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**New Leadership Takes the Helm of the
Charleston County Bar Association**

CHARLESTON, SC (March 1, 2016) – Members of the Charleston County Bar Association (CCBA) gathered at the Francis Marion Hotel on Thursday, February 25 for their annual meeting. During the gathering, the new officers and members of the Executive Committee were installed. Additionally, the Bar recognized those attorneys who have served in the legal profession for more than 50 years including: Willis Fuller, Jr., Leonard Krawcheck, C. J. Manos and Stanley L. Waldman. The group also eulogized those members of the Bar who died during the past year including: Judge Clarence Singletary, David A. Brockinton Jr. and Pete Peterson.

Brian C. Duffy, partner at Duffy & Young LLC, will serve as CCBA president during the upcoming year and gave the keynote address during the meeting. During his speech, he identified two primary goals for his presidency. The first is to increase member participation in the CCBA's operations and programs, including the organization's efforts to provide continuing legal education for its members as well as open seminars for its community outreach initiative. The second goal is to promote The Charleston Forum, a project where the CCBA has invited leaders across the local community and the state to lead a national discussion of divisive issues laid bare in the wake of the massacre at Emanuel AME Church. Duffy explained, "We intend for Charleston and South Carolina to be recognized as leaders in addressing these racial and social issues, and as a community that refuses to allow June 17, 2015 at Mother Emanuel to become just another historical marker." Duffy is a graduate of the Vanderbilt Law School and is a veteran litigator with experience in class actions, defamation and serious personal injury claims, medical malpractice, products liability and numerous commercial disputes.

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The incoming officers and members of the Executive Committee for 2016-2017 are:

Officers

President – Brian Duffy, Duffy & Young, LLC

President-Elect – Elizabeth Scott Moïse, Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, LLP

Secretary/Treasurer – Peter Shahid, Shahid Law Office, LLC

Immediate Past President – James Myrick, Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, LLP

Executive Committee

Christy Ford Allen, Wills Massalon & Allen LLC

Ryan Bluestein - Bluestein, Johnson & Burke, LLC

Rhett DeHart, U.S. Attorney's Office

Michèle Patrão Forsythe – Query Sautter Forsythe, LLC

Deborah Gammons – Distinguished Visiting Professor and Director of the Office of Diversity,
Charleston School of Law

Kevin Holmes – Steinberg Law Firm, LLP

Russell “Britt” Kelly – Rosen Hagood

Joseph Mendelsohn – Mendelsohn Law Firm

Richard Unger – Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein, LLP

David Wolf – Wolf & Wolf, LLC

About the Charleston County Bar Association

The Charleston County Bar Association is a nonprofit organization committed to promoting ethics and education within Charleston County's legal community as well as assisting the public through outreach programs and service projects. It consists of more than 2,000 members.



The 2016-2017 CCBA officers (from left to right): Jim Myrick, Immediate Past President; Elizabeth Scott Moïse, President-Elect; Brian Duffy, President; Peter Shahid, Secretary/Treasurer.