COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
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Saturday, May 15, 2021
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Class of 2021

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Dean Alexander
Dean Centeno

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President Donohue

CLOSING REMARKS
Dean Alexander

BLESSING
President Donohue

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Alice Frances Douglas
Zachary Epstein
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Kristen Alexandra Kelbon
Ryan John Kelly
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Eric J. Nascone
Margaret Grace Nolan
Jennifer L. Pacicco
Katherine Anne Raynor
Amanda Carole Saper
Hannah Marie Schroer
Fiona Steele
Carlynne Anne Wagner
Spencer V. Woepse
Grace E. Wydeven
ORDER OF THE COIF

The Order of the Coif is the national honor society devoted to the encouragement of high standards of legal scholarship with chapters in leading law schools throughout the country. Graduates in the top ten percent of the class are eligible for election to the Order of the Coif.

The Order takes its name from the word used to designate the cap which all members of the Order were required to wear. This cap or coif was originally of white linen or silk, forming a close-fitting hood, seen today in old engravings, pictures and effigies of distinguished Judges and Serjeants. Serjeants were an order of the highest rank of barrister at the English or Irish bar. By the ancient privileges of the Serjeants, this coif was not to be taken off, even in the royal presence. When wigs came into fashion the coif was changed, no longer worn as a complete hood, but merely as a circular piece of white linen fastened to the top of the wig.

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Shelby Marie Krafa
Karina Renée Norwood

Danielle J. Rheaurme
Elizabeth Diane Robbins
Michael James Schwab
Madeline Elizabeth Smith
Patrick Smith

THE DOROTHY DAY AWARD FOR PRO BONO SERVICE

The Dorothy Day Award for Pro Bono Service acknowledges students who have volunteered at the inception of their careers to take on the added responsibility of pro bono service. Pro bono service to the poor is a central aspect of the Law School’s mission as a Catholic and Augustinian institution. Pro bono service is defined as unpaid, not-for-credit legal work for the poor or disenfranchised, performed at a public interest/non-profit agency or with a private attorney working on a pro bono case. The award is named for Dorothy Day (1895–1980), Catholic journalist and peace and justice activist who co-founded the Catholic Worker and established Houses of Hospitality to help feed, clothe and comfort the poor. The Dorothy Day Award for Pro Bono Service recognizes students who have served a minimum number of hours of pro bono service over their three years in law school.

Kassandra Alyssa Alberico
Colleen Margaret Bullock
Katharine Elizabeth Cariden
Kyle Evan Gallo

Melissa Ann Griest
Rachel Insalaco
Catherine Rooney Kapples
Jessica C. Laske

Anne Catherine McDermott
Elizabeth Savery Scattergood
Grace E. Wydeven
THE AWARD OF PRIZES

ALI–CLE SCHOLARSHIP AND LEADERSHIP AWARD  
This award is presented to the graduating student who best represents a combination of scholarship and leadership.  
Keith Michael Lee

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MATRIMONIAL LAWYERS (AAML) ERIC D. TURNER AWARD  
The American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Eric D. Turner Award is presented by the Pennsylvania Chapter of AAML and is awarded to the graduating student who, in the opinion of the Law School’s faculty, best exemplifies the positive attributes of a family lawyer.  
Karina Renée Norwood

AMERICAN BANKRUPTCY INSTITUTE MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE  
The American Bankruptcy Institute Medal of Excellence is given annually to the graduating students who excelled in bankruptcy studies.  
Alice Inyoung Choi

ANNE BOWEN POULIN AWARD FOR PRO BONO SERVICE  
The Villanova Law Alumni Association Anne Bowen Poulin Award for Pro Bono Service is given annually by the Alumni Association to the third–year student who has contributed the most meaningful pro bono service to those in need.  
Sarah Blum

ARTHUR J. KANIA PRIZE IN PROFESSIONAL ETHICS  
The Arthur J. Kania Prize in Professional Ethics, established by Constance B. Girard–diCarlo ’74, is given annually to the graduating student who, in the judgment of the faculty, best demonstrates commitment to professional ethics and integrity, as exemplified by the life and career of Arthur J. Kania ’56.  
Patience S. Brown

BEST MEMORANDUM AWARD  
The Best Memorandum Award is given to the first year student who, in the opinion of the Legal Writing Faculty, wrote the best memorandum in the first year legal writing class.  
Anna Josephine Glorioso

CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (CLEA) AWARD  
This award is presented to the clinic student who demonstrated excellence in the field work component of the clinical course and the students’ contributions to the clinical community.  
Catherine Rooney Kapples

DAVID G. BUTTERWORTH EDITOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD  
The David G. Butterworth Editor Achievement Award is given annually to the Environmental Law Journal editor who has demonstrated outstanding dedication and service to the Journal.  
Juliana Grace Clifton

DR. ARTHUR CLEMENT PULLING AWARD  
The Dr. Arthur Clement Pulling Award was established by Neale F. Hooley, Esquire ’56, in memory of the distinguished first Librarian of the School of Law. It is given annually to the student who has contributed the most to the current issue of the Villanova Law Review.  
Gabriella Maria Scott

EVE BISKIND KLOTHEN LAW STUDENT PUBLIC INTEREST AWARD  
The Eve Biskind Klothen Law Student Public Interest Award is presented by the Philadelphia Bar Association in recognition of three students from each of the Philadelphia area law schools for their outstanding pro bono and public interest achievements.  
Ronald Omar Avila  
Kyle Evan Gallo  
Anne Catherine McDermott

FACULTY RECOGNITION AWARD  
This special award is presented to the graduating student who, in the opinion of the faculty, has contributed greatly to the life of the Law School.  
Leah Marie Edelstein
HERMAN J. OBERT AWARD
The Herman J. Obert Award is given annually to the students who have attained the highest grades in Business Organizations.

Jillian Sharon Brennan
Connor Brendan DeFilippis

HERMAN MITCHELL SCHWARTZ AWARD
The Herman Mitchell Schwartz Award is given by Shirley Schwartz Weisman ’71, in memory of her father, to the student in the graduating class who, in the opinion of the faculty, has contributed the most in the achievement of equality of opportunity and treatment for women in the Law School, in the legal profession or in society at large.

Rachel Hanscom

HYMAN–GOODMAN AWARD
The Hyman–Goodman Award, established by the family of Myron A. Hyman ’64, is given annually to the graduating student who, in the opinion of the faculty, has done the most for the class and the Law School through both academic and extracurricular achievement.

Jillian Sharon Brennan

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF TRIAL LAWYERS STUDENT ADVOCACY AWARD
The International Academy of Trial Lawyers Student Advocacy Award is given annually to the graduating student who excelled in trial practice.

Monica Paulette Matias Quiñones

JAN JANCIN AWARD–AMERICAN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW EDUCATION FOUNDATION
The Jan Jancin Award is presented to law students who are members of an underrepresented racial or ethnic group who, although still students, have nonetheless contributed to the Intellectual Property (IP) law profession through work experience relevant to the practice of IP law, achievement in IP law coursework, active membership or leadership roles in IP law student organizations, published writings on IP law topics or other efforts that advance the study or practice of IP law.

Monica Paulette Matias Quiñones

JEFFREY S. MOORAD SPORTS LAW JOURNAL EDITORIAL BOARD ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
The Editorial Board Achievement Award is given in recognition of an outstanding member of the Executive Board.

Charli Mariel Grayson

JOHN J. DUFFY ’62 ADVOCACY CUP
This award is given each year to the winners of the annual Honorable Theodore L. Reimel ’24 CLAS Moot Court Competition.

Cecilia Yvette Carreras
Karina Renée Norwood

JOHN M. HYSON ENVIRONMENTAL LAW JOURNAL STAFF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
The staff achievement award is given to the member of the Board of Editors of the Villanova Environmental Law Journal who has made outstanding contributions of an editorial and administrative nature.

Manuel Louis Colon Jr.

JOSEPH R. WENK AWARD
The Joseph R. Wenk Award, established in memory of Professor Wenk ’69, a member of the Law School faculty until his death in 1979, is given to the graduating student who has made the greatest contribution to the Civil Justice Clinic.

Katharine Elizabeth Carden
LEONARD LEVIN MEMORIAL AWARD
This award is given annually to the graduating student who has attained the highest grade in the Decedents’ Estates and Trusts course.

LOUIS DEL DUCA MEMORIAL AWARD IN BUSINESS LAW
This award is presented by the Business Law Section of the Pennsylvania Bar Association to the graduating student who demonstrates academic excellence in business law.

MOOT COURT BOARD DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
The Distinguished Service Award is given to the member of the Moot Court Board who has made an outstanding contribution to the work of the board. The recipient is selected by vote of all members of the Board.

PHILADELPHIA TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION
JAMES J. MANDERINO AWARD FOR TRIAL ADVOCACY
The James J. Manderino Award for Trial Advocacy is given each year by the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association to graduating students in recognition of outstanding achievement in Trial Advocacy. James Manderino was a brilliant orator and was a renowned advocate for the less fortunate, the poor, the unemployed and the victims of society. In that sense he was viewed by trial lawyers as the embodiment of the highest ideals to which a trial lawyer may aspire.

RAYNES MCCARTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN LEGAL WRITING
Awarded to the student who wrote the best brief in the first-year Legal Writing Program.
Awarded to the student who wrote the best appellate brief in Legal Writing III: Litigation.
Awarded to the student who had the best overall writing and drafting in Legal Writing III: Transactional.

THE REVEREND JOSEPH ULLMAN AWARD
The Reverend Joseph Ullman Award is given to students who attained the highest grades in Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure.

ROBERT P. GARBARINO DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
This award is given to the second year staff member of the Jeffrey S. Moorad Sports Law Journal who has exhibited excellence in writing and who contributed to the success of the Journal.

SAINT IVES MEDAL
The Saint Ives Medal is awarded annually by the faculty of the School of Law to the graduate attaining the highest cumulative average for the three years of law study.
SCRIBES AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LEGAL WRITING AND EDITING
The Scribes Award is given to the graduating member of the Villanova Law Review who has, in the opinion of the Editor-In-Chief, demonstrated an ability to do outstanding legal writing and editing.

Zachary Epstein

STEVEN P. FRANKINO DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
The Distinguished Service Award is given to a graduating member of the Board of Editors of the Villanova Law Review who has made an outstanding contribution of an editorial and administrative nature.

Erin Keely Fountaine

VILLANOVA ENVIRONMENTAL LAW JOURNAL SPIRIT AWARD
This award is given to a member of the Villanova Environmental Law Journal who has consistently maintained outward enthusiasm for participation on the Journal, and has continued to demonstrate integrity and excellence in the position.

Marisa Diane Pescatore

VILLANOVA LAW REVIEW DEDICATION AWARD
This award is given to the members of the Villanova Law Review who have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to all aspects of the Law Review, including participating in events, contributing to the Law Review’s scholarly mission, and encouraging others to do the same.

Briana Lyn Borgolini
Connor Brendan DeFilippis
RECOGNITION OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE

Many of our students have rendered service to the School of Law through involvement in co-curricular activities, student governance and student activities. Certificates recognizing meritorious service will be awarded to the students listed below in connection with the activities noted.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

MOOT COURT BOARD

The Moot Court Board is an honorary student organization consisting of students demonstrating outstanding written and oral advocacy skills. Students are selected for Board membership by one of two methods: the second year Theodore L. Reimel ’24 CLAS Moot Court Competition or the Open Competition.

The Board is dedicated to the development of student appellate advocacy and coordinates a wide range of activities aimed at achieving that goal. Members represent the Law School in national moot court competitions, organize and administer every facet of the Reimel Competition and supplement the instruction of the Law School’s legal writing program for first year students.

Keith Michael Lee  
Chairperson 2020–2021  
Board Member 2019–2020

Maria Fernanda Sandoval Bojorges  
Vice Chairperson 2020–2021  
Board Member 2019–2020

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Director of External Competitions  
2020–2021  
Board Member 2019–2020

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Director of External Competitions  
2020–2021  
Board Member 2019–2020

Andrew Vincent Girman  
Reimel Competition Administrator  
2020–2021  
Board Member 2019–2020

Karina Renée Norwood  
Reimel Competition Coordinator  
2020–2021  
Board Member 2019–2020

Leah Marie Edelstein  
Director of Recruitment & Alumni Relations  
2020–2021  
Board Member 2019–2020

Charles Lane Burrows  
Board Member 2019–2021

Cecilia Yvette Carreras  
Board Member 2019–2021

Mary Christine Haggerty  
Board Member 2019–2021

Michael Roman Markus  
Board Member 2019–2021

Gabriel Thomas Wertz  
Board Member 2019–2021
The Villanova Law Review, published five times a year, is prepared and edited by a staff of student writers who have been invited to join the Law Review based on outstanding academic achievement or through an open writing competition. The Law Review publishes articles by students and outside authors on a wide range of legal issues.

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Staff Writer 2019–2020

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Staff Writer 2019–2020

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Staff Writer 2019–2020

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Managing Editor of Research & Writing 2020–2021  
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Jillian Sharon Brennan  
Managing Editor of Operations 2020–2021  
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Hannah Marie Schroer  
Managing Editor of Tolle Lege 2020–2021  
Staff Writer 2019–2020

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Student Works Editor 2020–2021  
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Briana Lyn Borgolini  
Student Works Editor 2020–2021  
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Connor Brendan DeFilippis  
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Staff Writer 2020–2021

James Anthony D’Arcangelo III  
Staff Writer 2020–2021
The Villanova Environmental Law Journal is a national legal publication dedicated to the scholarly review of environmentally related topics. The Journal is published twice a year by a staff of student writers who have been invited to join the Journal based on their performance in an open writing competition.

Spencer John Miller
Editor-in-Chief 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Juliana Grace Clifton
Managing Editor of Outside Articles 2020-2021
Staff Writer 2019-2020

Idna Graciela Castellón
Symposium Editor 2020-2021
Staff Writer 2019-2020

Marisa Diane Pescatore
Online Managing Editor 2020-2021
Staff Writer 2019-2020

Kayla Rose Fattell
Associate Editor 2020-2021
Staff Writer 2019-2020

Tamarrin Joy Johnson
Associate Editor 2020-2021
Staff Writer 2019-2020

Andrea Leigh Bonner
Staff Writer 2020-2021

Louis Fernando Masi
Staff Writer 2020-2021

Elizabeth Savery Scattergood
Staff Writer 2020-2021
JEFFREY S. MOORAD SPORTS LAW JOURNAL

The Jeffrey S. Moorad Sports Law Journal is a legal publication focusing on issues arising in the context of sports law. The Journal publishes articles by students and outside authors that are edited by student members of the Journal. It was approved by the faculty in 1994. The Journal selects its members based on performance in an open writing competition.

Michael Stephen Horvath
Editor-in-Chief 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

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Executive Editor 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Brigitta Faye Glunk
Production Editor 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Hannah Beth Rogers
Managing Editor of Citations & Sources 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Jessica C. Laske
Managing Editor of Research & Writing 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Francesco Luigi Campese
Managing Editor of Student Works 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Rachel Insalaco
Managing Editor of Student Works 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Benjamin Kenneth Kurrao
Managing Editor of Student Works 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Margaret Grace Nolan
Managing Editor of Student Works 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Celso Lucas Leite Jr.
Managing Editor of Outside Articles 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Charli Mariel Grayson
Managing Editor of Symposia & Special Projects 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Bernadette Marie Berger
Managing Editor of Technology 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

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Associate Editor 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Andrew Joon–Young Hahm
Associate Editor 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

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Associate Editor 2020–2021
Staff Writer 2019–2020

Amanda Carole Saper
Associate Editor 2020–2021
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Staff Writer 2020–2021

Michael Philip Schmidt
Staff Writer 2020–2021

Grace E. Wydeven
Staff Writer 2020–2021
# STUDENT GOVERNANCE

## THE STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

The Student Bar Association maintains liaison between the students and the faculty. All students of the Law School are members of the Student Bar Association. The purpose of the Association is to coordinate the activities of the student body; to promote law–related and social extracurricular activities; to promote cooperation with various professional and community organizations and to further the general welfare of the Charles Widger School of Law.

Leah Marie Edelstein  
**President 2020–2021**  
**Treasurer 2019–2020**  
**1L Representative 2018–2019**

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| Manuel Louis Colon Jr.| 3L Representative, 2020–2021  
2L Representative, 2019–2020 |
| Keith Michael Lee     | 3L Representative, 2020–2021  
Event Coordinator, 2019–2020  
1L Representative, 2018–2019 |
| Spencer John Miller   | Alumni Relations Chair, 2019–2020 |
| MaryRose Croddick Hennessy | 3L Representative, 2020–2021  
Secretary, 2019–2020  
1L Representative, 2018–2019 |
| Liana Raquel Carvalho Pruna | At–Large Representative, 2020–2021  
Student Group Liaison, 2019–2020  
1L Representative, 2018–2019 |
| Mohamed Yehya Asker   | At–Large Representative, 2020–2021  
Intramurals Chair, 2019–2020  
1L Representative, 2018–2019 |
| Patience S. Brown     | Diversity & Inclusion Chair, 2019–2020  
1L Representative, 2018–2019 |
| Leah Nicole George    | Diversity & Inclusion Chair, 2020–2021 |
| Morgan Elizabeth Carey| University Senator, 2020–2021  
2L Representative, 2019–2020 |
| Samuel Vale           | Vice President, 2020–2021  
2L Representative, 2019–2020 |
| Charli Mariel Grayson | Bar Representative, 2020–2021  
Wellness Coordinator, 2019–2020 |
THE HONOR BOARD
The Honor Board is comprised of elected students from each class and is empowered to assist in adjudicating student violations of the Code of Conduct, to run elections and to assist in the administration of examinations.

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ACADEMIC REGALIA

HISTORY
In England the history of academic dress reaches back to the early days of the oldest schools. As early as the second half of the fourteenth century, the statutes of certain colleges prohibited "excess in apparel" and required the wearing of a long gown. It is still an open question as to whether academic dress finds its sources chiefly in ecclesiastical or in civilian dress. It is often suggested that gowns and hoods were the simplest, most effective method of staying warm in the unheated, stone buildings which housed medieval scholars.

THE GOWN
The gowns used in American academic ceremonies vary according to the highest degree awarded to the wearer. The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves. It is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut and the front has an arc cut away. Master's gowns may be worn open or closed. The doctoral gown is a more elaborate costume faced down the front with black velvet and across the sleeves with three bars of the same; these facings and crossbars may be of velvet of the color distinctive to the field of study to which the degree pertains. The doctoral gown has bell-shaped sleeves and may be worn open or closed. Some institutions have authorized doctoral gowns in colors other than the customary black.

THE CAP
The mortarboard cap is standard, although soft square-topped caps are permissible. Recipients of doctorates may wear a gold tassel fastened to the middle point of the top of the cap; all others wear black. At Commencement, graduates wear the tassel on the right side, moving it to the left when their degree is conferred. Faculty participating in academic ceremonies wear the tassel to the left throughout the proceedings.

THE HOOD
The hoods are lined in silk with the official color or colors of the institution which granted the highest degree held by the wearer; more than one color is shown by division of the field color in a variety of ways, such as by chevron or chevrons.

THE COIF
The American Order of the Coif, the distinguished national legal honor society, draws its name and inspiration from the English Order of the Coif, the most ancient and one of the most honored institutions of the common law. For centuries, members of the Order of the Coif had the sole right to appear as barristers in the Court of Common Pleas, and judges were drawn exclusively from this group. The coif itself is a small round piece of cloth. It traces its origin to the cap all members of the English Order wore. The cap or coif was originally of white linen or silk, forming a close-fitting hood. Later, when wigs came into fashion, the coif was changed to a circular piece of white linen or silk, fashioned to the top of the wig. Members of the Order of the Coif wear the white round piece of cloth on top of the academic cap whenever academic garb is worn.

THE CORD
Cords worn on academic apparel are reminiscent of the cleric's stole. Recipients of the Law School's Dorothy Day Award wear intertwined cords of blue signifying Villanova and silver signifying service. Faculty who have served twenty-five years or more at the Law School wear a gold cord.