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2024 Commencement Ceremony

2024 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

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Monday, May 20, 2024

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Elisabeth Haub
School of Law at
Pace University

PRESIDING
Horace E. Anderson, Jr.
Dean and Professor of Law

Monday, May 20, 2024

Processional	“Pomp and Circumstance No. 1” Sir Edward Elgar
Welcome	Horace E. Anderson, Jr.
National Anthem	Alexandra Tasev '24
Greeting from the President	Marvin Krislov President, Pace University
Dean's Remarks	Horace E. Anderson, Jr.
Student Address	Daniel Anthony von Staats '24 Student Bar Association President
Conferral of Honorary Degree	Liliane A. Haub Trustee, Pace University DOCTOR OF LAWS Hon. Rowan D. Wilson Chief Judge, New York Court of Appeals Presented by Horace E. Anderson, Jr. and Dean Emerit Michelle S. Simon
Commencement Address	Hon. Rowan D. Wilson
Presentation of the Dean's Award	Amanda Paige Dinkin '24, JD Ellie Holleran Taranto '24, Flex JD Isabella Mazzei '24, LLM
Barbara C. Salken Outstanding Professor of the Year Award	Bridget J. Crawford, Full-time Faculty Jared J. Hatcliffe, Adjunct Faculty Anton Pribysh, Adjunct Faculty
Departmental Award for Excellence	Office of the Registrar
Presentation of the Class of 2024	
SJD/LLM Degrees	Presented by Diana Ramirez Associate Director of Graduate Programs and International Affairs
JD Degrees	Presented by Jill I. Gross Vice Dean for Academic Affairs
Closing Remarks	Amanda Paige Dinkin '24 Student Bar Association Vice President
Farewell	Horace E. Anderson, Jr.
Recessional	“Two Voluntaries” Henry Purcell

The Honorable Rowan D. Wilson has had a distinguished career as a lawyer and a jurist, and in his current role as New York's highest-ranking judge, is one of the nation's leading voices advancing equity, justice, and the rule of law.

Judge Wilson received his AB degree from Harvard College, and his JD degree from Harvard Law School. He was admitted to the bar of the State of California in 1985, and the bar of the State of New York in 1987.

From 1984 to 1986, Judge Wilson served as a law clerk to the Honorable James R. Browning, chief judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, based in San Francisco, California. In 1986, he joined the firm of Cravath, Swaine & Moore in New York City as an associate, and was elected to partnership there in 1991, in which position he continued until February 2017. His practice encompassed a wide variety of matters, including antitrust, intellectual property, securities and common-law fraud, contract, labor and employment, civil rights and first amendment issues, and he rose to become the firm's first partner of color.

On January 15, 2017, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo nominated Judge Wilson to serve as an Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals, and the New York State Senate confirmed his nomination on February 6, 2017. On April 10, 2023, Governor Kathy Hochul nominated Judge Wilson to serve as Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and the State of New York, breaking barriers as the first person of color in this role. The New York State Senate confirmed his nomination on April 18, 2023.

Judge Wilson has demonstrated a commitment to the community over the course of his career, serving on the boards of several charitable and not-for-profit organizations, and handling numerous pro bono matters during his years in practice.

For his dedication to the law, for his commitment to public service, and in recognition of his trailblazing contributions to the legal profession during his distinguished career, Pace University is

The Class of 2024

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Advanced Certificate in Environmental Law

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Adolf Homburger Humanitarian Award
Amanda Dinkin

Clinical Legal Education Association
Outstanding Clinical Student Award
Isabelle Nebel

Clinical Legal Education Association
Outstanding Externship Student Award
Dominique Ulaj

Elisabeth Haub School of Law Scholars
Zachary Fader
Natalie Lara
Tatiana Martin

Excellence in Clinical Education Award
Dane Gesang
Stefanie Baroutoglou

Murphy Schiller & Wilkes LLP Scholarship Award
Hannah L. Atkinson

The Barbara Klein Memorial Scholarship Award
Isabella Eitner

The Bohn Vergari Public Service Award for Best
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Sabrina Rehfeld

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Andrew Pierre

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Joseph Demonte

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Gabriella Mickel

2024 Dean's Award

The Elisabeth Haub School of Law Dean's Award is presented to a graduating full-time, part-time and LLM student who best demonstrates academic excellence, leadership, and service to the law school and community.

Amanda Paige Dinkin '24, JD

Amanda Dinkin has been an exemplary student leader during her time at the Elisabeth Haub School of Law, demonstrating outstanding commitment to academic excellence, public service, community spirit, diversity, equity, and inclusion.

In her role as Vice President of Haub Law's Student Bar Association (SBA) during her 3L year and SBA Historian since her 1L year, Amanda has played a significant role in leading programs and initiatives that benefit the student body. She also served as President of the Law School's Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA) and, in this role, has made exemplary contributions to bring diverse members of the Law School community together in unity during an especially challenging year. Recognized for her top-academic performance during her law school career, Amanda was selected as a Dean's Scholar and provided supplemental review sessions and mentorship to first-year students.

At Haub Law, Amanda participated in the Amelia A. Gould Representation in Mediation Clinic, providing representation to pro bono or pro se clients throughout the mediation process. She also served as a board member for Haub Law's Advocacy Program and was responsible for organizing several prestigious moot court and mock trial competitions at the Law School. Additionally, she competed in numerous moot court competitions regionally and nationally with stellar results, most recently ranking on the National Top 10 Advocates List.

During her time at Haub Law, Amanda served as Haub Law's American Bar Association Student Representative and, in this role, advocated for policy resolutions that impact law students nationwide. In the Law Student Division, Amanda was part of a group that voted to approve a resolution encouraging law firms to take a more holistic approach to hiring law students and look beyond grades and class rank. The American Bar Association House of Delegates adopted this resolution in its entirety.

Ellie Holleran Taranto '24, Flex JD

Ellie Taranto has contributed in meaningful ways as a student of the Elisabeth Haub School of Law, demonstrating outstanding commitment to academic excellence, leadership, integrity, and compassion for her fellow peers.

As a part-time Flex JD student, Ellie has balanced the pressing demands of full-time work as a paralegal and family responsibilities with her rigorous studies, remarkably achieving Dean's List status consistently throughout her four years at Haub Law. Recognized for this exceptional performance as an upper-level student, Ellie was selected as a Dean's Scholar for multiple doctrinal subjects and provided supplemental review sessions and mentorship to first-year students during her last three years of law school.

Ellie has been an active and engaged member of the student body participating in activities, both academic and extracurricular, to enrich her experience and the experience of her peers. In addition to completing an externship in corporate law, Ellie served as the Executive Promotions Editor for the Pace Law Review (PLR) and played a lead role in organizing the 2024 PLR Symposium.

2024 Faculty and Staff Awards

Selected by the Graduating Class

Barbara C. Salken Outstanding Professor of the Year Award

The Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University Barbara C. Salken Outstanding Professor of the Year Award honors a full time and adjunct professor(s) who displays incredible commitment and character to their students.

2024 Outstanding Professor of the Year (Full-time)

Bridget J. Crawford
University Distinguished Professor
Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

2024 Outstanding Professor of the Year (Adjunct)

Jared Hatcliffe
Adjunct Professor of Law
Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

Anton Pribysh
Adjunct Professor of Law
Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

Departmental Award for Excellence

The Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace Award for Excellence honors a department or staff member who demonstrates dedication to excellence that often goes above and beyond expectations, and in support of the Law School's mission.

2024 Recipient of the Award for Excellence

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Buffalo-Niagara Mock Trial Competition

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Sarah Kissel
Evelina Safanova
Julia Stueber

National Medical-Legal Mock Trial Competition

Katerina Balukas
Arianna Cruickshank
Alexandra Stata

National Pretrial Competition

Priscilla Holloway
Gigi McQuillan
Samara Pizarro
Sabrina Rehfeld

National Trial League Championships

Joseph Demonte
Chloe Devanny
Liam Rattigan

National Trial Competition

Stephanie Areford
Victoria Buzzanca
Joseph Demonte
Rianna Iorillo
Sarah Kissel

National Trial League Regionals

Stephanie Areford
Katerina Balukas
Victoria Buzzanca
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Chloe Devanny
Matthew Mattesi
Liam Rattigan
Sabrina Rehfeld
Alexandra Stata

NEBSA Constance Baker Motley Mock Trial Competition

Rubi-Dee Cooper
Vanessa Garcia
Analyse Peña
Andrew Pierre

Online National Championship Mock Trial

Tyler Justic
Nicholas Kocaj
Julia Stueber
Alexandra Tagliamonti

Puerto Rico Mock Trial Competition

Stephanie Areford
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Rianna Iorillo
Paige Padula

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Moot Court Teams

National Appellate Advocacy Competition

Stephanie Areford
Amanda Dinkin
Roselby Jackson de la Torre
Chelsea Paglia

National Appellate Advocacy Competition Finals

Stephanie Areford
Amanda Dinkin

National Moot Court Competition

Kimberly Abrahall
Daniel Conte
Amanda Dinkin
Daniel Reyes

National Latina/o Law Students Association (NLLSA) Moot Court Competition

Hannah Conlon
Vanessa Garcia
Jaylene Mejia
Samara Pizarro

Philip C. Jessup International Law Competition

Stacey Colangelo
Tyler Ford
Alexis Neunteufel
Dante Sheerin

Willem C. Vis Internal Commercial Arbitration Competition

Hannah Conlon
Luis Evangelista
Emily Hunt
Ethan Kahn

Wechsler National First Amendment Competition

Hannah Conlon
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Arbitration, Mediation, and Negotiation Teams

ABA Arbitration Competition

Marc Bisogno
Steven Donofrio
Derek Romberg
Colin Savino

ABA Client Counseling Competition

Robert Bleakley
Jennifer Iodice

ABA Negotiation Competition

Luciana Batkay
Nicholas Kryza
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ABA Representation in Mediation Competition

Luis Morales
Olivia Paolillo

Fordham Law National Baseball Negotiation Competition

Marc Bisogno
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New York Law School Soccer Dispute Competition

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Samantha Portillo
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Houston Porter
Samantha Portillo
Colin Savino

Transatlantic Negotiation Competition

Luciana Batkay
Charles Caspari
Alexandra Tasev

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Devin Auriana
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