

# Eva Juncker Named One of Virginia Lawyers Weekly's Influential Women of Law

We would like to congratulate Eva Juncker for recently being named one of Virginia Lawyers Weekly's Influential Women of Law.

Virginia Lawyers Weekly has named 34 special Virginia lawyers to the 2020 class of "Influential Women of Law." This awards program, now in its second year, honors women attorneys and judges for their excellent work on behalf of the justice system and for their clients, their commitment to their communities and their service to the profession.

From her profile (seen below) on why she enjoys law:

*"I enjoy helping clients untangle complex legal situations that don't necessarily fit squarely inside a standard box."*

Eva Juncker is a Principal and a member of the firm's Family Law and Litigation practice groups. Her practice focuses on all areas of family law, including divorce, juvenile law, custody, support, equitable distribution, post-divorce modification, partition actions, transgender issues, prenuptial agreements, postnuptial agreements, marital settlement agreements, and property settlement agreements.

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**Paley Rothman**  
*Falls Church*

## Eva N. Juncker

Eva Juncker is a past chair of the VSB Diversity Conference. She practices family law in Northern Virginia and is a principal at her firm. Outside the office, she's active in the DC and National LGBT Bar Association.

### LOOKING BACK:

I was born in Agnano, Italy, while my father, a naval officer, was stationed overseas. We returned to the United States when I was very young, and I grew up in Northern Virginia. Growing up in such a metropolitan and diverse area helped to shape my view of the world, and assisted in making sure I understood the value of diversity in all aspects of life.

### FIRST JOB:

My first job was as a neighborhood babysitter. I was very serious about it. I understood that parents were entrusting me with the most important thing in their lives, their children, and that I should be ever vigilant in my temporary duties to safeguard those children.

### AN IMPORTANT MENTOR:

Joe Condo. During my tenure with him, he expressed the importance of giving back to the legal community with bar work. It was through Joe's encouragement that I began to serve on various Virginia State Bar committees, and I have found that volunteer work to be some of the most rewarding work of my entire career.

### ADVICE FOR NEW LAWYERS:

I would encourage women about to begin their legal careers to find both mentors in their chosen practice area and a group of similarly situated younger attorneys to help guide them in not only the how to's of practicing law, but also to assist them in understanding the importance of networking and creating a close group of legal peers within the legal community.

### I ENJOY LAW BECAUSE:

I enjoy helping clients untangle complex legal

situations that don't necessarily fit squarely inside a standard box.

### I WOULD CHANGE:

If I could waive a magic wand and speed up that process of diversifying the practice of law, I would do it in an instant.

### MY BIGGEST CHALLENGE:

Candidly? Back in 1999 when I was first admitted to practice, being an out lesbian in the practice of law was highly unusual. So gently correcting peers and professional contacts who would ask about my husband (as opposed to my wife) was a constant challenge.

### SEEKING BALANCE:

I'm not particularly good at finding balance between my professional life and my personal life. I tend to overwork.

### I WOULD HAVE BEEN:

I would probably have pursued a career in teaching of some kind. I love working with children.

### GUILTY PLEASURE:

I am an uber nerd at heart and love to play Dungeons & Dragons with my friends and family.

### FAVORITE GETAWAY:

Anywhere in the forest where my mobile phone has no service.

### YOU DON'T KNOW:

I enjoy bushcrafting and survival training. Also I am a voracious reader. I probably read five books a week in my down time (of which there is too little).

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