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# Commencement Exercises May 16, 2014 Class of Two Thousand and Fourteen

### 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	Dean David A. Logan Dean & Professor of Law
President's Remarks	Donald J. Farish, Ph.D., J.D. Roger Williams University
	Mark S. Mandell WU Trustee & Chairman, RWU Law Board of Directors Senior Partner, Mandell, Schwartz & Boisclair, Ltd.
Conferring of the Honorary Degrees	
Presented by:  Robin G. Steinberg, Esq	Robert M. Barge, Esq. Executive Director, Rhode Island Legal Services, Inc.
Presented by:  Jerrold L. Lavine '09H.  Chairman & CEO  The Freeman Group, Ltd.	The Honorable Robert D. Krause Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court
Distinguished Research Professor of Law	The Honorable Judith S. Kaye Former Chief Judge of the New York Court of Appeals Of Counsel, Skadden Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP
Address	The Honorable Judith S. Kaye "Looking Ahead to a Better World"
Valedictory Address	Samantha McCoy Clarke
Presentation of Graduating Class	Dean David A. Logan
Conferring of Degrees	Donald J. Farish, Ph.D., J.D.
Recessional	Grand March from "Aida" by Giuseppe Verdi

### 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 Recipient



THE HONORABLE JUDITH S. KAYE

Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa

Chief Judge of the State of New York, Ret.

B.A. Barnard College

LL.B. New York University

The Honorable Judith S. Kaye was Chief Judge of the State of New York and Chief Judge of its Court of Appeals for 15 years, from 1993 until her retirement in 2008.

From that powerful position, Judge Kaye developed a national reputation for both her groundbreaking decisions and her innovative reforms of the New York court system. She wrote notable decisions on a wide variety of contentious legal issues, from rights for gay couples to the death penalty. Judge Kaye also left her mark on New York's courts as a creative reformer, streamlining the state's jury system and establishing specialized courts to focus on issues such as drug addiction, domestic violence and mental health issues. In addition, she created the Adoption Now program, which has produced more effective procedures for children in foster care and their families. Her reforms have since been implemented by many other state courts nationwide.

She was appointed to the Court in 1983 by then-Governor Mario Cuomo, becoming the first woman ever to serve on New York's highest court. Before her appointment to the bench, she practiced law at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, becoming that firm's first female partner. She is currently Of Counsel with the Skadden law firm in New York.

Judge Kaye has authored more than 200 publications and is a frequent speaker on topics as diverse as legal process, women in the law, juvenile justice and professional ethics. She has received numerous awards for her judicial and scholarly accomplishments, including the New York State Bar Association's Gold Medal and the ABA Justice Center John Marshall Award.

### School of Law Honorary Degree Recipient



THE HONORABLE ROBERT D. KRAUSE

Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa

### Senior Associate Justice, Rhode Island Superior Court

B.A. Amherst College J.D. Georgetown University Law Center

Appointed to the bench in 1986, the Honorable Robert D. Krause is presently the Senior Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court.

Judge Krause has presided at hundreds of trials and administered Superior Court calendars in all counties throughout the State of Rhode Island. He served as Chairman of the Advisory Committee on the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Criminal Procedure, and was a member of the state's First Judicial Nominating Committee. The Rhode Island Trial Lawyers Association presented him with its Judicial Merit Award in 2003.

In his earlier career, Judge Krause was Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island. Prior to that, he was Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of California, where he also served as Chief of the Appellate Section, managing all of that district's appeals before the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Judge Krause has sat on the Board of Directors for Miriam Hospital in Providence and the California Home for the Aged in San Diego, as well as on the Board of Trustees for the Moses Brown School in Providence. A proud alumnus of Moses Brown, he was inducted into that school's Athletic Hall of Fame in 2003.

Beyond his legal and judicial pursuits, Judge Krause is a noted photographer and digital artist whose works have been featured in the *Providence Journal*, displayed in a local gallery and museum and in Rhode Island courthouses, and were selected for publication in a book about Americana.

## School of Law Honorary Degree Recipient



ROBERT MANSFIELD BARGE Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa

### Executive Director, Rhode Island Legal Services, Inc

B.A. Tuskegee Institute J.D. UCLA School of Law

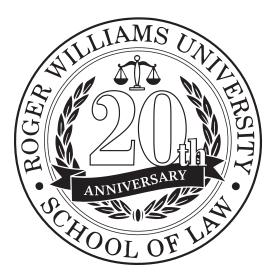
Since 1990, Robert Mansfield Barge has served as Executive Director of the nonprofit law firm, Rhode Island Legal Services, Inc. (RILS).

Under Mr. Barge's dedicated leadership, RILS has greatly enhanced its ability to represent low-income Rhode Islanders in a variety of civil matters. In addition, the Legal Services Corporation – the single largest funder of civil legal aid for low-income Americans in the nation – has recognized Mr. Barge's leadership and commitment to a high-quality legal services program and commended his programmatic vision and innovative initiatives.

Prior to his appointment as Executive Director, he worked as a staff attorney, managing attorney and director of RILS's Inner City Advocacy Project, an outreach project to the minority communities of Rhode Island. Mr. Barge first came to Rhode Island to join the staff of RILS in 1979. He began practicing as a staff attorney in the program's Pawtucket Branch Office and quickly became a Managing Attorney while developing an expertise in the area of Housing Law.

Mr. Barge has been closely involved in many community organizations and civic panels, including the Rhode Island Community Mediation Center and the Rhode Island Medical Legal Partnership for Children. He has served on numerous Supreme Court committees, including the Permanent Advisory Committee on Women and Minorities and the Task Force on Legal Services, as well as Bar Association committees. He is active in the Thurgood Marshall Law Society, the TSETSE Gallery, and the African American Project Director's Association.

### THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY



Throughout its  $20^{\text{th}}$  Anniversary year, Roger Williams University School of Law – Rhode Island's only law school – has looked back proudly on a legacy of outstanding scholarship, accomplished alumni and profound impact on regional legal dialogue and communities in need. It is both a profound achievement and an ongoing legacy – fulfilling the promise of the school's founding mission as RWU Law enters its third decade.

It has been a year filled with special guests – including two U.S. Supreme Court Justices – and special events, all topped off by a spectacular autumn WaterFire celebration in downtown Providence. Over the past two decades, RWU Law has evolved from being an upstart "new kid on the block" to earning widespread recognition as an integral part of the state and regional culture. "All of a sudden," as Rhode Island Attorney General Peter Kilmartin '98 once observed, "it's like RWU Law has always been here."

### School of Law Degree Candidates • Juris Doctor

Tunde Thomas Adepegba Amanda Natalini Agosta Scott Blair Albrecht Jonathan Alves Geoffrey M Aptt Aimee Elizabeth Audette

Leila Omar Bajunaid Lauren Taylor Balkcom Emily Ann Baniukiewicz Jason Dennis Barringer Stephanie C.M. Barthelette Ronald L. Bathrick III

Iose F. Batista

Roxanne Theresa Belter Eric Patrick Benjamin Thomas Bennett

Elizabeth Anne Blank LMMA

Danilo A. Borgas Ashley Ann Brinkmann Brittney Lynn Brown Phillip W. Brown

Mandy Jennifer Burdick-Byrnes Patrick Michael Carmody Jr. Derek Anthony Castello, Esq.\* Angelo S. Catanzariti Danielle Catherine Ciccolo

Maura Jean Clancy John Reynolds Clarke Samantha McCoy Clarke

Rowdy Michael Thomas Allen Cloud

Christine Colella Edward Omar Colón Cristina Lynn Connor Timothy A. Conway Brianna Solange Correira

Shana L. Costa

Kaitlyn Elizabeth Cox LMMA Thomas John Cribbin III Brandon Julian Cuffy Michael J. da Cruz David Leonard D'Amore Chloe Alexandra Davis Adam Deitz LMMA

Nicholas Alexander Denice, Esq.\*

Alex G. Desrosiers Andrea Rose Di Dio Louis Donald DiCrescentis Jr. Brandy Michele Disbennett Tracy Andrea DiSevo Shannon M. Dobransky Johann G. Donall James Louis Duphily Meghan Violet Embry

Annemarie Frances Elizabeth Essex

Kelly Renea Faber Michael F. Ferragamo Sarah M. Ferranti

Allyson R. Entz

Marc Richard Fialkoff MSc

Adam Forsblom Jennifer M. Fournier Alyse Evelyn Galoski Neil Gigandet James C. Glisson Corey F. Glynn

Raymond Alfred Grinnell IV\*\*

LMMA

Travis Brett Grodin
Jessica Jodi Hale
Sara Ann Hamilton
Dean A. Hanafin
Michael Ward Hayes
Craig James Hein
Laura C. Horwitz\*
Christine Diana Huntley
Marcus George Jaccarino

Lesley Jackson Kaela Lyn Jalbert John Mark Kalife Caitlyn Aileen Kelly Chelsea Kelly

Anthony Jordan Kooistra
David M. Krouse
Caitlin E. Krzyston
Shannah Kurland\*
Maxine Jordan Kutner
Lauren A. Lane
Heath D. LaPointe
Amanda LeClerc Lawton
Luc Eugene Lefebvre

Jiakun Lei

Kelsie Christine-Anne Leon

Valerie León Alexander Lew

Natasha Corinne Ludwig

Leah Adele Luo Garrett Aaron Marshall Daniel James Marusak

Morgan Brior McCarthy LMMA Rachel Elizabeth McCarthy Caitlin Virginia McGuire Morgan Ashleigh McKay Elizabeth McNamara Asia-Sierra T. Millette Gregory J. Moore Thomas Leonard Moran

Valerie Morozov

Paige Alexandra Munro-Delotto Allison Kristina Murphy

Kathleen A. Nee
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Thomas J. Pagliarini
Adriana Leigh Parente, Esq.\*

Laura Rose Parker Troy Henry Peck Alisha J. Perry

Nathaniel Sobolik Peterson Justin Isadore Placitella\* David C. Plavnick Candace Keturah Ranglin Jennifer Lynn Read Cori M. Richert Gloria Margaret Rispoli Diana Catherine Robbins Donnelly Roberts

Joceline Melo Marques Rocha Andrew Clancy Rodgers Michael Morgan Rodrigue Sharlene M. Rossi

Jennifer Ashly Roth Brendan Flanagan Ryan Susana Santana Michelle Ann Santos Casey Danielle Schickling

<sup>\*</sup> graduation date, December 2013 \*\* anticipated graduation date, July 2014

<sup>+</sup> Three Plus Three Program

<sup>(</sup>LMCJ) Joint Degree with Roger Williams University, JD/Master of Science in Criminal Justice (LMMA) Joint Degree with University of Rhode Island, JD/Master of Marine Affairs (MSc) Master of Science Degree from University of Leeds

## Juris Doctor cont.

Brendan Chase Schlander Blake Ashley Scholefield Jeffrey M. Sheehan Jennifer Anne Sherman Matthew R. Sinnott Sarah Elizabeth Smalley Kristina Smirnova Caitlyn Sarah Smith Steven J. Sokolov Changene Song Casey N. Speckman Eric K. Stockley Steven M. Stoehr Jr. LMMA Marcus Jacob Swift Leticia Cunha Tavares Stanton Iames Terranova LMMA Daniel C. Thibodeau Evan Patrick Thomson Dominique Tonacchio Karina N. Valencia Justin David Valle Joanna Valorie Jayna Velez-Molina Marissa Ann Ventetuolo Nicole Marie Verdi Amy Elizabeth Veri+ Antonio Massa Viana Jennifer M. Vosburgh Amber Marie White\*\* Christopher H. Whitmore Caitlin Mary Wolstencroft Joshua D. Xavier Christopher Young LMCJ Zoe Zhang Katie Segerson Zilgme LMMA

#### Honors Distinction

SUMMA CUM LAUDE Samantha McCoy Clarke Michael J. da Cruz Chloe Alexandra Davis Paige Alexandra Munro-Delotto Thomas J. Pagliarini

MAGNA CUM LAUDE Ashley Ann Brinkmann Maura Jean Clancy Cristina Lynn Connor Nicholas Alexander Denice Marc Richard Fialkoff Kaela Lyn Jalbert Shannah Kurland Maxine Jordan Kutner Heath D. LaPointe Leah Adele Luo Garrett Aaron Marshall Valerie Morozov Kathleen A. Nee Jennifer Lynn Read Andrew Clancy Rodgers Brendan Flanagan Ryan Nicole Marie Verdi

**CUM LAUDE** Geoffrey M. Aptt Aimee Elizabeth Audette Emily Ann Baniukiewicz Danielle Catherine Ciccolo Brianna Solange Correira Alex G. Desrosiers Louis Donald DiCrescentis Jr. Brandy Michele Disbennett Sarah M. Ferranti Adam Forsblom Jennifer M. Fournier Alyse Evelyn Galoski Marcus George Jaccarino Caitlyn Aileen Kelly Alexander Lew Asia-Sierra T. Millette Thomas Leonard Moran Allison Kristina Murphy Krystina Ellen Osgood Nathaniel Sobolik Peterson Diana Catherine Robbins Joceline Melo Marques Rocha Michael Morgan Rodrigue Sharlene M. Rossi Blake Ashley Scholefield Sarah Elizabeth Smalley Casey N. Speckman Steven M. Stoehr Jr. Leticia Cunha Tavares Antonio Massa Viana Caitlin Mary Wolstencroft Joshua D. Xavier Christopher Young Zoe Zhang

### Tribute



DAVID A. LOGAN

Dean, Roger Williams University School of Law
(2003–2014)

Dean David A. Logan has headed Roger Williams University School of Law since 2003 – more than half the school's existence – placing him among the 15 longest-serving law deans in America. As he prepares to step down and return to full-time teaching, Logan said his long tenure reflects a match that still works to this day. "From the moment I set foot on campus, I was impressed by the law school's energy and potential," he said. "I saw a talented faculty and staff and a solid student body, but also an opportunity to help RWU Law build a reputation for quality in the bench, bar and legal academy."

By all accounts, Logan has succeeded admirably. "The law school has thrived under his leadership," said Chief Justice Paul A. Suttell of the Rhode Island Supreme Court. "Dean Logan has made a positive mark on the Rhode Island legal community, and has been instrumental in developing a close, mutually beneficial relationship with the Rhode Island judiciary."

Roger Williams University President Donald J. Farish adds that "Dean Logan has been totally focused on making the law school the very best it can be, expanding its horizons in every direction. Much of the success of the law school is directly attributable to his leadership of an exceptionally talented and committed faculty and staff."

### Tribute



MARK MANDELL
Chair, Board of Directors
Roger Williams University School of Law
(2011–2014)

With a legal career that spans four decades – including stints as president of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America and the Rhode Island Bar Association – and an impressive array of million-dollar-plus verdicts and settlements populating his résumé, there are few assignments that prominent Rhode Island attorney Mark Mandell would characterize as daunting. But succeeding the Honorable Joseph R. Weisberger HD'97 as Chairman of the RWU Law Board of Directors in 2011 certainly came close.

"Justice Weisberger was a man of enormous integrity – a scholar and a fine human being," Mandell said. "I could never fill his shoes, and I wouldn't even pretend to."

Yet in his service as Chairman, Mandell performed with a skill, passion and thoughtful engagement that has served the RWU Law community well. In addition, Mandell and his wife, Yvette Boisclair, Esq., generously provided financial support that ensured the survival and success of the school's Pro Bono Collaborative.

Mandell also helped further strengthen RWU Law's already deep connections with the bench and bar. "We have a symbiotic, mutually complementary relationship," he noted. "That helps us to attract talented adjuncts, opens doors to internships and jobs, and gets so many of our wonderful judges involved. Students would never have the opportunity to gain that wisdom in any other state – not at the level they do at Roger Williams."

# Honors Program Members of the Class of 2014

For students who have demonstrated exceptional academic ability and achievement before coming to law school and exceptional academic achievement in 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.

Aimee Elizabeth Audette

Emily Ann Baniukiewicz

Ashley Ann Brinkmann

Patrick Michael Carmody Jr.

Maura Jean Clancy

Samantha McCoy Clarke

Cristina Lynn Connor

Timothy A. Conway

Michael J. da Cruz

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Jennifer M. Fournier

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Caitlyn Aileen Kelly

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Sarah Elizabeth Smalley

Steven M. Stoehr Jr.

Leticia Cunha Tavares

Nicole Marie Verdi

Antonio Massa Viana

Caitlin Mary Wolstencroft

Christopher Young

Katie Segerson Zilgme

# ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW

The following students constitute the 2013-2014 Editorial Board and Assistant Editors of the *Roger Williams University Law Review* and are responsible for publication of Volume 19 of the *Law Review*.

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#### Moot Court

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 intrascholastic competition are awarded the Clark Prize for Excellence in Advocacy. The Board also sponsors interscholastic teams that compete against representatives from law schools across the nation.

#### Moot Court Board 2013-2014

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Faculty Advisor:
Professor Jared A. Goldstein

# The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Judge John R. Brown Admiralty Moot Court Competition

<u>Team 1</u> Thomas Bennett Adam Deitz Marc Richard Fialkoff

Team 2 Amanda LeClerc Lawton Casey O'Brien '15 Patrick O'Connor '15

Faculty Advisor:
Professor Jonathan M. Gutoff

Coach:
Adjunct Professor Robert Falvey '98

### 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Herbert Wechsler National Criminal Law Moot Court Competition

William Daley '15 Christopher Fragomeni '15

Coach:
Tolulope Olasanoye '12

# The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition

Chloe Alexandra Davis Casey Danielle Schickling Melissa Slaughter '15

Coach:
Professor Michael Burger

# The 64th Annual National Moot Court Competition

Kaela Lyn Jalbert Thomas J. Pagliarini Jeffrey M. Sheehan

> Coach: John Meara '11

#### 2014 National Religious Freedom Moot Court Competition

Team 1 Sydney Kirsch '15 Daniel Reilly '15 Antonio Massa Viana

<u>Team 2</u> Michael Burke '15 Danielle Dufault '15 Matthew Provencher '15

Coach:
Professor Jared A. Goldstein

#### 2014 International Criminal Court Moot Court Competition

Vanessa Bairos '15 Jacob Beale '15 Keith Phillis '15 Asia-Sierra T. Millette Nathaniel Worth '15

Coach: Professor John Chung

## Trial Team

The following students were selected to participate in interscholastic trial team competitions:

#### 2014 American Association for Justice Student Trial Advocacy Competition

Jennifer M. Fournier Craig James Hein Elizabeth McNamara Gloria Margaret Rispoli

Faculty Advisor:
Professor Larry J. Ritchie

Coach: Kate Godin '08

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Annual National Ethics Trial Competition

Jose F. Batista Cristina Lynn Connor Allison Kristina Murphy Jennifer Lynn Read

Coach: Professor Larry J. Ritchie

#### **MEDIATION**

The following students were selected to participate in interscholastic Mediation competition:

#### 15<sup>th</sup> Annual American Bar Association Representation in Mediation Competition

Team 1 Timothy Fogarty '15 Troy Shuman '15

<u>Team 2</u> Christopher Puig '15 Anthony Sinapi '15

Faculty Advisor:
Professor Bruce I. Kogan

Coach:
Adjunct Professor Jay Miller

# SELECTED HONORS EARNED By Members of the Class of 2014

#### THE CLARK PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN APPELLATE ADVOCACY

Those students who capture first place in the written and oral intrascholastic 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
Antonio Massa Viana

Finalist
Thomas J. Pagliarini

Best Brief Jeffrey M. Sheehan

#### 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.

Amanda Natalini Agosta David M. Krouse

#### 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.

Samantha McCoy Clarke

#### KATHLEEN M. BIRT MEMORIAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PRIZE

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

Natasha Corinne Ludwig

#### CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD

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

Garrett Aaron Marshall

#### 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.

Lauren Taylor Balkcom

# SELECTED HONORS EARNED By Members of the Class of 2014

#### THE LEGAL METHODS FACULTY AWARD FOR BEST APPELLATE BRIEF

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

Nicole Marie Verdi

#### 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.

Marcus Jacob Swift

# 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.

Marc Richard Fialkoff

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

Elizabeth McNamara Leticia Cunha Tavares

#### THURGOOD MARSHALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Joceline Melo Marques Rocha

## Selected Honors Earned by Members of the Class of 2014

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:

Tunde Thomas Adepegba		Samantha McCoy Clarke	
Trial Advocacy	Spring 2013	Civil Procedure I	Fall 2011
		Contracts I	Fall 2011
Geoffrey M. Aptt		Torts I	Fall 2011
Contracts I	Fall 2011	Civil Procedure II	Spring 2012
		Contracts II	Spring 2012
Aimee Elizabeth Audette		Legal Methods II	Spring 2012
Legal Methods I	Fall 2011	Property	Spring 2012
Legal Methods II	Spring 2012	Torts II	Spring 2012
		Constitutional Law	Fall 2012
Lauren Taylor Balkcom		Evidence	Fall 2012
Criminal Procedure: Investigation	Summer 2012	Sales	Fall 2012
		Business Planning	Fall 2013
Emily Ann Baniukiewicz	_ ,,	Community Economic Development Clini	c Fall 2013
Legal Methods I	Fall 2011		
		Christine Colella	
Stephanie C.M. Barthelette		Legal Methods I	Fall 2011
Advanced Legal Writing	Summer 2012		
		Cristina Lynn Connor	E !! 2044
Jason Dennis Barringer	E !! 2012	Criminal Law	Fall 2011
Massachusetts Civil Procedure	Fall 2013	Legal Methods I	Fall 2011
I ED:		Legal Methods II	Spring 2012
Jose F. Batista	E II 2012	Torts II	Spring 2012
Criminal Litigation: Drafting & Advoca	acy Fall 2013	Trial Advocacy	Spring 2013
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Thomas Bennett	E 11 2012	Wills & Trusts	Fall 2013
Maritime Practice and Procedure	Fall 2012	W: 1 11 1 C	
Corporate Counsel	Fall 2013	Michael J. daCruz	E II 2011
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Danilo A. Borgas	E-II 2012	Legal Methods I	Fall 2011
Lessons of Litigation	Fall 2012	Contracts II	Spring 2012
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Ashley Ann Brinkmann Civil Procedure I	Fall 2011	Property Remedies	Spring 2012 Fall 2012
	Fall 2011	Remedies	raii 2012
Legal Methods I		Chloe Alexandra Davis	
Legal Methods II	Spring 2012 Summer 2013	Legal Methods II	Spring 2012
Writing & Communication	Summer 2013	Natural Resources Law	Spring 2012
Derek Anthony Castello			Spring 2013 Fall 2013
Corporate Counsel	Fall 2013	Judicial Process	Tall 2013
Corporate Couriser	Tall 2013	Adam Deitz	
Maura Jean Clancy		Admiralty	Spring 2013
Legal Methods II	Spring 2012	Admiratty	Spring 2013
Judicial Process	Fall 2013	Nicholas Alexander Denice	
Judiciai i rocess	1 all 2013	Contracts I	Fall 2011
		Legal Methods II	Spring 2012
		Federal Income Tax	Fall 2012
			Summer 2013
			Summer 2013
		Louis Donald DiCrescentis Jr.	
		Death Penalty	Fall 2013
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## Selected Honors Earned by Members of the Class of 2014

Andrea Rose Di Dio Mediation	Fall 2013	Alexander Lew National Security	Fall 2013
Johann G. Donall Administrative Law	Fall 2013	Natasha Corinne Ludwig Education Law	Spring 2013
Administrative Law	Tall 2013	Public Interest Law & Ethics	Spring 2013 Summer 2013
Sarah M. Ferranti		Mediation Clinic	Fall 2013
Professional Responsibility	Summer 2012		
1 ,		Leah Adele Luo	
Marc Richard Fialkoff		Contracts II	Spring 2012
Legal Methods I	Fall 2011	Property	Spring 2012
Legal Methods II	Spring 2012	Law and Medicine	Spring 2013
Ocean and Coastal Law	Fall 2012	Antitrust	Fall 2013
Terrorism Litigation	Fall 2012	Managan Brian McCanthy	
Constitutional Law Transnational Maritime Litigation	Spring 2013 Spring 2013	Morgan Brior McCarthy Energy Law & Maritime Economy	Spring 2013
Bankruptcy	Fall 2013	Energy Law & Marking Leonomy	Spring 2013
Family Law	Fall 2013	Caitlin Virginia McGuire	
,		Criminal Procedure	Spring 2013
Alyse Evelyn Galoski		Genocide and Atrocities	Fall 2013
Legal Methods I	Fall 2011		
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Neil Gigandet	E 11 2012	Civil Procedure I	Fall 2011
Military Law	Fall 2012	Legal Methods II	Spring 2012 Fall 2012
Corey F. Glynn		Law of Privacy	Tall 2012
Law Office Management	Fall 2013	Gregory J. Moore	
Zaw emee management	1411 2013	Legal Methods I	Fall 2011
Dean A. Hanafin		·	
Trial Advocacy	Spring 2013	Thomas Leonard Moran	
Criminal Defense Clinic	Fall 2013	Legal Drafting: Commercial Transactions	Fall 2013
Christine Diana Huntley		Valerie Morozov	
Zoning the Ocean:		Legal Methods I	Fall 2011
Planning for Ocean Resource	Spring 2013	Legal Methods II	Spring 2012
8	1 8	Refugee & Asylum Law	Spring 2013
Kaela Lyn Jalbert		,	1 0
Mediation	Fall 2012	Paige Alexandra Munro-Delotto	
Interviewing & Counseling:		Contracts I	Fall 2011
Criminal Defense Client	Spring 2013	Torts I	Fall 2011
Trial Advocacy	Fall 2013	Torts & Torts Reform	Fall 2012
Caitlyn Aileen Kelly		Anatomy of a Lawsuit Business Organizations	Spring 2013 Spring 2013
Torts II	Spring 2012	Mediation	Spring 2013
	or8	Copyright Law	Fall 2013
Anthony Jordan Kooistra		17 0	
Family Law	Spring 2013	Allison Kristina Murphy	
		Legal Methods II	Spring 2012
Shannah Kurland		77. 11	
Advanced Appellate Advocacy:	C 2012	Kathleen A. Nee	C: 2012
Criminal Law	Spring 2013	Trial Advocacy	Spring 2013
Heath D. LaPointe		Sela Alice Akinyi Ogada	
Constitutional Law	Fall 2012	In-House Counsel	
Workers Compensation	Spring 2013	& Corporate Attorneys	Spring 2013
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Torts II	Spring 2012		

# Selected Honors Earned by Members of the Class of 2014

Thomas J. Pagliarini Legal Methods I Torts I	Fall 2011 Fall 2011	Sarah Elizabeth Smalley Great 19th Century Constitution Issues	Fall 2013
Civil Procedure II Legal Methods II	Spring 2012 Spring 2012	Kristina Smirnova Genocide & Atrocity Crimes	Spring 2013
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Business Organizations Criminal Procedure: Investigation Select Issues in Criminal Procedure	Fall 2012 Spring 2013 Spring 2013	Leticia Cunha Tavares Legal Methods I	Fall 2011
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