

FINDING A PROFESSIONAL HOME

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DIANE FEUERHERD, a Principal at Miller, Miller & Canby, is an appellate and trial attorney, focusing on business and real estate litigation. Her clients range from families and small businesses, to schools, local governments and large corporations. Learn more about Feuerherd, her work and her recent elevation to principal below:

➔ **You were recently elevated to Principal at your firm Miller, Miller & Canby, please tell us a little about this transition? What are some challenges that you have faced in taking on this new role?**

Becoming a Principal had been my goal since I joined the firm right after my clerkship. With the amount of time, energy and commitment put into building this “professional home,” I could not help but want a greater voice and lasting impact in the firm. The challenges in taking this new role, however, are not new – I’m constantly learning about the practice of law as a business and searching to find a balance of work between family – but in the past year that we’ve had, these challenges have grown.

➔ **What are your professional goals over the next year to 18 months?**

My professional goals for the next year and a half are to continue to expand my appellate and trial practice. I really miss being in the courtroom.

➔ **You are currently a co-chair of the MSBA’s Judicial Appointments Committee, why is this committee important to you and as well as the legal profession as a whole?**

The Judicial Appointments Committee is a very active part of the MSBA. We review the applications for each judicial vacancy in the State, interview the candidates and then make a recommendation to the Governor and the Judicial Nominating Commissions. Our committee is the voice of the bar in the judicial nominating process and we take that responsibility very seriously.

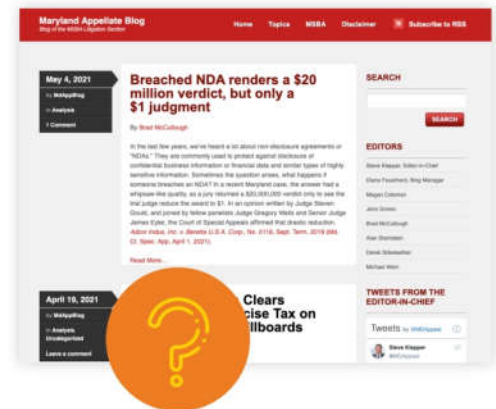
The value shared among our committee members is the importance of seeing appointed to the bench qualified individuals who exemplify the best of both the bar and the community in which they serve. I’m very proud to be a part of this important process, and have enjoyed working with other attorneys from across the state and beyond my practice areas.

➔ **In addition to your work with the MSBA, you also serve as a Board member of the Maryland Bar Foundation, please tell us about the work of the Maryland Bar Foundation and why it is important to you.**

The Bar Foundation is known as “the philanthropic arm of the MSBA.” It funds and awards grants to nonprofits, from all over the State, that are serving our communities and enhancing access to justice. The challenges of the past year have underscored the present need to fundraise for, support and promote the pro bono legal service providers. If you can, donate!



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DID YOU KNOW?

Diane E. Feuerherd is also the manager of the MSBA Litigation Section’s Appellate Blog. It covers notable arguments and opinions, practice tips, commentary on implications of specific rulings or trends, and interviews with appellate judges, all to help build a sense of community among Maryland appellate practitioners. Read the blog at MDAPPBLOG.COM

A little more about Ms. Feuerherd....

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE HOBBY?

With two small kids at home (10 months old and 2 years old), my favorite hobby at the moment may be sleep!

WHAT DO YOU DO TO UNWIND/DE-STRESS?

Running.

WHAT’S OUR FAVORITE RESTAURANT?

Anything local in Rockville! Current go to is Bob’s Shanghai 66 (try the soup dumplings!).