

Commencement 2021

Commencement and Convocation program

Spring 2021

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SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR COLLEGE OF LAW CONVOCATION

OPENING REMARKS

Dean Douglas J. Sylvester

STUDENT CONVOCATION SPEAKERS

Sally Young, MLS Candidate

Tanner Benjamin Lipson, MSLB Candidate

Erin Riggs Oliphant, MSLB Candidate

Emiley F. Pagrabs, JD Candidate

CONVOCATION ADDRESSES

Katie Hobbs, MSW

Arizona Secretary of State

Van Jones, JD

CNN Host and Dream Corps Founder

REMARKS FROM ASU LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

K Royal, JD

President, ASU Law Alumni Association

CLOSING REMARKS

Dean Douglas J. Sylvester

READING OF NAMES & HOODING OF GRADUATES

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES

Fellow Graduates and ASU Law Faculty and Staff

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 four degrees: Juris Doctor (JD), Master of Laws (LLM), Master of Legal Studies (MLS), 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 110,000 hours of public service each year.

Led by Dean Douglas Sylvester, who was appointed the eighth dean in 2012, ASU Law has risen in national and world rankings, continued 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 at the ASU downtown Phoenix campus further enhancing the law school's ability to serve the community and provide students access to the best legal opportunities. Students can also study beyond Phoenix at ASU campuses located 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 is currently the No. 25 best law school in the nation and is the youngest law school in the top 25 as ranked by U.S. News & World Report. ASU Law also has six programs ranked in the top 30 and consistently ranks highly for job placement. The law school is also No. 1 in the state for student outcomes and No. 1 in the state for bar passage, often exceeding the national average.

CONVOCATION PROGRAM

Opening RemarksDean Douglas J. Sylvester

Student Convocation SpeakersSally Young, MLS Candidate
Tanner Benjamin Lipson, MSLB Candidate
Erin Riggs Oliphant, MSLB Candidate
Emiley F. Pagrabs, JD Candidate

Outstanding MLS Graduate AwardSally Young, MLS Candidate

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

Sally Young currently works as a television news producer in Phoenix, bringing morning news to the Valley. She studied journalism and French at Ithaca College, with an emphasis on broadcast journalism. After college, she moved to France and spent time working as an English Teaching Assistant near Paris. Young loves writing and reading and she hopes to use her degree to combine her knowledge in the fields of communication and law.

Rodney K. Smith Founders AwardTanner Benjamin Lipson, MSLB Candidate

Erin Riggs Oliphant, MSLB Candidate

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. This year we have co-recipients.

Tanner Benjamin Lipson, a native of Arizona and two-time Sun Devil, holds an undergraduate degree in business communications with a minor in real estate. As an undergrad student, Lipson worked for the NBA and Phoenix Rising Soccer Club. Upon graduation, he moved to Los Angeles to start his career in sports and spent four years as an athlete player representative at Wasserman with clients like Klay Thompson and JJ Redick. Lipson then followed his passion for brand marketing, first working for Q4 Sports then Cogent World entertainment agency. As an SLB program ambassador, Lipson helped organize and moderate the “Selig Speaker Series,” a bimonthly panel that connects students with industry leading executives across the sports landscape. After earning his MSLB, Lipson will continue to pursue a career in marketing and sports law.

Erin Riggs Oliphant, originally from Northbrook, Illinois, received her bachelor’s degree magna cum laude from University of the Pacific in health, exercise, and sport sciences with a concentration in sports management with minors in psychology and pre-law. Named Sports Management Student-of-the-Year, Oliphant competed on the university’s DI swimming and diving team and served as vice president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Sports Management Club. While at ASU Law, Oliphant participated in the NCAA Emerging Leaders Seminar, the Women Leaders X Summit, and the SBJ Intercollegiate Athletics Forum. She also was a member of the Grads to Golf program. Oliphant currently coaches swimming at Life Time, Inc. and plans to continue her coaching journey as the volunteer assistant for ASU Swimming and Diving this fall.

John S. Armstrong AwardEmiley F. Pagrabs, JD Candidate

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

Emiley F. Pagrabs graduated magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa with a BA in history, government and French from Wofford College in 2016. She then was a graduate merit fellow at the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M, earning a Master of International Affairs degree in 2018. At ASU Law, Pagrabs served as a student ambassador, a teaching assistant, and a research assistant for three professors. In 2020, she participated in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, where the team was the undefeated champion of the Pacific Superregional. As team captain in 2021, she led ASU Law’s Jessup team all the way to the Advanced Rounds of the international stage of the competition. Pagrabs also was a note and comment editor for the Arizona State Law Journal. In addition, she externed for the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona and the Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Organized Crime and Gang Section. After law school, Pagrabs will join GreenbergTraurig, LLP as an associate in its Miami, FL office.

MLS and MSLB Convocation AddressKatie Hobbs, MSW

Arizona Secretary of State

Arizona Secretary of State Katie Hobbs started her life of service as a volunteer at her church and continuing with her job as a social worker and chief compliance officer at one of the largest domestic violence centers in the U.S. Her focus on helping others to gain security, be heard and create better lives was the fundamental motivation that inspired her to run for Secretary of State, after serving in the Arizona House of Representatives and Arizona Senate as minority leader. As Secretary of State since 2019, she brings her years of experience to that office to ensure it runs productively, and that Arizona elections are secure, fair and efficient. Hobbs earned a Master of Social Work from Arizona State University following her Bachelor of Social Work from Northern Arizona University. She has been a professional social worker since 1992. Prior to being elected to the legislature, she worked in the areas of domestic violence, behavioral health, and homelessness. She has been honored with dozens of awards for her service. Most recently, she was named the League of Cities and Towns Legislative Champion for two consecutive years (2017 and 2018).

JD and LLM Convocation AddressVan Jones, JD

CNN Host and Dream Corps Founder

Van Jones is the founder of Dream Corps, a social entrepreneur, a CNN political commentator, Emmy Award-winning producer, and a New York Times best-selling author. Famous for his heart-felt election night coverage, Jones showed up as “the voice of reason” for people in red states and blue throughout the volatile 2016 political season. Dream Corps is an organization that brings people together to solve America’s toughest problems. Its major initiatives are: Dream Corps TECH, aimed to help 100,000 young women and men from underrepresented backgrounds find success in the tech sector; Dream Corps JUSTICE, an initiative focused on making communities safer while reducing the number of people in our prisons and jails; and Green For All, which advances environmental solutions that prioritize families and workers living on the frontlines of some of the worst pollution in America.

A Yale-educated attorney, Jones is the author of three New York Times best-selling books – The Green Collar Economy (2008), Rebuild the Dream (2012) and Beyond the Messy

Truth (2017). He was the main advocate for the Green Jobs Act, signed into law by former President George W. Bush in 2007. It was the first piece of federal legislation to codify the term “green jobs.” During former President Barack Obama’s Administration, the legislation resulted in \$500 million in national funding for green jobs training. In 2009, Jones worked as the green jobs advisor to Obama. In this role, Jones helped to lead the inter-agency process that oversaw the multi-billion-dollar investment in skills training and jobs development within the environmental and green energy sectors. Together with #cut50, Van also succeeded in passing the FIRST STEP Act, a bipartisan Federal bill that the New York Times calls the most substantial breakthrough in criminal justice in a generation. Jones has been honored with numerous awards and spotlighted on several lists of high achievers, including the World Economic Forum’s “Young Global Leader” designation; Rolling Stone’s 2012 “12 Leaders Who Get Things Done;” TIME’s 2009 “100 Most Influential People in The World;” and the Root’s 2014 “The Root 100.” In 2017, Jones signed a management deal with Roc Nation, becoming the first political commentator and activist in their family.

Remarks from ASU Law Alumni AssociationK Royal, JD '04
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Closing Remarks Dean Douglas J. Sylvester

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Anthony Joseph Gonnella	Timothy Walker Osborne
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Alyssa Lynne Hudler	James Sanchez
Sydney Anna Hurley	Lorato Gloria Sargeant
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Ryan William Kostecki	Mackenzie Reece Tole
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Natalie Angelina Kilker	Samuel Ryan Waxman
Nicole Layton	Courtney A. Yachanin

CANDIDATES FOR THE CERTIFICATE IN
HEALTH LAW AND POLICY

Emily A. Carey	Claudia M. Reeves
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Cecilia Nicole Nieto	Erica N. White

MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES (MLS) AWARDS

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.

Sally Young

Master of Legal Studies Emphasis Awards

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

Business | Filips Gundars Buncis

Conflict Resolution | Erika Jazmin Busani

Construction | Robert M. Gilliam

Criminal Law | Dianne Cordery

Corporate Healthcare Compliance | Amanda Tyann Joyce

HR & Employment Law | Shayla Monique-Louise Foster

Intellectual Property | Brittany Chetochine

Sports Law (Online) | Lee Gardner Smith

Veteran Sports Law & Business | Katherine Rowe

Patent Practice | Marla J. Meyer

General | Nicolo G. Muniz

Dean's Awards

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

Oumou Khouloum Bah

Amber Barto

Devin Jacob Dhooge

Amanda Celeste Jones

Sally Young

MASTER OF SPORTS LAW AND BUSINESS (MSLB) AWARDS

Rodney K. Smith Founders Awards

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. This year we have co-recipients.

Tanner Benjamin Lipson
Erin Riggs Oliphant

Dean’s Awards

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

Angie Allen
Jada Marie Allender
Anthony Joseph Gonnella
Allison Marie McFarling
Jessica Marie Newton
Alyssa Marie Rodarte
Riley Thomas Simpson
Taylor Renee Wood

MASTER OF LAWS (LLM) AWARD

Dean’s Award

This award recognizes the student(s) with outstanding character, contributions to ASU Law, and/or academic performance.

George Halas McCaskey

JURIS DOCTOR AWARDS

John S. Armstrong Award

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

Emiley F. Pagrabs

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.

Kaylee Elizabeth Hoffner

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.

Nicholas B. Ansel

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.

Abigail Marie Dockum

John J. Ross Award

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

Robert J. Levin

Alan A. Matheson Service Award

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

Megan M. Carrasco

International Academy of Trial Lawyers Award

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

Jens Wesley Camp

Paul A. Phelps

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.

Hannah-Kaye Fleming

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.

Vanessa A. Kubota

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.

Delilah Rose Cassidy

Helen Levine Cohen Advocacy Award

Established by Professor Jason K. Cohen, this award recognizes the student who has demonstrated the highest caliber of advocacy on behalf of the LGBTQ+ community.

Isabella Barbosa Ruggeri

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.

Alejandra Curiel Molina

Janet S. Mueller Oral Advocacy Award

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

Rachel A. Moss

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.

Jacob Watts

Nick M. Patel & Bob Dauber Excellence in Negotiation Award

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

Shannon M. Hautzinger

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.

Isabella Barbosa Ruggeri

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.

Hong Deng

Caitlin M. Doak

Delilah Rose Cassidy

Kaylena Ann Ferrin

John T. Habib

Robert D. Heins

Grahame Herschel Katz McNevin

Alejandra Curiel Molina

Rachel A. Moss

Tyler Woods

JD Dean's Awards

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

Sharif Saber Ahmed
Jada Marie Allender
William Riggs Brown
Julieta Carrillo
Harman K. Dhanoa
Caitlin M. Doak
Kacie Mackenzie Donovan
Brandon Christopher Drea
Caroline Kent Federici
Kassandra Garcia
Maria Lynn Hodge
Oumou Jeanne Keita
Alexandra M. Klein
Samantha Orwoll
Alanna Ruth Ostby
John Christian Honrado Oyas
Vanessa Marie Pomeroy
Victoria Lee Romine
Noah John Schultz-Rathbun
Katherine Olivia Stitz
Kelsey Whalen

PRO BONO DISTINCTION

Highest Pro Bono Distinction

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

Aubrey Anna Maria Ackermann
Sharif Saber Ahmed
Isabella Barbosa Ruggeri
Taylor J. Barlow
Bailey Jean Basinger
Jillian Amanda Bauman
Kaeden Bauman
Brent R. Bihl
Sierra Ann Brown
Megan M. Carrasco
Julieta Carrillo
Tessa Lynnae Chrisman
Hudson Christmas
Virginia Katelyn Crowson
Stephanie Ann Deskins
Asha Devineni
Abigail Marie Dockum
Jay Dosad
John Andrew Dragovits
Brandon Christopher Drea
Tatianna Dunne
Grace M. Duval
Sarah Michele Beene Ericksen
Ava Marie Esler
Nathan Frischkorn
Andrea O. Gappmaier
Marissa Ann Gibbens
Brianna Kathleen Gildner
Scott S. Goldner
George Andrew Gould
Yinan Guo
Robert D. Heins
Alexandria Nicole Karpurk
Oumou Jeanne Keita
Alexandra M. Klein
Vanessa A. Kubota

Deborah D. Lee
Philip Jagger Lieb
Nathan Alexander Lilly
William G. Manchester
Megan Holly Manning
Allison J. Martin
Jennifer M. Martin
Kate Kolomyjec McFarlane
Alanna Ruth Ostby
Seema G. Patel
Kendall Renee Pearce
Jordin M. Pettit
Paul A. Phelps
Vanessa Marie Pomeroy
Danielle Lee Quan
Claudia M. Reeves
Christina Leigh Ribble
Mehak Fatima Rizvi
Rebecca B. Robbins
Isaac Rounseville
Christopher Senn
Bryan A. Shapiro
Benjamin R. Shattuck
Michelle Nicole Stinson
Katherine O. Stitz
Erin K. Sweeney
Alisha Dawn Tarin Herman
Blair L. Tarman
Alec D. Tyra
Tylon Garrett Walters
Kylee Jeanne Warke
Alexa Lynn Weber
Lauren Whittaker
Tyson R. Woodford
Courtney A. Yachanin

High Pro Bono Distinction

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

Caitlin M. Doak
Gideon Esakoff
Kassandra Garcia
Shannon M. Hautzinger

Katherine S. Johnson
Anthony Michael Studnicka
Tyler Woods

Pro Bono Distinction

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

Richard V. Bishop
Mariah K. Black Bird
Lauren M. Calamari
Alejandra Curiel Molina
Miles DeCoster
Kaylee Elizabeth Hoffner
Dena Kalamchi
Julia P. Manacher

Rachel A. Moss
Samantha Orwoll
Emiley F. Pagrabs
Victoria Lee Romine
Evan Charles Tompkins
Jenna Elisabeth Vance
Brandon Wurl

FALL GRADUATES

December 14, 2020

MASTER OF LAWS (LLM) GRADUATES

Abdulrahman Ibrahim A. Aldomaikhi
Albi Cela
Paul Clinton Cox

Rongrong Guo
Nickoya Nichole Ijere

MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES (MLS) GRADUATES

Lance S. Christiansen
Summer Idahali Fernandez
Meghan Ashley Kammer
Sean Michael Kinnebrew

Hope Lenora Martin
Daniel Rufus Pero
Mark Wilson

MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES (MLS) ONLINE GRADUATES

Anhelika Abigail Adams
Rachel Catherine Adolph
Ronald Joseph Baione-Doda
Brian Michael Beltran
Matthew Benzin
Vincent Mark Berry
Maria Faye Bone
Valida Michelle Bouie
Austen Keith Alvarez Bundy
Manuel Richard Castro
Marilyn Castro
Daniel Joseph Caufield
Mary Melina Chasteen
Susan Contino
Katharine Marie Belmont Debus
Sandra Liz Dinong
Demica Corinne Dominguez
Kyle Everett Dozier
Julia Regina Espinoza
Andrea Manning Faoa
Rose Andre Fede
Rene Adeline Frederick
Sophia Ann Garcia
Tracey L. Graham
Savannah Harmon
Jessarra Morgan Harrington
Diana Rose Homan

Sydney Dene Hucul
John Jacob Kiser
Alexander Albert Kong
Brenna Meghan Leising
Angela Chaejung Lim
Anthony Michael Lowe
Anthony John Luna
Ronald Manson
Amanda Leigh Mason
Victorialyn Patra McCarthy
Lorena Ray McKinley
Andrew McKinney
Stephanie Mills
Lisa Mirabile
Angela Denise Mondragon
Emely Johanna Monterroso
Amanda Morales
Adam Patrick Moseley
Alec Storm Musa
Amobi Chidubem Okugo
Joan Marie Owens
Marielle Palavino
Lisa Anne Parks
Cree Jamie Patterson
Brandon Pesqueda
Orlando Daniel Portillo
Jorge Ramos

Robert Richardson
Claudia Patricia Rivera
Travis Paul Roberts
Michelle Rodriguez
Susan Shold
Douglass Raymond Staub
Emily Stewart
Melinda Jorge Tabuso

Steve Dean Tafoya
Aaron Ashley Tomlinson
Brigit Trujillo
Vicki LeAnn Vigil
Kristin Leigh Warriner
Gustavo Quezada Zavala

MASTER OF SPORTS LAW AND BUSINESS (MSLB) GRADUATES

Joseph Jacob Almaraz
Robbie Gilles Baillargeon
Madison Suzanne Berridge
Brett Kathryn Johnson
Eric Anthony Martinez

Baylee Opperman-Woodard
Ryan Jacob Short
Isaiah David Smith
Roe Douglas Wilkins

JURIS DOCTOR (JD) GRADUATES

Raziq B. Ali'varius
Alexander Daniel Becker
Wayne W. Cheney
Joshua Doty
Melissa Louise Gramse
Justin Griffith
Thomas Whittaker Grimes
Isaac K. Hall
David Adam Herman
Caitlyn Marie Heter
Charles T. Klass
Kaylee Ann Kone
Jacob M. Krum

Robert J. Levin
Angela Caroline Matturro
Jerasimos Theodore Moschonas
Casondra Penelope Clark Obren
Alonzo O. Privitt
Conner Steven Pursell
Lori Ann Rutten
Anthony Talarico
Erliana Thio
Wayne Royce Unger
Adina E. Weisberg
Madison Welles

SUMMER GRADUATES

August, 2020

MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES (MLS) GRADUATES

Scott Lyman Bates	Amber Triniere Mitchell
Amanda Beasley	Charles Adam Montoya
Lauren Bosco	Hina Zehra Naqvi
Terrence Bryant	Jakob Taylor Nelp
Jared Thomas Bubak	Miranda Janelle Nordstrom
Marcela Bermudez Caamaño	Kaylea Ott
Kimberly Carter	Nicolette Catharina Oviedo
Skye Katherine Rougk Carver	Michelle Esther Plunkitt
Jacqueline Catalan	Miryam Lisseth Valdivia Romero
Timothy Dion Congress	Danelle Simpkins
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TJ Just	Sara Ward
Tiffany Lynn Little	Alyssa Kaye Waters
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Cynthia McGough	

JURIS DOCTOR (JD) GRADUATES

Rachel Victoria Crowley
Michael Christopher Goodman

*“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