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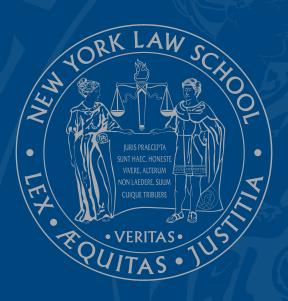
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119th Commencement Exercises
May 13, 2011



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# A Message from the Dean



#### Dear Members of the Class of 2011:

Graduation always stirs emotions: Appreciation for the support of parents, family, and friends; elation at finishing school and the student phase of life; anticipation of unique opportunities, new jobs, and the chance to be a lawyer; anxiety over the unknown challenges ahead and even the known challenges (yes, I know the bar exam looms for most of you!); satisfaction in all that has been accomplished; and joy in the wonderful things you plan to do. Graduates, you now join the ranks of New York Law School alumni, who have been making a real difference in the lives of their clients since the 1890s. You too will use your skills, knowledge, values, and talents to make a difference for those needing your expertise.

When you began your career at New York Law School we started a conversation about values and ideals those you brought with you to school and those we hoped you would develop as a student. Several years later the dialogue has matured: We know that you are fearless and ready to become innovators in your practice. We are confident that you will be consummate professionals with the integrity that marks our graduates. We are proud that you are committed to a more just legal community. The license to practice that you soon will receive requires much from you—ideals, service, commitment to your clients, and devotion to the rule of law. You are certain to embrace such responsibilities with confidence, humility, and grace.

Law teachers often emphasize the intellectual rigor of the path you have chosen. We are tacticians, technical whizzes, learned in the ways of the law. We hope that you share in our enthusiasm for a life of the mind. But, your faculty and staff colleagues also cling to another more emotional side of the life we have chosen—the need to rejoice in the tremendous experiences we have shared over the last few years, the ability to laugh at our foibles, kid each other about our differences, and know that the bonds we share cannot be broken.

Congratulations, Class of 2011. We salute your strength and dedication and welcome you to the ranks of our graduates.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Matasar Dean and President

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Dean Richard A. Matasar, Presiding

PRELUDE Jubilate Deo-Gregor Aichinger

> Contrapunctus—J.S. Bach Quintet #1—Victor Ewald

Class of 2011 VIDEO THANK YOUS

MARSHALS Victoria Eastus, Assistant Dean, Academic Affairs

Oral Hope, Assistant Dean and Registrar

PROCESSIONAL Pomp and Circumstance, No. 1 Op. 39-Sir Edward Elgar

Triumphal March, Aida—Giuseppe Verdi

**GREETINGS** Richard A. Matasar

Dean and President

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM Deena Marie Crimaldi

Class of 2011

INTRODUCTION OF

OLD GUARD

Dean Matasar

REMARKS Arthur N. Abbey '59

Chair, Board of Trustees

AWARDING OF PRIZES Otto L. Walter Distinguished Writing Awards

Presented by Associate Dean Stephen J. Ellmann

**Faculty Awards** 

To be announced

#### AWARDING OF PRIZES (continued)

#### Student Awards

Eirik Cheverud, Day Division

For the article, "Increased Tax Liability Awards After Eshelman:

A Call for Expanded Acceptance Beyond the Realm of

Anti-Discrimination Statutes"

Karen R. Sprung, Evening Division

For the article, "Broadcast v. Broadband? A Survey of the Reallocation

of Broadcast Spectrum for Wireless Broadband"

\*The Finalists for the Trustees' Prize for the Highest Average

Presentation by Associate Dean Carol A. Buckler

Day Division Evening Division Mireille Dee Henry Hutten Christine Elizabeth Garg James Richard Major John Lawrence Marchione Suk-Yin Chan Pasquet Benjamin T. Pendroff David N. Pepper

The Alfred L. Rose Award for Excellence Presentation by Associate Dean Carol A. Buckler Justin Thomas Ashenfelter Christine Elizabeth Garg

The Dean's Award for Student Leadership Presentation by Associate Dean Carol A. Buckler Jose Almanzar Gretchen M. Jenkins Courtney Nicole Patterson Johnny Thomas Vasser Jr.

Class of 2011 Teaching Award Presentation by Megan N. West, Class of 2011, President, Student Bar Association Professor Doni Gewirtzman

STUDENT REMARKS

Joan Virginia O'Hara

<sup>\*</sup> Based on fifth semester grades for Day Division and seventh semester grades for Evening Division students. The final awards will be made after all grades are complete in June, to the student with the highest average in each.

# Order of Exercises (continued)

AWARDING OF Presentation by Arthur N. Abbey '59 PRESIDENT'S MEDAL

Awarded to Harry H. Wellington

Professor of Law and Dean Emeritus, New York Law School

**CONFERRING OF** Doctor of Laws (LL.D.)

HONORARY DEGREE Presentation by Professor Deborah N. Archer

> The Honorable Cory A. Booker Mayor, City of Newark, New Jersey

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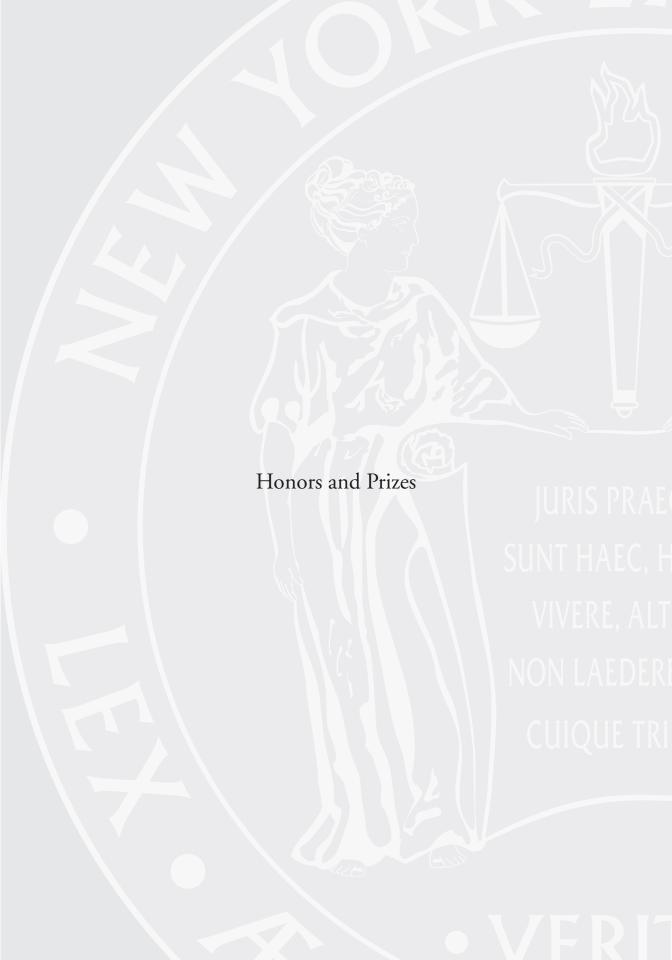
Dean Matasar

**Conferring of Degrees** 

Chairman Abbey

CLOSING REMARKS Dean Matasar

RECESSIONAL Two Voluntaries—Henry Purcell



# Degrees with Honors

#### February 1, 2011

#### Summa Cum Laude

Benjamin Hutten

#### Cum Laude

Marzena Maria Fercz Bradley Gottfried

Scott Lee Kirk Caroline A. McHale

#### May 13, 2011

#### Summa Cum Laude

Michael E. Cirigliano Mireille Dee Christine Elizabeth Garg Eugene Gibilaro

Jennifer Rebecca Harris Henry Hutten John Lawrence Marchione Benjamin T. Pendroff

#### Magna Cum Laude

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american law institute-american bar association (ali-aba) continuing professional education scholarship & leadership award

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chief justice rose e. bird award for motivation in pursuing public interest law

Samantha Pownall

center for new york city law fellowship

Luna Droubi Frank St. Jacques

professor lung-chu chen award for excellence in the field of human rights

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helen & andrew dokas memorial award for excellent achievement

Alan Nikolaisen

professor stephen j. ellmann clinical legal education prize

Bernard E. Mason

faculty award for outstanding service to the new york law school law review

Christine Elizabeth Garg Julie Murray Ravin Patel

the ruben s. fogel commencement award for excellence in constitutional history and death penalty (established in honor of professor robert blecker)

James Richard Major

alexander d. forger award for distinguished service to the profession

Jill Anne Gottfred

media center award for outstanding performance

Karen R. Sprung

the abraham "avi" mund prize for excellence in information technology and the law

Bryan Dolin

national association of women lawyers award

Staesha Orly Rath

new york law school law review award for outstanding editorial contribution

Raymond P. Girnys II Ian Marcus Turetsky-Wasserman

new york law school law review award for best note

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new york law school moot court association best advocate award

Andrew Blancato

new york law school national moot court team

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new york law school moot court award for serving with distinction

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joseph solomon award for excellent character and fitness

Joan Virginia O'Hara Cambridge Q. Peters

ernst c. stiefel writing award for excellence in comparativecommon civil law

Jenna Rose Norys, for her article "The New Faces of U.S. Armed Forces: The Constitution and Private Military Firms"

### Commencement Prizes (to be announced)

These prizes will be awarded after computation of final grades and will be announced on the Law School's Web site.

professor joseph t. arenson award for excellence in wills and decedents' estates

elsberg prize for proficiency in the law of contracts—evening division

sylvia d. garland award for excellence in subjects relating to civil litigation

harry a. gotimer admiralty award for outstanding work in the field of admiralty law

milton s. gould award for proficiency in the law of contracts—day division

professor albert kalter award for excellence in tax law

professor james p. kibbey memorial award for excellence in commercial law

d. george levine memorial award for the highest grade in the law of real property

professor robert r. rosenthal award for excellence in new york practice

professor henry rothblatt award for criminal advocacy

murray stockman memorial award for the highest average in the law of evidence

louis susman memorial award for excellence in the study of the law of evidence

woodrow wilson award for proficiency in constitutional law

henry j. wolff award for proficiency during a full course of study evening division

ross gnesin award for excellence in workers' compensation law

abraham markhoff writing award (for workers' compensation)

new york law school alumni association awards

Professor Vincent Lolordo Award for Excellence in Administration of Criminal Justice

Dr. Max Reich Award for Excellence in Civil Trial Advocacy

Professor Ivan Soubbotitch Award for Excellence in Poverty Law and Civil Rights



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The John Marshall Harlan Scholars honors program is named for New York Law School's alumnus and United States Supreme Court justice who served on the Court from 1955 to 1971. The program offers selected students the opportunity to pursue focused study in a field of law, including directed curricula, scholarship, and other academic projects, through affiliation with one of the Law School's academic centers. We are pleased to acknowledge the Harlan Scholars of the Class of 2011.

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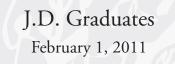
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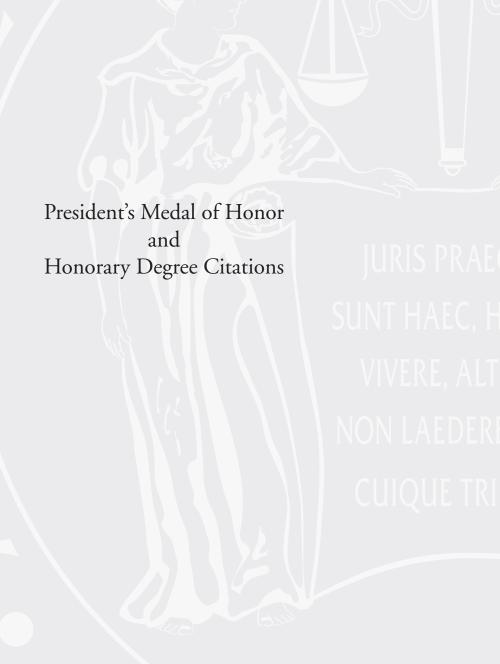
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Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

# Hon. Cory A. Booker

Mayor, City of Newark, New Jersey



The Honorable Cory A. Booker, 41, is the Mayor of Newark, New Jersey. He took the oath of office as Mayor of New Jersey's largest city on July 1, 2006 following a sweeping electoral victory.

Elected with a clear mandate for change, Mayor Booker has begun work on realizing a bold vision for the city. Newark's mission is to set a national standard for urban transformation by marshalling its resources to achieve security, economic abundance, and an environment that is nurturing and empowering for individuals and families.

Mayor Booker and his administration have made meaningful strides towards achieving the city's mission. As of July 1, 2008, Newark, New Jersey led the nation among large cities for reductions in shootings and murders, achieving decreases of more than 40 percent reductions in both categories. Radical transformation of the Newark Police Department under Mayor Booker's leadership, together with the deployment of more than 100 surveillance cameras throughout the city, has led to Newark setting the nationwide pace for crime reduction.

Among other recent notable achievements under Mayor Booker's leadership, the City of Newark has committed to a \$40 million transformation of the city's parks and playgrounds through a groundbreaking public/private partnership. The Booker administration has also doubled affordable housing production.

Mayor Booker's political career began in 1998, after serving as Staff Attorney for the Urban Justice Center in Newark. He rose to prominence as Newark's Central Ward Councilman. During his four years of service from 1998 to 2002, then-Councilman Booker earned a reputation as a leader with innovative ideas and bold actions, from increasing security in public housing to building new playgrounds. This work was the foundation for his leadership as Mayor. For this work, he has been recognized in numerous publications, including, among others, TIME, Esquire, New Jersey Monthly (naming him as one of New Jersey's top 40 under 40), Black Enterprise (naming him to the Hot List, America's Most Powerful Players under 40) and The New York Times Magazine.

Reflecting his commitment to education, Mayor Booker is a member of numerous boards and advisory committees including Democrats for Education Reform, Columbia University Teachers' College Board of Trustees, and the Black Alliance for Educational Options. Mayor Booker received his B.A. and M.A. from Stanford University, a B.A. in Modern History at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar, and completed his law degree at Yale University.

For your outstanding accomplishments and influence in the field of law, New York Law School takes great pride in awarding you, Hon. Cory A. Booker, the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, with all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities thereunto appertaining.

President's Medal of Honor

# Harry H. Wellington

Professor of Law and Dean Emeritus, New York Law School



Harry H. Wellington led New York Law School as President, Dean, and Professor of Law for eight years beginning on July 1, 1992. On that date, the former Dean of Yale Law School was also made a Sterling Professor Emeritus of Law at Yale University. He has since become Dean Emeritus of New York Law School and retired from the faculty, after a total of 51 years teaching law.

Born in New Haven, Connecticut, Dean Wellington received his undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania and his law degree from Harvard. Upon graduation from Harvard, he clerked for United

States Circuit Judge Calvert Magruder and later for United States Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter.

Dean Wellington's academic career began at Stanford Law School where he taught for one year. He then joined the faculty at Yale Law School where he flourished as a scholar and teacher, and where he served as Dean from 1975 to 1985. In 1983, he was named Sterling Professor of Law. While at Yale, Dean Wellington served as a consultant to domestic and foreign government agencies and commissions and was actively involved in bar association committees concerned with law reform.

After working originally in the area of contracts, Dean Wellington moved into labor law. In recent years, he has turned increasingly to Constitutional law and legal theory and has lectured at numerous institutions in the U.S. and abroad.

In 1992, upon his retirement from the Yale faculty, Dean Wellington made an extraordinary move, joining the faculty at New York Law School to lead it as President and Dean. "At first, I said no, and when they asked me why, I told them that being a tenured professor at Yale Law School was the next best thing to being born rich," he recalls. "But as I thought about the opportunity to help this place that I had come to love, I changed my mind."

As Dean, Wellington had a major impact on the image and reputation of New York Law School, by putting together and overseeing a first-rate faculty, whose well-established scholarship continues to earn respect and admiration from the legal community. He remained Dean of New York Law School for eight years until 2000, and in 2007, he retired from teaching. He continues to serve on the Law School's Board of Trustees.

During his distinguished career, Dean Wellington's numerous writings on legal process have earned him a reputation as a scholar whose nuance and subtle style, just as in his teaching and lecturing, serve to illuminate complex issues and to make them completely comprehensible.

Dean Wellington holds appointments in several learned societies, including the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Law Institute. He has been a Ford and Guggenheim Fellow, and a Senior Fellow of the Brookings Institution. He has served as a member of the Board of Overseers of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania, and has been a member of the Board of Governors of Yale University Press and Chair of its Committee on Publications. Dean Wellington has taught in the Aspen Institute's Executive Seminar Program, and has been a visiting professor at many distinguished faculties both in the U.S. and abroad.

New York Law School honors Harry H. Wellington for his inspiring leadership, his unswerving dedication to the rule of law, and his devotion to teaching and to the legal profession.

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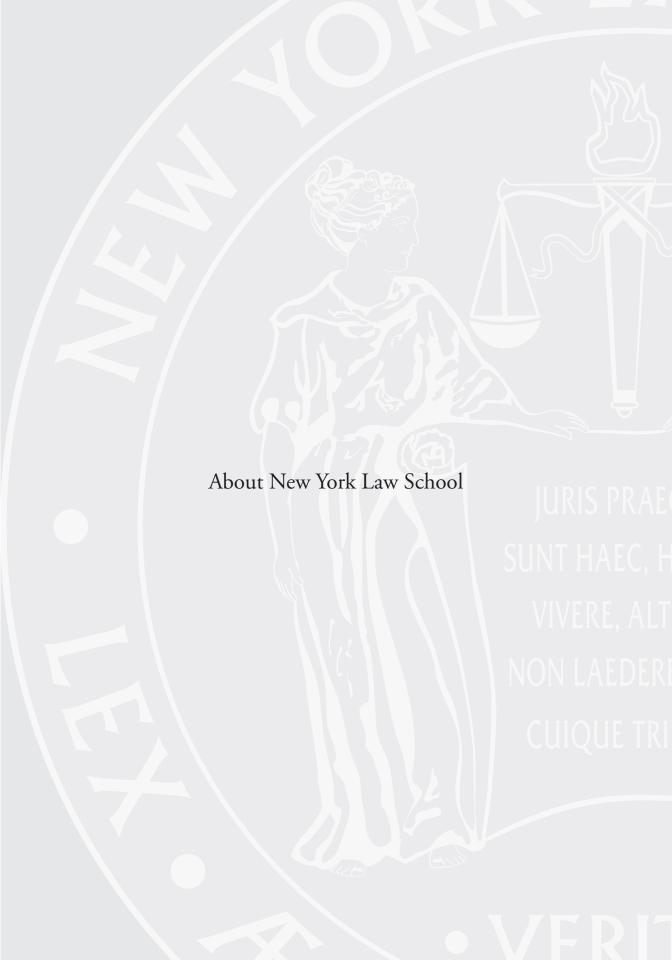
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### About New York Law School

Learn law. Take action.

#### FOUNDING

New York Law School was established in 1891 by Columbia College School of Law faculty, students, and alumni who were protesting their trustees' attempts to dictate the teaching methods used by professors. The central figure in the revolt against Columbia and the subsequent creation of New York Law School was Columbia Law School's founder, Theodore Dwight, a major figure in the history of American legal scholarship.

#### THE EARLY YEARS

Almost immediately, New York Law School attained a formidable reputation due to the excellence of its students and faculty.

From its beginning, New York Law School has been dedicated to providing diverse routes to achievement through innovation in scholarship, service, and professional training. By 1904, New York Law School was the largest law school in the country. That year, the School's founders created one of the nation's first evening divisions to provide a flexible alternative to full-time legal education for those in the workforce or with family obligations. The Evening Division also allowed students to build upon previously established successful careers or to begin a second career.

Among the Law School's early lecturers were Woodrow Wilson and Charles Evans Hughes. The first class included James W. Gerard, who went on to serve as Ambassador to Germany during World War I; and Bainbridge Colby, who became Secretary of State under President Wilson. Other early graduates included Robert F. Wagner, a future U.S. senator from New York and a leader in developing national labor policy; and two Pulitzer Prize winners: Wallace Stevens (poetry) and Elmer Rice (drama). Another prominent alumnus from the pre-World War I era was the Honorable James S. Watson, a distinguished judge and an important member of New York's African American community. The judge's daughter, Barbara Watson, also attended the Law School and was the first woman to attain the rank of Assistant Secretary of State of the United States.

Many of those attending at the beginning of this century became founders or name partners of leading law firms, including Alfred Rose of Proskauer, Rose,

Goetz & Mendelsohn; Henry Hurlbut Abbott of Breed, Abbott & Morgan; Edwin Sunderland of Davis, Polk, Wardwell, Sunderland & Kiendel; William Parke of Chadbourne & Parke LLP; Alfred Mudge of Mudge, Rose, Guthrie & Alexander; Jacob Scholer of Kaye Scholer LLP; and Albert Milbank and Walter Hope of Milbank, Tweed, Hope & Hadley.

Classes of the 1920s and 1930s produced graduates who would play a leading role in the profession. Among the most notable was U.S. Supreme Court Justice John Marshall Harlan. Other prominent graduates included Albert Parker, a founding partner of Parker, Chapin, Flattau & Klimpl; Randolph E. Paul and John F. Wharton, founding partners of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison; Cameron F. MacRae, a former chairman of LeBoeuf, Lamb, Greene & MacRae; Chester Carlson, who invented the xerography process leading to the founding of Xerox Corporation; and Justice Emilio Nuñez, the first Latino to be named to the bench in New York State.

New York Law School closed for one year during World War I, interrupting a steady expansion that had lasted until the mid-1920s. While the situation improved by the 1ate 1930s, the draft in 1940 dealt the institution another blow when the Law School was forced to close in 1941 for the duration of World War II.

#### POST-WAR REBUILDING

In 1947, New York Law School reopened and began to rebuild. A major impetus came from graduates who formed a committee spearheaded by New York State Supreme Court Justice Albert Cohn. The new program was small, but the Law School made significant strides and gained accreditation from the American Bar Association in 1954.

Steady growth marked the next few decades. With the appointment of E. Donald Shapiro as Dean in the early 1970s, the Law School joined the Association of American Law Schools and the trustees authorized an increase in the size of the full-time faculty. Admissions requirements were raised and enrollment grew. As facilities expanded, an endowment fund was established. In 1975, the School received its first endowed professorship, the Joseph Solomon Distinguished

Professorship of Law. The School's first center for specialized study, the Communications Media Center (now the Media Center), opened in 1977.

Many graduates who were students during these years achieved prominence in the bar, the judiciary, government, and business. They include the Honorable Roger J. Miner, Senior Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; Maurice Greenberg, former Chairman and CEO of American International Group (AIG) and current Chairman and CEO of C.V. Starr and Co., Inc.; Bernard Mendik, former Chairman of the Real Estate Board of New York and former CEO of Mendik Properties; Arthur N. Abbey, Senior Partner at Abbey Spanier Rodd & Abrams, LLP and current Chairman of the Law School's Board of Trustees; Lawrence S. Huntington, former Chairman and CEO of Fiduciary Trust International and former Chairman of the Law School's Board of Trustees; Hon. Judith Sheindlin "Judge Judy," New York family court judge, author, and TV personality; Zygmunt Wilf, principal owner of the Minnesota Vikings of the NFL; Kenneth D. Werner, President of Warner Brothers Domestic Television Distribution; and Kathleen Grimm, Deputy Chancellor for Administration and Finance, New York City Department of Education.

#### GROWTH AND REVITALIZATION

Dramatic growth and revitalization continued under the leadership of James F. Simon, Dean from 1983 until 1992. A series of major facility renovations were begun, highlighted by the opening of the Mendik Library in 1990. This was followed by the construction of the Samuel and Ethel LeFrak Moot Court Room, the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room, and the Shepard and Ruth K. Broad Student Center. An extensive remodeling and modernization program transformed the Law School's classrooms, offices, and specialty training areas. During Dean Simon's tenure, the Rita and Joseph Solomon Professorship of Wills, Trusts, and Estates was added, and the Law School introduced the innovative Lawyering Skills Program into the curriculum.

In 1992, Harry H. Wellington, Sterling Professor of Law Emeritus and former dean of Yale Law School, became the 14th dean and president of New York Law School. Under Dean Wellington's dynamic leadership, a strategic plan was implemented to position New York Law School as a vital urban law center with an academic program that integrates the strategic and ethical perspectives of the practicing attorney. Dean Wellington broadened the Law School's curriculum to increase emphasis on the development of professional skills.

During Dean Wellington's tenure, the Ernst C. Stiefel Professorship of Comparative Law was created.

#### THE PRESENT AND OUR SHARED FUTURE

Richard A. Matasar, a nationally recognized scholar in civil procedure and federal jurisdiction, was named the 15th President and Dean of New York Law School in 2000.

Almost immediately, Dean Matasar led a comprehensive, collegial self-evaluation process involving all members of the New York Law School community in an exercise that sharpened the definition of its goals. The School articulated a mission statement centered on three goals that focus its approach to legal education:

- Embrace innovation.
- Foster integrity and professionalism.
- Advance justice for a diverse society.

On this principled foundation, the Law School created a plan for its future to strengthen skills and values education for its students.

The words "Learn law. Take action." express the Law School's commitment to teach students to use the skills and knowledge they acquire as lawyers to do something valuable for others. By fostering an internal culture that embraces innovation and creativity, the Law School encourages students to develop the ability to adapt to new situations as they arise, to modify their behavior when change requires it, and to graduate with a commitment to a lifetime of learning. Through an extensive program for professional development, with an emphasis on integrity and professionalism, the faculty and staff engage students in the ongoing improvement of the legal profession.

#### REINVIGORATING THE CURRICULUM

The faculty has adopted a new curricular approach, grounded on a strong J.D. curriculum, to provide

students with different avenues for academic success. Dubbed "The Right Program for Each Student," this new approach acknowledges that different practice settings require differing levels of training. For example, students working in larger organizations with extensive in-house training programs have less need for hands-on training than those who will open a solo practice. Those in larger organizations may need training in a specialized area, while those in general practice settings may need more breadth and less specialized expertise.

The faculty approved and implemented several new initiatives that together comprise The Right Program for Each Student:

- · The John Marshall Harlan Scholars Program, a world-class academic honors program named after New York Law School's alumnus and the United States Supreme Court justice who served on the Court from 1955 to 1971. The program is geared toward students who perform in the top 15 percent of their law school class. Eligible students affiliate with one of the School's nine academic centers, create sophisticated capstone projects, and upon graduation, write their own tickets for the careers of their dreams.
- The Comprehensive Curriculum Program provides intensive support for students who perform in the bottom quarter of their class after the first year, helping them turn a weak start into a powerful finish. The first three groups to complete CCP have given the Law School its highest bar passage rates for first-time takers on record—hitting 93.6 percent in 2008, placing the School in the top five of all law schools in New York state.
- The School is also perfecting an approach to supporting the middle segment of the student population. Starting with the first-year curriculum, the School's overall program is being revised to more accurately reflect the knowledge and skills students need to succeed in today's marketplace. Our approach is based on collaborative learning and provides students with opportunities to work directly with professors on real-world projects.

#### GROWTH AND STRENGTH OF ACADEMIC CENTERS

The School's academic centers, led by members of the faculty, continue to be developed to maximize the effectiveness of faculty research and scholarly endeavors, teaching, and activism, and to increase opportunities for students to engage in important policy issues. The centers complement course work in civil rights, international human rights, international trade and finance, constitutional law, urban legal studies, information law and policy, real estate, finance, and professional values and practice. Nine academic centers, described below, play an integral role in the Harlan Scholars honors program.

#### Center on Business Law & Policy

Established in 2005, the Center on Business Law & Policy is designed to provide an enriched educational experience in the business, securities, and commercial law areas. Students are trained to excel as planners and counselors in general advising, litigation, and especially deal-making situations where businesses and other commercial entities are clients. Center graduates will have a firm grounding in the fundamentals needed to enter business-oriented law firms, law departments in corporations, investment banks, financial services and brokerage firms, institutional investors, as well as regulators and other commercially oriented governmental offices.

#### Center on Financial Services Law

The Center on Financial Services Law began offering programs in fall 2008. The Center's long-range plan includes developing job opportunities in the financial services industry for students and alumni, providing a forum for discussing regulatory reforms, and creating new educational programs for industry legal and business professionals.

#### Center for International Law

In 1996, aided by a grant from the C.V. Starr Foundation, the School created the Center for International Law. The Center supports teaching and research in all areas of international law but concentrates on the law of international trade and finance, deriving much of its strength from interaction with New York's business, commercial, financial, and legal communities.

The Center sponsors events such as the prestigious C.V. Starr Lectures and the Otto L. Walter Lecture Series, which regularly bring world-renowned speakers to the Law School. It also provides extensive resources for researching careers in international law.

#### Center for New York City Law

Established in 1993, the Center for New York City Law is the only program of its kind in the country. Its objectives are to gather and disseminate information about New York City's laws, rules, and procedures; to sponsor publications, symposia, and conferences on topics related to governing the city; and to suggest reforms to make city government more effective and efficient. The Center produces several publications, including CityLaw, which tracks New York City's rules and regulations, how they are enforced, and court challenges to them; and CityLand, which reports decisions from the New York City land use agencies.

#### Center for Professional Values and Practice

The Center for Professional Values and Practice provides a vehicle through which to examine the role of the legal profession and approaches to law practice. The Center's work supports research and teaching on the legal profession, focusing on the dynamics of professional regulation, the market for lawyers, and lawyers' careers. Designed to provide students with an in-depth portrait of law practice in a variety of settings, the Center sponsors research, symposia, and speakers to bring the "real world" of practice to the classroom.

#### Center for Real Estate Studies

The Center for Real Estate Studies provides students with a unique educational opportunity to study both the private practice and public regulation of real estate. Launched in 2007, the Center offers an extensive selection of classroom courses, advanced seminars, and independent study projects, as well as externships in governmental offices and real estate firms. It also sponsors conferences, symposia, and continuing legal education programs on a broad spectrum of issues for New York's real estate community. The Center aims to bridge the existing gap between the private practice and academic study of real estate, and is one of the premier research centers in the country for the study of real estate.

#### Diane Abbey Law Center for Children and Families

The Diane Abbey Law Center for Children and Families exists to ensure that children and the families who care for them receive the legal assistance they need to remain safe and secure, and to thrive. Founded in 2009, the Center combines a comprehensive curriculum aimed at creating excellent practitioners able to represent children and families in all aspects of family law. The Center approach is holistic and interdisciplinary, recognizing that assisting families requires a basic understanding not merely of law, but also social work, psychology, and other fields. Center members engage in volunteer externships, work with alumni mentors, and complete capstone projects that make concrete contributions to the lives of families in need. The Center not only prepares graduates for successful careers, but also helps give New York's children and families the support they need.

#### Institute for Information Law & Policy

Established in 2003, the Institute for Information Law & Policy is home to the study of information, communication, and law in the global digital age. The goal of the Institute is to apply the theory and technology of communications and information to strengthening democratic institutions and the rule of law as technology evolves. Through its curriculum, ongoing conference and speaker series, and a variety of original projects, the Institute investigates the emerging field of information law, which encompasses intellectual property, privacy, free speech, information access, communications, and all areas of law pertaining to information and communication practices.

#### **Justice Action Center**

The Justice Action Center brings together New York Law School faculty and students in an ongoing critical evaluation of public interest lawyering. Through scholarship and fieldwork, the Center seeks to evaluate the efficacy of law as an agent of change and social betterment. Through a focused curriculum, symposia, clinical experience, and research opportunities, the Center seeks to instill in students a deeper intellectual understanding of the law regardless of their final career goals, and to present opportunities to maintain their ties to the social justice community beyond law school.

In 2006, the School's Labor & Employment Law **Program** became part of the Justice Action Center. Ever since New York Law School alumnus Senator Robert F. Wagner—the "legislative pilot of the New Deal" wrote and led the fight to enact the National Labor Relations Act, New York Law School has remained on the cutting edge of labor and employment law and public policy. In the tradition of Senator Wagner, New York Law School's Labor & Employment Law Program seeks to advance and influence law and public policy with an action-oriented, public-interested agenda.

### ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS Lawyering Skills Center

The Lawyering Skills Center was established in 1991 to bring under one heading all of the New York Law School clinical and skills courses: clinics where students represent or work with actual clients under the direct supervision of full-time faculty or attorneys; externships where students are placed in the offices of practicing attorneys or in judicial chambers; and simulation courses where students interact with actors or others in a variety of lawyering situations. Since 1991, all of these forms of experiential learning have increased significantly and are now an integral part of the New York Law School curriculum.

#### Media Center

The Media Center is the School's home for the study of telecommunications, media, and new media law and policy. One of the oldest and most extensive programs of its kind, it was established in 1977 in response to the explosive growth of communication technologies. The Center sponsors pedagogy, scholarship, and projects relating to the intersection between evolving communication and information technologies and the laws that regulate them. The Center has three goals: to promote scholarship, to preserve democratic values through effective media policy, and to train media-savvy lawyers who understand the law of media and the role of media in the law.

#### Program in Law and Journalism

The Program in Law and Journalism is home to the study of the relationship between and among law, lawyers, the media, and the public. The Program is affiliated with the Institute for Information Law &

Policy. The Program hosts seminars, panels, and colloquia for practicing journalists on legal issues raised by newsgathering activities, for lawyers on the ethics and practicalities of dealing with the media, for academics on issues at the intersection of law and journalism, and for the general public on the role of lawyers in media and the influence of the media on lawyering.

### ADDITIONAL DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation

In 2003, the Law School began offering the Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation, becoming one of the only law schools in the New York City area to offer this advanced training to tax attorneys. The program enables students to increase their mastery of tax law and refine their practice skills in order to better serve clients and communities.

#### Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Real Estate

In January 2009, the Law School began offering the Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Real Estate. The program provides students with a thorough grounding in the law, business, and regulation of real estate transactions, finance, and development.

#### Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Financial Services Law

In fall 2009, the Law School began offering the Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Financial Services Law. The program provides students with knowledge and expertise in the law, business, and regulation of the global financial services industry.

#### Online Mental Disability Law Program

The School's Online Mental Disability Law Program welcomes J.D. students as well as professionals who work with, or on behalf of, people with disabilities. It is the only program of its kind presented by an ABAapproved law school. Each of the current 13 courses comprising the curriculum is delivered to students through the convenience of distance education. In January 2009, the program expanded from offering courses on an individual basis to offering a Master of Arts (M.A.) in Mental Disability Law Studies and a Certificate in Advanced Mental Disability Law Studies.

#### Patent Law Program

The Institute for Information Law & Policy offers the Patent Law Program to provide students with the opportunity to develop greater expertise and experience in patent law. Students who are eligible, as determined by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, also sit for the exam for admission to the Patent Bar prior to graduation.

#### Certificate of Mastery in Law Practice Technology

The Institute for Information Law & Policy offers a Certificate of Mastery in Law Practice Technology to demonstrate to potential employers that the student awarded the certificate is unusually qualified with respect to understanding and use of technologies employed in law practice. It is also designed to encourage students to contribute to the Institute's efforts to develop innovative legal technology applications and to better understand the potential impact of technology on law and legal institutions.

#### **Public Service Certificate**

The Office of Professional Development offers a Public Service Certificate. Certificates will be issued to graduating students who have performed at least 40 hours of voluntary service while at law school, or who have a combination of at least 30 hours of voluntary service and have another 30 hours of public interest work done through a work-study placement, clinic, or externship. The names of certificate recipients will be listed in the commencement program, and a notation will be placed on the student's transcript, indicating that the student earned a Public Service Certificate.

#### POISED FOR SUCCESS

New York Law School is poised for continued success. Its vitality springs from the dedication of its stellar faculty, the talent and energy of its students, and the strong support and commitment of its graduates.

The Law School's distinguished full-time faculty comprises productive scholars who are dedicated educators. Some of the nation's most prominent scholars from other law schools also have served as visiting professors. Student enrollment has remained at a level of almost 1,500 students in the Day and Evening Divisions.

Government leaders and judges from the United States and abroad often speak at or visit the Law School. These have included former President Jimmy Carter; Justices of the Supreme Court Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Harry A. Blackmun, William J. Brennan Jr., Antonin Scalia, Clarence Thomas, and Sandra Day O'Connor; former New York State Governor Mario Cuomo; former New York City Mayors Edward I. Koch, David N. Dinkins, Rudolph W. Giuliani and current Mayor Michael Bloomberg; Drew S. Days III, U.S. Solicitor General; Thomas Pickering, former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations; and Chief Prosecutor Luis Moreno Ocampo of the International Criminal Court.

The School's success as a center for intellectual and cultural exchange will continue to grow with its new state-of-the-art academic building, which opened in spring 2009. In August 2006, New York Law School broke ground on a \$190 million expansion and renovation program that has transformed its TriBeCa campus into a cohesive architectural complex nearly double its former size. The centerpiece of the expansion is a new glass-enclosed, 235,000-square-foot, nine-level building—five stories above ground and four below—that integrates with the School's existing three buildings. The new facility will allow New York Law School to enhance student support, expand the faculty, and deepen its extraordinary program.

# The Tradition of Academic Attire and the Symbols of New York Law School

Academic dress and graduation date back to the 12th century at the formation of early universities in Europe. Historians believe that academic dress originated when scholars, who were largely clerics or aspiring clerics, wore long robes and hoods to keep warm in unheated buildings. From these practical origins, the gowns, hoods, and caps have developed into the accepted attire that symbolizes scholarly achievement. Over time, colleges and universities have customized the ensemble to reflect their schools' unique symbols of visual identity such as the seal, school colors, and additional adornments that become part of their commencement

Faculty members, staff, and guests in today's procession are robed in the gowns appropriate to their highest degrees earned, and their hoods carry the distinctive colors of the institutions from which they received those degrees. Differences in the doctoral, master's, and baccalaureate gowns are illustrated below.







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#### Gowns

Our graduating students in both the J.D. and LL.M. degree programs process with the traditional doctoral gown with bell-shaped sleeves. The gowns have three velvet stripes on the sleeves and velvet panels on the front and neck. Our graduating students in the M.A. degree program process with the master's robe with oblong sleeves that are square cut at the rear part of oblong shape and have an arc cut away at the front part with a slit for the wrist opening.

#### Hoods



Grey Light Blue

The hoods, designed with the Law School's official colors, blue and gray, are worn draped over the shoulders with the lining exposed on the back of the gown. The satin lining comprises a gray chevron on a blue background. The velvet border on the hood is of a prescribed width and color-purple for the field of law, and white for the M.A. degree.

According to historians, academic caps were adopted for this use by the church in 1311 and are based on a closefitting cap worn by the ancient Romans. There are two styles of caps: the Oxford, a stiff mortarboard; and the Cambridge, a beret-like soft cap. Our J.D. and LL.M. students process with the Cambridge caps made of velvet and with gold tassels, as befits the doctoral degree, and our M.A. students process with the Cambridge caps as well, but with black tassels appropriate for a Master of Arts degree.

#### Fourragères



Introduced as a new component of our academic attire in 2005, the fourragères are symbols of academic achievement worn on top of the gown on the left shoulder by the candidates for the post-graduate degree of Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation.

The Law School's seal dates to the School's founding in 1891. It is used on all documents related to academic matters such as the diploma, certificates, and all publications and other print items related to commencement. In the center scroll depicted on the seal are inscribed the words of the juris praecepta of the Justinian Code: Juris praecepta sunt haec: honeste vivere, alterum non laedere, suum cuique tribuere (The precepts of law are these: to live honestly, not to injure anyone, and to render to each person what is due.)









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