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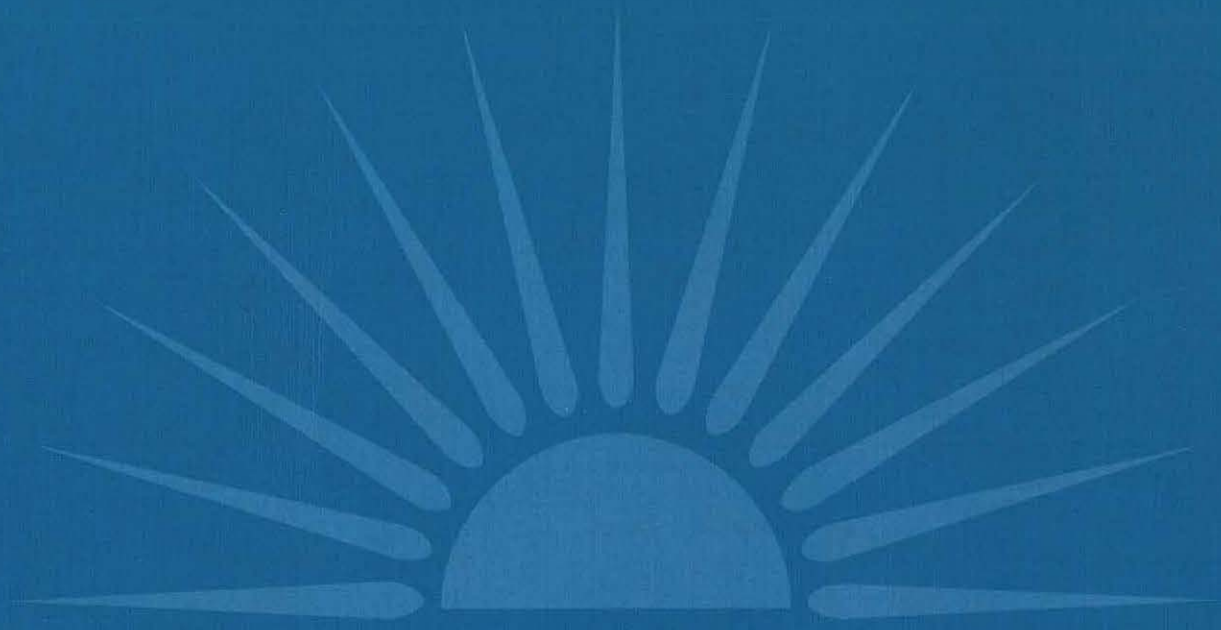
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GRADUATION AND HOODING CEREMONY  
for December 2006 Juris Doctor Graduates  
December 17, 2006



## WELCOME

Nova Southeastern University extends a cordial welcome to each person attending this Graduation and Hooding Ceremony for the December 2006 Juris Doctor candidates. We are here to celebrate the accomplishments of these students and extend to them the congratulations of their friends and relatives, as well as those of the university faculty, staff and administration.

ROSE AND ALFRED MINIACI PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
Nova Southeastern University  
3301 College Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
Sunday, December 17, 2006

## ORDER OF EXERCISES

Processional: <i>Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1</i> .....	Elgar
Welcome .....	Ray Ferrero, Jr. President, Nova Southeastern University
Dean's Remarks .....	Joseph D. Harbaugh Dean, Shepard Broad Law Center
Introduction of Student Speaker .....	Joseph D. Harbaugh
Student Speaker .....	Peter Sobota
Introduction of the Commencement Speaker and Conferring of Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws on Neal R. Sonnett, . . . . .	Ray Ferrero, Jr. and Joseph D. Harbaugh
Commencement Address .....	Neal R. Sonnett Former President, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
Presentation of Candidates for Academic Hooding. ....	Joseph D. Harbaugh
Introduction of Candidates for Academic Hooding .....	Janet Mosseri Associate Dean, Student Affairs, Shepard Broad Law Center
Closing Remarks .....	Joseph D. Harbaugh

We request that the audience stand during the Processional.

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## ACADEMIC NOTES

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 wore them to keep warm in the damp and drafty 12<sup>th</sup> 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. Candidates for all other degrees wear the tassels on the left.

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