

6-1-2018

2018 Commencement Program

New York Law School

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.nyls.edu/commencement_progs

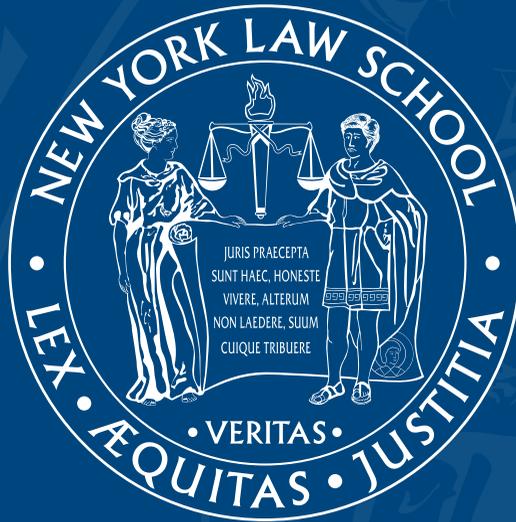


Part of the [Higher Education Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Law School, New York, "2018 Commencement Program" (2018). *Commencement Programs*. 12.
https://digitalcommons.nyls.edu/commencement_progs/12

This Journal is brought to you for free and open access by the NYLS Publications at DigitalCommons@NYLS. It has been accepted for inclusion in Commencement Programs by an authorized administrator of DigitalCommons@NYLS.



126TH COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

June 1, 2018

CONTENTS

A Message From the Dean	3
Board of Trustees	4
Full-Time Faculty and Instructional Staff.....	5
Adjunct Faculty.....	6
Order of Exercises	7
Honors and Prizes.....	11
Degrees With Honors	
Commencement Prizes	
Recognition.....	17
Two-Year J.D. Honors Program Graduates	
John Marshall Harlan Scholars	
Academic Center Associates	
New York Law School Law Review	
Dispute Resolution Team	
Moot Court Association	
Trial Competition Team	
Dean’s Leadership Council	
Advocacy Program Certificates	
Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program Certificates	
Pro Bono Scholars	
The Graduating Class.....	32
LL.M. in Taxation Candidates—June 1, 2018 and September 1, 2018	
J.D. Graduates—February 1, 2018	
J.D. Candidates—June 1, 2018 and September 1, 2018	
Honorary Degree, President’s Medal, and Kathleen Grimm Medal Recipients	38
The Honorable Stephen G. Breyer, Honorary Degree Recipient	
Alex Dimitrief, Honorary Degree Recipient	
Stephen J. Ellmann, President’s Medal Recipient	
Christina M. Storm ’77, President’s Medal Recipient	
Monique Baptist, Kathleen Grimm Medal Recipient	
Neldra M. Zeigler ’79, Kathleen Grimm Medal Recipient	
Douglas Zeigler ’81, Kathleen Grimm Medal Recipient	
Honorary Degree Recipients (1955–Present)	
President’s Medal Recipients (2002–Present)	
Kathleen Grimm Medal Recipients (2015–Present)	
In Memoriam.....	51
About New York Law School.....	53
The Tradition of Academic Attire and the Symbols of New York Law School	59

The audience is requested to remain seated during the processional, to stand for the singing of the National Anthem, and to remain in place at the conclusion of the Commencement exercises until the recessional is concluded. Please refrain from using cell phones during the Commencement exercises. The event is being recorded, and the video will be made available via www.youtube.com/nyls.



NEW
YORK
UNIVERSITY

JURIS PR
SUNT HAE
VIVERE,
NON LAED
CUIQUE

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Dear Members of the Class of 2018:

On behalf of the New York Law School Board of Trustees and Faculty, congratulations on reaching this extraordinary moment in your lives and in the life of the School. I am honored to have served as your Dean. I've proudly watched you become active members of our community, challenge yourselves with hard work, and advocate for others. Now, you join the ranks of our distinguished alumni.

The role of lawyers has never been more paramount. You are joining a diverse profession whose work is essential to every aspect of a free, democratic, and just society. The world we live in today presents new opportunities and challenges to use your legal training to protect the rights of others, build the global economy of tomorrow, and guide the advancement of new technologies. It is thus fitting that we gather today in Carnegie Hall, an icon of the ambition and excellence for which New York City is known.

Never doubt that New York Law School will be by your side as you grow professionally. As you've heard me say, an engaged Law School community is a happy, strong, and successful one. Our goal has been to make you feel that you are part of a family and that we are partners in this endeavor. During your time as a student, that meant providing the most supportive and effective learning environment possible. Now that you are a graduate, we will remain your partner, your ally, and your champion.

The study of law is not easy, nor is it supposed to be. It is not a luxury, but a privilege. Because of New York Law School, because of your drive, because of the support of our community, and your family and friends, you are ready for your new journey. The benefits of your labor will be realized over a rewarding lifelong career. But take nothing for granted; leave nothing to chance. Make focus, preparation, and hard work your priorities. Be present and accountable in every moment you are called on for your knowledge and leadership. Your clients, your colleagues, your family and friends, and you deserve no less.

No matter where you go, continue to draw on this great city as a source of inspiration that both shares and shapes our values: diversity, opportunity, professionalism, integrity, empathy, service to others, leadership, innovation, and—of course—the drive and ambition to be the very best. That's what makes us *New York's law school*.

Congratulations!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anthony W. Crowell". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Anthony W. Crowell
Dean and President, Professor of Law

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Officers

Arthur N. Abbey '59
Chair of the Board

Gerald C. Crotty '76
Vice Chair of the Board

Jeffrey D. Knowles '75
Vice Chair of the Board

Hon. Ernst H. Rosenberger '58
Vice Chair of the Board

Anthony W. Crowell
Dean and President, Professor of Law

Trustees

Dr. Vincent A. Carbonell '00

Alan W. Clark '77

David B. Cornstein

Michael A. Costa '81

John E. Estes '95

Lawrence N. Field '63

Susan Hinkson '98, LL.M. '12

Meryl Fiedler Lieberman '81

John D. McMahon '76

Susan Mendik

Emerson S. Moore II '99

Ross F. Moskowitz '84

Steven E. Pegalis '65

Charles E. Phillips Jr. '93

Joe Plumeri '15 (Hon.)

Paul L. Porretta '95

Norman Radow '81

John J. Reddy Jr. '79

Cynthia G. Senko Rosicki '86

Alan J. Schnurman '71

Sybil Shainwald '76

Errol B. Taylor '87

Hon. Marc J. Whiten '84

Zygmunt "Zygi" Wilf '74

Trustees Emeriti

Anthony A. Capetola '70

Alexander D. Forger

Maurice R. Greenberg '50

Ronald LaBow '62

Howard M. Lorber

Howard Nottingham

Andrew Penson '84

Robert J. Raymond '94

James D. Zirin

Officers of Administration

Anthony W. Crowell, B.A., J.D. *Dean and President, Professor of Law*

Jeff Becherer, B.A., J.D. *Associate Dean for Admissions and Professional Development*

Camille Broussard, B.S., J.D., M.L.S. *Director of the Library, Associate Dean for Information Services, and Professor of Law*

Ella Mae Estrada, B.A. *Associate Dean for Enrollment Management, Financial Aid, and Diversity Initiatives*

Joan Fishman, B.A., M.A. *Associate Dean for Institutional Accountability*

Doni Gewirtzman, B.A., J.D. and Rebecca Roiphe, B.A., J.D., Ph.D. *Co-Deans for Faculty Scholarship and Professors of Law*

Marcey L. Grigsby '06, B.A., J.D. *Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Chief Development Officer*

Stuart A. Klein, B.S. *Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

William P. LaPiana, B.A., M.A., J.D., Ph.D. *Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Student Life and Professor of Law*

FULL-TIME FACULTY AND INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

2017–18

Susan J. Abraham
Alan I. Appel '76
Deborah N. Archer
Melynda H. Barnhart
Richard C.E. Beck
Tamara C. Belinfanti
Lenni B. Benson
Robert Blecker
Lloyd Bonfield
Frank A. Bress
Camille Broussard
Carol A. Buckler
Kirk D. Burkhalter '04
David Chang
Richard Chused
Anna G. Cominsky '05
Anthony W. Crowell
Catharine L. Du Bois
Victoria Eastus
Stephen J. Ellmann
Stacy-Ann Elvy
Ronald H. Filler
Akilah N. Folami
Kris Franklin
Doni Gewirtzman
Anne Goldstein
Brandt Goldstein
Lisa F. Grumet
Jeffrey J. Haas
Carolyn L. Hasselmann
Kim Hawkins
Martha R. Hochberger
Mariana Hogan
Sandra K. Janin '75
Gerald Korngold
William P. LaPiana
Arthur S. Leonard
Richard D. Marsico
Michael T. McCarthy
Cynara Hermes McQuillan '03

Howard S. Meyers
William R. Mills
Frank W. Munger
Edward A. Purcell Jr.
Michael H. Roffer '83
Rebecca Roiphe
Ross Sandler
Houman B. Shadab
Jacob S. Sherkow
Richard K. Sherwin
Faith Stevelman
Nadine Strossen
Lynn Boepple Su
Ruti G. Teitel
Ann F. Thomas
Marshall E. Tracht
Ari Ezra Waldman
Daniel A. Warshawsky
Michelle Zierler

Faculty Emeriti

James Brook
Eugene Cerruti
Lung-chu Chen
Sydney M. Cone III
Aleta G. Estreicher
B. James George Jr.
Lawrence M. Grosberg
Randolph N. Jonakait
Kim M. Lang
Jethro K. Lieberman
Richard A. Matasar
Carlin Meyer
Stephen A. Newman
Michael L. Perlin
Joyce D. Saltalamachia
David Schoenbrod
James F. Simon
Michael B.W. Sinclair

ADJUNCT FACULTY

2017–18

Distinguished Adjuncts

Adele Bernhard
R.B. Bernstein
David M. Epstein
James Hagy
Lawrence Lederman
F. Peter Phillips '87
Andrew Scherer
Peter J. Strauss

Adjuncts

Daniel S. Abraham '99
Whitney P. Ames
Astrid F. Andre
Andrew D. Appleby
Barry W. Appleton
Karen Artz Ash '80
Heather Y. Axford
Ann Schofield Baker '97
Dr. John S. Baker
John Barrie
Robert M. Baum
Marc S. Bekerman
Christopher G. Binns '12
Rosalind Black
Erin F. Bond '08
Richard R. Buery Jr.
Heather M. Butts
Pamela J. Campbell
Raymond R. Castello
Hon. Margaret L. Clancy
Berwin Cohen '99
Louise E. Cohen
Julia Ann Cort
Heather Cucolo '03
Elizabeth R. Dambriunas '85
Lisa J. Del Pizzo
David N. Dorfman
Joanne Doroshov
Donna B. Dougherty
Hon. Richard K. Eaton
Hannah V. Faddis '10
Lawrence S. Feld
David L. Filer
Hon. Robert J. Firestone '90
Cary S. Fischer '99
David M. Fish '96
Genesis R. Fisher

Joseph M. Forgione
Richard I. Friedman
Dawn M. Gagliardi
Hon. Paul G. Gardephe
Joseph J. Giamboi
Howard Goldman
Linda A. Goldman '84
Scott W. Golenbock
Hon. Leo M. Gordon
Charles Guria '86
Adam S. Herbst
Sarah H. Hines
Thomas J. Honan
Mona Houck '04
Rhonnie Jaus
Nina Jody '83
Caitlin S. Johnson
Bryan C. Johnson-Xenitelis '08
Jason D. Jones
Larken S. Kade
Jarred I. Kassenoff
Brian J. Kaszuba '04
Peter A. Kempner
Hon. Diane Kiesel
Monica E. Kipiniak
Michael Kliegman
Dean W.M. Leslie
Ian L. Levin
John E. Lewis
Stephen E. Louis
Hon. Joseph J. Maltese '73
Gary Mandel
Molly A. Manning
Michael J. Marcin
Robert M. Marino II '94
Paul B. Marrow '69
Kimberly M. Maynard
Adam Maze
Michael G. McMaster '96
Deborah L. McNamara
Philip Michaels
Johanna E. Miller '08
Melissa A. Molfetas
Avraham Moskowitz
Mark N. Mutterperl
Ryan H. Nelson
Bethany L. Ow '09
Swati M. Parikh

Dennis Parker
Roopal B. Patel
Steven E. Pegalis '65
Damian Pieper
John Pieper
Troy Pieper
Steven E. Plotnick
Samantha C. Pownall '11
Carmen N. Presinal
Tracy Reimann
Michael Resko
Michael Ryan
Anne Marie M. Santangelo
Lawrence Sapadin
Paul N. Schneiderman
John P. Scordo '88
Philip C. Segal
Ami Shah
Danielle B. Shalov
Dr. Michal Shur-Ofry
Cary S. Sklaren
Jackeline K. Solivan
Moshie Solomon
Lawton W. Squires '83
Andrew J. Sta. Ana
Dao Sun
John N. Tasolidis
Claire R. Thomas '11
Jasmin E. Torres '14
Noreen P. Travers
Lynne M. Fischman Uniman
Elizabeth Valentin
Francis J. Valentino
Jerry Vattamala
Gerardo A. Vildostegui
Alan M. Vinegrad
Nancy C. Waite
Amy L. Wallace
Susan J. Walsh
Cynthia Cheng-Wun Weaver
Hon. Patricia A. Williams
Justin A. Xenitelis '06
Peter Zablotsky

Adjunct Emeritus

Hon. Frederic S. Berman '51

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Anthony W. Crowell, Presiding
Dean and President, Professor of Law

PRELUDE
Jubilate Deo—Gregor Aichinger
Contrapunctus—J.S. Bach
Quintet No. 1—Victor Ewald

MARSHALS
Professor Richard Chused
Professor Gerald Korngold

PROCESSIONAL
Pomp and Circumstance, No. 1, Op. 39—Sir Edward Elgar
Triumphal March, Aida—Giuseppe Verdi

GREETINGS
Dean Anthony W. Crowell

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM
Rebecca Nason

INTRODUCTION OF
ESTEEMED ALUMNI
Dean Anthony W. Crowell

REFLECTIONS ON THE
NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL
COMMUNITY
Ryan Medler
Student Bar Association President

AWARDING OF PRIZES
CLASS OF 2018 TEACHING AWARD
Presentation by Ryan Medler
Professor Kirk D. Burkhalter '04

ORDER OF EXERCISES (continued)

AWARDING OF PRIZES (continued)

OTTO L. WALTER DISTINGUISHED WRITING AWARDS
Presentation by Associate Dean William P. LaPiana

Faculty Awards

Full-Time Faculty Book

Deborah N. Archer and Richard D. Marsico for
Special Education Law and Practice

Full-Time Faculty Article

Jacob S. Sherkow for “Patent Law’s Reproducibility Paradox”

Adjunct Faculty Book

Heather Cucolo '03 for *Shaming the Constitution: The Detrimental Results of Sexual Violent Predator Legislation* (with Professor Emeritus Michael L. Perlin)

Adjunct Faculty Article

Claire R. Thomas '11 for “Unaccompanied and Excluded from Food Security: A Call for the Inclusion of Immigrant Youth Twenty Years After Welfare Reform” (with Ernie Collette)

Student Awards

Marissa Dunderdale for “Alexa, Will You Be Used to Testify Against Me?”

Alexander McMullan for “Returning to the Fair Use Standard”

STUDENT REMARKS

Ann Pham

AWARDING OF PRIZES

THE FINALISTS FOR THE TRUSTEES’ PRIZE
FOR THE HIGHEST AVERAGE

Presentation by Associate Dean William P. LaPiana

February 2018 Graduates

Anne Maly (Day)

Alexander McMullan (Day)

Hugh Jacobson (Evening)

Daniel Lorber (Evening)

*June/September 2018 Candidates**

Travis Bruno (Day)

Yonatan Hassin (Day)

Katelyn Canning (Evening)

Sara Moharrem (Evening)

Daniel Oquendo (Evening)

STUDENT REMARKS

Elizabeth Tran

AWARDING OF PRIZES

THE ALFRED L. ROSE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
Presentation by Associate Dean William P. LaPiana

Daniel Oquendo

Rebecca Ruffer

STUDENT REMARKS

Sara Moharrem

AWARDING OF PRIZES

THE DEAN'S AWARD FOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Presentation by Dean Anthony W. Crowell

Brenda Alejo	Nicholas Luciano
Rima Attar	Agatha Mavropoulos
Martin Banks	Ryan Medler
Jessica Brenner	Khadeya Penson
George Cartveli	Stefano Perez
Amanda Chiarello	Ashley Raccuia
Amber Dailey	Rebecca Ruffer
Tarran Ellis	Anais Salazar
Patrick Hendrick	Laura Salgado
Qualia Hendrickson	Maria Scalici
Kasey Kimball	Stephanie Torres
Dwayne Latimore	

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE

DOCTOR OF LAWS (LL.D.)

Introduction by Dean Anthony W. Crowell

Presentation by Arthur N. Abbey '59, Chair, Board of Trustees

Alex Dimitrief
Senior Vice President, General Electric Company (GE)
President and CEO, GE Global Growth Organization

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Alex Dimitrief

AWARDING OF PRESIDENT'S MEDAL

Introduction and Presentation by Dean Anthony W. Crowell

Stephen J. Ellmann
Martin Professor of Law
Director of Clinical and Experiential Learning
New York Law School

Christina M. Storm '77
Founder and Executive Director
Lawyers Without Borders

* Based on fifth-semester grades for Day Division students 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 division.

ORDER OF EXERCISES (continued)

AWARDING OF
KATHLEEN GRIMM
MEDAL

Introduction and Presentation by Dean Anthony W. Crowell
Monique Baptist
Class of 2018

Neldra M. Zeigler '79
Former Deputy Commissioner of Equal Employment Opportunity
New York City Police Department

Douglas Zeigler '81
Executive Agency Counsel
New York City Department of Correction

CONFERRING OF
HONORARY DEGREE

DOCTOR OF LAWS (LL.D.)
Introduction by Dean Anthony W. Crowell
Presentation by Arthur N. Abbey '59
The Honorable Stephen G. Breyer
Associate Justice
Supreme Court of the United States

COMMENCEMENT
ADDRESS

The Honorable Stephen G. Breyer

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
WELCOME

The Honorable Marc J. Whiten '84
President, New York Law School Alumni Association

CONFERRING OF
STUDENT DEGREES

Introduction of Candidates

Professor Susan J. Abraham
Professor Kim Hawkins
Professor Frank W. Munger

Professor Jacob S. Sherkow
Professor Lynn Boepple Su

Presentation of Candidates

Dean Anthony W. Crowell

Conferring of Degrees

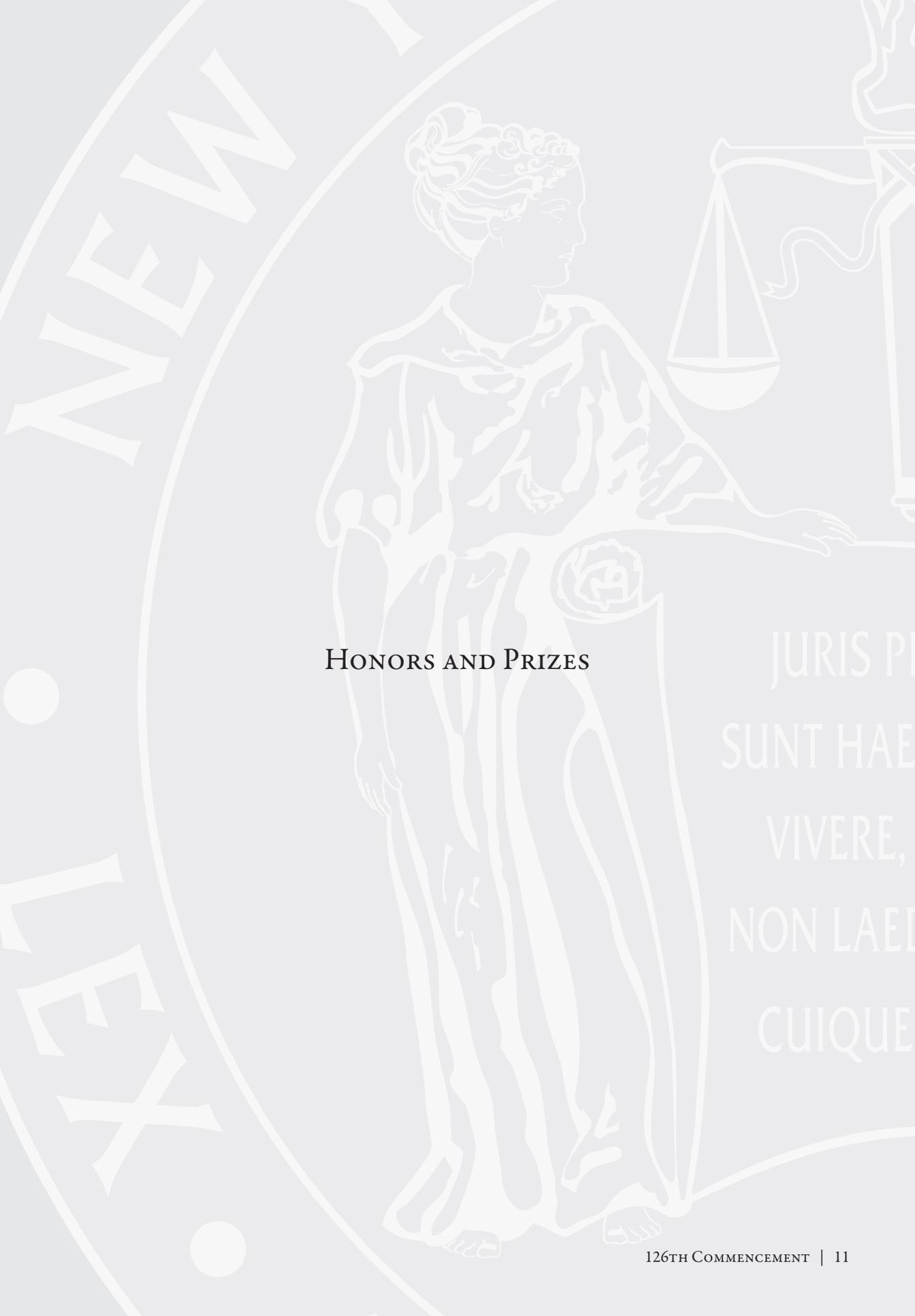
Arthur N. Abbey '59

CLOSING REMARKS

Dean Anthony W. Crowell

RECESSIONAL

Two Voluntaries—Henry Purcell



HONORS AND PRIZES

JURIS P
SUNT HAE
VIVERE,
NON LAED
CUIQUE

DEGREES WITH HONORS

February 1, 2018

Summa Cum Laude

Alexander McMullan

Magna Cum Laude

Hugh Jacobson

Daniel Lorber

Cum Laude

Halah Elchorbagy

Joseph Redner

Jordan Eyal

Ahmed Toure

Anne Maly

PROVISIONAL HONORS*

June 1, 2018

Based on fifth-semester grades for Day Division students and seventh-semester grades for Evening Division students. Final honors will be determined after all grades are posted in June.

Summa Cum Laude

Travis Bruno

Graciany Miranda

Yonatan Hassin

Andrew Weisberg

Magna Cum Laude

Katelyn Canning

Sabrina O'Bryan

George Cartveli

Daniel Oquendo

Sarah Close

Rebecca Ruffer

Anthony Desiderio

Marc Saracino

Nazariy Gavrysh

Alexis Shankman

Kasey Kimball

Elizabeth Tran

Danielle Mabe

Clay Willett

Ryan Medler

Lejla Zivkovic

Sara Moharrem

Cum Laude

Stephany Agovino

Shamila Ahmed

Jessica Bussanich

Daniel Casados

Edward Ching

Courtney Cremeans

Xhulia Derhemi

Marissa Dunderdale

John Eastlack

Christina Fiore

Jessica Fiscella

Dylan Franklin

Thomas Fugnitti

Aleksandr Galinskiy

Qualia Hendrickson

Young Mee Kim

Lisa LeFever

Nicholas Luciano

Erika Lusky

Christina Malamut

Carlos Mendez Perez

Kaleigh Morrison

Carly Muth

Rebecca Nason

Chelsea Penther

Ashlyn Rich

Christina Rizzolo

Nicole Santo

Tiffany Schneider

Melanie Schulman

Eleanor Spencer

Stephanie Torres

Natasha Vedananda

Christopher Whalen

Jacques Zelnik

* Prior to the Commencement ceremony, provisional honors are calculated based on a student's cumulative grade point average at the conclusion of the preceding (fall) semester.

Final honors are calculated at the end of the spring semester and include all grades. It is possible to have provisional honors granted for the Commencement ceremony but ultimately not to have final honors confirmed after graduation if a student's grade point average is not in the top 25 percent of the graduating class.

Alternatively, a student could receive a different honor upon graduation (e.g. *cum laude* as provisional honors and *magna cum laude* upon graduation).

COMMENCEMENT PRIZES

SPECIAL AWARDS

CHIEF JUSTICE ROSE E. BIRD AWARD
FOR MOTIVATION IN PURSUING
PUBLIC INTEREST LAW

Anne Maly
Eleanor Spencer

ALVIN J. BRONSTEIN '51 CIVIL RIGHTS AND
SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD

Jordan Eyal

HELEN & ANDREW DOKAS MEMORIAL
AWARD FOR EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT

Lacey Garnett
Ashlyn Rich

PROFESSOR STEPHEN J. ELLMANN
CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION PRIZE

Veronica Rose

DANIEL FINKELSTEIN WRITING AWARD

Thomas Fugnitti for "New York's Prescriptive
Easement Fiasco: Clearing Up the Standard
Once and for All"

ALEXANDER D. FORGER AWARD FOR
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE
PROFESSION

Ryan Medler
Khadeya Penson

JOHN FRANCO '12 MEMORIAL AWARD

Katelyn Canning
Daniel Oquendo

JUDGE GEORGE C. MANTZOROS AWARD

Sarah Close

THE ABRAHAM "AVI" MUND PRIZE
FOR EXCELLENCE IN INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY AND THE LAW

Qualia Hendrickson
Kaleigh Morrison

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN
LAWYERS HONOREES

Brenda Alejo
Sean Doddy

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL
DIVERSITY CHAMPIONS

Muslim Law Students Association

JOSEPH SOLOMON AWARD FOR EXCELLENT
CHARACTER AND FITNESS

Hugh Jacobson
Andrew Weisberg

ERNST C. STIEFEL WRITING AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE IN COMPARATIVE-
COMMON CIVIL LAW

Clay Willett for "Changing the Seat of
Arbitration in International Commercial
Arbitration: When Has the State Crossed the
Line?"

LAW REVIEW AWARDS

FACULTY AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING
SERVICE TO THE *NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL
LAW REVIEW*

Kasey Kimball

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW AWARD
FOR BEST NOTE

Alexander McMullan

ROGER J. MINER AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING
EDITORIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE *NEW
YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW*

Rebecca Ruffer

MOOT COURT AWARDS

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL MOOT COURT
ASSOCIATION BEST ADVOCATE AWARD

Brenda Alejo

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL NATIONAL
MOOT COURT TEAM

Brenda Alejo
Monique Baptist
Jessica Brenner
Christina Fiore

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL MOOT COURT
AWARD FOR SERVING WITH DISTINCTION

Kiera Guzzo
John Naphor
Christina Rizzolo
Alison Snyder

NOAH P. MELNICK MEMORIAL
MOOT COURT AWARD

Monique Baptist

ORDER OF THE BARRISTERS

Brenda Alejo
Monique Baptist
Jessica Brenner
Christina Fiore
Kiera Guzzo
Venessa Marston
John Naphor
Ashlyn Rich
Christina Rizzolo
Alison Snyder
Shanaye Sweet

HONORARY ORDER OF THE
BARRISTERS AWARD

Adjunct Professor Heather Cucolo '03

COMMENCEMENT PRIZES (to be announced)

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

PROFESSOR JOSEPH T. ARENSON AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE IN WILLS AND DECEDENTS'
ESTATES



CENTER FOR NEW YORK CITY LAW FELLOWSHIP



PROFESSOR LUNG-CHU CHEN AWARD FOR
EXCELLENCE IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS



ELSBERG PRIZE FOR PROFICIENCY
IN THE LAW OF CONTRACTS—EVENING
DIVISION



THE RUBEN S. FOGEL COMMENCEMENT AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE IN CONSTITUTIONAL
HISTORY AND DEATH PENALTY (ESTABLISHED
IN HONOR OF PROFESSOR ROBERT BLECKER)



SYLVIA D. GARLAND AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
IN SUBJECTS RELATING TO CIVIL LITIGATION



MILTON S. GOULD AWARD FOR PROFICIENCY IN
THE LAW OF CONTRACTS—DAY DIVISION



ROSS GNESIN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN
WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW



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



ABRAHAM MARKHOFF WRITING AWARD
(FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION)



PROFESSOR ROBERT R. ROSENTHAL AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE IN NEW YORK PRACTICE



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



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*



RECOGNITION

JURIS P
SUNT HAE
VIVERE,
NON LAED
CUIQUE

TWO-YEAR J.D. HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATES

In January 2015, New York Law School launched its Two-Year J.D. Honors Program, which accelerates the traditional 86-credit, three-year curriculum, offering it over a period of 24 consecutive months. This year, we are pleased to recognize the Program's second graduating class.

Robert Basile

Anthony Brooks

Christina Davidesko

Noah Drucker

Halah Elchorbagy
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Jordan Eyal
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Paul Faglione

Alyssa Gilbert

Eduard Kushmakov

Adreama Mackey-Ponte
Impact Center for Public Interest Law
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Samuel Malebranche
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Anne Maly
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Agatha Mavropoulos

Daniella Mizhericher

Prarich Nizambad

Ann Pham

Melissa Salama

Andrew Sarti

Yisroel Schwartz

Katherine Subasic

JOHN MARSHALL HARLAN SCHOLARS

The John Marshall Harlan Scholars honors program is named for New York Law School's alumnus and U.S. 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 2018.

Katelyn Canning
Center for New York City Law

George Cartveli
Center for Business and Financial Law

Daniel Casados
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Edward Ching
Center for Business and Financial Law

Khulia Derhemi
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Anthony Desiderio

Marissa Dunderdale

John Eastlack

Dylan Franklin

Thomas Fugnitti
Center for Business and Financial Law

Aleksandr Galinskiy
Center for Business and Financial Law

Nazariy Gavrysh
Center for Business and Financial Law

Hugh Jacobson
Center for Real Estate Studies

Kasey Kimball
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Jason Lager

Lisa LeFever
Center for Business and Financial Law

Daniel Lorber
Center for International Law

Nicholas Luciano
Center for Business and Financial Law

Alexander McMullan
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Graciany Miranda
Center for Business and Financial Law

Sara Moharrem
Center for Business and Financial Law

Carly Muth

Rebecca Nason

Daniel Oquendo
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Chelsea Penther

Kyle Reed
Center for Business and Financial Law

Rebecca Ruffer
Center for International Law

Melanie Schulman
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Elizabeth Tran
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Andrew Weisberg
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Clay Willett
Center for Real Estate Studies

Lejla Zivkovic
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

ACADEMIC CENTER ASSOCIATES

New York Law School is pleased to recognize the members of the Class of 2018 who have completed the curricular programs and projects required to be an associate of one of the Law School's six academic centers.

Stephany Agovino

Center for International Law

Evgenia Chaverdova

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Shamila Ahmed

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Yulian Chuzhik

Center for International Law

Brenda Alejo

Center for Real Estate Studies

Sarah Close

Center for International Law

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Monique Baptist

Center for International Law

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Yanniquegail Coleman

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Thomas Barraco

Center for Real Estate Studies

Amber Dailey

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Vanessa Blackwood

Center for Business and Financial Law

Halah Elchorbagy

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Samantha Blake

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Tarrian Ellis

Center for Business and Financial Law

Center for International Law

Veronica Bochenek

Center for Real Estate Studies

Crystal Escabi

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Marlene Bonet

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Jordan Eyal

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Shambree Bonner

Center for Real Estate Studies

Gianne Falvo

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Jessica Brenner

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Briggs Fenwick-Perry

Center for Business and Financial Law

Center for International Law

Center for Real Estate Studies

Stephen Caracappa

Center for New York City Law

Nina Fischetti
Center for Business and Financial Law

Samuel Friedfeld
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Lacey Garnett
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Rupinderjit Gidda
Center for Business and Financial Law

Jason Goodman
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Lina Goto
Center for Business and Financial Law

Viktoriya Gray
Center for Real Estate Studies

Qualia Hendrickson
Center for International Law
Center for New York City Law
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Milvelys Hernandez
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Beaula Illingworth
Center for International Law

Michelle Imafidon
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Stephanie Itkin
Center for New York City Law

Kimberly Kalik
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Young Mee Kim
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

William Klein
Center for Real Estate Studies

Dwayne Latimore
Center for Business and Financial Law

Victoria Lee
Center for International Law
Center for New York City Law

Frank Loffreno
Center for Real Estate Studies

Cassidy Lopez
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Danielle Mabe
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Adreama Mackey-Ponte
Impact Center for Public Interest Law
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Gabriella Madruga
Center for Real Estate Studies

Meenka Maharaj
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Brenden Mahoney
Center for Real Estate Studies

Christina Malamut
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Samuel Malebranche
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Klodiana Malellari
Center for Business and Financial Law
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

ACADEMIC CENTER ASSOCIATES (continued)

Ayesha Malik

Center for International Law

Anne Maly

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Arianna Marks

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Venessa Marston

Center for Business and Financial Law

Kevin McLafferty

Center for Business and Financial Law

Ryan Medler

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Carlos Mendez Perez

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Roxanna Menhaji

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Maria Mireles

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Ayelet Montero

Center for Business and Financial Law

Center for International Law

Kaleigh Morrison

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

John Naphor

Center for International Law

Sabrina O'Bryan

Center for International Law

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Chinadum Okoro

Center for Business and Financial Law

Dipit Patel

Center for International Law

Cory Pihl

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Gabriela Pomar

Center for Business and Financial Law

April Pyatt

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Ashley Raccuia

Center for Real Estate Studies

Joseph Redner

Center for Real Estate Studies

Whitney Richardson

Center for International Law

Veronica Rose

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Christina Salvia

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Gerard Santiago

Center for International Law

Nicole Santo

Center for International Law

Mariotis Santos

Center for Business and Financial Law

Center for International Law

Tiffany Schneider
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Joseph Sgammato
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Alexis Shankman
Center for International Law

Richard Shea
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Jessica Slater
Center for Business and Financial Law
Center for International Law

Alison Snyder
Center for Real Estate Studies

Eleanor Spencer
Center for International Law
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Peter Speroni
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Alexander Storm
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Shanaye Sweet
Center for International Law

Joseph Tanimowo-Reyes
Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Ryan Tappan
Center for Business and Financial Law

Juliana Thibaut
Center for International Law

Natasha Vedananda
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Christina Vroulis
Center for Real Estate Studies

Christopher Whalen
Center for Real Estate Studies

Miavel Williams
Center for Business and Financial Law
Center for Real Estate Studies

Jimmy Ziadat
Center for Business and Financial Law
Center for Real Estate Studies

Lejla Zivkovic
Impact Center for Public Interest Law

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW

The *New York Law School Law Review* is the Law School's journal for legal scholarship. Members are primarily Harlan Scholars, selected for that honor and for the *Law Review* based on their GPAs. A few students are also selected through a writing competition. *Law Review* editors work with the faculty to plan academic symposia as well as with the faculty publisher to select papers for publication. The editors edit all articles and are responsible for all aspects of the publication process. We are pleased to recognize their achievements.

Travis Bruno	Yonatan Hassin	Daniel Oquendo
Katelyn Canning	Kasey Kimball	Chelsea Penther
George Cartveli	Jason Lager	Kyle Reed
Daniel Casados	Lisa LeFever	Ashlyn Rich
Sarah Close	Daniel Lorber	Rebecca Ruffer
Xhulia Derhemi	Nicholas Luciano	Marc Saracino
Anthony Desiderio	Danielle Mabe	Melanie Schulman
Marissa Dunderdale	Adreama Mackey-Ponte	Alexis Shankman
John Eastlack	Christina Malamut	Stephanie Torres
Halah Elchorbagy	Anne Maly	Elizabeth Tran
Dylan Franklin	Alexander McMullan	Natasha Vedananda
Thomas Fugnitti	Ryan Medler	Andrew Weisberg
Aleksandr Galinskiy	Alexandra Megna	Christopher Whalen
Nazariy Gavrysh	Carly Muth	Clay Willett
Lina Goto	Rebecca Nason	

DISPUTE RESOLUTION TEAM

The New York Law School Dispute Resolution Team is a student-run co-curricular organization that trains members in day-to-day lawyering skills in order to prepare them to represent the Law School in client counseling, negotiation, mediation, and arbitration competitions across the country. Membership is by invitation only and is based on outstanding performance either in the Law School's Intramural Negotiation Competition or through a rigorous admissions process. We are pleased to recognize these graduating members of the Dispute Resolution Team.

Brenda Alejo

Sean Doddy

Danielle Mabe

Sabrina Ball

Tarran Ellis

Christina Malamut

Courtney Cremeans

Paul Faglione

Frank Mocerri

Amber Dailey

Kayla Fonseca

Edward Theurkauf

Anthony Desiderio

Sophie Heinlein

Stephanie Torres

MOOT COURT ASSOCIATION

The New York Law School Moot Court Association is a student-run organization that focuses on oral advocacy and brief-writing skills at the appellate level. Students are accepted into the organization by competing in the Charles W. Froessel Moot Court Competition, a constitutional law intramural competition. The Froessel Competition is one of the most challenging intramural competitions in the country and one of the most demanding recruiting tools used by a moot court association in selecting its members. We are pleased to recognize the graduating members of the Moot Court Association.

Brenda Alejo

Monique Baptist

Jessica Brenner

Danielle Cipollina

Tarrian Ellis

Christina Fiore

Lina Goto

Kiera Guzzo

Milvelys Hernandez

Patrick MacDonell

Meenka Maharaj

Venessa Marston

Ryan Medler

John Naphor

Stefano Perez

Ashlyn Rich

Christina Rizzolo

Diandra Romero

Alison Snyder

Shanaye Sweet

Jacques Zelnik

TRIAL COMPETITION TEAM

The New York Law School Trial Competition Team is a student-run co-curricular organization that focuses on the advocacy skills required in civil and criminal trials. Students on the team represent the Law School in regional and national trial competitions. Membership is by invitation only and is based on notable performance in the Law School's intramural trial or closing argument competition or by recommendation of a Trial Advocacy professor based on outstanding performance in the Trial Advocacy or Intensive Trial and Advocacy Skills course. We are pleased to recognize the graduating members of the Trial Competition Team.

Monique Baptist

Stephanie Itkin

Ashlyn Rich

Joel Bekker

Eduard Kushmakov

Diandra Romero

Anthony Brooks

Meenka Maharaj

Veronica Rose

Courtney Cremeans

Janine Materna

Alexander Storm

Amber Dailey

Ryan Medler

Jeremy Sullivan

Samuel Friedfeld

Carlos Mendez Perez

Ahmed Toure

Felipe Garcia

Maria Mireles

Patrick Hendrick

Stefano Perez

DEAN'S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Initiated in 2013, the Dean's Leadership Council invites first-year students who perform in the top 25 percent of their class to be part of a series of dialogues on leadership with the Dean, faculty, alumni, and legal professionals during their course of study at New York Law School. These discussions tackle legal and policy issues that affect New York City, the nation, and the world to help students learn about leadership and influence by spending time with prominent New Yorkers and each other. Students on the Council also address strategic planning issues at the Law School and help inform how it can enhance its connection to and impact on New York's legal community.

Stephany Agovino	Jason Lager	Whitney Richardson
Shamila Ahmed	Lisa LeFever	Christina Rizzolo
Sabrina Ball	Daniel Lorber	Veronica Rose
Eugene Brayman	Nicholas Luciano	Rebecca Ruffer
Jessica Bussanich	Erika Lusky	Nicole Santo
Katelyn Canning	Danielle Mabe	Marc Saracino
George Cartveli	Christina Malamut	Tiffany Schneider
Daniel Casados	Arianna Marks	Melanie Schulman
Edward Ching	Thomas McCaffrey	Alexis Shankman
Danielle Cipollina	Alexander McMullan	Robert Shaw
Sarah Close	Ryan Medler	Eleanor Spencer
Xhulia Derhemi	Alexandra Megna	Alexander Terenzi
Anthony Desiderio	Graciany Miranda	Stephanie Torres
John Eastlack	Sara Moharrem	Elizabeth Tran
Jessica Fiscella	Kaleigh Morrison	Natasha Vedananda
Dylan Franklin	Melissa Muller	Matthew Walsh
Thomas Fugnitti	Carly Muth	Andrew Weisberg
Aleksandr Galinskiy	Rebecca Nason	Christopher Whalen
Nazariy Gavrysh	Daniel Oquendo	Clay Willett
Kiera Guzzo	Chelsea Penther	Jacques Zelnik
Yonatan Hassin	April Pyatt	Jimmy Ziadat
Qualia Hendrickson	Kyle Reed	Lejla Zivkovic
Hugh Jacobson	Ashlyn Rich	

ADVOCACY PROGRAM CERTIFICATES

The Advocacy Program is designed to prepare students to graduate with the skills and experience that will help them excel as litigators. The Program has three tracks: civil, criminal, and appellate advocacy. The required course of study for each track includes a suggested combination of skills, writing, and procedure courses, and each track culminates in a clinical or externship experience in which the students use the skills they have learned in practice. We are pleased to recognize the members of the Class of 2018 who have completed the courses required to earn an Advocacy Certificate.

Sabrina Ball

Monique Baptist

Joel Bekker

Samantha Blake

Anthony Brooks

Jessica Bussanich

Malik Callender

Courtney Cremeans

Amber Dailey

Felipe Garcia

Alyssa Gilbert

Dwayne Latimore

Meenka Maharaj

Maluce Mahdavi-Pour

Samuel Malebranche

Alexandra Megna

Maria Mireles

Daniella Mizhericher

Carly Muth

John Naphor

Prarich Nizambad

Maria Scalici

Alexander Storm

Jeremy Sullivan

Samantha Surdi

Natasha Vedananda

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION SKILLS PROGRAM CERTIFICATES

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program conveys not only doctrinal education, but also practical and empirical skills in the fields of conflict avoidance, management, and resolution. Students who complete the Program and earn a Certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution may be relied upon to possess not merely an intellectual understanding of the principles of negotiation, mediation, and arbitration, but actual experience in those fields. We are pleased to recognize the members of the Class of 2018 who have earned this distinction.

Denise Lopez

Evan Rosenberg

Juliana Thibaut

Danielle Mabe

Joseph Sgammato

Miakel Williams

PRO BONO SCHOLARS

Students in the Pro Bono Scholars Program begin their final semester by studying for, and taking, the Uniform Bar Examination in February. Then they spend the remainder of this semester in a 12-week, full-time pro bono placement with a preapproved legal services provider or law firm, representing people from poor and underserved communities. Pro Bono Scholars also participate in a seminar in which they reflect on their placement experiences, study lawyering skills and ethical issues, and explore the access-to-justice crisis and the nature and value of proposed responses to this crisis. Students who pass the bar exam, complete their pro bono placement and class satisfactorily, and meet the other bar admission requirements are then eligible for early admission to the bar, soon after their graduation.

Aleksandr Bardin

John Eastlack

Levi Stoep

Danielle Cipollina

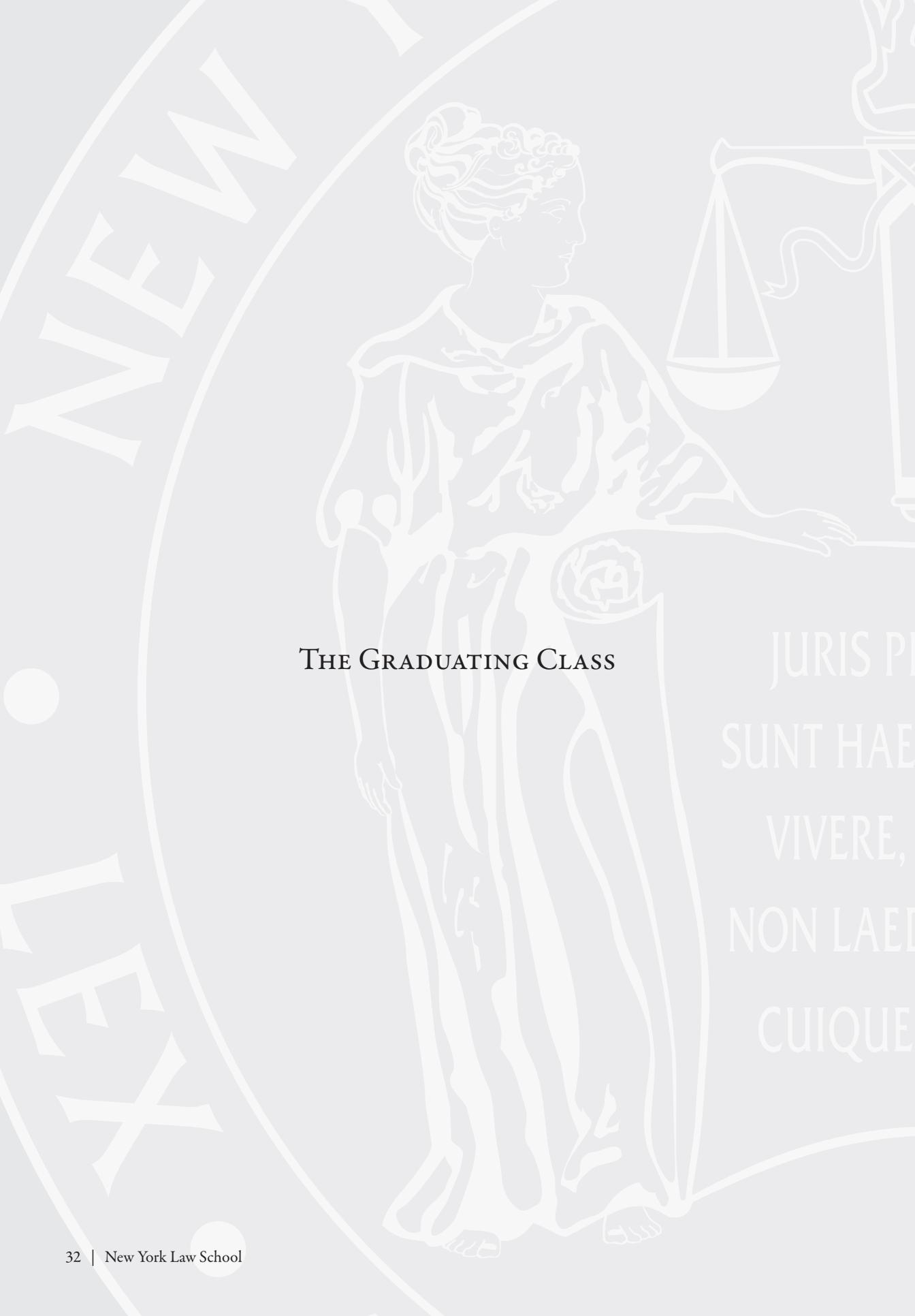
Gerard Santiago

Juliana Thibaut

Anthony Desiderio

Nicole Santo

Andrew Weisberg



THE GRADUATING CLASS

JURIS P
SUNT HAE
VIVERE,
NON LAED
CUIQUE

LL.M. IN TAXATION

June 1, 2018 Candidates

James Burrell

James King

Milen Kovandzhiev

Gina Mam

Omotomilola Oguntunde

Venese Rhodes

September 1, 2018 Candidates

Mostafa Aitouakrim

Ismael Reyes

J.D. GRADUATES

February 1, 2018

Linnae Aufiere	Dwayne Latimore	Timothy O'Dwyer
Martin Banks	Amanda Lind	Ann Pham*
Robert Basile*	Denise Lopez	Neha Rastogi
Vanessa Blackwood	Daniel Lorber	Joseph Redner
Anthony Brooks*	Andrew Lunetta	Diandra Romero
Yulian Chuzhik	Adreama Mackey-Ponte*	Melissa Salama*
Leopold Cox	Samuel Malebranche*	Andrew Sarti*
Brie Cuffe	Klodiana Malellari	Yisroel Schwartz*
Christina Davidesko*	Anne Maly*	Yang Shi
Noah Drucker*	Venessa Marston	Katherine Subasic*
Halal Elchorbagy*	Janine Materna	Ahmed Toure
Jordan Eyal*	Agatha Mavropoulos*	Laura Vydmantaitė
Paul Faglione*	Kevin McLafferty	Matthew Walsh
Alyssa Gilbert*	Alexander McMullan	Miachel Williams
Lina Goto	Maria Mireles	Ronna Zarrouk
Hugh Jacobson	Daniella Mizhericher*	Jimmy Ziadat
Eduard Kushmakov*	Frank Mocerri	

* Two-Year J.D. Honors Program

J.D. CANDIDATES

June 1, 2018 and September 1, 2018

Stephany Agovino	George Cartveli	Gustavo Fajardo
Shamila Ahmed	Daniel Casados	Gianne Falvo
Brenda Alejo	Shannon Chadha	Briggs Fenwick-Perry
Zarije Asani	Chaim Chait	Christina Fiore
Rima Attar	Alessandra Chan	Jessica Fiscella
Bianca Baez	Evgenia Chaverdova	Nina Fischetti
Sabrina Ball	Amanda Chiarello	Sean Fleming
Monique Baptist	Edward Ching	Kayla Fonseca
Aleksandr Bardin	Danielle Cipollina	Tiegh Francois
Thomas Barraco	Timothy Clark	Dylan Franklin
Joel Bekker	Tiyana Clark	Samuel Friedfeld
Jacqueline Benson	Sarah Close	Ross Friscia
Abigail Bernstein	Yanniquegail Coleman	Thomas Fugnitti
Marguerite Betesh	Taylor Conroy	Aleksandr Galinskiy
Nicole Betro	Courtney Cremeans	Felipe Garcia
Ariel Bivas	Ethan Crofut	Lacey Garnett
Samantha Blake	Christian Custer	Nazariy Gavrysh
Daniella Blatter	Amber Dailey	Rupinderjit Gidda
Veronica Bochenek	Serena Dean	Jason Goodman
Marlene Bonet	Xhulia Derhemi	Viktoriya Gray
Shambree Bonner	Anthony Desiderio	Stephen Grossman
Sarah Bray	Taylor Dibenedetto	Matthew Grosso
Eugene Brayman	Alexandra Difusco	Kiera Guzzo
Jessica Brenner	Ling Ding	Megan Ha
Travis Bruno	Sean Doddy	Yonatan Hassin
Chelsea Burnett	Marissa Dunderdale	Sophie Heinlein
Jessica Bussanich	Tatiana Duverne	Patrick Hendrick
John Cahill	John Eastlack	Qualia Hendrickson
Malik Callender	Tarrian Ellis	Milvelys Hernandez
Katelyn Canning	John Ernst	Lori Hirsh
Stephen Caracappa	Crystal Escabi	Michael Hughes

J.D. CANDIDATES (continued)

June 1, 2018 and September 1, 2018

Orlando Hurtado	Christina Malamut	Cory Pihl
Beaula Illingworth	Ayesha Malik	Zachary Plescia
Michelle Imafidon	John Mannix	Gabriela Pomar
Maria Imam	Arianna Marks	Hara Prager
Stephanie Itkin	Thomas McCaffrey	Anthony Provenzano
Pamela Jeronimo	Ryan Medler	April Pyatt
Monisha Johnson	Alexandra Megna	Ashley Raccuia
Kimberly Kalik	Carlos Mendez Perez	Kevin Ramkishun
Nana Khachaturyan	Roxanna Menhaji	Lily Rashkevich
Young Mee Kim	Graciany Miranda	Kyle Reed
Kasey Kimball	Sara Moharrem	Ashlyn Rich
William Klein	Alexandra Moller	Whitney Richardson
Burcu Kulaksiz	Ayelet Montero	Christina Rizzolo
Jason Lager	Leon Morabia	Veronica Rose
Jerry Lambe	Kaleigh Morrison	Evan Rosenberg
John Law	Melissa Muller	Rebecca Ruffer
Daniel Lee	Carly Muth	Anais Salazar
Victoria Lee	Alyssa Nacco	Laura Salgado
Lisa LeFever	Sassan Naderi	Christina Salvia
Patrick Lindie	John Naphor	Gerard Santiago
Frank Loffreno	Gavin Naples	Nicole Santo
Alexander Lonstein	Rebecca Nason	Mariotis Santos
Cassidy Lopez	Prarich Nizambad*	Yekaterina Sapson
Nicholas Luciano	Sabrina O'Bryan	Marc Saracino
Erika Lusky	Chinadum Okoro	Hunain Sarwar
Danielle Mabe	Daniel Oquendo	Maria Scalici
Patrick MacDonell	Arlene Parra	David Schmell
Gabriella Madruga	Dipit Patel	Tiffany Schneider
Meenka Maharaj	Khadeya Penson	Melanie Schulman
Maluce Mahdavi-Pour	Chelsea Penther	Salvatore Serravillo
Brenden Mahoney	Stefano Perez	Joseph Sgammato

Alexis Shankman

Taylor Sharofsky

Robert Shaw

Richard Shea

Ewelina Sierzputowska

Jessica Slater

Alison Snyder

Mary Solimine

Eleanor Spencer

Peter Speroni

Levi Stoep

Alexander Storm

Jeremy Sullivan

Samantha Surdi

Shanaye Sweet

Joseph Tanimowo-Reyes

Ryan Tappan

Alexander Terenzi

Edward Theurkauf

Juliana Thibaut

Candyse Thomas

Michael Thompson

Nicholas Thompson

Stephanie Torres

Alexa Tortora

Elizabeth Tran

Natasha Vedananda

Madeleine Von Savage

Christina Vroulis

Xiumei Wang

Andrew Weisberg

Marshall Wexler

Christopher Whalen

Clay Willett

Matthew Wolfson

Kimberly Wood

Keanar Yee

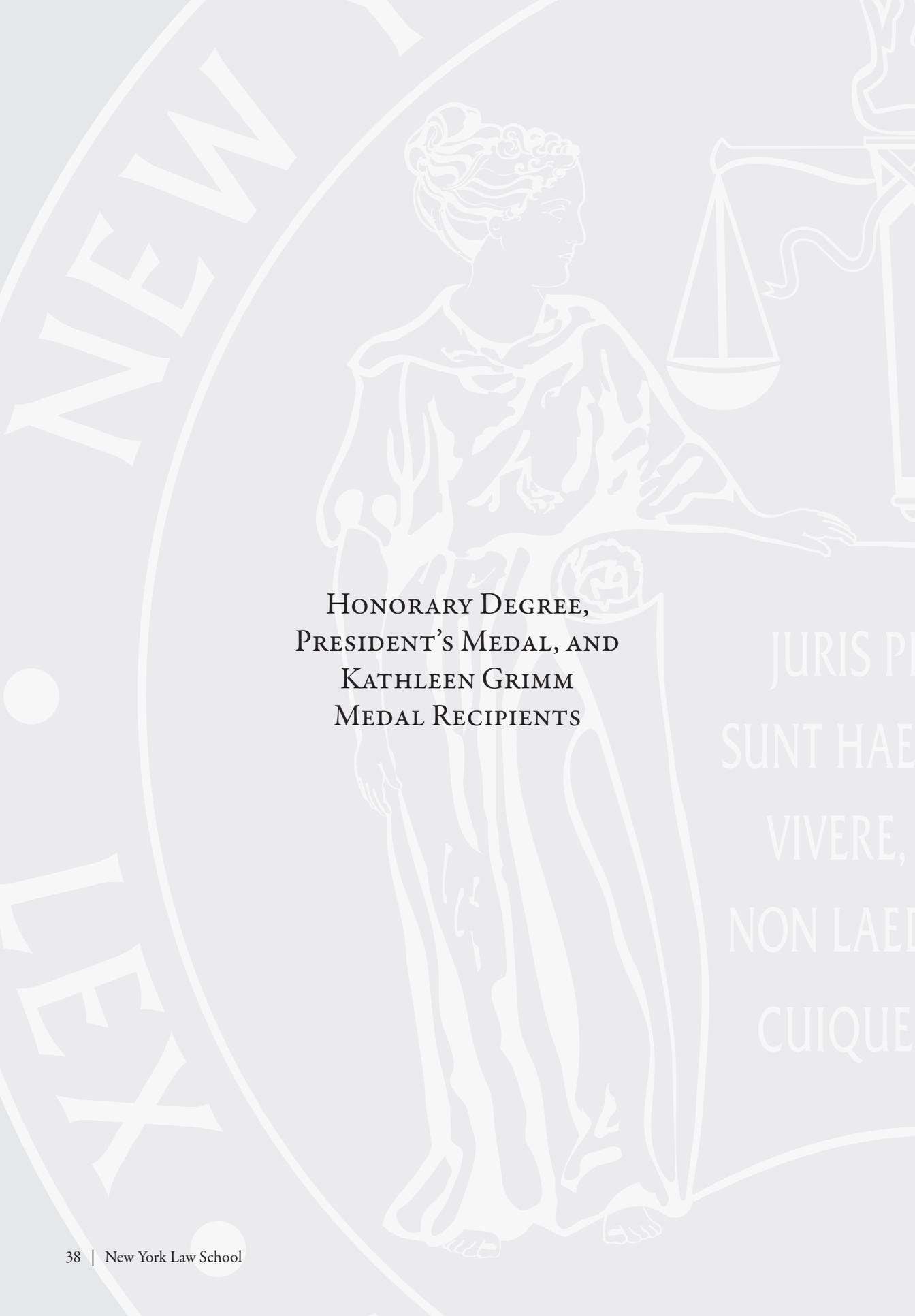
Andrew Zaleski

Jacques Zelnik

Lejla Zivkovic

Steven Zuck

* Two-Year J.D. Honors Program



HONORARY DEGREE,
PRESIDENT'S MEDAL, AND
KATHLEEN GRIMM
MEDAL RECIPIENTS

HONORARY DEGREE, DOCTOR OF LAWS

THE HONORABLE STEPHEN G. BREYER

New York Law School honors Associate Justice Stephen G. Breyer of the Supreme Court of the United States, whose incisive and nuanced opinions, keen focus on the interconnected global landscape, and influential body of writing elevate the profession and inspire those who pursue it.

Photo Credit: The Collection of the Supreme Court of the United States



The Honorable Stephen G. Breyer is an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Born in San Francisco in 1938, he graduated from Stanford University and attended Magdalen College at Oxford University as a Marshall Scholar before earning his J.D. *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School.

He was a law clerk to Justice Arthur Goldberg of the Supreme Court during the 1964 term and a Special Assistant in the U.S. Justice Department's Antitrust Division from 1965 to 1967. In 1967, he began a teaching career that would span nearly three decades at Harvard Law School and the Kennedy School of Government, where he was a leading expert in administrative and antitrust law.

In 1973, Justice Breyer served on the Watergate Special Prosecution Force. From 1974 to 1980, he was Special Counsel, and later Chief Counsel, of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee. He worked closely with Senator Edward M. Kennedy to pass the 1978 Airline Deregulation Act, which lifted government restrictions on fares and routes and passed with bipartisan support.

In 1980, Justice Breyer was nominated to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit by outgoing President Jimmy Carter at the end of his administration. He became the only Carter nominee to be confirmed during the Reagan Administration. In 1990, he became Chief Judge of the First Circuit.

Justice Breyer was a member of the U.S. Sentencing Commission from 1985 to 1989, where he worked to make federal sentencing guidelines more uniform, and a member of the Judicial Conference of the United States from 1990 to 1994. President Bill Clinton nominated him as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court upon Justice Harry Blackman's retirement, and he took his seat in August 1994.

Justice Breyer has cited six interpretive tools that guide his philosophy on the Supreme Court: text, history, tradition, precedent, the purpose of a statute, and the consequences of competing interpretations. He has written numerous books and articles about administrative law, economic regulation, and constitutional law, and through his writing, he has espoused a commitment to democratic ideals, an informed citizenry, and practical solutions to contemporary problems. His books include *Regulation and Its Reform*, *Breaking the Vicious Circle: Toward Effective Risk Regulation*, *Active Liberty: Interpreting Our Democratic Constitution*, and *Making Our Democracy Work: A Judge's View*.

His latest book, *The Court and the World*, argues that judicial awareness must extend across the interconnected global landscape and traces how foreign cases have influenced U.S. judicial and policy outcomes.

HONORARY DEGREE, DOCTOR OF LAWS

ALEX DIMITRIEF

New York Law School honors Alex Dimitrief for his leadership and influence on the global stage and his role in General Electric Company's efforts to achieve gender equity in the science, technology, engineering, and math professions.



As the President and CEO of General Electric Company's (GE's) Global Growth Organization, Alex Dimitrief is a key force in driving the company's international growth. His role includes connecting cross-business capabilities and building localization strategies that address critical needs in the more than 180 countries where GE does business.

Mr. Dimitrief joined the company in 2007 as Vice President for Litigation and Legal Policy. He then held several leadership positions in GE's legal and compliance functions, including Vice President and General Counsel of GE Energy from 2011 to 2012 and Senior Vice President and General Counsel of GE Capital from 2012 to 2015. In 2015, he was named General Counsel of GE, where he oversaw a global team responsible for GE's legal matters, compliance, governmental affairs, and environmental health and safety.

Mr. Dimitrief uses his global platform to amplify gender equity and diversity efforts within GE. The company seeks to close the gender gap in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) positions by 2020 and has set ambitious targets for its STEM roles and technical entry-level programs. GE's Women's Network, which recently celebrated its 20th anniversary and now includes more than 160 hubs in 60 countries, is a critical part of this work across the world.

Before joining GE, Mr. Dimitrief was a trial lawyer for 20 years at Kirkland & Ellis LLP. Prior to that, he was a White House Fellow in the Reagan Administration's Office of Political and Intergovernmental Affairs and an Honors Intern at the U.S. Department of Justice. He graduated from Yale College with a B.A. in Economics and Political Science and earned his J.D. at Harvard Law School. He actively supports numerous charitable organizations and serves on the boards of Ronald McDonald House Charities and the Boston Children's Hospital.

PRESIDENT'S MEDAL

STEPHEN J. ELLMANN

New York Law School honors Professor Stephen J. Ellmann for his innumerable, deep, and lasting contributions to the Law School and for his lifelong work to advance social justice and uphold the constitutional principles our community holds dear.



Stephen J. Ellmann is an award-winning author on legal ethics and an expert in clinical legal education, constitutional law, and South African law. In addition to serving as the Martin Professor of Law at New York Law School, he is Director of Clinical and Experiential Learning and has helped to lead the Law School's expansion of opportunities for students to develop practical lawyering skills.

Professor Ellmann holds both a B.A. and J.D. *magna cum laude* from Harvard. From 1976 to 1977, he served as a law clerk to the Honorable Elbert Tuttle of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth (now Eleventh) Circuit. As a staff attorney at the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Alabama from 1977 to 1983, he worked on voting rights cases, institutional reform litigation for inmates and people with mental disabilities, anti-Ku Klux Klan suits, and defense work in capital murder trials. In Montgomery, Professor Ellmann also began his legal teaching career.

In 1985, he launched the Clinical Theory Workshop, in which law professors from around the nation have presented papers on various aspects of clinical education. As a clinical scholar himself, Professor Ellmann has written extensively on the skills and ethics of lawyers' interviewing and counseling of clients. He has also written about broader questions of legal ethics, and in 1990 he earned the Sanford D. Levy Memorial Award from the New York State Bar Association Committee on Professional Ethics for his article "Lawyering for Justice in a Flawed Democracy" in the *Columbia Law Review*.

Since the September 11 attacks, Professor Ellmann has also worked on issues of war and emergency power. He has written on racial profiling as a response to terrorism, on trying alleged terrorists before military commissions, and on the reshaping of the law of war to better protect human rights. His next article, "Interpreting the Prohibition of Torture," will be published later this year.

Long interested in South Africa, Professor Ellmann co-chairs the Law School's South Africa Reading Group, an interdisciplinary group of scholars studying South Africa. He has written widely on human rights in South Africa, both before and after the end of apartheid. In 2017, he received the Law School's Otto L. Walter Distinguished Writing Award for his article, "The Struggle for the Rule of Law in South Africa," published in the *New York Law School Law Review*.

Professor Ellmann is currently at work on a biography of South Africa's late Chief Justice, Arthur Chaskalson.

PRESIDENT'S MEDAL

CHRISTINA M. STORM '77

New York Law School honors Christina M. Storm '77 for her profound commitment to the Law School's values and ideals as the founder and leader of Lawyers Without Borders, an organization that advances human rights and promotes rule of law around the world.



Christina M. Storm '77 is the Founder and Executive Director of Lawyers Without Borders (LWOB), an international nonprofit that harnesses the pro bono volunteer services of lawyers and judges to perform critical human rights and social justice work around the world.

Ms. Storm founded LWOB in 2000, seeking to create a deep, sustained impact in the global rule-of-law community. From its humble beginnings in Hartford, Connecticut, LWOB has expanded to nearly every continent. New York Law School students and a large corps of volunteer lawyers in New York City were instrumental to its growth.

Today, LWOB's volunteer programs encompass child labor, civil rights, human trafficking, gender-based and domestic violence, corruption, counter-terrorism, wildlife crime, and similarly vital social justice issues in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and other regions emerging from conflict. The organization maintains a neutral approach and emphasizes justice-sector capacity-building in its work. It also seeks to cultivate professional development and a commitment to pro bono work among young lawyers and law students.

Ms. Storm serves as LWOB's full-time Executive Director and designs the educational programming that anchors the organization. Programs developed by LWOB are now regularly recognized as among the finest examples of pro bono work in the profession. The program has attracted lawyers from the top ranks of the Am Law 100 and the United Kingdom's "Magic Circle" law firms among its pro bono volunteers. Ms. Storm has repeatedly been included in *Lawdragon's* "500 Leading Lawyers in America," where, to her delight, her name typically falls between U.S. Supreme Court Justices Sonia Sotomayor and Clarence Thomas.

Prior to founding LWOB, Ms. Storm and her husband led the law firm Byrne & Storm, PC, which assisted Connecticut clients with a wide range of matters, from commercial transactional work to family, criminal, and other civil litigation. Ms. Storm, who is admitted to both the Connecticut and New York bars, has represented clients in Connecticut's federal and state courts and in federal and local agencies. She started LWOB mid-way through her career.

In 2001, Ms. Storm received the Law School's Otto L. Walter Outstanding Alumnus Award in International Law. As a law student, she was Chair of the Moot Court Association and served as Student Law Clerk for the Honorable Lawrence Pierce of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York and the Honorable Bruce McMarion Wright of New York City Civil Court. Prior to attending New York Law School, she earned her B.A. in Philosophy from Manhattanville College.

KATHLEEN GRIMM MEDAL

MONIQUE BAPTIST

New York Law School honors Monique Baptist, a member of the Class of 2018 and a full-time New York City employee, for her remarkable commitment to civic engagement and her boundless potential as a public service attorney.



Monique Baptist is a highly accomplished member of New York Law School's Class of 2018. This summer, she will become an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the New York City Law Department's Family Court Division, where until recently she served as a full-time Senior Student Legal Specialist.

As an Evening Division student, Ms. Baptist adeptly balanced her legal education with her rigorous public service role, which involved interviewing, research, and writing related to juvenile delinquency cases brought by New York City. Despite her many commitments, she demonstrated an extraordinary level of participation in New York Law School's clinics, activities, and student organizations.

At the Law School, Ms. Baptist was a member of the Racial Justice Project, the Post-Conviction Innocence Clinic, the Trial Competition Team, and the Moot Court Association, where she co-authored the Law School's Wagner Moot Court Competition fact pattern. As a Senator in the Student Bar Association, she helped build an initiative to provide more pro bono opportunities for Evening Division students. She also served as Vice President for the Equal Rights Coalition and a member of the Black Law Students Association and First Generation Professionals. In addition, she was affiliated with both the Center for International Law and the Impact Center for Public Interest Law, which honored her with its Public Service Award.

Ms. Baptist's previous public service work included roles at the New York City Department of Transportation and the New York City Law Department's Tort Division. She also completed internships with the New York City Police Department's Risk Management Division and the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office.

In 2011, she earned a B.S. in Legal Studies and French *magna cum laude* from St. John's University, where she won numerous awards and honors and was a member of the "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" list.

KATHLEEN GRIMM MEDAL

NELDRA M. '79 AND DOUGLAS ZEIGLER '81

New York Law School honors "public-service power couple" Neldra M. '79 and Douglas Zeigler '81 for their life-long dedication to New York City government; their leadership in matters of diversity, law enforcement-community relations, and equal opportunity; and their example as exceptional partners and alumni who embody the Law School's ideals.



Neldra M. Zeigler '79 recently retired as Deputy Commissioner of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) for the New York City Police Department after 21 years of distinguished service at the agency. As Deputy Commissioner, she reported directly to the Police Commissioner, served as the NYPD's EEO Officer and Chief Diversity Officer, and managed all internal complaints of employment discrimination. She also substantially expanded EEO and diversity training opportunities for the NYPD's approximately 54,000 employees.

Born and raised in Harlem, New York, Commissioner Zeigler dedicated her career to serving New York City. She previously held positions as Assistant Deputy Commissioner of Legal Matters for the NYPD, Assistant Commissioner of Investigations and Trials for the New York City Fire Department, and Assistant District Attorney in Queens County. At the New York City Department of Transportation, she served as Deputy Inspector General and Department Advocate. At the New York City Health & Hospitals Corporation and the New York City Human Resources Administration, she was Director of Labor Relations. In addition to earning her J.D. from New York Law School, where she was a member of the Black Law Students Association, she holds a B.A. from Temple University and an M.A. from John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Douglas Zeigler '81 is Executive Agency Counsel to the New York City Department of Correction and a member of the Honorary Advisory Board for the New York City Council Community Affairs Bureau, where he provides guidance on community-police relations.

From 2011 to 2014, he was Director of Security for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, overseeing strategic and disaster planning for the nation's largest public transit authority. Prior to that position, he held leading roles at the NYPD for 37 years, most recently as Chief of Community Affairs. His other leadership positions included Chief of the Organized Crime Control Bureau, Chief of the Housing Bureau, and Borough Commander for Patrol Borough Queens North. Upon his retirement from the NYPD in 2010, he earned high praise from then-Commissioner Raymond Kelly for his work to strengthen relations between police officers and New York City communities.

Chief Zeigler received his law degree from New York Law School in 1981 and was a member of the Black Law Students Association. He also received his M.A. and B.A. degrees from John Jay College of Criminal Justice and graduated from the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

1955 to the Present

- 1955 The Honorable Charles William Froessel 1913
The Honorable John Marshall Harlan '24
Archibald Robinson Watson
- 1956 Denis O'Leary Cohalan
Albert Cohn 1908
Albert Conway
- 1957 Nathaniel L. Goldstein 1918
Charles H. Griffiths 1910
David W. Peck
- 1958 The Honorable Joseph A. Cox
Hunter Labatut Delatour 1906
James Thomas Hallinan II
Gerald Nolan
Ferdinand Pecora
- 1959 Bernard Botein
Theodore Granik
Philip M. Kleinfeld 1916
Edward J. Neary 1915
- 1960 Charles Stewart Desmond
- 1961 Robert Moses
- 1962 Stanley Howells Fuld
Sylvester Comstock Smith Jr. 1918
Murray Stockman 1915
- 1963 Sydney E. Foster
- 1964 George J. Beldock
Hunter Labatut Delatour 1906
Alfred Gross
- 1965 Marvin R. Dye
Edwin L. Weisel
The Honorable David T. Wilentz 1917
- 1966 Daniel Gutman
John Van Voorhis
- 1967 Alfred J. Bohlinger '24
Leo M. Cherne '34
The Honorable W. Averell Harriman
- 1968 The Honorable Ramsey Clark
Tom C. Clark
David Finkelstein
Orison S. Marden
Robert Morris Morgenthau
Edward Joseph Mortola
- 1969 Jerry Finkelstein '38
John-Seward Johnson
John Vincent Thornton
- 1970 Adrian P. Burke
Joseph I. Lubin '30
Joseph Edward Lumbard Jr.
Samuel Miller '26
- 1971 Willard Heckel
John E. Scileppi
- 1972 Maurice R. Greenberg '50
Samuel Rabin
The Honorable Whitney North Seymour Jr.
- 1973 The Honorable Paul J. Curran
Charles H. Dyson
Harry B. Helmsley
E. Donald Shapiro
The Honorable Joseph Weintraub
- 1974 The Honorable Brendan T. Byrne
Walter M. Jeffords Jr.
Samuel J. LeFrak
The Honorable Owen McGivern
- 1975 The Honorable Charles D. Breitel
William J. Curran
Gen. John Einar Murray
The Honorable Peter W. Rodino Jr.
Stefan Treschel
The Honorable Robert F. Wagner 1900
William Weary

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS (continued)

1955 to the Present

- 1976 The Honorable Warren E. Burger
Milton Helpert
Mary Gardiner Jones
Gen. Rowland F. Kirks
Harry Ostrov '25
The Honorable Edward D. Re
Joseph Solomon '27
- 1977 The Honorable Dennis DeConcini
Elizabeth Hughes Gossett
The Honorable Howard T. Markey
The Honorable Daniel Patrick Moynihan
Albert M. Sacks
- 1978 The Honorable Griffen B. Bell
The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
The Honorable Erwin N. Griswold
The Honorable Damon J. Keith
Rabbi Emmanuel Rackman
- 1979 The Honorable Benjamin R. Civiletti
The Honorable Lawrence H. Cooke
Barbara Knowles Debs
Abraham S. Goldstein
The Honorable Jacob K. Javits
The Honorable Wade H. McCree Jr.
The Honorable Francis T. Murphy '52
The Honorable Potter Stewart
- 1980 The Honorable Richard Reeve Baxter
The Most Reverend Terence Cardinal Cooke
The Honorable Richard N. Gardner
A. Leo Levin
The Honorable Lewis F. Powell Jr.
Edward Allen Tamm
- 1981 Mario M. Biaggi '63
The Honorable William Frank Buckley Jr.
The Honorable William Joseph Casey
The Honorable Matthew Joseph Jasen
The Honorable James Skelly Wright
- 1982 The Honorable Mary S. Coleman
The Honorable Alfonse M. D'Amato
Archbishop Jakovos
Rex E. Lee
The Honorable Shigeru Oda
Thomas Grey Wicker
- 1983 The Honorable Harry A. Blackmun
The Honorable Sherman G. Finesilver
The Honorable Constance Baker Motley
Albert Parker '21
The Honorable Lowell P. Weicker Jr.
- 1984 The Honorable Geraldine A. Ferraro
The Honorable A. Leon Higginbotham Jr.
Eugene V. Rostow
Robert B. Stevens
Otto L. Walter '54
- 1985 The Honorable Mario M. Cuomo
Robert B. McKay
Bill Moyers
The Honorable Ellen Ash Peters
Donna E. Shalala
- 1986 Barbara Aronstein Black
The Honorable William Joseph Brennan Jr.
The Honorable Edward I. Koch
Myres Smith McDougal
The Honorable Spottswood W. Robinson III
- 1987 Fred W. Friendly
Ellen V. Futter
The Honorable Thomas Howard Kean
Frederick A.O. Schwarz Jr.
- 1988 Archibald R. Murray
Ernst C. Stiefel
The Honorable Patricia McGowan Wald
- 1989 J. William Campo
The Honorable Roger J. Miner '56

- 1990 Alvin J. Bronstein '51
Linda A. Fairstein
The Honorable Milton L. Williams '63
- 1991 The Honorable David N. Dinkins
The Honorable John H. Sununu
- 1992 The Honorable Sandra Day O'Connor
James F. Simon
- 1993 Shepard Broad '27
Drew S. Days III
The Honorable Judith S. Kaye
- 1994 The Honorable Rudolph W. Giuliani
Bernard H. Mendik '58
- 1995 The Honorable José A. Cabranes
Alexander D. Forger
- 1996 The Honorable Sidney H. Asch
Boris Leavitt '26
The Honorable Jon O. Newman
- 1997 The Honorable Harry T. Edwards
Dr. Raymond D. Horton
Lewis M. Steel '63
- 1998 Joseph T. Arenson
Lawrence S. Huntington '64
Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
- 1999 The Honorable Guido Calabresi
- 2000 Sybil Shainwald '76
Harry H. Wellington
The Honorable Ralph K. Winter
- 2001 Taylor R. Briggs (posthumously)
Ira Glasser
The Honorable Judith B. Sheindlin '65
- 2002 The Honorable Pierre N. Leval
The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
- 2003 The Honorable Jack B. Weinstein
- 2004 The Honorable Alexis M. Herman
Anthony Lewis
- 2005 The Honorable Bob Kerrey
- 2006 The Honorable Joel I. Klein
- 2007 David Boies
- 2008 Dennis W. Archer
- 2009 Gregory H. Williams
- 2010 The Honorable Jonathan Lippman
- 2011 The Honorable Cory A. Booker
- 2012 Kenneth R. Feinberg
- 2013 The Honorable Michael R. Bloomberg
- 2014 Steven Banks
- 2015 Joe Plumeri
Cyrus R. Vance Jr.
- 2016 The Honorable Robert A. Katzmann
- 2017 Preet Bharara
Laura Ricciardi '96
- 2018 The Honorable Stephen G. Breyer
Alex Dimitrieff

PRESIDENT'S MEDAL RECIPIENTS

2002 to the Present

Awarded to New York Law School's most outstanding and accomplished community members and its most generous benefactors, the President's Medal acknowledges those who have made profound contributions to the history of the Law School by their exemplary professional lives and their generosity.

2002

Awarded posthumously to

BERNARD H. MENDIK '58

Chairman of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

President, Bernard H. Mendik Company LLC
Benefactor, The Mendik Law Library

2003

Awarded posthumously to

SHEPARD BROAD '27

Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

Founder, Broad and Cassel

Benefactor, Shepard Broad Scholarship Fund

Benefactor, The Shepard and Ruth K. Broad
Student Center

2004

J. BRUCE LLEWELLYN '60

Former Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

Chairman and CEO of Philadelphia Coca-Cola
Bottling Company, Inc.

Founder of "100 Black Men"

2005

LAWRENCE S. HUNTINGTON '64

Former Chairman of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

Chairman Emeritus of the Board,
Fiduciary Trust Company International

Generous Benefactor

2006

Awarded posthumously to

PHILIP M. DAMASHEK

Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

Managing Partner, Schneider, Kleinick, Weitz,
Damashek & Shoot

President, New York State Trial Lawyers
Association (1990–91)

2007

SYBIL SHAINWALD '76

Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

President, Law Offices of Sybil Shainwald

2008

**THE HONORABLE
ERNST H. ROSENBERGER '58**

Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

Adjunct Professor of Law, New York Law School
Of Counsel, Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP

2009

ZYGMUNT WILF '74

Member of the Advisory Board, Center for
Real Estate Studies, New York Law School

Attorney, Wilf Law Firm

President, Garden Homes Real Estate Developers

Principal Owner, Minnesota Vikings Football
Club, LLC

2011

HARRY H. WELLINGTON

Professor of Law and Dean Emeritus,
New York Law School

2012

Awarded posthumously to

THE HONORABLE ROGER J. MINER '56

Senior U.S. Circuit Judge
Trustee Emeritus and Former Adjunct Professor
of Law, New York Law School

JAMES F. SIMON

Martin Professor of Law Emeritus and Dean
Emeritus, New York Law School

2013

ARTHUR N. ABBEY '59

Senior Partner, Abbey Spanier, LLP
Chairman of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

2014

KATHLEEN GRIMM '80

Deputy Chancellor of Operations,
New York City Department of Education
Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

2015

DR. VINCENT A. CARBONELL '00

Founder and President,
United Reprographic Services Inc.
Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

2016

CHARLES E. PHILLIPS JR. '93

Chief Executive Officer, Infor
Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

2017

SUSAN MENDIK

Bernard H. Mendik Company LLC
Member of the Board of Trustees,
New York Law School

2018

STEPHEN J. ELLMANN

Martin Professor of Law and Director
of Clinical and Experiential Learning,
New York Law School

CHRISTINA M. STORM '77

Founder and Executive Director,
Lawyers Without Borders

KATHLEEN GRIMM MEDAL RECIPIENTS

2015 to the Present

The Trustees of New York Law School established the Kathleen Grimm Medal for Distinguished Public Service on February 11, 2015 to honor Kathleen Grimm '80 for her inspiring leadership, her distinguished and dedicated service to the Law School, and her outstanding accomplishments in the fields of law and education. Ms. Grimm, who passed away on February 17, 2015, had a long public service record, most recently as Deputy Chancellor of Operations at the New York City Department of Education. She was one of New York City's most dedicated servants, having served five city mayors, one state comptroller, seven city commissioners, and four city schools chancellors. She also served as a member of the Law School's Board of Trustees and on its Alumni Association Board of Directors for over two decades, including as past president.

2015

THE HONORABLE FAVIOLA A. SOTO '78

Judge, New York State Court of Claims

2016

CHRISTINE MAGGIORE '16

2017

THE HONORABLE DAKOTA RAMSEUR '97

Judge, Civil Court of the City of New York,
New York County

2018

MONIQUE BAPTIST

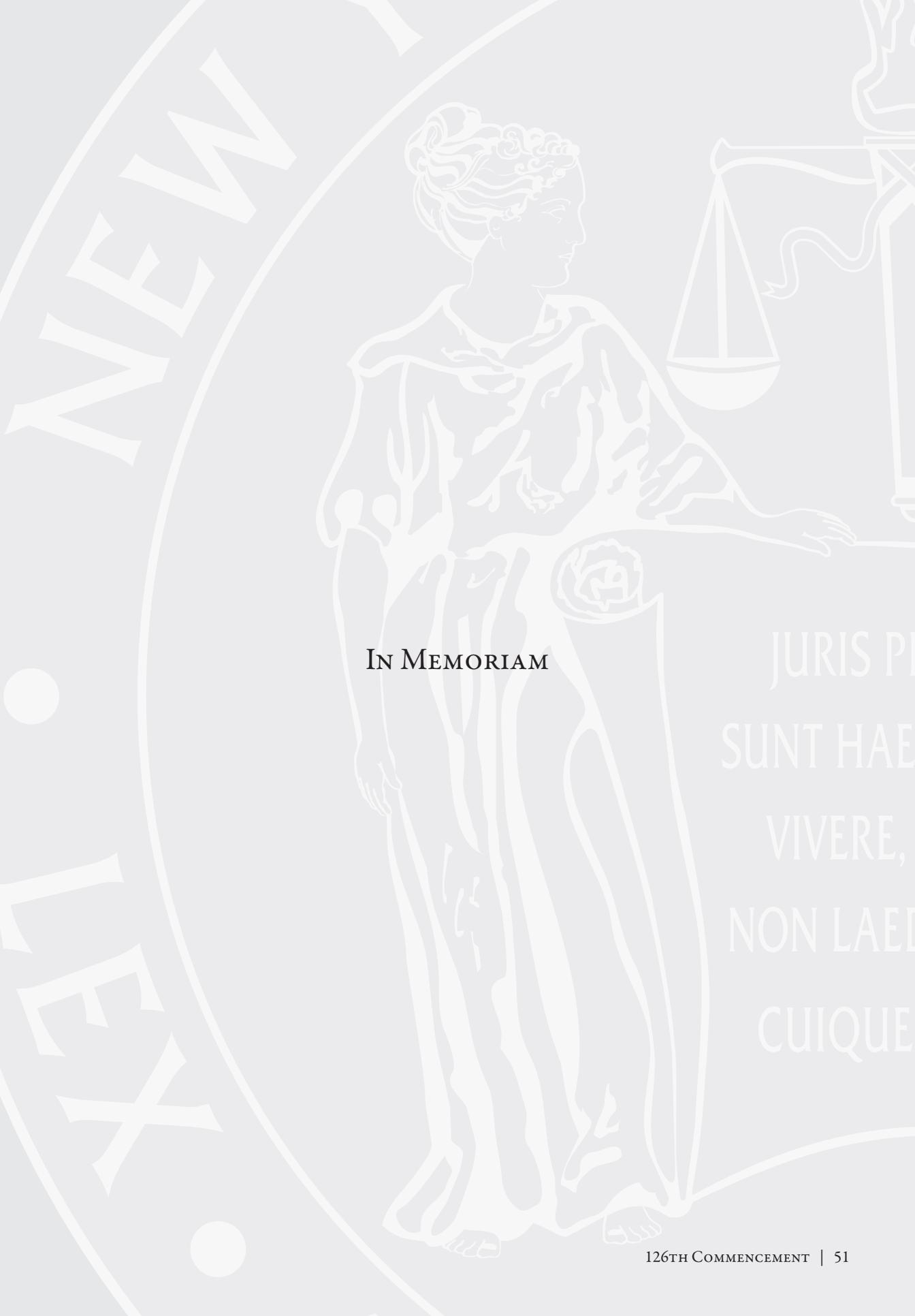
Class of 2018

NELDRA M. ZEIGLER '79

Former Deputy Commissioner of Equal
Employment Opportunity, New York City
Police Department

DOUGLAS ZEIGLER '81

Executive Agency Counsel
New York City Department of Correction



IN MEMORIAM

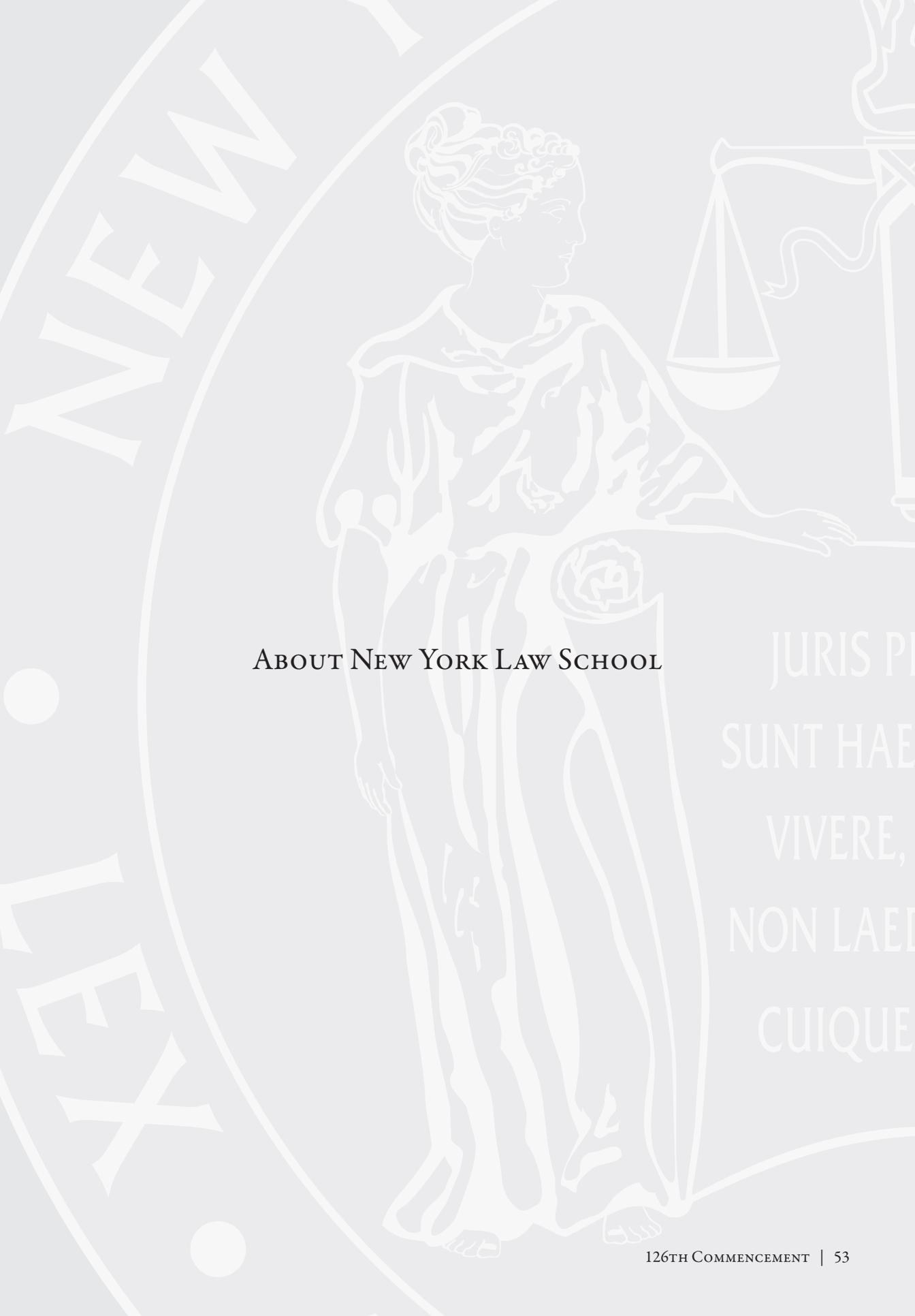
JURIS P
SUNT HAE
VIVERE,
NON LAED
CUIQUE

IN MEMORIAM



New York Law School mourns the loss of **Martin Banks**, who passed away on February 27, 2018, days after completing his J.D. and days before what would have been his 60th birthday. Humble, yet gifted with extraordinary talent and determination, Martin frequently commuted to campus from Pennsylvania and earned a place on the Dean's List for four of his last five semesters. His commitment to public interest legal work and his sensitivity to human suffering were profound. A veteran of the U.S. Air Force, he found great meaning in using his legal skills to help veterans stay in their homes through the Law School's Veterans Justice Clinic. His good humor and ever-present smile made him beloved among his teachers, colleagues, and classmates.

The Law School's loss is deeply felt today. Martin had hoped to speak at Commencement, to walk across the stage of Carnegie Hall, and to cheer on his fellow members of the Class of 2018. Equally painful is the loss of all that might have been. Martin would have had an exceptional legal career and improved the lives of countless people. Today, may we all be reminded of his gratitude and kindness. In the years to come, may we all live up to the ideals he held dear.



ABOUT NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL

JURIS P
SUNT HAE
VIVERE,
NON LAED
CUIQUE

ABOUT NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL

We are New York's Law School

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 and education.

THE EARLY YEARS

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

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 Law 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 around the turn of the 20th century became founders or name partners of leading law firms, including Alfred Rose of Proskauer, Rose, Goetz & Mendelsohn; Randolph E. Paul of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison; Henry Hurlbut Abbott and William C. Breed 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 leading roles in the profession. Among the most notable was U.S. Supreme Court Justice John Marshall Harlan II. Other prominent graduates included Albert Parker, a founding partner of Parker, Chapin, Flattau & Klimpl; Cameron F. MacRae, a former chairman of LeBoeuf, Lamb, Greene & MacRae; Conover English, a founding partner of McCarter & English; David Wilentz, a founding partner of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer; Chester Carlson, who invented the xerography process leading to the founding of Xerox Corporation; and the Honorable 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 lasted until the mid-1920s. While the situation improved by the late 1930s, the draft in 1940 dealt the institution another blow, and 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 provisional accreditation from the American Bar Association in 1954, and final accreditation 10 years later.

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.

Many graduates who were students during these years achieved prominence in the bar, the judiciary, government, and business. They include the late Honorable Roger J. Miner, Senior Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; the late Bernard Mendik, former Chairman of the Real Estate Board of New York and former CEO of Mendik Properties; and the late Kathleen Grimm, Deputy Chancellor of Operations, New York City Department of Education. Other prominent alumni from that period include Maurice Greenberg, former Chairman and CEO of American International Group (AIG) and current Chairman and CEO of C.V. Starr and Co. Inc.; Arthur N. Abbey, Senior Partner at Abbey Spanier, 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; the Honorable Judith Sheindlin, known as "Judge

Judy," New York family court judge, author, and TV personality; Zygmunt Wilf, principal owner of the Minnesota Vikings of the NFL and member of the Law School's Board of Trustees; and Kenneth D. Werner, President of Warner Brothers Domestic Television Distribution.

RECENT LEADERSHIP AND GROWTH

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 and the construction of the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room. 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 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. During Dean Wellington's tenure, the Ernst C. Stiefel Professorship of Comparative Law was created and the Law School's Centers for International Law and New York City Law were established.

Richard A. Matasar was named the 15th Dean and President of New York Law School in 2000, serving until December 2011. Under Dean Matasar's leadership, the School expanded its Academic Centers and increased its graduate offerings, which now include advanced degree programs in American business law and tax. During his tenure, the Law School completed an expansion and renovation

ABOUT NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL (continued)

program that transformed its Tribeca campus into a cohesive architectural complex. The centerpiece of the expansion is a glass-enclosed, 235,000-square-foot, nine-level building—five stories above ground and four below—which opened in 2009.

“NEW YORK’S LAW SCHOOL” AND THE FUTURE

In spring 2012, New York Law School, continuing its tradition of bold and innovative leadership, named Anthony W. Crowell, former Counselor to New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, the 16th Dean and President of the Law School. He joined the Law School in May 2012, after having been a member of the adjunct faculty for nearly a decade. Under Dean Crowell, the Law School is poised to maximize its strengths, develop new ones, and continue to gain recognition as a leader in legal education. In his early months, he aggressively restructured leadership in key areas of the Law School and launched a strategic planning process that addresses areas of strategic priority, including fostering academic excellence and innovation; supporting the career success of students and alumni; creating a vibrant intellectual community that supports research and scholarship; strengthening engagement among students, alumni, faculty, and other constituents; and driving operational efficiencies and institution-building.

To strengthen the Law School’s connection to our great city, Dean Crowell introduced the “We are New York’s law school” campaign, which has now become the Law School’s motto. In keeping with that motto, Dean Crowell established a Public Service Scholarship Program for uniformed services personnel and other dedicated public servants working in New York City at the local, state, and federal levels. The Scholarship celebrates the Law School’s rich history of enrolling students coming from these professional areas to advance their careers and be the most effective leaders in the city and beyond.

In fall 2012, New York Law School was the first law school to announce an initiative to identify and create new experiential learning opportunities for students that would help provide the community with access to justice and help students satisfy the 50-hour pro bono requirement for admission to the bar. Dean Crowell worked with the Law School’s faculty to expand the School’s experiential and clinical learning programs, thereby encouraging all students to connect their classroom learning to practical legal training. In spring 2013, the Law School announced a historic expansion of clinical and experiential learning programs, doubling the number of clinics from 13 to 26 in one year. Dean Crowell also initiated the Dean’s Leadership Council: 1L students who perform in the top 25 percent of their class are invited to take part in a special series of dialogues with the Dean and top city leaders in law, business, and government.

In July 2013, the Law School issued a provocative and groundbreaking Strategic Plan, which garnered national attention. The Plan focuses on five areas: Academic Excellence and Innovation, Career Success, Intellectual Life, Community Engagement, and Operations. As outlined in the Plan, the Law School is focused on the high-growth fields of tomorrow: intellectual property, media, technology, and applied sciences; business and financial services; and government and public interest—all of which encompass what will be the major areas of employment over the next 10 to 20 years. In 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017, the School issued Strategic Plan Progress and Outcomes, its annual reports on the progress made and outcomes achieved in implementing the Strategic Plan. Development of a new Strategic Plan is now underway.

During the 2013–14 academic year, the Law School added the Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program. During the 2014–15 academic year, the Law School announced the formation of the Impact Center for Public Interest Law, which brought all of the Law School’s important public interest work

under one umbrella. In January 2015, the Law School started the country's first two-year J.D. honors program. In February 2015, the Law School issued its Institutional Diversity Plan, a bold statement of principles and goals, and an ambitious course of action, to maintain diversity and inclusion as essential components of the Law School's operations.

In August 2015, the Law School kicked off its 125th Anniversary celebration, highlighting its rich legacy of alumni who have contributed to the New York City legal community and beyond, across a wide range of subject areas. The same month, the Law School launched the Innovation Center for Law and Technology, which focuses on the innovation economy and the growth of media, science, and technology in the digital age.

In November 2015, the Law School received a \$5 million dollar gift from Joe and Susan Plumeri through The Joe Plumeri Foundation. The gift supports the Law School's nationally recognized practical training programs by establishing The Joe Plumeri Center for Social Justice and Economic Opportunity. The Plumeri Center is home to the School's law firm, which provides free, high-quality legal services to a diverse client base from all of New York City. The Plumeri Center also houses the Law School's legal clinics that serve clients, provides the space for extensive simulation training in both the first-year Legal Practice program and upper-level courses, and includes a moot court room with an accompanying jury deliberation room.

These and other initiatives have earned New York Law School great visibility. During the 2016–17 year, *The National Law Journal* recognized the Law School as among the top 50 law schools nationally for most alumni promoted to law firm partnerships, and *Law Street Media* ranked the Law School second nationally for “Top Schools for Real Estate Law.” In the 2017–18 year, the Law School again earned highest grades for Intellectual Property Law and Technology Law, among other accolades,

from *preLaw* magazine, and the School's LL.M. in Taxation was ranked No. 1 among *New York Law Journal* readers for the eighth consecutive year.

Engaging the Law School's constituents—from students to alumni to faculty to employers and other leaders and influencers—is a key component of Dean Crowell's strategy. The Law School embraces its location in the heart of the city's legal, government, and financial districts and provides students with unmatched opportunities to gain valuable practical experience and build the foundation for meaningful and successful careers in every sector of the economy.

ACADEMIC CENTERS

The Law School's academic centers, led by members of the faculty, continue 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 also play an integral role in the Harlan Scholars honors program.

Center for Business and Financial Law

The Center for Business and Financial Law provides students with an unparalleled, rigorous, and integrated approach to academic study and skills training in all aspects of corporate, commercial, and financial law. Through cutting-edge courses, events, projects, and research, the Center brings together academics, practitioners, and students to address the challenges facing business and finance.

Center for International Law

In 1996, aided by a grant from the C.V. Starr Foundation, the Law School created the C.V. Starr 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,

ABOUT NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL (continued)

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

Center for New York City Law

Established in 1994–95, 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 Real Estate Studies

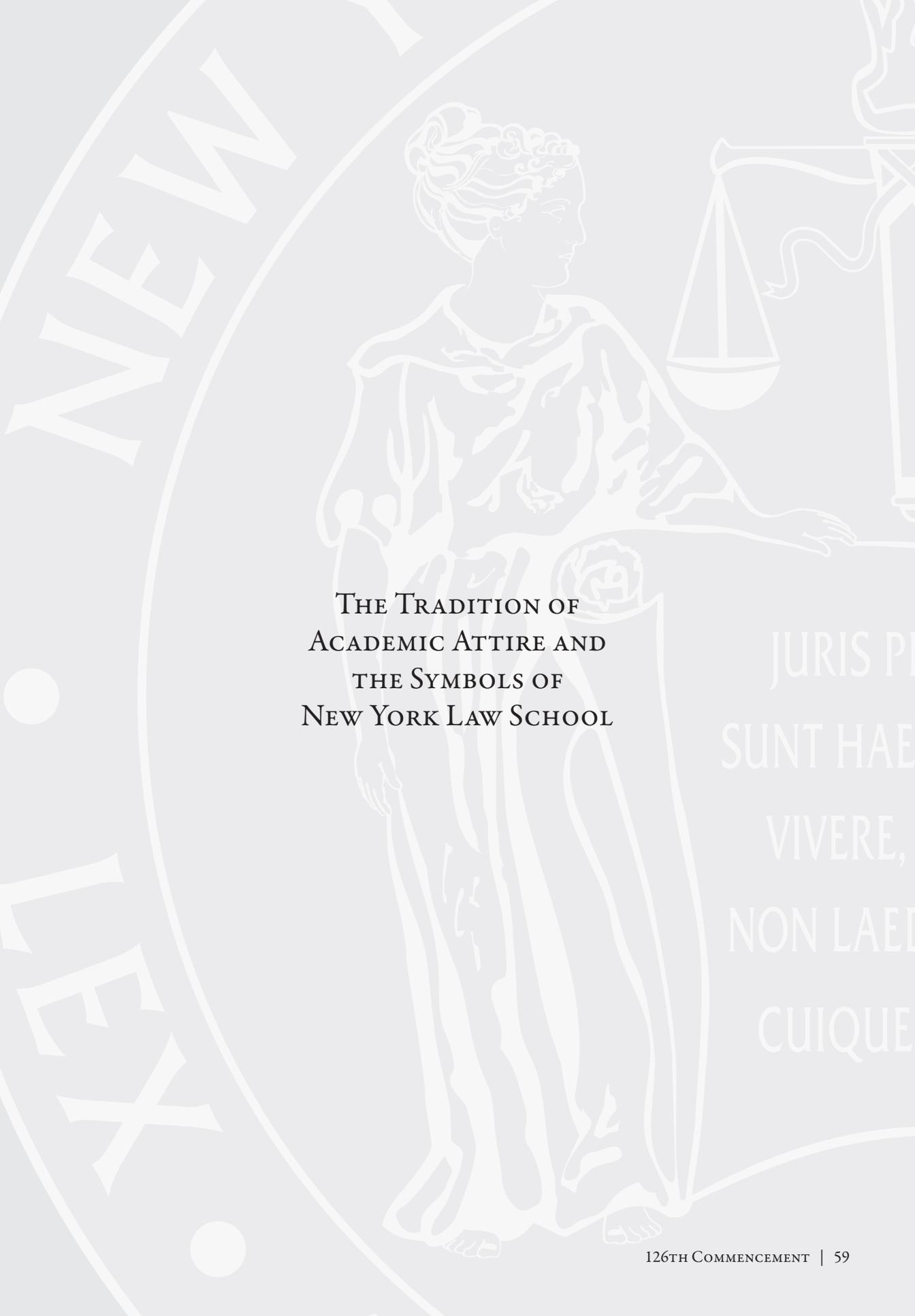
The Center for Real Estate Studies provides students with a unique educational opportunity to study both the private practice and public regulation of the real estate business. Launched in 2007, the Center offers an extensive selection of classroom courses, advanced seminars, and independent study projects, 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 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.

Impact Center for Public Interest Law

The Impact Center for Public Interest Law is committed to using the formidable power of law and legal education to advance social justice and to have a positive impact on the public interest, promote the practice of public interest law, and expand the role of public interest law in the professional development of New York Law School students. Impact Center faculty and students engage in advocacy on a wide range of legal issues that promote the rights, and the social and economic empowerment, of members of our community. Through its advocacy projects, clinics, externships, and fellowships, the Impact Center provides New York Law School students with the training and experience they need to become highly skilled and dedicated public interest advocates.

Innovation Center for Law and Technology

The Innovation Center for Law and Technology serves as a forum for law students, distinguished legal practitioners, entrepreneurs, academics, and tech users to learn about, shape, lead, and benefit from the innovation economy and the growth of media, science, and technology in the digital age. Focus areas include intellectual property, privacy, cybersecurity, fashion law, sports law, and entrepreneurship. The Innovation Center is a focal point for the Law School and New York City as a whole to study and work on complex issues and opportunities presented by the growing innovation economy.



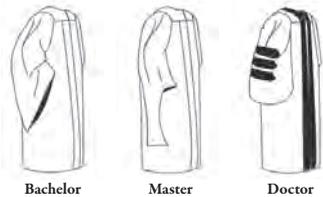
THE TRADITION OF
ACADEMIC ATTIRE AND
THE SYMBOLS OF
NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL

JURIS P
SUNT HAE
VIVERE,
NON LAED
CUIQUE

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 have become part of their commencement traditions.

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.



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.

Hoods



Purple
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.

Caps

According to historians, academic caps were adopted for this use by the church in 1311 and are based on a close-fitting 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 Cambridge caps made of velvet and with gold tassels.

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 candidates for the post-graduate LL.M. degree.

Seal

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.)





185 West Broadway
New York, NY 10013-2921

www.nyls.edu