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VIOLA VAUGHAN-EDEN RECEIVES NASW-VA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Viola Vaughan-Eden of Williamsburg, Virginia Receives the National Association of Social Workers - Virginia Chapter 2012 Lifetime Achievement Award in Social Work

NASW VA honors those who are steadfast in their pursuit of professional excellence and commitment to the values of social work. On Saturday March 10, 2012 Viola Vaughan-Eden of Williamsburg, Virginia received the 2012 Lifetime Achievement Award. Mrs. Vaughan-Eden was recognized at the National Association of Social Workers Virginia Chapter 2012 Continuing Education Annual Conference in Richmond, Virginia for her great fortitude and immense effort in the field of social work.

Viola Vaughan-Eden is an experienced and skilled social worker with an established history of serving the best interest of children and families. She advances the social work profession through a variety of settings throughout Virginia as well as nationally and internationally. She is an outstanding and experience practitioner, teacher, and advocate.

A graduate of Norfolk State University, she completed her dissertation on parenting sexually abused children earning a PhD in Social Work from Virginia Commonwealth University.

A founding member of the Child Advocacy Center in Norfolk, representative for the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children on a National Children's Advocacy Center White Paper, member of the Collaborative Divorce Solutions of Tidewater practice group, president-elect of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children Board and executive councilor for the National Organization of Forensic Social Work. In 2010 she was elected to represent the National Organization of Forensic Social Work in Japan, and in 2011 participated in the First Russian-American Child Welfare forum, a historic event in Russia as part of Obama-Medvedev's Bilateral Presidential Commission's Civil Society Working Group.

Viola Vaughan-Eden is a woman who is sensitive enough to be moved by the problems of society and strong enough to confront them head on.

It is the Virginia Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers' great honor to recognize Dr. Vaughan-Eden for her 27 remarkable years of hard work and dedication to the field of social work.

The National Association of Social Workers (NASW) is the largest and most recognized membership organization of professional social workers in the world. Representing 155,000 members from 56 chapters in the United States and abroad, the association promotes, develops and protects the practice of social work and social workers. Virginia Chapter represents more than 3,200 professional social workers.

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