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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES ♪ MAY 17, 2013
CLASS OF TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN
DAVID A. LOGAN, DEAN — PRESIDING

PRELUDE *Prelude, Sigurd Jorasalfar* by Edvard Grieg
PROCESSIONAL *Pipes and Drums* by The Rhode Island Highlanders Pipe Band
NATIONAL ANTHEM Rene de la Garza
INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF THE DEAN'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD David A. Logan
Dean & Professor of Law
PRESIDENT'S REMARKS Donald J. Farish, Ph.D., J.D.
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The Honorable Alice Bridget Gibney
Presiding Justice
Rhode Island Superior Court
ADDRESS Morris Seligman Dees
"With Justice for All in a Changing America"
VALEDICTORY ADDRESS Andrew S. Tugan
PRESENTATION OF GRADUATING CLASS Andrew Horwitz
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law
CONFERRING OF DEGREES Donald J. Farish, Ph.D., J.D.
RECESSIONAL *Grand March* from "Aida" by Giuseppe Verdi
MUSIC The Dick Parent Orchestra
Pipes and Drums by the Rhode Island Highlanders Pipe Band

The audience is requested to remain seated during the recessional.
*For the comfort of some of our families and guests, a live video feed is available
in the School of Law Appellate Courtroom, second floor. Seating is limited.*

SCHOOL OF LAW HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS



MORRIS DEES, ESQ.

Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa

Founder, Southern Poverty Law Center

B.A. University of Alabama

J.D. University of Alabama School of Law

Born the son of Alabama cotton farmers, Morris Dees is the founder and chief trial counsel for the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) in Montgomery, Ala. After launching his law practice in 1960, Dees won a series of groundbreaking civil rights cases that helped integrate government and public institutions.

Known for innovative lawsuits that crippled some of America's most notorious white supremacist hate groups, Dees has received numerous awards. These include Trial Lawyer of the Year from Trial Lawyers for Public Justice, the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Award from the National Education Association and the Salem Award for Human Rights and Social Justice. In 2009, he was inducted into the Trial Lawyers' Hall of Fame by the American Trial Lawyers' Association. In 2012, the American Bar Association honored him with the ABA Medal.

Wayne Rogers portrayed him in the 1996 feature film, "Ghosts of Mississippi," about the murder of civil rights worker Medgar Evers. Dees was named one of the 100 Most Influential Lawyers in America by the National Law Journal in 2006. He has written three books: *A Season for Justice*, his autobiography; *Hate on Trial: The Case against America's Most Dangerous Neo-Nazi*; and *Gathering Storm: America's Militia Threat*. In 1991, NBC aired a made-for-TV movie called "Line of Fire" about Dees and his landmark legal victories against the Ku Klux Klan.



THE HONORABLE ALICE B. GIBNEY

Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa

Presiding Justice,

Rhode Island Superior Court

B.A. Rhode Island College

J.D. Catholic University School of Law

The Honorable Alice B. Gibney is the presiding justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court. A West Warwick native, born to schoolteachers, she graduated from Rhode Island College in 1969 and went on to Catholic University School of Law in Washington, D.C., where she earned her law degree in 1972.

Judge Gibney began her career as a law clerk to Superior Court Judge Florence K. Murray before entering private practice in Providence. She served as an assistant U.S. Attorney in the late 1970s, then reentered private practice. In 1982, she became a Workers' Compensation Court Commissioner, and served in that capacity until her appointment as an associate justice of the Superior Court in 1984. Judge Gibney served on the state's Commission on Judicial Tenure and Discipline from 1991 until 2003, including six years as chair, and has taught as an adjunct professor at RWU Law.

Judge Gibney has spent much of her career concentrating on civil cases, including many medical malpractice lawsuits. When former Governor Donald Carcieri nominated her as presiding justice in 2009, he said: "Justice Gibney is admired and respected by her judicial colleagues and by all those who come before her courtroom. Considered a conscientious and gifted trial judge known for her ability to manage complex litigation and high case volume, Justice Gibney is well suited to serve as Presiding Justice."

IN MEMORIAM
CHIEF JUSTICE JOSEPH R. WEISBERGER
(1920-2012)



Retired Rhode Island Supreme Court Chief Justice Joseph R. Weisberger '92H, '97H(Law) – a Roger Williams University Trustee and a central figure in the founding and development of RWU Law – passed away last December at the age of 92.

Chief Justice Weisberger served as chairman of both the Roger Williams University School of Law Advisory Board and its Board of Directors and is the namesake of the school's first endowed professorship. In 1991, he led the feasibility study that recommended establishing RWU Law.

A graduate of Brown University and Harvard Law School, Weisberger interrupted his undergraduate studies in 1941 to join the Navy, where he served in the Pacific. He practiced law and served briefly in the state Senate before being appointed to the bench in 1956 at age 35. He was a Superior Court judge until 1978, when he was appointed to the Rhode Island Supreme Court as an associate justice. He served as chief justice from 1993 to 2001. In the years following his retirement, he helped lead the court's mediation program.

“You hear many accolades for Chief Justice Weisberger's long and distinguished service to our state,” said RWU Law Dean David A. Logan. “But to me it is also personal: he was instrumental in the founding of this law school and was the first and longest-serving Chair of our Board of Directors. He was also a classic gentleman and a wonderful mentor to me.”

Roger Williams University School of Law is honored to present the Dean's Distinguished Service Award to Chief Justice Joseph R. Weisberger, who is represented by his family today.

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graduation date, December 2012 **anticipated graduation date, July 2013 * anticipated graduation date December 2013
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For students who demonstrated exceptional academic ability and achievement before coming to law school and exceptional academic achievement during their first year, the School of Law offers an Honors Program, which consists of a special course of study. The following students completed the requirements of the Honors Program.

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The Moot Court Board promotes the development of the art of appellate advocacy and brief writing.

Those selected as the best appellate advocates in the intra-scholastic competition are awarded the Clark Prize for Excellence in Advocacy. The Board also sponsors inter-scholastic teams that compete against representatives from law schools across the nation.

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General Members

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The 25th Annual National Environmental Moot Court Competition

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The 63rd Annual National Moot Court Competition

Juliana McKittrick

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25th Annual Domenick L. Gabrielli National Family Law Moot Court Competition

Team 1

Jennifer Fournier '14

Paige Munro '15

Jeffrey Sheehan '14

Team 2

Tunde Adepegba '14

Alisha Perry '14

Josh Xavier '14

Faculty Advisor:

Professor Larry J. Ritchie

Coach:

John Meara '11

3rd Annual Billings, Exum & Frye National Moot Court Competition

Team 1

Allison Christine Belknap

Chet L. Jackson

Leticia Tavares '14

Team 2

L. Gregory Abilheira

Kaela Jalbert '14

Antonio Viana '14

Faculty Advisor:

Professor Larry J. Ritchie

Coach:

Professor Jared Goldstein

TRIAL TEAM

The following students were selected to participate in inter-scholastic trial team competitions:

American Association for Justice Trial Advocacy Competition

Team 1

Derek Castello '14
Christina Connor '14
Craig Hein '14
Liz McNamara '14

Team 2

Morgan J. Lobello
Candace Ranglin '14
Michael Patrick Rekola
Kaitlin Elizabeth Sweeney

Faculty Advisor:

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Coaches:

Kate Godin '08
Seth Aitken '09

7th Annual National Ethics Trial Competition

Team 1

Scott Albrecht '14
Chet L. Jackson
Jennifer L. Read '14
Nels Ahlness Schnobrich

Coaches:

Professor Larry J. Ritchie
John Calcagni '03

MEDIATION

The following students were selected to participate in inter-scholastic Mediation competition:

14th Annual American Bar Association Representation in Mediation Competition

Team 1

Brandy Disbennett '14
Anthony Sinapi '15

Team 2

Olajumoke M. Akinrimisi
Genevieve Rose Simard

Faculty Advisor:

Professor Bruce I. Kogan

Coach:

Adjunct Professor Jay Miller

SELECTED HONORS EARNED
BY MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2013

THE CLARK PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN APPELLATE ADVOCACY

Those students who capture first place in the written and oral intra-scholastic moot court competition share an award donated by former Distinguished Visiting Professor Esther F. Clark. Members of the graduating class who received this award during the course of their studies are:

Winner of the Clark Competition

Nicholas L. Nybo

Best Oral Argument

William K. Wray, Jr

Best Brief

Christa Marie Harris

PROFESSOR CLARK ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Distinguished Visiting Professor Esther F. Clark and her husband, John Clark, established this scholarship to recognize outstanding academic performance by a rising second year student.

Frank J. Garofalo III

GARY L. BAHR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This award is in memory of Professor Gary L. Bahr, the first associate dean and member of the founding faculty of the School of Law. The award is made annually to the first year student with the highest combined average in Contracts and Torts.

Erica Sophia Pistorino

William K. Wray, Jr.

KATHLEEN BIRT MEMORIAL AWARD

This prize is awarded to graduating students who have demonstrated the most distinguished performance in dispute resolution courses.

Erica S. Janton

CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD

This national award recognizes a student who has excelled in a clinical course in law school.

Tracy Harper

DEAN'S ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award is presented by the Dean to a graduating student who improved his or her grades the most from the first year.

Allison Elizabeth Krause

SELECTED HONORS EARNED
BY MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2013

THE LEGAL METHODS FACULTY AWARD FOR BEST APPELLATE BRIEF

This award is made possible by The Lillian and Irving Topf Memorial Fund.

Juliana McKittrick

CORPORATE COUNSEL-NORTHEAST CHAPTER ETHICS AWARD (ACC-NE)

This award is given to a student who has demonstrated outstanding commitment to ethics in a clinical program.

L. Gregory Abilheira

**THE PROPELLER CLUB OF THE UNITED STATES –
PORT OF NARRAGANSETT BAY EDUCATIONAL FUND**

This award is given to a student(s) enrolled in an accredited program with a concentration in Maritime Ports, Logistic Management or a Merchant Marine License or Certificate.

Maeve Caitlin Tibbetts

**RHODE ISLAND ASSOCIATION FOR JUSTICE –
JUSTICE JOSEPH R. WEISBERGER SCHOLARSHIP**

Alexandra C. Hudd

**ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Brandon M. Biggs
Rizwanul Huda

THURGOOD MARSHALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Rizwanul Huda

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD AWARD

Chandaphone Lipou Laliemthavisay

SELECTED HONORS EARNED BY MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2013

Each semester the student receiving the highest grade in each course is selected to receive a Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI) award certificate. Members of the graduating class who received this award for classes during the course of their studies are:

L. Gregory Abilheira Immigration Clinic	Fall 2012	Andrew C. Covington The Nature of the Judicial Process	Fall 2011
		Family Law	Fall 2012
Elizabeth Renee Anderson Legal Methods I	Fall 2010	Wills & Trusts	Fall 2012
Laura Jane Attley Mediation Clinic	Fall 2012	Brent Scott Davis First Amendment	Fall 2012
Jared Nash Ballin Workers' Compensation Massachusetts Civil Practice	Spring 2012 Fall 2012	Stephanie L. DeLuca Legal Methods I Trial Advocacy	Fall 2010 Spring 2012
Allison Christine Belknap Legal Methods I Legal Methods II	Fall 2010 Spring 2011	Malorie Reine Diaz Land Use Planning	Fall 2011
Cynthia M. Bessette Residential Real Estate Maritime Transport Regulatory Practice	Fall 2011 Summer 2012	Adam J. DiFulvio Legal Methods I	Fall 2010
Sarah R. Bratko Comparative Law	Fall 2012	Samuel Gray Eckel Negotiation	Fall 2012
Chantal Geneviève Bromage Legal Methods II Family Law Poverty Law Immigration Law	Spring 2011 Fall 2011 Spring 2012 Fall 2012	Brooklin Marie Eleoff Legal Methods I Criminal Procedure: Adjudication Criminal Defense Law Clinic	Fall 2010 Fall 2012 Fall 2012
Dustin J. Bruhns Selected Issues in Criminal Procedure	Spring 2012	Andrew Killian Fischer Constitutional Law II	Spring 2012
Joseph Paul Carnevale IV Federal Income Tax Drafting: Commercial Transactions	Spring 2012 Fall 2012	Frank J. Garofalo III Legal Methods I Trial Advocacy Health Law and Policy	Fall 2010 Spring 2012 Spring 2012
Matthew Robert Cate Legal Methods I Advanced Legal Writing	Fall 2010 Summer 2012	William D. Garrahan, Jr. Legal Methods II Drafting: Contracts	Spring 2011 Spring 2012
Melissa R. Chalek Civil Procedure Civil Procedure II Contracts II Legal Methods II	Fall 2010 Spring 2011 Spring 2011 Spring 2011	Rachael Anne Gelber Legal Methods I	Fall 2010
Christina Kay Colclough Law of the Sea	Fall 2011	William Jang Giacomci Contracts II Legal Methods II Constitutional Law I	Spring 2011 Spring 2011 Fall 2011
Dennis Andrew Costigan Judicial Behavior & Social Change	Spring 2012	Matthew Thomas Giardina, Jr., Esq. Legal Methods II Business Organizations Evidence Family Law Corporate Scandal, Business Ethics & Governance Bankruptcy	Spring 2011 Fall 2011 Fall 2011 Spring 2012 Spring 2012 Fall 2012
Andrew J. Coughlin Trial Advocacy	Fall 2012	Katelyn Elizabeth Grandchamp First Amendment	Fall 2012

Nina Marie Halvorson Trial Advocacy	Fall 2012	Kendra M. Levesque Constitutional Law II	Spring 2012
Tracy Harper Property	Spring 2011	Professional Responsibility Legal Drafting: Contracts	Spring 2012 Fall 2012
Elizabeth Maeve Hartley Mergers and Acquisitions	Spring 2012	Alicia Dawne Luft Legal Methods I Consumer Bankruptcy in Practice	Fall 2010 Spring 2012
Jacqueline Anne Hartley Legal Methods II	Spring 2011	Michael Brian Manning Public Interest Seminar	Fall 2012
Jessica Hayward Secured Transactions	Summer 2012	Shawn J. Masse International Trade Law Conflicts of Law	Spring 2012 Fall 2012
Cameron Horodeck Hitson Legal Methods II	Spring 2011	Juliana McKittrick Legal Methods I Legal Methods II Appellate Practice	Fall 2010 Spring 2011 Fall 2012
Gregory Nicholas Hoffman Environmental Law	Fall 2011	Christopher John McNally Legislative Drafting & Advocacy: Environmental Law	Fall 2011
Karin Sofie Holst Civil Procedure Legal Drafting: Contracts Federal Income Tax	Fall 2010 Summer 2011 Fall 2011	Leah Lynn Miraldi Legal Methods I Business Planning	Fall 2010 Fall 2012
Alexandra C. Hudd Torts I Torts II Property	Fall 2010 Spring 2011 Spring 2011	Chelsey Claire Morgan Civil War & Reconstruction in Law	Fall 2012
Caitlin Marie Humphreys Critical Race Theory	Fall 2012	Michael James Mullane Employment Law	Spring 2012
Christian Salvatore Infantolino Real Estate Transactions	Fall 2012	Devyn Caroline Noyce Comparative Advocacy London: Comparative Advocacy Program Mental Health Law: A Multi- Disciplinary Approach	Summer 2011 Summer 2011 Spring 2012
Chet L. Jackson Legal Methods II	Spring 2011	Nicholas L. Nybo Legal Methods II Secured Transactions Criminal Litigation: Drafting & Advocacy	Spring 2011 Fall 2012 Fall 2012
Brett M. Kelly-Riley Critical Race Theory	Spring 2012	Mark Ohlson Civil Procedure	Fall 2010
Chandaphone Lipou Laliemthavisay Remedies	Fall 2011	James Harry Oliverio Civil Procedure Contracts II Constitutional Law I Employment Discrimination	Spring 2011 Spring 2011 Fall 2011 Fall 2012
Angela Marie Lawless Legal Methods I Trial Advocacy	Fall 2010 Spring 2012	Pamela Jean Ornstil, Esq. Professional Responsibility	Spring 2012
Jennifer Marie LeBlanc Torts II	Spring 2011	Monique M. Paquin Family and Divorce Mediation	Summer 2012
Sean Michael Leonard Negotiation	Fall 2011		

Nicholas J. Parrillo		Maeve Caitlin Tibbetts	
Federal Courts	Fall 2011	Ocean Management & Policy	Spring 2012
Trial Advocacy	Spring 2012	Andrew S. Tugan	
Criminal Litigation: Drafting & Advocacy	Fall 2012	Criminal Law	Fall 2010
Lauren Michele Patrizio		Legal Methods I	Fall 2010
Family Law	Summer 2012	Civil Procedure	Spring 2011
Consumer Law	Fall 2012	Contracts II	Spring 2011
Matthew John Pimentel		Constitutional Law I	Fall 2011
Labor Law	Fall 2011	Environmental Law	Fall 2011
Erica Sophia Pistorino		Criminal Procedure	Spring 2012
Contract I	Fall 2010	Judicial Process & Ethics	Spring 2012
Torts I	Fall 2010	Eric D. Wasserman	
Torts II	Spring 2011	Land Use Planning	Fall 2012
Sales	Fall 2011	Legal Drafting: Commercial Leasing	Spring 2012
Legal Drafting: Contracts	Fall 2012	Legal Drafting: Contracts	Summer 2012
Allyson Rice Quay		George Carder Whaley, Jr.	
Evidence	Fall 2011	Sales	Spring 2012
Governing & Regoverning the Workplace	Spring 2012	William K. Wray, Jr.	
Carolyn Mae Rankin		Civil Procedure	Fall 2010
Torts I	Fall 2010	Contracts I	Fall 2010
Legal Methods II	Spring 2011	Criminal Law	Fall 2010
Station Fire Litigation	Fall 2011	Property	Spring 2011
Judicial Process	Fall 2012	Torts II	Spring 2011
Interviewing & Counseling	Summer 2012	Legal Methods II	Spring 2011
Elizabeth Rose Raynes-LeBrun		Evidence	Fall 2011
Legal Methods I	Fall 2010	Voice of the Child	Fall 2011
Trial Advocacy	Spring 2012	Judicial Process	Fall 2012
Michael D. Resnick		Interpreting the 14th Amendment	Fall 2012
Criminal Law	Fall 2010	William H. Yost III	
Nels Ahlness Schnobrich		Admiralty Law	Fall 2011
Trial Advocacy	Fall 2011	Maritime Security Law	Summer 2011
Corey Christopher Silvia		Constitutional Law II	Spring 2012
Employment Law Stories	Fall 2011		
Samantha Rose Slack			
Trial Advocacy	Spring 2012		
Kyle C. Smith			
Marine Insurance	Spring 2012		
Maritime Practice & Procedure	Spring 2012		
Nicole Solas			
Sexuality & the Law	Fall 2011		
Elder Law	Fall 2012		
Mediation	Fall 2012		
Kaitlin Elizabeth Sweeney			
Comparative Law	Fall 2011		
Terrell L. Thompson			
Mediation	Fall 2011		

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