

## CLINIC AWARDS

### OUTSTANDING APPELLATE CLINIC INTERN

*Stella L. Raedecker*

### OUTSTANDING CIVIL CLINIC INTERN

*Ian Pike*

### OUTSTANDING EDUCATION & DISABILITY CLINIC INTERN

*Jasey Lucia Mahon*

### OUTSTANDING ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLINIC INTERN

*Youssef Brandon Beshay*

### OUTSTANDING FEDERAL TAX CLINIC INTERN

*Mark C. Suarez (LLM)*

### OUTSTANDING IMMIGRATION CLINIC INTERN

*Edith Jimenez*

### OUTSTANDING STATE INCOME TAX CLINIC INTERN

*Noel Christian Garcia (LLM)*

### OUTSTANDING STATE SALES & USE TAX CLINIC INTERN

*Stella L. Raedecker*

### OUTSTANDING VETERANS CLINIC INTERN

*Thomas Daniel Rainey*

### OUTSTANDING WORKERS' RIGHTS CLINIC INTERN

*Laurel Joy Carothers*

## ADVOCACY AWARDS

### CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEREST LAW'S OUTSTANDING PUBLIC INTEREST ADVOCATE AWARD

For outstanding external advocacy in the legislature, courts, or before administrative agencies.

*Kayla Christine Watson*

### CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEREST LAW'S OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTOR TO *THE CALIFORNIA REGULATORY LAW REPORTER*

For contributions to the journal that monitors the activities of California's major regulatory agencies.

*Jessica Kirshner*

### CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY INSTITUTE'S JAMES A. D'ANGELO OUTSTANDING CHILD ADVOCATE AWARD

For the graduates who have demonstrated the special skills, knowledge, and dedication necessary to be effective child advocates.

*Gina Marie Schoelen*

*Nancy Kim Van Tran*

*Ashlee Marie Walcott*

*Bryan Matthew Yerger*

### ORDER OF BARRISTERS

For demonstrated excellence in appellate and/or trial advocacy.

*Kayla Marie Brennan*

*Robert Kenneth Foster*

*Joshua R. Gilbert*

*Saleem Adel Hawatmeh*

*Cassie Nicole Holloway*

*Steven J. Scordakis*

*Stephen Livingston Wainwright*

*Brittany Marie Wunderlich*

*Jacob Yang*

Statue of Justice: *Stephen Livingston Wainwright*

### COMMUNITY DEFENDERS AWARD

For commitment to constitutional protections in indigent criminal defense.

*Janisa Coleen Gonzalez*

*Michelle Elizabeth Mead*

### MICHAEL T. THORSNES TRIAL ADVOCACY AWARD

For the outstanding National Mock Trial Team member.

*Janisa Coleen Gonzalez*

## 2018-19 School of Law Academic Honors & Awards



JULY 2019

This program recognizes recipients of academic honors and awards, and various service, clinic and advocacy awards for 2018-19. Congratulations to all of the students who have attained these distinctions.

## ACADEMIC HONORS (Degree Honors)

In accord with the Academic Rules of the University of San Diego School of Law, degree honors are conferred upon those students who distinguish themselves by their academic achievement. Congratulations to the students who have attained these academic distinctions.

**SUMMA CUM LAUDE**  
*Edward M. Fallas*  
*Garrett L. Gaughan*  
*Mitzi Gabriella Miranda*  
*Ian Pike*  
*Luis Alberto Romero Topete (LLM)*

*Sara A. Pike*  
*David G. Rao*  
*Laurent Riedweg (LLM)*  
*Jamie Danielle Robertson*  
*J. Joss Teal*  
*Matthew Clay Wheeler*  
*Brittany Marie Wunderlich*  
*Lisa Xu*

*Jacob Gregory Clark*  
*Kailey Rae Diebold*  
*Hwashiuan Sarah Fan*  
*Robert Kenneth Foster*  
*Alexander H. Getman*  
*Ken Hoong*  
*Peter Keshavan*  
*Shane Jefferson Kaulana Killeen*  
*Avetana B. Lovato*

**MAGNA CUM LAUDE**  
*Luz E. Villegas Banuelos*  
*Sara Crossman*  
*Anthony P. Davis (LLM)*  
*Joshua R. Gilbert*  
*Stephanie S. Dusaban Gonzales*  
*Lee R. Holstein (LLM)*  
*Kendall F. Kraus*  
*Juliana Mascari*  
*Savannah Rae Montanez*  
*Isabella M. Neal*  
*Jesse Morgan O’Sullivan*

**CUM LAUDE**  
*Rajdeep Roger Bains*  
*Bridget H. Balisy*  
*Alexander Aaron Behzade*  
*Youssef Brandon Beshay*  
*Robert D. Bitman*  
*Kayla Marie Brennan*  
*Annalyse Elizabeth Butler*  
*Kelsey Michelle Chiodo*  
*Christian B. Clark*

*Elena Viktorovna McKinley (LLM)*  
*Fatema Alexandra Qader*  
*Anna V. Randall*  
*Sydne Rennie*  
*Megan Sacher*  
*Christiana Garrett Stephens*  
*Macklin William Thornton*  
*Kayla Christine Watson*  
*Julia M. Williams (LLM)*  
*Jacob Yang*

## ORDER OF THE COIF

Steeped in the history of serjeants-at-law in medieval England, the American Order of the Coif dates back to 1902 and is the preeminent honor society for recognition of high academic attainment in the study of law. Membership in Coif is limited to those students in the top 10 percent of the graduating class. Congratulations to the students who have attained this high honor.

*Luz E. Villegas Banuelos*  
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*Lisa Xu*

## ACADEMIC AWARDS

Recipients of the Kahn, Paul, Plevin, Sullivan & Connaughton, and Dean’s Tax Scholar awards will have their names engraved on perpetual plaques which remain on display in the School of Law. Congratulations to these students for their outstanding academic achievement.

### JUDGE GERALD BROWN PROGRESS AWARD

For the student with the greatest increase in grade point average, first to third year.

*Jared Matthew Amory*

### IRVIN J. KAHN AWARD

For the outstanding student in real property courses.

*Sara A. Pike*

### VIRGINIA C. NELSON GRADUATION PRIZE IN ADVANCED ADVOCACY

For the outstanding graduating student in advanced advocacy courses.

*Brian Timmins Rickling*

### MASTER OF LAWS: DEAN’S TAX SCHOLAR AWARD

For the highest cumulative grade point average in the Master of Laws in Taxation Program.

*Robert Carl Marshall*

### MASTER OF LAWS: DEAN’S COMPARATIVE LAW AWARD

For the highest cumulative grade point average in the Master of Laws in Comparative Law program.

*Luis Alberto Romero Topete*

### PAUL, PLEVIN, SULLIVAN & CONNAUGHTON, LLP AWARD

For the highest cumulative grade point average in the Employment & Labor Law Concentration.

*Robert Kenneth Foster*

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FOR THE HIGHEST CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE, FULL-TIME DIVISION

*Edward M. Fallas*  
*Garrett L. Gaughan*  
*Mitzi Gabriella Miranda*

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FOR THE HIGHEST CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE, PART-TIME DIVISION

*Matthew Clay Wheeler*

### VALEDICTORIAN AWARD

For the highest cumulative grade point average overall.

*Edward M. Fallas*  
*Garrett L. Gaughan*  
*Mitzi Gabriella Miranda*

## SERVICE AWARDS

### USD ENHANCEMENT AWARD

For the outstanding graduate who exemplifies leadership and has improved and enriched the USD law community.

*Robert Kenneth Foster*  
*Saleem Adel Hawatmeh*  
*Sara A. Pike*  
*Macklin William Thornton*

### ALEC L. CORY PRO BONO AWARD

For contributions to Pro Bono causes during Law School.

*Marlon Oram Mansour*

### PRO BONO SERVICE RECOGNITION

For exemplary pro bono service, the Pro Bono Service Recognition is given to those students who have completed in excess of 100 hours of pro bono legal service during their law school career.

*Clayton J. Arick*  
*Paulina King Belovarski*  
*Robert D. Bitman*  
*Brittany I. Boiko*  
*Wendy Marie Brown*  
*Annalyse Elizabeth Butler*  
*Haley Grant Christenson*  
*Erin Mariah Conway*  
*Cara Marie Crofts*  
*Chad Allen David*  
*Nicolas M. Dillavou*  
*Michelle Kim Dinh-Tran*  
*Robert Kenneth Foster*  
*Deborshi Ghosh*  
*Janisa Coleen Gonzalez*  
*Saleem Adel Hawatmeh*  
*Miriam Hurtado*  
*Briar Rose Keeler*

*Monica Landen*  
*Erin M. Leslie*  
*David Joseph Libertella*  
*Nicole L. Logan*  
*Avetana B. Lovato*  
*Jasey Lucia Mahon*  
*Marlon Oram Mansour*  
*Juliana Mascari*  
*Heather Anne McFarlain*  
*Michelle Elizabeth Mead*  
*Trent Kenichi Miyashiro*  
*Elizabeth Yong Mu*  
*Drew Lawrence Ogdon*  
*Toure Jelani Ohene*  
*Poline Aura Pourmorady*  
*Mackenzie Ann Reid*  
*Jamie Danielle Robertson*  
*Samer Ahmad Sabeih*

*Megan Sacher*  
*Mariam Jamal Saleh*  
*Jena Rayne Scarborough*  
*Gina Marie Schoelen*  
*Kathryn Elizabeth Smith*  
*Zoha Sohail (LLM)*  
*Amy Eileen Sweeney*  
*Macklin William Thornton*  
*Corey Landers Todd*  
*MaryKate L. Trainor*  
*Madisyn Lynne Ukrainetz*  
*Ashlee Marie Walcott*  
*Kayla Christine Watson*  
*Mariah Alexis Witt*  
*Brittany Marie Wunderlich*  
*Lisa Xu*