



Charles E. James, Jr. Named Chief Deputy Attorney General of Virginia

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RICHMOND, Va. – Williams Mullen announces that Charles E. James, Jr., a partner in the firm's litigation practice, has been appointed Chief Deputy Attorney General of Virginia. In his new role he will be overseeing the day to day legal operations of the five divisions of the Attorney General's office.

Among some of his responsibilities, Mr. James will provide legal advice to the Governor and executive agencies, state boards and institutions of higher education. He will also defend the constitutionality of state laws in court as well as enforce state laws that protect businesses and consumers when there are violations.

"Chuck is a born leader and an extraordinary attorney. The citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia can rest assured that their interests will be represented fairly and with great merit" said Thomas R. Frantz, president of the firm.

Prior to joining Williams Mullen, Mr. James was a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia's Richmond and Alexandria Divisions and the Department of Justice's Criminal Division, Washington, D.C. Having handled hundreds of federal cases as lead trial counsel, Mr. James has extensive courtroom experience and in investigating and prosecuting cases including conspiracy, embezzlement, violent crime, money laundering and fraud. Mr. James also has briefed and argued numerous cases dealing with constitutional issues stemming from white collar, immigration, violent crime and narcotics cases before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. Mr. James is listed in *Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Stars* magazine and as one of the "Legal Elite" by *Virginia Business* magazine .

Mr. James will take office on Jan. 16, 2010.

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