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Navajo President Joe Shirley, Jr.'s, speech published in law review to commemorate founding of Jamestown, Virginia, 400 years ago

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – Navajo Nation President Joe Shirley, Jr., has been published in the *Richmond Law Review's* Jamestown Commemorative issue.

The President's speech, "Native America and the Rule of Law," presented during the University of Richmond School of Law's April 2007 Rule of Law Conference, was published as one of four articles from the four-day conference.

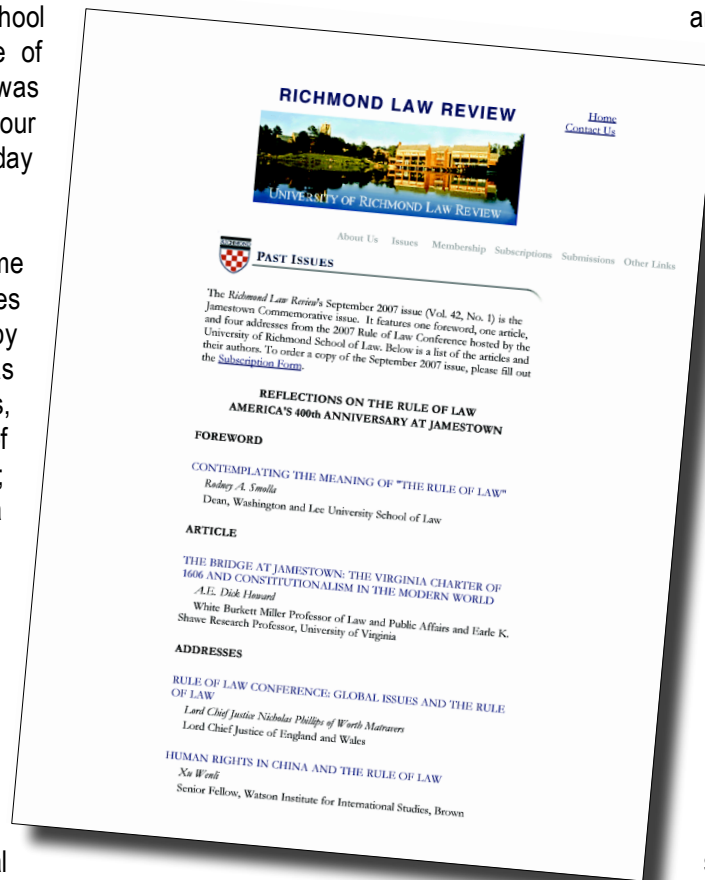
Also published in the same issue was "Global Issues and the Rule of Law" by Lord Chief Justice Nicholas Phillips of Worth Matravers, Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales; "Human Rights in China and the Rule of Law" by Xu Wenli, Senior Fellow at the Watson Institute for International Studies at Brown University; and "Social Justice and the Law" by Elaine R. Jones, the former President and Director-Counsel of the NAACP's Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.

regarded as the first permanent English settlement in what is now the United States, following several earlier failed attempts. It became the first capital of the colony for 92 years, until 1699, when it was relocated to Williamsburg.

Former Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton, and former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Great Britain are honorary chairs of the Democracy Council Series.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor is honorary chair of the America's 400th anniversary.

The University of Richmond School of Law co-sponsored the conference with the Federal Jamestown Commission, the American Inns of Court, the British Inns of Court, the American Arbitration Association, the Virginia Bar Association, the John Marshall Foundation, and others to bring together prominent British and American jurists, legal scholars and practitioners to address the complex issues of the rule of law as it applies to religious freedom, due process, free speech, international dispute resolution and cultural differences.



As part of a national effort to commemorate the founding of the first permanent English settlement, the University of Richmond School of Law hosts the Rule of Law Conference.

Jamestown founded on May 14, 1607. It is located on Jamestown Island in the Virginia Colony. It is commonly

In his article and address, President Shirley discusses the experience of the arrival of foreigners to Native America's shores from the perspective of Native people, and that the rule of law often was not applied to Native people through history.