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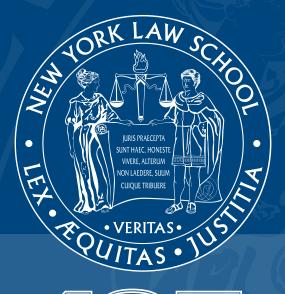
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# 124TH COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

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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.

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# A Message from the Dean



### Dear Members of the Class of 2016:

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 Law School. I'm extremely proud to have served as your Dean over the past four years, of the friendships we've made, and of the new paths we've paved for our community. I look forward to our continued partnership as we further build the Law School and the legal profession now that you are joining the ranks of our distinguished alumni.

This year, New York Law School has been privileged to celebrate its 125th

anniversary. We are fortunate to hold this year's Commencement Exercises in Carnegie Hall, the site of our first Commencement in 1892. Carnegie Hall opened its doors to the public in 1891, just like New York Law School, making this year's ceremony truly special by coming full circle for both of our institutions. Both institutions are "quintessentially New York." They share an indomitable spirit and a deep drive for excellence, and they have, since their foundings, played vital and demonstrable roles in shaping the City and the world.

The Law School's own history is as rich as it is proud, and we have always been committed to the highest ideals of the legal profession—a profession that today is rapidly changing and opening new and exciting opportunities for lawyers to advance justice and build the global economy.

As you've heard me say, an engaged Law School community is a happy, strong, and successful one. Our level of engagement, accountability, and care for one another as a community—Students, Faculty, Administration, Staff, Trustees, and Alumni alike—is unparalleled. Our focus has been on creating the most supportive and inclusive learning environment, and the best possible outcomes, for every student and graduate. Just as we are here for you today, we will be here for you tomorrow.

As you transition to your roles as lawyers, please never forget that you are members of a diverse profession whose work is essential to every aspect of a free, democratic, and just society. The study of law is not easy, nor is it supposed to be. It is not a luxury, but a privilege. You have earned the right to call yourselves graduates of this Law School, and as you step forward today, we will be by your side.

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, and to undertake it proudly and successfully. The benefits of your labor will be realized over a rewarding lifelong career. But take nothing for granted and leave nothing to chance. Focus, preparation, and hard work are your only true guides. Be present and accountable in every moment you are called on for your knowledge and leadership as lawyers and citizens. 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!

All the best,

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Anthony W. Crowell Dean and President, Professor of Law

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Adjunct Emeritus Hon. Frederic S. Berman '51

# Order of Exercises

	Anthony W. Crowell, Presiding Dean and President, Professor of Law
PRELUDE	<i>Jubilate Deo</i> —Gregor Aichinger <i>Contrapunctus</i> —J.S. Bach <i>Quintet No. 1</i> —Victor Ewald
MARSHALS	Professor Robert Blecker Professor Lung-chu Chen
PROCESSIONAL	Pomp and Circumstance, No. 1 Op. 39—Sir Edward Elgar Triumphal March, Aida—Giuseppe Verdi
GREETINGS	Dean Anthony W. Crowell
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM	Molly Mauck Class of 2016
INTRODUCTION OF ESTEEMED ALUMNI	Dean Anthony W. Crowell
REFLECTIONS ON THE NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL COMMUNITY	Presentation by Jason Singer, President of the Student Bar Association
AWARDING OF PRIZES	CLASS OF 2016 TEACHING AWARD Presentation by Jason Singer Professor Tamara Belinfanti
	Otto L. Walter Distinguished Writing Awards Presentation by Associate Dean William P. LaPiana
	<b>Faculty Awards</b> Full-time Faculty Article Ari Ezra Waldman for "Privacy as Trust: Sharing Personal Information in a Networked World"
	Adjunct Faculty Article Joanne Ingham for "The Practice Value of Experiential Legal Education: An Examination of Enrollment Patterns, Course Intensity, and Career Relevance" (with Margaret Reuter)
	Adjunct Faculty Book Michael Roffer '83 for <i>The Law Book from Hammurabi to the</i> International Criminal Court, 250 Milestones in the History of Law

AWARDING OF PRIZES (continued)	<b>Student Award</b> Victoria Stork For "Conflict Minerals, Ineffective Regulations: Comparing International Guidelines to Remedy Dodd-Frank's Inefficiencies"	
	Moshe B. Nachum For "The Landlord Blues: In Summary Eviction Proceed	nequity, Inefficiency and Untimeliness of ings in New York City"
STUDENT REMARKS	Nicole Mozee	
AWARDING OF PRIZES	*The Finalists for the Trustees' Prize for the Highest Aver Presentation by Associate Dean William P. LaPiana	
	Day Division	Evening Division
	Alexander Eaton	Scott Dehart
	Vera Esses	Adam Gallagher
	Elizabeth Stevens	Timothy Greenberg
	Victoria Stork	
STUDENT REMARKS	Lauren Jakubowicz	
AWARDING OF PRIZES	The Alfred L. Rose Award for Excellence <i>Presentation by Associate Dean William P. LaPiana</i> Trina Cornet Molly Mauck	
STUDENT REMARKS	Joseph Chung	
AWARDING OF PRIZES	ARDING OF PRIZES The Dean's Award for Student Leadership Presentation by Dean Anthony W. Crowell	
	Josephine Bahn	Marbel Munoz
	Joseph Chung	Sherbune Paul
	Benjamin Eisenstein	Gerard Quinn
	Daniel Field	Jonathon Sizemore
	Roxanne Micca	Christopher Ujkic

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

# ORDER OF EXERCISES (continued)

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE	DOCTOR OF LAWS (LL.D.) Introduction by Dean Anthony W. Crowell Presentation by Arthur N. Abbey '59 The Honorable Robert A. Katzmann, Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit	
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	The Honorable Robert A. Katzr	
AWARDING OF President's Medal	<i>Presentation by Arthur N. Abbey</i> Charles E. Phillips Jr. '93 Chief Executive Officer, Infor Member of the Board of Trustee	
AWARDING OF KATHLEEN GRIMM MEDAL*	<i>Presentation by Paula Grimm</i> Christine Maggiore Class of 2016	
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WELCOME	The Honorable Marc J. Whiten President, New York Law Schoo	
CONFERRING OF STUDENT DEGREES	<b>Introduction of Candidates</b> Professor Lloyd Bonfield Professor Ronald H. Filler Professor Ann F. Thomas Professor Heather Cucolo	Professor Richard Chused Professor Stacy-Ann Elvy Professor Edward A. Purcell Jr. Professor Michelle Zierler
	<b>Presentation of Candidates</b> Dean Anthony W. Crowell	
	<b>Conferring of Degrees</b> Arthur N. Abbey '59, Chairman	a, Board of Trustees
CLOSING REMARKS	Dean Anthony W. Crowell	
RECESSIONAL	<i>Two Voluntaries</i> —Henry Purcell	l

\* 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 record of dedication to public service, 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 ever, having served five City Mayors, one State Comptroller, seven City Commissioners, and four City Schools Chancellors. She also served New York Law School as a member of the Board of Trustees and on NYLS's Alumni Association Board of Directors for over two decades, including as Past President.

# Honors and Prizes

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# Degrees with Honors

### February 1, 2016

### Magna Cum Laude

Matthew Sontag

### Cum Laude

Darnella Banks	Alessandra Padula
John Bravo	Joanna Plonska
Paul Metcalf	Crystal Sickler
Moshe Nachum	

### **PROVISIONAL HONORS\***

### May 20, 2016

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

### Summa Cum Laude

Scott Dehart	Adam Gallagher
Alexander Eaton	Elizabeth Stevens
Vera Esses	Victoria Stork
Magna Cum Laude	
Michael Brady	Patrick Morris
Wayne Carrabus	Justin Offermann
Gregory Damico	Gerard Quinn
Mary Doherty	Lauren Sarti
Robert Drolet	Jonathon Sizemore
Benjamin Eisenstein	Alina Slabodkina
Timothy Greenberg	Chuan Tian
Brielle Kilmartin	Jeffrey Wolber

### Cum Laude

Ashley Babrisky	Christine Maggiore
Anjanette Bobrow	Molly Mauck
Emily Carnevale	Mallory McGee
Andray Cleghorn	Roxanne Micca
David Collins	Dennis Murray
Gilmar Colonia	Sara Nassof
Trina Cornet	Brian Noel
Joseph Covell	James Pierre-Louis
Caitlin Dance	Quinn Rapp-Ellis
Kelsey Dickman	Darren Robertson
Morio Feldman	Estefani Rodriguez
Daniel Field	Jeffrey Saavedra
Christina Gallo	Joshua Satter
Togtokhbayar Ganzorig	Alexander Stepankovskiy
Terrence Griffiths	Stephanie Storke
Xiaoyin Guan	Christopher Ujkic
Alicia Langone	Xianzhi Wang
Leslie Leutwiler	Andrea Weitzman
Danielle Librandi	

\* 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 have final honors confirmed after graduation if a student's final 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 and Other Recognition

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

Nicole Mozee

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

Brian Noel for "Palmer v. District of Columbia"

### HELEN & ANDREW DOKAS MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT

Ketevan Iveri

#### William Tock

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

Ashley Babrisky

### PROFESSOR STEPHEN J. ELLMANN CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION PRIZE

Robert Drolet

Molly Mauck

### HENRY J. WOLFF AWARD FOR PROFICIENCY DURING A FULL COURSE OF STUDY— EVENING DIVISION

DEAN'S AWARD FOR INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Michael Brady

#### ALEXANDER D. FORGER AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Robert Drolet Payal Thakkar

### NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL DIVERSITY CHAMPION

Blaire Waller

Jason Singer

# JOSEPH SOLOMON AWARD FOR EXCELLENT CHARACTER AND FITNESS

Togtokhbayar Ganzorig

Darley Maw

Gerard Quinn

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

### NATIONAL JURIST LAW STUDENT OF THE YEAR Carlos Valenzuela

CENTER FOR NEW YORK CITY LAW FELLOWSHIP

Jonathon Sizemore

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

Benjamin Eisenstein

Jonathon Sizemore

Jeffrey Wolber

#### NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL MOOT COURT AWARD FOR SERVING WITH DISTINCTION

Alexa Bonaros Daniel Field Darley Maw Estefani Rodriguez

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

Gerard Quinn

Noah P. Melnick Memorial Moot Court Award Brian Noel

*NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW* AWARD FOR BEST NOTE

Moshe Nachum

### NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL MOOT COURT ASSOCIATION BEST ADVOCATE AWARD

Brian Noel

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL NATIONAL MOOT COURT TEAM

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### ORDER OF THE BARRISTERS

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HONORARY ORDER OF THE BARRISTERS AWARD Professor Susan J. Abraham Professor Daniel A. Warshawsky

### 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

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

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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

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

PROFESSOR ALBERT KALTER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TAX LAW

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PROFESSOR JAMES P. KIBBEY MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN COMMERCIAL LAW

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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

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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

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WOODROW WILSON AWARD FOR PROFICIENCY IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

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ROSS GNESIN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW

ABRAHAM MARKHOFF WRITING AWARD (FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION)

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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

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# John Marshall Harlan Scholars

The John Marshall Harlan Scholars honors program is named for New York Law School's alumnus and United States Supreme Court justice who served on the Court from 1955 to 1971. The program offers selected students the opportunity to pursue focused study in a field of law, including directed curricula, scholarship, and other academic projects, through affiliation with one of the Law School's academic centers. We are pleased to acknowledge the Harlan Scholars of the Class of 2016.

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Corinne Avanzino Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Ashley Babrisky Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Josephine Bahn Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program Center for Business and Financial Law Center for International Law

Ian Ball Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Darnella Banks Center for Business and Financial Law

John Baylet Center for Business and Financial Law

Isabella Belenky Center for Real Estate Studies

Aurelie Bertoldo *Center for International Law* 

Alexa Bonaros Center for Business and Financial Law Faye Brown Center for Business and Financial Law

Doris Cajiao Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Christian Calderon Center for International Law

Cassandra Charles Center for Real Estate Studies

Isioma Chukwuani Center for Business and Financial Law Center for International Law

Joseph Chung Center for Business and Financial Law Center for International Law

Dana Cimera Center for Business and Financial Law

David Collins Innovation Center for Law and Technology

Chloe Coniaris Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program Center for International Law

Trina Cornet Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program

Charles Costello Center for Business and Financial Law

Johanny Cruz Center for Business and Financial Law Renee Daniel Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Clineesa Dargan Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Joseph Paolo De Jesus Center for International Law

Doralyn Dedios Center for Business and Financial Law

Kelsey Dickman Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Anne Easton Center for Business and Financial Law

Keila Espinosa Center for Business and Financial Law

Sean Farrow Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Daniel Feldman Center for Business and Financial Law

Artur Finkel *Center for Real Estate Studies* 

Luisa Florez Impact Center for Public Interest Law

Stephen Gaeta Impact Center for Public Interest Law

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# New York Law School Law Review

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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 members of the Moot Court Association.

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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 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 NYLS Intramural Negotiation Competition or through a rigorous writing and planning admissions process. We are pleased to recognize these graduating members of the Dispute Resolution Team.

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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 2016 who have completed the courses required to earn an Advocacy Certificate.

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Students in the Pro Bono Scholars Program begin their final semester by studying for, and taking, the February New York bar exam. 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 from NYLS.

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## The Honorable Robert A. Katzmann

New York Law School honors the Hon. Robert A. Katzmann in recognition of his outstanding legal scholarship and commitment to American jurisprudence.



Robert A. Katzmann became the Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit on September 1, 2013. He was appointed to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals in 1999. At the time of his appointment, he was Walsh Professor of Government, Professor of Law and Professor of Public Policy at Georgetown University; a Fellow of the Governmental Studies Program of the Brookings Institution; and president of the Governance Institute.

A lawyer and political scientist by training, Judge Katzmann received his A.B. (summa cum laude) from Columbia College, A.M. and Ph.D. in government from Harvard University, and a J.D. from Yale Law School, where he was an Article and Book Review Editor of the *Yale* 

*Law Journal.* After clerking on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, he joined the Brookings Institution, where he was a research associate, senior fellow, visiting fellow, and acting program director.

He is the author of several books on government and the courts, including his most recently published book, *Judging Statutes*. In 2007, he delivered the Marden Lecture of the New York City Bar Association, *The Legal Profession and the Unmet Needs of the Immigrant Poor*. He later launched the Study Group on Immigrant Representation, and conceived of and advanced the creation of the Immigrant Justice Corps to provide legal counsel for immigrants.

Judge Katzmann is a member of the Judicial Conference of the United States. He teaches a course on the administrative process at NYU School of Law.

In 2001, Judge Katzmann received the American Political Science Association's Charles E. Merriam Award, "given to a person whose published work and career represents a significant contribution to the art of government through the application of social science research." He is a recipient of the Fuld Award of the New York State Bar Association, the Chesterfield Smith Award of the Pro Bono Institute, the Michael Maggio Award of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, and the 2012 Learned Hand Medal of the Federal Bar Council. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

## President's Medal CHARLES E. PHILLIPS JR. '93

New York Law School honors Charles E. Phillips Jr. '93 for his achievements in business and technology, which have made him one of the most successful and accomplished graduates of New York Law School in its 125 year history.



Charles Phillips is the Chief Executive Officer of Infor, the world's third largest provider of enterprise software applications.

Headquartered in New York City, Infor provides industry-specific software to more than 75,000 companies in the manufacturing, healthcare, fashion, government, and retail sectors, among others. Global companies in more than 200 countries and territories rely on Infor to build and ship products, manage employees and customers, and care for patients. Infor also controls the world's leading commerce network, which processes more than \$100 billion in transactions annually.

Under Phillips' leadership, Infor's 14,000 employees have a passion for transforming companies with technology, industry domain, and unconstrained thinking. Over the past five years at Infor, Phillips built the foundation for digital transformation: industry applications, domain experts, a science lab at M.I.T., machine learning, Internet of things, design thinking, and hyper-scale clouds to challenge business models and create new ones. Phillips pioneered the concept of deploying an entire industry in the cloud and, as a result, Infor now has more than 58 million cloud users. Infor was also the first business applications company with its own internal creative agency, now one of the largest such agencies in New York City, focused on user experience design, hackathons, and co-innovation.

Prior to Infor, Phillips was President of Oracle Corporation and a member of its Board of Directors. During his seven-and-a-half-year tenure, the company tripled in size and successfully acquired 70 companies.

Prior to Oracle, Phillips was a Managing Director in the Technology Group at Morgan Stanley, where he was an Institutional Investor All Star for ten consecutive years.

Before his Wall Street years, Phillips was a Captain in the U.S. Marine Corps in the 2nd Battalion, 10th Marine artillery unit. In 2012, he was the guest speaker at the Marine Corps' 237th birthday ball for his old unit, after their return from Afghanistan.

Phillips serves on the Boards of Viacom Corporation, Santander Bank, Apollo Theater, BENS (Business Executives For National Security), Jazz at Lincoln Center, the United States Air Force Academy Endowment Fund, the New York City Police Foundation, the New York City Public Library, New York Law School, and the Posse Foundation. Phillips also served on the President's Council on Jobs and Competitiveness (previously the President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board), chaired by former Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker, and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Phillips holds a B.S. in computer science from the U.S. Air Force Academy, a J.D. from New York Law School, an M.B.A. from Hampton University, and honorary doctorates from several universities. He is also a member of the Georgia State Bar.

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## In Memoriam



**Professor Rudolph J.R. Peritz** passed away on August 5, 2015. A member of the NYLS community for nearly 30 years, Professor Peritz was a cherished faculty member whose scholarship in antitrust, computer law, and intellectual property contributed significantly to the prestige of the Law School. From Professor Edward A. Purcell Jr., "Rudy Peritz was a warm, generous, and congenial colleague whom I admired greatly as a teacher, a scholar, and a friend. Rudy was one of the first people who came to welcome me when I arrived at New York Law School many years ago. He immediately offered his assistance in helping me make the transition to law teaching, and he made me feel at home and that I could call on him for anything. Over the years our friendship grew as I enjoyed his companionship and good humor

and increasingly appreciated his deep social concerns and his ever-probing intellect. Often we talked about his ideas on economics and competition policy, and he taught me far more than I had ever known about both as he worked to complete the original and revised editions of his complex and profound study of American antitrust law, *Competition Policy in America: History, Rhetoric, Law.* His scholarship, like his mind and his conversation, was invariably incisive, enlightening, and stimulating. He will be acutely missed." From Professor William Mills, "I was for many years the Library's liaison to Prof. Peritz. I will always remember him as one of my favorite faculty members to work with. I appreciated his warmth and keen sense of humor. A consummate scholar, he was demanding, yet patient in his demands. I felt a strong sense of accomplishment every time I was able to satisfy his challenging research requests. His loss will be felt deeply in the New York Law School community."



Mary Rose Mercieca passed away on November 16, 2015. Mary Rose worked in the Human Resources Department at NYLS for 15 years, serving for the past six years as the front desk receptionist in our flagship academic building at 185 West Broadway. She was the quintessential champion for our community. A friend and advocate for all, her warmth and charm radiated from the moment you saw her bright smile as she greeted you. Before joining the reception desk, Mary Rose provided support in many areas of the school, including to faculty members, the Registrar's Office, the Office of Institutional Research and Accountability, the Office of Institutional Advancement, and the Office of Student Engagement, among others. Mary Rose grew up in Malta and went to St. Mary's High School in the town of

Victoria, Gozo, and received a Bachelor's Degree from Pace University in New York City. She loved Malta, always beamed when she spoke of it, and traveled back there annually. She is survived by her two sons: Christopher, who is currently a member of the Armed Forces, and Victor, who resides in New York with his family. She had three grandchildren.

# About New York Law School

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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 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 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 bring it 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 institutionbuilding.

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. Initiatives already under way as New York's law school include the establishment of a new 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 to encourage each of its 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, which invites 1L students who perform in the top 25 percent of their class 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. The Law School is setting its sights on the high-growth fields of tomorrow: intellectual property; 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 and growth over the next 10 to 20 years. In September 2014, the Law School followed up with Strategic Plan Progress and Outcomes for 2014, its first annual report on the progress made and outcomes achieved in implementing the Strategic Plan.

During the 2013-14 academic year, the Law School added two new programs: the Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program and the Institute for In-House Counsel. 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, as well as the Innovation Center for Law and Policy, which absorbed and transformed the Law School's Institute for Information Law and Policy, and focuses on the innovation economy and the growth of media, science, and technology in the digital age. 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 ambitious course of action, to maintain diversity and inclusion as essential components of the Law School's operations.

Through it all, the Law School stabilized tuition, keeping it the same for the fourth straight year in 2015-16, and doubled the amount of scholarship aid to students. NYLS has also achieved an unprecedented level of student and alumni engagement.

2015-16 is the 125th Anniversary of New York Law School, and we are celebrating the highlights of our past and showcasing the prospects for our future. The celebration kicked off in August 2015 and continues through 2016. During this time we featured alumni who contributed to the New York City legal community and beyond, across a wide range of subject areas.

In November 2015, NYLS was the recipient of a \$5 million dollar gift from Joe and Susan Plumeri through The Joe Plumeri Foundation. The gift will support New York Law School's nationally recognized practical training programs by establishing The Joe Plumeri Center for Social Justice and Economic Opportunity ("The Plumeri Center"). The Plumeri Center is the home of the School's law firm where a diverse client base drawn from all of New York City receives free, high-quality legal services. The Plumeri Center houses NYLS'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 gained great visibility for the Law School. During the 2015-16 year, NYLS received national recognition for diversity by U.S. News & World Report; for its practical training by National Jurist; and earned the highest grades for Intellectual Property Law and Technology Law from preLaw magazine.

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 to reintroduce the Law School and lead it to new success. New York 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 a meaningful and successful career. Simply put, New York Law School is New York's law school—a vibrant, diverse school which, for nearly 125 years, has given opportunities to thousands of students to advance justice, improve society, and reach their goals 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. Six academic centers, described below, play an integral role in the Harlan Scholars honors program.

#### Center for Business and Financial Law

The Center for Business and Financial Law (CBFL) 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 CBFL brings together academics, practitioners, and students to address the challenges that face business and finance.

### Center for International Law

In 1996, aided by a grant from the C.V. Starr Foundation, the 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, financial, and legal communities. The Center sponsors events such as the prestigious C.V. Starr Lectures and the Otto L. Walter Lecture Series, which regularly bring world-renowned speakers to the Law School. It also provides extensive resources for researching careers in international law.

### Center for New York City Law

Established in 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 existing gap between the private practice and academic study of real estate, and is one of the premier research centers in the country for the study of real estate.

#### 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 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 NYLS and New York City as a whole to study and work on complex issues and opportunities presented by the growing innovation economy.

### ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

### Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program

In fall 2013, New York Law School introduced the Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program, distinguished by its emphasis on practical experience. Students entering the program are exposed to theories of interest-based negotiation and its alternatives, and given opportunities to practice their skills in that field.

### Institute for In-House Counsel

In spring 2014, the Law School established the Institute for In-House Counsel, dedicated to the needs of in-house and corporate professionals. The Institute addresses emerging legal, economic and business issues affecting companies from a variety of industries and sectors, and provides practical advice on how to successfully navigate the inhouse/outside counsel relationship and communicate effectively with company leadership.

### Legal Practice Program

In fall 2011, New York Law School launched a new first-year skills program, Legal Practice, which provides students with a comprehensive introduction to lawyering skills at the beginning of their law school careers. The program is designed to prepare students for their first legal work experience and presents them with challenging scenarios that call on them to problem-solve and apply the law in context.

### DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

### Master of Laws (LL.M.) in American Business Law

In 2012, the Law School began offering the LL.M. in American Business Law. The program provides foreigntrained lawyers with a thorough grounding in the basic principles of American business and commercial law.

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

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

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

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

### Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation

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

### Online Mental Disability Law Program

The Law School's Online Mental Disability Law Program offers courses to J.D. students as well as professionals who work with, or on behalf of, people with disabilities. In January 2009, the program expanded from offering courses on an individual basis to offering a Master of Arts (M.A.) in Mental Disability Law Studies and a Certificate in Advanced Mental Disability Law Studies.

#### **Certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution**

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Skills Program offers a Certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution to students who complete the requirements of the Program. They may be relied upon to possess not only an intellectual understanding of the principles of negotiation, mediation, and arbitration, but actual experience in those fields.

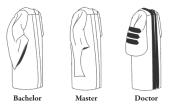
#### Pro Bono Scholars

The Pro Bono Scholars program allows students who complete the program to take the New York bar exam in February and then become eligible for early admission to the bar. After taking the bar exam, students spend the remainder of the spring semester in a 12-week, full-time pro bono placement, 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 crisis in access to justice and proposed responses to this crisis.

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

Academic dress and graduation date back to the 12th century at the formation of early universities in Europe. Historians believe that academic dress originated when scholars, who were largely clerics or aspiring clerics, wore long robes and hoods to keep warm in unheated buildings. From these practical origins, the gowns, hoods, and caps have developed into the accepted attire that symbolizes scholarly achievement. Over time, colleges and universities have customized the ensemble to reflect their schools' unique symbols of visual identity such as the seal, school colors, and additional adornments that become part of their commencement 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. Our graduating students in the M.A. degree program process with the master's robe with oblong sleeves that are square cut at the rear part of the oblong shape and have an arc cut away at the front part with a slit for the wrist opening.

### Hoods



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, or white for the M.A. degree.

### Caps

According to historians, academic caps were adopted for this use by the church in 1311 and are based on a closefitting cap worn by the ancient Romans. There are two styles of caps: the Oxford, a stiff mortarboard; and the Cambridge, a beret-like soft cap. Our J.D., M.A., and LL.M. students process with the 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 the candidates for the post-graduate degree of Master of Laws (LL.M.).

### 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.)



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