

SUPREME COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS



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Honorable Chief Justice Rhys S. Hodge is pleased to announce that the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands convened in its First Bar Admission Ceremony for the 2008 Term on Friday, March 14, 2008, at the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands at the R. H. Amphlett Leader Justice Center on the island of St. Croix.

In open Court, the Chairman of the Committee of Bar Examiners, Geoffrey W. Barnard, certified that the following ten (10) individuals all have passed the Virgin Islands Bar Examination; have satisfied all the requirements for regular admissions and are duly qualified in accordance with Rule 204 of Rules of the of the Supreme Court to practice law in the Virgin Islands. The names of the new attorneys are: Jason Franklin Arnold IV, Leigh Kellett Fletcher, Ashlee Michelle Gray, Jamila Nicole John-Baptiste, Jason Scott Luck, Julie Robertson Mueller, Brandon Scott Renner, Kippy Gordon Roberson, Brian Allen Smith and Bruce Darwin Spector.

Chief Justice Hodge also announced that Associate Justices Maria M. Cabret and Ive Arlington Swan also comprised the panel presiding over the bar admission ceremony. The Justices all offered words of congratulations to the newly admitted attorneys and welcoming them to the noble profession of the law in the Territory and encouraging them to uphold the profession's honor.

Attorney Scott McChain, the Immediate Past President of the Virgin Islands Bar Association appeared on behalf of the Bar Association. Attorney Glenda L. Lake, Acting Clerk of the Court and the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court administered the oath of Office to the newly admitted attorneys.

The Committee of Bar Examiners and the Office of Bar Admissions are administrative arms of the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands with inherent judicial functions to assist the Supreme Court in the administration of the Virgin Islands Bar Examination, which includes character and fitness investigations; ascertaining the qualifications of applicants for admission to the Virgin Islands Bar and moving for the admission of those applicants who meet those requirements as established by the Supreme Court Rule 204.

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