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
Dean and Professor of Law

Greetings ................................................................. Frank Robert Huth Jr.
Executive Vice President and CFO, Stetson University

Student Leadership ...................................................... Judith A.M. Scully
Top Three William F. Bleus Pro Bono Service Award Recipients
Wm. Reece Smith Jr. Distinguished Professor of Law

Honors Program ............................................................ Ellen S. Podgor
Professor of Law and Gary R. Trombley Family White Collar Crime Research Professor

Stetson Journal of Advocacy and The Law ........................ Charles H. Rose III
Professor of Law, Professor of Excellence in Trial Advocacy and
Director, Center for Excellence in Advocacy

Journal of International Aging Law and Policy ..................... Roberta K. Flowers
Professor of Law and Co-Director, Center for Excellence in Elder Law

Journal of International Wildlife Law and Policy .................. Paul Boudreaux
Professor of Law

Stetson Law Review ..................................................... Jason R. Bent
Associate Professor of Law and Law Review Faculty Advisor
Josephine W. Thomas
Assistant United States Attorney and Law Review Faculty Advisor

Dispute Resolution Board ............................................ Kristen David Adams
Professor of Law

Trial Team ................................................................. Charles H. Rose III

Moot Court Board ....................................................... Brooke J. Bowman
Professor of Legal Skills, Associate Director for the Center of Excellence in Advocacy,
and Moot Court Advisor

Nominees for the National Order of Barristers ...................... Brooke J. Bowman

Academic Achievements .............................................. Susan D. Rozelle
Anticipated Honors Graduates
Certificates of Concentration
Valedictorian Medal Presentation
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law

Named Awards ............................................................ Kelly M. Feeley
Professor of Legal Skills

Edward D. Foreman Most Distinguished Student Award ................ Andrew Chiang
A Aleksandra J. Jagiella
on behalf of Mrs. Edward D. Foreman

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
Julian S. Welch
Nicole Elizabeth Zaworska

Stetson Journal of Advocacy and the Law
Nathan Sean Bruemmer
Jessica Marie Crane
Kasey Austin Feltner
Julius Matusiewicz

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

Stetson Law Review
Albert Evan Dix,
Editor-in-Chief
Monica Lee Strady,
Executive Editor
Lauren Anna Baio,
Assistant Executive Editor
Shelby A. Mars,
Assistant Executive Editor
Adriana Hope Foreman,
Managing Editor
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Notes and Comments Editor
Arda Goker,
Notes and Comments Editor
Matthew Bryan Greetham,
Notes and Comments Editor
Jeffrey Charles Keller,
Articles and Symposia Editor
Jessica Kay Vander Velde,
Recent Developments Editor
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Senior Associate
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Senior Associate
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Senior Associate
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Senior Associate
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Senior Associate
Kasey Austin Feltner,
Senior Associate
Alicia Gangi,
Senior Associate
Cameron Robert Hall,
Senior Associate
Collin A. Mixon,
Senior Associate
Alexandra Sophia Peterson,
Senior Associate
Edgardo Javier Rodriguez,
Senior Associate
Kara Brooke Rogers,
Senior Associate
Joseph Edward Ruppel,
Senior Associate
Adam P. Shapiro,
Senior Associate
Michael J. Talaia,
Senior Associate
Katherine Elizabeth Vinez,
Senior Associate
Julian S. Welch,
Senior Associate
Alexander E. Howell,
Associate
Diego M. Pestana,
Associate
Natalia Carolina Reyna-Pimienta,
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

**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/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 Angila

**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

**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

**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

**Certificates of Concentration**

**Advocacy**
Jessica Marie Crane
Andi Kasimati
Christopher William Knight
Nigel F. Northe Jr.
Sasha Lee Francesca Pandolfo
Pamela Cordova Papasov
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

**International Law**
- Jeremy D. Baczkiewicz
- Edward Alan Brock
- Benjamin John James
- Yuliya Anna Karabin
- Jessica Victoria Skoglund
- K. Cameron Smith
- Chloe L. Wells

**Social Justice Advocacy**
- Peter Gordon Beckstrom
- Brittany Louise Brochard
- Chelsea Johanna Leyden
- Taylor Susan Parker
- Carolina Melinda Suazo
- Juliann S. Welch
- Nicole Nemi Westmoreland
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,

Kasey Austin Feltner,

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,

Shelby A. Mars,

Collin A. Mixon,

Diego M. Pestana,

Natalia Carolina Reyna-Pimiento,

Joseph Edward Ruppel,

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,
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 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 Matusewicz
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 Matusewicz
Brien Vaughn Squires

Coaches
Professor Kristen David Adams
Professor Roberta K. Flowers
Professor Susan Demers

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 ABA Law Student Division Regional Client Counseling Competition
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
Norfolk, Virginia

Participants
Samantha Marie Grizzle
Sadiya Hashem
Brigette Elsa Perl

Coaches
Professor Kristen David Adams
Alexander Zesch, Esq.

2017 Robert R. Merhige, Jr. National Environmental Negotiation Competition
Richmond, Virginia

Semifinalists
Arielle Salon Claude
Allison Tailor 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

Coaches
Professor James A. Sheehan
Amy Catledge, Esq.
Trial Team Competitions

2015 Honorable E. Earle Zehmer Memorial Mock Trial Competition
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
Carlos Cruz
Coaches
William Robert Gower III, Esq.
Elizabeth Martinez, Esq.

2016 South Texas Mock Trial Challenge
Houston, Texas
Finalist
Alberto Julian Oquendo-Alvarez
Colby Hearn, Esq.
Trina Sams Hearn, Esq.

2016 National Ethics Competition
Sacramento, California
First Place
Most Professional Team
Nathan Sean Brummer
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
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
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 National Trial Competition  
St. Petersburg, Florida  
Regional Champion  
Ashleigh Marie Brooks (Best Advocate)  
Carlos J. Manresa  
Participants  
Alberto Julian Oquendo-Alvarez  
Chantay Nicole Perry  
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.
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
Semifinalists
Kasey Austin Feltner
Sterling R. Lovelady
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Professor Roberta K. Flowers

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

2015–2016 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.

2015–2016 ABA Law Student Division National Appellate Advocacy Competition, National Finals
New Orleans, Louisiana
Semifinalists and Fifth Best Memorial Award
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick
Julius Matusewicz (Researcher)
Chloe L. Wells
Coaches
Caitlin Jammo, Esq.
Bradley Arthur Muhls,Esq.

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

2016 Andrews Kurth Moot Court National Championship
Houston, Texas
Champion
Kasey Austin Feltner (tied for Best Oralist)
Adriana Hope Foreman
Sterling R. Lovelady
Coaches
Professor Brooke J. Bowman
Erin Noel Okuno, Esq.

2016 Andrus Ortis Moot Court Competition
Orlando, Florida
Finalists
Miles Alan Archabal
Albert Evan Dix
Diego M. Pestana
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 Matusewicz (Researcher)
Chloe L. Wells
Coaches
Caitlin Jammo, Esq.
Bradley Arthur Muhls, 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.
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 APPEAL COURT 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, REGIONAL

Co-Finalists and Best Brief
Diego M. Pestana Coaches Professor Michael P. Allen Jason Stearns, Esq.

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, NATIONAL FINALS New York City, New York

Quarterfinalists
Marissa Ann Cioffi Adriana Hope Foreman Coaches Professor Michael P. Allen Professor Louis J. Virelli III

NEW YORK CITY BAR’S 67TH ANNUAL NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, NATIONAL FINALS New York City, New York

First Best Brief
Kasey Austin Feltner 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

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.

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 Caitie Jasso, Esq. Bradley Arthur Muhs, Esq.

2017 PHILIP C. JESSUP INTERNATIONAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION, SOUTH REGIONAL New Orleans, Louisiana

Tenth Best Memorial
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick (Eighteenth Best Oralist) Diego M. Pestana (Fourth Best Oralist) Chloe L. Wells (Second Best Oralist) Coaches Caitie Jasso, Esq. Bradley Arthur Muhs, Esq.

32ND ANNUAL JEROME PRICE MEMORIAL EVIDENCE COMPETITION

Semifinalists
Kristina Julia Hartman Jessica Kay Vander Velde Natalie Marian Yello Coaches Professor Brooke J. Bowman Professor Roberta K. Flowers

2017 ANDREWS KURTH KENYON MOOT COURT NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Houston, Texas

Semifinalists
Kasey Austin Feltner Jessica Kay Vander Velde Coaches Professor Brooke J. Bowman Professor Roberta K. Flowers

2017 PHILIP C. JESSUP INTERNATIONAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION, SOUTH REGIONAL New Orleans, Louisiana

Tenth Best Memorial
Anna Pearl Kirkpatrick (Eighteenth Best Oralist) Diego M. Pestana (Fourth Best Oralist) Chloe L. Wells (Second Best Oralist) Coaches Caitie Jasso, Esq. Bradley Arthur Muhs, Esq.
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**

**RAFAEL 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 interested 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.