

CONVOCATION

May 9 and 10, 2023

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CONVOCAATION

*“We don’t accomplish anything in this world alone...
and whatever happens is the result of the whole tapestry
of one’s life and all the weavings of individual threads
from one to another that creates something.”*

—The Honorable Sandra Day O’Connor

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SANDRA DAY O’CONNOR COLLEGE OF LAW

In 1965, President G. Homer Durham hired Willard H. Pedrick to become Arizona State University’s first law school dean and tasked him with the responsibility of building, literally from the ground up, its very first law school. Located on ASU’s Tempe campus, Armstrong Hall housed the law school until its move to the downtown Phoenix campus in 2016.

Over 50 years ago, 83 students graduated with their Juris Doctor from the ASU College of Law. Today, over 650 students graduate annually from ASU Law, receiving one of our five degrees: Juris Doctor (JD), Master of Laws (LLM), Master of Legal Studies (MLS), Master of Human Resources and Employment Law (MHREL), or Master of Sports Law and Business (MSLB).

The law school has accomplished many significant milestones in its 50+ years. In 2006, the law school was renamed to honor Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, the first woman appointed to the Supreme Court of the United States. It is a privilege—and a great responsibility—to be entrusted with Justice O’Connor’s (ret.) name and legacy. Students continue to personify Justice O’Connor’s legacy and lifetime work to advance civics education and civic engagement and discourse, by donating more than 100,000 hours of public service each year.

ASU Law has risen in national and world rankings, continues to attract highly credentialed students and offers more personalized programs than any other law school in the country.

In 2016, ASU Law moved to the Beus Center for Law and Society in the ASU Downtown Phoenix campus, further enhancing the law school’s service to the community and providing students access to the best legal opportunities. Students can also study beyond Phoenix at ASU campuses in Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles, as well as participate in global study abroad and externship or internship opportunities.

ASU Law’s world-class faculty and administrators provide students with unparalleled opportunities to gain insights and practical skills needed to address legal challenges locally, nationally, and globally. ASU Law also prides itself on its network of engaged alumni and its relationship to the broader legal community, which has fully embraced the law school and is dedicated to the success of its graduates.

ASU Law ranks as a top 30 best law school in the nation for eight consecutive years according to U.S. News & World Report (as of April 2023). The No. 12 best public law school, ASU Law has five programs ranked in the top 30 and consistently ranks high in job placement after graduation. The law school is No. 1 in Arizona for student outcomes and No. 1 in the state for bar passage, often exceeding the national average.

CONVOCATION PROGRAM

Master of Sports Law and Business Convocation

May 9, 2023

Procession of Faculty and Candidates (audience should stand)

Opening Remarks.....Stacy Leeds
Willard H. Pedrick Dean and Regents Professor of Law

Convocation Address..... Don Gibson
Professor of Practice

Don Gibson has more than 35 years of experience as an attorney, business executive and entrepreneur in the sports and entertainment industries. He has represented entertainers, athletes and companies in business and in legal matters, and has spent more than 20 years in senior leadership positions with major sports organizations.

Professor Gibson worked eight years with Major League Baseball. He first served as an attorney in the Commissioner’s Office, then as vice president and General Counsel, and as senior VP/acting president, of Major League Baseball Properties, Inc., the division responsible for Major League Baseball’s licensing, corporate sponsorship, special events and marketing. Following his tenure with Major League Baseball, he served as the chief executive of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts. He was responsible for all day-to-day administration of the institution, including management of the \$103 Million new Hall of Fame Riverfront development project.

After four and a half years with the Basketball Hall of Fame, he left to pursue entrepreneurial interests in Los Angeles. He formed his own sports management agency, XL Sports, and then became a principal and co-founder of Section 1, a sports and entertainment consumer products company. He subsequently returned to private law practice, joining the law firm Dreier Stein Kahan LLP based in Santa Monica, California as a partner, heading up the firm’s new sports law practice. He also simultaneously launched and became Chief Operating Officer of Dreier Sports Opportunities, which provided sports marketing and business development services to athletes and businesses.

In 2009, Professor Gibson launched Kavi Sports & Entertainment, a consulting firm that provides a broad range of services to clients in the sports and entertainment industries, including strategic planning, licensing, branding and business development. In 2014, he co-founded and launched Brandtheon, which provides brand development and brand management services to sports and entertainment personalities. Since 2015, he has been a Professor of Practice with the Arizona State University, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, teaching courses in sports law and business. In 2023, Professor Gibson was awarded Master of Sports Law and Business faculty of the year.

MSLB Student SpeakerTrevor Goodwin
Candidate with Master of Sports Law and Business (MSLB)

Trevor Goodwin, originally from Little Rock, Arkansas, received his undergraduate degree in recreation and sports management with a minor in communications at the University of Arkansas. Trevor worked four years as a Razorback Marketing intern, where the Intern of the Month award was partially named after him. After graduation, he worked for Murray State as a Marketing intern before accepting a Marketing and Game Presentation Graduate Assistantship with Sun Devil Athletics. During his time with the Sun Devils, Trevor has overseen the marketing and game presentation efforts for volleyball, hockey, lacrosse and softball. During his tenure at Sun Devil Athletics, he has assisted with breaking revenue records for volleyball, hockey, lacrosse and softball.

Presentation of Candidates.....Glenn Wong
Distinguished Professor of Practice

Hoarding of Candidates.....Aaron Hernandez
Assitant Dean, Allan “Bud” Selig Sports Law and Business program

Closing Remarks..... Stacy Leeds
Willard H. Pedrick Dean and Regents Professor of Law

Recession of Faculty and Candidates (audience should stand)

**Master of Legal Studies and Master of Human Resources and
Employment Law Convocation
May 9, 2023**

Procession of Faculty and Candidates (audience should stand)

Opening RemarksStacy Leeds
Willard H. Pedrick Dean and Regents Professor of Law

Convocation Address.....Sher Downing, Ph.D.
CEO, Downing EdTech Consulting

Sher Downing is the CEO of Downing EdTech Consulting, offering guidance in digital transformation for business advancement and professional performance. As an EdTech strategist, she focuses on the relationships between strategic planning, operations management, products, OPE services, and innovation.

Downing is an experienced professional in online learning for public and private organizations and educational institutions. Her career has focused on assisting in designing and implementing award-winning programs and services for internal and external customers. Acknowledged as “a distinguished value-giver...very few professionals of her caliber are so willing to share their insight, knowledge, and guidance,” she helps organizations launch, grow, and develop with an impact for the betterment and accessibility of users worldwide. In 2020, she began the podcast EdTech Speaks, looking at contributing to the industry by identifying innovative products, services, and ideas that impact the edtech industry.

Downing also assists tech professionals by combining her operational knowledge and coaching expertise to help in their career expansion opportunities into the startup and entrepreneurial world.

Recently, her company was honored to be named a finalist in the EdTech Trendsetter category by EdTech Digest, the largest and most competitive recognition program in the U.S. In 2022, Downing was named one of The Top 50 Women Leaders in Arizona; in 2021, she was a nominee for Entrepreneur of the Year at the Women in IT USA Awards.

Downing has served as a past law school alumni board member, a university trustee, an international speaker and presenter, and a mentor to graduate students and EdTech professionals. She is a co-author in the best-selling global The Power of Why series and co-contributor to Forbes, SSON, and Medium. Downing holds an M.S. and Ph.D. with an emphasis in instructional design for online learning and a master’s in legal studies focused on intellectual property. Downing holds certifications in coaching, teaching and learning, and digital strategy.

MLS and MHREL Student Speaker.....Heather I. Ashworth
Candidate with Master of Legal Studies (MLS)

Heather I. Ashworth, originally from Albuquerque, New Mexico, graduated with her undergraduate degree in economics from the University of New Mexico and her Master of Business Administration from the University of Phoenix, where she was a member of the Delta Mu Delta International Honor Society in Business. While at ASU Law, she carried a full-time class load while raising her teenage son as a single parent and working full-time at Automatic Data Processing Inc. (ADP), where she has been employed for 17 years. In her role at ADP, Heather oversees the contract administration for over 1,300 accounts and has held the Certified Payroll Professional (CPP), Human Capital Strategist (HCS), Professional in Human Resources (PHR), and Society for Human Resource Managers Certified Professional (SHRM-CP) certifications. After graduation, she plans to continue her career with ADP and hopes to volunteer with the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education while she works to acquire the required experiential hours to take the Arizona Legal Paraprofessional (LP) exam. Once Heather is a licensed LP, she plans to work with the underserved in Arizona.

Presentation of Candidates.....Andi Bevier
Instructional Professional, Adjunct

Hooding of Candidates.....Eric Menkhus
Clinical Professor and Director of the Innovation Advancement Legal Clinic

Closing Remarks.....Stacy Leeds
Willard H. Pedrick Dean and Regents Professor of Law

Recession of Faculty and Candidates (audience should stand)

JD Convocation

May 10, 2023

Procession of Faculty and Candidates (audience should stand)

Opening Remarks.....Stacy Leeds

Willard H. Pedrick Dean and Regents Professor of Law

Convocation Address.....Charles Calleros, JD

Professor and Alan A. Matheson Fellow in Law

Since 1981, Charles Calleros has been a member of the faculty of the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, where he has taught Contracts, International Contracts, Civil Rights, Legal Analysis, First-Year Legal Writing, and advanced writing seminars. He has taught as a visiting professor at Stanford University, the University of Santa Clara, the University of Paris Descartes, Zhongnan University of Economics and Law in China, and the Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi.

Calleros has published three books and dozens of law journal articles or book chapters on topics relating to contract law, conflicts of law, civil rights, and legal education and pedagogy. He is a member of the American Law Institute and the Maricopa County Bar Association Hall of Fame, and he has earned 17 awards for teaching and community service, including the American Bar Association Spirit of Excellence Award. For nearly a decade, he served as faculty coach for International Commercial Arbitration Moot Teams.

JD Student SpeakerKristin Leaptrott

Candidate with Juris Doctor (JD)

Kristin Leaptrott graduated summa cum laude from the University of Mississippi in 2015 with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Managerial Finance. During her time at ASU Law, she participated in the Civil Litigation Clinic, externed with the IRS Office of Chief Counsel, and served as a Managing Editor for the Arizona State Law Journal. She especially enjoyed supporting first-year students, which she did through her work as a tutor and as a teaching assistant for Professors Betsy Grey, Charles Calleros, and Loral Deatherage. Kristin spent the summers after her first and second years with Quarles & Brady, and she is excited to join them as an associate this fall.

Presentation of Candidates.....Ann Ching
Associate Clinical Professor of Law

Joshua Sellers
Associate Professor of Law

Hooding of Candidates..... Kate Rosier
Assistant Dean, Community Engagement

Andrew Carter
Clinical Professor of Law

Closing Remarks..... Stacy Leeds
Willard H. Pedrick Dean and Regents Professor of Law

Recession of Faculty and Candidates (audience should stand)

SPRING GRADUATES
May 2023

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Ian Luke Balitis
Dominic Barreiro
Max Harrison Beall
Gwendolyn A. Bell
Markus A. Benavidez
Madison D. Benson
Gabriela I. Berigan
Roshin S. Bhangoo
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Tea Blaceri
Casey A. Bowers
Isaac Raymond Branson
Torrina P. Brice-Nash
Jolene Bryant
Alexandra Carroll
Avery Claire Cartwright
Alexandra N. Cayton
Rory Chadwick
Daniel J. Chalfin
Alejandro M. Chavez
Stephen Alexander Chmura
Keaton Choi
Adriana Elena Clark
Fallon Julia Cochlin
Katherine Costella

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Andrew Craig	Gillian L. Grant
Alicia Jean Curti	Travis A. Grogan
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Travis A. Grogan
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Travis L. Henderson

Emerson S. Kleider
Mitchell J. Lawler
Ryan Maxey
Michael C. Pfeiffer
Kaylee Racs
Joel David Sand
Autumn Lanice Shone
Austin Gregory Smith
Chun Wai Stephen So
Christian Thomas Lestinsky
Matthew R. Story
George Dewey Warner
Savannah Camille Wix
Chase T. Wortham
Lena M. Zeebuth

ACADEMIC HONORS

*Honors listed are based upon academic standing after five semesters
and are subject to change after all grades are final.*

Summa Cum Laude and Order of the Coif

David Kenneth Cole
Noah Goldenberg
Kristin Leaptrott

Zachary H. Levy
Benjamin A. Longbottom
Maria A. McCabe

Magna Cum Laude and Order of the Coif

Matthew Brian Adler
Alicia Jean Curti
Jordan Anthony DeOrio
Nicholas A. Hodder
Joanna Jandali
Sean Krieg
Matthew Lutz
Benjamin E. Martin
Miranda Marie Martinez

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Kaylee Racs
Spencer A. Shockness
Gordon Y. Siu
Turner Smith
Emily Tegley

Cum Laude

Julianne Christine Baggett
Ian Luke Balitis
Gabriela I. Berigan
Torrina P. Brice-Nash
Alexandra Carroll
Avery Claire Cartwright
Stephen Alexander Chmura
Andrew Craig
Mason Davis
Sarah J. Doberneck
Courtney Nicole Ferry
Kourtney E. George
Travis A. Grogan
Freeman E. Halle
Lilly M. Harris
Kylie Michelle Horne
Courtney I. Kamauoha
Christopher Michael Kasik
Jessica Kessinger

Yanneli Llamas
Kylie J. Love
Meagan Emily Mahana
Grant Mantell
Joseph-Michael McKay
Kylie McNamara
Natalie Packard
Samantha L. Pfaff-Goldstein
Elisabeth Lea Rode
Kianna R. Sarvestani
Luke N. Sower
Ian M. Stanford
David A. Strickland
Nicholas Alexander Traver
George Dewey Warner
Kelsey S. Weinman
Allison Brannen West
Savannah Camille Wix
Chase T. Wortham

HONORS WITH DISTINCTION

Graduate students who have a 4.0 GPA and above

MASTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND EMPLOYMENT LAW (MHREL)

Kiana Lyra Becker
Harmony Hitchner

Benjamin David Kalahar
Jon Randall Williamson

MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES (MLS)

Heather I. Ashworth
Jasmine Nicole Bell
David Brown Brookbank
Jordyn A. Clark
William Michael Corry
Jennifer Davis-Mitala
Kathleen M. Frazee
Rylee Christine Gervais
Barbara Boguslawo Goral

Kenwanic ahee (Kenwa) Kravitz
Edward Morris
Kevin M. Morris
Elizabeth Paige Mukai
Travis Adam Schuelka
Sherrie Nicole Scott
Jill Wilson
Samuel Yung-Min Zacharia

JURIS DOCTOR AWARDS

Alan A. Matheson Service Award

This award recognizes a student for outstanding service to ASU Law.

Abigail Ann Knox

American Board Of Trial Advocates Bill Jones Trial Advocacy Award

This award recognizes the student who has demonstrated excellence in trial advocacy, professionalism and academic performance.

Chad G. Edwards

Benson Immigration Public Interest Award

This award, established by alumna and New York Law School Professor Lenni B. Benson '83, is presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated a commitment to practice or advocacy in U.S. immigration law.

Samantha L. Pfaff-Goldstein

International Academy of Trial Lawyers Award

This award recognizes the outstanding student(s) in trial advocacy and clinical work.

Matthew Brian Adler

Janet S. Mueller Oral Advocacy Award

This award recognizes the student who has excelled in oral advocacy and moot court competition.

Gianluigi Nardoni

Shelby N. Respicio

John J. Ross Award

This award recognizes the student who has excelled in business law, including business organizations, securities regulations, and commercial transactions.

Zachary H. Levy

John S. Armstrong Award

This award is selected by the faculty on the basis of academic performance and contributions to ASU Law.

Kristin Leaptrott

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor Award

Given by Jacqueline Norton (JD '76) and the Honorable Barry Silverman (JD '76) in honor of Justice O'Connor. The award recognizes excellence in Constitutional Law studies.

Noah Goldenberg

Judge Mary M. Schroeder Federal Practice Award

This award recognizes the student who has demonstrated excellence in academic achievement and shown particular interest in a federal practice area.

Alicia Jean Curti

Liburdi Family Public Policy Award

This award honors the student who has made substantial contributions to public policy issues, or who has accepted or is pursuing a job in public policy development.

Kristen Iteen

The Mary M. Schroeder Public Interest Prize

This prize recognizes the student who has committed to practice in public-interest law upon admission to the Bar.

Maria A. McCabe

National Association of Women Lawyers Outstanding Graduate Award

This award recognizes the student who has contributed to the advancement of women in society, promotes issues and concerns of women in the legal profession, exhibits motivation, tenacity and enthusiasm, and demonstrates high academic achievement.

Savannah Camille Wix

Nick M. Patel & Bob Dauber Excellence in Negotiation Award

This award recognizes the student who has demonstrated excellence in negotiation theory and practice.

Leah Renae Hansen

Paul Holloway Trial Advocacy Award

This award honors the student who has earned a Trial Advocacy Certificate and whose advocacy skills are most reflective of the fulfillment of the program's goals.

George Dewey Warner

The Strouse Prize

This prize recognizes the student whose academic strengths, contributions to the Center for Law, Science and Innovation, and personal qualities closely mirror those of beloved faculty member, Professor Dan Strouse

Matthew Lutz

Matthew Lutz graduated with an undergraduate degree in Management Information Systems and Economics and a Master of Science degree in Management Information Systems from the University of Alabama. After working for four years in technology consulting, he was inspired to attend ASU Law by his wife, Caroline, who graduated with a J.D. degree from ASU Law in 2020. During his time in law school, Lutz served as President of the Law and Science Students Association, as well as the Technology Editor for the Arizona State Law Journal. He was named a Lisa Foundation Advanced Patent Scholar and a Law, Science and Innovation Center Scholar. After graduation, he looks forward to joining the patent litigation practice group in the Phoenix office of Perkins Coie.

University Outstanding Graduate Award

This award is only given to one graduate degree student from each college. Award recipients have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement, with special attention to extracurricular activities and service at the college.

Alexander David Earle

W. P. Carey/Armstrong Prize for Achievement in Public Service

This award recognizes the student with the greatest contribution to public service and exemplifies “doing good while doing well” at ASU Law.

Taylor M. Fogg

JD Dean’s Awards

This award recognizes students with outstanding character, contributions to ASU Law, and/or academic performance.

Andrew Craig
Alexander David Earle
James Patrick Fitzgibbons
Summer Ghaith
Emilio Romolo Giuliani III
Adrienne Nicole Good
Stacey Lyn Hall
Leah Renae Hansen
Joanna Jandali
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Tierra Brieann Reed
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Rylee Shay Arden Seavers
Spencer A. Shockness
Madeline M. Shupe

Order of the Barristers

The Order of Barristers is a national honorary organization whose purpose is the encouragement of oral advocacy and brief writing skills through effective law school appellate moot court and mock trial programs. The Order recognizes graduating law students who have excelled in moot court and mock trial activities while at ASU Law.

Adriana Elena Clark
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Travis A. Grogan
Lilly M. Harris
Sergey Harutyunyan

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Shelby N. Respicio
Rylee Shay Arden Seavers
Matthew R. Story

PRO BONO DISTINCTION

Highest Pro Bono Distinction

Awarded to students who contributed 150 or more hours of pro bono service while attending law school.

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High Pro Bono Distinction

Awarded to students who contributed 100-149 hours of pro bono service while attending law school.

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Joseph K. Good
Dylan Max Hendel
Alexandre Kondarassov
Michael Shane Donavon Lavalley

Claire Newfeld
Jaidyn Danielle Rumpca
Yuki Taylor
Emily Tegley

Pro Bono Distinction

Awarded to students who contributed 50-99 hours of pro bono service while attending law school.

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MASTER OF LAWS (LLM) AWARDS

LLM Dean's Awards

This award recognizes students with outstanding character, contributions to ASU Law, and/or academic performance.

Christina Melanie Grey

MASTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND EMPLOYMENT LAW (MHREL) AWARD

Outstanding Master of Human Resources and Employment Law Graduate Award

This award recognizes a student who demonstrates academic achievement, professional leadership, and enhances the reputation of ASU Law beyond the legal community. the reputation of ASU Law beyond the legal community.

Benjamin Kalahar

MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES (MLS) AWARDS

MLS Dean's Awards

This award recognizes students with outstanding character, contributions to ASU Law, and/or academic performance.

Paul Edward Gladden
Cassie Lynn Harvey
Jacob Simon Sachs

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Master of Legal Studies Emphasis Awards

This award recognizes the top student in each emphasis area with outstanding academic performance.

Business Law | Travis Adam Schuelka

Conflict Resolution | Jasmine Nicole Bell

Conflict Resolution | Samuel Yung-Min Zacharia

Construction | Elizabeth Paige Mukai

Contract Management | Travis Adam Schuelka

Corporate and Healthcare Compliance | Jordyn A. Clark

Criminal Law | Sherrie Nicole Scott

HR & Employment Law | Kathleen M. Frazee

Intellectual Property | Barbara Boguslaw Goral

Legal Paraprofessional | Heather I. Ashworth

Sports Law Online | David Brown Brookbank

Sustainability Law | Hannah Nichole Barkley

Indian Gaming and Tribal Self-Governance | Kenwanic ahee (Kenwa) Kravitz

Outstanding Master of Legal Studies Graduate Award

This award recognizes the student who demonstrates academic achievement and professional leadership and enhances the reputation of ASU Law beyond the legal community.

Heather I. Ashworth

MASTER OF SPORTS LAW AND BUSINESS (MSLB) AWARDS

MSLB Dean's Awards

This award recognizes students with outstanding character, contributions to ASU Law, and/or academic performance.

Tyler Noragon
Samuel Tyler Pearson
Maya Riddlesprigger

Ana Sniffen
Alek Raymond Keenan Timm

MSLB/JD Concurrent Dean's Awards

This award recognizes students with outstanding character, contributions to ASU Law, and/or academic performance.

Jake P. Mantin

Rodney K. Smith Founders Award

This award recognizes the student who represents academic excellence as well as dedication and service to the Allan "Bud" Selig Sports Law and Business program, the ASU Law community and the sports industry.

Trevor Alex Goodwin

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