

Press Release

Recognized for his dedication to the practice of law, service to his profession, and his integrity and civility as a lawyer, Attorney James R. Silvis was awarded the **President's Award for Professionalism** at the Annual Westmoreland Bar Association Membership meeting on April 3, 2017.

The President's Award for Professionalism is not an annual award, but is presented only when the dedication and achievements of a WBA member, who best exemplifies the highest standards of the profession with regard to the practice of law, should be acknowledged.

Attorney Silvis, is a partner in the Greensburg law firm of O'Connell and Silvis, where he practices with John O'Connell and his son, Jim P. Silvis. A Navy JAG officer serving from 1965-68, Mr. Silvis earned his undergraduate degree from St. Vincent College and his law degree from Dickinson School of Law.

In the presentation of the award Mr. Silvis was recognized for the manner that he conducts himself in all situations: with decency and respect. He was credited with exhibiting the highest level of professionalism to which attorneys can aspire.

Mr. Silvis has served his profession locally as Past President of the Westmoreland Bar Association, Past President of the Westmoreland Academy of Trial Lawyers and Past President of Lawyers Abstract. He concentrates his practice in Real estate, wills and estates and mergers and acquisitions.

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