

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Celebration

ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY

THE EIGHTEENTH OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR



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AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN CLINICAL PRACTICE

Manuel and Ana María Benítez Award for Clinical Excellence in Immigration Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated extraordinary ability in their work in the Immigration Clinic and who possesses the personal qualities of the namesakes, both immigrants, including initiative, creativity, zeal, loyalty, and integrity.

Gabriela Soto Cotto

Community Legal Clinics Volunteer Service Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who excelled in volunteering their time and energy to promote the goals and ideals of law in the public interest by contributing to the efforts of the Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics.

Charles Brandt

The Clinical Legal Education Association Outstanding Student Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who excelled in a clinical course of law.

Alexandra Della Volpe Augusta Nau Ethan Syster

Richard C. Lewis, Jr. Memorial Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who exhibited extraordinary dedication to their work in the Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics and unusual compassion and humanity toward clients and colleagues.

Stephan Marsh

AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED ACCOMPLISHMENT

Justice Thurgood Marshall Civil Liberties Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who demonstrated outstanding performance in and dedication to the field of civil rights and civil liberties.

Hassan Nasser Elsouiri Bella Ochs Jose Rodriguez

Michael Dillon Cooley Memorial Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who shared most generously of their time, compassion, and vitality to aid the intellectual and spiritual growth of fellow students.

Phoebe Fisher

National Association of Women Lawyers Outstanding Law Graduate Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who contributed to the advancement of women, promoted concerns of women in the legal profession, achieved academic success, and earned the respect of the law school faculty and administration.

Kendall Stanley

Robert E. Thibault and Richard B. Schenck Award for Service to the Military

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who have undertaken extraordinary efforts to honor, assist, or otherwise support veterans and current members of the United States Armed Forces.

Kendall Stanley Grady Stevens

Judge Roger W. Titus Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who seeks or obtains a federal district court clerkship and who embodies the qualities of academic excellence, personality, and humility that Judge Titus sought in his law clerks.

Kendall Archer

The Ledakis and Weston George Washington Law Review Award

to the members of Law Review for excellence in authorship of a note.

Sydney Fay Evan Matsuda (2022)

Thelma Weaver Memorial Award

to a foreign student in the graduating Master of Laws class who contributed most to the intellectual and professional life of the law school, its students, and its faculty.

Fernando Muñoz

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN A GENERAL FIELD OF STUDY

Ogden W. Fields Labor Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated the highest overall proficiency in the area of labor law.
James Dugan

Lawrence E. Seibel Memorial Award in Labor and Employment Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who has demonstrated excellence in the labor and employment law field.
James Dugan

Richard L. Teberg Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated the highest overall proficiency in the area of securities law.
Benjamin Birnbach

Henry R. Berger Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who has demonstrated excellence in the area of tort law.
Maeve McBride

Chris Bartok Memorial Award in Patent Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who has exhibited excellence in the area of patent law.
Andrew Sue-Ako

Finnegan Prizes in Intellectual Property Law

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who wrote the best publishable articles on an aspect of intellectual property law.
1st place: Kelsey Ann Kerr 2nd place: Wei Zhang 3rd place: Thomas Romancheck

Peter D. Rosenberg Prize in Patent and Intellectual Property Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who exhibited excellence in the study of patent and intellectual property law.
Marielle Woroboff

Charles and Kathryn Miller Environmental Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who demonstrated excellence in the field of environmental law.
Aashini Choksi

Jamie Grodsky Prize for Environmental Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class for the best paper written in the previous year in the field of environmental law.
James Crisafulli

Phi Delta Phi Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated excellence in the areas of professional responsibility, ethics, and jurisprudence.
Drew Weisberg

Joel B. Rosenthal Commercial Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated excellence in the area of commercial law.
Kai Qi

Howard J. Rudge Creative Solutions Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class for the best paper proposing a creative solution to a serious societal problem in the United States.
1st place: Adrian Ullrich 2nd place: Kendall Parker

Patricia A. Tobin Government Procurement Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who demonstrated excellence in the area of government procurement law.
Ethan Syster

Jennie Hassler Walburn Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated excellence in the area of civil procedure.
Nathaniel Schwamm

Imogen Williford Constitutional Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated excellence in the area of constitutional law.
Avery Ranum

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ORAL ADVOCACY

Jacob Burns Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who were the winning team in the Van Vleck Moot Court Competition.

2022: **Lauren Arquette (2022-23)** **Anastasia Foley (2022-23)**
2023: **Simon Poser (2023-24)** **Angela Seeger (2023-24)**

Cohen & Cohen Mock Trial Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who were the winning team of the Cohen & Cohen Mock Trial Competition.

2022: **Stephanie Camhi** **Simon Patmore-Zarcone**
2023: **Kyle Coopersmith** **James Dugan**

Judge Albert H. Grenadier Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who represented the law school in the National Moot Court Competition and the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.

National Moot Court, 2022-23: **Hannah Burdette** **Isabella Schwarze**
National Moot Court, 2023-24: **Evelyn Pereira** **Emily Sipes**
Jessup, 2023-24: **Angela Gasca-Lozano** **Jessup, 2023-24: Alexander Goodrich**
Jessup, 2023-24: **Payal Majmundar** **Jessup, 2023-24: James Van Drie**

Pamela Spanogle International Commercial Arbitration Competition Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who represented the law school in the Willem Vis International Arbitration Competition.

Emily Bernhard **Alexa Kutz** **Devin Louis** **Rachel Nguyen**

Rothwell, Figg, Ernst and Manbeck Award

to the members of the graduating class who were the winning team in the Rothwell Intellectual Property Law Moot Court Competition.

2023: **Immanuel Elijah** **Charlie Schmidt**
2024: **Elisona Kadriu**

AWARDS FOR OVERALL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Kappa Beta Pi Awards

to the female members of the graduating Juris Doctor class in the full- and part-time courses of study who attained the highest cumulative averages in the first year.

Full-time: **Maeve McBride** Part-time: **Melissa Dorow**

Phi Delta Delta Award

to the female member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest average in the first semester of study for the degree.

Maeve McBride

John Ordronaux Awards

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative averages in the first year, full-time course of study and in the second year, full-time course of study.

1L and 2L: **James Crisafulli**

Charles Glover Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative average in the third year, full-time course of study.

Nathaniel Schwamm

Willard Waddington Gatchell Award

to the three members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative averages in the entire course of the degree.

James Crisafulli **Avery Ranum** **Nathaniel Schwamm**

Anne Wells Branscomb Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative average in the part-time division for the entire course of the degree.

Melissa Dorow

John Bell Larner Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative average for the entire course of the degree.

James Crisafulli

The complete list of winners is available online.

