

**Joint Leadership Council of Veterans Service Organizations
Conference at the General Assembly
January 9, 2014**

The Joint Leadership Council of Veterans Service Organizations (the JLC) held a conference at the General Assembly Building (morning) and the State Capitol (afternoon) on Thursday, January 9, 2014. No business was conducted and no roll was called.

Members and Alternate Members Present

Robert Barnette, *Virginia Army/Air National Guard Enlisted Association (VaA/ANGEA)*
William Barrett, *Military Order of the World Wars*
James Clem, *Roanoke Valley Veterans Council*
Frank Driscoll, *Navy Seabee Veterans of America*
Robert Fairchild, *Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH)*
Paul Galanti, *Commissioner of Veterans Services*
Carmen Gentile, *Reserve Officers Association*
Thomas Gimble, *Veterans of Foreign Wars*
Robert Huffman, *VaA/ANGEA*
Thad Jones, *Chairman, Board of Veterans Services*
Donald Kaiserman, *Association of the United States Army (AUSA)*
Allan McCroskey, *Disabled American Veterans*
Thomas Moran, *National Association for Uniformed Services (NAUS)*
Vic Pena, *Military Officers Association of America*
Brett Reistad, *American Legion*
Glenn Rodriguez, *Navy Seabee Veterans of America*
James Samuel, *MOPH*
Richard Schollmann, *representing the Veterans Services Foundation*
Abe Zino, *Fleet Reserve Association (FRA)*

Others Present

Michael Allen, *Department of Veterans Services (DVS)*
Bill Aramony, *American Legion*
Tom Barto, *TMG, Inc.*
Leroy Bussells, *AUSA*
Stanley Crow, *AUSA*
Isabelle Slifer, *AUSA*
Cindy Norwood, *Office of the Attorney General*
Steven Combs, *DVS*
Jack Hilgers, *DVS*
Christina Lipin, *Department of Motor Vehicles*
Al Pianalto, *Office of Delegate Kirk Cox*
Terron Sims II, *Office of Governor-elect Terry McAuliffe*
Bill Whitt, *FRA*
Cathy Wilson, *DVS*

Chairman Don Kaiserman called the morning session of the conference to order at 9:00 a.m. in the 5 East Conference Room of the General Assembly Building. Chairman Kaiserman and Mr. Hilgers briefly covered a few administrative details.

Speakers that addressed the Conference during the morning session were, in order:

- Delegate Tim Hugo
- Delegate Algie Howell
- Delegate Mamy BaCote
- Delegate Rich Anderson
- Senator Toddy Puller
- Senate President Pro Tempore Walter Stosch
- Delegate John O'Bannon
- Senator Bryce Reeves
- Delegate Chris Stolle
- Senator John Cosgrove
- Delegate Kirk Cox
- Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli
- Speaker of the House of Delegates William Howell
- Delegate David Toscano

The JLC recessed at 10:30 in order to allow time for attendees to visit legislators in their offices, to attend the "Morning Hour" sessions of the House and Senate, and to have lunch.

Chairman Kaiserman reconvened the conference at 1:00 p.m. in the State Capitol, House Room 3. Afternoon speakers were, in order:

- MG Daniel Long, Adjutant General, Virginia National Guard
- The Honorable John C. Harvey, nominated to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security
- Governor-elect Terry McAuliffe
- Attorney General-elect Mark Herring
- Lt Governor-elect Ralph Northam
- Governor Robert McDonnell

The conference ended at 3:00 p.m.