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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 SHOULD BE DULY NOTED
AND PUBLICLY RECOGNIZED. MAY ALL OF YOUR DREAMS
AND WISHES BRING FORTH A PROSPEROUS FUTURE.

CONGRATULATIONS!



WELCOME

Nova Southeastern University extends a cordial welcome to each person attending this 34th Annual Law Center Commencement, part of the 41st 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.

BANKATLANTIC CENTER
SUNRISE, FLORIDA

*Sunday, the Sixteenth of May, Two Thousand and Ten
Eleven O'clock in the Morning*

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

MARSHAL

CANDIDATES FOR THE JURIS DOCTOR DEGREE

MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY

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COMMENCEMENT OFFICIALS

ORDER OF EXERCISES

*Processional		
<i>Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 in D</i>		Elgar
Convening the 41st Commencement		Grand Marshall, Silvia Flores
Presiding Officer.....		Ray Ferrero, Jr. Chancellor, Nova Southeastern University
* <i>America, the Beautiful</i>		Bates/Ward
Welcome.....		Frank A. DePiano Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Opening Remarks		Ray Ferrero, Jr.
Dean's Remarks		Athornia Steele Dean, Shepard Broad Law Center
Introduction of Student Speaker.....		Athornia Steele
Student Speaker		Scott Kantor
Introduction of Faculty Speaker.....		Athornia Steele
Faculty Speaker		Michael Flynn Professor of Law, Shepard Broad Law Center
Introduction of the Commencement Speaker		Athornia Steele
Commencement Address.....		Stephen N. Zack President-Elect, American Bar Association
Presentation of Degree Candidates		Janet Mosseri Associate Dean, Student Affairs, Shepard Broad Law Center
Conferring of Degrees		Ray Ferrero, Jr.
Dean's Closing Remarks.....		Athornia Steele
Dismissal of the Commencement		Grand Marshall, Silvia Flores
* <i>Nova Southeastern University Anthem</i>		Cavanaugh
*Recessional		
<i>La Rejouissance</i>		Handel From <i>Music for the Royal Fireworks</i>

*Denotes that the audience should stand during this part of the ceremony

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Awarded to a student exhibiting outstanding academic ability in the area of city, county, and local government law

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Awarded to a student demonstrating a strong and ongoing commitment to social justice

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Awarded to a student demonstrating exceptional promise in the areas of business or bankruptcy law

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Awarded to a student demonstrating exceptional skills in the area of trial advocacy

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Awarded to a student exhibiting exceptional advocacy skills

The Honorable Charles I. Kaplan Outstanding Service Award Aimee Rosenblum
Awarded to a student who has demonstrated dedication and commitment to the children and families through work in the NSU, Shepard Broad Law Center's Children and Families Clinic exemplifying Judge Kaplan's character of hard work, integrity and competency

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These students have provided mediation and related services to benefit families, communities, and the court system. They have completed a mediation course and provided a minimum of 100 hours of technical legal assistance and mediation services to the Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center and court mediation programs.

Pamela L. Foster

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Florida Bar Foundation Public Service Fellowship

These students have provided at least 100 hours of technical legal assistance to local, nonprofit agencies. They have also completed a required public interest-related course or have participated in the law center's Pro Bono Honor Program.

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The caps and gowns of the academic procession date back to the Middle Ages, when they were common dress for scholars. Monks and students wore them to keep warm in the damp and drafty 12th century castles and halls of learning.

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.

The color of the hood's border indicates the field of learning to which the degree pertains. The doctor's hood may bear a single chevron on the lining. Two narrow chevrons indicate a bachelor, while the master's hood may have a single chevron or be divided equally in two colors.

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.

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AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

*O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountains' majesty
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!*

*O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control
Thy liberty in law!*

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY ANTHEM

*Hail Thee, Nova Southeastern!
Bright sun shining new;
Radiant star of our morning,
Ever rising, true;*

*May thy wisdom serve as our constant guide
and thy love a beacon strong,
as throughout the world we spread thy name
joining voice in grateful song;*

*Nova Southeastern, Alma Mater,
By thy light imbue,
Service, honor, loyalty,
'til our days are through.*

Love Thee, Gray and Blue!

MACE

During the Middle Ages, the mace was an effective weapon in battle and also was displayed as a symbol to command order during royal gatherings, religious ceremonies, and university classes. As newer and more powerful military arms were created, however, the mace progressed into a symbol of authority and today is frequently used to lead religious and academic processions.

The mace was originally a wooden staff carried by royal messengers as a symbol to preserve order and usher royal functions. The early wooden staff of such royal messengers or lead ushers of ceremonial processions was transformed in the 14th century into an elaborate sterling silver mace. Eventually in the 15th century it evolved into a symbol of academic excellence and dignity.

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