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COMMENCEMENT





THE PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES. ADMINISTRATION,

AND STAFF CONGRATULATE YOU ON THIS VERY SPECIAL

DAY. TODAY'S COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE IS THE

CULMINATION OF YOUR HARD WORK AND

INTELLECTUAL EFFORT, WHICH SUCH SHOULD BE DULY

NOTED AND PUBLICLY RECOGNIZED MAY ALL YOUR

DREAMS AND WISHES BRING FORTH A PROSPEROUS

FUTURE CONGRATULATIONS!

WELCOME

Nova Southeastern University extends a cordial welcome to each person attending this 29th
Annual Law Center Commencement, part of the 36th annual commencement exercises of the
university. We are here to celebrate the accomplishments of the degree candidates and to extend
to them the congratulations of their friends and relatives, as well as those of the university's
students, faculty and staff members, and supporters.

OFFICE DEPOT CENTER
2555 Northwest 137th Way
Sunrise, Florida
Saturday, the 14th of May
Two Thousand Five

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Marshall
Members of the Faculty
Board of Governors
Trustees
Distinguished Guests
Commencement Officials
Candidates for the Juris Doctor Degree

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Processional: Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 in D
Convening the 36th Commencement
Member, Board of Trustee
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America, the Beautiful
Welcome
Dean's Remarks
Dean, Shepard Broad Law Center
Introduction of Student Speaker Joseph D. Harbaug
Student Speaker
Introduction of Faculty Speaker
Faculty Speaker
Professor of Lav
Introduction of the Commencement Speaker and Conferring of Honorary Degree of
Doctor of Laws on Robert J. Grey, Jr Ray Ferrero, Jr. and Joseph D. Harbaug
Commencement Address
President, American Bar Association
Conferring of Degrees
Introduction of Degree Candidates
Associate Dean, Student and Administrative Affairs, Shepard Broad Law Center
Hooding Committee
United States Immigration Court, and
Paul Finizio, Alumni Associatio
Welcome from Alumni Association
Recessional: Empire March

We request that the audience stand during the Processional and Recessional.

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^{*}Potential honors based upon cumulative grade point average after fall 2004 term

2005 Graduation Honors

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American Bankruptcy Institute Award Gina Zurita Harris and Toni Latino Awarded to a student exhibiting outstanding academic abilities in the area of bankruptcy law
Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Award
Florida Bar Labor and Employment Law Scholarship Maxine Dianne Cheesman Awarded to a student exhibiting outstanding academic abilities in the area of labor and employment law
Krupnick & Campbell Award
Larry Kalevitch Award
Nova Southeastern University Distinguished Student Achievement Award—Law
Paul Joseph Award
The National Association of Women Lawyers Award Karey Lee Bosack Awarded to a student who has exhibited academic achievement

and a potential to contribute to the advancement of women in society

ADVOCACY HONORS

Order of the Barrister

Awarded to students displaying excellence in advocacy while participating in intramural and interscholastic trial or most court competitions.

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Students are chosen to become members based upon their skills in appellate advocacy. Moot Court Society members are distinguished by a purple/silver tassel on the mortarboard.

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The 2004 National Black Law Students Association Southern Region Frederick Douglass Moot Court Competition Best Petitioner Brief Winner

Kenneth Lloyd Lewis, Jr.

The 2003 Moot Court Upper Class Competition

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First Year Moot Court Competition First Place Section Winner, 2003

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Students are selected based on service to the public interest law community.

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This student has provided more than 200 hours of pro bono mediation services and related activities to assist the community, courts, and families. He completed the Alternative Dispute Resolution Clinic and mediated diversionary and restitution cases.

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These students have provided technical legal assistance to public interest and pro bono attorneys handling disability and children's rights cases. They have completed a disability law course and provided a minimum of 200 hours of technical legal assistance to Florida lawyers.

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This national two-year fellowship is awarded to students who plan to pursue a career in public interest law.

Debra Sue Jacoby

Sarah Marci Wallerstein

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Students honored for working pro bono at public service agencies while enrolled at the Law Center. Pro Bono Honor Program students are distinguished by a gold cord on the academic robe.

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The bachelor's gown has a pleated front and long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown, which may be worn open, is distinguished by its long, square sleeves, closed at the end and slit near the elbow to permit the forearms to come through. The doctor's gown, which also may be worn open, is trimmed with velvet panels down the front, with three velvet bars on its bell-shaped sleeves. The hood is the key to the costume. With a tassel of the same material as the gown, it is lined in silk with a color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The length of the hood indicates the degree: four feet for the doctor; three-and-a-half feet for the master; and three feet for the bachelor. The hood is sometimes omitted on the bachelor's gown. The width of the velvet border also indicates the degree. The widest border belongs to the doctor's gown.

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The various fields of learning are indicated by color as follows: arts, letters, humanities-white; commerce and accountancy-drab; economics-copper; education or pedagogy-light blue; engineering-orange; fine arts, including architecture-brown; law-purple; library science-lemon; medicine-green; philosophy-dark blue; science-golden yellow.

During the processional, candidates for the bachelor's degree wear the tassels of their mortarboard on their right. Upon receiving the diplomas, they move the tassels to the left. Candidates for all other degrees wear the tassels on the left.

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