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ORDER OF EXERCISES

Convening the Twenty-Seventh Commencement Presiding Officer	Pomp and Circumstance, March No. 1, by Elgar	
O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties 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!	
Opening Remarks Ovid C. Lewis President, Nova Southeastern University Dean's Remarks and Shepard Broad Scholar Award Joseph D. Harbaugh Introduction of the Commencement Speaker Joseph D. Harbaugh Commencement Address Honorable Bill Nelson Insurance Commissioner, State of Florida Conferring of Degrees Ovid C. Lewis Introduction of Degree Candidates Associate Dean Gail Levin Richmond Hooding Committee Alan Bleiweiss Director of Alumni and Development The Honorable Rex J Ford Immigration Judge Executive Office for Immigration Review		
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Moot Court and Trial Advocacy Awards

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Runner-up Best Advocate, Workers' Compensation Moot Court Competition; Order of Barristers
Gabrielle Alexis - Winner, First Year Moot Court Competition
Natalie Anderson - Finalist, Martin Feinrider Moot Court Competition
David Bazerman - Winner, First Year Moot Court Competition
Randall Bloom - Semifinalist, National Mock Trial Regional Competition; Order of Barristers
Hellen Bryan - Finalist, First Year Moot Court Competition; Order of Barristers
Lisa Decker-Wuttke - Semifinalist, First Year Moot Court Competition
Robert Elgidely - Winner, Ken Raab Mock Trial Competition; Winner, 1995 and 1996 Clarence Darrow
Trial Advocacy Competitions; Order of Barristers; Krupnick & Campbell Award
Lilia Espinosa - Best Brief, First Year Moot Court Competition
Helen Franco - Best Brief, First Year Moot Court Competition
Valerie Green - Best Brief, Martin Feinrider Moot Court Competition
Lisa Harris - Finalist, Ken Raab Mock Trial Competition; Order of Barristers

Nellie King - Winner, Martin Feinrider Moot Court Competition

Chris Kleppin - Finalist, Ken Raab Mock Trial Competition; Semifinalist, Martin Feinrider

Moot Court Competition

Patricia Kane - Best Brief, First Year Moot Court Competition

Claudine LaFrance - Semifinalist, Ken Raab Mock Trial Competition
Corey Linick - Winner, First Year Moot Court Competition

Danette Mansoir - Semifinalist, Martin Feinrider Moot Court Competition

Amy Mastin - Best Brief, First Year Moot Court Competition

Deatra McCoy - Semifinalist, First Year Moot Court Competition

Laura Pincus - Best Brief, First Year Moot Court Competition; Third Place, Florida Bar Trial Lawyers Mock Trial Competition

Marlo Powell-Robinson - Semifinalist, First Year Moot Court Competition
David Pyper - Finalist, Martin Feinrider Moot Court Competition
Elysse Rispoli - Semifinalist, First Year Moot Court Competition
Jennifer Robinson - Best Brief, First Year Moot Court Competition

Christi Romero - Semifinalist, 1995 Jessup International Moot Court Regional Competition; Fourth Place Memorial, 1996 Jessup International Moot Court Regional Competition; Order of Barristers

Michael Sheridan - Third Place, Florida Bar Trial Lawyers Mock Trial Competition

William Speer - Best Brief, First Year Moot Court Competition

Nina Spiegel - Finalist, First Year Moot Court Competition

Deborah Stone - Winner, Intramural ABA Negotiation Competition

Thomas Sylvester - Best Brief, First Year Moot Court Competition

Tyrone Terrell - Winner, Ken Raab Mock Trial Competition

Catherine Tweel - Winner, Intramural ABA Negotiation Competition

Melinda Walde - Semifinalist, Ken Raab Mock Trial Competition

Andrew Weinstein - Finalist, Intramural ABA Negotiation Competition

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Cathy Williams - Third Place, Florida Bar Trial Lawyers Mock Trial Competition; Order of Barristers Eric Wolfman - Semifinalist, 1995 Jessup International Moot Court Regional Competition; Fourth Place Memorial, 1996 Jessup International Moot Court Regional Competition; Order of Barristers

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David Bazerman - American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Florida Chapter

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Brion Heron - Donald McIntosh Award

Linda Kleinman - National Association of Women Lawyers

Linda Pisano - ABA/Law Student Division Fifth Circuit Executive Lieutenant Governor; ABA/LSD Bronze Key Award

Marlo Powell-Robinson - ABA/LSD Delegate to ABA House of Delegates; ABA/LSD Silver Key Award

Elysse Rispoli - Florida Bar Young Lawyers Division

Manuel Valcarcel - West Publishing

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Hellen Bryan - Professional Opportunities Program Fellowship

Jason Christiano - Individuals with Disabilities Project Fellowship

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Angelina Edouard - Individuals with Disabilities Project Fellowship

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Florida Bar Foundation Public Service Fellowship

John Fallon - NAPIL Fellowship

Carol Larmond Grant - Arlene and Marc Rohr Fellowship; Individuals with Disabilities Project Fellowship

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Brian Heron - Martin Feinrider Fellowship

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Writing Awards and Publications

Darren Blum - Nova Law Review: ALI-ABA

Danielle Dubin - Journal of International & Comparative Law

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Helen Franco - Nova Law Review

Chris Kleppin - St. Thomas Law Review

Jamy Magro - Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers Journal

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Elena Minicucci - Nova Law Review

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Manuel Valcarcel - Nova Law Review; Creighton Law Review

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The caps, gowns, and hoods of the academic procession date back to the Middle Ages, when they were common dress for scholars. Monks and students were 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.

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.

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The following members of the Nova Southeastern University community are sharing their musical talents with us today:

Marty Timmens, flute; Jennifer Sacco, Amy Lau, Beth Wardlaw, clarinet; Kathy Klockzeim, piccolo; Seth Merlin, Maria Kluttz, Mindy Corr, Rashad Jackson, trumpet; Kelly Kirkpatrick, Eddie Garvar, Ron Gilbert, Ron Faircloth, horn; Whitnee Walker, Jamie Grinos, Roy Wimbush, trombone; Chris Stabile, Dominic Church, tuba; Kristen Weaver, mallets-percussion; Darrell McKee, Ted Flynn, percussion; George Mitchell, tympani; Ken Gustafson, Christine Jackson, Judy Shulman, keyboards; Helena Randel, Aaron Mazzeo, violin; Billy Bryant, bass; Michael Marks, voice; Mark Cavanaugh, conductor, arranger.

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