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## MARTHA MINOW, ESTEEMED FORMER DEAN OF HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, TO RECEIVE HON. ROBERT A. KATZMANN AWARD



*Above: Martha Minow, former Dean of Harvard Law School and current 300th Anniversary University Professor at Harvard University.*

Martha Minow, former Dean of Harvard Law School and current 300th Anniversary University Professor at Harvard University, will be honored with the Hon. Robert A. Katzmann Award for Academic Excellence at the twenty-sixth Annual Burton Awards.

Martha Minow is a distinguished legal scholar whose work spans multiple disciplines. A prolific author, Minow has written extensively on issues such as constitutional law, human rights, and legal responses to social conflicts. Her recent books include *Saving the News: Why The Constitution Calls for Government Action to Preserve the Freedom of*

*Speech* (2021) and *When Should Law Forgive?* (2019).

Minow's teaching at Harvard Law School includes courses in constitutional law, civil procedure, and international criminal law. She was elected to chair the Board of Directors of the MacArthur Foundation in 2022 and is also the co-chair of the Access to Justice Project of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Her numerous honors include lifetime achievement awards from the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press and the American Association of Law Schools, among others. Professor Minow's distinguished career and her profound contributions to legal education and scholarship have made her a fitting recipient of this award.

## TED KOPPEL, RENOWNED FORMER ABC ANCHOR, TO BE MASTER OF CEREMONIES AT UPCOMING EVENT



*Ted Koppel, 2025 Master of Ceremonies.*

Ted Koppel, noted journalist and former anchor of ABC's "Nightline," will be the Master of Ceremonies at the twenty-sixth Annual Burton Awards. With a career spanning over more than five decades, Ted Koppel is one of the most respected and influential figures in broadcast journalism.

Ted Koppel's illustrious career began at ABC News, where he covered significant events such as the Vietnam War and the Watergate scandal. He gained widespread recognition as anchor and managing editor of "Nightline," anchoring more than 6000 broadcasts over 26 years. Under his leadership, "Nightline" became a trusted source of news and in-depth analysis, particularly noted for its coverage of the Iran hostage crisis, which brought Ted Koppel into the national spotlight.

Ted Koppel's work has earned him numerous accolades, including 43 Emmy Awards, the Edward R. Murrow

Award, and the George Polk Award. His dedication to journalistic integrity and his ability to provide clear, insightful reporting have set a high standard in the field of journalism.

We look forward to an extraordinary event under the guidance of Ted Koppel, as we continue the tradition of honoring outstanding achievements in the legal profession at the twenty-sixth Annual Burton Awards. His presence as Master of Ceremonies will undoubtedly add depth and gravitas to the evening's celebrations.

## DAVID FOSTER AND KATHARINE MCPHEE TO STAR AT BURTON AWARDS PROGRAM



*David Foster and Katharine McPhee.*

David Foster is one of the most illustrious composers of our time. With 16 Grammy Awards, including three for Producer of the Year, an Emmy Award, a Golden Globe, and Three Oscar nominations for “Best Original Song,” Foster has earned a reputation as a keen spotter of new talent, playing a key role in the discovery and career launches of Celine Dion, Josh Groban, and Michael Bublé.

Few other individuals can claim to have their fingerprints on more major moments in all of popular music than David Foster. He has created hit songs for a diverse array of artists including Barbra Streisand, Celine Dion, Whitney Houston, Michael Jackson, Madonna, Andrea Bocelli, Michael Bublé, Josh Groban, Chicago, Rod Stewart, Stevie Wonder, Earth, Wind Fire, Tony Braxton, Natalie Cole, Michael Bolton, Seal, Chaka

Khan, Kenny Rogers, Dolly Parton, Hall & Oates, Brandy, ‘N Sync, Boz Scaggs, and Gloria Estefan.

In 2008 and 2011, Foster stepped out as a performer in his own right as the host of two “Foster & Friends” concert events celebrating the legendary hitmaker’s unparalleled catalog of music. Filmed for Great Performance on PBS, Hit Man and The Hit Man Returns, became PBS’ highest-rated pledge drive shows in decades. In 2018/19 Foster started touring with his show ‘An Intimate Evening with David Foster’. The shows garnered rave reviews and were so successful that he now devotes much of his time to selling out concerts around the world.

Foster is gearing up to take on Broadway with several projects including writing the music for a new musical about the iconic, animated character “Betty Boop.” BOOP! The Musical made its world premiere in Chicago in 2023 and is set to premiere at a Shubert theatre to be announced in April 2025. He is also writing the music for a musical based on the Amy Bloom novel and New York Times bestseller “Lucky Us.”

Katharine McPhee is one of a handful of artists who takes the lead in a career

that includes film, television, Broadway, recording and concert tours. Katharine first burst onto the scene in 2006, during a successful run on Season 5 of American Idol. As an actress, she is well-known to television audiences for starring as Paige Dineen on the CBS spy drama Scorpion (2014-2018), and as one of the leads in the NBC musical drama Smash (2012-2013). She also starred in the Netflix comedy series, Country Comfort (2021). In Spring 2018, McPhee made her Broadway debut starring as Jenna in the hit musical Waitress and originated the role in the West End production of the show in London in 2019. A veteran of the concert stage, Katharine frequently performs to sold out audiences around the world. McPhee is a passionate philanthropist and performs at many events, including those produced by the David Foster Foundation.

## FOUNDER AND CHAIR, WILLIAM C. BURTON, RECOGNIZED ON TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY BY AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION



*William C. Burton, Founder and Chair of the Burton Awards, is presented with the ABA Presidential Citation by Mary L. Smith, President of the American Bar Association.*

Mary L. Smith, President of the American Bar Association, expressed the ABA’s deep appreciation for the contributions of William C. Burton, the Founder and Chair of the Burton Awards. She stated, “Bill’s vision and

leadership have been indispensable in mobilizing our legal system’s finest to bring valuable attention to the importance of an outstanding legal and judicial system to our democratic society.” She then presented Mr. Burton with the ABA Presidential Citation.

William Treanor, Executive Vice President of Georgetown University and Dean of the Law Center, said, “among all his great achievements, Bill is a master of the English language. More than 40 years ago he wrote the legal thesaurus that has become an essential tool for lawyers and he’s been recognized with the Gold Pen award by the Legal Writing Institute for his

impact on legal writing. And in 1999, 25 years ago, he created the Burton Foundation with the goal, at first, of encouraging clear and comprehensive legal writing. Over the years the awards have come to recognize not just writing but monumental achievements of the law, from academic excellence to legends in law, to public service.”

This recognition underscores William Burton’s significant role in establishing and leading the Burton Awards, highlighting his dedication to excellence in the legal profession.

## INIMITABLE DEAN WILLIAM TREANOR COMMENDS BURTON AWARDS PROGRAM



*William Treanor, Executive Vice President of Georgetown University and Dean of the Law Center.*

The twenty-fifth Annual Burton Awards Program marked a significant milestone. To commemorate the silver anniversary, the renowned William Treanor, Executive Vice President of Georgetown University and Dean of the Law Center, shared his reflections on the impact and legacy of the awards program.

Dean Treanor highlighted the awards' role in promoting excellence in the legal profession, stating, "The awards superbly advance the mission of awarding excellence and encouraging perfection. As everyone who has received an award knows, it's the honor that is the highlight of a lifetime."

As we look back on twenty-five years of celebrating legal achievements, we acknowledge the profound impact of the Burton Awards and look forward to continuing this tradition of excellence.

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## DISTINGUISHED GUESTS ATTEND TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL BURTON AWARDS PROGRAM



*Left: Harold Hongju Koh, Sterling Professor of International Law at Yale Law School and 2024 winner of the Robert A. Katzmann Award for Academic Excellence, and U.S. Senator Chris Coons (Delaware), an alumni of Yale Law School, celebrate at the 2024 Burton Awards. Right: U.S. Senator Katie Britt (Alabama) attended the program.*

The prominent guests at the twenty-fifth Anniversary program included six U.S. Senators. We were honored to have welcomed Senator Chris Coons, Senator Katie Britt, Senator Mike Rounds, Senator Jim Risch, Senator Dan Sullivan, and Senator John Barrasso.



## STEPHEN WAGUESPACK NAMED PRESIDENT OF THE U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INSTITUTE FOR LEGAL REFORM



*Stephen Waguespack, President of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for Legal Reform and Special Counsel, U.S. Chamber of Commerce.*

## ANOTHER RECEPTION ADDED TO THE UPCOMING AWARDS PROGRAM



*Inviting entryway to the start of the Burton Awards program.*

At the beginning of the twenty-sixth Annual Burton Awards program, we are adding a cocktail reception before the program begins so everyone will have an opportunity to meet one another. This new addition will begin at 3:00 pm and will be held outside of the Coolidge Auditorium of the Library of Congress.

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## PERRY SIATIS TO SERVE AS DINNER CHAIR



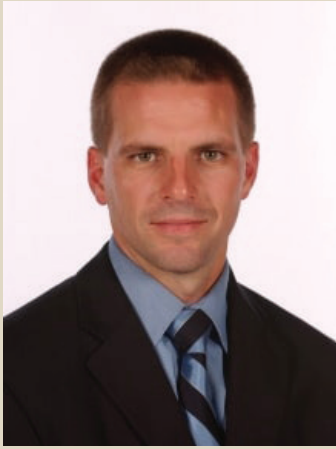
*Perry Siatis, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary of AbbVie.*

Perry Siatis, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary at AbbVie will serve as the Dinner Chair for the twenty-sixth Annual Burton Awards. Perry Siatis, a highly respected figure in the legal community, was honored as one of the “Legends in Law” at the twenty-fifth Annual Burton Awards, recognizing his remarkable contributions and leadership within the industry.

With his extensive experience and dedication to excellence in law, the program is fortunate to have his keen interest and involvement in the event.



## STEVE CROLEY TO BE A 2025 LEGEND IN LAW HONOREE



*Above: Steve Croley, Chief Policy Officer and General Counsel of Ford Motor Company to be a New Legend in Law*

## DEBATE ON NCAA'S NEW RULES REGARDING ATHLETE COMPENSATION AT THE 2025 BURTON AWARDS PROGRAM

The 2025 Burton Awards program will feature a debate on the NCAA's recent changes to athlete compensation rules. The NCAA currently prohibits "Pay-to-Play" salaries, meaning schools cannot directly compensate athletes for their participation in sports. However, athletes are now allowed to profit through "Name, Image, and Likeness" (NIL) deals, which enable them to earn money through endorsements, autographs, and other ventures leveraging their personal brand. This shift, prompted by a 2021 Supreme Court ruling, has sparked significant discussion about whether student-athletes should receive direct salaries from their schools.

Advocates for paying athletes argue that they face significant risks and demands, generate substantial revenue for the NCAA, and therefore deserve a share of the profits. On the other hand, critics suggest that scholarships already provide compensation, and paying athletes could harm the competitive balance by favoring wealthier schools. This debate will explore these complex issues, offering a nuanced look at one of the most critical topics in college sports today.

## PANEL DISCUSSED BENEFITS AND DETRIMENTS OF AI AT THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY BURTON AWARDS PROGRAM



*Megan Ma (left), Research Fellow and Associate Director of the Stanford Program in Law, Science, and Technology and the Stanford Center for Legal Informatics (CodeX), answers questions on AI, Hon. Darrell Issa (center), United States Representative for California, presents his news on technology and Chris Wallace (right) serves as moderator of the program.*

At the twenty-fifth Annual Burton Awards Program, attendees had the privilege of witnessing an enlightening panel discussion on Artificial Intelligence (AI). Moderated by renowned journalist Chris Wallace, the panel featured distinguished speakers Megan Ma, Research Fellow and Associate Director of the Stanford Program in Law, Science, and Technology and the Stanford Center for Legal Informatics (CodeX) and co-chair of the Burton Awards AI Committee, and Congressman Darrell Issa, United States Representative from California's 48th Congressional District.

Congressman Darrell Issa, known for his keen interest in technology and innovation, offered a legislative perspective on AI. His experience and active role in shaping technology policy provided valuable context on the regulatory challenges and opportunities associated with AI.

Megan Ma, a leading AI researcher and academic from Stanford Law School, shared her extensive knowledge and expertise on the ethical and practical implications of AI technology. Her insights provided a deep understanding of how AI is transforming various sectors of the business community and the legal considerations that accompany AI advancements.

Together, the panelists explored the rapidly evolving landscape of AI, addressing both its potential benefits and the ethical, legal, and societal questions that accompany AI advancements.

## CONVERSATION WITH U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE NEIL GORSUCH ON HIS BOOK “A REPUBLIC, IF YOU CAN KEEP IT” AT THE 2024 PROGRAM



*U.S. Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch is interviewed by Chris Wallace at Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Awards Program.*

A highlight of the twenty-fifth awards program was an informative conversation between U.S. Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch and Journalist Chris Wallace. The discussion focused on U.S. Supreme Court Justice Gorsuch’s book, “A Republic, If You Can Keep It.” The interview delved into the importance of civic education, and the role of judges in maintaining the rule of law. His candid reflections on interpreting the constitution through a strict construction were illuminating.

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Gorsuch emphasized the distinct roles of judges and legislators, stressing the importance of civic education. He highlighted a troubling lack of knowledge among the public: “A lot of the American people do not understand the difference between what we as lawyers do and what elected legislators do... 60% of Americans would fail the citizenship test.” U.S. Supreme Court Justice Gorsuch pointed out that many Americans cannot name the three branches of government, which underscores the need for better civic education to ensure that citizens understand the structure and functions of their government.

Defending originalism, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Gorsuch expounded, “Originalism is terrible except for all the alternatives... Do you want me to do what I think is best for you? Or do you want me to look at the laws adopted by the people’s elected representatives... and try my best to interpret

those legal documents as they are originally understood?” He argued that interpreting legal texts based on their original meaning provides consistency and predictability in the law.

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Gorsuch addressed criticisms of originalism by explaining its relevance to modern issues using the Fourth Amendment as an example. “The world changes... But the doctrine, the law, the rules of the road, don’t change. The facts in the world do,” he explained. He illustrated how originalist principles can still apply to contemporary situations, such as digital privacy, by maintaining the underlying legal doctrines.

In discussing civics and civility, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Gorsuch appealed to the audience: “Help! You all are blessed with everything this nation has to offer... And the nation needs you. You are the guardians of the Constitution.” He called on legal professionals to use their positions and knowledge to protect and uphold the Constitution and to contribute positively to society by promoting civic understanding and engagement.

The conversation served as a powerful reminder of the enduring principles of American democracy and the critical role of legal professionals in upholding them. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Gorsuch’s insights underscored the importance of civic education in fostering an informed and engaged citizenry capable of sustaining the nation’s democratic ideals.



## MARYANNE LAVAN, GENERAL COUNSEL OF LOCKHEED, SERVED AS DINNER CHAIR OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM



*Above: Maryanne Lavan, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary of Lockheed Martin.*

## AARON D. FORD, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEVADA, KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE 2024 LEGENDS IN LAW LUNCHEON



*Attorney General Aaron D. Ford (Nevada) addresses the winners and guests at the 2024 Legends in Law Luncheon held at the Library of Congress.*

Attorney General Aaron D. Ford was the guest of honor at the 2024 Legends in Law Luncheon. We thank our Luncheon Speakers Committee Chair, Bernard Nash of Cozen O'Connor, for extending the invitation.

Aaron D. Ford, Nevada's thirty-fourth Attorney General and the first African American to hold statewide constitutional office in Nevada, took office on January 7, 2019. As Attorney General, he has focused on protecting Nevada families, championing criminal justice reform, consumer protection, and community engagement. His tenure has seen significant achievements, including securing over \$85 million in consumer recoveries and over \$1.1 billion to mitigate the opioid crisis. Ford has also been proactive in combating human trafficking, addressing sexual assault kit backlogs, and resolving cold cases, all while maintaining a strong commitment to justice and community dialogue.



## HON. ROBERT A. KATZMANN AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE PRESENTED TO HAROLD HONGJU KOH OF YALE LAW SCHOOL



*Dean Harold Hongju Koh, Sterling Professor of International Law at Yale Law School, accepts the award as the finest academic in law.*

The Hon. Robert A. Katzmann Award for Academic Excellence, recognizing the finest academician in law, was given to Harold Hongju Koh, Sterling Professor of International Law at Yale Law School. The award, inspired by the life and work of the Honorable Robert A. Katzmann, is presented annually to a law school dean or professor who has brought added prominence and recognition to their academic institution; if a dean, has demonstrated the finest leadership in overseeing and directing staff operations; if a professor, has demonstrated the highest scholarship and dedication to students; has displayed the utmost aplomb and fine character; and has earned the highest respect and admiration of other leaders in the field of legal education. The award is named after the esteemed Hon. Robert A. Katzmann who served from 1999 to 2021 on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and from 2013 to 2020 was Chief Judge.

Professor Koh, a leading expert in international law, national security law, and human rights, has been a prominent figure at Yale Law School since 1985, serving as its dean from 2004 to 2009. He has advised four U.S. Presidents and was the State Department's Legal Adviser from 2009 to 2013, receiving the Secretary of State's Distinguished Service Award. Harold Koh has published over 200 articles, authored or co-authored nine books, and litigated significant international law cases, including Ukraine's suits against Russia. He has received eighteen honorary degrees and numerous awards for his contributions to human rights. A graduate of Harvard College and Oxford University, Harold Koh has also taught at prestigious institutions worldwide and held notable fellowships and memberships, reflecting his distinguished career in law and academia.

The selection committee is comprised of Dean William Treanor, Executive Vice President of Georgetown University and Dean of the Law Center; two members of Chief Judge Robert A. Katzmann's family; and William C. Burton, Founder and Chair of the Burton Awards.

# GENERAL COUNSEL HONORED AT TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM AS 2024 LEGENDS IN LAW

One of the greatest and most renowned lists of general counsel ever were named as “Legends in Law” at this past year’s program. Each year, the “Legends in the Law Award” is bestowed upon general counsel who have an outstanding reputation in the legal profession and a demonstrated track record of addressing complex matters of national or global significance in a specialized area. The honorees have also evidenced leadership, creativity, and a uniqueness in approach to resolving those challenges confronting their corporate clients. The honorees are highly respected by the bench and bar for their integrity and professionalism. The following highly distinguished general counsel were named 2024 Legends in Law:

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**AbbVie**  
Perry Siatis  
Executive Vice President,  
General Counsel and Secretary



**Microsoft**  
Hossein Nowbar  
Chief Legal Officer



**Carrier**  
Kevin O’Connor  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Legal Officer



**Packaging Corporation of America**  
Kent Pflederer  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary



**Cruise LLC**  
Jeff Bleich  
Former Chief Legal Officer



**State Farm**  
Steve McManus  
Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer



**Endeavor and TKO**  
Seth Krauss  
Chief Legal and Administrative Officer of TKO  
Chief Administrative Officer & Senior Counsel to the  
Board of Directors and Senior Management at Endeavor



**TPG**  
Bradford Berenson  
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary



**Intuit**  
Kerry McLean  
Executive Vice President, General  
Counsel and Corporate Secretary



**Walmart**  
Rachel Brand  
Executive Vice President of Global  
Governance, Chief Legal Officer  
and Corporate Secretary



**Lincoln Financial**  
Craig T. Beazer  
Executive Vice President and General Counsel

## JANE ROBERTS ANNOUNCED THE 2024 PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS



*Jane Sullivan Roberts, Managing Partner of Macrae and Chair of the Public Service in the Military, Government & Public Interest Awards Committee, announces the awards to attorneys in the Military and the Executive Branch of the Government.*

The Burton Awards is pleased to announce the 2024 recipients of the Public Service Awards in Government at the Executive Level and the Military. Recipients were chosen by the Public Service in the Military, Government & Public Interest Awards Committee, which is comprised of Jane Sullivan Roberts, Chair of the Select Committee and Managing Partner of Macrae, William Ryan, Deputy Director of Communications at the Library of Congress and former Chair of the White House Plain Language Committee, and Colonel (Ret.) Larry Youngner, Of Counsel at Tully Rinckey PLLC and Founding Partner of Warrior Counsel LLC. We are appreciative of Bill Ryan and Col. Larry Youngner who researched the background, career highlights, and reputation of the nominees.

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## PHILIP H. ROSENFELT CAPTURED PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD IN GOVERNMENT



*Philip H. Rosenfelt, Deputy General Counsel for Program Service in the Office of the General Counsel at the U.S. Department of Education.*

The 2024 Public Service Award in the Government at the Executive Level was presented to Philip H. Rosenfelt. Philip H. Rosenfelt is the Deputy General Counsel for Program Service in the Office of the General Counsel at the U.S. Department of Education. In this post, he oversees legal services to the Department relating to the development and implementation of Federal programs that assist elementary and secondary, vocational and adult education, special education, rehabilitative services, the Institute of Education Sciences, educational equity, and ethics provisions, as well as advice to the Office of the Secretary of Education on civil rights issues. He has served in this post since July of 2006. Throughout his career, Rosenfelt has been at the forefront of education law to advance the teaching profession and protect the rights of students. In his early days and over the years, he has provided a wide range of legal advice to policymakers across many presidential administrations.



## 2024 PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD IN THE MILITARY PRESENTED TO CAPTAIN MICHAEL HOLIFIELD OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY



*CAPT Michael Holifield, Chief Judge Advocate of the U.S. Navy JAG Corps.*

The Burton Awards awarded the 2024 Military Service Award to Captain Michael Holifield, Chief Judge of the U.S. Navy's Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corps.

Born and raised in Indiana, Captain Holifield earned his B.A. in Philosophy from Washington and Lee University in 1989 and his J.D. from Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis in 1992. Commissioned as a Navy ensign during law school, he has since held various legal and command roles, including Command Judge Advocate for Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Staff Judge Advocate for Submarine Group TEN, and Chief Legal Counsel in Baghdad. He earned a Master of Laws in International Law and Legal Studies from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2004. Holifield served in multiple combat zones, mentored Afghan legal officials, and held significant positions within the Navy's legal framework, including Senior Trial Counsel and Director of Command Services. In 2014, he became a Judge on the U.S. Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals and later served as Force Judge Advocate for Navy Installations Command. He currently serves as Chief Judge of the NMCCA and was appointed by President Biden in 2022 to the U.S. Court of Military Commission Review. His awards include three Legions of Merit, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, and multiple Navy Commendation and Achievement Medals.

## 2024 LAW360 DISTINGUISHED LEGAL WRITING AWARDS – LAW FIRM WINNERS!

The Burton Awards was pleased to recognize the law firm winners of the Law360 Distinguished Legal Writing Awards. The winners were chosen from nominations submitted by the nation's top 1,000 largest law firms. The writing submissions are evaluated on content, organization, effectiveness, creativity, and style. William Burton, Founder and Chair of the awards program, said, "The winners are truly exemplary, technically skilled and effective writers. The authors have set a new and even higher standard of excellence." Law360 is the prime sponsor of the program and presents the awards in its name. This year's award winners include:

### **Akerman LLP**

*Montoya M. Ho-Sang, LaKeisha C. Marsh,  
and Sommer Sharpe*

### **Amundsen Davis LLC**

*Molly Arranz and Sofia Valdivia*

### **Bass, Berry & Sims PLC**

*Brian R. Iverson*

### **Butler Snow LLP**

*Christopher S. Berdy*

### **Crowell & Moring LLP**

*Jason Crawford, Olivia Lynch, and Brian Tully McLaughlin*

### **Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP**

*David L. Portilla*

### **Dykema**

*Ann D. Fillingham*

### **Fennemore**

*Ryan Curtis and Kristi L. Hill*

### **Fenwick**

*Zach Harned, Vejay Lalla, and Adine Mitrani*

### **Freeman Mathis & Gary, LLP**

*Jacob Daly*

### **Jackson Lewis P.C.**

*Justin R. Barnes, Jeffrey W. Brecher, and David T. Wiley*

### **Kelley Drye & Warren LLP**

*Ioana Gorecki, Whitney M. Smith, and Katherine White*

### **Law Office of Perry Israel**

*Perry Israel*

### **Maynard Nexsen PC**

*Joseph Smith*

### **McGlinchey Stafford**

*Douglas Charnas, Heidi Urness, and Lauren N. Ybarra*

### **Moses Singer**

*Devika Kewalramani and Stephanie M. Smith*

### **Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP**

*Megan Gao and Brette Tannenbaum*

### **Reed Smith**

*J.P. Duffy*

### **Squire Patton Boggs LLP**

*Sandy MacLennan*

### **Sullivan & Cromwell LLP**

*Andy Dietderich*

### **Weil, Gotshal & Manges, LLP**

*Benton Lewis, Christopher Machera,  
and Samantha Anne Patel*

### **White & Case LLP**

*Glen Cuccinello, Chanté Eliaszadeh,  
and Douglas Landy*

### **Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP**

*Soumya Dayananda and Timothy Heaphy*

# 2024 LAW360 DISTINGUISHED LEGAL WRITING AWARDS LAW SCHOOL WINNERS!

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**BYU Law School**

*Dan Ankenman*

**Cleveland State University College of Law**

*Julian Gilbert*

**Columbia Law School**

*Jonathan Gliboff*

**Fordham Law School**

*Samantha Mitchell*

**Howard University School of Law**

*Breanna M. Madison*

**Indiana University Maurer School of Law**

*Anneli E. Kawaoka*

**Syracuse University College of Law**

*Emily Pascale*

**Temple University Beasley School of Law**

*Jonathan Fedors*

**Tulane Law School**

*Cameron Ott*

**University of Arizona James E. Rogers**

**College of Law**

*Erica Little*

**University of Iowa College of Law**

*Benjamin Lowiere*

**University of Miami School of Law**

*Grace Slicklen*

**University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice  
School of Law**

*Lyndsey Ebener*

**Washington University School of Law**

*Elena LeVan*

**William and Mary Law School**

*Daniel Wicklund*





Craig T. Beazer, Executive Vice President and General Counsel of Lincoln Financial Group, with H. Rodgin Cohen, Senior Chair of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP.



Guests enjoy the reception.



Idina Menzel performs at the twenty-fifth Anniversary Event.



Cocktail Reception in the Great Hall begins



Nathaniel Nunziante and his band play during the program.



Anne Urda, Editor in Chief of Law360



Toast to the winners.



The orchestra delights guests.



Megan Ma, Research Fellow and the Associate Director of the Stanford Program in Law, Science, and Technology, and spouse, William Dai, shown at entrance to the Library of Congress.



Law360 Distinguished Legal Writing Award winners, LaKeisha Marsh, Montoya Ho-Sang, and Sommer Sharpe.



VADM Darse Crandall, guest.



Lucy Fato, former Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Global Head of Communications & Government Affairs at AIG, with Brad Karp, Chairman of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP and winner of the 2022 Law Firm Leadership Award.



Jane Sullivan Roberts, Managing Partner at Macrae, and guests of the 2024 Burton Awards.



Linda Klein, Senior Managing Shareholder at Baker Donelson and former President of the ABA, with current ABA President, Mary L. Smith.



Guests enjoy Idina Menzel's performance.





## THE BURTON AWARDS

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