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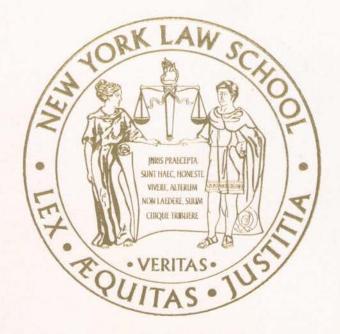
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### A Message from the Dean



Dear Members of the Class of 2004:

Graduation always stirs emotions: appreciation for the support of parents, family, and friends; elation while contemplating new jobs, unique opportunities, and becoming a lawyer; relief that finals are over; fear of the unknown and even the known (yes, I know there is a bar exam); and satisfaction in all that has been accomplished and all that will be accomplished in the years to come. But this year brings forth other emotions, specific to your class and your law school: the memories stirred by 9/11; the premature loss of some of your classmates; the pride we have in our school and its unique role in helping to rebuild our neighborhood; and our determination to lead meaningful, responsible, productive lives as lawyers in an ever-changing world.

To this list I must add my own response. I am proud of you, the Class of 2004. You showed true grit throughout your careers at New York Law School, have performed with great élan, showed grace under pressure, demonstrated your dedication to the law, and bonded like no other group ever before.

Law teachers often emphasize the intellectual over the emotional. Lawyers keep a professional distance from their clients. Classmates compete with each other, but rarely show their admiration and love. You are different. I salute you, the Class of 2004, who have cared deeply for each other, shown great emotional strength, and demonstrated wonderful character!

Sincerely,

Richard A. Matasar Dean and President

### Full-Time Faculty and Instructional Staff

2003-2004

Susan J. Abraham Deborah Archer Richard C.E. Beck Lenni B. Benson Andrew R. Berman Robert Blecker Michael Botein Frank A. Bress James Brook Camille Broussard Carol A. Buckler Eugene Cerruti Elizabeth Chambliss Pamela R. Champine David Chang Lung-chu Chen Sydney M. Cone, III Paul R. Dubinsky Stephen J. Ellmann Aleta G. Estreicher Anthony Q. Fletcher Kris Franklin Cathy Glaser Annette Gordon-Reed Lawrence M. Grosberg Karen Gross Jeffrey J. Haas Seth D. Harris Mariana Hogan

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# Order of Exercises

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AWARDING OF PRIZES

Dean Richard A. Matasar, Presiding

Jubilate Deo—Gregor Aichinger Contrapuntus—J.S. Bach Quintet #1—Victor Ewald

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

Richard A. Matasar Dean and President

Officer Carl Dixon New York City Police Department

Dean Matasar

Arthur N. Abbey '59 Chairman, Board of Trustees

OTTO L. WALTER DISTINGUISHED WRITING AWARDS Presentation by Associate Dean Stephen J. Ellmann

Faculty Awards

Robert Blecker For his article, "Roots – Resolving the Death Penalty: Wisdom from the Ancients," published as a chapter of *America's Experiment with Capital Punishment: Reflections on the Past, Present, and Future of the Ultimate Penal Sanction* (James R. Acker, Robert M. Bohm & Charles S. Lanier eds., Carolina Academic Press 2d ed. 2003).

Randolph N. Jonakait For his book, *The American Jury System* (Yale University Press 2003).

Frank W. Munger For his book, co-authored with David M. Engel, *Rights of Inclusion: Law and Identity in the Life Stories of Americans with Disabilities* (University of Chicago Press 2003).

Adjunct Faculty: R.B. Bernstein For his book, *Thomas Jefferson* (Oxford University Press 2003).

Judith Bresler '74 For her article, "Begged, Borrowed or Stolen: Whose Art Is It, Anyway?: An Alternative Solution of Fine Art Licensing," published in 50 Journal of the Copyright Society of the USA 15 (2003) (50th Anniversary Volume), and in the New York State Bar Association's Entertainment, Arts & Sports Law Journal (Fall/Winter 2003) at 36.

#### Student Awards

James J. Barney, *Day Division* For his article, "Dancing Towards Disaster or the Race to Rationality: The Demise of the Learned Intermediary Standard and the Pharmacists' Duty to Warn"

Cynthia Carlson, *Evening Division* For her article, "Excessive Entanglement of Church and State: Applying the Lemon Test to the Disestablishment of the Church of Sweden"

THE FINALISTS FOR THE TRUSTEES' PRIZE FOR THE HIGHEST AVERAGE\* Presentation by Associate Dean Jethro K. Lieberman

Scott Dean Woller (Day Division) Amy Garzon (Day Division) Arminda Bradford Bepko (Day Division) Giannina Santo (Evening Division) Michael P. McGuigan (Evening Division) Ramona Faye Houck (Evening Division)

\* Based on fifth semester grades for Day Division students and seventh semester grades for Evening Division students. The student listed first in each division currently has the highest average in that division. The final award will be made after all grades are complete in June.

# THE ALFRED L. ROSE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE Presentation by Associate Dean Carol A. Buckler

Arminda Bradford Bepko (Day Division) Kirk Dwayne Burkhalter (Evening Division)

THE DEAN'S AWARD FOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP Presentation by Associate Dean Carol A. Buckler

Adam David Blumenreich Heather E. Rutman Brooke M. Shumel

CLASS OF 2004 TEACHING AWARD Presentation by Associate Dean Stephen J. Ellmann and Brian Joseph Kaszuba, President, Student Bar Association

Professor Seth D. Harris Professor Edward A. Purcell, Jr.

Orin R. Kurtz, Day Division

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Professor Tanina Rostain Professor Nadine Strossen Presentation of Candidates

Dean Matasar

Conferring of Degrees Chairman Abbey

Dean Matasar

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RECESSIONAL

Two Voluntaries-Henry Purcell

PRESIDENT'S MEDAL OF HONOR Presentation by Susan Mendik, Trustee

L'Tanya Monique Watkins, Evening Division

J. Bruce Llewellyn '60 Chairman and CEO of Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Company, Inc. Founder, 100 Black Men

DOCTOR OF LAWS Presentation by Armando Belly, Trustee Anthony Lewis Pulitzer Prize-Winning Journalist and Author

DOCTOR OF LAWS Presentation by Gerald C. Crotty '76, Trustee

The Honorable Alexis M. Herman Former United States Secretary of Labor

The Honorable Alexis M. Herman

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Honors and Prizes

### Degrees with Honors

# February 1, 2004 J.D. Graduates

#### Summa Cum Laude Michael Paul Fanelli

#### Magna Cum Laude

Brandon Shaun Clark Dina Hyppolite

#### Cum Laude

Kevin M. Cunnane Susan Frauenhofer Melvyn Warren Hoffman Martin Michael Howfield Alan Joe Kaldawi

Natalya Shmulevich

Scott Dean Woller

### May 16, 2004 J.D. Candidates

Honors for J.D. candidates are tentative pending computation of final grades.

#### Summa Cum Laude

Michael P. McGuigan Giannina Santo

#### Magna Cum Laude

Smit Kapadia Orin R. Kurtz Filomena Lepore Charles Jason Lore Brian Patrick Marshall Patrick Terence McGuire Ryan Milun Jennifer S. Mittelsteadt Amanda Lynn Nelson

#### Cum Laude

Erica H. Gordon Michael Thomas Grosso Sherry Deborah Hines Marisa J. Hyman Jennifer B. Jacobson Tara Beth Johns Sandra A. Joseph Heather Kim Leifer Juliana C. Li Monica Leticia Lima Ursula J. Lotwala Jennie M. Lundman Richard Albert Luthmann Louis A. Mancini Stephen Mazzalonga Jill C. McNally Samantha Inzelbuch Migdal Martin H. Morris Jr. Scott Morris Lisa Ornest

Heather E. Rutman Brooke M. Shumel Amy Elizabeth Stutzke Lauren Crandall Thelander Sara Christine Vecchiotti Christine Wawrynek Matthew Lyle Weinstein Valerie Ying Chen Wong Eric K. Young

Anna Sydney Park Jason L. Pearlman Tomasz Jerzy Piotrowski Paul Seth Reich Linda Denise Reyes Lauren Allison Rudick Robin Michelle Rumpf Kevin Sabatello Gregory Morris Shapiro Jeffrey David Silberman Aimee Lauren Sklar Michael Eric Soffer Abraham Walter Strasser Despina M. Stroumbos Beata Trogan Nancy Lynn Valery Benjamin Nicholas Wolff Christopher Michael Yapchanyk Vivienne C. Yung

Michelle Lynn Abruzzo Mohamad Adel Akbik Seth Michael Azria James J. Barney Ann Margaret Batchelor Cynthia Carlson Susan M. Eylward Betsy S. Fiedler Annie Hsu

Arminda Bradford Bepko

Ramona Faye Houck

Amy Garzon

Stephanie Elizabeth Augurt Erik Mathew Bashian Ethan David Bergeron Darren Stolper Bloch Martha Maria Bodhnarain Tanya Domenica Bosi Stephanie N. Burke Maria Castro Cara Ann Centanni Alyssa Christine Clark Brian F. Clayton Caren Nicki Cohanim Stephanie Sophia Comas Nicholas G. DiMaio Debra Ficarra Marc Russell Fisher David Freylikhman Robert Wallace Georges Marina Golbert David G. Goldfarb

#### Commencement Prizes

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

CENTER FOR NEW YORK CITY LAW FELLOWSHIP David G. Goldfarb Tara Beth Johns John Robert Tatulli

> PROFESSOR LUNG-CHU CHEN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS Alfredo Murga Jason Daniel Yalen

HELEN & ANDREW DOKAS MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT Valerie Ying Chen Wong

FACULTY AWARD TO THE EDITOR IN CHIEF NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW Arminda Bradford Bepko

DANIEL FINKELSTEIN WRITING AWARD David Smoren For the article, "Lead Paint Litigation: 'Notice' the Kiss of Death of Landlord Liability and Tenant Compensation"

> ALEXANDER D. FORGER AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION Jennifer L. Jones

ROSS GNESIN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW Angela B. Jimenez

ANTHONY E. JANNACE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT Tomasz Jerzy Piotrowski

ABRAHAM MARKHOFF WRITING AWARD (FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION) Michael Thomas Grosso

MEDIA CENTER AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE Lynnore Lawton Thames

THE ABRAHAM "AVI" MUND COMMENCEMENT PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE LAW Daniel J. Margolis

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LAW GRADUATE Chuma Joclyn Diamond

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING EDITORIAL CONTRIBUTION Amy Garzon Orin R. Kurtz

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW AWARD FOR BEST NOTE Betsy S. Fiedler

### Commencement Prizes (continued)

NATIONAL MOOT COURT TEAM Jennifer B. Jacobson Aimee Marie Scillieri John Robert Tatulli Christopher Michael Yapchanyk

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL MOOT COURT AWARD FOR BEST ADVOCATE Christopher Michael Yapchanyk

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL MOOT COURT AWARD FOR SERVING WITH DISTINCTION Michelle Lynn Abruzzo Stephanie N. Burke Ryan Milun JOSEPH SOLOMON AWARD FOR EXCELLENT CHARACTER AND FITNESS Michelle Lynn Abruzzo Amy Garzon

ERNST C. STIEFEL WRITING AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN COMPARATIVE, COMMON, AND CIVIL LAW Houman Afshar For the article, "The Caspian Dispute: Is a Doctrinal Analysis Too Late or Can We Turn Back the Hands of Time?"

# Order of Barristers

Colleen Marie Buckley Susan M. Eylward Jennifer B. Jacobson Jonathan Philip Macy Lauren Allison Rudick Aimee Marie Scillieri Michael Eric Soffer Michael Andrew Stein John Robert Tatulli Christopher Michael Yapchanyk

### Commencement Prizes (to be announced)

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

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

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

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

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

PROFESSOR ALBERT KALTER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TAX LAW

PROFESSOR JAMES P. KIBBEY MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN COMMERCIAL LAW D. GEORGE LEVINE MEMORIAL AWARD FOR THE HIGHEST GRADE IN THE LAW OF REAL PROPERTY PROFESSOR ROBERT R. ROSENTHAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN NEW YORK PRACTICE

PROFESSOR HENRY ROTHBLATT AWARD FOR CRIMINAL ADVOCACY

MURRAY STOCKMAN MEMORIAL AWARD FOR THE HIGHEST AVERAGE IN THE LAW OF EVIDENCE

LOUIS SUSMAN MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE STUDY OF THE LAW OF EVIDENCE

WOODROW WILSON AWARD FOR PROFICIENCY IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

HENRY J. WOLFF AWARD FOR PROFICIENCY DURING A FULL COURSE OF STUDY

# New York Law School Alumni Association Awards

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

DR. MAX REICH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CIVIL TRIAL ADVOCACY

PROFESSOR IVAN SOUBBOTITCH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN POVERTY LAW AND CIVIL RIGHTS PROFESSOR VINCENT LO LORDO AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

### New York Law School Law Review

The New York Law School Law Review is a student-run organization edited and published entirely by students at New York Law School. Its primary purpose is to publish a journal of legal scholarship. The Law Review consists of an Editorial Board and approximately seventy-six associate editors and members working together to make all editorial and publication decisions.

Michelle Lynn Abruzzo Lori Kaye Adams Houman Afshar Mohamad Adel Akbik Allison Lee Arenson Stephanie Elizabeth Augurt Seth Michael Azria James J. Barney Ann Margaret Batchelor Arminda Bradford Bepko Ethan David Bergeron Tanya Domenica Bosi Stephanie N. Burke Kirk Dwayne Burkhalter Cynthia Carlson Maria Castro Cara Ann Centanni Brian F. Clayton Jennaydra Dance Clunis Jamin Nadine Cooper Tina M. Dolman Nicholas G. DiMaio Susan M. Eylward Michael Paul Fanelli Debra Ficarra Betsy S. Fiedler Marc Russell Fisher Jason Phillip Ford Amy Garzon

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Jason L. Pearlman Lisa Marie Petito Melissa Ann Pirillo Nodira Rakhmatkarieva Courtney Tristen Rineer Robin Michelle Rumpf Heather E. Rutman Jennifer Jane Ryan Giannina Santo Gregory Morris Shapiro Natalya Shmulevich Brooke M. Shumel Jeffrey David Silberman David Smoren Jill Ellen Sodafsky Julie Shari Strachan Despina M. Stroumbos Amy Elizabeth Stutzke John Robert Tatulli Lauren Crandall Thelander Stephanie Robin Trager Sara Christine Vecchiotti Stephanie Visconti Christine Wawrynek Matthew Lyle Weinstein Scott Dean Woller Valerie Ying Chen Wong Levi Ian Woodward Eric K. Young

# Journal of Human Rights'

Albert Edward Araneo John Michael Dickinson Scott Alan Lustig Samantha Inzelbuch Migdal Kevin Sabatello

# Journal of International and Comparative Law

Stephanie Sophia Comas Michael Thomas Grosso Tara Margaret Reiter

\*In 2003, the New York Law School faculty approved a new *Law Review* structure which included the merger of the three existing law journals (*Journal of Human Rights, Journal of International and Comparative Law*, and *Law Review*) and all their members into one new *Law Review*. The students listed here served in their respective journals prior to the restructuring taking effect.

### New York Law School 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. Students are accepted into the organization by competing in the Charles W. Froessel Moot Court Competition, a constitutional law intramural competition. Froessel 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.

Michelle Lynn Abruzzo Colleen Marie Buckley Stephanie N. Burke Jessica Eve Ehrlich Susan M. Eylward Anthony Joseph Fredella Stephen S. Garcia Robert Wallace Georges Jennifer B. Jacobson Carrie Ilyse Krieg Lidia Maria Kryzaniwsky Ursula J. Lotwala Jonathan Philip Macy Daniel J. Margolis Ryan Milun Deborah Eve Peters Robert W. Pinard Lauren Allison Rudick Aimee Marie Scillieri Michael Eric Soffer Michael Andrew Stein John Robert Tatulli Christopher Michael Yapchanyk

## Public Service Certificates

The Office of Professional Development instituted a public service certificate program in academic year 2003–04. Students participating in the program perform at least forty hours of voluntary service while at law school, or have a combination of at least thirty hours of voluntary service and another thirty hours of public interest work done through a work-study placement, clinic, or externship. These graduating students have earned the Public Service Certificate.

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The Graduating Class of 2004

# In Memoriam

The New York Law School Community mourns the loss of three members of the Class of 2004.

#### J.D. GRADUATE FEBRUARY 2004

Crystal La Shonna Harris B.S. City University of New York/John Jay College of Criminal Justice A.A. Borough of Manhattan Community College

#### J.D. DEGREE AWARDED POSTHUMOUSLY

Kristy Lynn Broesder B.A. East Stroudsburg University

#### J.D. MEMORIAL AWARD

Bonnie Eisenstat B.A. Tufts University M.A. New York University

Bonnie entered with the Class of 2004. She died in her first year of law school, May 2003.

# J.D. Graduates-September 1, 2003

Sylvia Itzhaki B.A. City University of New York/City College

Scott Alan Lustig B.S. Ramapo College of New Jersey Jessica Pomales B.A. City University of New York/John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Ido Stern B.A. Yeshiva University Isprans Azab Youssef B.A. Fordham University

# J.D. Graduates-February 1, 2004

James J. Anestis M.B.A. Zicklin School of Business/Baruch College B.A. City University of New York/City College

Vincent James Calo B.A. University of Akron

Brandon Shaun Clark B.A. State University of New York/ Binghamton University

Kevin M. Cunnane
M.S. City University of New York/John Jay
College of Criminal Justice
B.S. State University of New York at Oneonta

Carrie Ann D'Amelio B.A. Fordham University

Kim Patricia Demers B.A. Pennsylvania State University

Michael Arthur Dougherty B.A. California State University at Northridge

Michael Paul Fanelli B.A. Fordham University

Lorraine Rhonda Feinberg B.A. American University

Alejandro Daniel Filippa B.A. New York University/ School of the Arts & Science Susan Frauenhofer B.S. Skidmore College

Lauren Renee Girard B.A. Marywood University

Chantell Marie Green B.A. University of Florida A.A. Manatee Community College

\* Crystal La Shonna Harris B.S. City University of New York/John Jay College of Criminal Justice A.A. Borough of Manhattan Community College

Melvyn Warren Hoffman B.S. New York University/Stern School A.A.S. Fashion Institute of Technology

Martin Michael Howfield M.S./B.S. St. John's University

Andrew William Hrabsky B.A. State University of New York/University at New Paltz

William Huang B.A. New York University

Dina Hyppolite B.A. New York University Catherine Lucy Impavido B.A. City University of New York /John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Natalie L. Jean-Baptiste B.A. Fordham University

Alan Joe Kaldawi M.A. City University of New York/City College B.A. Dowling College

Jessica Leigh Lopez B.A. State University of New York at Geneseo

Nicholas F. Muto Ph.D. Temple University School of Medicine B.S. University of Scranton

Robert Stephan Osmak B.S. University of Dayton

Ryan A. Puttick B.S. United States Merchant Marine Academy

Ioannis P. Sipsas Ph.D. New York University M.B.A. Worcester Polytechnic Institute B.A. City University of New York/Queens College

Helen Tsalevich B.A. Wagner College

Marshall A. Vanderpool B.B.A. Pace University

\*We mourn the loss of Crystal La Shonna Harris, March 23, 2004.

# J.D. Candidates-May 16, 2004

Michelle Lynn Abruzzo B.S. State University of New York/Stony Brook

Lori Kaye Adams B.A. University of Oregon

Houman Afshar B.A. University of British Columbia

Mohamad Adel Akbik B.A. University of Tennessee at Knoxville

Jeffrey Michael Alfano B.A. Seton Hall University

Letal Algazy B.A. State University of New York/ University at Albany

Maria Sheryl Allen B.A. City University of New York/Hunter College

Yohance Omari Alleyne B.A. City University of New York/John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Nadine Baldeo Amaya B.A. Seton Hall University

Ariane Pauline Anderson B.A. University of Colorado at Boulder

Vincent Michael Ansetti B.A. Duquesne University

Albert Edward Araneo M.A. St. John's University B.A. State University of New York/ Bingbamton University

Allison Lee Arenson B.A. University of Maryland/College Park

Christopher Aris B.B.A. City University of New York/Baruch College

Ester Aronova B.S. St. John's University

Cheryl Halima Ashman B.A. McGill University

Daren Atkinson B.A. Hofstra University

Marilyn Estelle Atlas-Berney B.A. Pennsylvania State University Stephanie Elizabeth Augurt B.A. Tufts University

Nataly Sally Austin B.A. City University of New York/ Brooklyn College

Seth Michael Azria B.S. State University of New York/ College at Buffalo

Ilona Babinsky B.A. State University of New York/ Binghamton University

Eugene Bae B.A. University of California at Los Angeles

Cathy Baleiron B.A. New York University

Amelia Barbadoro B.A. University of Massachusetts Amherst

Mila Barg M.A. Teachers College, Columbia University B.A. City University of New York/ Brooklyn College

James J. Barney B.A. Monmouth University

Erik Mathew Bashian B.S. Towson University

Ann Margaret Batchelor B.A. Elon College

Marina Bejarano B.A. New York University

Letta A. Belle M.S./B.A. City University of New York/ Brooklyn College

Arminda Bradford Bepko B.A. Kalamazoo College

Jamie Lynn Berardino B.A. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Ethan David Bergeron B.A. University of Massachusetts Amherst

Darren Stolper Bloch B.A. Middlebury College Allison Lee Blonstein B.A. State University of New York/ Binghamton University

Ruth Ilana Bloom B.A. State University of New York/ College at Buffalo

Adam David Blumenreich B.A. University of Arizona

Martha Maria Bodhnarain B.A. City University of New York/John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Michael D. Bookout B.B.A. University of Saint Thomas

Tanya Domenica Bosi B.S. Drexel University

Kenneth Owen Britt B.S. Fairfield University

Kirsten Kären Brodsky A.B. Bryn Mawr College

\* Kristy Lynn Broesder B.A. East Stroudsburg University

James H.L. Brown B.A. St. John's College

Antonietta D. Bruno B.B.A. Hofstra University

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### J.D. Prospective Graduates-September 1, 2004

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Summer Kathryn Lee B.A. Arizona State University

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Silvio Peselli B.E.C.E. Pratt Institute

Victoria Roxanne Quarterman B.A. Spelman College

Anel M. Rijo B.S. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

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### Program for Graduates of Foreign Law Schools

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Anne Donnelly LL.B. Manchester Metropolitan University B.A. The University of Liverpool C.P.E. University of Central Lancaster

Corinne Etienne License in Law Université Catholique de Louvain

Satish C. Jain LL.B. Lucknow University M.B.A. College of Insurance M.A. Lucknow University B.A. Lucknow University

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President's Medal of Honor and Honorary Degrees

# J. Bruce Llewellyn

Chairman and CEO of Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Company, Inc. PRESIDENT'S MEDAL OF HONOR



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He was born in Harlem of immigrant Jamaican parents who instilled in their son the determination to be a success in his personal and professional life. They achieved their goal, beyond anything they could have imagined.

Mr. Llewellyn enlisted in the United States Army at the age of sixteen. By nineteen, he was company commander and at the age of twenty-one, he was a veteran. He returned to Harlem, enrolled in City College and opened a retail store which he operated while earning his B.A. degree. In the next several years, he earned a J.D. degree from New York Law School, an M.B.A. from Columbia University, and a degree in public administration from New York University. Ten honorary degrees would be added to this distinguished collection in the years to come.

During the 1960s, Mr. Llewellyn dedicated himself to government and public service. He advanced from the Manhattan District Attorney's Office to become regional director of the U.S. Small Business Administration, and he ended the decade by serving as deputy commissioner of housing for the City of New York.

In 1969, Mr. Llewellyn bought Fedco Foods Corporation, a small supermarket chain in the South Bronx. By 1984, it had become the nation's largest minority-owned retail business with twenty-nine supermarkets, nine hundred employees, and annual gross revenues of \$100 million.

Mr. Llewellyn went on to purchase the Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Company, and then acquired the Wilmington, Delaware, Coca-Cola bottling operations. He was the principal stockholder and chairman of the ABC network affiliate in Buffalo and served as chairman of Garden State Cablevision, in which he was a major stockholder. He certainly fulfilled his parents' dream of being successful in his chosen career.

But there was a second part to that dream—that Mr. Llewellyn would be a person who served his country and his community, and in that too, he excelled. At the peak of the civil rights movement in the early 1960s, Mr. Llewellyn founded the original chapter of 100 Black Men. Today there are more than ninety-five chapters throughout the United States, all composed of committed leaders working for positive change in their communities.

Mr. Llewellyn has served two U.S. presidents. In 1977, President Carter appointed him president of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC). He served as Ambassador at Large until 1981. Later, President Clinton appointed him chairman of the United States Small Business Administration Advisory Council.

J. Bruce Llewellyn has distinguished himself as an extraordinary leader and a dedicated servant to the cause of human rights everywhere. We are proud to claim him as one of New York Law School's most illustrious alumni as we today confer upon him the highest honor our school bestows—the New York Law School President's Medal of Honor. HONORARY DEGREE CITATION

Anthony Lewis Pulitzer Prize-Winning Journalist and Author Doctor of Laws



oday, New York Law School proudly honors journalist and scholar Anthony Lewis for his dedication to the principles of a free and vigorous press, his contributions to the field of constitutional law, and his commitment to civil liberties. As New York Law School Professor Nadine Strossen said, "Generations of readers and students know about the history of the Supreme Court and civil liberties because of Anthony Lewis's columns. He created a beat and used his column to stress the power of the courts and the media to bring about change."

Mr. Lewis was born and raised in New York City. He graduated from Harvard College in 1948 and went to work for the Sunday Department of *The New York Times*. In 1952 he became a general assignment reporter for the *Washington Daily News* and in 1955, he was awarded his first Pulitzer Prize for national reporting. The Pulitzer Committee cited his series of articles on the federal government's loyalty program that helped to exonerate a Navy employee of unjust charges that he was a security risk.

In 1955, Mr. Lewis joined the Washington Bureau of the *Times*, and in 1963 he was awarded his second Pulitzer Prize for his coverage of the Supreme Court and, in particular, of the Court's groundbreaking decisions on legislative reapportionment. In 1965, Mr. Lewis accepted the position of chief of the *Times*'s London Bureau and in 1969, his column, "Abroad at Home," appeared for what would be a thirty-two-year commentary on national and international affairs.

In addition to his many columns and articles on legal subjects, Mr. Lewis is the author of three books that illuminate the workings of the law in this country: *Gideon's Trumpet*, about the landmark Supreme Court case giving impoverished criminal defendants the right to an attorney; *Portrait of a Decade*, about the great changes in American race relations; and *Make No Law*, about the *New York Times v. Sullivan* case, the landmark Supreme Court decision which changed the course of First Amendment litigation in America.

Mr. Lewis was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard and is the recipient of a number of awards and honorary degrees. He spent fifteen years as a lecturer at Harvard Law School and, since 1983, he has been the James Madison Visiting Professor of First Amendment Issues at the Columbia University School of Journalism. In 2002, he was named Visiting Lombard Lecturer at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.

In a career of more than fifty years, Mr. Lewis has explained and clarified the law, the Constitution, and the Supreme Court to generations of Americans. He has been an eloquent defender of the First Amendment and an impassioned champion of civil liberties for all. Most of all, in the best tradition of American journalism, he has challenged us to think, to question and to respect our nation's commitment to the rule of law. It is for all of these reasons that New York Law School honors Anthony Lewis.

#### HONORARY DEGREE CITATION

# The Honorable Alexis M. Herman

Former United States Secretary of Labor Doctor of Laws



A lexis Herman was born and raised in Mobile, Alabama. From her mother, a schoolteacher, she inherited the ability to motivate people; from her father, a businessman, activist, and elected politician, she learned to fight for what she believes in; and from her grandmother, she learned to "bloom where you are planted."

And bloom she did! From the very beginning of her working life, Ms. Herman was a champion of the underserved and the underrepresented. Her first job was with Catholic Charities, training unemployed young people to work in the Pascagoula shipyard in Mississippi. At the age of twenty-nine, she joined the Carter Administration as the director of the Women's Bureau at the U.S. Department of Labor—the youngest person ever to hold that position. In the 1980s, she became a successful entrepreneur and labor market expert, guiding corporations and local municipalities on training, mentoring, and job creation.

Ms. Herman was chief executive officer of the 1992 Democratic National Convention Committee and served as deputy director for the Presidential Transition Office. In 1993, President Clinton appointed her assistant to the president and director of the White House Public Liaison Office. Four years later, the President nominated Ms. Herman to serve as the nation's Secretary of Labor, describing her as a leader who "understands the needs of workers, and understands the challenges they face as we approach the twenty-first century."

Less than three months later, she successfully facilitated negotiations between UPS management and Teamsters Union leaders, ending a ten-day strike that threatened to disrupt the American economy. Under Secretary Herman's stewardship, the Labor Department significantly contributed to an unprecedented period of prosperity. Unemployment reached a thirty-year record low in May 2000, and groups that had too often been left behind, particularly African Americans and Hispanics, also experienced record lows in unemployment.

Currently, as chair and chief executive officer of New Ventures, Inc., Ms. Herman continues to lend her expertise and talent to a vast array of corporate enterprises and nonprofit organizations. A recipient of more than twenty honorary degrees from major colleges and universities around the country, she serves on the Board of her alma mater, Xavier University of Louisiana. She is the chairwoman of The Coca-Cola Company's Diversity Task Force and chair of the Toyota Diversity Advisory Board, still working and advocating for full rights for working people everywhere.

Alexis Herman, it is for your unceasing and unflagging efforts on behalf of America's workers, and for your commitment to the cause of equality and equity among all Americans, that New York Law School honors you today.

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### New York Law School

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#### FOUNDING

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

#### THE EARLY YEARS

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

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

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

Many of those attending at the beginning of this century became founders or name partners of leading law firms, including Henry Hurlbut Abbott of Breed, Abbott & Morgan; Edwin Sunderland of Davis, Polk, Wardwell, Sunderland & Kiendel; and Thomas Debevoise of Debevoise & Plimpton.

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

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

#### POST-WAR REBUILDING

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

In 1975, the school received its first endowed professorship, the Joseph Solomon Distinguished Professorship of Law. Many graduates, now prominent in the bar, the judiciary, and business, were students during these years. They include the Honorable Roger J. Miner, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; Presiding Justice Francis T. Murphy, New York State Supreme Court, Appellate Division; Administrative Law Judge Mary E. Cerbone; Judge Judith B. Sheindlin, supervising judge of the New York City Family Court; Otto L. Walter, founding partner, Walter, Conston, Alexander & Green; Bernard H. Mendik, real estate industry leader and former chairman of the school's Board of Trustees; Lawrence S. Huntington, chief executive officer of Fiduciary Trust International and former chairman of the Law School's Board of Trustees; and Kathleen Grimm, deputy chancellor for administration and finance, New York City Department of Education.

Steady growth marked the next 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. The School's first center for specialized study, the Communications Media Center (now the Media Center), opened in 1977.

#### GROWTH AND REVITALIZATION

Dramatic growth and revitalization continued under the leadership of James F. Simon, dean from 1983 until 1992. A series of major facility renovations were begun, highlighted by the opening of the Mendik Library in 1990. This was followed by the construction of the Samuel and Ethel LeFrak Moot Court Room, the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room, and the Shepard and Ruth K. Broad Student Center. An extensive remodeling and modernization program transformed the Law School's classrooms, offices, and specialty training areas. During Dean Simon's tenure, the Rita and Joseph Solomon Professorship of Wills, Trusts and Estates was added, and the Law School introduced an 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 fourteenth dean and president of New York Law School. Under Dean Wellington's dynamic leadership, a strategic plan was implemented to position New York Law School as a vital urban law center with an academic program that integrates the strategic and ethical perspectives of the practicing attorney. Dean Wellington broadened the Law School's curriculum to increase emphasis on the development of professional skills.

In addition to the Media Center, two new centers for specialized study opened. The Center for New York City Law was established in 1993 to focus on the study of New York City government. Founded in 1996, the Center for International Law supports teaching and research in all areas of international law but concentrates on the law of international trade and finance.

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

#### THE PRESENT AND OUR SHARED FUTURE

Richard A. Matasar, a nationally recognized scholar in civil procedure and federal jurisdiction, was named the fifteenth president and dean of New York Law School on July 1, 2000. Almost immediately, Dean Matasar led a comprehensive, collegial self-evaluation process involving all members of the New York Law School community in an exercise that sharpened the definition of its goals. The School articulated a mission statement centered on three goals that focus its approach to legal education:

- to embrace innovation;
- to foster integrity and professionalism;
- to advance justice for a diverse society.

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

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

#### REINVIGORATING THE CURRICULUM

The faculty has adopted a new curricular approach, grounded on a strong J.D. curriculum, to provide students with different avenues for academic success. Dubbed "the right program for each student," this new approach acknowledges that different practice settings require differing levels of training. For example, students working in larger organizations with extensive in-house training programs have less need for hands-on training than those who will open a solo practice. Those in larger organizations may need training in a specialized area, while those in general practice settings may need more breadth and less specialized expertise.

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

 The John Marshall Harlan Scholars Program, a new honors program named after New York Law School's alumnus and United States Supreme Court justice who served on the Court from 1955 to 1971. The program offers top students the opportunity to pursue in-depth study in a specialized field of law through affiliation with one of five academic centers;

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- The Individual Program provides a curricular focus for students in the middle of the class who are likely to pursue careers as general practitioners and advocates;
- The Comprehensive Curriculum addresses the needs of students who require a special course of study to enhance mastery of fundamental aspects of legal analysis and writing; and
- The Professional Development Project helps students develop their professional portfolio volunteer opportunities, extracurricular programs, solid legal skills—and a strong sense of professionalism and legal ethics.

In 2002, the Law School also introduced an innovative admissions option, the Wallace Stevens Scholars Program, under which a small group of professionals with postgraduate degrees and significant work experience will be admitted without having taken the LSAT, but with the requirement that they take it after admission to the Law School. The program honors the great American poet and New York Law School alumnus, Wallace Stevens.

In 2003, following a review by the American Bar Association and the New York State Board of Regents, the Law School established a new degree program, a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation. The program is open to graduates of U.S. and foreign law schools and offers advanced tax training for attorneys who seek to acquire a thorough grounding in U.S. tax law and to master the skills needed to work at the most challenging levels of tax practice. New York Law School is now one of only two law schools in the New York City metropolitan area to offer this advanced training for tax lawyers.

#### GROWTH AND STRENGTH OF ACADEMIC CENTERS

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

#### Center for International Law

In mid-1996, New York Law School, aided by a grant from the C.V. Starr Foundation, created the Center for International Law. The Center supports teaching and research in all areas of international law but concentrates on the law of international trade and finance, deriving much of its strength from interaction with New York's business, commercial, financial, and legal communities. The Center organizes symposia events to engage students and faculty in discussions of important and timely issues with experts and practitioners in the field. For professional development, the Center offers extensive resources for studying and researching careers in international law.

#### Center for New York City Law

Established in 1993, the Center for New York City Law is the only program of its kind in the country. Its objectives are to gather and disseminate information about New York City's laws, rules, and procedures; to sponsor publications, symposia, and conferences on topics related to governing the city; and to suggest reforms to make city government more effective and efficient. The Center's bimonthly publication, *CityLaw*, tracks New York City's rules and regulations, how they are enforced, and court challenges to them. Its Web site, www.citylaw.org, contains a searchable library of more than 5,000 administrative decisions of New York City agencies.

#### Center for Professional Values and Practice

The School's Center for Professional Values and Practice provides a vehicle through which to examine the role of the legal profession and approaches to law practice. The Center's work supports the development of lawyering skills and reflective professionalism, including consideration of how these have evolved over the decades, even as business and ethical pressures have intensified and become more complex, and the roles of lawyers in society have multiplied.

#### Course in Mental Disability Law

Another unique program, New York Law School's Online Course in Mental Disability Law, is offered to professionals who work with, or on behalf of, persons with mental disabilities. The fourteen-week course is delivered directly to students through the convenience of distance education. Institute for Information Law and Policy

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

#### Justice Action Center

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

#### Labor & Employment Law Program

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

#### Lawyering Skills Center

Experiential learning is an integral part of the New York Law School curriculum. Beginning with the first-year required course called Lawyering, every student is given the opportunity to apply her or his legal reasoning and analysis skills in the context of a simulated interview of a client, then in an interview of a witness and finally in a session in which they counsel a client. This course is a groundbreaking and innovative way to introduce students to the tasks that lawyers are asked to perform. Building on the Lawyering course, the Lawyering Skills Center offers advanced simulation courses, an extensive Externship Program, and a rich array of clinics.

#### Media Center

The Media Center, one of the oldest and most extensive programs of its kind, was established in 1977 in response to the explosive growth of communication technologies. The Center continues to promote education, discussion, research, and writing about mass-communications law. The faculty offers a substantial number of related courses and extracurricular programs dealing with issues such as cable television franchising procedures, direct broadcast satellites, videotext services, racial discrimination in television, and the future of public broadcasting,

#### POISED FOR SUCCESS

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

The Law School's distinguished full-time faculty comprises productive scholars who are dedicated educators. Some of the nation's most prominent scholars from other law schools also have served as visiting professors. Student enrollment has remained at a level of almost 1,400 students in the Day and Evening Divisions.

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

# The Tradition of Academic Attire

The caps, gowns, and hoods worn at college and university functions date back to the Middle Ages. Monks and students used them to keep warm in medieval castles and halls of learning. From these practical origins, they have developed into the accepted garb that symbolizes scholarly achievement.

Faculty members and guests in today's procession are robed in gowns and hoods that represent the institutions from which they have received degrees.

The hood gives color and real meaning to the academic costume. Its silk lining bears the colors of the institution conferring the degree. The hood is bordered with velvet of a prescribed width and color to indicate the field of learning to which the degree pertains. Baccalaureate gowns have a long, pleated front with shirring across the shoulders and back. They are primarily distinguished by flowing sleeves, pointed at the fingertip. These gowns may be worn either open or closed.

The master's degree gown is worn open, and the sleeve is cut so that the forearm comes through a slit just above the elbow.

Gowns for the doctor's degree also are worn open. They carry broad, velvet panels down the front, and three velvet bars on the full, round sleeves. This velvet trimming may be either black or the color distinctive of the degree.

Mortarboards or caps worn with baccalaureate and master's gowns generally have black tassels. The tassel of the doctoral cap is usually made of gold bullion.

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