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Christy Kiely of Hunton & Williams Named 2006 Virginia Young Lawyer of the Year

Hunton & Williams LLP is pleased to announce that Christy E. Kiely has been named this year's recipient of the R. Edwin Burnette Jr. Young Lawyer of the Year Award from the Young Lawyers Conference of the Virginia State Bar. Kiely will receive the award on June 16 at the 67th Annual Meeting of the Virginia State Bar, to be held at Virginia Beach.

The award was established in 1994 and is named after R. Edwin Burnette Jr., a General District Court judge and past-president of the Virginia State Bar and the Virginia State Bar's Young Lawyers Conference. It is given annually to the young Virginia attorney who best represents the standards of honor, integrity, and competence in the legal profession; initiates and participates in activities and programs to improve the legal system and its responsiveness; and serves the legal profession and the public through pro bono and leadership activities.

An employment attorney who joined Hunton & Williams after graduating from Duke University in 2002, Kiely has been involved in a number of projects with the Young Lawyers Conference and has displayed the highest level of dedication, leadership and creativity. She led the Students Day at the Capitol program for a number of years, and currently chairs the YLC's Admission and Orientation Committee and the Domestic Violence Safety Project Committee. Through her efforts, more than 200,000 copies of the "Know Your Rights" legal pamphlet and "Safety Tips" safety brochure are being distributed to domestic violence service organizations, juvenile and domestic relations courts, police departments, and other domestic violence-related organizations.

Previous award recipients from Hunton & Williams include Jennifer McClellan (2002), Shawn Copeland (2000), Maya Eckstein (1999).

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