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117TH COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

May 15, 2009

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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 and pagers during the Commencement exercises.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Dear Members of the Class of 2009:

Graduation always stirs emotions: Appreciation for the support of parents, family, and friends; elation at finishing school and the student phase of life; anticipation of unique opportunities, new jobs, and the chance to be a lawyer; anxiety over the unknown challenges ahead and even the known challenges (yes, I know the bar exam looms for most of you!); satisfaction in all that has been accomplished; and joy in the wonderful things you plan to do. Graduates, you now join the ranks of New York Law School alumni, who have been making a real difference in the lives of their clients since the 1890s. You too will use your skills, knowledge, values, and talents to make a difference for those needing your expertise.

When you began your career at New York Law School we started a conversation about values and ideals—those you brought with you to school and those we hoped you would develop as a student. Several years later the dialogue has matured: We know that you are fearless and ready to become innovators in your practice. We are confident that you will be consummate professionals with the integrity that marks our graduates. We are proud that you are committed to a more just legal community. The license to practice that you soon will receive requires much from you—ideals, service, commitment to your clients, and devotion to the rule of law. You are certain to embrace such responsibilities with confidence, humility, and grace.

Law teachers often emphasize the intellectual rigor of the path you have chosen. We are tacticians, technical whizzes, learned in the ways of the law. We hope that you share in our enthusiasm for a life of the mind. But, your faculty and staff colleagues also cling to another more emotional side of the life we have chosen—the need to rejoice in the tremendous experiences we have shared over the last few years, the ability to laugh at our foibles, kid each other about our differences, and know that the bonds we share cannot be broken.

Congratulations, Class of 2009. We salute your strength and dedication and welcome you to the ranks of our graduates.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R.A. Matasar". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first and last names being more prominent.

Richard A. Matasar
Dean and President

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MARSHALLS	Victoria Eastus, Assistant Dean, Academic Affairs Kenneth Norz, Assistant Dean for Academic Planning and Programming
PROCESSIONAL	<i>Pomp and Circumstance, No. 1 Op. 39</i> —Sir Edward Elgar <i>Triumphal March, Aida</i> —Giuseppe Verdi
GREETINGS	Richard A. Matasar <i>Dean and President</i>
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM	Lyndsay Valentine Ruotolo <i>Class of 2009</i>
INTRODUCTION OF OLD GUARD	Dean Matasar
REMARKS	Arthur N. Abbey '59 <i>Chair, Board of Trustees</i>
AWARDING OF PRIZES	OTTO L. WALTER DISTINGUISHED WRITING AWARDS <i>Presented by Associate Dean Stephen J. Ellmann</i> Faculty Awards <i>To be announced</i>

AWARDING OF PRIZES
(continued)

Student Awards

Robert S. Trisotto, Day Division

For the article, "Seceding in the 21st Century: A Paradigm for the Ages"

*THE FINALISTS FOR THE TRUSTEES' PRIZE FOR THE HIGHEST AVERAGE

Presentation by Associate Dean Carol A. Buckler

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Erin Rose Olshever

Alicia Jean Surdyk

Matthew Aaron Windman

Evening Division

Thomas J. Bassolino

Sarah Khan

Andrea Y. Lee

Bethany Leah Ow

THE ALFRED L. ROSE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Presentation by Associate Dean Carol A. Buckler

Zachary A. Kerner, Day Division

Carmine J. Guiga, Evening Division

THE DEAN'S AWARD FOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Presentation by Associate Dean Carol A. Buckler

Michelle Paula Tonelli

Kristopher Thomas Ferranti

CLASS OF 2009 TEACHING AWARD

Presentation by Associate Dean Stephen J. Ellmann

Professor Donald H. Zeigler

STUDENT REMARKS

Zachary A. Kerner, Day Division

Pierre Ciric, Evening Division

* 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.

ORDER OF EXERCISES (continued)

AWARDING OF
PRESIDENT'S MEDAL

PRESIDENT'S MEDAL OF HONOR
Presentation by Andrew Penson '84, Board of Trustees
Awarded to Zygmunt Wilf '74
Member of the Advisory Board, Center for Real Estate Studies,
New York Law School
Attorney, Wilf Law Firm
President, Garden Homes Real Estate Developers
Principal Owner, Minnesota Vikings Football Club, LLC

CONFERRING OF
HONORARY DEGREE

DOCTOR OF LAWS (LL.D.)
Presentation by Vincent Carbonell '00, Board of Trustees
Gregory H. Williams, Esq.
President, The City College of New York

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President Williams

CONFERRING OF
STUDENT DEGREES

Introduction of Candidates
Professor Ann F. Thomas
Professor Michael L. Perlin
Associate Dean Suzanne J.S. Davidson
Associate Dean Lenni B. Benson
Professor Frank W. Munger
Professor David Schoenbrod

Presentation of Candidates
Dean Matasar

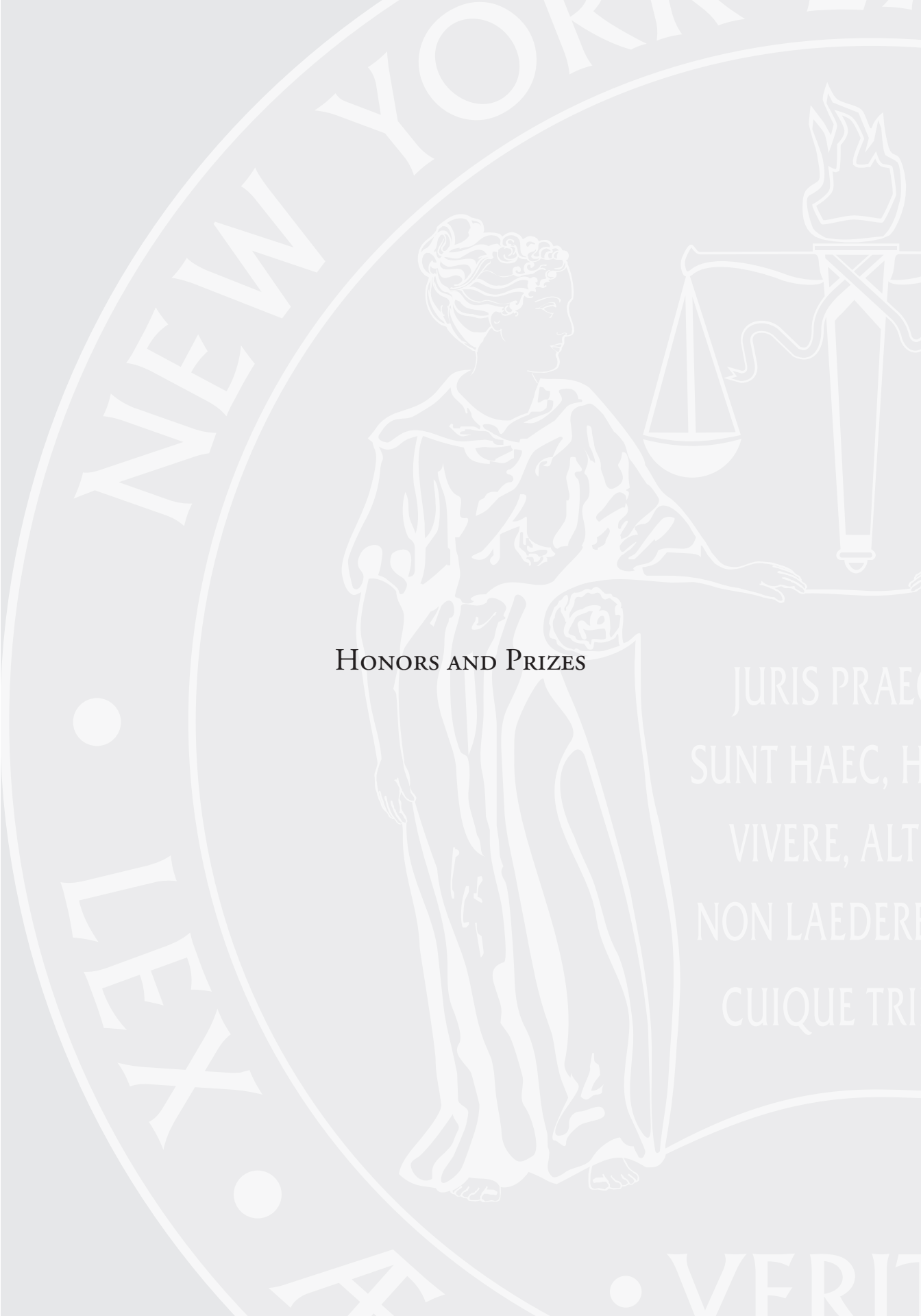
Conferring of Degrees
Chairman Abbey

CLOSING REMARKS

Dean Matasar

RECESSIONAL

Two Voluntaries—Henry Purcell



HONORS AND PRIZES

JURIS PRAEC
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DEGREES WITH HONORS

February 1, 2009

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Olga Tseytkin

Magna Cum Laude

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Carmine J. Guiga

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Christopher Shea O'Donnell
Bethany Leah Ow
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James Steven Pincoff
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Christopher M. Reyes
Jayne Ricco
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Sara N. Shouse
Lilya Shuster
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Randall C.L. Steketee
Jordan Brice Tamchin
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Analiz Marie Velazquez Torres
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Joshua Zelkowitz

COMMENCEMENT PRIZES

AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE-AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION (ALI-ABA) CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP & LEADERSHIP AWARD

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

Natalie Paige DiDonna

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Matthew Aaron Windman

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

Michelle Paula Tonelli

HELEN & ANDREW DOKAS MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT

Natallia Krauchuk

PROFESSOR STEPHEN J. ELLMANN CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION PRIZE

Jessica Fisher

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

Kristopher Thomas Ferranti

DANIEL FINKELSTEIN WRITING AWARD

Kristopher Thomas Ferranti
For the article “The Martin Act:
Post Effective Date Tenants”

ALEXANDER D. FORGER AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Jessica Fisher

ANTHONY E. JANNACE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

Alicia Jean Surdyk

MEDIA CENTER AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

Carmine J. Guiga

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

Alexander Malychev

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING EDITORIAL CONTRIBUTION

Anthony Bruno

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL LAW REVIEW AWARD FOR BEST NOTE

Ryan Christopher Steinman
“Taking a Mulligan: Moral Rights
and the Art of Golf Course Design”

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL MOOT COURT
ASSOCIATION BEST ADVOCATE AWARD

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Shane J. Humphries
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FOR SERVING WITH DISTINCTION

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Adam N. Love
Maryam Maleki
Tiffany Rex

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WOMEN LAWYERS AWARD

Carol A. Bahan

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Paul H. Colley
Lev Ekster
Shane J. Humphries
Gillian Ilana Kremen Kotlen
Cary London
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Michelle Paula Tonelli

JOSEPH SOLOMON AWARD FOR EXCELLENT
CHARACTER AND FITNESS

Robert S. Trisotto

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

Zachary Kerner

For the article, "The Constitutionality
of Teacher Assignment Plans After *Parents
Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle
School District No. 1: What Would Justice
Kennedy Do?*"

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



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



HARRY A. GOTIMER ADMIRALTY AWARD
FOR OUTSTANDING WORK
IN THE FIELD OF ADMIRALTY LAW



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



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FOR EXCELLENCE IN TAX LAW



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FOR EXCELLENCE IN COMMERCIAL LAW



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FOR THE HIGHEST GRADE IN THE LAW
OF REAL PROPERTY



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FOR THE HIGHEST AVERAGE IN THE
LAW OF EVIDENCE



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



WOODROW WILSON AWARD FOR PROFICIENCY
IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW



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



ROSS GNESIN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW



ABRAHAM MARKHOFF WRITING AWARD
(FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION)



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*



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Justice Action Center

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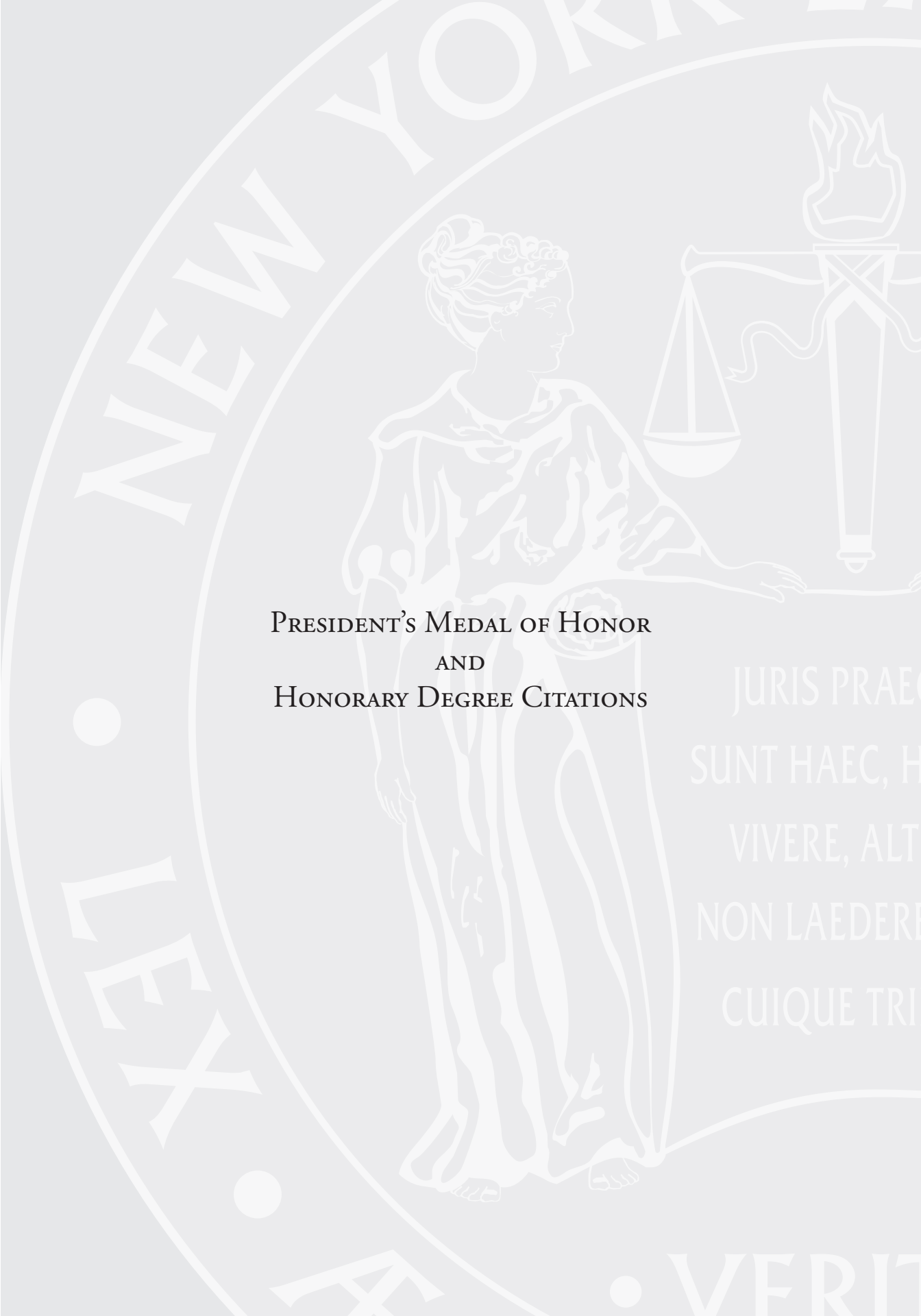
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Gregory H. Williams is the 11th president of The City College of New York, the flagship college of The City University of New York (CCNY) and one of the oldest public universities in the United States, established in 1847. City College includes among its graduates nine Nobel Prize winners, former Secretary of State Colin Powell, Dr. Jonas Salk, and the founder of Intel Corp., Andrew Grove.

Since his arrival in August 2001, President Williams's leadership has brought the College increased national recognition. Enrollment has increased by nearly 50 percent—including an increase in new freshmen, under new, more rigorous admissions standards, with the largest incoming honors class in the College's history. CCNY now boasts a student body of more than 15,000. According to *U.S. News and World Report*, City College is one of the most diverse college campuses in the nation. In addition, City College is in the top tier among its peer institutions, ranked on such factors as academic reputation and faculty. Under President Williams's leadership, the State of New York is investing nearly a billion dollars in new science facilities and a new home for the CCNY School of Architecture, and beginning in the fall of 2009, the College will issue doctoral degrees in engineering and science. President Williams is also leading the first capital campaign in the College's history, and has already raised nearly \$310,000,000.

President Williams has earned five degrees, including the J.D. and a Ph.D. from George Washington University, and he holds three honorary doctorates. He has been a university administrator for more than 30 years, previously serving in a variety of posts at The George Washington University, The University of Iowa, and The Ohio State University. Immediately prior to becoming President of The City College of New York, he was Dean of the Law School and Carter C. Kissell Professor of Law, The Ohio State University. Early in his career Dr. Williams was a deputy sheriff, and he later worked as an aide to a United States senator.

Dr. Williams has published three books and a number of articles and book reviews for *The New York Times*, *The Los Angeles Times*, and *The Washington Post*. He is best known for his award-winning and best-selling memoir, *Life on the Color Line: The True Story of a White Boy Who Discovered He Was Black*. As a result of his autobiography, he has been featured on a number of national programs including "Oprah," "Dateline NBC with Tom Brokaw," "Larry King Live," ABC's "Nightline with Ted Koppel," and "Fresh Air with Terri Gross" of National Public Radio.

In 1995, *Life on the Color Line* was selected as "Book of the Year" by *The Los Angeles Times*. In 1996, the Gustavus Myers Center for the Study of Human Rights in North America named *Life on the Color Line* an "Outstanding Book on the Subject of Human Rights." It is often required reading for entering students at U.S. colleges and universities.

President Williams received the “Governor’s Tribute to African American Leaders of Excellence in State Service” from Governor George Pataki in 2004 for his significant contributions to the people of New York. In 1999, he was named the first recipient of the National Bar Association’s A. Leon Higginbotham Jr. Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Preservation of Human and Civil Rights. Also in 1999, he was selected as “Dean of the Year” by the National Association of Public Interest Law. In 2006, he received the Austrian Cross of Honor in Science and Art, First Class.

President Bill Clinton invited Dr. Williams to the White House in 1998 as part of his “Call to Action” to promote pro bono work and diversity in the legal profession. Currently, Dr. Williams serves as Chair of the Commission on Access, Diversity and Excellence (CADE) of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges, and he is a past president of the Association of American Law Schools.

For your outstanding accomplishments and influence in the field of law, New York Law School takes great pride in awarding you, Gregory H. Williams, the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, with all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities thereunto appertaining.

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Zygi Wilf is an attorney at the Wilf Law Firm and President of Garden Homes Real Estate Developers based in Short Hills, New Jersey. In 2005, he became the principal owner of the Minnesota Vikings Football Club, NFC North Division Champions for the 2008–09 season.

He earned a B.A. in Economics from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 1971, and graduated from New York Law School in 1974. Zygi is a member of the executive committee of Albert Einstein College of Medicine and a member of the board of trustees of Yeshiva University.

He serves on the Center for Real Estate Studies Advisory Board of New York Law School. He is a trustee of the Wilf Family Foundation. Throughout his life, Zygi and his family have consistently focused on philanthropy. He has been a generous supporter of many institutions, across a broad spectrum of heartfelt causes both at home and across the world.

The son of Joseph and Elizabeth Wilf, Zygi emigrated with his parents from Europe to the United States in the early 1950s and settled in New Jersey.

Zygi and his wife, Audrey, have four children.

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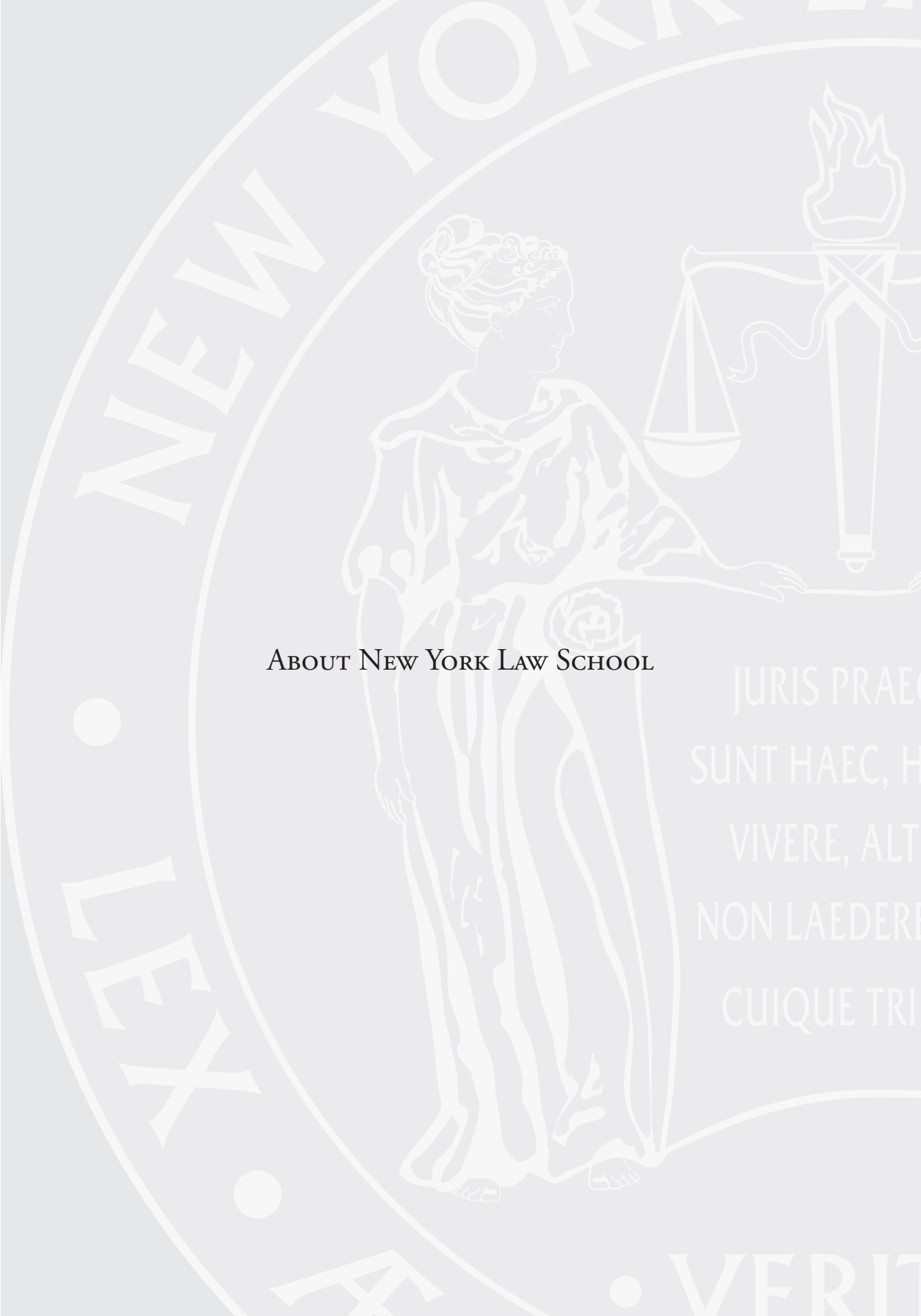
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Alexander D. Forger
- 1996 The Honorable Sidney H. Asch
Boris Leavitt '26
The Honorable Jon O. Newman
- 1997 The Honorable Harry T. Edwards
Dr. Raymond D. Horton
Lewis M. Steel '63
- 1998 Joseph T. Arenson
Lawrence S. Huntington '64
Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
- 1999 The Honorable Guido Calabresi
- 2000 Sybil Shainwald '76
Harry H. Wellington
The Honorable Ralph K. Winter
- 2001 Taylor R. Briggs (posthumously)
Ira Glasser
The Honorable Judith B. Sheindlin '65
- 2002 The Honorable Pierre N. Leval, LL.D.
The Honorable Charles E. Schumer, LL.D.
- 2003 The Honorable Jack B. Weinstein, LL.D.
- 2004 The Honorable Alexis M. Herman, LL.D.
Anthony Lewis, LL.D.
- 2005 The Honorable Bob Kerrey, LL.D.
- 2006 The Honorable Joel I. Klein, LL.D.
- 2007 David Boies
- 2008 Dennis W. Archer
- 2009 Gregory H. Williams



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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 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 at the beginning of this century became founders or name partners of leading law firms, including Alfred Rose of Proskauer, Rose, Goetz & Mendelsohn; Henry Hurlbut Abbott 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 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; 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 late 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.

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

Many graduates who were students during these years achieved prominence in the bar, the judiciary, government, and business. They include the Honorable Roger J. Miner, Senior Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; Maurice Greenberg, former Chairman and CEO of American International Group (AIG) and current Chairman and CEO of C.V. Starr and Co., Inc.; Bernard Mendik, former Chairman of the Real Estate Board of New York and former CEO of Mendik Properties; Arthur N. Abbey, Senior Partner at Abbey Spanier Rodd & Abrams, 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; Hon. Judith Sheindlin "Judge Judy," New York

family court judge, author, and TV personality; Zygmunt Wilf, principal owner of the Minnesota Vikings of the NFL; Kenneth D. Werner, President of Warner Brothers Domestic Television Distribution; and Kathleen Grimm, Deputy Chancellor for Administration and Finance, New York City Department of Education.

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 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 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.

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 15th President and Dean of New York Law School in 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:

- Embrace innovation.
- Foster integrity and professionalism.
- 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 modify 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 that together comprise The Right Program for Each Student:

- The John Marshall Harlan Scholars Program, a world-class academic honors program named after New York Law School’s alumnus and the United States Supreme Court justice who served on the Court from 1955 to 1971. The program is geared toward students who perform in the top 15 percent of their law school class. Eligible students affiliate with one of the School’s eight academic centers, create sophisticated capstone projects, and upon graduation, write their own tickets for the careers of their dreams.
- The Comprehensive Curriculum Program provides intensive support for students who perform in the bottom quarter of their class after the first year, helping them turn a weak start into a powerful finish. So far, the first three groups to complete CCP have given the Law School its highest bar passage rates for first-time takers on record—hitting 93.6 percent in 2008, placing the School in the top five of all law schools in New York state.
- The School is also perfecting an approach to supporting the middle segment of the student population. Starting with the first-year curriculum, the School’s overall program is being revised to more accurately reflect the knowledge and skills students need to succeed in today’s marketplace. Our approach is based on collaborative learning and provides students with opportunities to work directly with professors on real-world projects.

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, real estate, finance, and professional values and practice. Eight academic centers, described below, play an integral role in the Harlan Scholars honors program.

Center on Business Law & Policy

Established in 2005, the Center on Business Law & Policy is designed to provide an enriched educational experience in the business, securities, and commercial law areas. Students are trained to excel as planners and counselors in general advising, litigation, and especially deal-making situations where businesses and other commercial entities are clients. Center graduates will have a firm grounding in the fundamentals needed to enter business-oriented law firms, law departments in corporations, investment banks, financial services and brokerage firms, institutional investors, as well as regulators and other commercially oriented governmental offices.

Center on Financial Services Law

The Center on Financial Services Law began offering programs in fall 2008. The Center's long-range plan includes developing job opportunities in the financial services industry for students and alumni, providing a forum for discussing regulatory reforms, and creating new educational programs for industry legal and business professionals.

Center for International Law

In 1996, aided by a grant from the C.V. Starr Foundation, the School 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 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 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 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 Professional Values and Practice

The 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 research and teaching on the legal profession, focusing on the dynamics of professional regulation, the market for lawyers, and lawyers' careers. Designed to provide students with an in-depth portrait of law practice in a variety of settings, the Center sponsors research, symposia, and speakers to bring the "real world" of practice to the classroom.

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 real estate. 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. The Center aims to help bridge the existing gap between the private practice and academic study of real estate, and will become one of the premier research centers in the country for the study of real estate.

Institute for Information Law & Policy

Established in 2003, the Institute for Information Law & Policy is home to 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.

In 2006, the School's **Labor & Employment Law Program** became part of the Justice Action Center. 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.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

Lawyering Skills Center

The Lawyering Skills Center was established in 1991 to bring under one heading all of the New York Law School clinical and skills courses: clinics where students represent or work with actual clients under the direct supervision of full-time faculty or attorneys; externships where students are placed in the offices of practicing attorneys or in judicial chambers; and simulation courses where students interact with actors or others in a variety of lawyering situations. Since 1991, all of these forms of experiential learning have increased significantly and are now an integral part of the New York Law School curriculum.

Media Center

The Media Center is the School's home for the study of telecommunications, media, and new media law and policy. One of the oldest and most extensive programs of its kind, it was established in 1977 in response to the explosive growth of communication technologies. The Center sponsors pedagogy, scholarship, and projects relating to the intersection between evolving communication and information technologies and the laws that regulate them. The Center has three goals: to promote scholarship, to preserve democratic values through effective media policy, and to train media-savvy lawyers who understand the law of media and the role of media in the law.

Program in Law & Journalism

The Program in Law & Journalism is home to the study of the relationship between and among law, lawyers, the media, and the public. The Program is affiliated with the Institute for Information Law & Policy and the Center for Professional Values and Practice. The Program hosts seminars, panels, and colloquia for practicing journalists on legal issues raised by newsgathering activities, for lawyers on the ethics and practicalities of dealing with the media, for academics on issues at the intersection of law and journalism, and for the general public on the role of lawyers in media and the influence of the media on lawyering.

ADDITIONAL DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

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.

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.

Online Mental Disability Law Program

The School's Online Mental Disability Law Program welcomes J.D. students as well as professionals who work with, or on behalf of, people with disabilities. It is the only program of its kind presented by an ABA-approved law school. Each of the current 12 courses comprising the curriculum is delivered to students through the convenience of distance

education. 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.

Patent Law Program

The Institute for Information Law & Policy offers the Patent Law Program to provide students with the opportunity to develop greater expertise and experience in patent law. Students who are eligible, as determined by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, also sit for the exam for admission to the Patent Bar prior to graduation.

Certificate of Mastery in Law Practice Technology

The Institute for Information Law & Policy offers a Certificate of Mastery in Law Practice Technology to demonstrate to potential employers that the student awarded the certificate is unusually qualified with respect to understanding and use of technologies employed in law practice. It is also designed to encourage students to contribute to the Institute's efforts to develop innovative legal technology applications and to better understand the potential impact of technology on law and legal institutions.

Public Service Certificate

The Office of Professional Development offers a Public Service Certificate. Certificates will be issued to graduating students who have performed at least 40 hours of voluntary service while at law school, or who have a combination of at least 30 hours of voluntary service and have another 30 hours of public interest work done through a work-study placement, clinic, or externship. The names of certificate recipients will be listed in the commencement program, and a notation will be placed on the student's transcript, indicating that the student earned a Public Service Certificate.

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 1,500 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

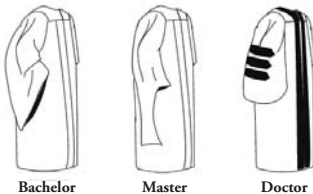
Edward I. Koch, David N. Dinkins, Rudolph W. Giuliani and current Mayor Michael Bloomberg; Drew S. Days III, U.S. Solicitor General; Thomas Pickering, former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations; and Chief Prosecutor Luis Moreno Ocampo of the International Criminal Court.

The School's success as a center for intellectual and cultural exchange will continue to grow with its new state-of-the-art academic building, opening in spring 2009. In August 2006, New York Law School broke ground on a \$190 million expansion and renovation program that will transform its TriBeCa campus into a cohesive architectural complex nearly double its current size. The centerpiece of the expansion will be a new glass-enclosed, 235,000-square-foot, nine-level building—five stories above ground and four below—which will integrate with the School's existing three buildings. The new facility will allow New York Law School to enhance student support, expand the faculty, and deepen its extraordinary program.

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 oblong shape and have an arc cut away at the front part with a slit for the wrist opening.

Hoods



Purple
Grey
Light Blue

The hoods, designed with the Law School's official colors, blue and gray, are worn draped over the shoulders with the lining exposed on the back of the gown. The satin lining comprises a gray chevron on a blue background. The velvet border on the hood is of a

prescribed width and color—purple for the field of law, and 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 close-fitting cap worn by the ancient Romans. There are two styles of caps: the Oxford, a stiff mortarboard; and the Cambridge, a beret-like soft cap. Our J.D. and LL.M. students process with the Cambridge caps made of velvet and with gold tassels, as befits the doctoral degree, and our M.A. students process with the Cambridge caps as well, but with black tassels appropriate for a Master of Arts degree.

Braided Cords



Introduced as a new component of our academic attire in 2005, the braided cords are symbols of academic achievement worn on top of the gown on the right shoulder by the candidates for the post-graduate degree of Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation.

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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