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*47th Annual*  
2025 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

**Elisabeth Haub  
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Pace University**

PRESIDING  
**Horace E. Anderson, Jr.**  
*Dean and Professor of Law*  
Elisabeth Haub School of Law

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

USTA Billie Jean King  
National Tennis Center

**ORDER OF EXERCISES**

Processional .....	“Pomp and Circumstance No. 1” <i>Sir Edward Elgar</i>
Welcome .....	Horace E. Anderson, Jr. <i>Dean and Professor of Law</i>
National Anthem .....	Annael Guadalupe Alvarez ‘25
Greeting from the President .....	Marvin Krislov <i>President, Pace University</i>
Dean’s Remarks .....	Horace E. Anderson, Jr.
Student Address .....	Gigi Quatrone ‘25
Conferral of Honorary Degree .....	Marvin Krislov  DOCTOR OF LAWS Robert S. Tucker ‘96 <i>New York City Fire Commissioner</i> Presented by Horace E. Anderson, Jr.
Commencement Address .....	Robert S. Tucker
Presentation of the Dean’s Award .....	Jonathan Bluvstein ’25, JD Kira Segal ’25, Flex JD Samuel Fonseca de Carvalho ’25, LLM
Barbara C. Salken Outstanding Professor of the Year Award .....	Leslie Garfield Tenzer, <i>Full-time Faculty Award</i> Robin Frankel, <i>Adjunct Faculty Award</i>
Presentation of the Class of 2025	
SJD/LLM Degrees .....	Presented by Achintha C. Vithanage <i>Associate Director of Environmental Law Programs</i>
JD Degrees .....	Presented by Jill I. Gross <i>Vice Dean for Academic Affairs</i>
Closing Remarks .....	Dante Sheerin ’25 <i>Student Bar Association President</i>
Farewell .....	Horace E. Anderson, Jr.
Recessional .....	“Two Voluntaries” <i>Henry Purcell</i>

# Honorary Degree Citation

Doctor of Laws

**Robert S. Tucker**

New York City Fire Commissioner

Robert S. Tucker is the 35th New York City Fire Commissioner. A lifelong New Yorker, Commissioner Tucker grew up in Manhattan and attended George Washington University. He went to law school at the Pace University School of Law at night, while working as the special assistant to the late Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown. The experience allowed him to work closely with an extensive network of executive level members of the New York City Police Department and the City administration, as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the U.S. Secret Service, and other public safety entities.

In 1999, he founded T&M USA, an international security and investigations firm. During his time at T&M, he was also devoted to philanthropic work. This included service as a trustee to the New York City Police Foundation, and on the Board of Directors at White Plains Hospital, Pace University and the FDNY Foundation.

As a 1996 graduate of the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University, Commissioner Tucker has a deep connection to his alma mater and served on Pace University's Board of Trustees from 2018 until 2024. In 2017, through his generous support, Haub Law established the Robert S. Tucker Prize for Prosecutorial Excellence to recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions to criminal prosecution and exemplify excellence in prosecutorial practice.

Commissioner Tucker prides himself on being a son of the city, and the father of three children, two daughters and a son. He is the grandson of the late Richard Tucker, an American operatic tenor and cantor long associated with the Metropolitan Opera.

Serving as the FDNY Commissioner is the realization of Commissioner Tucker's lifelong dream.

# The Class of 2025

## Doctor of Juridical Science

Barbara Ballan

## Master of Laws in Comparative Legal Studies

Mayara Suyanne Braga Carvalho-DeSantis	Samuel Fonseca de Carvalho †	Misha Mitchem
Pamela Vanessa Camelo Machado	Paola Fuso	Juliette Jo Planes
Liliana Andreina Campos Salcedo	Annaëlle Renée Nicole Lancelot	Fanny Elizabeth Rodriguez

## Master of Laws in Environmental Law

Yasmine Maria Blakely	Opeyemi Naimot Dawodu †	Maria Jovita Lambert †
Joseph Byron Budd	Daniel Blackshear Dorough †	Justyna Maksimiuk †
Muhammad Bugti	Samuel Fonseca de Carvalho †	Pamela P. Root †
Sirra Danso	Azam Hawari †	

## Degree of Juris Doctor

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Sav Eli Ackerman•	Marc Anthony Bisogno•	Vanessa Lynn Chiodo
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Dr. Maxwell Albanese★	Diana Blancas•	Bryce Joseph Clark
Erica Aliperta	Jonathan Daniel Bluvstein•	Isabella Rose Clerico
Tasneem Al-Jayyousi**	Sebastian Samuel Boivin•	Gavin Michael Cogan
Noah Timothy Allen-Morabito*	Robert Z. Brandy	Sally Jane Cohen•
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Aubreand St. Theresa Arscott•	Christina Ann Brunetti	Chloe Madeline Collins
Maximilian Simmon Asnis	Kellee Marie Burgos•	Christopher Robert Condon
Karum David Audah	Alyssa Carmela Calabrese•	Hannah Meghan Conlon•
Reni Biswas Axelrod•	Andrea Skyler Calvache-Wion•	Gregory Conte
Jordan Issa Azar	Stella Capparelli•	Ashley Elizabeth Coppola•
Ashley Baizas	Marco Christopher Caprioni•	Nicholas H. Corliss
Katerina Roslyn Balukas•	Steven Vincent Caputo III	Ryan Crocco•
Julia Judith Bansbach	Stephen Mario Cardarelli	Jorge Octavio Cubias Solis
Luciana Batkay*	Maxwell Alan Carlson	Nicole F. Dallas•
Jordan Mitchel Bender	Anthony Palermo Castro	Dalton Callman Dames-Siegel
Jacob Bennett	Peter J. Cella Jr.•	Kyle Davis-Edwards

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## Degree of Juris Doctor *(continued)*

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Robert John Deckert•	Yola Halpert	Natalie Lara*
Andrea Frances De Rosa*	Maureen F. Hartwell*	Andy Laucet
Sabrina Lucia Di Costanzo	Gabriela Hasaj•	Jillian Leavitt Lavery
Aaron William Diaz*	Jacob Christopher Hauser•★	Cameron Jack Lebson
Emily Ann DiGiacomo	Taylor Lynn Hernandez•	Jason Asean Lee
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Jessica Claire Farrell*	Mercedes Jasterzenski	Dani Lorenz-Cunneen
Marina Alexandra Fedak•	Star Isabel Jimenez	Aaron Gabriel Lowe•
Michelle Tricia Feighan•	Laurel Marie Jobe•	Luigi Lulaj
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Hannah Gaudet	Jacob Matthew Karpuhin-Correa	Joseph Rojo Martinez
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Lindsay Beth Goldstein	Daniel Krupa•	Elizabeth Rose Mazza•
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Hannah Elizabeth Meade•	Andrew James Pierre•	Alyssa Nicole Strother
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Christian Monge-Figueroa	Kaila Joy Pugliese-Tobin*	Rangel Toussaint
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Ingrid Morales•	Amanda Rafferty•	Olivia Arden Uribe
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Matthew Eugene Nappi	Gianluca Ritz•	Pamella Niddrie Vegna**
Jonathan Daniel Narvais-Gwilt•	Ariana Imani Rodriguez-Hernandez	Carissa Veltri
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Chelsea Lora Nuss*	Robert Mauro Rossiter•	Derek F. Wafer
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# 2025 Advanced Certificate Candidates

## Advanced Certificate in Environmental Law

Reni Biswas Axelrod	Morgan Elizabeth Martin*	Lauren Anne Palmer•
Sebastian Samuel Boivin•	Gabriela Yari Martinez•	ThuLan Teresa Pham
Andrea Frances De Rosa*	Elizabeth Rose Mazza•	Houston Hugo Porter•
Emily Ann DiGiacomo	Hayley Marie McBryan	Madison Marie Routledge Pettus*
Jacob Christopher Hauser•★	Patricia Ann McKee•	Natalie Ruth Van Wickler
Laurel Marie Jobe•	Madeline Geli Miller•	Pamella Niddrie Vegna**
Jamie Lee Justice•	Bridget Anastasia Molnar	Mackenzie Wittig•
Tenney Lee Kapellusch	Jonathan Daniel Narvais-Gwilt•	Brooke Leah Wood
Daniel Krupa•	Emily G. Nobles	
Natalie Lara*	Michael Brian O'Hora Jr•	

## Advanced Certificate in Health Law & Policy

Gabriela Hasaj•	Peter Evans McBride	Chrismary Reynoso
Priscilla Lara Holloway•	Jonathan Daniel Narvais-Gwilt•	Natalie Grace Pullows Tetuan

## Advanced Certificate in International Law

Emily Ann DiGiacomo	Gigi Quatrone**	Dante John Sheerin
Jamie Lee Justice•	Madison Marie Routledge Pettus*	Brooke Leah Wood
Jonathan Daniel Narvais-Gwilt•	Ishani Sanyal	
ThuLan Teresa Pham	Jonathan Schwoerer	

# 2025 Joint Degrees

## Master of Environmental Management Joint Degree with Yale University School for the Environment

Karum David Audah	Aleksandra Zofia Kosciolk
Rita Kathleen Flanagan•	Daniel Krupa•

## Master of Science in Environmental Policy Joint Degree with Bard College, Center for Environmental Policy

Michael Brian O'Hora Jr.•

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Aubreand Arscott

Stella Capparelli

Sabrina Di Costanzo

Nikki F. Karadimas

Crystal Mateo

Julissa N. Peralta

# Student Scholarships and Awards 2024–2025

## **Adolf Homburger Humanitarian Award**

Jack Williams

## **The Barbara Klein Memorial Scholarship Award**

Jonathan Bluvstein  
Stella Capparelli  
Steven V. Caputo  
Elizabeth Rose Mazza  
Diann Pena

## **The Daniel A. Austin Memorial Award**

Andrei A. Bicknese

## **The Elisabeth Haub School of Law Scholars Award**

Natalie Lara  
Remi O'Shaughnessy

## **The George O. Becker Memorial Award**

Nikki F. Karadimas

## **The John Bartels Trial Advocacy Award**

Megan Eve Vecere

## **The Jay Carlisle Scholarship Award**

Ramy Ashour

## **The John R. Nolon Student Award**

Sophie Coassin

## **The Judge Richard J. Daronco Memorial Award**

Maria Bernardo-Montenegro

## **Clinical Legal Education Association Outstanding Clinical Student Award**

Jonathan Bluvstein  
Derek Wafer

## **Clinical Legal Education Association Outstanding Externship Student Award**

Kira Segal

## **Excellence in Clinical Education Award**

Maxwell Carlson  
Robert Rossiter

## **The Lance Corporal Michael D. Glover USMC Scholarship**

Caleigh J. Casey

## **The Robert C. & Janet Lee Marville Award**

Henry David Rodriguez

## **The Vanessa H. Merton Public Service Award**

Mayara Carvalho

## **Murphy Schiller & Wilkes LLP**

Emily DiGiacomo

## **The Carl A. Vergari Excellence in Criminal Law Award**

Madison Lane

## **The Bohn Vergari Public Service Award for Best Environmental Law Student**

Natalie Lara

## **Westchester s Bar Association Foundation Justice Sondra Miller Scholarship Award**

Stella Capparelli  
Stephanie Gonzales

## **The White Plains Bar Association**

Isaac Rubin Clinical Lawyering Award  
John Narvais-Gwilt

## **The White Plains Bar Association Ethics and Professionalism Award**

Kevin Michael Kelly

## 2025 Dean's Award

The Elisabeth Haub School of Law Dean's Award is presented to a graduating full-time, part-time, and LLM student who best demonstrates academic excellence, leadership, and service to the law school and community.

### Jonathan Bluvstein, JD

Jonathan Bluvstein's journey at Haub Law has been defined by a steadfast dedication to academic excellence, leadership and meaningful community engagement and service. Jonathan served as Vice President of Haub Law's First-Generation Law Students Association and LAMBDA Law Students Association, demonstrating his commitment to building inclusive spaces and supporting diverse communities. As the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Editor for the Pace International Law Review (PILR), he has worked to ensure that articles selected for publication reflect a broad range of perspectives and uphold inclusive, thoughtful language. He has also helped pave the way for future contributors by mentoring first year law students and introducing them to PILR's mission and editorial work.

Jonathan has demonstrated his commitment to community service through a range of hands-on legal experiences. He has volunteered his time with the Welcome Legal Alliance's Refugee Asylum Assistance program, and the Compassionate Release Program, supporting attorneys advocating for federal inmates seeking compassionate release. Most recently, he interned with the Fairbridge Investor Rights Clinic where he represented clients in securities arbitrations and mediations before the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). Jonathan was also a student speaker at the 2025 SEC Investor Advocacy Law School Clinic Summit at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Jonathan's academic achievements have earned him numerous honors, including a Merit Scholarship, Pace Trustee Tuition Grant and the Barbara Klein Award, and he will graduate with Cum Laude honors.

### Kira Segal, Flex JD

Kira Segal is a passionate and resilient student leader whose perseverance and caring nature has been a shining light to all at the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University. A former teacher and a mom of four children, Kira has pursued her law degree at Haub Law as a part-time Flex JD student—balancing the demands of academics, student leadership, career, and family life. Her dedication and tenacity led to her consistently achieving Dean's List status throughout her time in law school and she will graduate with Magna Cum Laude honors.

As the founding Vice President of Older Wiser Law Students (OWLS) at Haub Law, Kira helped establish the student organization and served in that role for its first two years. Now serving as President, she has been instrumental in cultivating a strong sense of community and belonging among her peers. Through her passion for building community on campus, she has organized professional panels, networking events, and new family-friendly traditions such as Fall Fest and Family Day.

Her commitment to public service is also evident through Kira's work with the Pace Women's Justice Center, supporting victims and families of domestic abuse. Selected twice as intern, Kira contributed as a Legal Extern in their Family Court Program and as a Legal Intern, assisting supervising attorneys and attending court meetings for client divorce proceedings. Currently, Kira is a Legal Intern with Berkman Bottger Newman & Schein where she is involved in numerous court preparations for clients from preparing client statements of net worth, to drafting letters to the court, to attending court proceedings.

### Samuel Fonseca de Carvalho, LLM

Samuel Fonseca de Carvalho is a distinguished environmental law scholar, leader and global advocate who has made significant contributions to the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University during his time as an LLM student. An attorney from Brazil, Samuel specializes in Energy and Climate Change Law. At Haub Law, he served as a Research Assistant for the Global Center for Environmental Legal Studies (GCELS), where he played a pivotal role in organizing and drafting ten motions sponsored by the Center for possible consideration at the upcoming International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) World Conservation Congress.

Samuel has been an engaged member of the student body, serving as the LLM Liaison for Haub Law's Environmental Law Society. He was selected as a Sustainable Business Law Hub Student Scholar and received First Place in the Third Annual Professor John R. Nolon Student Writing Competition. He proudly represented Haub Law as a student ambassador at the American Bar Association's Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources (ABA SEER) Conferences and NY Climate Exchange events. He also served as the Written Content Vice Chair for both the ABA SEER Climate Change and ESG & Sustainability Committees.

Samuel has a deep interest in global climate discussions as well, volunteering at COP28 with Legal Response International and being selected by YOUTHCOP to participate in COP 29 in Baku, Azerbaijan. His recent publications include articles on SEC rules impacting registrants' value chains and clean energy incentives for the implementation of ground source heat pumps under energy savings performance contracts. In 2024, he began interning with the Initiative for Responsible Mining Assurance (IRMA), focusing on improving social and environmental performance in the mining sector.

# 2025 Barbara C. Salken Outstanding Professor of the Year Award

The Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University Barbara C. Salken Outstanding Professor of the Year Award honors a full time and adjunct professor(s) who displays incredible commitment and character to their students. Recipients are selected annually by a vote of the graduating class.

## Leslie Y. Garfield Tenzer

### *2025 Outstanding Professor of the Year (Full-time)*

Professor Tenzer joined the faculty of Haub Law in 1990 and teaches Commercial Law, Contracts, Torts and Social Media Law. She is the Semi-Centennial Faculty Scholar and previously served as the James D. Hopkins Professor of Law Chair from 2019–2021. Her scholarship and teaching bridge the worlds of theory and practice, with a particular focus on regulating conduct in the digital age. Prior to coming to Haub Law, Professor Tenzer was a legislative attorney in the Legal Division of the Council of the City of New York.

Professor Tenzer is a dynamic teacher and committed scholar who brings forward thinking approaches to legal education. She is deeply committed to fostering a culture of justice, equity, diversity and inclusion and has led impactful initiatives in this area, helping to create an all-embracing campus environment in divisive times. A dedicated mentor, Professor Tenzer empowers students as they navigate their career paths, offering both guidance and inspiration. She is the faculty advisor to the Pace Law Review and host of two popular podcasts for students, Law to Fact, and Legal Tenzer: Casual Conversations on Noteworthy Legal Topics.

Professor Tenzer is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Goettel Prize for Faculty Scholarship in 2020 and 2012, the Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2024, the Ottinger Prize for Faculty Achievement in 2013 and 2004, and the Outstanding Professor of the Year Award in 2014.

## Robin Frankel

### *2025 Outstanding Professor of the Year (Adjunct)*

Professor Frankel is a supervising attorney in the Barbara Salken Criminal Justice Clinic at Haub Law. She joined Haub Law as an Adjunct Professor of Law in 2012 and is a two-time recipient of the Outstanding Professor of the Year Award. A career public defender, she began practicing in 1987 in the Legal Aid Society Criminal Defense Division's Manhattan office and currently practices at its South Bronx office. She has tried over 60 cases to verdict.

Professor Frankel serves as a mentor for junior attorneys, externs, and interns. She has created a training on the handling of a felony designed for junior attorneys. Additionally, Professor Frankel has supervised Family Services of Westchester's Juvenile Law Program where she trained Haub Law students to conduct "Know Your Rights" and criminal law workshops for middle-school students. Professor Frankel is a frequent moot and mock trial judge, as well as a NITA program participant at Columbia, Hofstra, CUNY, and NY Law schools. Recently Professor Frankel was responsible for dismissals on two wrongful arrest cases after she successfully convinced the prosecutor that their cases were based on misidentification of clothes. These cases, if not dismissed, could have led to decades of needless prison sentences for both innocent men.

# 2025 Staff Award for Excellence

The Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace Award for Excellence honors a department or staff member who demonstrates dedication to excellence that often goes above and beyond expectations, and in support of the Law School's mission.

## Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University Preston Hall Café

In recognition of their unwavering dedication to the Law School and the joy they bring to our community each day, the Preston Hall Café staff are honored for their consistently outstanding service—always delivered with a smile and a genuine care that makes every student feel welcome and supported.

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## Mock Trial Teams

### American Association for Justice Student Trial Advocacy Competition

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### Buffalo-Niagara Mock Trial Competition

Maiya Aubry  
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Katerina Balukas  
Paige Padula

### Hofstra National Medical Legal Mock Trial Competition

Katerina Balukas  
Marina Di Leo  
Eva Juncaj  
Tyler Justic

### National Trial League Championships

Eva Juncaj  
Madison Lane

### National Trial League Regionals

Katerina Balukas  
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Julia Stueber  
Alexandra Tagliamonti

### Northeast Black Law Student Association (NEBSA) Constance Baker Motley Mock Trial Competition

Ashley Baizas  
Julie Bazile  
Jason Lee  
Andrew Pierre

### Online National Championship

Andrea Calvache-Wion  
Patrick Duffy  
Natalia Garcia-Perez  
Matthew Mistretta

### Premiere Trial Competition

Minnie Beideman  
Jennifer DeLeon  
Scott Downs  
Kenyetta Thompson

### Puerto Rico Trial Advocacy Competition

Isabella Menta  
Paige Padula  
Alexandra Tagliamonti  
Jaimee Villas

### Queens District Attorney's Office Mock Trial Competition

Maiya Aubry  
James Page  
Skyler Pozo  
Alexa Saccomanno

### Quinnipiac University Criminal Justice Trial Competition

Andrea Calvache-Wion  
Natalia Garcia-Perez  
Daniel Monaghan  
Justin O'Connor

### Shark Beach Showdown National Trial Competition

Katerina Balukas  
Eva Juncaj  
Madison Lane  
Paige Padula

### Summit Cup

Steven Caputo  
Carlos Erazo  
Madison Lane  
Alexa Saccomanno

### Syracuse Deposition Competition

Priscilla Holloway  
Skyler Pozo

### Syracuse National Trial Competition

Patrick Duffy  
Olivia Haemmerle  
Matthew Mistretta  
Samara Pizarro

### Texas Young Lawyers Association National Trial Competition

Samson Bosco  
Carlos Erazo  
Olivia Haemmerle  
Tyler Justic  
Samara Pizarro  
Julia Stueber

## Moot Court Teams

### **American Bar Association National Appellate Advocacy Competition**

Ky-Mani Grant  
Deanna Nussberger  
Daniel Monaghan  
Morgan Shanske  
Dante Sheerin

### **Burton D. Wechsler National First Amendment Moot Court Competition**

Sophie Bacas  
Tyler Justic  
Jack Williams

### **Dean Jerome Prince Memorial Evidence Competition**

Michael Doukas  
Halil Gecaj  
Samara Pizarro

### **El Moot Ambiental De Universidad Cientifica Del Sur**

Jennifer DeLeon  
Francesca Gugino  
Henry Rodriguez

### **International Criminal Court Moot Court Competition**

Sophie Bacas  
Jacob Cannon  
Priscilla Holloway  
Tenzin Lhamo  
Victoria Perretti

### **National Latina/o Law Students Association (NLLSA) Moot Court Competition**

Samara Pizarro  
Kaitlyn Cepeda  
Samantha Portillo  
Francesca Rocha  
Emanuel Yax

### **National Moot Court Competition**

Stacey Colangelo  
Hannah Conlon  
Tyler Ford  
Emily Hunt

### **National Veterans Law Moot Court Competition**

Michael Doukas  
Evan Stouber

### **Thurgood Marshall Memorial Moot Court Competition**

Reni Axelrod  
Sarah Zelek

### **Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition**

Sara Chazik  
Stacey Colangelo  
Tyler Ford  
Jack Williams

### **Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot**

Hannah Conlon  
Emily Hunt  
Jack Love  
Rebecca Parlante

## Arbitration, Mediation, and Negotiation Teams

### **American Bar Association Arbitration Competition**

Kyle Davis-Edwards  
Aaron Diaz  
Stephanie Gonzales  
Alana Hubbs  
Rafael Pinkhasov  
Samantha Portillo  
Emma Scrimgeour  
Morgan Wertlieb

### **American Bar Association Client Counseling Competition**

Samantha Diaz  
Kaitlyn D'Amico  
Melanie Mahoney  
Chloe Mitchell  
Amanda Spence-Hilliard  
Henry Rodriguez

### **American Bar Association Law Student Tax Challenge**

Alanna Lenihan  
Joseph Seminara

### **American Bar Association Negotiation Competition**

Nicole Carpinteri  
Rebecca Ferguson  
Victoria Perretti

### **American Bar Association Representation in Mediation Competition**

Lara O'Callaghan  
Francesca Rocha

### **Brooklyn Law School Athlete Endorsement Negotiation Competition**

Marc Bisogno  
Rebecca Ferguson

### **Fordham National Basketball Negotiation Competition**

Marc Bisogno  
Andrew Leffler

### **New York Law School Soccer Dispute Competition**

Rebecca Ferguson  
Madeline Law  
Andrew Leffler  
Nathaniel Pinero

### **New York State Bar Association Dispute Resolution Section Annual Mediation Tournament**

Kaylyn Klopp  
Houston Porter  
Joan Sit

### **Syracuse Transatlantic Negotiation Competition**

Michelle Garvey  
Matthew Mistretta  
Shannon Stemper

### **Tulane International Baseball Arbitration Competition**

Marc Bisogno  
Madeline Law  
Michael Minoli

### **Villanova Baseball Filing Day Competition**

Marc Bisogno  
Madeline Law  
Andrew Leffler  
Michael Minoli

### **Villanova Law Professional Football Negotiation Competition**

Jack DiMasso  
Nicholas Kryza

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