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Interim County Attorney

Amherst County's newest employee is Michael Lockaby who is the Interim County Attorney. Mike Lockaby is currently the County Attorney for Botetourt County, Bath County, and Amherst County. He also continues to advise and represent localities, authorities and constitutional officers on individual projects and cases, primarily on issues of land use and real estate, utilities and telecommunications, local taxation, public finance, economic development, status transitions, and related issues.

With regard to Amherst, he says, "I'm tremendously excited to be working with Amherst. The Board of Supervisors has put forth a strong vision and assembled a team of capable professionals who are also good people that I'm already enjoying working with. There are several exciting and positive projects for the community ongoing that I look forward to working through with the Board and staff."

Mr. Lockaby graduated from the University of Virginia in 2002 and from the College of William & Mary Marshall-Wythe School of Law in 2006. From 2006 to 2013 he was with the firm of Greehan, Taves, Pandak & Stoner in Northern Virginia where he represented localities in land use, state and local taxation, utility, and civil rights issues, chiefly in litigation contexts.

From 2013 to 2015 Mike Lockaby was the in-house County Attorney in Louisa County in Central Virginia, where his practice expanded to cover everything in local government. In 2015, he moved to the firm of Guynn & Waddell in Salem, Virginia. He has been with Guynn & Waddell for two years now.

Mr. Lockaby is very grateful for all of his past and current opportunities that have led him here today. He credits his colleagues at Guynn & Waddell with making it possible for him to succeed in his practice. "There is never a dull day in local government, and my colleagues make it possible for me to do what I do—and hopefully to help Amherst on issues in their wheelhouses as well."

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