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**EXERCISES FOR THE  
PRESENTATION  
OF DIPLOMAS**

**WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA  
WALTER J. ZABLE STADIUM  
(Rain Location: Phi Beta Kappa Hall)**

**MAY 11, 2003  
3:00 P.M.**

**THE HONORABLE HALDANE ROBERT MAYER**  
**CHIEF JUDGE, UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS**  
**FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT**

Born in Buffalo, New York in 1941, Bob Mayer graduated from West Point. After serving with great distinction in the United States Army during the Vietnam War, he came to Marshall-Wythe. He was first in the Class of 1971 and editor-in-chief of the **William and Mary Law Review**. Mayer then clerked for Judge Butzner of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and was later the Special Assistant to Chief Justice Burger of the United States Supreme Court. He practiced law at McGuire, Woods & Battle in Charlottesville and Baker & McKenzie in Washington, D.C., while also finding time to teach as an adjunct law professor at the University of Virginia and George Washington University.

President Reagan appointed Bob Mayer to the United States Court of Claims in 1982 and then to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in 1987. In December 1997, Mayer became Chief Judge of the Federal Circuit.

Judge Mayer and his wife, the former Mary Anne McCurdy, have two daughters, one of whom, Anne Mayer Turk, graduated from Marshall-Wythe in 1998. Anne practices law with Sidley Austin Brown & Wood in Los Angeles, and serves as a vice president of the Law School Alumni Association.

# EXERCISES FOR THE PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

## Processional

### Welcome

W. Taylor Reveley III  
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Keith Richard Wesolowski '03  
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Barrett William Thies '03  
*Chair, Class Gift*

### Presentation of Awards

Citizen Lawyer Award

The Honorable R. Edwin Burnette Jr. '78

Walter L. Williams Jr.  
Memorial Teaching Award

Robin Elaine Perrin '03

Lawrence W. P'Anson Award  
George Wythe Award  
Thurgood Marshall Award  
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Dean Reveley

### Introduction of Judge Mayer

Dean Reveley

### Remarks

The Honorable Haldane Robert Mayer  
*Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit*

### Presentation of Diplomas

Dean Reveley  
Lizbeth A.S. Jackson  
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### Final Words

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### Passing of the Mace

Keith Richard Wesolowski  
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### Recessional

Immediately following the ceremony, we invite graduates and their families and friends to the Law School for a graduation reception.

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Studies, School of Law, 2000*

**MIYUKA NISHI**, Tokyo, Japan  
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*LL.B., Peking University, 1999*  
*LL.M., Renmin University of China, 2002*

## ORDER OF THE COIF

The Order of the Coif is a national scholastic honor society in law. Its purpose is “to foster a spirit of careful study and to mark in a fitting manner those who have attained a high grade of scholarship” in the study of law. The English Order of the Coif was the most ancient and one of the most honored institutions of the common law. Its origins may antedate the Norman Conquest. The American Order of the Coif was founded in 1912. Membership in it is the highest academic honor a law student may achieve. It is equivalent to membership in Phi Beta Kappa for undergraduates, recognizing the scholastic achievement of students selected from the upper ten percent of their class. The 2002 inductees are denoted by an asterisk in the list of graduates.

### AWARDS GIVEN AT GRADUATION

#### *The Citizen Lawyer Award*

This award honors a graduate or friend of the Law School who stands squarely in the Jeffersonian tradition of outstanding citizenship and leadership.

#### *The Walter L. Williams Jr. Memorial Teaching Award*

This annual award is named in honor of the late Professor Walter L. Williams Jr., who died in 1991. The winner is selected by the graduating class.

#### *The Lawrence W. I'Anson Award*

The Lawrence W. I'Anson Award is presented annually to a member of the graduating class who in the judgment of the Law School faculty has shown evidence of great professional promise through scholarship, character and leadership. The award, supported by an endowment given by the Beazley Foundation of Portsmouth, Virginia, honors the late Lawrence W. I'Anson, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia and first President of the Board of Directors of the National Center for State Courts.

#### *The George Wythe and John Marshall Awards*

These awards have been made possible through the generosity of William & Mary graduates Robert Friend Boyd and Sara Miller Boyd. The Wythe and Marshall Awards recognize exceptional character, leadership and selfless service to the Law School community. The Wythe Award goes to a member of the law school student body and the Marshall Award to a member of the faculty or staff.

#### *The Thurgood Marshall Award*

Given annually by the William & Mary Law School Association, the Thurgood Marshall award goes to that member of the Marshall-Wythe community, whether student, faculty member, friend or alumnus, who best exhibits the ideals of distinguished public service exemplified by Justice Marshall.

## OTHER AWARDS AND HONORS

### ***American Bankruptcy Institute Award***

The American Bankruptcy Institute Award is presented annually to a member of the graduating class who demonstrates outstanding performance in Bankruptcy Law. The recipient is selected by Law School faculty members who teach bankruptcy. The 2003 recipient is *Daniel Jack Reynolds Jr.*

### ***American Bar Association State and Local Government Award***

The award recognizes the most outstanding student in the areas of land use and local government law. This year's recipient is *Curtis S. Miller.*

### ***Rachel Carson Award for Excellence in Environmental Law***

This award recognizes the graduating student who excelled in the area of environmental law. The 2003 recipient is *Amy Joanna McMaster.*

### ***Dean's Certificates***

Each year Dean's Certificates go to a small group of students whose efforts on behalf of the Law School have been especially compelling. This year's recipients are: *Emily Lynn Anderson, George Gabradilla Booker Jr., Tyler Gary Brass, Lelan Kay Carpenter, Ian Robert Conner, Melanie May Conrad, Andrea Laurie D'Ambra, Paul Albert Dame, Jason Gordon Everett, Robert L. Foley, Ward Patrick Griffin, Alicia Beth Kelly, Brian Scott Kelly, Ashley Reneé Moore, Benjamin Roland Orye III, Robin Elaine Perrin, Carl Ezekiel Ross, Jonathan MacKenzie Hommell Short, Laurina Mae-Anne Spolidoro, Holland M. Tahvonen, Barrett William Thies, and Keith Richard Wesolowski.*

### ***Drapers' Scholar***

Each year the Law School selects one graduating student as the recipient of the Drapers' Scholarship. The Drapers' Scholar studies for a year at Queen Mary and Westfield College of the University of London, earning an LL.M. degree. *Kevin Gerard Houlihan* is the 2003/04 Drapers' Scholar.

### ***Environmental Law and Policy Review Award for Excellence in Scholarship***

This award recognizes the most outstanding student note published in the current volume of the **Environmental Law & Policy Review**. The winner is *Emily Diane Harwood.*

### ***Ewell Award***

In 1987, the Student Assembly established an award to honor well-rounded grading students – both graduate and undergraduate – of the College, those who best exemplify a liberal arts education through their activities as well as studies. This award was named in honor of Benjamin Stoddert Ewell, the 16<sup>th</sup> President of the College of William & Mary, who by ringing the Wren Building Bell kept the College alive when its doors closed during the Civil War. Ewell recognized that students are the heart of the College's existence and continued the spirit until the students could bring life back to campus. The Law School recipients of this award are *Jason Gorgon Everett* and *Brian Scott Kelly.*

### ***The Family Law Book Award***

The Family Law Section of the Virginia State Bar and the Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers co-sponsor a Family Law Book Award to be presented to a graduating student at each Virginia law school who has demonstrated the most promise and potential for the practice of family law. The 2003 recipient is *David Minko.*

### ***The William Hamilton Prize***

The William Hamilton Prize is an award presented annually to recognize outstanding performance in legal history. The 2003 recipient is *John Thomas Scott.*

### ***The Herrmann Prize***

This prize is awarded to the student who in the opinion of the Dean, President of the National Center for State Courts, and the Director of the Courtroom 21 Project has demonstrated the greatest potential in making future contributions to the enhancement of the efficient administration of justice through the innovative use of technology. The award honors Richard Herrmann. *Ashley Reneé Moore* is the recipient of this year's award.



### ***Thomas Jefferson Prize***

This prize is given by the Institute of Bill of Rights Law to the student who published the best Student Note in the current volume of the *William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal*. The 2003 winner is *Ian Robert Conner*.

### ***Kruchko & Fries Award***

The generosity of the Baltimore-based firm Kruchko & Fries has made possible the annual recognition of a graduating student who has excelled in labor law and employment relations. The recipient is selected by Law School faculty members who teach labor and employment law. The 2003 recipients are *John Patrick Bean* and *Sarah Vivian Lewis*.

### ***Legal Skills Scholar Award***

This award is given annually by the Legal Skills Program to recognize graduating students who have received Honors in at least three semesters of Legal Skills, William & Mary Law School's innovative two-year program in legal research, writing, professional responsibility and lawyering skills. The 2003 winners are: *Paul Ashley Ainsworth, Jeffrey Thomas Baker, John Patrick Bean, Christina Elizabeth Buschmann, Steven George Carling, Ian Robert Conner, Melanie May Conrad, Andrea Laurie D'Ambra, Jennifer Lynn Eastman, Lauren Stacy Fassler, Robert L. Foley, Jon-Michael Foxworth, Robert Harrison Gibbs, Ann McDonald Mason, Amy Joanna McMaster, John Thomas Miller Jr., Samer Obeid, Benjamin Roland Orye III, Tonia Elizabeth Peake, Robin Elaine Perrin, Louise Law Phelan, Shane Richardson Reeves, Holland M. Tahvonen, Scott Lawrence Weber, and Elizabeth Anne Wickerham*.

### ***National Association of Women Lawyers Award***

This award is given to a student who contributes to the advancement of women in society; promotes issues and concerns of women in the legal profession; exhibits motivation, tenacity and enthusiasm; demonstrates academic achievement; and earns the respect of the dean and faculty. The 2003 recipient is *Anya Nikkitovich Humphrey*.

### ***Order of Barristers***

The Order of Barristers is a national honor society which recognizes individuals who have contributed substantially in an oral argument program either in the administration of an advocacy program or in the development of

advocacy skills through competition. New members from the Class of 2003 are: *Jason Robert Collins, Melanie May Conrad, Andrea Laurie D'Ambra, Paul Albert Dame, Jason Gordon Everett, Kelly Elizabeth Farnan, Steven Paul Jack, Michael Ted Lawson, Benjamin Roland Orye III, and Carl Ezekiel Ross*.

### ***Spong Professionalism Award***

This award is given by the Society of the Alumni of the College of William and Mary to a third-year law student who best exemplifies professionalism and ethics in the Legal Skills Program. The 2003 recipient is *Melanie May Conrad*.

### ***Virginia Trial Lawyers Award***

This award, given annually by the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, recognizes a graduating student who has excelled in the skills of trial advocacy. The 2003 recipient is *Andrea Laurie D'Ambra*.

### ***William and Mary Women and the Law Journal - Outstanding Member***

For outstanding dedication and support to the journal. The 2003 recipient is *Ragan Leah Willis*.

### ***William and Mary Law Review Best Student Note***

This award recognizes the most outstanding student note published in the current volume of the *Law Review*. The winner is *Kendra S. Langlois*.