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## Best Wishes for a Happy New Year from Your A&C Team

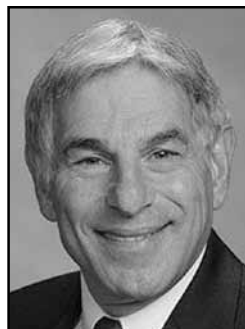


Superlawyers are listed in bold. *L. to r. first row, **James Cleaver**, **Denise Bowman**, Robin Shaivitz, Gary Alexander, Lyle Fowlkes, Casper Taylor; second row, Kenny Battle, Hannah Powers, Whitney Cleaver, Matthew Youssef, **Todd Pounds**; third row, Isaac Meyer, Ashlie Bagwell, Shara Hendler; top row, Isaac Meyer, **Jason DeLoach**, **Jim McGee**, Matthew Huddle.*

## Congratulations to our Super Lawyers

We are pleased to announce the selections of Attorneys **Gary Alexander** (Energy Law), **James Cleaver** (Personal Injury), **Denise Bowman** (Administrative Law), **Todd Pounds** (Environmental), **Jason DeLoach** (Administrative Law) and **Lorenzo Bellamy** (International Law) as *Maryland Super Lawyers* by their peers. Attorney **Jim McGee** was selected as a Rising Star (Public Utility Law), a special designation for attorneys

under 40 years old. Gary and James Cleaver were also selected for the *Super Lawyers Top 50* list; Denise to the *Top 50 Women* list; and Todd to the *Top 100* list. These recognitions are extraordinary, since only 5% of all attorneys in Maryland are selected as Super Lawyers after a rigorous selection process. The firm is honored to have so many of its attorneys recognized for their excellent legal ability.



## Former Delegate Murray Levy Joins the Firm

**Murray Levy**, long-time resident of Southern Maryland, joined Alexander & Cleaver as a Government Relations Consultant. Murray previously served in the Maryland House of Delegates for six years, and prior to that was president of the Charles County Commissioners. He will assist clients with budgetary matters, as well as strategy and business development. *Welcome, Murray!*

★ **NOTE: If you have moved or have a new telephone number, keep us updated! Call Monica with changes: (301) 292-3300. If your business, club, or group would like a complimentary speaker or legal seminar, call us.** ★

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# A&C Means Business

## Milestones



Attorney **Jason DeLoach** was named the town attorney for Fairmount Heights in Prince George's County. Fairmount Heights has the distinction of being the largest and oldest black community in Prince George's County. We are proud to represent Fairmount Heights and other municipalities.



Congratulations to Government Relations Consultant **Isaac Meyer** on being installed as a board member on both the Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce and the Maryland Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Isaac is a 2009 graduate of Towson University.

## Our Annapolis Community Connection

We are proud to announce that the firm joined **Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts** as a corporate sponsor. Support provides vital resources for our many community arts programs including scholarships for art classes for underserved children, free exhibits for local and regional artists, concerts and performances and sustained support for resident companies—the chorale, symphony and ballet.

## Grow your Business! Join us for Networking Events

Throughout the year the A&C team strives to provide networking opportunities and assists with organizing and staffing exhibits. One example is the Maryland Municipal League Legislative Conference, where Attorney **Jason DeLoach**, Government Relations Consultant **Lyle Fowlkes** and Attorney/Government Relations Consultant **Lorenzo Bellamy** attended the conference with our clients.

*L. to r. **April Washington** of the Broadband Group, Howard County Executive **Ken Ulman**, Lyle, **Mike Chandler** of the Broadband Group, Lorenzo and publisher of The Daily Record **Suzanne Huettner**.*



## Government Relations Consultant Ashlie Bagwell Named "Leading Woman"

**Ashlie Bagwell** was named as a "Leading Woman" for 2011. The Leading Women identifies women age 40 or younger for the tremendous accomplishments they have made so far in their career. They are judged on professional experience, community involvement and a commitment to inspiring change.

The Daily Record Publisher Suzanne Fischer-Huettner said, "We are committed to growing women leaders, which is why we introduced the Leading Women event in 2010. Leading Women shines the spotlight on the next generation of this state's outstanding women, who represent Maryland's future. It is our honor to recognize both their accomplishments to date and the promise they hold for the future."



## Welcome Our Newest Attorney

**Matthew G. Huddle** recently became our newest associate after serving as an A&C law clerk since 2010. His practice areas include corporate, civil litigation and procurement.

Matt received his B.A. from Colgate University, and his J.D. from University of Baltimore School of Law. While attending law school, Matthew served two years as the captain of the Cardozo/BMI Moot Court Team, focusing on appellate work in the area of intellectual property.



# A&C Buzz

## An Annual Event

Annually clients and friends join us for our policy breakfast to preview the upcoming legislative session. This year Lt. Gov. **Anthony Brown**, Speaker **Mike Busch**, Comptroller **Peter Franchot**, Attorney General **Doug Gansler** and Senate Budget and Taxation Committee Chairman **Ed Kasemeyer** addressed the crowd.

*Below, l. to r. Attorneys **Jim McGee**, **Lorenzo Bellamy**, **Jim Cleaver**, Attorney General **Doug Gansler**, Attorneys **Denise Bowman**, **Jason DeLoach** and **Todd Pounds**.*



## University of Maryland Fellow Named

**Dan Collinge** was named as the recipient of the A&C Fellowship at the UMD School of Public Policy. He is extremely grateful to be a recipient of the A&C Fellowship and for the opportunity to continue his education. He will use his time here under this fellowship to improve his capacity as a public servant.

*Below, l. to r. **Gary Alexander**, **Dan Collinge**, Lt. Gov. **Anthony Brown**, Dean of the School of Public Policy at UMD **Don Kettl**, **Jim Cleaver**, **Denise Bowman**.*



## Policymaker Event with Energy Advisor Abby Hopper

The Governor's Energy Advisor **Abby Hopper** joined our clients for a policymaker event. Clients enjoy the opportunity to meet informally with state and local leaders. The Government Relations Team holds frequent events to help educate our clients on various segments of Maryland government.

*L. to r. **Todd Hranicka** of Vanguard Energy Partners, Government Relations Consultant **Kenny Battle**, **John Flumerfelt** of Calpine Corporation, **Robert Wallace** of the BITH GROUP, Managing Partner **Denise Bowman**,*

*Governor's Energy Advisor **Abby Hopper**, Attorney **Jim McGee**, **Larry Collins** of Gantech, Attorney and Government Relations Consultant **Lorenzo Bellamy**.*



## Our Staff News

*Top left:* Legislative Aide **Melissa Evans** (formerly Smith) married Trey Evans in late October in Baltimore. Following the wedding, the couple honeymooned in Florence, Italy for a week. Her new email address is [mevans@alexander-cleaver.com](mailto:mevans@alexander-cleaver.com).

*Bottom left:* On September 12, 2011, Fort Washington Law Clerk **Eliot Schaefer** and his wife, Jessica, celebrated the birth of their first child. Elianna Megan was born a healthy 7 lbs., 13 oz. at 11:13pm. Ending a run of male-born children, Elianna was the first girl Schaefer in 107 years. The Schaefer family is home, healthy, and excited to watch Elianna grow and become part of the A&C family.

*Right:* On November 22, 2011, **Johanna Barger** of our Finance Division became engaged to Brendan Keena. A late 2012 wedding is planned.

Also, on November 12, 2011, new attorney **Matthew Huddle** was engaged to Rebecca Lahar. The couple is to be married in May 2012.





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## Welcome New Clients

**The Arbeit Group** is an IT solutions and business consulting firm. We work with them on business development and expansion. They came to the government relations team from the legal team where they are also a legal client.

**The Broadband Group** works with municipalities and developers to incorporate fiber-based broadband communications applications and services into an overall community. We work with them on procurement opportunities and business expansion.

**Buck Consultants** is a consulting firm providing human resources and employee benefits. We assist with their statewide procurement.

**Human Rights Campaign** is a national organization working on LGBT rights. We assist them with a bill legalizing marriage equality.

**NIC** provides e-government solutions at the federal, state and

local levels. We work with them to provide services to state and local governments.

**Shah and Associates** is a power systems engineering and electrical systems design company. We work with them on state and county procurement matters focusing in the renewable energy, construction management and inspection services sectors.

**Total Wine & More** is a nationwide beer, wine & spirits retailer. We assist them with alcohol beverage legislation.

**Vanguard Energy Partners** provides solar energy to business and governments. We work with them to expand solar energy possibilities throughout the state.

**Verified Voting** champions reliable and publicly verifiable elections in the United States. We help them move forward in Maryland.

**Wetherburn Associates** is a client we work with on development and land issues in Charles County.