Welcome Class of 2021

Hailing from 22 states and Puerto Rico, as well as the United Arab Emirates and Canada, the Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law’s Class of 2021 was welcomed this week into the Villanova community. The students began their Villanova Law careers with a welcome from Dean Mark Alexander and the community on August 15. Dean Alexander encouraged the incoming students to have the courage to speak up in class, to challenge each other with respect and to speak up for those who need an advocate.
JD/MBA student scores externship with NFL

Our students continually find ways to combine their academic and personal interests into rewarding experiential education. Jason Kaner '19, a JD/MBA student, turned his passion for sports and entertainment law into an externship with NFL Films and the NFL.

Villanova University appoints E. Michael Zubey, Jr. '93 CLAS, '96 CWSL as Vice President and General Counsel

Villanova University President The Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, announced the appointment of Villanova Law alum E. Michael Zubey, Jr. '93 CLAS, '96 CWSL as Vice President and General Counsel for the University.

Three Recent Alumni Recognized for Commitment to Public Interest Work

Villanova Law alums Nikkita Gottling '18, Pamela Putnam '18 and Christian Wynne '18 were recognized by the Philadelphia Bar Association with the Eve Biskind Klothen Law Student Pro Bono Distinction Award. The Award is given to area law students for their commitment to pro bono and public interest work.

Faculty Highlights

Our faculty are scholars, leaders and teachers in academia, the legal community and the world.

Villanova Law recently established two new endowed chairs recognizing leadership and scholarship. Doris DelTosto Brogan '81, Professor of Law, was named the Harold Reuschlein Leadership Chair and Michelle Madden Dempsey, Professor of Law, was named the first holder of the Harold Reuschlein Scholar Chair.

Joy Mullane, Professor of Law, and Les Book, Professor of Law, received the Inaugural Diane E. Ambler '78 Faculty Curricular Innovation Award for their collaborative development of an innovative model for teaching in the Graduate Tax Program.
For more Faculty Highlights, please click here.

Upcoming Events and CLE Opportunities

- **Friday, 9/14**, 7:30 p.m.: *Red Mass*
- **Tuesday, 9/18**, 4 p.m.: "The Death Penalty and Pope Francis" (1.5 Ethics credits)
- **Friday, 9/21**, 9 a.m.: *The Thirteenth Annual John F. Scarpa Conference on Law, Politics, and Culture* (5.5 Substantive credits, 1 Ethics credit)
- **Wednesday, 9/26**, 1 p.m.: *Trafficking & Trauma: Engaging in Legal Advocacy for Survivors of CSE* (2 Substantive credits, 1 Ethics credit)
- **Wednesday, 10/17**, TBD: Girard DiCarlo Center Event
- **Tuesday, 10/30**, TBD: 42nd Annual Donald A. Giannella Memorial Lecture
- **Friday and Saturday, 11/2 - 3**: Reunion Weekend - Registration information available after Sept. 1.

Visit the [Villanova Law](https://villanova.edu) website to stay up to date on all upcoming events.

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**1842 Day**

Save the date for 1842 Day on Tuesday, September 18! The Villanova community will come together once again on our 24-hour day of giving to celebrate all that makes Villanova great. This is more than a day, it's our opportunity to show pride and gratitude for the impact Villanova has on each of us, in our communities and around the world.

We are seeking dedicated Villanova Law alumni, family and friends to become 1842 Day Ambassadors to promote awareness and participation in support of Villanova Law on 1842 Day. Ambassadors will be a voice for the Law School and directly contribute to the success of 1842 Day by spreading the word to fellow Villanovans.

For more details, visit [1842day.villanova.edu](https://1842day.villanova.edu).

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**Class Notes**

**Mary Cushing Doherty ’78**, was named the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s Woman of the Year. She also received the Eric Turner Memorial Award from the Pennsylvania Bar Association Family Law Section.

**Norman M. Powell ’89**, was appointed to a permanent editorial board position for the Uniform Commercial Code by the American Law Institute.

**Monica Sabnis ’05**, was named Associate General Counsel of
Temple University Health System.

Read more

In Memoriam

William F. Zaun, Esq. '66, Robert W. Maloney, Esq. '71, Frederick L. Reigel, Esq. '72, Robert G. Culin, Jr., Esq. '74, Francis X. Clark '80, Harriot Kaplan '87 and Charles Curtis Staropoli '92.