

Alumni Association Board of Directors

MEETING MINUTES

September 11, 2023

6:00 p.m. Dinner and Networking, 6:15 p.m. Dean's Update, 6:30 p.m. Meeting Start
In Person and Via Zoom

Present: Patricia Bisesto, Esq. '92; Amanda Brody, Esq. '15; Michael Calandra, Jr., Esq. '05; Victoria Coleman, Esq. '07; Rafael Corbalan, Esq. '15; Aharon Diaz, Jr., Esq. '12; Jeremy Farrington, Esq. '11; Danielle Federico, Esq. '13; Stephen Forte, Esq. '08; Rebecca Gigliotti, Esq. '18; Michael Gilberg, Esq. '07; Lisa Gladwell, Esq. '10; Michael Goldstein, Esq. '06; Jennifer Gray, Esq. '06; Michael Kremen, Esq., '08; James Lenihan, Esq. '91; Benjamin Lowenthal, Esq. '14; Andrea Madrid, Esq. '12; Joseph Mazel, Esq. '97; Mark Meeker, Esq. '09; Gail Mulligan, Esq. '09; Jacqueline Parker, Esq. '95; Diana Neeves, Esq. '16; Raymond Perez, Esq. '00; Thomas Persico, Esq. '18; Delonie Plummer, Esq. '18; Cassia Schaeffer, Esq. '15; Leanne Shofi, Esq. '94; Nicole Varisco, Esq. '10

James Garvey III, Esq. '80 (Dir. Em.); George Haddad, Esq. '15; Jasmine L. Hosein, Esq. '12; Hon. Carole Levy '83 (Dir. Em.); Joseph Martin, Esq. '91 (Dir. Em.); Christopher Psihoules, Esq. '12; Andrew Teodorescu, Esq. '13

Unexcused: Adele Lerman Janow, Esq. '90; Ashley Kersting, Esq. '16; Patrick J. Paul, Esq. '16; Judson Siebert, Esq. '85

Added attendees: Dean Horace Anderson; Samantha Gordon, Executive Director, Alumni Relations and Association; Lori Kanner, Director of Community Relations and Special Projects; Brian Kearney, Senior Director of Development; Rachel Silva, Assistant Dean for External Affairs; Abigail Sprague, Senior Development Officer; Angela D'Agostino, Dean for Students & Campus Affairs; Daniel Von Staats, SBA President

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

MEETING QUORUM: Quorum met with 25 Directors at 6:30 p.m.

I.

Renewed interest in students and graduates from Big Law: of 14 students in summer associate positions at Big Law last summer, at least 13 have offers and 11 have accepted – this significantly bolsters the Law School’s profile

Each year, percentage of graduates placed in public interest employment has also increased

The sense of community, Campus, and range and depth of student activities continue to be a draw for many prospective students

Students are encouraged to take advantage of experiential opportunities, and employers appreciate that graduates immediately contribute to the work environment, hitting the ground running

40% of students are from outside of the tri-state area, and 60% of the students are women

III. Approval of Minutes

Leanne Shofi

June 14, 2023 Minutes were approved by the Board on June 15, 2023 by 11 Members

IV. Community Relations and Special Programs

Lori Kanner

Upcoming CLEs, also provided via email, 12:50 - 1:50 Webinars via Zoom:

- **Wednesday, October 4**, *Privacy and Cyber Law Key Issues and Implementations*
- **Monday, October 30**, *Stemming Intergenerational Domestic Violence Empowering the Next Generation through Law, Policy and Action*
- **Tuesday, December 5**, *Avoiding the New York Estate Tax Cliff*
- DEI CLE in February

Upcoming Networking events:

- **Monday, October 2**, SCOTUS round-up 12:50-1:50
- **Thursday, October 5**, Meet the Judges;
- **Wednesday, October 11**, WCBA CLE on Wellness
- **October 21-22**, University Homecoming at Pleasantville Campus

V. Alumni Association LinkedIn Page

Rachael Silva

ALUMNI: Please join the new LinkedIn group of the Alumni Association of Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University, created to foster alumni communications!

Whether you are looking to reconnect with or meet fellow alumni from four decades ago or last year, attend alumni events, find an expert, provide or receive business referrals, receive CLE credit, learn about career opportunities, get involved with the Alumni Association, or do community service, this is the place for you!

Post, share news and developments, and stay better connected with our alumni around the country and around the world: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12889654/>

Currently, it is recommended that students be invited to join when they graduate

Currently, posts must be approved, but that will likely change in the future

VI. Update on Students

Angie D’Agostino

Dan Von Staats, the new SBA President, is working with the office and 35-36 student organizations – leaders of those organizations are now being asked to submit a strategic plan, to create more collaborative events

Board meeting dates are based on Dean Anderson's schedule and intended to avoid conflicting events, including PLAN events
Preference

Actual changes to Committees will need to be voted upon and reflected in amendments to the By-Laws, in the Spring

XII. Adjournment

Executive Committee

Motion: Lisa Gladwell