bachelor's degree from **Temple University** in 1997 and obtained his law degree from the **Rutgers Law School—Camden** in 2005.

He is admitted to practice in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey.

SPEAKERS

Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young counsel **Jana M. Landon** presented at the **Main Line Chamber of Commerce's** Society of Professional Women Lunch and Share Seminar on April 12 in King of Prussia.

Landon's seminar, "Creating a Culture of Cyber Security," discussed current threats businesses and individuals are facing, as well as practical and low-tech ways to work toward securing personal and client data by creating an environment that values cybersecurity.

Landon is co-chair of the firm's cyber insurance and data breach response groups.

Her practice focuses on advising lawyers and clients on data security and data management issues and legal, technical and strategic issues regarding information governance.

She also represents clients in complex insurance coverage matters.

EVENTS

Emily Griesing, **Griesing Law's** marketing manager, attended the **Legal Marketing Association's** annual conference in Las Vegas.

Griesing Law represents Fortune 500 corporations and closely held companies in complex business transactions, litigation,

intellectual property and employment matters.

The firm has offices in Philadelphia, New York and Cincinnati.

ELECTED AND APPOINTED

Duane Morris partner **Robert M. Palumbos** was appointed vice chair of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's Appellate Court Procedural Rules Committee.

His new position is set to commence on June 30.

Palumbos is currently serving a three-year term on the committee, which began on July 15, 2015.

He helps companies and entrepreneurs resolve complex legal issues in appellate and commercial litigation and has briefed and argued appeals in state and federal courts throughout the United States.

In addition, Palumbos represents companies in complex commercial litigation and handles cases involving antitrust, securities and class actions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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