
Stetson University College of Law

HONORS AND AWARDS CEREMONY



*Friday, May 12, 2017
The Great Hall
Gulfport, Florida*

Honors and Awards Ceremony Program

Welcome	Christopher M. Pietruszkiewicz <i>Dean and Professor of Law</i>
Greetings	Frank Robert Huth Jr. <i>Executive Vice President and CFO, Stetson University</i>
Student Leadership <i>Top Three William F. Blews Pro Bono Service Award Recipients</i>	Judith A.M. Scully <i>Wm. Reece Smith Jr. Distinguished Professor of Law</i>
Honors Program.	Ellen S. Podgor <i>Professor of Law and Gary R. Trombley Family White Collar Crime Research Professor</i>
<i>Stetson Journal of Advocacy and The Law</i>	Charles H. Rose III <i>Professor of Law, Professor of Excellence in Trial Advocacy and Director, Center for Excellence in Advocacy</i>
<i>Journal of International Aging Law and Policy</i>	Roberta K. Flowers <i>Professor of Law and Co-Director, Center for Excellence in Elder Law</i>
<i>Journal of International Wildlife Law and Policy</i>	Paul Boudreaux <i>Professor of Law</i>
<i>Stetson Law Review</i>	Jason R. Bent <i>Associate Professor of Law and Law Review Faculty Advisor</i> Josephine W. Thomas <i>Assistant United States Attorney and Law Review Faculty Advisor</i>
Dispute Resolution Board	Kristen David Adams <i>Professor of Law</i>
Trial Team	Charles H. Rose III
Moot Court Board	Brooke J. Bowman <i>Professor of Legal Skills, Associate Director for the Center of Excellence in Advocacy, and Moot Court Advisor</i>
Nominees for the National Order of Barristers	Brooke J. Bowman
Academic Achievements. <i>Anticipated Honors Graduates</i> <i>Certificates of Concentration</i> <i>Valedictorian Medal Presentation</i>	Susan D. Rozelle <i>Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law</i>
Named Awards	Kelly M. Feeley <i>Professor of Legal Skills</i>
Edward D. Foreman Most Distinguished Student Award	Andrew Chiang Aleksandra I. Jagiella <i>on behalf of Mrs. Edward D. Foreman</i>
Closing Remarks	Dean Pietruszkiewicz

Academic Recognitions

HONORS PROGRAM

Alyssa Lyn Acquaviva
Marissa Ann Cioffi
Gregory Scott DeMeuse
Daniel Salvatore Diaco
Kasey Austin Feltner
Adriana Hope Foreman
Ricardo O. Gordillo
Veselin K. Katsarov
Jeffrey Charles Keller
Shelby A. Mars
Edgardo Javier Rodriguez
Kara Brooke Rogers
Brien Vaughn Squires
Marianne Thornton
Jessica Kay Vander Velde
Juliann S. Welch
Nicole Elizabeth Zaworska

STETSON JOURNAL OF ADVOCACY AND THE LAW

Nathan Sean Bruemmer
Jessica Marie Crane
Kasey Austin Feltner
Julius Matusewicz

JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL AGING LAW AND POLICY

Alyssa Lyn Acquaviva
Daniel Hartman Brown
Shelby A. Mars
Andrew Colin McDannold
Natalie Marian Yello

JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE LAW AND POLICY

Miles Alan Archabal
Emily Elizabeth Carter
Arielle Salon Claude
Rachael N. Curran
Gregory Scott DeMeuse
Diriki T. Geuka
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick
Richard Daniel Knuth

Samuel A. Kusha
Raymond DeLeon Powers Jr.
Taylor R. Ryan
Jessica Victoria Skoglund
Marianne Thornton

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Associate

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Associate

Natalia Carolina Reyna-Pimiento,
Associate

Academic Recognitions

DISPUTE RESOLUTION BOARD

David Alexis Barrera
Edward Alan Brock
Nathan Sean Bruemmer
Elizabeth Anne Buchwalter
Arielle Salon Claude
Allison Talor Conti
Samantha Marie Grizzle
Sadiya Hashem
George Nick Koulianos
Ivan Adam Lys-Dobradin
Brigette Elsa Perl
Reshma Pharsi
Kara Brooke Rogers
Carlos Sanchez
Brien Vaughn Squires
Skylar DeWitt Stewart
Carolina Melinda Suazo

TRIAL TEAM

Ashleigh Marie Brooks
Nathan Sean Bruemmer
Kishantevia R. Carson
Alexa Marie Cline
Colby Phillip Connell
Carlos Cruz
Kaitlyn Marie Dugas
Parker Young Florin
Jordan Bliss Greene
Patrick Arun Iyampillai
Carlos J. Manresa
Julius Matuszewicz
Courtney Paige Olivier
Alberto Julian Oquendo-Alvarez
Sasha Lee Francesca Pandolfo
Chantay Nicole Perry
Alexis Leigh Petrosino
Christian Charles Romaguera
Skylar DeWitt Stewart
Carolina Melinda Suazo

MOOT COURT BOARD

Kasey Austin Feltner,
Chief Justice
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick,
Associate Justice
Sterling R. Lovelady,
Associate Justice
Taylor R. Ryan,
Associate Justice
Natalie Marian Yello,
Associate Justice
Miles Alan Archabal
Marissa Ann Cioffi
Albert Evan Dix
Adriana Hope Foreman
Kristina Julia Hartman
Jeffrey Charles Keller
Julius Matuszewicz
Diego M. Pestana
Jessica Kay Vander Velde
Chloe L. Wells

JD/MBA DUAL DEGREE

Brittany Nicole Bird
Allison Talor Conti
Lauren A. Dalessio
Kaitlyn Marie Dugas
Allison Elaine Lutich
Ivan Adam Lys-Dobradin
Marissa Nicole Marchena
Reshma Pharsi
John E. Rodstrom III
Valerie Jonne Sauer
Haley Tyler
Preston Andrew Whittemore

JD/MIEBL DUAL DEGREE

Anastasia M. Rios
Comillas Pontifical University

JD/MINTEC DUAL DEGREE

James Ryan Clegg,
Université Toulouse 1 Capitole
Mary Elizabeth Erney,
Université Toulouse 1 Capitole
Christina Grace Lassiter,
Université Toulouse 1 Capitole

JD/LLM DUAL DEGREE

Jill D. Nawrocki
University of East Anglia

NOMINEES FOR THE NATIONAL ORDER OF BARRISTERS

Marissa Ann Cioffi
Colby Phillip Connell
Albert Evan Dix
Kaitlyn Marie Dugas
Kasey Austin Feltner
Kristina Julia Hartman
Alexis Leigh Petrosino
Kara Brooke Rogers
Skylar DeWitt Stewart
Carolina Melinda Suazo

CERTIFICATES OF CONCENTRATION

Advocacy

Jessica Marie Crane
Andi Kasimati
Christopher William Knight
Nigel F. Northe Jr.
Sasha Lee Francesca Pandolfo
Pamela Cordova Papisov
Diego M. Pestana
Lauren Marie Rice
Robert W. Wunderlich

Academic Recognitions

Elder Law

Alyssa Lyn Acquaviva
Roger W. Klaffka
Andrew Colin McDannold
Robert Thomas Joseph McLaren
Brittany Elizabeth Stewart
Arienne Valencia

Environmental Law

Miles Alan Archabal
Emily Elizabeth Carter
Rachael N. Curran
Brandon Lewis Fizer
Samuel A. Kusha
Daniel Kyle Rohan Maharaj

Social Justice Advocacy

Peter Gordon Beckstrom
Brittany Louise Brochard
Chelsea Johanna Leyden
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Carolina Melinda Suazo
Juliann S. Welch
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International Law

Jeremy D. Baczkiewicz
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Jessica Victoria Skoglund
K. Cameron Smith
Chloe L. Wells

Stetson Law Review Awards and Presentations

DARBY AWARD

Jessica Kay Vander Velde,
Spring 2017

IMPACT AWARD

Adriana Hope Foreman,
Fall 2016

LEADERSHIP AWARD

Albert Evan Dix,
Spring 2016

OUTSTANDING ASSOCIATES

Cameron Robert Hall,
Spring 2016
Alexandra Sophia Peterson,
Fall 2016

OUTSTANDING NEW ASSOCIATE

Nicole Elizabeth Zaworska,
Fall 2015

OUTSTANDING EDITORS

Monica Lee Strady,
Fall 2016
Arda Goker,
Spring 2017

BEST WRITE-ON SELECTION AWARDS

Kathryn Elizabeth Collier,
Fall 2015
Arda Goker,
Spring 2016

DIGEST WRITERS

Collin A. Mixon
Joseph Edward Ruppel

SCHOLARSHIP SERIES

PRESENTATIONS

Albert Evan Dix,
*Dazed and Confused: The Need
for Clarity in Dodd-Frank's
"Abusive" Standard*
(Spring 2016).

Arda Goker,
*Florida's Statutory Sentencing
Provisions, the Sixth Amendment,
and the Province of the Jury:
A Study in Constitutional
Conformity*
(Fall 2016).

Stetson Law Review Publications

Albert Evan Dix,
*Dazed and Confused: The
Need for Clarity in Dodd-Frank's
"Abusive" Standard*, 47 STETSON
L. REV. ___ (forthcoming 2017).

Kasey Austin Feltner,
*Swipe Right for ISIS Social Media
and Material Support to Foreign
Terrorist Organizations*,
26 B.U. PUB. INT. L.J. 95
(2017).

Arda Goker,
*Florida's Statutory Sentencing
Provisions, the Sixth Amendment
and the Province of the Jury:
Study in Constitutional
Conformity*, 47 STETSON L.
REV. ___ (forthcoming 2018).

Cameron Robert Hall,
*Standing Against Inaction:
Congressional Standing in
Response to Executive Non-
Enforcement*, 42 OHIO N.U. L.
REV. 569 (2016).

Alexander E. Howell,
Recent Developments,
46 STETSON L. REV. ___
(forthcoming 2017).

Shelby A. Mars,
Recent Developments,
46 STETSON L. REV. ___
(forthcoming 2017).

Collin A. Mixon,
Recent Developments,
46 STETSON L. REV. ___
(forthcoming 2017).

Diego M. Pestana,
Recent Developments,
46 STETSON L. REV. ___
(forthcoming 2017).

Natalia Carolina Reyna-Pimiento,
*Condemnation Blight as a
Per se Taking: Clarifying the
Limits of the Government's Power
of Eminent Domain Under
Florida Law*, 47 STETSON L.
REV. ___(forthcoming 2018).

Joseph Edward Ruppel,
Recent Developments,
46 STETSON L. REV. ___
(forthcoming 2017).

Joseph Edward Ruppel,
Recent Developments,
45 STETSON L. REV. 565
(2016).

Jessica Kay Vander Velde,
Recent Developments,
45 STETSON L. REV. 565
(2016).

Katherine Elizabeth Vinez,
*The Admissibility of Data
Collected from Wearable Devices
in Court*, 4 STETSON J.
ADVOC. L. 1 (2017).

Nicole Elizabeth Zaworska,
*Striking Out the Cuban Trade
Embargo: A Contractual
Approach to the Transfer of
Cuban Baseball Players to the Big
Leagues*, 24 SPORTS LAW. J. ___
(forthcoming 2017).

Dispute Resolution Competitions

**2015 ABA SECTION OF TAXATION
LAW STUDENT TAX CHALLENGE**

Participants
Julius Matusewicz
Carlos Sanchez

**2015–2016 ABA LAW STUDENT
DIVISION ARBITRATION
COMPETITION**

Atlanta, Georgia
Regional Semifinalist
George Nick Koulianos
Participants

Kishantevia R. Carson
Skylar DeWitt Stewart
Coaches
Professor Kristen David Adams
Professor Roberta K. Flowers

**2015–2016 ABA NEGOTIATION
REGIONAL**

Miami, Florida
Finalist
Carolina Melinda Suazo
Participants
Nathan Sean Bruemmer
Kara Brooke Rogers
Coach
Emily VanOosting, Esq.

**2015–2016 LIBERTY UNIVERSITY
NEGOTIATION COMPETITION**

Lynchburg, Virginia
Participants
Samantha Marie Grizzle
Ivan Adam Lys-Dobradin
Brigette Elsa Perl
Coaches
Professor James A. Sheehan
William S. Greiner, Esq.

**2015–2016 23RD WILLEM C.
VIS INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL
ARBITRATION PRE-MOOT**

Brussels, Belgium
Participants
Sadiya Hashem
Taylor R. Ryan
Brien Vaughn Squires
Coaches
Associate Dean Stephanie A. Vaughan
Professor Joseph F. Morrissey
Alexander Zesch, Esq.

**2015–2016 WILLEM C. VIS
INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL
ARBITRATION MOOT COMPETITION**
Pre-Moot February 2016
Miami, Florida

First Place
Elizabeth Anne Buchwalter
Sadiya Hashem
Reshma Pharsi
Taylor R. Ryan
Brien Vaughn Squires
Coaches
Associate Dean Stephanie A. Vaughan
Professor Joseph F. Morrissey
Alexander Zesch, Esq.

**2015–2016 WILLIAM & MARY
LAW SCHOOL TOURNAMENT**

Participant
Allison Talor Conti
Coaches
Professor James A. Sheehan
William S. Greiner, Esq.

**2016 WILLEM C. VIS
INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL
ARBITRATION MOOT COURT
COMPETITION**

Vienna, Austria
**Top 32 Teams,
Honorable Mention for
Respondent's Memorandum,
Participants**
Sadiya Hashem
Taylor R. Ryan (*Honorable
Mention Oralist*)
Brien Vaughn Squires
Coaches
Associate Dean Stephanie A. Vaughan
Professor Joseph F. Morrissey
Alexander Zesch, Esq.

**2016 17TH ANNUAL ABA
REPRESENTATION IN MEDIATION
REGIONAL COMPETITION**

Washington, D.C.
Participant
Kara Brooke Rogers
Coach
Amy Catledge, Esq.

**2016 ABA SECTION OF TAXATION
LAW STUDENT TAX CHALLENGE**

Participants
Jacqueline Nicole Feliciano
Carlos Sanchez

**2016 JEFFRY S. ABRAMS NATIONAL
MEDIATOR COMPETITION**

Houston, Texas
Participant
Nathan Sean Bruemmer
Coaches
Professor Kristen David Adams
Professor Kelly M. Feeley

Dispute Resolution Competitions, continued

2016–2017 ABA ARBITRATION
REGIONAL COMPETITION
Lynchburg, Virginia
Finalists
Julius Matuszewicz
Brien Vaughn Squires
Semifinalist
Ivan Adam Lys-Dobradin
Coaches
Professor Kristen David Adams
Professor Roberta K. Flowers
Professor Susan Demers

2016–2017 ABA ARBITRATION
NATIONAL COMPETITION
Chicago, Illinois
Participants
Julius Matuszewicz
Brien Vaughn Squires
Coaches
Professor Kristen David Adams
Professor Roberta K. Flowers
Professor Susan Demers

2016–2017 ABA LAW STUDENT
DIVISION NEGOTIATION
COMPETITION
New York, New York
Participants
David Alexis Barrera
Nathan Sean Bruemmer
Arielle Salon Claude
Kara Brooke Rogers
Coach
Emily VanOosting, Esq.

2016–2017 WILLIAM & MARY
LAW SCHOOL NEGOTIATION
TOURNAMENT
Williamsburg, VA
Fourth Place
Samantha Marie Grizzle
Brigette Elsa Perl
Coaches
Professor James A. Sheehan
William S. Greiner, Esq.

2016–2017 ABA LAW STUDENT
DIVISION REGIONAL CLIENT
COUNSELING COMPETITION
Boston, Massachusetts
Third Place
Skylar DeWitt Stewart
Participants
David Alexis Barrera
Carolina Melinda Suazo
Coach
Emily VanOosting, Esq.

2016–2017 WILLEM C. VIS
INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL
ARBITRATION MOOT
COMPETITION
Pre-Moot February 2017
Miami, Florida
Participants
Edward Alan Brock
Reshma Pharsi
Kara Brooke Rogers
Coaches
Associate Dean Stephanie A. Vaughan
Professor Kristen David Adams
Alexander Zesch, Esq.

2017 ROBERT R. MERHIGE,
JR. NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL
NEGOTIATION COMPETITION
Richmond, Virginia
Semifinalists
Arielle Salon Claude
Allison Talor Conti
Coaches
Professor Lance N. Long
Erin Noel Okuno, Esq.

2017 WILLEM C. VIS EAST
INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL
ARBITRATION MOOT COURT
COMPETITION
Hong Kong
**Honorable Mention for
Claimant's Memorandum,
Honorable Mention for
Respondent's Memorandum**
Edward Alan Brock
Reshma Pharsi
Kara Brooke Rogers
Coaches
Associate Dean Stephanie A. Vaughan
Professor Kristen David Adams
Alexander Zesch, Esq.

2017 18TH ANNUAL ABA
REPRESENTATION IN MEDIATION
REGIONAL COMPETITION
Norfolk, Virginia
Participants
Samantha Marie Grizzle
Sadiya Hashem
Brigette Elsa Perl
Coaches
Professor James A. Sheehan
Amy Catledge, Esq.

Trial Team Competitions

**2015 HONORABLE E. EARLE
ZEHMER MEMORIAL MOCK TRIAL**
Orlando, Florida

First Place

Colby Phillip Connell (*Best Advocate*)
Kaitlyn Marie Dugas

Participants

Courtney Paige Olivier
Alexa Marie Cline

Coaches

Colby Hearn, Esq.
Trina Sams Hearn, Esq.

**2015 BUFFALO-NIAGARA MOCK
TRIAL COMPETITION**
Buffalo, New York

Octofinalists

Carlos Cruz
Parker Young Florin
Chantay Nicole Perry
Christian Charles Romaguera

Coaches

Erika S. McArdle, Esq.
Joseph T. Murray III, Esq.

**2016 CHESTER BEDELL MEMORIAL
MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION**
Jacksonville, Florida

Quarterfinalist

Courtney Paige Olivier

Participants

Carlos J. Manresa
Christian Charles Romaguera
Carolina Melinda Suazo

Coaches

Honorable David A. Demers
Professor Susan Demers
Brandon Blake, Esq.

2016 NATIONAL TRIAL COMPETITION
St. Petersburg, Florida

Regional Semifinalists

Colby Phillip Connell
Kaitlyn Marie Dugas
Skylar DeWitt Stewart

Coaches

Professor Roberta K. Flowers
Erika S. McArdle, Esq.
Julia A. Metts, Esq.

**2016 AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR
JUSTICE MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION**
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Regional Semifinalists

Carlos J. Manresa
Christian Charles Romaguera
Parker Young Florin

Coaches

Professor Charles H. Rose III
Sara Mieczkowski, Esq.
Shaun Michael Cummings, Esq.

**2016 FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
NATIONAL CIVIL MOCK TRIAL
COMPETITION**
Tallahassee, Florida

Finalists

Carlos Cruz
Coaches
William Robert Gower III, Esq.
Elizabeth Martinez, Esq.

**2016 SOUTH TEXAS
MOCK TRIAL CHALLENGE**
Houston, Texas

Finalist

Alberto Julian Oquendo-Alvarez
Coaches
Colby Hearn, Esq.
Trina Sams Hearn, Esq.

2016 NATIONAL ETHICS COMPETITION
Sacramento, California

First Place

Most Professional Team

Nathan Sean Bruemmer
Kishantevia R. Carson

Coaches

Professor Roberta K. Flowers
Honorable David A. Demers
Professor Susan Demers
Brandon Blake, Esq.

**2016 AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION
JOHN MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW
NATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRIAL
COMPETITION**
Chicago, Illinois

Semifinalists

Courtney Paige Olivier (*Best
Closing Argument*)
Alexis Leigh Petrosino (*Best Direct
And Best Opening*)
Chantay Nicole Perry
Alexa Marie Cline

Coach

Laura A. Rose, Esq.

**2016 SHOW ME CHALLENGE
NATIONAL VOIR DIRE TOURNAMENT**
Kansas City, Missouri

Finalist

Skylar DeWitt Stewart
Coaches
Erika S. McArdle, Esq.
Joseph T. Murray III, Esq.

**2016 HONORABLE E. EARLE
ZEHMER MEMORIAL MOCK TRIAL**
Orlando, Florida

Alberto Julian Oquendo-Alvarez
Christian Charles Romaguera
Jordan Bliss Greene
Sasha Lee Francesca Pandolfo

Coach

Professor Lee A. Coppock

2016 TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS
Berkeley, California

Alexis Leigh Petrosino
Skylar DeWitt Stewart

Coaches

Professor Roberta K. Flowers
Julia A. Metts

Trial Team Competitions, continued

2016 NATIONAL CIVIL TRIAL COMPETITION

Los Angeles, California

National Champions

Colby Phillip Connell (*Best Advocate*)

Kaitlyn Marie Dugas

Coaches

Erika S. McArdle, Esq.

Patrick S. McArdle, Esq.

2016 LONE STAR CLASSIC COMPETITION

San Antonio, Texas

Alexa Marie Cline

Kishantevia R. Carson

Parker Young Florin

Carlos J. Manresa

Coaches

Honorable David A. Demers

Professor Susan Demers

2016 GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY, IN VINO VERITAS NATIONAL MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION

San Francisco, California

Semifinalist

Ashleigh Marie Brooks

Chantay Nicole Perry

Courtney Paige Olivier

Carolina Melinda Suazo

Coach

Laura A. Rose, Esq.

2017 CHESTER BEDELL MEMORIAL MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION

Jacksonville, Florida

First Place

Courtney Paige Olivier

Alexis Leigh Petrosino (*Best Advocate*)

Carolina Melinda Suazo

Colby Phillip Connell

Skylar DeWitt Stewart

Kaitlyn Marie Dugas

Coaches

Erika S. McArdle, Esq.

Laura A. Rose, Esq.

2017 NATIONAL TRIAL COMPETITION

St. Petersburg, Florida

Regional Champion

Ashleigh Marie Brooks (*Best Advocate*)

Carlos J. Manresa

Participants

Alberto Julian Quendo-Alvarez

Chantay Nicole Perry

Coaches

Julia A. Metts, Esq.

Daniel Miles, Esq.

2017 NATIONAL TRIAL COMPETITION

Fort Worth, Texas

Carlos J. Manresa

Ashleigh Marie Brooks

Coaches

Julia A. Metts, Esq.

Daniel Miles, Esq.

2017 AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR JUSTICE MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION

Miami, Florida

Regional Champion

Christian Charles Romaguera

(*First Place*)

Colby Phillip Connell

Kaitlyn Marie Dugas

Coaches

Erika S. McArdle, Esq.

Patrick S. McArdle, Esq.

2017 AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR JUSTICE MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION

Cleveland, Ohio

Quarterfinalist

Christian Charles Romaguera

Coaches

Erika S. McArdle, Esq.

Patrick S. McArdle, Esq.

2017 SOUTH TEXAS MOCK TRIAL CHALLENGE

Houston, Texas

Octofinalist

Carlos Cruz

Coaches

Brandon Blake, Esq.

Shaun Michael Cummings, Esq.

2017 NATIONAL ETHICS COMPETITION

Sacramento, California

Nathan Sean Bruemmer

Kishantevia R. Carson

Coaches

Professor Roberta K. Flowers

Trina Sams Hearn, Esq.

Colby Hearn, Esq.

2017 CAPITOL CITY CHALLENGE COMPETITION

Washington, D.C.

Quarterfinalists

Chantay Nicole Perry

Alexa Marie Cline

Jordan Bliss Greene

Coaches

Honorable David A. Demers

Professor Susan Demers, Esq.

Donald Anderson, Esq.

2017 AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION JOHN MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW NATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRIAL COMPETITION

Chicago, Illinois

Courtney Paige Olivier

Alexis Leigh Petrosino

Julius Matusewicz

Coach

Laura A. Rose, Esq.

2017 SHOW ME CHALLENGE, NATIONAL VOIR DIRE TOURNAMENT

Kansas City, Missouri

Semifinalists

Skylar DeWitt Stewart

Colby Phillip Connell

Coach

Erika S. McArdle, Esq.

Moot Court Board Awards & Competitions

- 2016–2017 AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**
Albert Evan Dix
- 2016–2017 SPIRIT AWARD**
Kristina Julia Hartman
Natalie Marian Yello
- 2016–2017 AGAINST ALL ODDS AWARD**
Miles Alan Archabal
- NINTH ANNUAL CIVIL RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES MOOT COURT COMPETITION**
Atlanta, Georgia
Semifinalists
Kasey Austin Feltner
Sterling R. Lovelady
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Professor Roberta K. Flowers
- 2015 NATIONAL VETERANS LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION**
Washington, D.C.
Best Team and Best Respondent's Brief
Taylor R. Ryan
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Jason Stearns, Esq.
- 2015 MERCER MOOT COURT COMPETITION ON LEGAL ETHICS AND PROFESSIONALISM**
Macon, Georgia
Quarterfinalists
Albert Evan Dix
Adriana Hope Foreman
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Professor Roberta K. Flowers
- 2015–2016 ABA LAW STUDENT DIVISION NATIONAL APPELLATE ADVOCACY COMPETITION, REGIONAL**
Boston, Massachusetts
Co-Champion
Albert Evan Dix
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Jason Stearns, Esq.
- 2015–2016 ABA LAW STUDENT DIVISION NATIONAL APPELLATE ADVOCACY COMPETITION, NATIONAL FINALS**
Chicago, Illinois
Semifinalist
Albert Evan Dix
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Jason Stearns, Esq.
- NEW YORK CITY BAR'S 66TH ANNUAL NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, REGION V**
Gainesville, Florida (two teams)
Regional Champions and Best Brief Award
Marissa Ann Cioffi
Quarterfinalists
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick
Natalie Marian Yello
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Professor Louis J. Virelli III
- 2016 ANDREWS KURTH MOOT COURT NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**
Houston, Texas
Kasey Austin Feltner (*tied for Best Oralists*)
Adriana Hope Foreman
Sterling R. Lovelady
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Erin Noel Okuno, Esq.
- NEW YORK CITY BAR'S 66TH ANNUAL NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, NATIONAL FINALS**
New York City, New York
Octofinalist
Marissa Ann Cioffi
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Professor Louis J. Virelli III
- 2016 PHILIP C. JESSUP INTERNATIONAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION—SOUTH REGIONAL**
New Orleans, Louisiana
Semifinalists and Fifth Best Memorial Award
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick
Julius Matuszewicz (*Researcher*)
Chloe L. Wells
Coaches
Caitlein Jammo, Esq.
Bradley Arthur Muhs, Esq.
- 31ST ANNUAL JEROME PRINCE MEMORIAL EVIDENCE COMPETITION**
Brooklyn, New York
First Place and Best Brief Award
Kristina Julia Hartman
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Professor Roberta K. Flowers
- 2016 ROBERT ORSECK MEMORIAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION**
Orlando, Florida
Finalists
Miles Alan Archabal
Albert Evan Dix
Diego M. Pestana
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Erin Noel Okuno, Esq.
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Moot Court Board Awards & Competitions, continued

**2016 E. EARLE ZEHMER
WORKERS' COMPENSATION MOOT
COURT COMPETITION**
Orlando, Florida
Kasey Austin Feltner (*brief writer*)
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Jason Stearns, Esq.

**2016–2017 ABA LAW STUDENT
DIVISION NATIONAL APPELLATE
ADVOCACY COMPETITION, REGIONAL**
Boston, Massachusetts (two teams)
**Co-Champions and
Second Best Brief**
Sterling R. Lovelady
Taylor R. Ryan
Co-Finalists
Albert Evan Dix (*Sixth Best
Oralist*)
Jeffrey Charles Keller
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Jason Stearns, Esq.

**2016–2017 ABA LAW STUDENT
DIVISION NATIONAL APPELLATE
ADVOCACY COMPETITION,
NATIONAL FINALS**
Chicago, Illinois
Semifinalist
Sterling R. Lovelady
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Jason Stearns, Esq.

**TENTH ANNUAL CIVIL RIGHTS
AND LIBERTIES MOOT COURT
COMPETITION**
Atlanta, Georgia
Semifinalists
Kasey Austin Feltner
Jessica Kay Vander Velde
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Professor Roberta K. Flowers

**NATIONAL VETERANS LAW MOOT
COURT COMPETITION**
Washington, D.C. (two teams)
**Semifinalist and Best
Respondent's Brief**
Taylor R. Ryan
Participant
Diego M. Pestana
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Jason Stearns, Esq.

**NEW YORK CITY BAR'S 67TH
ANNUAL NATIONAL MOOT COURT
COMPETITION, REGION V**
Atlanta, Georgia (two teams)
**Regional Champions and
Best Brief Award**
Marissa Ann Cioffi
Adriana Hope Foreman
**Quarterfinalists and
Third-Best Brief**
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick
Natalie Marian Yello
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Professor Louis J. Virelli III

**CHICAGO BAR ASSOCIATION
MOOT COURT COMPETITION**
Chicago, Illinois
Octofinalists
Kristina Julia Hartman
Jeffrey Charles Keller
Sterling R. Lovelady
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Erin Noel Okuno, Esq.

**2017 ANDREWS KURTH KENYON
MOOT COURT NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP**
Houston, Texas
**Semifinalists and
Best Brief Award**
Albert Evan Dix
Kasey Austin Feltner (*Second
Best Oralist Award*)
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Erin Noel Okuno, Esq.

**NEW YORK CITY BAR'S 67TH
ANNUAL NATIONAL MOOT
COURT COMPETITION,
NATIONAL FINALS**
New York City, New York
Quarterfinalists
Marissa Ann Cioffi
Adriana Hope Foreman
Coaches
Professor Michael P. Allen
Professor Louis J. Virelli III

**THE JEFFREY G. MILLER
NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
MOOT COURT COMPETITION**
White Plains, New York
Finalist
Miles Alan Archabal
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Professor Royal C. Gardner
Erin Noel Okuno, Esq.

**2017 PHILIP C. JESSUP
INTERNATIONAL LAW MOOT
COURT COMPETITION,
SOUTH REGIONAL**
New Orleans, Louisiana
**Semifinalists and
Tenth Best Memorial**
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick
(*Eighteenth Best Oralist*)
Diego M. Pestana (*Fourth Best
Oralist*)
Chloe L. Wells (*Second Best
Oralist*)
Coaches
Caitlein Jammo, Esq.
Bradley Arthur Muhs, Esq.

**32ND ANNUAL JEROME
PRINCE MEMORIAL EVIDENCE
COMPETITION**
Brooklyn, New York
Octofinalists
Kristina Julia Hartman
Jessica Kay Vander Velde
Natalie Marian Yello
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Professor Roberta K. Flowers

Named Awards

EDWARD D. FOREMAN MOST DISTINGUISHED STUDENT AWARD

Mrs. Edward D. Foreman established this award to recognize a student who has demonstrated a passion for the legal profession and a commitment to serve the family of humankind, and who can be characterized as the best all-around student. She hopes that each recipient will make it a personal priority to serve people in need and demonstrate the importance of “paying it forward” during one’s lifetime. Mr. Foreman, the award’s inspiration and namesake, was a 1971 graduate of the College of Law.

DEAN’S AWARD

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

WALTER MANN AWARD

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.

AMERICAN BANKRUPTCY INSTITUTE MEDAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN BANKRUPTCY STUDIES

This award is presented annually to a graduating student who has demonstrated excellence in the study of bankruptcy law.

AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP AND LEADERSHIP AWARD

This award is presented to the graduate who best represents a combination of scholarship and leadership, the qualities embodied by the American Law Institute.

CAROL R. SAMUELS UNsung HERO STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The graduate who receives this award will have demonstrated an ability to foster leadership throughout his or her time at Stetson in an unassuming context. The graduate may not be the person always recognized by classmates and colleagues as the person in the forefront of the law school, but is always working to get things done behind the scenes. This person will exemplify quiet leadership that resonates within all those fortunate enough to work and interact with this individual. The award was established by Allen R. Samuels, a 1956 graduate of the College of Law, in honor of his late wife.

DANIEL N. BURTON AGAINST ALL ODDS AWARD

This award was established by Steven G. Burton, Class of 1998, in honor of his father, Daniel N. Burton, Class of 1964. Following the death of Daniel N. Burton in 2015, his wife of 39 years, Linda J. Burton, endowed the scholarship to commemorate his life. This award is presented to a graduating student in the May/August class who has overcome significant obstacles before or during law school, but despite these obstacles, and potentially long odds, has successfully completed the requirements for the Juris Doctor degree. Obstacles might include growing up in foster care; suffering a serious accident, injury, medical condition, or learning disability; surviving the death of a close relative or loved one; or emigrating to the U.S. under harrowing circumstances. In addition, the scholarship recipient must have demonstrated the highest levels of ethics and professionalism during his or her time at Stetson, and must be willing to help others who are facing or have faced similar obstacles.

DEAN RICHARD DILLON EXCELLENCE IN REAL PROPERTY AWARD

This award was established to honor the late Dean Richard Dillon’s dedication to the field of real property as well as his dignity, compassion, kindness, and good humor as he helped lay the foundation for students to “think like a lawyer.” The award recipient will have shown a commitment to the field of real property based on the student’s coursework and interest in real property law upon graduation.

Named Awards

E. HARRIS DREW MEMORIAL AWARD

This award was established by the family and friends of the late 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 is based on the candidate's dedication to the law and ability to express thoughts orally and in writing.

FLORIDA CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AWARD

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 was relocated to Gulfport in 1954. It recognizes a student who has shown excellence in the area of Florida Constitutional Law, as demonstrated both inside and outside the classroom.

HEARNE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AWARD

This award, established by Frank and Teresa Hearne, recognizes a graduate who is interested in the practice of environmental law.

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF TRIAL LAWYERS AWARD

The International Academy of Trial Lawyers awards a certificate each year to the student who has demonstrated overall ability in trial advocacy by achievements in Trial Practice, Evidence, and Pleading and Procedure courses.

JUDGE ALEXANDER PASKAY BANKRUPTCY AWARD

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

JUDGE JOHN M. SCHEB EXCELLENCE IN APPELLATE ADVOCACY AWARD

The Judge John M. Scheb American Inn of Court established this award to honor the memory of the late Judge John M. Scheb who served as Chief Judge of the Florida Conference of Appellate Judges during his time on the Second District Court of Appeal in Lakeland. Judge Scheb was a long time adjunct professor at Stetson University College of Law and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Law degree from Stetson. He was a retired Colonel from the United States Air Force and a legal community leader. This award is presented to a student who has shown outstanding performance in appellate advocacy and an interest in practicing in the field upon graduation.

MARC L. LEVINE AWARD

This award was established by the family of Marc L. Levine, Class of 2006, to honor his accomplishments and recognize a graduating J.D. student who, like Marc, has demonstrated significant growth as a person and a professional during his or her time at the College of Law, and who emerged as a respected campus leader.

MARIA G. MARTIN AWARD FOR LEGAL ETHICS

This award was established to honor the late Maria G. Martin. It recognizes a student who has written the best paper in the field of legal ethics. Ms. Martin was a member of the Massachusetts Bar and a legal consultant for the Department of Health, Division of Administration, of that Commonwealth.

MATTHEW BENDER ELDER LAW BOOK AWARD

The Matthew Bender Elder Law Book Award is awarded to a graduating 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. *Fundamentals of Special Needs Trusts* and *Tax, Estate & Financial Planning for the Elderly*, the books being awarded, are the preeminent authorities on elder law.

MELVYN TRUTE, P.A. TRUST AWARD

This award has been established by Melvyn Trute, Class of 1966, and is given each spring to recognize a student who has shown excellence in the area of Trusts, as demonstrated both inside and outside the classroom.

Named Awards

MICHAEL P. ALLEN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PROFESSIONALISM

This award is presented annually to the member of the graduating class who combines the qualities of academic achievement, skill in both oral and written advocacy, professionalism, and civility. These are qualities that Professor Allen has devoted his professional life to helping students achieve, and the award is meant to recognize the achievement of the student in these areas. To be eligible to receive this award, a person must be in the top 25% of the graduating class; be a member of the Moot Court Board, the Trial Team, or the ADR Board; and have demonstrated a commitment to professionalism and civility.

NADER/ZRAKE MEMORIAL AWARD

This award was established by Joyce Nader-Cuarta, Class of 1985, and her brother, Robert Nader, in memory of Elias J. Nader, Matilda A. Zrake, Najeeb Zrake, George Zrake, Elias Zrake, Gabriel Kouchary, Nellie Ganim, Tom Ganim, Matilda A. Nader, Joseph Nader, Danny Ligas, and Stella Ligas. This award is given to a student who has an overall GPA of at least 3.0 and has excelled in Environmental, Land Use, and Administrative Law courses.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS OUTSTANDING LAW STUDENT AWARD

The National Association of Women Lawyers sponsors an award for an outstanding law graduate of each American Bar Association-approved law school. The recipient of this award best represents the following criteria: contributes to the advancement of women in society; promotes issues and concerns of women in the legal profession; exhibits motivation, tenacity, and enthusiasm; demonstrates academic achievement; and earns the respect of her colleagues. The award consists of a one-year honorary membership in the Association, entitling the recipient to participate in Association business and receive all publications.

NATIONAL ORDER OF SCRIBES AWARD

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. The winners will receive a certificate and a one-year membership to Scribes.

PAUL BARNARD AWARD FOR CLINIC EXCELLENCE

This award was created by Stetson University College of Law alumni to recognize the substantial contribution to the criminal justice system by the late former Professor Paul Barnard. This award recognizes his contributions to clinical education and honors a graduating law student for their performance in representing indigent clients while enrolled in the Public Defender Clinic.

PRIDE AWARD

This award is based on participation in extracurricular activities and service related to the issues of LGBT. This involvement and service can be within Stetson's community, or to organizations outside the law school.

PUBLIC INTEREST AWARD

An anonymous donor established an annual Public Interest Award. The recipient is selected based on his or her dedication to and involvement in public interest activities at Stetson University College of Law.

RALPH HARRIS FERRELL COMPETITION AWARD

This award was established by Ralph Harris Ferrell Jr. to recognize a member of the graduating class who has best demonstrated excellence through his or her performance in intercollegiate competitions such as mock trial or moot court.

Named Awards

RAPHAEL STEINHARDT AWARD

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.

STEPHANIE A. VAUGHAN EXCELLENCE IN ADVOCACY AWARD

Former students of Professor Stephanie A. Vaughan have created this named award to acknowledge her outstanding teaching and impact in oral and written advocacy. The award is presented each spring and recognizes a student who embodies Professor Vaughan's tireless commitment to excellence in advocacy, in and out of the classroom. This award stands as a continued testament of appreciation to Professor Vaughan by rewarding those who follow her example of dedication to Stetson University College of Law through outstanding advocacy.

SUZANNE ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL AWARD

Established to honor a former professor at the College of Law, this award is given once a year to a graduating student, who in the view of the Legal Research and Writing Department, has demonstrated excellence in the areas of legal writing, research, and drafting, and who has also exhibited high levels of professional conduct during his or her tenure at the College of Law.

THE FLORIDA BAR CITY, COUNTY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW SECTION STUDENT AWARD

This award is presented to a student who has excelled in a course focused on local government law issues or exhibited an interest in local government law.

THE FLORIDA BAR LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW SECTION DEAN W. GARY VAUSE SCHOLARSHIP

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

This award is given by the St. Petersburg Bar Foundation 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 graduating student 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

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 at the College of Law. Each recipient's name is inscribed on a master plaque maintained at the College of Law.

Final Degree Evaluation

The listing of Spring/Summer 2017 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.



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