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Jon A. Nichols is a partner with Harman Claytor Corrigan & Wellman. He has tried over 75 jury trials in his career, representing clients that include: national and local businesses, property owners and managers, retail and grocery stores, hotels and motels, restaurants and bars, and long-haul, local trucking and logistics companies. He handles a variety of matters for his clients, including premises liability claims, motor vehicle accidents, contract disputes, construction defects, commercial litigation and collections.

Jon is a Past-President of the Henrico County Bar Association and served as the elected representative of the 14th District of the Virginia State Bar Council. In 2013, he won the inaugural *American College of Trial Lawyers - Chappell-Morris Award*, given to a young lawyer who exemplifies the Bar's commitment to maintaining and improving the standards of trial practice, the administration of justice, and ethics of the legal profession. In 2017, Jon was selected to serve on the Harry L. Carrico Professionalism Faculty, a select faculty of prominent Virginia lawyers and judges appointed by Virginia Supreme Court to instruct new admittees to the Virginia State Bar on professional conduct.

#### Education

- Canisius College, B.A., 1999
  - Pi Sigma Alpha Honors Society
  - Raichle Scholar
  - NCAA Division 1 Golf
  - 1999 MAAC All Academic Team
- State University of New York, 2002
  - Robert J. Connolly Award for Excellence in Trial Advocacy

#### Professional Honors & Activities

- Henrico County Bar Association (President - 2013)
- Virginia State Bar Council - 14th District (2014 - 2017)
- Harry L. Carrico Professionalism Faculty (2017 - Present)
- Richmond Bar Association
- Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys
- Defense Research Institute
- The Harmonie Group (Retail and Hospitality Committee)
- CLM DC-VA Regional Chapter Executive Committee (2016 - Present)
- Virginia Super Lawyers, Rising Stars, Civil Litigation Defense - 2009 - 2017
- Virginia Business Legal Elite
  - Civil Litigation - 2019 & 2020
  - Young Lawyers (Under 40) - 2012 - 2014, 2017
- American College of Trial Lawyers - Chappell-Morris Award Winner - 2013
- Best Lawyers in America
  - Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants - 2021

#### Prior Experience & Activities

- Associate, Sinnott, Nuckols & Logan (2002 - 2007)
- Law Clerk, Getman & Biryła (1999 - 2002)
- Legislative Aide to the New York State Assembly and Erie County Legislature (1997 - 2001)
- Hockey Night in Richmond Adult Hockey League (2002 - Present)

- Richmond Generals Tier 2 Hockey Coach
- Virginia Breeze Travel Baseball Coach

### **Bar & Court Admissions**

- Virginia State Bar
- United States District Court for the Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

### **Presentations**

- 2012 VTLA Advanced Auto Retreat - Charlottesville, Virginia
  - The Defense Perspective on *Wakole v. Barber*
- 2012 VADA Annual Meeting - Hot Springs, Virginia
  - iSpy: Social Media and Litigation
- 2013 Harmonie Group Retail and Hospitality - Toronto, Ontario, Canada
  - Innkeeper and Restaurant Responsibility for Third Party Criminal Conduct
- 2014 National Association of Appellate Attorneys - Savannah, Georgia
  - Social Media as a Tool of Litigation