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Immediate Release

Rhoads Elected to Board of Smithfield Preston Foundation

ALEXANDRIA, VA (January 8, 2012). . . . Janie Lewis Rhoads, an attorney with MercerTrigiani law firm, has been elected to serve on the board of directors of the Smithfield Preston Foundation.

The Smithfield Preston Foundation was established to advance the interpretative and programming activities of Smithfield Plantation located in Blacksburg, Virginia. Smithfield was built by Revolutionary War patriot Colonel William Preston and his wife, Susanna Smith Preston, in 1774. A primary goal of the Foundation is to further expand knowledge of William and Susanna Preston and the Preston Family legacy.

An Alexandria resident, Rhoads is a graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University and George Mason University School of Law. Rhoads also is an eighth-generation direct descendant of William and Susanna Preston.

About Smithfield Plantation

The Smithfield home and grounds have been restored to their original state and serve as an historic and cultural center to the surrounding community. Smithfield is the site of many workshops, exhibitions, events, and activities that portray life in the late 18th century along the Blue Ridge frontier of Virginia. For more information, visit www.smithfieldplantation.org.

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