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Drake University Law School Supreme Court Celebration

March 29-April 1, 2023

86th ANNUAL SUPREME COURT CELEBRATION BANQUET

Drake University, Olmsted Center, Parents Hall

WELCOME

Jerry L. Anderson

Dean, Drake University Law School

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CELEBRATION OF SUPREME COURT COMPETITION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RODNEY L. HUDSON APPELLATE ADVOCACY AWARD

Susan K. Christensen

Chief Justice, Iowa Supreme Court

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF ALUMNI AWARDS

Dean Anderson

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-- Dinner --

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STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REMARKS AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS

Katlyn Downs

2022-23 President, Student Bar Association

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REMARKS, PRESENTATION OF FACULTY AWARDS, AND PORTRAIT UNVEILING

Dean Anderson

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KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Deborah Enix-Ross

President, American Bar Association

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF STUDENT AWARDS

Dean Anderson

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Special thanks to

Nyemaster Goode, PC

for sponsoring the *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law* Banquet, the *Drake Law Review* Banquet and the Moot Court Luncheon earlier this week.

Thank you to the

Iowa State Bar Association

for sponsoring the reception this evening.

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Supreme Court Celebration award recipients; Alumni of the Year winners; Supreme Court Competition finalists; *Drake Law Review*, *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law* and Moot Court award recipients; and recognition of student achievement will be posted at *www.drake.edu/law/alumni/events/supreme-court*.

2023 Keynote Speaker

Deborah Enix-Ross

President, American Bar Foundation
Senior Advisor, International Dispute Resolution Group, Debevoise & Plimpton

Deborah Enix-Ross, a senior advisor to the International Dispute Resolution Group of Debevoise & Plimpton in New York City, is president of the American Bar Association (ABA). She has held several leadership roles with the ABA, including chair of the policymaking House of Delegates and chair of the Center for Human Rights. As chair of the International Law Section, she co-founded the Women's Interest Network and worked with the International Bar Association to create its Women's Interest Group.

Before joining Debevoise & Plimpton, Enix-Ross served as senior legal officer with the World Intellectual Property Organization Arbitration and Mediation Center in Geneva, Switzerland. She also was a director of international litigation with Price Waterhouse and the American representative to the International Chamber of Commerce International Court of Arbitration.

Enix-Ross is a fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a member of the American Law Institute. She also served as vice president of the World Justice Project and was appointed by the U.S. Departments of Commerce and State as one of the original eight U.S. members of the trilateral NAFTA Advisory Committee on Private Commercial Disputes.

Enix-Ross earned her Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctor degrees from the University of Miami. She also received a diploma in comparative law from the Parker School of Foreign and Comparative Law of Columbia University and a certificate in international law from the London School of Economics.

Past Supreme Court Banquet Speakers

2022	Ronald L. Olson, BN'63, Partner, Munger, Tolles & Olson, LLP
2021	Jim Overdorf, LW'86, Senior Vice President of Football Administration, Buffalo Bills
2019	Akhil Reed Amar, Sterling Professor of Law, Yale Law School
2018	Hilarie Bass, President, American Bar Association
2017	The Hon. Solomon Oliver Jr., Chief Judge, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
2016	Paulette Brown, President, American Bar Association
2015	Earl F. "Marty" Martin, President-elect, Drake University
2014	Guy Cook, President, Iowa State Bar Association
2013	The Hon. John Jarvey, Chief District Court Judge, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Iowa
2012	The Hon. Joel Novak, District Court Judge, Fifth District of Iowa
2011	William T. Robinson III, President-elect, American Bar Association
2009	Stephen Rapp, Ambassador-at-Large, Office of Global Criminal Justice, U.S. Department of State
2008	Robert Grey Jr., President, American Bar Association
2007	Tom Vilsak, Governor of Iowa
2006	Justin Webb, Chief Washington Correspondent, BBC Radio
2005	Jan R. Schlichtmann, attorney and activist
2004	The Hon. Alex Kozinski, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
2003	John Kerry, U.S. Senator, Massachusetts
2002	Tom Harkin, U.S. Senator, Iowa
2001	John Edwards, U.S. Senator, North Carolina
2000	The Hon. Arthur A. McGivern, Chief Justice, Iowa Supreme Court
1999	The Hon. Richard Matsch, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
1998	J. Robert Kerrey, U.S. Senator, Nebraska
1997	Janet Napolitano, U.S. Attorney for the District of Arizona
1996	James A. Leach, U.S. Representative, Iowa
1995	Roberta Cooper Ramo, President-elect, American Bar Association
1994	Janet Reno, U.S. Attorney General
1993	The Hon. A. Leon Higginbotham Jr., Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
1992	Michael G. Gartner, President, NBC News
1991	Richard Thornburgh, U.S. Attorney General
1990	Patricia Schroeder, U.S. Representative, Colorado

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1991	Richard Thornburgh, U.S. Attorney General
1990	Patricia Schroeder, U.S. Representative, Colorado
1989	William S. Sessions, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
1988	James McElhaney, Joseph C. Hostetler Professor of Trial Advocacy, Case Western Reserve University Law School
1987	Dale L. Bumpers, U.S. Senator, Arkansas
1986	Irving Younger, Marvin J. Sonosky Professor of Law, University of Minnesota Law School
1985	The Hon. Sandra Day O'Connor, Justice, U.S. Supreme Court
1984	Donald Kaul, columnist, *Des Moines Tribune*
1983	Robert E. White, U.S. Ambassador, El Salvador
1982	Charles Percy, U.S. Senator, Illinois
1981	F. Lee Bailey, nationally renowned trial attorney
1980	William Webster, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
1979	William Proxmire, U.S. Senator, Wisconsin
1978	Gerald Gunther, William Nelson Cromwell Professor of Law, Stanford University Law School
1977	William Colby, Director, Central Intelligence Agency
1976	Chesterfield H. Smith, President, American Bar Association
1975	Charles Kuralt, correspondent, CBS News
1974	Elliott Richardson, Secretary of Defense and U.S. Attorney General
1972	Mark Hatfield, U.S. Senator, Washington
1968	The Hon. Charles S. Desmond, Chief Judge, New York Court of Appeals
1967	Emile T. Berman, defense attorney
1966	Percy Mossle, defense attorney
1965	Thomas S. Lambert Jr., Counsel, United States Trial at Nuremberg
1964	Bert H. Early, Executive Director, American Bar Association
1963	Sylvester C. Smith, President, American Bar Association
1960	The Hon. Thomas Clark, Justice, U.S. Supreme Court and former U.S. Attorney General
1958	William B. Lockhart, Dean, University of Minnesota
1952	Howard L. Barkdoll, President, American Bar Association
1951	Albert J. Harno, University of Illinois Law School
1950	Luther Hill, publisher, *The Des Moines Register* and *Tribune*

Past Supreme Court Banquet Speakers, cont.

1949	Frank E. Homan, President, American Bar Association
1948	The Hon. Maynard E. Pirsig, Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court, and Professor, University of Minnesota
1947	Wayne Morse, U.S. Senator, Oregon
1941	The Hon. Charles F. Wennerstrum, Justice, Iowa Supreme Court
1940	Harley Stipp, President, Iowa State Bar Association
1916	The Hon. William H. McHenry, Judge

JUSTICES OF THE IOWA SUPREME COURT

Chief Justice Susan K. Christensen

Justice Thomas D. Waterman

Justice Edward M. Mansfield

Justice Christopher McDonald

Justice Dana L. Oxley

Justice Matthew McDermott

Justice David May

The Supreme Court Competition

Each year, outstanding advocates in the Law School compete in the Supreme Court Competition for the honor of presenting final arguments to the Iowa Supreme Court. The problem is based on a real case, using an actual record that was pending before an appellate court and involving an unresolved legal issue, thus giving competitors a realistic experience.

The competition is open to second- and third-year law students and consists of writing a brief and arguing in two preliminary rounds. The competition has been incorporated into an Appellate Advocacy skills course that provides students with an opportunity to develop their persuasive writing and oral advocacy talents. The brief-writing process has been supplemented with an ongoing, in-depth discussion of best practices in appellate briefing, and the preliminary rounds were preceded by a series of practice rounds that enabled students to sharpen their advocacy skills and prepare to give the very best version of their arguments. The top four advocates based upon the scores from the preliminary rounds advance to the final round before the Iowa Supreme Court. The award for Best Oralist in the final round will be announced tonight.

2023 Supreme Court Competition Problem

Sam Craft lives in a small home on Birch Street in Eldora, Iowa. Craft owns the home and is its sole occupant. The back yard is surrounded by a fence. The front yard is unfenced. There are four other houses on Birch Street, which is a short dead-end side street. Birch Street connects onto Main Street, between a grocery store and a small church.

In early 2020, DCI Special Agent Trails suspected that there was some activity related to fentanyl trafficking at Craft's residence. She obtained permission from the city to install a small digital video camera on a telephone pole just across the street from Craft's residence.

Throughout 2021, the camera was active and pointed at the front of Craft's house. Agent Trails monitored the feed. She could also review footage, after the fact. She was able to zoom in to get enough detail to see license plate numbers or facial expressions. But most of the time, the camera was zoomed out to capture a wider shot of the exterior of Craft's home. No part of the interior of Craft's home is visible in any of

the footage that Agent Trails used.

In March 2022, Special Agent Trails applied for a warrant to search Craft's home. In her search warrant application, she relied on that video footage to establish a pattern of what looked like mid-level drug distribution activity: regular visits by known users and low-level dealers, and bi-weekly visits from a subject with no other known connection to Eldora, who drove a different rental vehicle on each visit to Craft's residence.

A magistrate found probable cause to issue the search warrant. Agents found a large quantity of fentanyl in his home, and evidence that would help prove an ongoing intent to distribute it (including drug ledgers, scales, and packaging supplies). Craft was charged with possession of fentanyl with intent to deliver.

Craft moved to suppress all the evidence discovered during the search of his home. He argued that the search warrant was issued based on evidence that was obtained through a warrantless search that violated Craft's rights under the Fourth Amendment.

The State argued that warrantless visual surveillance of the area surrounding a home does not constitute a search. The State argued that any subjective expectation of privacy in activities that occur in public view—just outside of Craft's residence—would never be objectively reasonable. And if there's no expectation of privacy, the State is free to view and record that activity.

The District Court granted Craft's Motion to Suppress. It acknowledged that the unfenced front yard of Craft's home was open to public view. But it held that surreptitious, continuous surveillance of the front of a private home for an entire year is unreasonably invasive and violates a reasonable expectation of privacy—even if widespread availability of new technology makes it easy to do. So it ruled that using the pole camera was a search that violated the Fourth Amendment, and it suppressed all of the evidence found through the search warrant.

The State appealed, and the Iowa Supreme Court retained the appeal. The State must convince the Justices that the district court was incorrect, and using this pole camera was not a search. Craft must convince the Justices that the district court got it right, and that this as a search. This is a novel, complex, and difficult issue—but our intrepid finalists are up to the task!

Supreme Court Competition Finalists

2022	Elizabeth Boyer	Kyle Dawson	Jordan Gehlhaar	Caleb Piersma
2021	Logan Brundage	Joshua Hughes	Janise Lane	Cory Mullins
2020	Lucas Asbury	Tim Cullen	Joshua Hughes	Kerrigan Owens
2019	Zach Goodrich	Amy Howells	Chelsey Knapp	Jackson O'Brien
2018	Victoria Haag	Robert Howard	Elizabeth Johnson	
2017	Adam Babinat	Samantha Farmer	Stephanie Sailer	Johnathan Sears
2016	Anna Bergman	Kylie Crawford	Meret Thali	Alexis Warner
2015	Nathan Arnold	Anna Bergman	Robert Conklin	Louis Sloven
2014	Lori Bullock	Austin Mouw	David Ranscht	Kevin Rutan
2013	Matthew Jarvey	Rebecca Reif	Patrick Shanahan	Joshua Strief
2012	Leslie Behaunek	Laurie Heron	Christina Thompson	Emily Zerkel
2011	Laurie Heron	Erik Howe	Cory McAnelly	Charlotte Sucik
2010	Jenna Green	Natasha Heinen	Zachary Hindman	Matthew Sease
2009	Erin Grundy	Meggan Guns	Zachary Hindman	Miriam Van Heukelem
2008	Ashley Dose	Jacob Lofgren	Anna K. Ryon	Kevin Teets
2007	James Bryan	Michael Gano	Robert Hodges	Emily Peebler
2006	Dan Anderson	Jennifer Bennett	James Bryan	Geneva Williams
2005	Amber Brady	Autumn Canny	Matthew Eslick	Thomas Hutchins
2004	Jill Alesch	Nichole Biglin	Craig Drummond	Thomas Hutchins
2003	Jill Alesch	Ron Baily	Pat Dillon	Rubina Kazi
2002	Thomas Cope	Jill Jensen-Welch	Rubina Kazi	Anne Olson
2001	Thomas Cope	John Danos	Jeff Link	Brenda K. Quade
2000	Anne Crocker	Lisa Lemons	Brenda K. Quade	Donald Stanley Jr.
1999	Stacie Barhorst	Matt Haindfield	Ryan Rohlfsen	Donald Stanley Jr.
1998	John Clendenin	Christopher Kragnes	Matt Haindfield	Ryan Rohlfsen
1997	Matt J. Cole	Christopher Kragnes	Alan R. Ostergren	Ivy Ross Rivello
1996	Jennifer Ballengee	Jennifer R. Clark	Marija Lisnich	Alan R. Ostergren
1995	Michael Clark	Michael Jones	Jonathan S. Miles	Matthew R. Scott
1994	Susan K. Hansen	Matthew M. Johnson	Matthew R. Scott	Peter J. Thill
1993	Rhonda A. Hawkins	Anthony Mendoza	Robert Mihelich	Mark A. Newman
1992	Venessa Kuhlmann	Patricia Rensink-Vogel	Gregory Schodde	Diana M. Spahr
1991	John S. Courter	Brian M.F. Kennedy	Curtis Roggow	Diana M. Spahr
1990	Timothy J. Casey	John S. Courter	Brian Kennedy	W. Trent Van Haaften
1989	James A. Benzoni	Gary R. Fischer	Pamela W. Prager	Jeffrey Wolf
1988	Andrew Bracken	Carmen Eichmann	Gregg Fishbein	Dawn Siebert
1987	Gregory Brandt	Teresa Hillary	Steven Mauer	Marcia Schober

Supreme Court Competition Finalists, cont.

1986	Beverly K. Caro	Debra Chang	Robert DuPuy	Steven Mauer
1985	David Garms	John Palter	Anita Shodeen	Kelly Benson Radetic
1984	Martha Fagg	Debra Egli James	Peter Thrane	Mark Welker
1983	Marlene Triggs Gresh	Vincent Mauer	Steven Roy	Kristin Wright
1982	Elaine Marquardt	Martha Mertz	Rose Murphy	Stephen Swinton
1981	Gregory Biehler	Gerald Hammond	David Hepplewhite	Helen Stirling
1980	John Gelson	Kent Lund	Steven Parrish	Patricia Rutherford
1979	Lance Ehmcke	Hugh Hughes	Kasey Kincaid	Shari Ulery
1978	Diane Henson	Thomas Stanberry	Nancy Torrey	Jack Whitley
1977	Gerald Grask	Larry Handley	Martin Kus	Marilyn Warner
1976	James Ellefson	Gregory Lederer	John Michelich	William Vernon
1975	Susan Abel	Carter Bishop	Fred Dorr	Thomas McCurnin
1974	Iris Muchmore	John Perkins	Mark Schweibert	Dennis Taylor
1973	Earl Bellamy II	Marsha Johnson	George Perry	Tito Trevino
1972	Richard Blane II	Joseph Nugent	Vernon Traster	Terri Trieweiler
	Timothy Waldeck			
1971	Arthur Buzzell	Ben Thomas Cole	Dennis O'Boyle	Nile Williamson
1970	R. Larry Drake	John Hearn	Arvid Oliver	Jack Williamson
1969	Edwin Ching	Ronald Fletcher	Albert Harvey	Robert McLaren
	Richard Pundt	John Wellman		
1968	Robert Holliday	Vivian Jury Lawyer	Jerome Lundren	Mark Ravreby
	B. Gerald Reynolds	William Schmidt		
1967	William H. Huff III	Harold Young	Lawrence Pope	
1966	Lyman Frick	Thomas Leahy Jr.	Gary Ordway	Richard Pattison
	Jon Pearce	Jack Schreiber	Anna Shinkle	Jo Ann Shirley
1965	John Baur	G. Norman Coder	Fred Dawson	Tom George
	Thomas Killion	John Rensink	Wayne Sakai	Gary Wiegel
1964	Yale Iverson	Lyle Middleton	Edward Reasor	Stephen R. Smith
	Ronald Sorenson	Gary Swanson	William Twohey	John T. Ward
1963	Joseph Bertroche	Thomas Bolton	H. Randolph Duncan	Loren Duensing
	J. Robert Hand	Ronald Frykberg	Peter Keller	Robert Montgomery
1962	Marvin Heidman	Jack Levin	Louis Lavorato	R. Dale Peddicord
	Stanton Sornson	Paul Tatz	Brian Williams	Thomas Renda
1961	Phillip Collett	Charles Ferguson	James Houser	Frank Kennedy
	James Knox	Richard Ramsay	Andrew Schill	

Supreme Court Competition Finalists, cont.

1960	R. Don Bertell	Roderick Dickinson	George Goebel	Randall Handley
	George Milligan	George Sackett	James West	James Yoder
1959	Philip Armknecht	James W. Brown	Mark DeRuyter	Harlan Max Hockett
	A. Hughes	Thomas Hylan	Clarence May	Robert Snyder
1958	Sheldon Balman	Lee Gaudineer Jr.	Clarence Glotfelty	Leo Gross
	John Reuber	Dan Stamatelos	George Sullivan	William Yost
1957	Raymond Fenton	J. Hawey	Jerry Krasner	John McGlynn
	Carl Nielsen	Leo Oxberger	Elwood Thomas	Paul Strand
1956	Robert Callies	Robert Drey	Donald Kramer	Walter Maley
	Lawrence Myers	Gordon Nesbit	Rex Roupe	Harley Whitfield
1955	Robert Allbee	Anthony Critelli	Harry Dahl	Durwood Dircks
	Dwight Martin	Richard Mitchell	Robert Walters	Dirk Van Zante
1954	John Culbertson	Richard G. Davidson	Clyde Fickes	Joseph Piper
	Donald Running	James Tyler	Robert Wright	Donald Zarley
1953	Melvern Anderson	Brian Connell	Mervin Flander	Daniel Griffen Jr.
	Harold Lincoln Sr.	James Van Ginkel	Robert Rydell	Alvin Witwer
1952	Audrea Bride	G. Arthur Cady Jr.	John Carty	Albert Dunkleberg
	Hessel Dykstra	Rogert Kaas	William Parker	Gerold Patterson
1951	Robert K. Clark	Walter Stradley	John Tow	Jack C. Wallace
1950	Theodore Duffield	James McKeon	John G. Martin	William Rosencrans
1949	Horace Booth	Charles Cardamon	Paul Cooksey	Bill Davenport
	John Galvin	Peter B. Larson	Dale L. Porter	
1947	Robert Daufenbaugh	Theodore Miller	Louis Nitchals	Bernard Rodholm
	John K. Watson			
1941	Norman Blatchford	Charles Browning Sr.	John Connolly III	Russell Decker
	Joy Fitzgerald Hix	Galen Hesalroad	Joe Kridelbaugh Jr.	John Neiman
	Robert Riley	Lorna Williams	Don Wilson	Robert Wessells
1940	John Gannon	Arnold Joseph	Roy Meadow	George Rice
	Virgil Siepel	Robert Southworth Jr.	Florence Wallace	Eldon Woltz
1939	Allor Crouch	John Donahoe	Theodore Doran	A.E. Jensen
	Edward McCartan	Donald Klein	Cecil Utterback	

2023 Alumni Award Winners

ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

Roland Dale Peddicord
BN'61, LW'62

Founder, Peddicord Wharton

ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

Joan McKown, LW'83

Of Counsel, Jones Day

Former Chief Counsel
Division of Enforcement
Securities and Exchange Commission

RECENT ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

Richelle Mahaffey, LW'16

Assistant Public Defender,
Iowa Juvenile Public
Defender's Office

ALUMNI DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

John Sarcone, LW'75

Former Polk County Attorney
1991-2023

Drake University Law School Alumni of the Year

2022	David M. Erickson, LA'74, LW'79
2021	Joe P. Crookham, LW'68, and Jeffrey Goodman, LW'85
2019	Johnny C. Taylor Jr., GR'91, LW'92
2018	Karen Shaff, LW'79
2017	Pat Houlihan, LW'82, and Dan Jacobi, LA'76, LW'86
2016	Terry E. Branstad, LW'74
2015	Kimberly Stamatelos, LA'78, LW'81
2014	Larry Eisenhauer, LW'75
2013	Jane Lorentzen, LW'91
2012	Gregory Kenyon, LW'78
2011	Mark Cady, LA'75, LW'78
2010	George A. LaMarca, LW'70, and Gregory W. Landry, LW'83
2009	Stephen Rapp, LW'74, and Sheila Tipton, LW'80
2008	Alan Fredregill, LW'75
2007	Bonnie J. Campbell, LA'82, LW'84, and Wayne L. Kern, LW'72
2006	Rose A. Vasquez, LW'85
2005	Russell C. Davis, LW'69
2004	David L. Brown, LW'75
2003	Gerard D. Neugent, LW'75
2002	Michael Huston, LA'65, LW'67
2001	Edmund J. Sease, LA'64, LW'67
2000	Robert E. Dreher, LW'42
1999	Ruth Babcock Klotz, BN'54, LW'55
1998	H. Richard Smith, LW'58
1997	Marvin Duckworth, LW'68
1996	Marsha Ternus, LW'77
1995	Benjamin B. Ullem, LA'66, LW'69
1994	Louis A. Lavorato, BN'59, LW'62
1993	Don Muyskens, LW'70
1992	Robert D. Ray, BN'52, LW'54, and Elwood Thomas, LW'57
1991	William Englebrecht, LW'51, Roscoe Riemenschneider, LW'35, and Charles Wasker, LA'51, LW'52
1990	Robert G. Allbee, LW'55, Donald C. Byers, LW'51, and Edwin E. Ferguson Sr., ED'29, ED'31, LW'34
1989	Roxanne Conlin, LA'64, LW'66, BN'79, J. Rudolph (Steve) Hansen, LW'28, and James L. Perkins, LA'53, LW'54
1988	Robert Helmick, LA'57, LW'60, Joseph C. Howard, LW'55, GR'57, and Dwight D. Opperman, LW'51

Alumni of the Year, cont.

1987	Neal Smith, LW’50, and Bea Smith, LW’50
1986	Jake More, LW’28, Clark Mollenhoff, LW’44, and Alfred Sulmonetti, LA’33, LW’35
1985	George G. Fagg, BN’56, LW’58, and Don Zarley, LW’54
1984	M. Gene Blackburn, LA’53, LW’55, Patrick D. Kelly, LW’53, and C. Edwin Moore, LW’27

Drake University Law School Recent Alumni of the Year

2022	Ann E. Naffier, LW’11
2021	Adam C. Gregg, LW’09
2019	Emiliano Lerda, LW’08
2018	Kristina Stanger, LW’05
2017	Kathleen Law, LW’05, and Nate Boulton, LW’05, GR'05

Alumni Distinguished Public Service Award

2022	Nan M. Horvat, LW’81
2021	Janet Phipps Burkhead, LW’05
2019	Jerry Foxhoven, LW’77
2018	Robert Oberbillig, LA’56, LW’58

Stevens Faculty Scholar of the Year

This award was established in 2017 by an anonymous donor to honor a Drake Law School faculty member for excellence in scholarship during the previous academic year.

2022	Allan Vestal
2021	Melissa Weresh
2020	Andrew Jurs
2019	Melissa Weresh
2018	Jonathan D. Rosenbloom
2017	Maura Strassberg

Adjunct Faculty of the Year

This award was established in 2022 to honor exemplary service by a member of the Drake Law School adjunct faculty.

2022	Ed Sease, LA'64, LW'67

Student Bar Association
Recognition of Achievement

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION 2022-2023

Katlyn Downs, *President*
Keegan Cassady, *Vice President*
Michael Comito, *Treasurer*
Diana Vazquez Ayala, *Secretary*
Chantry Noel, *American Bar Association Representative*
Jack Schuler, *Faculty Representative*
Kaleb McKinnon, *University Representative*
Marcus Coleman, *Diversity Representative*
Brandon Nunez, *Diversity Representative*

Third-year Representatives
Shelby Clinging, Phillip José, Dakota Keninger, and Natalie Sherman

Second-year Representatives
Mary Claire Finken, Kaitlin Fipps, Sarah Moody, and Geoff Van Deusen

First-year Representatives
Kayla Hruska, Logan Kelleher, Aubrey Kohl, and Monica Pietig

Honor Board Representatives
Clara Avenarius, Collin Jacobsen, and Jack Lander

At-large Representatives
Jasmina Boever, Colin Lane, Alexander Lee, Renee Redmond,
Sydnee Waggoner, and Lora Wright

Student Bar Association Awards

These awards honor individuals who have made an extraordinary contribution to the success of Student Bar Association programs or to the life of the student body as a whole.

2023 awards were announced at a program on Wednesday afternoon.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S STUDENT SERVICE AWARD

Keegan Cassady, Marcus Coleman, and Renee Redmond

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD'S OUTSTANDING STUDENT LEADER AWARD

Elizabeth Boyer, Danielle Dunne, and Abigayle Endress

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD'S STAFF SERVICE AWARD

Sara Hughes, Administrative Assistant, Office of the Deans

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD'S DEAN SERVICE AWARD

Jerry Anderson, Dean of Drake University Law School

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION SHANE SWEENEY SUPPORTIVE PARTNER AWARD
This award is given annually by the Drake Law School Council of Leaders in memory of Shane Sweeney. It recognizes the partner/spouse of a law student who has shown outstanding support of his/her spouse and the Law School. Shane Sweeney was the spouse of Meghann Sweeney, LW'09.

2022 recipient: Kaelyn Bohstedt, wife of Seth Bohstedt, LW'22
2023 recipient will be announced this evening.

THE LELAND FORREST OUTSTANDING PROFESSOR AWARD
The recipient of this award is selected each year by students of the graduating class. The award recognizes outstanding contribution to quality legal education both in and out of the classroom.

2022 recipient: Matthew Doré, Richard M. & Anita Calkins Distinguished Professor of Law
2023 recipient will be announced this evening.

Drake Law School Awards

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JEFFREY AND ELIZABETH GOODMAN DISTINGUISHED ADVOCATE AWARD
This award was established in 2003 by Jeffrey and Elizabeth Goodman, 1985 graduates of Drake Law School. Its purpose is to recognize a Drake Law student who demonstrates excellence and proficiency in client representation and advocacy. The recipient receives a generous cash award.

2022 recipient: Riley Noble

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF TRIAL LAWYERS
The International Academy of Trial Lawyers (IATL) award is made possible by the IATL and Drake Law alumna Roxanne Barton Conlin, LA'64, LW'66, GR'79. The award recognizes the student who best demonstrates the qualities of a good trial practitioner based on his or her excellence in legal clinic courses.

2022 recipients: Sydney Ross and Alexandria (Celli) Smith

THE ROBERT J. KROMMINGA AWARD
This award is given to an outstanding clinical student in client representation and advocacy in the criminal defense program. The award is made possible by the Iowa Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

2022 recipient: Kallie Baker

THE TIMOTHY N. CARLUCCI AWARD
This award was established in honor and memory of Timothy N. Carlucci, LW’87. The award is given to the law student who best exemplifies civility and professionalism in his or her dealings with fellow students and others in the profession. The Timothy N. Carlucci Award is sponsored by Belin McCormick, PC.

2022 recipient: Carly Scott

THE MARTIN TOLLEFSON AWARD
The Student Bar Association created this award to recognize the student leader who best exemplifies the hopes and aspirations of the late Dean Martin Tollefson. This award is the highest form of recognition for leadership and service to Drake Law School. Selection for this award is by election of the graduating class. The award is accompanied by a cash gift and a commemorative plaque.

2022 recipient: Riley Noble

Drake Law School Awards, cont.

THE FERGUSON PRIZE
The Ferguson Prize Gold and Silver Awards are presented to the students who best exemplify the commitment of Drake Law School and the legal profession to public service and who have rendered outstanding service, primarily legal assistance, to eligible individuals or groups in the Drake Legal Clinic or to other public service projects integrated with the Law School. The Ferguson Prize was established by Edwin Earle Ferguson Sr., LW'34. The Gold and Silver Awards are accompanied by cash gifts and commemorative plaques.

2022 recipients
Gold Award: Zoee Risdal *Silver Award:* Elizabeth Bonnett

THE JUSTICE DAVID AND MADONNA HARRIS AWARD
This award honors Justice David Harris, who served on the Iowa Supreme Court from 1972 to 1999. It is presented to the graduating student who demonstrates the greatest promise as an advocate, public servant, and practitioner. Like Justice Harris, the recipient of this award has demonstrated not only academic promise, but also leadership ability, the speaking and writing skills of an effective advocate, and a commitment to public service and Drake Law School. The Justice David and Madonna Harris Award is sponsored by William P. Hoye, LW'87.

2022 recipient: Noelle Tipton

THE K.M. WAGGONER PEER MENTORING AWARD
This award recognizes a Drake Law School student who embodies Dr. K.M. Waggoner's spirit of mentoring and has made a significant positive impact on fellow students through peer mentoring. Recipients of this award are nominated by their peers and selected by the Law School faculty. The K.M. Waggoner Peer Mentoring Award was established by Philip De Koster, LW'10, and is accompanied by a commemorative plaque and a cash award.

2022 recipient: Andrea Hardesty

MERSEAL PRIZE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE
The Merseal Prize for Social Justice recognizes a student whose Drake Law career demonstrates a commitment to advancing social justice. The award was established by Karmen Anderson and Hon. Brent Pattison to honor the memory of Kacy Merseal, LW'16.

2022 recipient: Audrey Baumgartner

Drake Law School Awards, cont.

DRAKE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL AWARD FOR EQUITY AND INCLUSION
The Drake University Law School Award for Equity and Inclusion recognizes student efforts to increase diversity at the Law School. The award acknowledges and honors a student's outstanding contributions to promoting understanding and appreciation of diversity and to achieving and advancing diversity of gender, race, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion, age, or disability within the Law School community. This award is accompanied by a cash gift and commemorative plaque thanks to a donation by Michael Traxinger, LW'12.

2022 recipients: Miguel Alvarado and Rachel Payton

MARSHA TERNUS OUTSTANDING CHILD ADVOCATE AWARD
This award recognizes the student in the Children's Rights Clinic who best lives up to the ideals of former Iowa Supreme Court Chief Justice Marsha Ternus, who said, "Iowans like to say that we put our children first; it's now time to show that we mean it." The award is accompanied by a commemorative plaque.

2022 recipients: Payton Clerc and Maria Kordick

IOWA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION PROSECUTION EXCELLENCE AWARD
The Iowa County Attorneys Association sponsors this award to recognize a student's outstanding achievement in the prosecution internship program. The award acknowledges a student who rendered outstanding performance in prosecutorial trial advocacy, and who exhibited excellent ethical conduct and a commitment to criminal prosecution work. The award includes a commemorative plaque and a cash gift.

2022 recipient: Brecklyn Carey

JUSTICE DARYL HECHT AWARD
The Justice Daryl Hecht award was created in 2019 to honor the life and legacy of Iowa Supreme Court Justice Daryl Hecht. This award is presented to a student who exemplifies Justice Hecht's passion for fairness, equality, kindness, integrity, civility, and professionalism.

2022 recipient: Nicholas Spellman

Drake Law School Awards, cont.

RICHMAN BLUE RIBBON AWARD
New in 2023, the Richman Blue Ribbon award is sponsored by Drake Law alumna Andrea Hardesty, LW'22, to honor long-time Drake staff member Lori Richman. The award recognizes a Drake Law Student who exemplifies award winning qualities inside and outside of the classroom. In honor of Lori's welcoming smile, outstanding character, and commitment to Drake Law, this award is given to a student that has strong character, treats everyone with the respect they deserve, and is dedicated to making Drake Law and the community a better place. This student exudes the compassion and commitment we all hope to see in the legal community. Selection for this award is by election of the Drake Law Staff.

CLEA OUTSTANDING CLINICAL STUDENT AWARD
The Clinical Legal Education Association created this award to honor a law student at each law school who has excelled in clinical courses.

2022 recipient: Abby Becker

AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIP AND LEADERSHIP AWARD
The American Law Institute Scholarship and Leadership Award recognizes a law student in the graduating class who best represents a combination of scholarship and leadership. The winner receives free tuition to an ALI CLE webcast or on-location course of their choice and a free one-year subscription to the ALI CLE Digital Content Library, with access to online articles, forms, and course materials in their areas of interest.

2022 recipient: Catherine Anderson Skotzke

IOWA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD
The Iowa State Bar Association Award is given to the graduating student who, by service, attitude, and ability, is expected to be the most successful member of the class in leadership in the Iowa Bar. The award will officially be presented during the ISBA annual meeting in June.

2022 recipient: Eve Durand

SINCLAIR AWARD
The Drake Law Library established the Sinclair Award in 2007 in memory of Cyrus Sinclair, a 2L desk supervisor who passed away after a long battle with sickle cell anemia. The award recognizes a student desk supervisor for commitment to the Law Library and student colleagues; courteous, friendly, and professional demeanor in dealings with colleagues and patrons; and effective communication with supervisors and colleagues. This year’s award was presented at the SBA Luncheon earlier this week.

2023 recipient: Catherine Dukelow

Dean's Service Awards

The following students have provided leadership
and service during the 2022-2023 school year.

Asian Pacific American Law Student Association
Terumi Wayne

Black Law Student Association
Kaleb McKinnon

Christian Legal Society
Tate Walker

Corporate Law Society
Michael Comito

Criminal Law Society
Carlos Lopez

Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity
Paul Siciliano

Drake Agricultural and Environmental Law Association
Kole Pederson

Drake Journal of Agricultural Law
Madeline Hartley

Drake Law Democrats
Natalie Sherman

Drake Law Libertarians
Ryan Pell

Drake Law Republicans
Jacob Schrader

Drake Law Review
Caleb Piersma

Drake Law Women
Christine Baber

Drake OUTLaws
Kaleb McKinnon

Federalist Society
Emily Russell

Health Law Student Association
Diana Vazquez Ayala

If/When/How
Madalyn Grask

Intellectual Property Law Society
Jacob Blackford

International Law Society
Adam Lange

La Alianza
Marcos Danielson

Moot Court Board
Elizabeth Boyer

National Lawyers Guild
Jack Schuler

Older and Wiser Law Student Society
Dawnelle Schlagel

Public Interest Law Association
Emma Terrell

Student Bar Association
Katlyn Downs

Youth Law Society
Delaney Kelly

Drake Law Review
Recognition of Achievement

DRAKE LAW REVIEW

The *Drake Law Review* is published four times each year. In 2012, the *Law Review* launched *Discourse*, the online component of the *Drake Law Review*. The *Law Review* and *Discourse* are edited and prepared by student editors and staff. Students are chosen on the basis of high scholastic achievement and writing ability.

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Hope Schlundt
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John Watson
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Faculty Advisor

Keith C. Miller

Drake Law Review Awards

2023 awards were presented at the
***Drake Law Review* Banquet on Friday evening.**

THE H.G. CARTWRIGHT LAW REVIEW AWARD
This annual cash award is presented to the student who submits the best note to the *Drake Law Review* during the year. The award is named in honor of the late Harold G. Cartwright, LW 1925, who participated actively in founding the *Law Review* and was a loyal supporter of the Law School.

Caleb Piersma

THE JEFF GILBERT MEMORIAL AWARD
This award is named in honor of the late Jeffrey S. Gilbert, a member of the class of 1986, who was named to the 1985-86 editorial board shortly before his untimely death in 1985. The award is presented to the member who has made the greatest contribution to the success of the *Drake Law Review*.

Ami Penquite

THE MORRIS A. HAFT AWARD
This annual award, established by Howard S. Haft, LW'53, in honor of his father Morris A. Haft, Esq., recognizes the role of the *Law Review* in fostering the ardent study and scholarly discussion of law, which Morris A. Haft personally championed and exemplified in his life and practice. The award is given to the graduating member of the *Law Review* staff or editorial board who, through individual effort, service, and leadership, has contributed most to the overall success and quality of the *Law Review* during the student's membership on the *Law Review*.

Kyle Dawson

FRIEND OF THE LAW REVIEW
This award is presented to the Drake Law School faculty or staff member whose contributions toward the *Law Review* and support of the students have made the *Law Review* a success this year.

Miguel Schor, Professor of Law

Drake Journal of Agricultural Law
Recognition of Achievement

DRAKE JOURNAL OF AGRICULTURAL LAW

The *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law* was initiated in the fall of 1994. The *Journal*'s focus is to provide a quality publication to benefit the courts, practicing attorneys, professors, students, and others in the community who are interested in researching international and domestic matters relating to agricultural and food law.

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Jennifer Zwagerman

Drake Journal of Agricultural Law Awards

2023 awards were presented at the *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law* Banquet on Thursday evening.

FRIEND OF THE *JOURNAL*
This award is presented to an individual who has offered his or her support and assistance to the *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law*. This individual is not a staff member of the *Journal*, but through giving of time and effort helped to make it a success.

Dan Burkett, Application Support Administrator

OUTSTANDING EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER AWARD
This award is presented annually to a member of the editorial board to recognize outstanding commitment and dedication to the *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law*.

Abigayle Endress

OUTSTANDING EDITORIAL STAFF MEMBER AWARD
This award is presented annually to a member of the *Journal* staff who is a second-year law student. The award recognizes outstanding commitment and dedication to the *Journal.*

NaRayah Runyon

Moot Court Recognition of Achievement

MOOT COURT BOARD
The Drake Law School Moot Court Program included three intra-school competitions and nine regional inter-law school competitions this year. The Moot Court Board members are responsible for organizing all aspects of each team's involvement in the moot court competitions. In addition, the members may serve as student coaches to the competitors.

Moot Court Board 2022-2023

Elizabeth Boyer, President
Leah Dodd, Vice President
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Madalyn Grask
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Charlie Murphy
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Seth Strahan
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Luke Zielinski

Faculty Advisor
Julia Steggerda-Corey

Moot Court Awards

2023 awards were presented at the *Moot Court Luncheon this morning.*

DENTONS DAVIS BROWN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
This award is presented to the finalists in the Supreme Court Celebration Moot Court Competition. Finalists will be recognized during this evening's program.

THE RODNEY L. HUDSON SENIOR ADVOCACY AWARD
This award is presented to a third-year student who is judged by the Moot Court Board advisor to have given outstanding overall performance in moot court competitions throughout his or her law school career. The annual cash award is made possible by the Rodney L. Hudson Family Foundation established in honor of Rodney L. Hudson, LW 1916, whose career exemplified excellence in advocacy.

Elizabeth Boyer

THE M. GENE BLACKBURN AWARD
This annual cash award, funded by the Cedar Rapids, Iowa, law firm of Simmons Perrine Moyer & Bergman, is presented to the student who submits the best brief for the Supreme Court Celebration Moot Court Competition. The recipient is chosen on the basis of superior writing skills that communicate an issue position based upon an innovative, creative, and concise approach. The award is named for M. Gene Blackburn, LW'55, in recognition of his dedication to the development of appellate advocacy while a professor at Drake Law School.

Elizabeth Boyer

Honorable mentions are awarded to:
Danielle Dunne
Cole Krueger
Ben Wolf

DRAKE LAW SCHOOL ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD
This award is given annually to an alumnus for his or her generosity and dedication to the Drake Law School Moot Court Program.

Lori Bullock, LW'14

Moot Court Awards, cont.

ORDER OF THE BARRISTERS
The Order of the Barristers is a national society whose purpose is to recognize special efforts and contributions to moot court programs in American law schools. Membership is voted on the basis of outstanding participation in moot court competitions and service to the Drake Moot Court Board.

Order of the Barristers 2023

Clara Avenarius
Elizabeth Boyer
Kyle Dawson
Katlyn Downs
Danielle Dunne
Steffi Lee Dwyer
Dariann Garrison-Nickerson
Dakota Keninger
Caleb Piersma
Renee Redmond
Seth Strahan
Diana Vazquez Ayala

Appellate Competitions

NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION

The National Moot Court Competition is sponsored by the New York Bar Association Moot Court Committee and the American College of Trial Lawyers. It is one of the longest-running and honored competitions of its kind.

In a tournament hosted by Drake Law School via Zoom, both of Drake's National Moot Court Teams rose to the top to compete against each other in the final round. The team of Elizabeth Boyer, Catherine Dukelow, and Ben Wolf narrowly beat the team of Steffi Lee Dwyer, Caleb Piersma, and NaRayah Runyon to advance to Nationals.

During preliminary rounds, Piersma, Dwyer, and Boyer ranked in the Top 5 Best Oralists. Elizabeth Boyer was recognized as Best Oralist in the final round and named Best Oralist of the overall competition. The team of Dwyer, Piersma, and Runyon won Best Brief honors for the competition.

At the National Moot Court Competition in New York, Boyer, Dukelow, and Wolf bested some of the best oralists in law schools across the country and advanced to the final round. They faced tough competition from Mercer School of Law and ended in second place. The Drake Law team also won an award for submitting the second-best brief in the competition.

2022-2023 National Moot Court Teams:

Blue Team	White Team
Elizabeth Boyer	Steffi Lee Dwyer
Catherine Dukelow	Caleb Piersma
Ben Wolf	NaRayah Runyon

The teams were coached by Louis Sloven, LW’15.

Appellate Competitions, cont.

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION NATIONAL APPELLATE ADVOCACY COMPETITION
The ABA Moot Court team competed in the regional Moot Court competition in Oklahoma City at the federal courthouse for the Western District of Oklahoma. The teams competed admirably through the initial rounds.

2022-2023 ABA Moot Court Teams:

Team 1	Team 2
Clara Avenarius (Captain)	Natalie Sherman (Captain)
Kaleigh Blinn	Grant Gasner
Madalyn Grask	Geoff Van Deusen

The teams were coached by Ana Dixit, LW'16, and Thomas Bakke, LW'16.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY COMPETITION
The Saul Lefkowitz Moot Court Competition is sponsored by the International Trademark Association. The competition requires teams to write an appellate brief and present oral arguments about important issues arising in U.S. trademark and unfair competition law.

Jacob Blackford, Becca Coleman, Charles Forney, and Seth Strahan represented Drake Law School in the regional competition in Dallas. They argued against several great teams from across the country. The Drake team won awards for Best Brief, Best Oralist, and placed first in the overall competition, earning a spot in the National Finals at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in Washington, D.C.

2022-2023 Intellectual Property Moot Court Team:

Jacob Blackford	Charles Forney
Becca Coleman	Seth Strahan

The team was coached by Michael C. Gilchrist and Nicholas Krob, LW'15.

Appellate Competitions, cont.

ENVIRONMENTAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION
The Jeffrey G. Miller National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition (NELMCC) is one of the nation's largest interschool moot court competitions. It is hosted each year by the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University in White Plains, New York.

Cheyanne Lepird and Kolby Whisner represented Drake Law School in this year's competition.

2022-2023 Environmental Moot Court Team:

Cheyanne Lepird
Kolby Whisner

The team was coached by Tess Pocock, LW'19.

Mock Trial Competitions

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF JUSTICE MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION
The AAJ Mock Trial Competition is an inter-law school trial advocacy competition sponsored by the American Trial Lawyers Association. Two Drake teams competed in the regional competition. Both teams performed well in preliminary rounds. The Blue Team advanced to the finals, finishing second in the region.

2022-2023 AAJ Mock Trial Teams:

Blue Team	White Team
Katlyn Downs	Dariann Garrison-Nickerson
Nick Holmes	Conner Greene
Dakota Keninger	Grace Stark
Renee Redmond	Riley Sternhagen
Seth Strahan	

In addition, Downs, Keninger, Redmond, and Strahan competed in the Mock Trial All Star Competition in the fall where they made it to the semi-final round.

The team was coached by Jeff Noble, LW'90, Amber Haberl, AS'17, LW'20, and Bryanna Walton, LW'20.

NATIONAL MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION
The National Mock Trial Competition is an inter-law school trial advocacy competition sponsored by the Texas Young Lawyers Association. Two Drake teams competed in the regional competition in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Both teams participated in three rounds of trial litigation in a mock criminal case and competed well against some of the best student advocates in the country.

2022-2023 National Mock Trial Teams:

White Team	Blue Team
NaRayah Runyon	Diana Vazquez Ayala
Shane Salwasser	Shelby Clinging
Tate Walker	Ben Wolf

The teams were coached by Levi Grove, LW'16, and Kevin Hathaway, LW'10.

Skills Competitions

ARBITRATION COMPETITION
The Arbitration Competition is sponsored by the American Bar Association. Two Drake Law teams competed in the regional competition in Kentucky. Both teams performed well during preliminary rounds. Team 1 advanced to the semi-final round and placed third. Team 2 placed fifth overall.

2022-2023 Arbitration Teams:

Team 1	Team 2
Dariann Garrison-Nickerson	Madelyn Hurn
Renee Redmond	Justin Putz
Emily Russell	Tate Walker
Shane Salwasser	Seth Strahan

The teams were coached by Ronald Forsell, LW'15.

The Arbitration Team is sponsored by Ruth M. Robinson, LW'75, Ruth Robinson Arbitration and Mediation.

CLIENT COUNSELING COMPETITION
The Client Counseling Competition is sponsored by the American Bar Association. Two Drake teams competed in the regional competition hosted remotely by Washburn Law School.

The Drake Law team of Nicole Miller and Erik Janss progressed to the final round and placed third overall. The team of Courtney Ringhofer and Harry Merz tied for fourth place in the region and progressed to the semifinal round, narrowly missing out on an invitation to the final round. Both Drake teams performed very well, placing at the top of the region.

2022-2023 Client Counseling Teams:

Team 1: Nicole Miller and Erik Janss
Team 2: Courtney Ringhofer and Harry Merz

The teams were coached by Professor Natalie Lynner.

Skills Competitions, cont.

ABA NEGOTIATIONS COMPETITION
The Negotiations Competition is sponsored by the American Bar Association. Drake Law School hosted 28 teams representing 15 schools from around the country in the regional competition. The Drake Law teams performed very well in preliminary rounds but did not advance to the semi-final rounds.

2022-2023 Negotiations Teams:

Mary Claire Finken
David Merchan
Marissa Miller
Dawnelle Schlagel
Paul Siciliano

The teams were coached by Jessie Benson, LW'18, and Kayli Paul, LW'20.

Order of the Coif

Drake Law School's chapter of The Order of the Coif, the national law school scholastic honor society, was chartered in 1951. Members are selected annually from students who rank in the top 10 percent of the graduating class.

Members elected in 2022

Carter Albrecht
Brett Battani
Brett Donahe
Eve Durand
Jordan Gehlhaar
Shelby Grabanski
Ethan Laughery
Keyan McAreavy
Logan Namanny
Austin Putz
Noelle Tipton
Haydn VanDenBerg
Mark Bennett (Honorary)

Inns of Court

American Inns of Court have been formed throughout the United States for the purpose of promoting and improving trial and appellate advocacy skills, adherence to ethical ideals, and professionalism among members. Members, who are limited in number to 65, include judges, senior and new attorneys, and law students who meet regularly throughout the year to participate in demonstrations of forensic techniques, critiques and evaluations, and collegial discussion and dining. Two Inns of Court have been formed in Des Moines, and Drake Law students and faculty are members of each.

Blackstone Inn of Court

Clara Avenarius
Victoria Biggerstaff
Alexxa Blair
Elizabeth Boyer
Katlyn Downs
Steffi Lee Dwyer
Nicole Miller
Renee Redmond
Kadison Roberts
Jack Schuler
Natalie Sherman

C. Edwin Moore Inn of Court

Kyle Dawson
Danielle Dunne
Rachel Fritz
Dariann Garrison-Nickerson
Dakota Keninger
Caleb Piersma
Morgan Todd Borron
Diana Vazquez Ayala

CALI Excellence for the Future Awards

The CALI Excellence for the Future Awards are given to students attaining the highest grade for selected courses leading to a JD degree.

Fall 2021

Tanner Berger - Family Law
Tori Biggerstaff - Ethics & Prof. Responsibility
Erin Boggess - Constitutional Law II
Elizabeth Bonnett - Justice Reform/Innovation
Jillian Brown - Civil Procedure-Constitutional Framework
Alexandria Celli Smith - Children's Rights Clinic
Rebecca Coleman - Torts
Brett Donahe - Criminal Procedure Investigation
Brett Donahe - Entrepreneurial/Transactional Clinic
Jacob Dorman - Workers Compensation
Brody Egger - Business Associations
Brody Egger - Secured Transactions
Adam Ewalt - Administrative Law
Charles Forney - Trademarks & Unfair Competition
Rachel Fritz - National Security Law
Jordan Gehlhaar - Federal Courts/Jurisdiction
Crystal Haakma - International Human Rights
Dakota Keninger - Immigration Law
Samuel Lala - Torts
Adam Lange - Environmental Law
Adam Lange - Evidence
Alexander Lee - Criminal Law
Natalie Massey - Criminal Law
Keyan McAreavy - Federal Income Tax
Logan Namanny - Wills & Trusts
Jancy Nielson - Constitutional History
David Peck - Legislation
Ami Penquite - Civil Procedure-Constitutional Framework
Ami Penquite - Legal Research I
Austin Putz - Medical Malpractice
Renee Redmond - Trial Advocacy
Sarah Schleisman – Intro to Agricultural Law
Kevin Schulting - Trial Advocacy
Nathan Wegmann - Constitutional Law II
Ben Wolf - Criminal Law

Spring 2022

Jacob Blackford - Patent Law
Seth Brown - Entrepreneurial Clinic
Marcos Danielson - Children's Rights Clinic
Brett Donahe - Real Estate Law
Catherine Dukelow - Contracts II
Danielle Dunne - Criminal Procedure Investigation
Emelia Edwards - Negotiations
Adam Ewalt - Mergers & Acquisitions
Ashley Griffin - Family Law
Andrea Hardesty - Estate Planning
Dakota Keninger - Criminal Procedure Adjudication
Samuel Lala - Constitutional Law I
Samuel Lala - Legal Research II
Adam Lange - Trial Advocacy
Alexander Lee - Contracts II
Alexander Lee - Property
Logan Namanny - Secured Transactions
Riley Noble - Federal Criminal Law
Ami Penquite - Civil Procedure-Process of Lit.
Ami Penquite - Constitutional Law I
Ami Penquite - Legal Research II
Ami Penquite - Legal Writing II
Ami Penquite - Property
Caleb Piersma - Conflict of Laws
Jack Schuler - Business Associations
Griffin Scott - Gaming Law
Natalie Sherman - Ethics & Prof. Responsibility
Noelle Tipton - Copyright Law
Noelle Tipton - Intellectual Property Litigation
Haydn VanDenBerg - Securities Regulation Law
Elsie Villega - Administrative Law
Elsie Villega - Sexual Harassment/Modern Torts
Joseph Vivone - Products Liability
Nathan Wegmann - Evidence
Jenna Wheeler - Wills & Trusts
Fred Wilcox - Civil Procedure-Process of Litigation

Summer 2022

Katrina Callahan - Trial Advocacy
Rebecca Coleman - Evidence
Natalie Gislason - US Supreme Court
Daniel Keough - International Criminal Justice: Past, Present, Future
Alexander Lee – Evidence

Student Ambassadors

Student Ambassadors are volunteers selected to assist the Drake Law School Office of Admission and Financial Aid in representing the Law School to students visiting the campus.

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Tyler Haberman
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Averey Ruble
Shane Salwasser
Jack Schuler
Natalie Sherman
Tate Walker

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Mary Claire Finken
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Kaleb McKinnon
Sarah Moody
Teresa Otáñez-Ortiz
Emma Overschmidt
NaRayah Runyon
Hope Schlundt

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Lora Wright

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Cameron Cooper
Sara Edgar
Jae Fehlre
Kayla Hruska
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Ellen L. Yee, Director of International Programs and Professor of Law
Jennifer Zwagerman, Director of the Drake Agricultural Law Center and Associate Professor of Law

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