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ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar**

MISSION

The mission of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, the ABA's first section, is:

To be a creative national force in providing leadership and services to those responsible for and those who benefit from a sound program of legal education and bar admissions.

To provide a fair, effective, and efficient accrediting system for American law schools that promotes quality legal education, and

To continue to serve, through its Council, as the nationally recognized accrediting body for American law schools.

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THE YEAR IN REVIEW

From the Chair
From the Managing Director
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Fall Enrollment Statistics



Maureen O'Rourke

Dean Emerita and
Professor
Boston University
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2017-2018 Council
Chair

The Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar and its Council experienced another busy year in 2017-2018. Managing Director Barry Currier, Accreditation Committee Chair the Honorable Scott Bales, and Standards Review Committee Chair Professor Pamela Lysaght each provided overviews of their respective areas in this report. I will emphasize just a few highlights here:

- As Managing Director Currier notes, one of the year's major achievements was to revise the relevant documents and secure approval for the new Council structure. Just one body now will assume the responsibility for all aspects of the accreditation process. This reform responds to a critical need for the Council to be more responsive to what has become a rapidly changing marketplace. We owe particular thanks to Managing Director Currier, Past Council Chair Gregory Murphy, and current Chair Jeffrey Lewis and his working group members for their thoughtful and intensive work on this project.
- Managing Director Currier and I appeared before The National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI) in May 2018. NACIQI advises the U.S. Department of Education (DOE) on the status of accrediting agencies. The Council had filed a response to certain issues raised by NACIQI in its most recent review. After the May hearing, NACIQI recommended that the DOE continue the Council's status as the accrediting agency for the Juris Doctor degree in the United States, and it did so. We are very grateful to Accreditation Counsel Stephanie Giggetts, NACIQI staff, and NACIQI members (particularly Simon Boehme, the lead questioner) for their attention to this critical matter.
- NACIQI additionally helpfully provided the Managing Director's Office with guidance on when the Council should publicize matters regarding a law school's status. As a result, consumers are now able to access more timely and detailed information on this topic. The [website](#) contains information on the status of a number of schools' compliance (or lack thereof) with ABA standards, and doubtlessly will become a major reference source for interested parties.

- “National Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being” Co-chair Bree Buchanan and Task Force member David Jaffe appeared before the Council to discuss the Task Force’s findings and recommendations. The Council is grateful to the Task Force for undertaking this very important work. The Task Force Report will be a vital resource as the Council considers how it might best assist law schools as they struggle with issues of law student well-being. The Report is available [here](#).
- Andrea Sinner, Director of the ABA’s Commission on the Future of Legal Education established by 2017-2018 ABA President Hilarie Bass, appeared before the Council to provide an update on the Commission’s work. The Council very much appreciated the opportunity to engage Ms. Sinner in a dialogue particularly around the related issues of the skills a lawyer will need as the 21st century unfolds and attorney licensing. The Commission will continue its work this year, and its goals are [summarized here](#).
- Standards Review Committee Chair Professor Pamela Lysaght aptly summarized the Committee’s activities in her report. Of perhaps particular interest for the future are the revisions to Standard 306. These allow schools to offer more and earlier (as soon as the first year) courses via distance education. The Council took these steps in light of the number of schools requesting variances from the original rules and successful results reported by early adopters of online learning in legal education.
- The Council withdrew a proposal to the House of Delegates to remove Section 503 from the Standards. This provision requires a law school to mandate that applicants take and submit a standardized test score. Most other accreditors do not have such a requirement. Under Section 503, a school must require an LSAT score or be prepared to provide the Managing Director’s Office an explanation of the basis on which it accepts an alternative score (e.g, GRE, GMAT, SAT).

The Council benefits from its relationships with affiliate organizations who provide helpful insights into legal education from a variety of perspectives, including those of applicants, students, and the profession. Additionally, a number of the affiliates engage in important research. Representatives from these organizations present reports to the Council in open session. The schedule of presenters and written reports are available on the Section [website for each meeting](#). We owe the affiliates many thanks for their work and collegiality.

On behalf of the Section, I was honored to present the year's Robert J. Kutak Award to the Honorable Solomon Oliver, Jr., of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio. Judge Oliver has led the Accreditation Committee and Council and currently serves as a Section Delegate to the ABA's House of Delegates. His professional career, devotion to the Section, and service to the broader community make him a true role model and worthy recipient of the Kutak Award.

Section Director Erin Ruehrwein once again led a number of programs, including webinars and workshops for those involved in legal education. Her annual workshop on student debt co-sponsored by the Law Student Division has become a "must attend" at the ABA Annual meeting for all interested in the topic. She has truly re-invigorated the Section's membership and activities, and we are all beneficiaries of her efforts.

It has been a wonderful privilege and honor to serve on the Council. Thank you all for giving me the opportunity, and especially, thank you to:

- The Accreditation and Standards Review Committees and their respective Chairs, the Honorable Scott Bales and Professor Pamela Lysaght. I am grateful for your thoughtfulness, diligence, and fortitude;
- The Council Executive Committee who met between meetings as needed: Chair-Elect Dean Jeffrey Lewis, Vice Chair Diane Bosse, Immediate Past Chair Gregory Murphy, Secretary Dean Antonio García-Padilla, Dean Raymond Pierce, and Dean Leo Martinez. Thank you for all of your advice and support; and
- Managing Director Barry Currier and all of the office staff. You do a nearly impossible job with great grace and good humor. I thoroughly enjoyed working with you, and thank you for your wisdom, guidance, and kindness.



Barry A. Currier

2017-2018 was a significant year for the Council, the Section, and the ABA law school accreditation process.

We were blessed with great leadership. Many thanks to Council Chair Maureen O'Rourke, Accreditation Committee Chair Scott Bales, and Standards Review Committee Chair Pamela Lysaght. We were also blessed with great volunteers on each body, and hundreds of volunteers who were chairs and members of site teams, or who served on a Section committee. Add to the mix a talented and collegial staff. It's a total team effort – volunteers and staff. I am proud to be part of the mix.

The major accomplishment and improvement in our process came from the Council completing the work and obtaining the approvals to transition to a different operating structure. Work assigned to two committees that had done exceptional work over decades for and with the Council (Accreditation and Standards Review) was transferred to the Council, and those two committees were eliminated. This change was made possible by technology and process improvements, additional reliance on staff, and the extension of the comprehensive review of school programs to 10 years (from 7 years).

It was bittersweet at each of the committees' last meeting. Long-time volunteers become friends, as well as professional colleagues. We will miss seeing each other and the work in which we were engaged. Not only members whose service was ending, but others who had long ago completed their service, understood the important roles these committees played and appreciated the opportunities they had to serve legal education and the profession.

The outcome of this project will be a more effective and efficient process. The timeframe within which the process will work is reduced, with no loss in its robustness or rigor. There are cost savings, as well. The former structure was right for its time. But times have changed, and the new process better fits the current environment. As this is written, the first two Council meetings in our new structure have taken place. So far, so good.

We also have embarked on a major project to improve the technology and software that supports our work. Both volunteers and schools will soon see the benefits of this investment, which should make schools' reporting of data and other interactions with our process much easier. Finally, on the data side, we made significant improvements in the data we are collecting and reporting on bar passage outcomes and refined the employment outcomes review/reporting process based on the experience we have had after two cycles.

Regarding the ABA Standards for Approval of Law Schools, schools continue to refine their learning outcomes (Standard 302) and are implementing assessment programs to determine the success of their course of study in achieving those outcomes and improving their curricula, as needed (Standard 315). The shift from the old-style "self-study," which often was more of a status report on where a law school was at the time of its comprehensive review than it was a forward-looking document, to a focus on program outcomes and assessments, is key to a healthy accreditation process going forward and to assuring that law schools continue to provide rigorous programs of legal education that prepare their graduates for entry into the profession and for careers as effective, ethical, and responsible lawyers.

Again, kudos to our outstanding volunteers, whose time and talent are essential to our work. Thanks, too, to the deans, faculty members, and staff of the ABA-approved law schools for their cooperation and support.



Erin Ruehrwein

2017-2018 was a successful year for the Section. Not only did the Section see an increase in Section membership, it increased its offerings of substantive programming and valuable publications thanks to the volunteer work of many of its members, especially the Conferences and Programming and Publications Committees. The Section also found new and innovative ways to collaborate with other ABA entities as we all work to support and enhance the legal profession.

The success of the Section is made possible by its many volunteers who generously give of their time to serve the legal education community through service on committees, program panels, and generally assisting the Council and staff with the important work of the Section. On behalf of the Section, thank you to our volunteers for their valuable contributions and leadership.

MEMBERSHIP

The Section closed out the 2017-2018 bar year with 14,616 members, an increase of 3.1% over the previous year. Law student membership in the Section increased by over 12%, totaling 4,024 students.

Overall, ABA total membership decreased by 0.2%, ending the year with 411,490 members. Although overall membership slightly decreased, the ABA closed the year with an 11% increase in total student membership.

SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAMMING

During 2017-2018, the Section delivered several valuable substantive programs on topics including law school diversity initiatives, mental health, law school development, student debt, and the career path to becoming a dean.

BEST PRACTICES IN LAW SCHOOL DIVERSITY INITIATIVES

The Section presented a complimentary webinar in November 2017 on [law school diversity initiatives](#). With over 85 attendees, the program examined some of the best practices law schools are using to increase diversity and inclusion. The webinar was moderated by Daiquiri Steele, Director of Diversity & Inclusion and Assistant Professor of Law in Residence at The University of Alabama School of Law and featured speakers Susan Kuo, Associate Dean of Diversity & Inclusion, University of South Carolina; Troy Riddle, Assistant Dean for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer, The John Marshall Law School; and Catherine Smith, Associate Dean of Institutional Diversity and Inclusiveness, University of Denver Sturm College of Law.

THE WEIGHT OF LAW SCHOOL: RECOGNIZING AND REBOUNDED FROM DEPRESSION

The Section co-sponsored this [complimentary webinar](#) in March 2018 with the ABA Law Student Division. The webinar featured the authors of a book by the ABA's Law Practice Division titled *The Full Weight of the Law: How Legal Professionals Can Recognize and Rebound from Depression*.

THE PATH TO LAW STUDENT WELL-BEING

The Section co-sponsored a [podcast series](#) hosted by the ABA Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs on law student well-being. The two-part episode features two short conversations with Dean and Professor Michael Hunter Schwartz of the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law and Professor Larry Krieger of the Florida State University College of Law and is moderated by Professor Susan Wawrose of the University of Dayton School of Law.

2018 LAW SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

The Conference, held May 29-June 1 in Chicago, drew over 150 deans and development officers from law schools across the country. Attendees networked and attended engaging and relevant sessions on topics such as leadership storytelling, metrics, women in philanthropy, and social media campaigns, to name a few.



Photos by Esther Choy and Caitlin Scarano

Esther Choy, President & Chief Story Facilitator of the Leadership Story Lab, led an interactive half-day plenary session on the fundamentals of storytelling in philanthropy to kick off the conference.



Attendees also had the opportunity to attend a luncheon that featured an inspiring discussion with Valerie Jarrett, Senior Distinguished Fellow at the University of Chicago Law School and Senior Advisor to the Obama Foundation, and Daniel Rodriguez, Dean and Professor at Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law.

MANAGING STUDENT LOANS

During the 2018 Annual Meeting, the Section presented a complimentary program with the Law Student Division that discussed strategies for student loan management, consolidation, forgiveness, repayment, refinancing, and other resources. After the live program, a podcast was recorded with the program panelists and is [available here](#).



CAREER CHOICE SERIES: ACADEMIA AND BECOMING A DEAN

The Section partnered with the ABA's Legal Career Central group on a complimentary webinar that was part of the Career Choice webinar series for ABA members. "[Academia and Becoming a Dean](#)" featured panelists Dean Danielle Holley-Walker of Howard University School of Law and Dean Michael Hunter Schwartz of University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law.

Recordings and materials for all Section programs are posted on the Section's [program materials](#) webpage.

SECTION PUBLICATIONS

During 2017-2018, the Section published numerous publications including four editions of its quarterly electronic publication, [Syllabus](#), which features columns from the Council Chair, Managing Director, and Section Director as well as news and announcements of interest.

The Section also published the 2018 edition of the [Comprehensive Guide to Bar Admission Requirements](#) in collaboration with the National Conference of Bar Examiners, and the [Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools](#) – the current edition can be found [here](#).

THE SOURCEBOOK ON LEGAL WRITING PROGRAMS

During 2017-2018, the Section's Publications Committee took the lead on producing a new edition of [The Sourcebook on Legal Writing Programs](#), which is scheduled to publish in 2019.

Once again, thank you to the Section's leadership, volunteers, staff, and contributors to the Section's many programs and publications for your generous contributions and support.

If you have any ideas, suggestions, or comments, please feel free to reach out to me directly at Erin.Ruehrwein@americanbar.org.

FALL ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

	2017 204 Schools	2016 204 Schools	2015 204 Schools	2010 200 Schools	2000 185 Schools
Total Law School Enrollment	127,300	124,722	126,986	157,298	132,464
Total J.D. Enrollment	110,183	111,095	113,900	147,525	125,173
Total Male J.D. Enrollment	53,644	55,058	57,580	78,516	64,540
Total Female J.D. Enrollment	56,490	55,766	56,295	69,009	60,633
Total Other J.D. Enrollment	49	271	25**	*	*
Total Minority J.D. Enrollment	34,524	34,528	35,754	35,045	25,753
Total Non-J.D. Enrollment	17,117	13,677	13,086	*	*
Post-J.D. Enrollment	***	9,866	9,797	*	*
Other Non-J.D. Enrollment	***	3,811	3,289	*	*

	2017 204 Schools ****	2016 204 Schools	2015 204 Schools	2010 200 Schools	2000 185 Schools
Total First Year Enrollment	40,942	37,106	37,907	52,448	43,518
Total Male First Year Enrollment	19,492	18,057	18,969	28,226	22,019
Total Female First Year Enrollment	21,426	19,032	18,938	24,182	21,449
Total Other First Year Enrollment	24	17	**	**	**
Total Minority First Year Enrollment	13,220	11,880	12,083	13,191	9,335

*Non-J.D. statistics not collected in these years.

**Other gender category not collected in previous years.

***Only Total Non-J.D. statistics collected in these years.

****Based on Total 1L Enrollment.





ACCREDITATION

Accreditation Committee Report
Standards Review Committee Report
Site Evaluation Visits

**Accreditation Committee Report
The Honorable Scott Bales
Chief Justice
Arizona Supreme Court
Chair, 2017-2018 Accreditation Committee**

Perhaps as fitting at year end, this report blends celebration with a bit of nostalgia. In its final year, the Accreditation Committee was extraordinarily busy, reflecting many hours of work by its volunteer members and Section personnel.

Over four meetings in 2017-2018 (September, December, March, and June), the Committee considered 163 different matters requiring a decision or recommendation. These included 9 hearings, 28 regular site evaluation reports, 34 applications for acquiescence in the establishment of new non-J.D. programs, and 6 requests to modify existing non-J.D. programs. The Committee also continued the interim monitoring of all ABA-approved law schools. Through this process, by reviewing the annual questionnaires submitted by law schools every October, the Committee sought to identify and help resolve potential issues schools might be facing in terms of compliance with the Standards.

The Committee also facilitated the restructuring of the Council's accreditation work, including by continuing to have a liaison with the Standards Review Committee and by developing, through its task force on the review of the Site Evaluation Questionnaire and templates, improved formats for use by law schools in submitting information and by the Council in communicating its decisions and other actions. Especially notable, since the Committee has ceased existence and the Council now itself reviews regular site evaluation reports, is a new model letter for reporting on the review of these reports. The new format, consistent with the goals of the restructuring, will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the accreditation process. Task force chair Paul George, an associate dean and the library director at the University of Pennsylvania's law school, and other task force members deserve special thanks for their efforts in this respect.

The Committee comprised 19 volunteer members who shared a commitment to legal education and reflected a diversity of professional and personal backgrounds – law school professors and deans, other academic professionals, lawyers, judges, and public members. Our vice chair was David A. Brennen, dean of the University of Kentucky's law school, who helped lead the Committee with wisdom and geniality. Three other committee members did outstanding jobs chairing important subcommittees: Donald Dahlin, a public member, for interim monitoring; Cindy Martin, a judge on Missouri's Court of Appeals, for non-J.D. programs; and Adrien Wing, an associate dean at the University of Iowa's law school, for foreign programs.

ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE REPORT

None of the Committee's work could have been done, however, without tremendous support from people working in the office of the Managing Director, including Barry Currier, Deputy Managing Director William Adams, and Edwin Butterfoss, Senior Accreditation Counsel. Joining them were Accreditation Counsel, Stephanie Giggetts and Becky Stretch – two brilliant lawyers – though we were sad to lose Becky at the end of the year to a well-deserved retirement. Paralegal Marsha Factor, and Carl Brambrink, Director of Operations, ensured that our meetings and other committee activities operated effectively.

As chair, I owe a special thanks to JR Clark, the Section's Director of Accreditation Administration. Other committee members and I relied on his efficiency, organization, and attention to detail to complete our work in an effective and timely way. We greatly appreciate all the assistance from JR and others in the Managing Director's Office this past year.

I cannot end without also expressing a bit of sadness that our Committee held its last meeting in June 2018. That meeting marked the sixth year of service for three members – Adrien Wing, Donald Dahlin, and Paul George. Over their terms, they each contributed importantly to the Committee's work. They, as did other members who served more briefly, recognized that the Committee was a unique experience – an opportunity to join others from around the nation in seeking to improve legal education. Although the issues were often difficult and the time commitments demanding, we did important work and formed deep friendships along the way. I thank all the committee members for that opportunity and their efforts, and I hope they will continue to be otherwise involved in the accreditation project in the years to come.



Back row (L to R): Daniel Thies, Daniel Madzelan, Becky Stretch (staff), JR Clark (staff), Kevin Washburn, Donald Dahlin, Paul George, Steven Bahls, Nancy Marlin, Edwin Butterfoss (staff), Adrien Wing, Brad Clary, Joanne Scanlon Prestia, Suzanne Richards, Kevin Johnson, Deborah Boling (staff)

Front row (L to R): Charlotte Wager, William Adams (Deputy Managing Director), Barry Currier (Managing Director), Scott Bales (Chair), David Brennen, Susan Kay, Stephanie Giggetts (staff), Alex Johnson

Not pictured: Judith Leonard, Cynthia Martin

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Standards Review Committee Report
Pamela Lysaght
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The Standards Review Committee's proposed agenda for 2017-2018, which the Council approved at its August 2017 meeting, was intended to accomplish four overarching goals that would move important functions of the Accreditation Project forward while also complementing the Council's work on the potential restructuring of the Section's work. The goals were as follows:

Consider changes to the Rules of Procedure to promote greater transparency in the site inspection process;

Review those Standards that dovetail or overlap with other Standards and determine if they need to be reconciled or harmonized;

Continue to streamline the site inspection process through the templates and questionnaires; and

Consider a more global review of the Standards, especially in light of issues identified in the roundtable discussions, with the goal of making recommendations for the next comprehensive review.

Proposed changes to the *ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools*, designed to meet the first two goals, included the following changes, which were approved by the Council following the notice and comment period and hearings. All the changes became effective in August 2018 after the ABA House of Delegates concurred at its August 2018 meeting, with the exception of Standard 106, which became effective in February 2018 after the House concurred at its February 2018 meeting.

Standard 106 Separate Locations and Branch Campuses: This change resolves an inconsistency between Standard 106(b)(1) and Rule 30(b)(1) regarding acquiescence and branch campuses.

Standard 303, 304, and 305: The revisions adopted by the Council move the general definition of what an experiential course must contain from Standard 303(a)(3) to Standard 304(a). Duplicative language defining simulation, clinic, and field placement in Standard 304 has been deleted. Finally, the cross-references in Standards 303, 304, and 305 were changed to reflect the changes.

Standard 306: The changes raise the number of distance education credit hours permitted from 15 credits to up to one-third of the credits required for the J.D. degree. Under this revision, law schools are permitted to grant 10 of those distance education credit hours in the first year.

Standard 307: The goal of the changes to Standard 307 addresses two matters: (1) how the Standards and Criteria deal with field placements that are located outside the United States; and (2) the total amount of credits that may be earned toward the J.D. degree for studies outside the United States.

Standard 601: This revision makes clear that the required assessment does not have to be “written.” By making this change, a law library and a law school can determine how best to develop a method of assessment that meets the needs of the institution. Law schools are still required to prepare periodic self-studies and self-assessments under Standard 204 and are required to conduct an ongoing evaluation as required under Standard 315.

Rules of Procedure 4, 9, 13, 20, 47, 48, and 53: Rule 4(d) provided that in extraordinary circumstances, a site evaluation of a law school may be postponed upon the request of the law school. The amendment removes “upon the request of the law school” from the Rule, so that the Managing Director has authority to postpone a visit.

Rule 9(c) provided that a law school must complete and submit the Notice of State or Other Recognized Agency Action Form. This form does not exist so the amendment deletes this provision.

The amendment to Rule 13(a)(2) adds “specific remedial action” to be consistent with Rule 20.

Rule 20 did not specify when the decision of the Council will become effective. The amendment adds a section that provides the decision of the Council will be effective upon issuance. The amendment deletes Rule 47(a) because it is already addressed in Rule 44.

One amendment to Rule 48 adds the submission of a teach-out plan (see Rule 34) to Rule 48 in two places. First, it includes the submission of a teach-out plan in the list of requests or submissions that shall be made public when filed by a law school in Rule 48(a). Second, it adds the Council’s conclusion and decision on a teach-out plan to the list of conclusions and decisions that must be made public following Council action and notification to the law school of that action in Rule 48(c).

The second amendment clarifies and makes specific the requirements of Rule 29 that the Managing Director make public, after notice of the decision to a school, a Council decision of significant non-compliance with a Standard under Rule 11(a)(4). This aligns the Rule with the requirements of the United States Department of Education, to which the Council is subject, and the provisions of Council Internal Operating Practice 4.

For accreditation matters that have been made public regarding the status of a law school, the amendment to Rule 48 clarifies the Managing Director's ability to comment on these matters. Finally, Rule 53 was amended to make clear when a Council decision must be made public.

The Council also approved changes to Standards 205, 206, 501, and 503. These remain with the Council and have not been concurred in by the House of Delegates at this time.

To meet its third goal, assisting the Managing Director's office in streamlining the site inspection process, a small SRC working group reviewed drafts and provided comments on ways to improve the questionnaires and site report template and to modify the accreditation decision letters in ways that would focus on areas of non-compliance. These changes went into effect for the 2018-2019 site inspection schedule.

Lastly, the Committee's final goal was to make recommendations to address reviewing the Standards going forward under a merged Council and to update the 2008 Transparency Report. To those ends, two working groups were created. They presented their reports and recommendations for consideration by the Committee at its April 2017 meeting. The approved reports, with recommendations, were submitted to the Council for its May 2018 meeting.

The Committee's April 2017 meeting was its last, pending final approval of the restructuring to consolidate the SRC and Accreditation Committee functions into the Council. The SRC expressed strong support for the proposed consolidation and put significant effort into winding down its agenda. My heartfelt thanks to the Committee members and staff, whose diligence and extraordinary work ethic allowed us to accomplish our many and varied tasks. I also wish to thank Dean Emerita and Professor Maureen O'Rourke, who chaired the Council in 2017-2018, for her support and guidance.

2017-2018 STANDARDS REVIEW COMMITTEE

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And finally, a very special thank you to Charlotte (Becky) Stretch, who was the principal staff counsel and liaison to the Committee for many years. Becky retired in August 2018 and moved home to Hawaii. Her expertise, vision, advice, and friendship were invaluable to the Committee.

(Professional affiliations reflect those held at the time of the site visit.)

SABBATICAL

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November 5-8, 2017**

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October 8-11, 2017**

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University of Cincinnati College of Law February 18-21, 2018

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**University of Detroit Mercy School of Law
October 22-25, 2017**

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March 18-21, 2018

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**University of Maryland, Francis King Carey School of Law
February 25-28, 2018**

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April 8-11, 2018

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March 18-21, 2018

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FOREIGN SUMMER PROGRAM

Tulane University Law School Cambridge, England July 17-20, 2018

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FACT-FINDER VISITS

University of Dayton School of Law January 15, 2018

Chair: Sara Berman, Director of Programs for Academic and Bar Success, AccessLex Institute

Golden Gate University School of Law September 14-15, 2017

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SITE EVALUATION VISITS

Texas Southern University School of Law November 28-29, 2017

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Co-Chair: Michael Goodnight, Associate Dean, University of Miami School of Law

Western State College of Law at Argosy University November 14-18, 2017

Chair: Dan J. Freehling, Deputy Consultant on Legal Education (retired), ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar



SPECIAL EVENTS

Staff News

Kutak Award Recipient

Workshops

**Becky Stretch****Becky Stretch Retires After 29 Years of Service to the ABA**

Charlotte “Becky” Stretch, Accreditation Consultant to the Section, retired to her home state of Hawaii in August 2018 after 29 years of service to the ABA, 11 of which were spent in the Section as Accreditation Counsel and Assistant Consultant.

During her time with the Section, Becky contributed greatly to the Accreditation Project. She provided invaluable support and guidance on the Standards, questionnaires, site review process, and policy recommendations from the Section to the ABA Board of Governors and House of Delegates, among many other important roles.

Prior to her work with the Section, Becky served as both Special Counsel and Associate Director for the ABA’s Center for Professional Responsibility. She provided legal expertise and policy guidance to ABA governance and ABA entities in developing, interpreting, and implementing policies on lawyer and judicial regulation and consulted with state supreme courts, bar associations, and state regulatory agencies regarding the interpretation and implementation of the ABA’s Model Rules of Professional Conduct, the Model Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement, the Model Rules for Judicial Disciplinary Enforcement, and the Model Code of Judicial Conduct.

**Mary McNulty****Mary McNulty, Senior Publishing, Marketing, and Technology Specialist Retires**

Mary McNulty, who served as the Section’s Senior Publishing, Marketing, and Technology Manager since 2007 retired in December 2017. In that time, Mary created electronic versions of *Syllabus*, the *Official Guide to ABA-Approved Law Schools*, and the *Annual Report*; managed the Section’s website; and staffed a new Publications Committee that sponsored a half-dozen new titles. She also happily proofread the many documents that crossed her desk. She now divides her time between Chicago and the South Carolina coast, playing with her grandchildren and writing new stories.

Camille deJorna Accepts New Opportunity with the Law School Admission Council

In August 2017, after 16 years with the Section, Camille deJorna, Associate Deputy Managing Director, embarked on a new chapter as she accepted a position with the Law School Admission Council (LSAC). Camille played a significant role in the Section's accreditation and site visit process and carried with her valuable knowledge and significant leadership experience in admissions and student affairs from her time at Columbia, Hofstra, and University of Iowa law schools. As a speaker both nationally and internationally on the subject of diversity and inclusion, she was awarded the 2017 Legacy in the Law Award by the Black Women Lawyers Association of Greater Chicago. Camille now serves as the Deputy for Legal and Global Higher Education for LSAC.

The Section wishes Becky, Mary, and Camille all the best as they begin these exciting new chapters!



Camille deJorna

**2018 ROBERT J. KUTAK AWARD RECIPIENT:
THE HONORABLE SOLOMON OLIVER, JR.**



The Honorable Solomon Oliver, Jr. is the recipient of the 2018 [Robert J. Kutak Award](#).

Judge Oliver was raised, along with his five brothers and four sisters, by his parents in Bessemer, Alabama, where he attended the segregated public schools.

He was appointed to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio by President Bill Clinton in 1994 and served as Chief Judge from 2010 to 2017. Judge Oliver holds a B.A. from the College of Wooster, an

M.A. in political science from Case Western Reserve University, and a J.D. from New York University School of Law. From 1975 to 1976, Judge Oliver was a law clerk for the late Judge William H. Hastie of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Judge Oliver was an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Ohio from 1976 to 1982, where he served as Chief of the Civil Division and Chief of Appellate Litigation. From 1982 to 1994, he was a Professor at Cleveland State University's Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and served as Associate Dean from 1991 to 1994. He has served as a member of the teaching faculty at the Harvard Law School Trial Advocacy Workshop. He also has had the privilege of sitting by designation on the U.S. Sixth, Ninth and Third Circuit Courts of Appeal.

Judge Oliver has served on and chaired the Accreditation Committee and Council. He served as Section Council Chair from 2013-2014 and currently serves as a House of Delegates Representative for the Section.

Judge Oliver received the award at a reception on Friday, August 3 at the InterContinental Chicago Magnificent Mile Hotel during the ABA Annual Meeting.



Left to right: Joan Howland, The Honorable Solomon Oliver, Jr.,
Maureen O'Rourke

NEW DEANS' WORKSHOP



The New Deans' Workshop, for deans who have held their positions for 18 months or fewer, was held at The Kimpton Gray Hotel in Chicago, June 5-7, 2018. The workshop had thirty-two new deans in attendance. Among the topics covered were finances and budgeting, faculty management, development and alumni relations, current issues confronting legal education, and best practices for engaging with students.

Annual training for law school accreditation site teams and users of the Law School Questionnaires was also held in Chicago.

Annual Questionnaire and Site Evaluation Questionnaire Training

July 13, 2018

96 attendees

Site Team Chairs Workshop

August 26, 2017

27 attendees

Site Evaluation Workshop

October 21, 2017

135 attendees





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SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Section Membership	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
Law Students	1,157	1,048	2,845	3,590	4,024
Associates	1,243	1,192	1,151	1,136	1,093
Lawyers	10,408	9,980	9,638	9,457	9,499
TOTAL	12,808	12,220	13,634	14,183	14,616
Individual Members	3,432	2,430	3,778	4,476	4,484
Faculty Group Program	9,376	9,790	9,856	9,707	10,132

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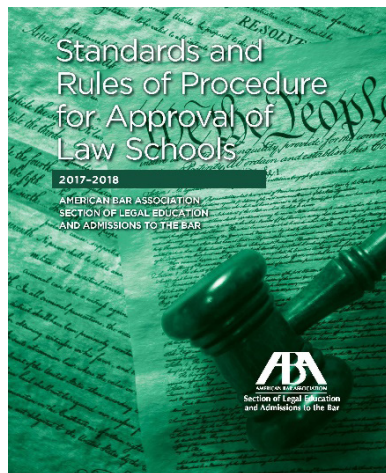


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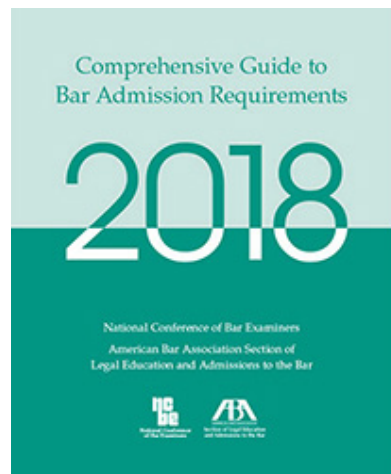
The Section's quarterly e-newsletter, *Syllabus*, keeps members up-to-date on Section news, changes in the Standards and Rules for Approval of Law Schools, and innovations in legal education. An archive of past issues is available on the [Syllabus web page](#).

2017-2018 ABA STANDARDS AND RULES FOR APPROVAL OF LAW SCHOOLS



Outlining the Standards and Rules with which law schools must comply to obtain and retain ABA approval, the 2017-2018 edition reflects all changes approved by the Council during the year.

COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO BAR ADMSSION REQUIREMENTS



Co-published with the National Conference of Bar Examiners, the *Comprehensive Guide* charts the rules and practices of all U.S. jurisdictions for admission to the Bar by examination and on motion. It also contains a directory of state bar admission agencies.

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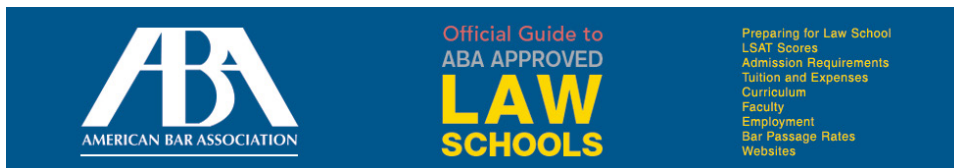


The Section's *Annual Report* provides an overview of the activities and accomplishments of the Section during the previous Association year, including law school site evaluation teams, Council and committee leadership, and the list of ABA-approved law schools.

Section website: https://www.americanbar.org/groups/legal_education/

The Section's website offers a variety of resources for legal educators and law students. Those pages that are most visited include the list of ABA-approved law schools, the Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools, bar admissions, legal education statistics, and the post-JD/non-JD programs offered at ABA-approved law schools.

OFFICIAL GUIDE TO ABA-APPROVED LAW SCHOOLS



The online Official Guide database allows users to access consumer information on all ABA-approved law schools. Search categories include admission requirements, tuition and expenses, curriculum and faculty, graduate employment information, and bar pass rates.

**University Of Akron
C. Blake McDowell Law Center**
Akron, Ohio

**University of Alabama
School of Law**
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Albany Law School
Albany, New York

**American University
Washington College of Law**
Washington, D.C.

Appalachian School of Law
Grundy, Virginia

**The University of Arizona
James E. Rogers
College of Law**
Tucson, Arizona

**Arizona State University
Sandra Day O'Connor
College of Law**
Phoenix, Arizona

Arizona Summit Law School
Phoenix, Arizona

**University of Arkansas
School of Law**
Fayetteville, Arkansas

**University of Arkansas
at Little Rock
William H. Bowen School of Law**
Little Rock, Arkansas

**Atlanta's John Marshall
Law School**
Atlanta, Georgia

Ave Maria School of Law
Naples, Florida

**University of Baltimore
School of Law**
Baltimore, Maryland

**Barry University
Dwayne O. Andreas
School of Law**
Orlando, Florida

**Baylor University
School of Law**
Waco, Texas

**Belmont University
College of Law**
Nashville, Tennessee

**Boston College
Law School**
Newton, Massachusetts

**Boston University
School of Law**
Boston, Massachusetts

**Brigham Young University
J. Reuben Clark Law School**
Provo, Utah

Brooklyn Law School
Brooklyn, New York

**University of Buffalo
Law School (SUNY)**
Buffalo, New York

**University of California–
Berkeley, School of Law**
Berkeley, California

**University of California–
Davis, School of Law**
Davis, California

**University of California–
Hastings College of the Law**
San Francisco, California

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Irvine, School of Law**

Irvine, California

**University of California at
Los Angeles
School of Law**

Los Angeles, California

**California Western
School of Law**

San Diego, California

**Campbell University
Norman Adrian Wiggins
School of Law**

Raleigh, North Carolina

**Capital University
Law School**

Columbus, Ohio

**Case Western Reserve
University
Franklin T. Backus
School of Law**

Cleveland, Ohio

**The Catholic University
of America
Columbus School of Law**

Washington, D.C.

**Chapman University
Dale E. Fowler School of Law**

Orange, California

Charleston School of Law

Charleston, South Carolina

**University of Chicago
Law School**

Chicago, Illinois

**Chicago-Kent College of Law
Illinois Institute of Technology**

Chicago, Illinois

**University of Cincinnati
College of Law**

Cincinnati, Ohio

**City University of New York
(CUNY) School of Law**

Long Island City, New York

**Cleveland State University
Cleveland-Marshall
College of Law**

Cleveland, Ohio

**University of Colorado
Law School**

Boulder, Colorado

**Columbia University
School of Law**

New York, New York

*** Concordia University
School of Law**

Boise, Idaho

**University of Connecticut
School of Law**

Hartford, Connecticut

Cornell Law School

Ithaca, New York

**Creighton University
School of Law**

Omaha, Nebraska

**University of Dayton
School of Law**

Dayton, Ohio

**University of Denver
Sturm College of Law**

Denver, Colorado

**DePaul University
College of Law**

Chicago, Illinois

**University of Detroit Mercy
School of Law**

Detroit, Michigan

**University of the District
of Columbia**

David A. Clarke School of Law

Washington, D.C.

**Drake University
Law School**

Des Moines, Iowa

**Drexel University
Thomas R. Kline School of Law**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Duke University
School of Law**

Durham, North Carolina

**Duquesne University
School of Law**

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

**Elon University
School of Law**

Greensboro, North Carolina

**Emory University
School of Law**

Atlanta, Georgia

**Faulkner University
Thomas Goode Jones
School of Law**

Montgomery, Alabama

**University of Florida
Fredric G. Levin College of Law**

Gainesville, Florida

**Florida A&M University
College of Law**

Orlando, Florida

Florida Coastal School of Law

Jacksonville, Florida

**Florida International
University**

College of Law

Miami, Florida

**Florida State University
College of Law**

Tallahassee, Florida

**Fordham University
School of Law**

New York, New York

**George Mason University
Antonin Scalia Law School**

Arlington, Virginia

**George Washington University
Law School**

Washington, D.C.

**Georgetown University
Law Center**

Washington, D.C.

**University of Georgia
School of Law**

Athens, Georgia

**Georgia State University
College of Law**

Atlanta, Georgia

**Golden Gate University
School of Law**

San Francisco, California

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School of Law**

Spokane, Washington

Harvard University Law School

Cambridge, Massachusetts

**University of Hawai'i
William S. Richardson**

School of Law

Honolulu, Hawai'i

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**Hofstra University
School of Law**

Hempstead, New York

**University of Houston
Law Center**

Houston, Texas

**Howard University
School of Law**

Washington, D.C.

**University of Idaho
College of Law**

Moscow, Idaho

**University of Illinois
College of Law**

Champaign, Illinois

**Indiana University–
Bloomington
Maurer School of Law**

Bloomington, Indiana

**Indiana University–
Indianapolis
Robert H. McKinney
School of Law**

Indianapolis, Indiana

**Inter American University
of Puerto Rico
School of Law**

San Juan, Puerto Rico

**University of Iowa
College of Law**

Iowa City, Iowa

The John Marshall Law School

Chicago, Illinois

**Judge Advocate General's
Legal Center & School
U.S. Army**

Charlottesville, Virginia

**University of Kansas
School of Law**

Lawrence, Kansas

**University of Kentucky
College of Law**

Lexington, Kentucky

**University of La Verne
College of Law**

Ontario, California

Lewis & Clark Law School

Portland, Oregon

**Liberty University
School of Law**

Lynchburg, Virginia

*** Lincoln Memorial University
Duncan School of Law**

Knoxville, Tennessee

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Paul M. Hebert Law Center**

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

**University of Louisville
Louis D. Brandeis
School of Law**

Louisville, Kentucky

Loyola Law School

Los Angeles, California

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School of Law**

Chicago, Illinois

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Orleans
College of Law**

New Orleans, Louisiana

**University of Maine
School of Law**

Portland, Maine

**Marquette University
Law School**

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**University of Maryland
Francis King Carey
School of Law**
Baltimore, Maryland

**University of Massachusetts
School of Law–Dartmouth**
North Dartmouth, Massachusetts

**University of Memphis
Cecil C. Humphreys
School of Law**
Memphis, Tennessee

**Mercer University
Walter F. George
School of Law**
Macon, Georgia

**University of Miami
School of Law**
Coral Gables, Florida

**University of Michigan
Law School**
Ann Arbor, Michigan

**Michigan State University
College of Law**
East Lansing, Michigan

**University of Minnesota
Law School**
Minneapolis, Minnesota

**University of Mississippi
School of Law**
University, Mississippi

**Mississippi College
School of Law**
Jackson, Mississippi

**University of Missouri
School of Law**
Columbia, Missouri

**University of Missouri–
Kansas City, School of Law**
Kansas City, Missouri

**Mitchell Hamline
School of Law**
St. Paul, Minnesota

**University of Montana
Alexander Blewett III
School of Law**
Missoula, Montana

**University of Nebraska
College of Law**
Lincoln, Nebraska

**University of Nevada–Las Vegas
William S. Boyd School of Law**
Las Vegas, Nevada

New England Law | Boston
Boston, Massachusetts

**University of New Hampshire
School of Law**
Concord, New Hampshire

**University of New Mexico
School of Law**
Albuquerque, New Mexico

New York Law School
New York, New York

**New York University
School of Law**
New York, New York

**University of North Carolina
School of Law**
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

**North Carolina Central
University
School of Law**
Durham, North Carolina

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**University of North Dakota
School of Law**

Grand Forks, North Dakota

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College of Law**

Dallas, Texas

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School of Law**

Boston, Massachusetts

**Northern Illinois University
College of Law**

DeKalb, Illinois

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College of Law**

Highland Heights, Kentucky

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Pritzker School of Law**

Chicago, Illinois

Notre Dame Law School

Notre Dame, Indiana

**Nova Southeastern University
Shepard Broad Law Center**

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

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Claude W. Pettit College of Law**

Ada, Ohio

**The Ohio State University
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College of Law**

Columbus, Ohio

**University of Oklahoma
College of Law**

Norman, Oklahoma

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School of Law**

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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School of Law**

Eugene, Oregon

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White Plains, New York

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Sacramento, California

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Law School**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Dickinson Law**

Carlisle, Pennsylvania

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Penn State Law**

University Park, Pennsylvania

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School of Law**

Malibu, California

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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of Puerto Rico
Faculty of Law**

Ponce, Puerto Rico

**University of Puerto Rico
School of Law**

San Juan, Puerto Rico

**Quinnipiac University
School of Law**

Hamden, Connecticut

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School of Law**

Virginia Beach, Virginia

**University of Richmond
T.C. Williams School of Law**

Richmond, Virginia

**Roger Williams University
School of Law**

Bristol, Rhode Island

**Rutgers University
School of Law**

Camden/Newark, New Jersey

**St. John's University
School of Law**

Jamaica, New York

**Saint Louis University
School of Law**

St. Louis, Missouri

**St. Mary's University
School of Law**

San Antonio, Texas

**University of St. Thomas
School of Law**

Minneapolis, Minnesota

**St. Thomas University
School of Law**

Miami Gardens, Florida

**Samford University
Cumberland School of Law**

Birmingham, Alabama

**University of San Diego
School of Law**

San Diego, California

**University of San Francisco
School of Law**

San Francisco, California

**Santa Clara University
School of Law**

Santa Clara, California

**Seattle University
School of Law**

Seattle, Washington

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School of Law**

Newark, New Jersey

**University of South Carolina
School of Law**

Columbia, South Carolina

**University of South Dakota
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Vermillion, South Dakota

**South Texas College of
Law—Houston**

Houston, Texas

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California****Gould School of Law**

Los Angeles, California

**Southern Illinois University
School of Law**

Carbondale, Illinois

**Southern Methodist University
Dedman School of Law**

Dallas, Texas

**Southern University
Law Center**

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Southwestern Law School

Los Angeles, California

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Law School**

Stanford, California

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**Stetson University
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Gulfport, Florida

**Suffolk University
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Boston, Massachusetts

**Syracuse University
College of Law**

Syracuse, New York

**Temple University
James E. Beasley
School of Law**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**University of Tennessee
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Knoxville, Tennessee

**University of Texas
School of Law**

Austin, Texas

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Fort Worth, Texas

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Houston, Texas

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Lubbock, Texas

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San Diego, California

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**University of Tulsa
College of Law**

Tulsa, Oklahoma

**University of Utah
S.J. Quinney College of Law**

Salt Lake City, Utah

**Valparaiso University
School of Law**

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Law School**

Nashville, Tennessee

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Villanova, Pennsylvania

**University of Virginia
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Charlottesville, Virginia

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School of Law**

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

**Washburn University
School of Law**

Topeka, Kansas

**University of Washington
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Seattle, Washington

Washington and Lee University School of Law
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