



Virginia Law Foundation

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Karl A. Doss Joins the Virginia Law Foundation as Vice President of Continuing Legal Education

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA, **August 28, 2025** — The Virginia Law Foundation (VLF) welcomes **Karl A. Doss** as its new Vice President of CLE, a strategic role established to support the VLF's commitment to innovation and excellence in continuing legal education. His appointment is one of several key leadership decisions by **Brigadier General (Ret.) Alison Martin**, who joined as CEO in January.

With more than 30 years of experience in attorney training, legal policy analysis, governance, and litigation, Doss now plays an integral role in the success of Virginia CLE, the Virginia Law Foundation's extensive education division. In this role, he oversees several key departments of the legal education mission, including seminars, distance learning, and publications. Previously, he served as deputy legal officer for governance at Virginia Union University, director of workforce diversity at Freddie Mac, deputy director for the Legal Services Corporation of Virginia, and director of access to legal services at the Virginia State Bar. Doss also served as director of training and professional development for the National Legal Aid & Defender Association, director of judicial programs at the Supreme Court of Virginia, and director of training and attorney certification at the Virginia Indigent Defense Commission.

Earlier in his career, Doss served as a law guardian in Brooklyn, New York, and as a public defender, prosecutor, and judicial officer in Minneapolis, Minnesota. A graduate of the University of Minnesota School of Law and Tulane University, he currently serves on the board of the Virginia Poverty Law Center, is a member of the Virginia State Bar's Standing Committee on Access to Legal Services, and a 2023 Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation.

"We are excited to welcome Karl to our team. He brings unique skills, fresh perspectives, and a shared passion for our mission," said **Brigadier General (ret.) Alison Martin**. "His addition marks another important step in building a stronger, more dynamic organization—one that is better equipped to meet the challenges ahead. I'm confident that the talent we're bringing on board will not only enhance our capabilities but also enrich our culture."

Now in its 51st year, the Virginia Law Foundation is executing a recently completed strategic plan designed to address the evolving needs of those in the legal profession and the communities they serve. The establishment of the Vice President of CLE position reflects a clear commitment to that vision and strengthens Virginia CLE's ability to remain the premier provider of continuing legal education and a trusted resource for every attorney's professional growth.

To learn more about the Foundation's mission, programs, and leadership, please visit **virginialawfoundation.org**.



About the Virginia Law Foundation

The Virginia Law Foundation has provided more than \$30 million in grants since its inception to support law-related projects throughout the Commonwealth that further its mission to facilitate access to justice and promote an understanding of the Rule of Law.

Virginia CLE, the VLF's education division, is the recognized leader in providing continuing education for Virginia lawyers.

The Virginia Law Foundation Fellows Program encourages civic-mindedness and recognizes excellence in the practice of law and public and professional service.

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