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Stetson University College of Law  
**FALL GRADUATE  
CELEBRATION**



*December 14, 2012*

*Great Hall, Gulfport Campus*

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## Program

Welcome . . . . . Christopher M. Pietruszkiewicz  
*Dean and Professor of Law*

Greetings . . . . . Joshua Magidson  
*Chair, Board of Overseers*

Alumni Greetings . . . . . Jenay E. Iurato  
*President, Stetson Lawyers Association*

Student Recognitions . . . . . Kristen David Adams  
*Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law*

Tammy L. Briant  
*Director for Student Life*

Faculty Address . . . . . Lee A. Coppock  
*Trial Advocacy Fellow*

Closing Remarks . . . . . Dean Pietruszkiewicz

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## Named Awards

### **Attorneys' Title Insurance Fund Award**

*Margaret Melanie Carland*

The Attorneys' Title Insurance Fund Award is a monetary award given to a graduate who has shown outstanding promise and interest in the fields of property, real estate and land use planning. The award recipient is selected by full-time faculty members who teach in these areas.

### **Dean's Award**

*Jeffrey D. Harvey*

This award is presented each semester by the dean to students, faculty and staff for extraordinary service to Stetson University College of Law.

### **E. Harris Drew Memorial Award**

*Steven Daniel Brownlee*

This award was established by the family and friends of Justice E. Harris Drew, a founding member of the Charles A. Dana Law Center Foundation and the College of Law Board of Overseers. The award recognizes the graduate's dedication to the law and ability to express thoughts orally and in writing.

### **Elizabeth M. Leeman Award**

*Leighton Jefferson Hyde*

This award was established to honor a retired faculty advisor to the *Stetson Law Review*. It is presented each year to the author of the best student work published in the *Law Review*.

### **Florida Constitutional Law Award**

*Kevin Michael Smith*

This award was established by an anonymous donor in memory of the late Harold L. Sebring, who was Dean of the College of Law after it moved to Gulfport in 1954. It recognizes a student who has shown excellence in the area of Florida constitutional law, as demonstrated inside and outside the classroom.

### **Judge Alexander Paskay Bankruptcy Award**

*Andrew Charles Wilson*

This award is presented to a student who has shown outstanding performance in an advanced bankruptcy course, such as the bankruptcy seminar or bankruptcy internship. It was created with proceeds from the annual bankruptcy seminar to honor Judge Alexander L. Paskay for his outstanding contributions to the College of Law.

### **Matthew Bender Elder Law Book Award**

*Shelly Anne Gallagher*

The Matthew Bender Elder Law Book Award is awarded to a graduating LL.M. in Elder Law student who has performed with distinction. Matthew Bender & Company is one of the world's leading publishers of legal analysis and case law. The company offers publications in print and electronic formats to subscribers worldwide. *Tax, Estate & Financial Planning for the Elderly*, the book being awarded, is the preeminent authority on elder law.

### **National Order of Scribes Award**

*Philip Clayton Hadley*

The National Order of Scribes was created in 2007 by Scribes - The American Society of Legal Writers as an honorary organization to recognize graduating law students who excel in legal writing. Each year, the College of Law may select up to five nominees for induction into the Order. Each student should have demonstrated the highest levels of professionalism and should be an outstanding legal writer.

### **Paul Barnard Award for Clinic Excellence Award**

*Megan Leanne Roach*

This award, created by the Stetson University College of Law alumni, recognizes the substantial contribution to the criminal justice system that has resulted from former Professor Paul Barnard's efforts on behalf of clinical education. It also honors graduates for their performance in representing indigent clients while enrolled in the Public Defender Clinic.

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## Named Awards

### **PRIDE Award**

*Matthew Daniel Bray*

This award is presented to a graduate who participated in extracurricular activities and service related to LGBT issues. The graduate's involvement and service can be within the Stetson community or for organizations outside the law school.

### **Raphael Steinhardt Award**

*Ellyn Michele Angelotti*

The Honorable Raphael Steinhardt, Class of 1963, provides an award each semester to a deserving graduate selected by the faculty. The recipient is selected on the basis of his or her character, leadership and service to the community.

### **Stanley Milledge Award**

*LeslieRae Newton*

This award, established by the family and friends of the late Judge Stanley Milledge, a member of the College of Law faculty for a number of years before his death in 1965, is presented to a student who has excelled in a field to which Judge Milledge made significant contributions.

### **The Florida Bar Labor & Employment Law Section Dean W. Gary Vause Scholarship**

*Marisol Dusek Hughes*

This award is presented to a student whose excellent performance and demonstrated interest show promise of achievement in a labor and employment law career. The award was created to honor W. Gary Vause, a former Dean and long-time faculty member at the College of Law.

### **Thomas E. Penick, Jr. Award for Community Service**

*Paul Thomas*

This award was established by the St. Petersburg Bar Association in honor of Judge Thomas E. Penick, Jr., Class of 1972, to recognize his spirit and commitment as a community servant. It is given to a graduate who exemplifies himself or herself as a true community servant and who has volunteered extensively for the good of the community, specifically for those who are less fortunate.

### **Victor O. Wehle Award**

*Casey Nichole Ferri*

*Benjamin W. Raslavich*

*Whitney Meshell Shaffer*

*Michael K. Terry*

This award is presented each semester to the outstanding student in each section of Trial Advocacy in the name of the late Victor O. Wehle, who served as a judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit and professor emeritus of the College of Law. Each recipient's name is inscribed on a master plaque maintained at the College of Law.

### **Walter Mann Award**

*Adam Robert Maingot*

This award, established by the late Walter Mann, former member of the Board of Overseers, is given to the member of each graduating class who, in the opinion of both of his or her classmates and of the faculty, has shown the greatest promise of becoming an outstanding leader in the legal profession.

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## Fall 2012 Degree Candidates

### MASTER OF LAWS IN ELDER LAW

**Shelly Anne Gallagher**

*Muhlenberg College, B.A.  
Thomas M. Cooley Law School, J.D.*

**Linda Dawn Greenberg**

*Pepperdine University, B.S.  
Southwestern University, J.D.*

**Steven Ernest Hitchcock**

*Albany College of Pharmacy and Health  
Sciences, B.S.  
Stetson University, J.D.*

### MASTER OF LAWS IN INTERNATIONAL LAW

**Sagi Ibrahim A. Alakeel, Sr.**

*King Saud University, LL.B.*

**Jenna Coudin**

*Université Toulouse 1 Capitole, M.I.C.L.*

**Mysoon Mahfud Gaddor**

*University of Tripoli, Law Degree*

**Amélie Aziliz Hell**

*Université Toulouse 1 Capitole, M.I.C.L.*

**Elsa Mehdizadeh**

*Université Toulouse 1 Capitole, LL.B.,  
M.I.C.L.*

**Mélissa Sonia Ounis** †

*Université Toulouse 1 Capitole, M.I.C.L.*

**Beatriz Diniz Nogueira Rennó**

*Universidade FUMEC, LL.B.*

**Violette Marie Serres-Duchain** †

*Université Toulouse 1 Capitole, M.I.C.L.*

### JURIS DOCTOR

**David Acebo**

*University of South Florida, B.A.*

**Ellyn Michele Angelotti**

*University of Kansas, B.A., B.S.*

**Haley Rebecah Ayure** †

*University of Tampa, B.A.*

**Gregory Thomas Barton**

*Washington and Jefferson College, B.A.*

**Derek William Bernstein**

*University of Florida, B.S., M.S.*

**Matthew Daniel Bray**

*University of South Florida, B.A.*

**Steven Daniel Brownlee**

*Pennsylvania State University, B.S.  
Carnegie Mellon University, M.B.A.  
Temple University, M.D.*

**Raana I. Burney**

*St. John's University, B.S., M.B.A.*

**Kasey Cadavieco**

*University of South Florida, B.A.*

**Marc Tyler Canzio**

*Rollins College, B.A.  
University of Florida, M.A., M.S.*

**Margaret Melanie Carland** †

*Florida State University, B.S.*

**Leah Rose Cheli**

*University of Florida, B.A.*

**Corinna Marie Cicmanec**

*Eckerd College, B.A.*

**Jonathan Glen Drake**

*Transylvania University, B.A.*

**Subhan Farooqi**

*Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey,  
B.A.*

**Casey Nichole Ferri**

*Winthrop University, B.A.*

**Chase Patrick Florin**

*University of Central Florida, B.S.*

**William Richard Franchi**

*University of Tampa, B.S.*

**Julia Elizabeth Gilcher**

*University of South Florida, B.A.*

**Kevin Grignol**

*Edinboro University, B.S.*

**Philip Clayton Hadley** †

*Columbia University, B.A.*

**Kathleen Carol Hagan**

*University of Florida, B.S.*

**Jessica Nicole Hanson**

*Florida State University, B.A.*

**Bradley James Hanus**

*Henderson State University, B.A.*

**Jeffrey D. Harvey**

*Boston College, B.A.  
Murray State University, M.S.*

**Regina Elizabeth Heretick**

*University of San Diego, B.A.*

**Kathryn Comly Hopkinson** †

*University of Tampa, B.A.*

**Marisol Dusek Hughes** †

*University of Tampa, B.S.*

**Dawn Marie Hunter**

*Princeton University, A.B.  
University of South Florida, B.S., M.Ph.*

**Leighton Jefferson Hyde** †

*Florida State University, B.A.*

**Elizabeth Ashly Kerns**

*University of Florida, B.A.*

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## Fall 2012 Degree Candidates

**Benison G. Lee**  
University of Florida, B.A., M.S.

**Heidi Shea Paulino** †  
New York University, B.S.

**Erin Creagh Slattery**  
University of Central Florida, B.A.

**Arno J. Lemus III**  
University of South Florida, B.A.

**Laura Elizabeth Pearson**  
University of South Florida, B.A.

**Kevin Michael Smith**  
University of Florida, B.A.

**Christa Catherine Lopez** †  
University of Tampa, B.S.

**Zachary Raepple**  
Berry College, B.S.

**Kathryn Joyce Sole**  
Flagler College, B.A.

**Kermit Franklin Lowery II**  
University of Central Florida, B.A.

**Benjamin W. Raslavich** †  
Florida State University, B.S.

**Jacklyn Ariel Steinberg**  
University of Florida, B.A.

**Andre N. Mahone, Jr.**  
University of West Florida, B.A.

**Amy Kathleen Recla**  
University of Central Florida, B.A.  
University of South Florida, M.A.

**Michael K. Terry**  
University of Kentucky, B.A.  
Florida Metropolitan University, M.B.A.

**Adam Robert Maingot** †  
University of South Florida, B.S.  
University of Tampa, M.B.A.

**Andrew Dean Reder** †  
Auburn University, B.A.

**Paul Thomas**  
Florida Gulf Coast University, B.S., M.B.A.

**Stephanie Ann McQueen**  
Florida Gulf Coast University, B.S.

**Megan Leanne Roach**  
University of Florida, B.A.

**Amanda R. Walker**  
University of South Florida, B.A.

**Eric B. Moody** †  
University of South Florida, B.S.

**Anthony Salvatore III**  
Stetson University, B.B.A.

**Andrew Charles Wilson** †  
University of Central Florida, B.A.

**LeslieRae Newton** †  
Western Carolina University, B.S.

**Monique Marie Scott**  
University of South Florida, B.A.

**Emily A. Pabalan**  
Auburn University, B.S.  
Troy University, M.Ed.

**Whitney Meshell Shaffer**  
Concord University, B.A.

### Anticipated Honors

Honors designations for Fall 2012 J.D. candidates are based on grades earned through a candidate's next-to-last semester. Final graduation honors for all degrees will be determined by the Registrar after final grades have been posted. Final graduation honors will appear on the diploma and official transcript.

### Final Degree Evaluation

The listing of candidates, degrees and academic honors in this program is preliminary and subject to final degree requirement evaluation. A candidate earns a degree after the Registrar determines that the candidate has satisfactorily completed all graduation requirements and posted final grades on the official record. The diploma of Stetson University College of Law, signed and sealed by its appropriate officers, is the official public document evidencing that a degree has been awarded.

† Anticipated Honors

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## Honors & Activities

### JD/MBA DUAL-DEGREE CANDIDATES

Kevin Grignol  
Marisol Dusek Hughes  
Anthony Salvatore III

### JD/MPH DUAL-DEGREE CANDIDATE

Dawn Marie Hunter

### HONORS PROGRAM

Haley Rebecah Ayure  
LeslieRae Newton  
Amanda R. Walker

### CERTIFICATE OF CONCENTRATION CANDIDATES

*Advocacy*  
Megan Leanne Roach  
Monique Marie Scott  
*International Law*  
Raana I. Burney  
*Environmental Law*  
Kathleen Carol Hagan  
*Elder Law*  
Casey Nichole Ferri

### ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION BOARD

Dawn Marie Hunter

### JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE LAW AND POLICY

Kathleen Carol Hagan  
Kathryn Comly Hopkinson

### STETSON LAW REVIEW

Leighton Jefferson Hyde  
Eric B. Moody  
Heidi Shea Paulino

### AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION LAW STUDENT DIVISION

Kathleen Carol Hagan,  
*National Liaison*

### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Jeffrey D. Harvey, *Chair*  
LeslieRae Newton

### STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Leah Rose Cheli,  
*Go Green Committee*  
Julia Elizabeth Gilcher,  
*Barristers Ball Committee Co-Chair*  
Megan Leanne Roach,  
*Constitution & Bylaws Co-Chair*  
Paul Thomas, *Constitution &  
Bylaws Co-Chair*

### STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES

Julia Elizabeth Gilcher,  
*2011-2012*  
Philip Clayton Hadley,  
*Fall 2011*  
Kathleen Carol Hagan,  
*2010-2011, Fall 2011*  
Megan Leanne Roach,  
*2011-2012*  
Paul Thomas,  
*2010-2011, 2011-2012*

### STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION SUMMER ADVISORY COUNCIL

Steven Daniel Brownlee, *2011*  
Megan Leanne Roach, *2011*

### STUDENT ORGANIZATION PRESIDENTS

Haley Rebecah Ayure,  
*Immigration Law Student  
Association*  
Matthew Daniel Bray,  
*Lambda Legal Society*  
Steven Daniel Brownlee,  
*Health Care Law Association*  
Jeffrey D. Harvey,  
*Student Veterans Organization*  
Dawn Marie Hunter,  
*Stetson Democrats*  
Andrew Dean Reder,  
*Stetson Republicans*

### STETSON AMBASSADORS

Julia Elizabeth Gilcher,  
*Deputy Chief Ambassador*  
Gregory Thomas Barton  
Casey Nichole Ferri  
Kathleen Carol Hagan

### STETSON AMBASSADORS (CONTINUED)

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Monique Marie Scott  
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Andre N. Mahone, Jr.  
Stephanie Ann McQueen  
LeslieRae Newton  
Megan Leanne Roach  
Michael K. Terry  
Paul Thomas  
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### WILLIAM F. BLEWS PRO BONO SERVICE AWARD

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