

A photograph of the Iowa Supreme Court Building, a grand neoclassical structure with a large green copper dome and a portico with columns. The building is illuminated from within, and the sky is a clear, pale blue. The text "Drake Law School" is overlaid in the top left corner.

Drake Law School

81st Annual  
**Supreme Court Celebration**

March 22-24, 2018

# 81<sup>st</sup> 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

*Mark S. Cady*

*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 REMARKS AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS

*Chas Cahill*

*2017-18 President, Student Bar Association*

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## REMARKS, PRESENTATION OF THE STEVENS FACULTY SCHOLAR OF THE YEAR AWARD, AND PORTRAIT UNVEILING

*Dean Anderson*

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## KEYNOTE ADDRESS

*Hilarie Bass*

*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.

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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](http://www.drake.edu/law/alumni/events/supreme-court).

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## 2018 Keynote Speaker

### Hilarie Bass

President of the  
American Bar Association



Hilarie Bass is co-president of Miami-based Greenberg Traurig, where she provides executive leadership for the law firm's 2,000 attorneys in 38 offices worldwide. She previously served an eight-year term as national chair of Greenberg Traurig's litigation department and is founder and former chair of the firm's Women's Initiative.

Bass has successfully represented high-profile corporate clients in jury and non-jury trials involving hundreds of millions of dollars. She is widely recognized for her efforts to eliminate Florida's 20-year-old ban on gay adoption, which was found unconstitutional in 2010.

For more than 30 years, Bass has been actively involved in the ABA, the world's largest voluntary professional organization with over 400,000 members. She previously served as chair of the ABA Section of Litigation, where she spearheaded the creation of a task force on implicit bias in the justice system. She has also served as a member of the ABA's Board of Governors, House of Delegates, and Commission on Women, and as the state of Florida's representative on the Nominating Committee.

In recognition of her success, Bass was inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers. She is consistently ranked in *Chambers USA Guide*, *Legal 500 United States*, *Super Lawyers*, *Florida Trend* magazine's "Legal Elite," and more. In 2016, Bass was named "Lawyer of the Year" in Litigation-Securities by *The Best Lawyers in America*.

# Past Supreme Court Banquet Speakers

- 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
- 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

## Past Supreme Court Banquet Speakers, cont'd

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- 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*  
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 Mark S. Cady

Justice David S. Wiggins

Justice Daryl L. Hecht

Justice Brent R. Appel

Justice Thomas D. Waterman

Justice Edward M. Mansfield

Justice Bruce B. Zager

# The Supreme Court Competition

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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 the Iowa Supreme Court, thus giving competitors a realistic experience.

The competition is open to all second- and third-year law students and consists of writing a brief and arguing in two preliminary rounds, one on-brief and one off-brief. Each competitor argues individually in the preliminary rounds, with 15 minutes of time allocated to each advocate. The top four advocates based upon scores from the preliminary rounds advance to the final round before the Iowa Supreme Court. The award for Best Oralist in the final round is announced at the Supreme Court Celebration Banquet.

## 2018 Supreme Court Competition Problem – *Stark v. City of Kings Landing*

Ned Stark, owner of Winterfell Welding & Services, was hired by Lyanna Mormont to thaw a frozen water line at her home in Kings Landing. Stark disconnected Mormont's water meter. He connected the positive electrode of his arc welder to Mormont's plumbing system and the negative to the curb shutoff at the neighboring residence of Meera Reed, after the City's Water Department employee could not locate the curb shutoff valve for the Mormont home. It is undisputed that the City employee advised Stark the curb stop was for a neighboring residence, and Stark alone was responsible for attaching his negative cable to said curb stop.

Shortly after Stark finished thawing Mormont's frozen water line, the Tarly home adjacent to the Reed residence caught fire and sustained damages in excess of \$368,000. The Tarlys filed a homeowners claim with Ironbank Insurance, who then filed a negligence action against Ned Stark, alleging that he allowed electrical current into the Tarly home to cause the fire.

Stark filed a Cross-Petition to implead the City and seek contribution/indemnity. Stark asserted he was acting in concert with the City when thawing the pipes, and the location of curb stops was the independent duty of the City. The City later filed a Motion for Summary Judgment claiming statutory immunity. The court denied the City's motion after hearing differing expert opinions as to who caused the damage.

The trial court sustained a Motion for Summary Judgment filed by Plaintiff Ironbank. The court noted that experts agreed the fire started with electricity flowing from Stark's arc welder into the Tarly residence. The court concluded as a matter of law that Stark owed a duty to exercise reasonable care, and his breach of that duty caused the fire. The trial court sustained a Motion to Reconsider by the City after it reasserted its statutory immunity claim. The trial court dismissed Stark's cross-petition against the City with prejudice. Stark filed this appeal of the order dismissing his cross petition.



# Supreme Court Competition Finalists

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|      |                    |                        |                    |                      |
|------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 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 Bailly             | 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 Rohlfesen     | Donald Stanley Jr.   |
| 1998 | John Clendenin     | Christopher Kragnes    | Matt Haindfield    | Ryan Rohlfesen       |
| 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       |
| 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          |

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| 1983 | Marlene Triggs<br>Gresh               | Vincent Maur                          | 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<br>Timothy Waldeck   | Joseph Nugent                         | Vernon Traster     | Terri Triewelier    |
| 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<br>B. Gerald Reynolds | Vivian Jury Lawyer<br>William Schmidt | Jerome Lundren     | Mark Ravreby        |
| 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      |                     |
| 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       |

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| 1958 | Sheldon Balman<br>John Reuber                           | Lee Gaudineer Jr.<br>Dan Stamatelos                       | Clarence Glotfelty<br>George Sullivan                  | Leo Gross<br>William Yost                        |
| 1957 | Raymond Fenton<br>Carl Nielsen                          | J. Hawey<br>Leo Oxberger                                  | Jerry Krasner<br>Elwood Thomas                         | John McGlynn<br>Paul Strand                      |
| 1956 | Robert Callies<br>Lawrence Myers                        | Robert Drey<br>Gordon Nesbit                              | Donald Kramer<br>Rex Roupe                             | Walter Maley<br>Harley Whitfield                 |
| 1955 | Robert Allbee<br>Dwight Martin                          | Anthony Critelli<br>Richard Mitchell                      | Harry Dahl<br>Robert Walters                           | Durwood Dircks<br>Dirk Van Zante                 |
| 1954 | John Culbertson<br>Donald Running                       | Richard G. Davidson<br>James Tyler                        | Clyde Fickes<br>Robert Wright                          | Joseph Piper<br>Donald Zarley                    |
| 1953 | Melvyn Anderson<br>Harold Lincoln Sr.                   | Brian Connell<br>James Van Ginkel                         | Mervin Flander<br>Robert Rydell                        | Daniel Griffen Jr.<br>Alvin Witwer               |
| 1952 | Audrea Bride<br>Hessel Dykstra                          | G. Arthur Cady Jr.<br>Robert Kaas                         | John Carty<br>William Parker                           | Albert Dunkleberg<br>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<br>John Galvin                             | Charles Cardamon<br>Peter B. Larson                       | Paul Cooksey<br>Dale L. Porter                         | Bill Davenport                                   |
| 1947 | Robert Daufenbaugh<br>John K. Watson                    | Theodore Miller   | Louis Nitchals   | Bernard Rodholm                                  |
| 1941 | Norman Blatchford<br>Joy Fitzgerald Hix<br>Robert Riley | Charles Browning Sr.<br>Galen Hesalroad<br>Lorna Williams | John Connolly III<br>Joe Kridelbaugh Jr.<br>Don Wilson | Russell Decker<br>John Neiman<br>Robert Wessells |
| 1940 | John Gannon<br>Virgil Siepel                            | Arnold Joseph<br>Robert Southworth Jr.                    | Roy Meadow<br>Florence Wallace                         | George Rice<br>Eldon Woltz                       |
| 1939 | Allor Crouch<br>Edward McCartan                         | John Donahoe<br>Donald Klein                              | Theodore Doran<br>Cecil Utterback                      | A.E. Jensen                                      |

## Drake University Law School Alumni of the Year

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| 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 Eisenhower, 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               |
| 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

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2017     Nate Boulton, LW'05, GR'05, and Kathleen Law, LW'05

## Stevens Faculty Scholar of the Year

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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.

2017     Maura Strassberg

# Student Bar Association

## Recognition of Achievement

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### STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION 2017-2018

Chas Cahill, *President*

Taylor Larson, *Vice President*

Kolby Warren, *Secretary*

Gabe Walsh, *Treasurer*

Kayla Sproul, *American Bar Association Representative*

Jackson O'Brien, *Faculty Representative*

Joshua Duden, *University Representative*

Jasmine Meikle, *Diversity Representative*

Gail Beech, *Technology Representative*

#### *Third-year Representatives*

Zachary Clausen, Matthew Engelstad, Tyler Phelan, Michael Rozenboom

#### *Third-year Honor Board Representative*

Joshua Asner

#### *Second-year Representatives*

Rachel Bosovich, Robert Logsdon, Alec Osland, Andrea Skinner

#### *Second-year Honor Board Representative*

Alexandria Coufal

#### *First-year Representatives*

Bevin Holloway, Kollan Kolthoff, Andrew Lauver, Madeline Meyer

#### *First-year Honor Board Representatives*

Daniel Breitbarth

#### *At-large Representatives*

Kristy Brandt, Kevin Brown, Bryanna Walton, Claire Yetley

# Student Bar Association Awards

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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.

**2018 awards were announced at a program on Friday afternoon.**

## **STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S STUDENT SERVICE AWARD**

Andrew Jensen, Taylor Larson, and Dillon Malone

## **STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD'S OUTSTANDING STUDENT LEADER AWARD**

Kevin Brown, Joseph Casey, and Katherine Tovar

## **STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD'S STAFF SERVICE AWARD**

Amy Cutler

## **STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD'S DEAN SERVICE AWARD**

Erin Lee-Schneider, Assistant Dean for Student Services

## **STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION SHANE SWEENEY SUPPORTIVE SPOUSE AWARD**

This award is given annually by the Drake Law School Council of Leaders in memory of Shane Sweeney. It recognizes the 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.

*2017 recipient: Jordyn Swanson*

*2018 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.

*2017 recipient: Professor Matthew Doré*

*2018 recipient will be announced this evening.*

# Drake Law School Awards

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**All 2018 awards will be announced this evening.**

## **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.

*2017 recipient:* James Duff

## **INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF TRIAL LAWYERS**

Each year the International Academy of Trial Lawyers awards a certificate and cash award to the student who best demonstrates the qualities of a good trial practitioner based on his or her excellence in legal clinic courses.

*2017 recipient:* Stephanie Sailer

## **THE ROBERT J. KROMMINGA AWARD**

This award is given to an outstanding clinical student in client representation and advocacy in the criminal defense program. This award is made possible by the Iowa Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and is accompanied by a cash gift and a commemorative plaque.

*2017 recipient:* Kylie Crawford

## **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.

*2017 recipients:* Alexandria Quinn and Shannon Holmberg



# Drake Law School Awards cont'd

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## **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.

*2017 recipient:* Alexis Warner

## **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.

*2017 recipients:*

*Gold Award:* Tansha Clarke

*Silver Award:* Emily Rouse

## **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, a public servant, and a 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, and Kitty Cooney Hoye, LW'87.

*2017 recipient:* Alexis Warner

## **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.

*2017 recipient:* Cedric Adams

# Drake Law School Awards cont'd

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## **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 this year by Karmen Anderson and Professor Brent Pattison to honor the memory of Kacy Merseal, LW'16.

## **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 donations by Bradshaw, Fowler, Proctor & Fairgrave, PC, Michael Traxinger, LW'11, and Andrea Charlow.

*2017 recipient:* Katherine Tovar

## **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.

*2017 recipient:* Joseph Reed

## **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.

*2017 recipients:* Shannon Bogolin and Thomas Tolbert

## **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 Law Library 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.

*2017 recipient:* Stella Roederer

## Drake Law School Awards cont'd

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### **AMERICAN BOARD OF TRIAL ADVOCATES SCHOLARSHIP**

Each fall, the Iowa Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates recognizes a Drake Law student who shows great potential as a future trial lawyer based on grades, clinical performance, and other related factors. The student is recognized at the annual meeting and receives a cash scholarship in the amount of \$2,500.

*2017 recipient:* Henry Widen

### **LINDA S. WEINDRUCH SCHOLARSHIP**

The Iowa Taxpayers Association (ITA) offers a scholarship in memory of Linda S. Weindruch, a long-time member of the ITA. The scholarship recognizes outstanding accomplishments in promoting and protecting the principles of fair business and law policies.

*2017 recipient:* Dillon Malone

### **IOWA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION 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.

*2017 recipient:* Jenna Bishop

# Dean's Service Awards

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The following students have provided leadership and service during the 2017-18 school year.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution Society**

Claire Yetley

**American Bar Association**

**Drake University Law School Division**

Kayla Sproul

**American Constitution Society**

**Drake Law School Division**

Gail Beech

**Black Law Student Association**

Brinet Rutherford

**Christian Legal Society**

Alexandria Coufal

**Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity**

Jack Kramer

**Drake Agricultural and Environmental Law Association**

Kevin Barnai

**Drake Association for Child Advocacy**

Brooke Thompson

***Drake Journal of Agricultural Law***

Andrew Jensen

**Drake Law Democrats**

Joshua Duden

**Drake Law Republicans**

Joshua Asner

***Drake Law Review***

Dillon Malone

**Drake Law Women**

Karla Furger

**Drake OUTLaws**

Jonathan Steele

**Equal Justice Works (Public Interest Law Association)**

Kelsey Hughey

**Federalist Society**

Mason Bump

**Health Law Student Association**

Aaron Kacer

**Hispanic and Latino Law Student Association**

Sanjuanita Martinez

**Intellectual Property Law Society**

Kevin Brown

**International Law Society**

Kevin Brown

**Moot Court Board**

Brian Kemmerer

**Older and Wiser Law Student Society**

Matt Lepke

**Student Animal Legal Defense Fund**

Tess Pocock

**Student Bar Association**

Chas Cahill

# *Drake Law Review*

## Recognition of Achievement

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### **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.

### *Editorial Board*

Dillon D. Malone, Editor in Chief  
Olivia Slater, Executive Editor  
Danielle Holmes, Research Editor  
Mackenzi Nash, Research Editor  
Thomas Weber, Managing Editor  
Brian Shea, Production Editor  
Manuel A. Cornell, Projects Editor  
Julia Steggerda-Corey, Note Editor

Samantha Nordstrom, Note Editor  
Matthew Engelstad, Article Editor  
Brittany Salyars, Article Editor  
Greer Drummond, Online Editor  
David Meyers, Media Editor  
Madison LeDuc, Associate Editor  
Victoria Zamora-Millet, Associate Editor

### *Junior Staff*

Abdullah Azkalany  
Olivia Brooks  
Kate Clark  
Alexandria Coufal  
Sarah Golwitzer  
Victoria Haag  
Haley Hermanson  
Amy Howells  
Jessica Kelley  
Anna Mallen  
Austin McMahon  
Matthew W. Monroe

Andrew Nordyke  
Jackson O'Brien  
Tess Pocock  
Anne Reser-Moorehead  
Nicole Rogers  
Emily Smith  
Julie Spieker  
Kayla Sproul  
Hunter Thorpe  
Dana Van Gent  
Andrew Whitehill  
Spencer Willems

### *Faculty Advisor*

Keith C. Miller

# *Drake Law Review Awards*

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**All 2018 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'25, who participated actively in founding the *Law Review* and was a loyal supporter of the Law School.

Madison LeDuc

## **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*.

Julie Spieker

## **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*.

Julia Steggerda-Corey

## **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.

Amy Cutler

# *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law*

## Recognition of Achievement

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### **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.

### *Editorial Board*

Andrew Jensen, Editor in Chief  
Jordan Nickerson, Executive Editor  
Anna Jordan, Senior Editor  
Alec Maas, Managing Editor  
Samantha Farmer, Production Editor  
Katherine Tovar, Associate Editor

Robert Larson, Note Editor  
Nicholas Rauch, Note Editor  
Michael Rozenboom, Note Editor  
Taylor Larson, Article Editor  
Kolby Warren, Article Editor  
Michelle Greif, Research Editor  
Travis Schilling, Research Editor

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Whitney Bugni  
Ryan Buren  
Jacob Dempsey  
Joshua Duden  
Mary Francque  
Katelin Gines  
Austin Heeren

Robert Howard  
Jacob Kerns  
Rashel Pack  
Taylor Reichardt  
Skyler Rhines  
Austin Schoeck  
Raymond Starks  
Moriah Umfress

### *Faculty Advisor*

Neil D. Hamilton

# *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law Awards*

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**All 2018 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.

John Edwards

## **OUTSTANDING NOTE AWARD**

Robert Larson for “Cow Palace: The Application and Likely Impact on Hog Operations in Iowa”

## **OUTSTANDING NOTE AWARD – Honorable Mentions**

Jordan Nickerson for “America’s Invisible Farmers: From Slavery, to Freedmen, to the First on the Land”

Michael Rozenboom for “Wetlands Mitigation for Farmers”

## **OUTSTANDING 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*.

Andrew Jensen

## **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*.

Whitney Bugni and Rashel Pack



# Moot Court Recognition of Achievement

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## **MOOT COURT BOARD**

The Drake Law School Moot Court Program consists of three intra-school competitions and 10 inter-law school competitions conducted at various times throughout the school 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 serve as student coaches to the competitors.

### *Moot Court Board 2017-2018*

Brian Kemmerer, President  
Kacy Flaherty, Vice President  
Samantha Nordstrom, Treasurer  
Kali Adams, Secretary

#### *Senior Board Members*

Chas Cahill  
Bryant Hickie  
Katherine Tovar

#### *Junior Board Members*

Gail Beech  
Amanda Blome  
Whitney Bugni  
Lily Dayton  
Katherine Dick  
Joshua Duden  
Victoria Millet  
Jackson O'Brien  
Anne Reser-Moorehead  
Emily Smith

#### *Adjunct Faculty Advisor*

Philip De Koster, LW'10

# Moot Court Awards

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**All 2018 awards were presented at the Moot Court Board Luncheon on Saturday.**

## **DAVIS, BROWN, KOEHN, SHORS & ROBERTS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE**

This award is presented to the finalists in the Supreme Court Celebration Moot Court Competition.

Victoria Haag, Robert Howard, Elizabeth Johnson

## **THE RODNEY L. HUDSON SENIOR ADVOCACY AWARD**

This award is presented to a senior student who is judged by the moot court advisor to have given outstanding overall performance in moot court competitions throughout his or her law school career. The annual cash award is funded by the Rodney L. Hudson Family Foundation established in honor of Rodney L. Hudson, LW 1916, whose career exemplified excellence in advocacy.

Rachael Irlbeck

## **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.

Victoria Haag

## **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.

Anagha Dixit, LW'16, and Ronald C. Forsell, LW'15

# Moot Court Awards cont'd

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## **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 2018*

Kali Adams  
Kevin Brown  
Chas Cahill  
Samantha Farmer  
Kacy Flaherty

Bryant Hickie  
Rachael Irlbeck  
Jordan Nickerson  
Samantha Nordstrom  
Gabriel Walsh

## **HONORARY MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF THE BARRISTERS**

This award is given annually to an alumnus or friend of Drake in recognition of his or her contribution to the Moot Court Program and example as an outstanding advocate in practice.

Philip De Koster, LW'10

# Appellate Competitions

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## **NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION**

The National Moot Court Competition is sponsored by the Young Lawyers Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Drake's National Moot Court teams competed at the regional competition held at Mitchell Hamline School of Law this year. The team of Samantha Farmer, Amy Howells, and Jackson O'Brien competed well through the preliminary rounds, advancing to the quarter finals. The team of Bryant Hickie, Zachary Clausen, and Victoria Haag advanced to the semi-finals and finished in third place. Clausen, Howells, and O'Brien were awarded top oral advocate awards.

### *2017-2018 National Moot Court Teams:*

#### Petitioner Team

Zachary Clausen  
Victoria Haag  
Bryant Hickie

#### Respondent Team

Samantha Farmer  
Amy Howells  
Jackson O'Brien

The teams were coached by Professor Laurie Doré.

## **AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION NATIONAL APPELLATE ADVOCACY COMPETITION**

Two teams from Drake Law School competed in the regional competition in Chicago. Both teams competed admirably through the initial rounds, with the team led by Taylor Larson advancing to the semi-final round. Joshua Duden was recognized as the Best Oral Advocate in the competition.

### *2017-2018 ABA National Appellate Advocacy Teams:*

#### Petitioner Team

Joshua Duden  
Samantha Nordstrom (captain)  
Spencer Willems

#### Respondent Team

Abdullah Azkalany  
Gail Beech  
Taylor Larson (captain)

Alternate: Kayla Sproul

The teams were coached by Donn Stanley, LW'00.

# Appellate Competitions cont'd

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## **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. Drake's team traveled to Dallas in February for the regional competition. The team placed third overall and won the award for best oral advocacy.

### *2017-2018 Intellectual Property Moot Court Team:*

Kevin Brown  
Danielle Holmes  
Madison LeDuc  
Rashel Pack

The team was coached by Michael C. Gilchrist and Nicholas Krob, LW'15, with the assistance of the attorneys of McKee, Voorhees & Sease, PLC.

## **NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION**

The National Environmental Moot Court Competition takes place each year at Pace University Law School in White Plains, N.Y. The competition requires writing an appellate brief on a complex environmental law problem, usually involving both statutory interpretation and constitutional issues. All three team members were new to moot court and the environmental team. Team member Tess Pocock was awarded best oralist in the team's preliminary round.

### *2017-2018 National Environmental Moot Court Team:*

Amanda Blome  
Whitney Bugni  
Tess Pocock

The team was coached by Robert Thole, LW'12.

# Trial Competitions

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## **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 in Chicago. The team of Kacy Flaherty, Rachael Irlbeck, Tess Pocock, and Brinet Rutherford were successful throughout the tournament and narrowly missed making the semi-finals. The team of Olivia Brooks, Katherine Dick, Emily Douglas, and Mary Francque competed in the semi-final round where they lost in a close round leaving the team in fourth place overall.

### *2017-2018 AAJ Mock Trial Teams:*

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Kacy Flaherty     | Olivia Brooks  |
| Rachael Irlbeck   | Katherine Dick |
| Tess Pocock       | Emily Douglas  |
| Brinet Rutherford | Mary Francque  |

The teams were coached by Matthew Eslick, LW'05, and Kurt Van Thomme, LW'05.

## **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 tournament in Fargo, N.D. Team White competed in rigorous preliminary rounds, but was unable to advance to the semi-finals. Team Blue advanced to the semi-final round, but lost by a margin of just two points.

### *2017-2018 National Mock Trial Teams:*

|                   |                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| <u>Team White</u> | <u>Team Blue</u>           |
| Ayinde Ashford    | Kali Adams                 |
| Amanda Blome      | Nicholas Rauch             |
| Joshua Duden      | Gabriel Walsh              |
|                   | Brian Kemmerer (alternate) |

The teams were coached by Steve Foritano, Kevin Hathaway, LW'11, and Mark Godwin, LW'85.

# Skills Competitions

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## **ARBITRATION COMPETITION**

The Arbitration Competition is sponsored by the American Bar Association. Two Drake Law teams competed in the regional competition hosted by Drake Law School. Both teams advanced to the semi-final round. Team White advanced to the final round, where they emerged victorious and secured a spot in the national competition. Team Blue placed third in the region.

At the national ABA competition in Chicago, Team White made it all the way to the championship round and won the national championship. Drake Law School was the top team out of 42 teams nationwide.

### *2017-2018 Arbitration Teams:*

#### Team White

Olivia Brooks  
Rachael Irlbeck  
Jordan Nickerson  
Gabriel Walsh

#### Team Blue

Kali Adams  
Ayinde Ashford  
Katherine Dick  
Joshua Duden

The teams were coached by Ana Dixit, LW'16, and Ronald Forsell, LW'15.

## **CLIENT COUNSELING COMPETITION**

The Client Counseling Competition is sponsored by the American Bar Association. Two teams participated in the regional competition in Omaha, Neb.

### *2017-2018 Client Counseling Teams:*

Alexandria Coufal and Andrew Nordyke  
Greer Drummond and Victoria Millet

The teams were coached by Professor Matt Doré.

## **ABA NEGOTIATIONS COMPETITION**

The Negotiations Competition is sponsored by the American Bar Association. The Drake Negotiations team's two partner pairs Jessie Benson and Spencer Willems, and Kevin Brown and Nicole Rogers, competed in the regional competition in November. Both teams were regional finalists, with Brown and Rogers finishing second. The teams advanced to the national competition in February. At the national competition, both teams finished in the semi-final round.

### *2017-2018 Negotiations Teams:*

Jessie Benson and Spencer Willems  
Kevin Brown and Nicole Rogers  
Alternate: Samantha Nordstrom

The teams were coached by Gordon Allen, LA'69, with assistance from Jenna Bishop, LW'17, and Alexandria Merschman, LW'17.

## Order of the Coif

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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 2017*

Jenna Hardisty Bishop  
James Duff  
Olivia Nicole Kilgore  
Christopher Kreuder  
Tucker Finch Levis

Kelli Josephine Orton  
Stephanie A. Sailer  
Mary Rose Shelley  
Gatsby G. Solheim  
Alexis Lyneé Warner

## Inns of Court

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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*

Mason Bump  
Chas Cahill  
Emily Douglas  
Jennifer Harrington  
Andrew Jensen  
Taylor Larson  
David Meyers  
Andrew Morgan  
Nicholas Rauch  
Erin Romar  
Katelyn Simon  
Kolby Warren

### *C. Edwin Moore Inn of Court*

Kali Adams  
Stephen Babe  
Jessica Belman  
Joseph Casey  
Samantha Farmer  
Jonathan Jansen  
Olivia Slater  
Nathaniel Staudt



# CALI Excellence for the Future Awards

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

## ***Fall 2016***

Adam Babinat - Federal Income Tax  
Jenna Bishop - Intellectual Property - Intro  
Brett Cipperley - Land Use Control  
Zachary Clausen - Workers Compensation  
Kylie Crawford - Scientific & Expert Evidence  
Ross Curnow - International Human Rights  
Matthew Engelstad - Legislation  
Samantha Farmer - Land Use Control  
Jordan Garrison-Nickerson - Medical Malpractice  
Molly Hammer - Domestic Violence  
Aaron Kacer - Trademark & Unfair Competition  
Olivia Kilgore - Secured Transactions  
Thor Klinker - Federal Income Tax  
Christopher Kreuder - Wills & Trusts  
Madison LeDuc - Patent Law  
Anna Mallen - Contracts II  
Dillon Malone - Constitutional Law II  
Amanda Marshall - Women & the Law  
Alexandria Merschman - Criminal Practice & Procedure I  
Mackenzi Nash - Sales  
Andrew Nordyke - Contracts II  
Mackenzie O'Brien - Business Associations  
Jennifer Penn - Climate Law & Policy  
Nicholas Rauch - Trial Advocacy  
Wendy Rima - Family Law  
Nicole Rogers - Civil Procedure- Constitutional Framework  
Nicole Rogers - Criminal Law  
Nicole Rogers - Torts  
Sable Joseph - Environmental Regulation of Agriculture  
Stephanie Sailer - Scientific & Expert Evidence  
Gatsby Solheim - Contract Drafting  
Gatsby Solheim - Insurance Law  
Gatsby Solheim - Real Estate Transactions  
Britney Steele - Administrative Law  
Julia Steggerda-Corey - Constitutional Law II  
Julia Steggerda-Corey - Evidence  
Frank Swanson - Torts  
Heidi Thompson - Torts MJ  
Spencer Willems - Criminal Law

## ***Spring 2017***

Cedric Adams - International Agricultural Development Cuba  
Cedric Adams - State & Local Government  
James Bump - International Trade  
Zachary Clausen - Administrative Law  
Zachary Clausen - Criminal Practice/ Procedure I  
Ross Curnow - Business & Corporate Law  
Kacy Flaherty - Legal Ethics & Professional Responsibility  
Jordan Garrison-Nickerson - Food & the Law  
Molly Hammer - Criminal Practice/ Procedure II  
Molly Hammer - Family Law  
Haley Hermanson - Contracts II  
Bryant Hickie - Legal Ethics & Professional Responsibility  
Shannon Holmberg - Gaming Law  
Kate Hurley - Torts - Advanced Problems  
Olivia Kilgore - Bar Exam Preparation  
Olivia Kilgore - Intellectual Property Litigation  
Anna Mallen - Constitutional Law I  
Anna Mallen - Contracts II  
Anna Mallen - Property  
Michael McLeran - Bankruptcy & Debt Collection  
Michael McLeran - Sports & Antitrust  
Jackson O'Brien - Civil Procedure - Process of Litigation  
Jackson O'Brien - Constitutional Law I  
Jackson O'Brien - Property  
Robert Ostrem - Conflicts of Law  
Wendy Rima - Children & the Law  
Nicole Rogers - Civil Procedure - Process of Litigation  
Edward Rosendahl - Comparative Constitutional Law  
Michael Rozenboom - Business Associations  
Stephanie Sailer - Wills and Trusts  
Mary Rose Shelley - Federal Estate & Gift Tax  
Mary Rose Shelley - Secured Transactions  
Travis Schilling - Federal Courts & Jurisdiction  
Nathan Vos - First Amendment Seminar  
Alexis Warner - Products Liability

# CALI Excellence for the Future Awards cont'd

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## *Summer 2017*

Kate Clark - Intoxicated Driving

Kevin Reisetter - Laws of War

Emily Smith - Evidence

Joseph Montgomery - National

Security Law

## Student Ambassadors

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Student Ambassadors are student volunteers selected to assist the Drake Law School Office of Admissions in representing the Law School to students visiting the campus.

### *3L Student Ambassadors*

Joshua Asner

Chas Cahill

Emily Douglas

Danielle Holmes

David Meyers

Mackenzi Nash

Wendy Rima

Katherine Tovar

### *2L Student Ambassadors*

Ayinde Ashford

Kelse Banks

Amanda Blome

Olivia Brooks

Alexandria Coufal

Joshua Duden

Mary Francque

Kayden Guymon

Austin Heeren

Chandler Holsapple

Madison Hosey

Amy Howells

Kyle Johnson

Adam Kiel

Robert Logsdon

Charlotte Miller

Joseph Montgomery

Julio Munoz

Jennifer Pithan

### *1L Student Ambassadors*

Tyler Adams

Daniel Breitbarth

Lauren Calef

Bria Carr

Natalie Deerr

Kelly Grossman

Amber Haberl

Kyle Henry

Benjamin Kenkel

Chelsey Knapp

Andrew Lauver

Madeline Meyer

Kerrigan Owens

Rachel Soderstrum

Bryanna Walton

Blaine Woodson

# Drake Law School Faculty and Staff

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Cathy Lesser Mansfield, Professor of Law  
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Maura I. Strassberg, Professor of Law  
Allan W. Vestal, Professor of Law  
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