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THE BRIEF

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CONGRATULATIONS, CLASS OF 2024!



Graduation exercises for the J.D. and LL.M. Class of 2024 began on the morning of Saturday, May 18 at William & Mary's Kaplan Arena. Graduates heard from former Chair of the Securities and Exchange Commission and William & Mary alumna Mary Jo White who delivered an inspiring commencement address, and student commencement speakers [Euan Davies](#) LL.M. '24, [Tatyana Cobbin](#) J.D.'24 and outgoing SBA President [Stephen Steward](#) J.D. '24. Then it was back to the Law School where graduates and their families gathered for refreshments, photos, and celebration. Congratulations to the Class of 2024! Here are scenes from that special time. [View the slideshow.](#) [Watch the video.](#)

IN THE NEWS



Mary Jo White Urges Graduates to Practice Law in the Spirit of Public Service

Former SEC Chair White shared her thoughts with 183 J.D. and LL.M. graduates during the Law School's Commencement ceremony on May 18 at Kaplan Arena. [Read more.](#)



Law Faculty Recognized for Excellence at Commencement and during Spring Semester

Professors Brian Wall, Laura A. Heymann, Iria Giuffrida, Nancy Combs, and Eric Kades were recognized this spring for outstanding teaching. [Read more.](#)



Student Achievements Recognized During Commencement

Several awards were presented to members of the Class of 2024 during the Law School's commencement ceremony on May 18. [Read more.](#)



Four Faculty Members Appointed to Named Professorships

Professors Aaron-Andrew P. Bruhl, James Dwyer, Myrisha Lewis, and Timothy Zick have been appointed to named research professorships. [Read more.](#)



Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Conference to be Held in September; Honor Lee Fennell

Lee Anne Fennell, University of Chicago Law School, will receive the 2024 Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Prize during the 21st annual Property Rights Conference in September. [Read more.](#)



Mike Dick '06 Named Director of the Puller Veterans Benefits Clinic and Clinical Associate Professor of Law

Michael Dick will become Director of the Lewis B. Puller, Jr. Veterans Benefits Clinic and Clinical Associate Professor of Law beginning in the 2024-25 academic year. [Read more.](#)



Support the Law School Before June 30

June 30, the end of our fiscal year, is coming up quickly—and so is our goal to support the Law School's critical needs. Your gift, whether large or small, can help get us there! [Read our Impact Report.](#)

If you have already supported our law students and faculty this year, thank you! If you'd still like to make a difference, gifts can be made on-line until midnight on June 30.

Thank you for helping America's first law school create exceptional learning experiences for the next generation of citizen lawyers! [Make a gift.](#)

Alumni Sightings

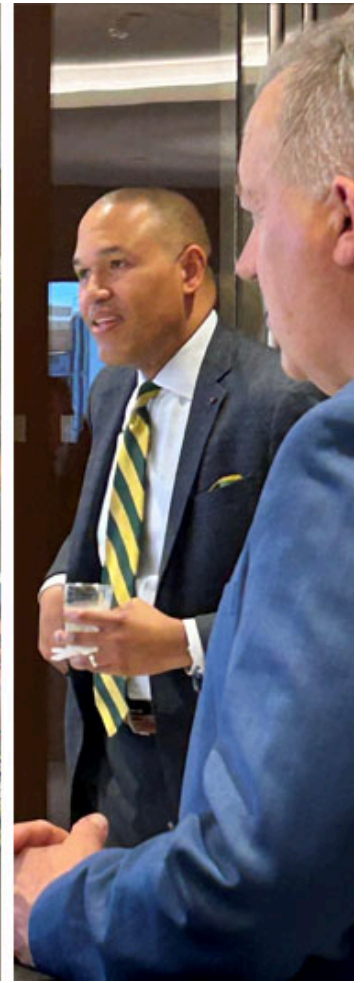


William & Mary Law Alumni are consummate leaders, and during Commencement on May 18 it was a pleasure to welcome William & Mary Board of Visitors members Judge Charles Poston '74 (Rector), Barbara Johnson '84 (Vice Rector), Doug Bunch '06, Cynthia Hudson '87, and Courtney Malveaux '02.



William & Mary Law graduates' leadership role in pro bono service was apparent on May 30 during the Virginia State Bar's Access to Legal Services Committee meeting, held in conjunction with the VSB's annual conference. The law firm of Woods Rogers Vandeventer Black received the Frankie Muse Freeman Organizational Pro Bono Award. Dave Lannetti '99 introduced the firm, and Jennifer Eaton '14, Dan Summerlin '97, and Debbie Casey '87 accepted the award on the firm's behalf. William & Mary Law alumni on hand included from left to right: Jennifer Eaton '14; Dan Summerlin '97; The Hon. William Mims UG '79, Senior Justice, Supreme Court of Virginia; Rob Poggenklass '10; The Hon. David Lannetti '99, Norfolk Circuit Court; Trey Jordan '24; Rob Kaplan; Sue Stoney '88; Gozdenur Ur LLM '23; Rob Stoney '87; Joanna Suyes UG'89, chair of Access to Legal Services Committee; The Hon. Dominique Callins '05, Court of Appeals of Virginia; Llezelle Duggar '95; and Blair Page '24.

GATHERINGS



Washington, D.C., and Northern Virginia were the settings for William & Mary Law School festivities this spring. On April 30, Doug Bunch '06 and Cohen Milstein hosted an alumni event, and the following evening found the Law School traveling to Tysons, Virginia, for a Northern Virginia Alumni Reception at Holland & Knight. Thanks are due to the many alumni who joined us; it was wonderful seeing everyone. Thanks also to our gracious hosts at Cohen Milstein and Holland & Knight!

THANKS FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE FUND

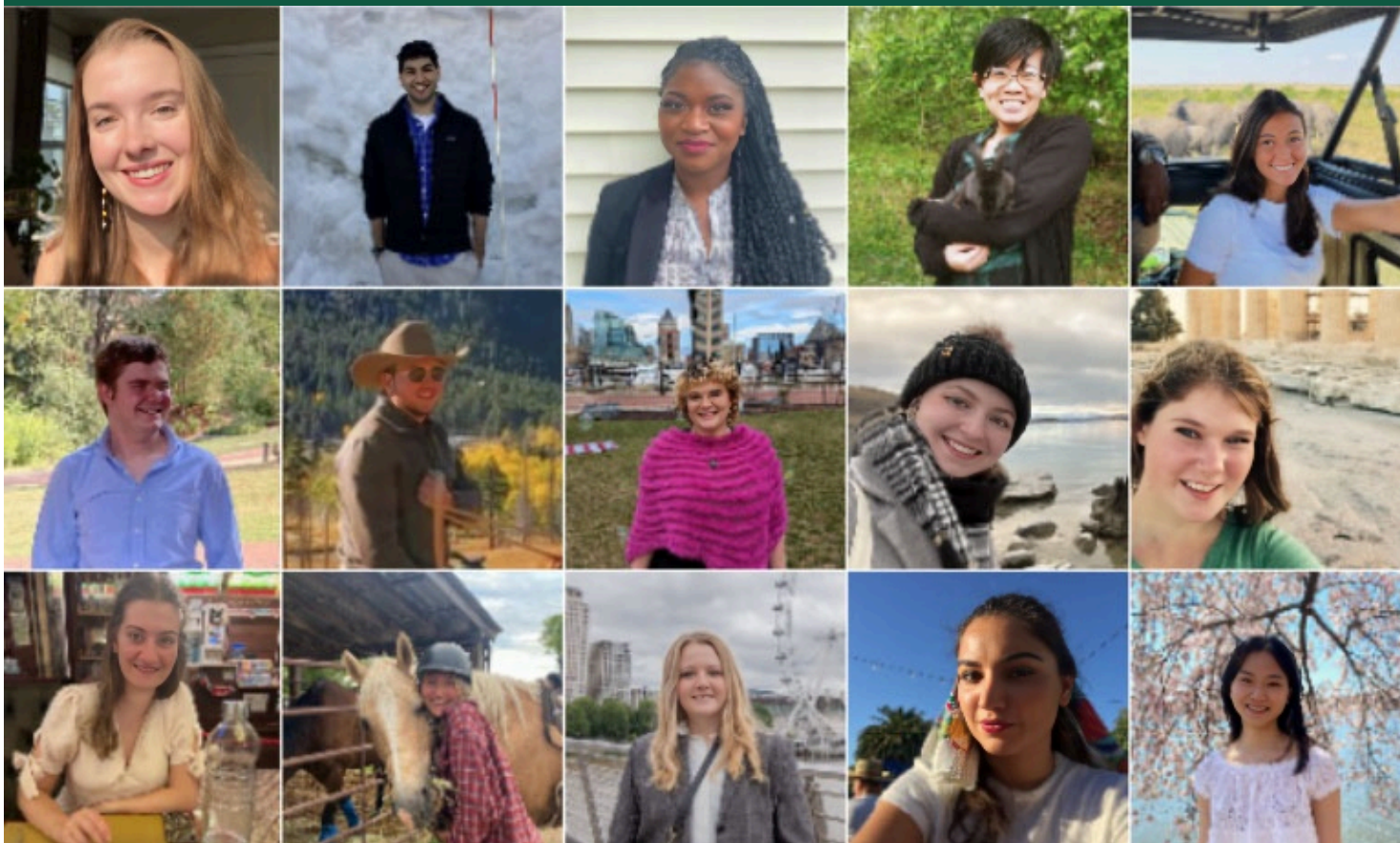


On behalf of everyone at PSF, we'd like to thank you so much for your support of this year's Auction. It was a banner year (very fitting for our 35th Anniversary!), and we are thrilled to announce that we raised a record \$48,600! Your generosity contributed significantly to our success. We could not have done it without you.

With gratitude,

Bette Rubin, 3L Auction Chair and Olivia Rovin, 2L Auction Chair

GLOBAL JUSTICE IN ACTION



William & Mary Law School Sends Interns Around the World

This summer, William & Mary Law School is dispatching a cohort of highly trained law students who will embark on a journey to engage in Rule of Law and peacekeeping projects across the globe. [Follow their exploits!](#)



ORAL HISTORIES

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An Interview with Stephanie Rever Chu and Michael Chu

"...we formed these amazing relationships in law school and throughout our careers... We're so in touch with so many people and I'm so thankful for that. It's enriched our lives, both of our lives so much." -- Mike Chu

GET INVOLVED

Alumni Summer Lunch Program

Our rising 2Ls and 3Ls are working across the United States, and in several countries, gaining experience and expertise. It can be intimidating to be in a new, temporary environment, and we invite you to reach out to host a coffee or lunch break and create an alumni-student connection. Contact Tara Radcliffe at tmsradcliffe@wm.edu to get the process started.

September 12-13: Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Conference

Registration is now open for the 21st Annual Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Conference. The conference has traditionally been approved for 4-6 CLE credits in Virginia. Those wishing to attend virtually and not seeking CLE credits may register for free. [Learn more and register.](#)

September 20-21: 2024 Supreme Court Preview

The preview has traditionally been approved for 5-6 CLE credits in Virginia. Those wishing to attend virtually and not seeking CLE credits may register for free. [Learn more.](#)

October 18-20: Alumni Weekend

Mark your calendars, grab your law school apparel, and prepare to join us in Williamsburg on October 18-20, 2024 for Alumni Weekend. Get ready to reconnect and reminisce with fellow William & Mary Law School graduates as we commemorate the milestone reunion years for the classes of 4s and 9s. Whether you graduated five or 50 years ago, your presence will make this weekend truly special! [Learn more.](#)

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS



Christina Dwyer '15 joins Harman Claytor Corrigan & Wellman (Glen Allen) as an associate. [Read more.](#)



Treyvon Jordan '24 enters ranks of alumni as winner of the 2024 Oliver White Hill Law Student Pro Bono Award. [Read more.](#)



Natsumi Antweiler '19 has joined the Dallas office of Gibson Dunn. [Read more.](#)



Former Deputy Chief Judge **James T. Moore '90** joins Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney's Delaware office. [Read more.](#)



Haarika Reddy '22 has joined Werner Ahari Mangel LLP in Washington, D.C. [Read more.](#)



Dustin DeVore '01 has been named managing partner of Kaufman & Canoles' Williamsburg office. [Read more.](#)

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Mark Your Calendars for Fall 2024!

For the first time in more than 20 years, W&M Law School's Alumni Weekend will be returning to the fall and will coincide with Homecoming festivities occurring across the William & Mary campus, adding to the excitement of the weekend.

Need to update your contact info?
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WEEKEND**
2024

October 18-20
**Same Reunion,
Same Place,
NEW DATE!**

EXCITING NEWS!

William & Mary Law School is making waves once again with the launch of its innovative [Online Master of Legal Studies in Law program](#). This groundbreaking initiative aims to redefine access to advanced legal education, offering professionals the flexibility to enhance their legal expertise and confront industry-specific challenges head-on. [Learn more.](#)



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Welcome Our Class of 2024 Graduates to Your Work and Networks

We are extremely proud of our newest W&M Law alumni who graduated last month and want to share their talents with you!

If you or someone you know is hiring for entry-level positions, [post a recent grad position](#) and share this message with your networks.

Interested in seeing their experience? Request resumes from [Ramona Sein '97](#), Assistant Dean for Employer Relations.

Recruit 2Ls and 3Ls for 2025 Positions

We invite alumni to register for our 2024 Summer and Fall Interview Programs. Virtual summer interviews begin July 23 and in-person fall interviews begin August 20. [Register for OCIs.](#)

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