

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Celebration 2023

ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY

THE TWENTIETH OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY THREE



LAW

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.

Spoorthi Datla

Community Legal Clinics Volunteer Service Award

to the members 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.

Brandon Martinez Gonzalez

Melissa Flocks

The Clinical Legal Education Association Outstanding Student Award

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

Angela Seagraves

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.

Deja Williams

AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED ACCOMPLISHMENT

Justice Thurgood Marshall Civil Liberties Award

to a member 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.

Charnice Culmer

ALI CLE Law Scholarship and Leadership Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who best represents a combination of scholarship and leadership.

Nicole Karem

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.

Courtland Ingraham

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.

Leila Diallo

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.

Maxie Lawton

Vivian Overbeck

Samuel Follansbee

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.

Spencer Reeves

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.

Sushant Mahajan

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.

Erin Davey

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.

Stephen Stasko

Richard L. Teberg Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated the highest overall proficiency in the area of securities law.

Devin Eager

Caitlin Hubbard

Henry R. Berger Award

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

Michael Brewer

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.

Khailee Marischuk

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: Brian Zupruk

2nd Place: Annmarie Irwin

3rd Place, tie: Ojasvinee Sing

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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.

Madeline Moss

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.

Kelly Davis

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.

Shana Hermann

Phi Delta Phi Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated excellence in the areas of professional responsibility, ethics, and jurisprudence.

Angela Olive Lee

Megan Lich

Joel B. Rosenthal Commercial Law Award

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

Nicolas Florio

Howard J. Rudge Creative Solutions Award

to a member 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.

Jaclyn Stabenau (2022)

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.

Alex Cardinal

Jennie Hassler Walburn Award

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

Alexander Grayson

Imogen Williford Constitutional Law Award

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

Christopher Shoemaker

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ORAL ADVOCACY

Jacob Burns Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who was on the winning team in the Van Vleck Moot Court Competition.

Maura McManus (2021-2022)

The Order of Barristers

to the members of the graduating class who have excelled in alternative dispute resolution, mock trial, and/or moot court competitions.

ADR: Ellis McKennie

Mock Trial: Matthew Broussard

Mock Trial: Jackson Kitchin

Mock Trial: Alyssa Kurke

Mock Trial: Lisa MacBeth

Moot Court: Evan Matsuda

Moot Court: Ethan Shuchart

Moot Court: Kristen Wilcox

Moot Court: Shanni Alon

Moot Court: Jeremy Glick

Moot Court: Abhinav Garg

Moot Court: Patrick Walters

CourtCall Law School Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who have contributed most to the success of the GW Law Moot Court or Mock Trial programs.

Mock Trial: Matthew Broussard

Moot Court: Jason Long

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, 2022-2023: Kelly Hutchinson

Jessup, 2021-2022: Maura McManus

Jessup, 2022-2023: Holden Fitzgerald

Jessup, 2022-2023: Alan Harrison

Jessup, 2022-2023: Gabrielle Lysko

Jessup, 2022-2023: Nicole Thrun

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.

2022-2023: Amanda Grace

2022-2023: Maximilian Pil

2022-2023: Alexandra Rokhlin

2022-2023: Shalin Shah

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.

2022: Abhinav Garg

2022: Patrick Walters

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: Riley Desper

Part time: Maura McManus

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.

Angela Olive Lee

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: Scott Hepler

2L: Jonathan Clark

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.

Angela Olive Lee

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.

Scott Hepler

Spencer Reeves

Michael J. Hill

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.

Maura McManus

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.

Scott Hepler