



# **VDA Day on the Hill**

## **Logistics and Information**

**Friday, January 18, 2019**

### **Breakfast and Program**

7:00am | Omni Richmond Hotel

- VDA Lobbyist Review of Talking Points
- Guest Speaker Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax

### **Legislative Meetings**

8:00am | Pocahontas Building

### ***Transportation***

The Omni Richmond Hotel is located at 100 S. 12th St., Richmond, VA 23219. A bus will be transporting members from the Doubletree by Hilton Richmond-Midlothian (where the VDA Committee Meetings are being held and a room block is available) to the Omni. It will leave the Doubletree Hilton at 6:15am. There will be two opportunities to ride the bus back from the Pocahontas Building to the Doubletree Hilton- one will leave at 10:00am and the final bus will head back at 11am. There are also many parking garages surrounding the Omni Hotel and it is a short walk to/from the Pocahontas Building.

### ***Attire***

Business attire is strongly suggested.

### ***Meeting Materials and Resources***

Email will be the primary method of communication regarding Day on the Hill. Be sure to look out for updates and information. If you have any further questions, contact Laura Givens at [givens@vadental.org](mailto:givens@vadental.org) or 804-523-2185.

### **Scheduling Your Legislative Appointments**

We suggest that you wait until the General Assembly Session begins to call the Capitol office phone numbers and make appointments. Session begins on January 9<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to reach out before then, we would suggest that you call the district office phone numbers.

Many schedulers will not schedule a meeting and will ask that you 'stop by the office.' When making your appointments, please note the following:

- Staff members will most likely not schedule separate meetings for each VDA attendee, therefore, it is important to coordinate meetings with other VDA members from your district or area of the state.
  - We will provide all registrants with a list of attendees and their contact information the first week in January. If other participants from your component are listed, please coordinate your appointments with them and attend meetings together.

## How to Find Your State Legislators and Their Contact Information

Your goal is to meet with both your Delegate and your Senator.

- Please visit <http://virginiageneralassembly.gov/house/members/members.php> for a complete list of House of Delegates Members and visit <https://apps.senate.virginia.gov/Senator/index.php> for a complete list of Senators.
- To find your legislators (Delegate and Senator), please visit <http://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/> and fill in your home address.

## How to Schedule a Meeting

- 1) Please call your legislators' Pocahontas building (Capitol) office number. Introduce yourself and mention that you are a constituent of the Delegate/Senator and that you will be visiting the Pocahontas Building on the morning of January 18<sup>th</sup> with other members of the Virginia Dental Association.
- 2) Ask if it would be possible to meet with the legislator (or a staff member if he/she is not available) for about 10 minutes to share information on the VDA. They may wish to know how many will be in your group. Meetings should be scheduled between 8:15am and 10:00am to allow time to arrive from breakfast and to get to the 11:00am bus if you are relying on that transportation (if you wish to leave on the 10am bus or must leave on your own earlier, please be sure to give yourself enough time.)

Once you have confirmed your appointment(s), please kindly share the information with Laura Givens at [givens@vadental.org](mailto:givens@vadental.org) and she will make note on the master list of appointments.

**A helpful "Citizens Guide" can be found online here:**

<https://www.vpap.org/general-assembly/citizens-guide/>

**VDA 2019 Day on the Hill Special Guest Speaker:  
Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax**



Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax was inaugurated into office in 2018. He has been recognized as one of the top young attorneys in the nation and a rising star in American politics. He is a prominent and highly successful lawyer, political figure, philanthropist, and a proud husband, father, and community leader. In 2013, at the age of 34, Justin was awarded the National Bar Association’s “Nation’s Best Advocates Award,” which recognizes 40 top attorneys nationwide under the age of 40. He currently works as a Litigation Partner in the Northern Virginia and Washington D.C. offices of the international law firm Morrison & Foerster LLP. He previously served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia in the Major Crimes and Narcotics Unit of the Alexandria Division. During his tenure as a federal prosecutor, he was appointed to serve as the Deputy Coordinator of the Northern Virginia

Human Trafficking Task Force. Prior to his service as a federal prosecutor, he worked as a litigator at WilmerHale, LLP in Washington, D.C., following his stint as a federal law clerk to United States District Court Judge Gerald Bruce Lee in the Eastern District of Virginia, Alexandria Division.

Justin received a scholarship to attend Columbia Law School where he was selected to be a member of the Columbia Law Review and earned his Juris Doctorate in 2005. He also received a scholarship to attend Duke University where he graduated in 2000 with a degree in Public Policy Studies and was selected as the class graduation speaker for the Duke University Sanford School of Public Policy.

Justin went on to serve a three-year term on the Duke University Board of Trustees and is currently serving his third three-year term on the Board of Visitors of the Duke University Terry Sanford School of Public Policy.

**Justin’s wife, Dr. Cerina W. Fairfax, DDS is a VDA member!** She is a graduate of the VCU School of Dentistry in Richmond, VA and of Duke University. In 2015, Dr. Fairfax was honored by the VCU School of Dentistry as the Most Outstanding Alumna of the Last Decade. The Fairfaxes have a son, Cameron, and a daughter, Carys, and live in Northern Virginia where they own a home and a thriving family dental practice.