

Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2018

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Agenda

11:30 a.m. Registration Opens

Name badges and informational packets can be picked up at the registration desk in the foyer of the Library of Virginia.

2-5 p.m. Welcome and Legislative Day Program

2 p.m. The Honorable Ralph S. Northam Governor of Virginia

Governor Northam is expected to address the priorities for his administration, particularly as they relate to local government issues.

3 p.m. The Honorable Aubrey Layne Virginia Secretary of Finance

Secretary Layne is expected to address the administration's budget priorities, the impact of federal tax reform on the state budget, and other issues of interest to local governments.

3:30 p.m. The Honorable Shannon Valentine Virginia Secretary of Transportation

Secretary Valentine is expected to address the priorities for her secretariat during this administration, and the top transportation issues for this session that are of interest to local governments.

4 p.m. Jonathan S. Adelstein President & CEO, Wireless Infrastructure Association

Mr. Adelstein will discuss the WIA's position on how good policy can enable the responsible and sustainable deployment of wireless infrastructure so that all communities in Virginia will be ready to harness the power of 5G.

VML legislative staff will give staff briefings between speakers, as time is available during the program.

5 p.m. Legislative Day Program adjourns.

5 - 6:30 p.m. Reception for Virginia General Assembly

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About the speakers



The Honorable Ralph S. Northam Governor of Virginia

Virginia Military Institute graduate, Army veteran, and pediatrician Ralph Northam grew up on Virginia's Eastern Shore and attended local public schools. He attended the Virginia Military Institute (VMI), where he graduated with distinction. While at VMI, Governor Northam was elected by his peers to serve as president of the honor court, charged with upholding the school's honor code.

After VMI, Governor Northam was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Army. He attended Eastern Virginia Medical School and then

traveled to San Antonio for a pediatric residency. He served eight years of active duty and rose to the rank of major. He did his residencies at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center and served as chief neurological resident at Johns Hopkins Hospital. As an Army doctor, he served in Germany, treating soldiers wounded in Operation Desert Storm.

Upon his return, he and his wife chose to build their life not far from the same Chesapeake Bay he had grown up on. Governor Northam began practicing pediatric neurology at Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters in Norfolk. He established the Children's Specialty Group, his current medical practice, to provide expert pediatric care for patients. He also served as assistant professor of neurology at Eastern Virginia Medical School, where he taught medicine and ethics.

For 18 years, Governor Northam has volunteered as medical director for the Edmarc Hospice for Children in Portsmouth, where he cares for terminally ill children.

Governor Northam was elected to the Senate of Virginia in 2007 and was re-elected in 2011. In 2013, he was elected Lieutenant Governor, and was elected Governor in November 2017.

Governor Northam is the first person from the Eastern Shore to serve as Governor since Governor Henry A. Wise, who took office in 1856. He will also be the first VMI Keydet to serve as Governor since Governor Westmoreland Davis was sworn into office in 1918.



The Honorable Aubrey Layne Virginia Secretary of Finance

Mr. Layne was sworn in as Secretary of Finance on January 14th. He currently oversees the four main finance agencies in the Commonwealth of Virginia: Department of Accounts; Department of Planning and Budget; Department of Taxation; and Department of the Treasury – along with the Virginia Resources Authority. The is the second Cabinet position he has held, as he served as Secretary of Transportation from 2014-2018.

Before that, he served as the president of An Achievable Dream Academy in Newport News, which is a partnership between Newport News Public Schools, the City of Newport News and the local business community that is designed to give students who are at risk of failure in school due to socioeconomic factors a chance to succeed.

He is a past president of Great Atlantic Properties and a past president of Hofheimers.

Mr. Layne earned a B.S. in Accounting from the University of Richmond and received an MBA from Old Dominion University with a concentration in International Business.



Shannon Valentine Virginia's Secretary of Transportation

As Secretary of Transportation, Ms. Valentine oversees seven agencies with more than 10,000 employees and combined budgets of more than \$5 billion.

Prior to the announcement of her appointment as Secretary, she was a member of the Commonwealth Transportation Board for the Lynchburg District. Further, Ms. Valentine was a founding member of OneVirginia2021: Virginians for Fair Redistricting.

Ms. Valentine represented the 23rd district in the House of Delegates from 2006-2010, where her legislative priorities included transportation, economic development, ethics and education. She led the bipartisan, legislative effort to invest in intercity passenger rail service for the first time in Virginia's history and worked to expand clean energy production.

Prior to her election to the House of Delegates, Ms. Valentine worked to revitalize inner-city communities as the Neighborhood Coordinator with the Lynchburg Neighborhood Development Foundation. She worked in non-profit community development and corporate marketing and public relations in the late 1980s and 1990s.

Ms. Valentine earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of Virginia, holds an Education for Ministry certificate from Sewanee University, and is a graduate of the Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership.



Jonathan Adelstein President & CEO, Wireless Infrastructure Association

Jonathan Adelstein is the president and chief executive officer of the Wireless Infrastructure Association (WIA). This association represents over 200 companies that build wireless broadband facilities. Members include wireless carriers, infrastructure providers, and professional services firms that collectively own and operate more than 135,000 telecommunications facilities around the globe. Through public affairs and advocacy efforts on the local, state and federal level, WIA works to support the widespread deployment of the wireless infrastructure

in order to deliver broadband access to all citizens and communities.

Mr. Adelstein served as Commissioner of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) from 2002 to 2009, for which he was twice nominated by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. At the FCC he achieved bipartisan progress on issues including broadband expansion, widening access to the Internet and media diversity.

In 2009, following the FCC, Mr. Adelstein was appointed as the Administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service. There, he oversaw a \$60 billion portfolio of rural electric, water, and telecommunications infrastructure loans. He was a member of the White House National Science and Technology Council, which coordinates science and technology policy across the Federal government, and the White House Business Council, leading Council meetings with business leaders across America.

Previously, Mr. Adelstein held legislative staff positions for over 15 years in the U.S. Senate, culminating as a senior policy advisor to the Senate Majority Leader. Mr. Adelstein received an M.A. in History and a B.A., with Distinction, in Political Science from Stanford University.