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One of our annual traditions is a pair of alumni-centered events in Washington DC: a cocktail reception for the many alums doing cool things in the DC area and then a swearing-in ceremony for eleven alums at the Supreme Court of the United States.

The reception was as usual fun and provided an opportunity for former classmates to reconnect. Then the next morning was the formality of the event in the “Marble Palace,” where we gathered for breakfast in the West Conference Room, posed for pictures with friends and family (under the watchful eyes of portraits of favorite justices), and heard from Congressman David Cicilline, a close friend of RWU Law and a former member of the Adjunct Faculty; then the swearing in ceremony itself, where Associate Dean Diana Hassel moved the admission of: Scott Carlson’09; Lt. Col. Carroll Connelley’03; H. Brian Dummer’09; Katherine Godin’08; Timothy Gumkowski’06; Ashley Ham Pong’10; Heath Hixson’09; Jillian Jagling’09; Jared Monaco’04; Adam Ramos’06; and Sara Sprague’08.

I have to say, the cases argued that day were exceptionally boring (we drew 2 patent cases) but there was one lively event: between arguments, a protester stood up and lambasted the Court for its controversial Citizens United decision, moments before he was tackled by a bevy of guards and carried away. [http://www.cnn.com/2014/02/26/politics/supreme-court-disturbance/](http://www.cnn.com/2014/02/26/politics/supreme-court-disturbance/)

Here are some pictures from DC: