

38th Annual  
*National Trial  
Competition*



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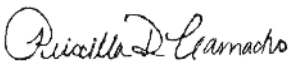
Welcome to the 38th annual National Trial Competition! You have joined the ranks of those national competitors who have exhibited exceptional talent for trial advocacy. We congratulate you in becoming part of this tradition, and we hope the national competition will provide you with an educational and memorable experience.

The National Trial Competition was established in 1975 to encourage and strengthen law students' advocacy skills through quality competition and valuable interaction with members of the bench and bar. The program is designed to expose law students to the nature of trial practice and to serve as a supplement to their legal education. Past winners of the competition have shared their memories of competing and one similar theme resonates: the experience has given them assurance of their abilities and valuable professional contacts. We hope that your experience will be just as meaningful and that your success in this competition will follow you as a successful lawyer.

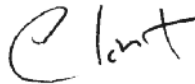
The Texas Young Lawyers Association wants to especially thank the American College of Trial Lawyers for continuing to co-host this competition. The competition could not exist without their commitment.

Finally, we want to thank the regional host schools for taking on the task of holding regional competitions and the many lawyers, witnesses, and other participants who contributed their time and energy to make the regional and national competitions a reality. Without the dedication of these individuals, this competition would not be possible.

Good luck in the national competition! We hope you enjoy your stay in San Antonio.



Priscilla D. Camacho



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# *The National Trial Competition*

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## *Special Recognition*

This Competition would not be possible without the efforts of the following people and organizations:

Chilton Davis Varner

*President, American College of Trial Lawyers*

Honorable T. John Ward

*NTC Committee Chair, American College of Trial Lawyers*

Marvin W. Jones – Author of the regional problem and the national problem.

# *Schedule of Events*

## ***WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3***

- 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.      **TEAM REGISTRATION AND  
TYLA WELCOME RECEPTION**  
Sheraton Gunter Hotel (Ludwig’s – second floor)
- 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.      **COACHES’ MEETING**  
Sheraton Gunter Hotel (Alamo – third floor)

## ***THURSDAY, APRIL 4***

- 6:30 – 8:00 a.m.      Breakfast – Sheraton Gunter Hotel (Robert Johnson – first floor)
- 7:15 – 7:45 a.m.      Bus shuttles from the hotel to the Bexar County Courthouse
- 8:00 a.m.              Teams, Witnesses, and Bailiffs check-in at the courthouse
- 8:30 a.m.              Judges check-in at the courthouse
- 9:00 a.m.              **PRELIMINARY ROUND I**
- 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.      Lunch – Courthouse Cafeteria (Legal Eats LLC)
- 1:00 p.m.              Teams, Witnesses, and Bailiffs check-in at the courthouse
- 1:30 p.m.              Judges check-in at the courthouse
- 2:00                      **PRELIMINARY ROUND II**
- 5:00 p.m.              Bus departs from the courthouse to the hotel
- 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.      **AMERICAN COLLEGE OF TRIAL LAWYERS RECEPTION**  
Sheraton Gunter Hotel (Robert Johnson – first floor)

## ***FRIDAY, APRIL 5***

- 6:30 - 8:00 a.m.      Breakfast – Sheraton Gunter Hotel (Robert Johnson – first floor)
- 7:15 – 7:45 a.m.      Bus shuttles from the hotel to the Bexar County Courthouse
- 8:00 a.m.              Teams, Witnesses, and Bailiffs check-in at the courthouse
- 8:30 a.m.              Judges check-in at the courthouse

9:00 a.m.	<b>PRELIMINARY ROUND III</b>
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch – Courthouse Cafeteria (Legal Eats LLC)
1:00 p.m.	Meeting to announce Quarter-Finalists (Coaches only)
1:00 p.m.	Bus departs from the courthouse to the hotel
1:00 p.m.	Teams, Witnesses, and Bailiffs check-in at the courthouse
1:30 p.m.	Judges check-in at the courthouse
2:00 p.m.	<b>QUARTERFINAL ROUND</b>
5:00 p.m.	Bus departs from the courthouse to the hotel
7:00 p.m.	<b>NTC CELEBRATION DINNER</b> Announcement of Semi-finalists Hard Rock Café – Riverwalk

## ***SATURDAY, APRIL 6***

7:15 – 7:45 a.m.	Bus shuttles from the hotel to the U.S. Bankruptcy Courthouse
8:00 a.m.	Teams, Witnesses, and Bailiffs check-in at the courthouse
8:30 a.m.	Judges check-in at the courthouse
9:00 a.m.	<b>SEMIFINAL ROUND</b>
12:00 p.m.	Lunch for teams advancing to the Final Round
12:00 p.m.	Bus departs from the courthouse to the hotel
1:00 p.m.	Teams, Witnesses, and Bailiffs check-in at the courthouse
1:30 p.m.	Judges check-in at the courthouse
2:00 p.m.	<b>FINAL ROUND</b>
5:00 p.m.	Bus departs from the courthouse to the hotel
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	<b>COCKTAIL RECEPTION</b> Sheraton Gunter Hotel (Ludwig’s – second floor)
7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	<b>AWARDS BANQUET</b> Sheraton Gunter Hotel (Crystal Ballroom – second floor)

# *National Competition Participants*

## **REGION 1**

Quinnipiac University School of Law  
Hamden, CT  
Coaches: Sean McGuinness and Ryan O'Neill

University of New Hampshire School of Law  
Concord, NH  
Coaches: Honorable Jacalyn Colburn and Professor Albert Scherr

## **REGION 2**

Fordham University School of Law  
New York, NY  
Coaches: Jeffrey Briem and Adam Shlahet

Hofstra University School of Law  
Hempstead, NY  
Coaches: Gerard McCloskey and Jared R. Rosenblatt

## **REGION 3**

Rutgers Law School – Newark  
Newark, NJ  
Coaches: Head Coach Christopher T. Karounos, Maritza Rodriguez,  
and Professor Judy Russell

Temple University Beasley School of Law  
Philadelphia, PA  
Coaches: Jennifer Bretschneider, Alexander Gosfield, and Edward D. Ohlbaum

## **REGION 4**

Georgetown University Law Center  
Washington, D.C.  
Coach: Jeremy Widder

College of William and Mary School of Law  
Williamsburg, VA  
No Coach

## **REGION 5**

Campbell University Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law (Two Teams)  
Raleigh, NC  
Coach: Daniel R. Tilley

## **REGION 6**

Samford University Cumberland School of Law (Two Teams)  
Birmingham, AL  
Coaches: Tracy Luke, Judge James Roberts, Ross Massey, and Sara Williams

## **REGION 7**

The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law  
Columbus, OH  
Coach: Robert Krivoshey

University of Akron School of Law  
Akron, OH  
Coach: Aaron P. Howell and Larry Sutter

**REGION 8**

The John Marshall Law School  
Chicago, IL  
Coaches: Meredith Rudolfi and Katie Siefert

Loyola University Chicago School of Law  
Chicago, IL  
Coaches: Brian Devilling, John Ellis, Tom Power, and Amy Thompson

**REGION 9**

University of Minnesota Law School  
Minneapolis, MN  
Coaches: Craig Buske and Craig Roen

Washington University School of Law  
St. Louis, MO  
Coaches: Meagan Appleby, Honorable David C. Mason, and Mark Rudder

**REGION 10**

Texas Tech University School of Law  
Lubbock, TX  
Coaches: Dick Baker and Melissa Morgan

Thurgood Marshall School of Law – Texas Southern University  
Houston, TX  
Coaches: Lisa Collins, Valerie Jewett, Ed Sullivan, and Alyssa White

**REGION 11**

University of Kentucky College of Law  
Lexington, KY  
Coach: Professor Allison Connelly

University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law  
Memphis, TN  
Coaches: Danny Schaffzin and Michelle Slack

**REGION 12**

University of Colorado  
Boulder, CO  
Coach: Ann England

University of Montana  
Missoula, MT  
Coaches: Randy J. Cox and Kathleen L. DeSoto

**REGION 13**

Stanford Law School  
Palo Alto, CA  
Coaches: Sara Peters, Olga Savage, and Todd Theodora

University of California, Berkeley School of Law  
Berkeley, CA  
Coaches: Stephanie Clark and Spencer Pahlke

**REGION 14**

Loyola Law School, Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, CA  
Coaches: Mark Drew, John Henry, and Susan G. Poehls

Thomas Jefferson School of Law  
San Diego, CA  
Coaches: Lea Fields-Bernard and Lilys D. McCoy

# *National Competition Advocates*

Ben Adams	Jana McNulty
Graham V. Amodeo	George Michel IV
Joshua Avelar	Blake Milner
David Baumwell	Ciara Mittan
Eric Bell	Mac Morris
Graham G. Berg-Moberg	Benjamin Odendahl
Hillary Burrelle	Peter Park
Joscelyn Brenton Campbell II	James Pennington
John Paul Cedillo	Leesa Poag
Matthew Cessna	Caroline N.J. Power
Katherine Coleman	James E. Price II
Joseph Darwal	Kory Ann Ramkawsky
Drew Davis	Jared M. Reams
Dennis DeMarco	Jennifer Reynolds
Michael Ditore	Amanda Ribustello
Michael S. Fabinski	Britny Alysse Rocha
Jonathon Fischer	Amanda Rogers
Jefferson Fisher	Sara Ross
Kaitlyn Flynn	Brittany Russell
Robert Gardner	Robert M. Sagerian
Christine Gertsch	Matthew Schoettle
Keith Gordon	Andrew Shores
James Gorsuch	Vlada Soshkina
Jonathan Greenlee	Brian Sullivan
Jennifer K. Hendricks	Ryan Tamm
Max Hiltner	Collin Tierney
Sam Hinson	Amanda Tuminelli
L. Lars Hulsebus	Melanie Turnbull
Matt Jennings	Genevieve Turner
Oliver Kroll	Chambers Waller
Andrew Kushner	Katie Wallrabenstein
Steven Landis	Brigid Welsh
Gus Lazares	Patrick White
Samantha Lemke	Eric Wojnicki
Andrew McElligott	
Alex McFall	



# *TYLA Co-Chairs of the National Trial Competition*

## **PRISCILLA D. CAMACHO**

Priscilla Camacho earned her law degree from Texas Tech University School of Law in May 2005 and her Bachelor of Arts Degree in English & Communication Arts from St. Mary's University. Priscilla currently works at the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce as their Vice President of Education and Workforce Development. Prior to this she was with the law firm of Plunkett & Gibson, Inc., where she practiced family law litigation. She currently serves as a Director on the Texas Young Lawyers Association board wherein she is a co-chair of TYLA's project, *Slavery Out of the Shadows: Spotlight on Human Trafficking* and other projects. Priscilla is also a former President of the San Antonio Young Lawyers Association and Director on both the San Antonio Bar Association and the Bexar County Women's Bar Association.

## **CLINT HARBOUR**

Born and raised in Liberty, Texas, Clint Harbour followed his sister Cori to Austin to attend the University of Texas. After completing law school, he worked for a small civil litigation firm handling a variety of matters at trial and on appeal. In 2005, he moved to South Africa and earned a Master of Laws (LLM) degree in International Law and Human Rights from the University of Cape Town. Since returning to Austin, Clint has worked for the State of Texas representing the highway department in administrative hearings, jury trials, and appellate courts. In his spare time he serves on the board of directors of the Texas Young Lawyers Association and the Texas Access to Justice Commission, coaches high school basketball, and enjoys Ballet Austin. Clint has served on the NTC committee since 2000.

## **WENDY ADELE HUMPHREY**

Professor Wendy Adele Humphrey obtained her B.A. from Westminster College (Fulton, Missouri) and her M.Ed. and J.D. from Texas Tech University. She is an Associate Professor at the Texas Tech University School of Law, where she also serves as a Co-Director of the Texas Tech University Pre-Law Academy. At the law school, Professor Humphrey coaches the Entertainment Law negotiation team and the ABA negotiation team, which have won regional, national, and international competitions. Before joining the law school faculty in 2007, she was a partner in Lovell, Lovell, Newsom & Isern, L.L.P., where she primarily focused on plaintiffs' personal injury, commercial litigation, and appellate law. Among other awards, Professor Humphrey was selected as the 2012 Outstanding Young Lawyer in Lubbock and has received a TYLA President's Award of Merit for the past four years. She is the TYLA District 3 Director, serves on both the Lubbock Area Bar Association board and the Lubbock County Young Lawyers Association board, and is involved on numerous State Bar of Texas committees. She has been a member of the NTC Committee since 2003 and also serves as a co-chair of the TYLA State Moot Court competition.

# Members of the ACTL National Trial Competition Committee

## **RODNEY ACKER:**

Mr. Acker, of Dallas, Texas, graduated with honors (Texas Tech Law Review and Order of the Coif) from Texas Tech Law School in 1974. He initially clerked for a federal district judge, and for the past thirty-nine years has been a commercial litigator. He has handled cases in over twenty-five states in a practice that has scanned a wide range of corporate issues with an emphasis on securities and antitrust cases. He is a partner in the firm of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. In addition to being a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers, he is a Fellow of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers; The International Society of Barristers; American Board of Trial Advocates; The Patrick Higginbotham American Inn of Court; is listed in Best Lawyers in America as well as Texas Super Lawyers and was named one of the Top 15 “Defenders” by the *Dallas Business Journal* in 2007 and 2008; is a Fellow of the American, Texas and Dallas Bar Foundations; and is a former director of Texas Appleseed Foundation. Mr. Acker is listed among *Chamber’s American Leading Lawyers in Business*, and in the *Law Dragon* 3000. Mr. Acker, formerly the Chair of the National Trial Competition Committee, is presently a Regent of the American College of Trial Lawyers and serves as the liaison to the National Trial Competition Committee.

## **EMERSON BANACK, JR. (“BUDDY”):**

Mr. Banack graduated from the University of Texas School of Law in 1965. Mr. Banack is a member of the firm of Langley & Banack, Inc. in San Antonio, Texas, and has been a member of the firm since he graduated in 1965. He has made numerous presentations in the Continuing Legal Education Program in the state of Texas. In addition to being a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, he is a Fellow in the Texas Bar Foundation, and the San Antonio Bar Foundation. Mr. Banack received the Lifetime Achievement Award for the San Antonio Business Journals’ First Annual Best Lawyer Award in 2010. He has also been listed as San Antonio’s 2012 Lawyer of the Year for Construction Litigation, Best Lawyers in America. He has been named San Antonio’s 2009 Lawyer of the Year for Bet-the-Company Litigation. Mr. Banack has represented numerous governmental entities, corporations, businesses, individuals, physicians, lawyers, engineers and architects in malpractice cases, products liability cases, negligence cases, and business litigation. During the last several years, he has practiced primarily in the field of business and corporate litigation and defense of large malpractice cases, as well as antitrust litigation. Due to the type of practice that Mr. Banack is currently engaged in, he represents both plaintiffs and defendants. Mr. Banack previously served as Texas State Chair of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

**ROBERT L. BYMAN:**

Robert L. Byman is a partner in the Firm's Litigation Department and is a member of the Complex Commercial Litigation Practice. Mr. Byman has tried dozens of cases to jury or bench verdict in a gamut of areas, including patents and intellectual property, commodities and securities, trade practices, environmental, employment, land use, professional liability, civil rights, and a wide variety of complex contractual disputes. He served as lead counsel to the Firm's Chairman, Anton. R. Valukas, in his capacity as Examiner in the Lehman Bankruptcy. Mr. Byman was the member of the litigation team with principal responsibility for electronic discovery issues in *Coleman (Parent) Holding v. Morgan Stanley*, and is a frequent speaker and faculty member at seminars on e-discovery issues. He is a co-author of the West's "Illinois Civil Litigation Guide," and has authored numerous articles and chapters on various trial practice subjects. Mr. Byman is a regular columnist on Federal Civil Procedure issues for the *National Law Journal*. Mr. Byman devotes a substantial amount of his practice to pro bono work. Mr. Byman has extensive experience in alternative dispute resolution. He has been a member of the Commercial Arbitration Panel of the American Arbitration Association since 1978 and has served as an arbitrator for the National Futures Association, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

**PAMELA S. BASERKVILL:**

Judge Pamela S. Baskervill, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, received her J.D. degree from University of Richmond, T.C. Williams School of Law, in 1978. Prior to becoming a judge of the 11th Judicial Circuit in Virginia, a trial court of general jurisdiction, she practiced law in Petersburg, Virginia, for twenty-three years. Her litigation career included cases in the fields of personal injury, condemnation, insurance coverage, wills and estates, and equitable distribution. Since her appointment to the bench, she has served on the faculties of the Virginia State Bar Professional Course and the pre-bench orientation program for new judges for the state, teaching on docket management and relationships between judges and lawyers. She is also a member of the Boyd Graves Conference, a group of lawyers and judges who meet by invitation to propose to the Supreme Court or legislature changes to the rules and procedures applicable to the trial of civil cases in Virginia state courts. She was appointed by the Chief Justice of the Virginia Supreme Court to serve as a member of the Commission on the Virginia Courts in the 21st Century.

**E. LEON CARTER:**

Leon Carter is a partner with Carter Stafford Arnett Hamada & Mockler, PLLC in Dallas, Texas. He previously served as a Dallas County Assistant District Attorney and as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Texas. Mr. Carter was also previously a partner with Jackson Walker. His experience includes representing plaintiffs and defendants in the areas of patent litigation, products liability, First Amendment issues, labor and employment, and toxic tort litigation. Mr. Carter is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, an Advocate of the American Board of Trial Advocates, and is a member of both the Patrick E Higginbotham and John T. Ward Inns of Court. Mr. Carter has served on the Judiciary Committee of the Dallas Bar Association and currently serves on the Executive Committee of the State Bar of Texas. Mr. Carter has also been recognized as a Texas Super Lawyer, is listed in the *The Best Lawyers in Texas*, and has been selected by the *Dallas Business Journal* as one of the Top 15 Business Defense Lawyers in the Dallas/Ft. Worth metropolitan area.

**MICHAEL W. CLANCY:**

Michael W. Clancy graduated from Amherst College in 1981 and Boston College School of Law in 1984. He is a trial lawyer whose practice is concentrated in plaintiff's medical malpractice and significant personal injury cases, and he is frequently asked to mediate a variety of disputes. Mr. Clancy is a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers, a Diplomat of the American Board of Trial Advocates, and a past Governor of the Illinois State Bar Association. He has been recognized by his peers as a Super Lawyer and a Leading Lawyer for many years. He practices with his father in the suburbs of Chicago.

**DON L. DAVIS:**

Listed in the Best Lawyers in America, Don L. Davis is the managing partner at Byrd Davis Furman & Alden. Mr. Davis focuses his practice in the areas of Products Liability; Aviation Law; Medical Malpractice and Personal Injury and is Board Certified in Personal Injury Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. Mr. Davis has tried cases in both state and federal courts in Texas, Oklahoma, Washington, Oregon, California, Mississippi, Illinois and Louisiana. His cases include plaintiff's personal injury claims against most of the major automobile manufacturers in the United States and Europe and corporations such as the American Tobacco Co., Cessna Aircraft Co., Yamaha, Travelers Insurance Co., Enserch Corp. He has successfully litigated against The United States of America and in 2006 recovered \$6.75 Million (after attorney's fees and expenses) for a class of utility customers who were charged for fees they were exempted from paying. A Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers since 1995, Mr. Davis is admitted to practice and has argued cases before the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third, Fifth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh Circuits and has tried cases before the Federal District Courts in the Southern, Northern and Western District of Texas. Don L. Davis is listed in Martindale-Hubbell's Bar Register of Pre-Eminent Lawyers comprised of select firms and attorneys who have earned the AV Peer Review Rating. An AV rating shows that a lawyer has reached the height of professional excellence, has usually practiced law for many years and is recognized for the highest levels of skill and integrity. Mr. Davis is a faculty member of the Page Keaton Civil Litigation Conference, an annual conference for attorneys sponsored by the University of Texas School of Law and is a frequent speaker and author of numerous articles for the continuing legal education of fellow attorneys on matters relating to wrongful death, products liability, medical malpractice, jury selection and settlement negotiations to name a few. Among his professional memberships, Mr. Davis is a Sustaining Member of the Federal Bar Association, a Life Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation and a Fellow of the American Bar Association. He is also a member of the State Bar of Texas, the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, the American Bar Association and the Austin Bar Association. An avid sculptor and golfer, Mr. Davis has created numerous original sculptures for the PGA Tour, the PGA of America and the LPGA Tour.

**N. KAREN (KAY) DEMING:**

N. Karen (Kay) Deming is a partner in the Litigation Section at Troutman Sanders LLP in Atlanta, Georgia, where her practice is concentrated primarily in the defense of product liability actions, a practice which has involved, among other subjects, mass toxic tort litigation and defense of pharmaceutical, asbestos, and food supplement cases, serving not only as local counsel, but also as regional and national litigation counsel for certain of her pharmaceutical clients and on national trial teams for other such clients. She received her law degree from the University of Georgia in 1978, where she served on the Georgia Law Review and was a member of the Order of the Coif. In addition to being a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers, she is a member of the Defense Research Institute, serving on the Steering Committee for the Drug & Device section, and is a Master in the Lumpkin Inn of Court serving as a member of its Executive Board. She is a former Chair of the Products Liability Section of the Georgia State Bar, and has been recognized in *Best Lawyers in America* and *International Who's Who of Products Liability Defense Lawyers*.

**CHARLES H. DICK, JR.:**

Mr. Dick, of La Jolla, California, was graduated with distinction in 1967 from the University of Iowa, College of Law, where he was awarded the Murray Prize for the outstanding senior law student, served as the Managing Editor of the Iowa Law Review, and was elected to Order of the Coif. He was a partner in Baker & McKenzie for more than 20 years, serving as North American Chair of Litigation, and in 2012 he retired from that law firm to open his own practice in San Diego as an arbitrator, litigation counselor, and advocate. A Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers, he formerly served as member of the Board of Regents for the College, and he currently serves as Treasurer for the American College of Trial Lawyers Foundation. He also has been elected to membership in the American Board of Trial Advocates and is a Senior Master of the Louis Welsh Inn of Court, having served as a National Trustee of the American Inns of Court Foundation. Mr. Dick is a recipient of the San Diego trial bar's highest award for professionalism – The Daniel T. Broderick III Award. Active in the service of work of Rotary International, Mr. Dick is retired as a Captain, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Naval Reserve. He is the Chancellor for the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego.

**KATHLEEN FLYNN PETERSON:**

Kathleen Flynn Peterson is a partner with the national law firm of Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi L.L.P. where she chairs the Personal Injury and Medical Malpractice practice group. Her unique medical/legal background—along with a commitment to courtroom excellence and a deep dedication to her clients and their families—has allowed Kathleen to make an important difference in the lives of the clients she represents. As a result of her outstanding advocacy, Kathleen has earned a national reputation as one of the country's leading trial lawyers. She has been selected for membership in many prestigious, invitation only trial lawyer organizations and she serves as a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, the American Board of Trial Attorneys, the International Society of Barristers, the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, and the American Bar Foundation. She also is certified as a Civil Trial Specialist by the Civil Litigation Section of the Minnesota State Bar Association and is a frequent, sought-after speaker and lecturer on trial litigation strategies. In addition, she has been an active member of the Minnesota Association for Justice, serving as their past president, and the American Association for Justice, formerly the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, the nation's largest plaintiff's trial bar. In 2007, Kathleen served as the national president of this organization. She has been a member of their Board of Governors for 29 years, has served multiple terms on their Executive Committee, as well chairing the organization's educational arm for several terms. In 1999, she was honored with the association's prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award. Kathleen's leadership skills have been recognized by numerous organizations and her past professional service includes serving as president of the Minnesota Chapter of the American Board of Trial Attorneys (20052006) and chair of the Minnesota State Committee of the American College of Trial Lawyers (20102011). She has also received numerous recognitions and awards for her contributions to the legal profession, including the inaugural member of Minnesota Lawyer's 2010 "Circle of Excellence", honoring the multiple years the publication has named her an "Attorney of the Year."

**PAUL D. GUTIERREZ:**

Mr. Gutierrez graduated from Harvard Law School and has been a civil trial lawyer for over 35 years. He is the founder of Gutierrez & Associates in San Francisco. Mr. Gutierrez serves on the faculty of "Advocacy Skills Workshop" at Stanford Law School and has also served as faculty of the "Intensive Advocacy Program" at the University of San Francisco Law School. He has judged trial competitions at the University of California Hastings Law School. He was a member of the faculty of St. Mary's College where he taught Employment Law. His trial experience has included antitrust, commercial, product liability, employment and real property litigation. In addition, he serves as a Judge Pro Tem of the San Francisco Superior Court presiding over commercial jury trials. He is also an arbitrator and mediator in private practice and on behalf of California Superior Courts of San Francisco and Marin Counties. He also serves on the ADR Panel of the Financial Industry Regulatory Agency (FINRA) handling securities and employment disputes. He has lectured extensively on a wide range of legal subjects and is the author of numerous publications addressing various aspects of California law. Mr. Gutierrez was the coauthor of the legal treatise "California Premises Liability". In addition to being a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, Mr. Gutierrez is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates. He has served on the Boards of Dominican University, the Mexican Museum, the Bar Association of San Francisco, the Lawyers Club of San Francisco, the San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association and the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund MALDEF. He is currently the Chair of the State Committee for the Northern California Region of the ACTL.

**TIMOTHY J. HELFRICH:**

Mr. Helfrich received his J.D. from the University Of Oregon School Of Law in 1976. He has been engaged exclusively in trial practice throughout his career. He is a partner in the firm of Yturri Rose LLP in Ontario, Oregon, and tries cases in the federal and state courts of Oregon and Idaho. He has tried over 80 jury cases to verdict. Mr. Helfrich has handled both plaintiff and defense cases involving wrongful death, personal injury, medical malpractice and commercial disputes. He is a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers and a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates.

**HON. BRIAN A. JACKSON:**

Judge Brian A. Jackson received his J.D. degree from Southern University School of Law, where he served as the editor-in-chief of the Southern University Law Review, and his LL.M. from Georgetown University Law Center. Judge Jackson was a member of the U.S. Department of Justice for over 16 years, during which time he practiced law as an Assistant U.S. Attorney, an Associate Deputy Attorney General and as the court-appointed United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana. In 2002, he entered private practice as a partner at the law firm of Liskow & Lewis, where he practiced in the firm's commercial litigation section. He also served as chair of Liskow's white collar defense practice group and a member of the firm's board of directors. In 2010, he was appointed to the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana. Judge Jackson is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. A member of the National Association of Former United States Attorneys and the Federal Judges Association, he also serves on the admissions committee for the Louisiana Supreme Court.

**CHRISTY D. JONES:**

Christy D. Jones is a member of the firm's Pharmaceutical, Medical Device and Healthcare Industry Team and Chair of the Litigation Department at Butler Snow. She focuses her practice on drug and medical device, product liability law and mass torts. During her over 30 years of trial experience, Jones has served as national trial counsel representing various corporations and has tried cases throughout the United States. In many of these instances, she has served as lead counsel in bellwether trials. Jones is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and is a past Regent of Region 6. She is also a Fellow of both the American Bar Foundation and the Mississippi Bar Foundation.

**MARVIN W. (MARTY) JONES:**

Marvin W. "Marty" Jones is the managing shareholder of Sprouse Shrader Smith P.C., practicing in its Amarillo, Texas, office. He graduated from Baylor University and with honors from Baylor University School of Law where he served as editor-in-chief of the Baylor Law Review. He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and is board certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. In 2009, he was appointed by the Texas Supreme Court to serve on the Texas Board of Disciplinary Appeals, and was re-appointed in 2012. From 2009 to 2013, he served as a member of the Board of Directors of the College of the State Bar of Texas. Jones is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, Texas Association of Defense Counsel, and the International Association of Defense Counsel. He has served as the problem drafter for the National Trial Competition for the years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012 and 2013.

**DAVID KITNER:**

David Kitner graduated from the University of Texas School of Law in 1973 with honors (Order of the Coif and *Texas Law Review*). He has been engaged in a civil trial practice since 1973 during which time he has tried approximately 85 jury cases. He has been a partner in the Dallas law firm of Strasburger & Price, LLP since 1980. He has been a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers since 1999 and is currently the Vice Chair of the Texas State Committee. He has been consistently recognized as a Texas "Super Lawyer" in a statewide poll conducted by *Texas Monthly* magazine, as well as being listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* ("bet the company" and commercial litigation). He is a Life Fellow of both the Texas and Dallas Bar Foundations and a member of the Defense Research Institute. He serves as his firm's general counsel on legal matters and is chair of the professional liability practice group. He represents clients in civil litigation matters including complex business/commercial disputes and professional liability.

**LARRY H. KRANTZ:**

Larry H. Krantz is a principal of Krantz & Berman LLP. He is a former federal prosecutor whose practice focuses on white-collar criminal defense and complex commercial litigation. He has been an active trial lawyer for over 25 years. Mr. Krantz is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers (Vice-Chair-Downstate Committee) and the Litigation Counsel of America. He was selected for inclusion in the New York Metropolitan and Corporate Counsel editions of Superlawyers. He is also the Chair of the Federal Bar Council Special Committee on Sentencing Reform, a Director of the New York Council of Defense Lawyers (former), a Member of the Federal Bar Council Inn of Court, and a Member of the Local Rules Committee for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. Mr. Krantz graduated from Brooklyn Law School in 1980, where he was an Editor and Member of the Brooklyn Law Review. He served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Criminal Division of the Eastern District of New York from 1983-89, and as a Law Clerk to the Honorable I. Leo Glasser, U.S. District Judge, Eastern District of New York, from 1981-82. He is also a Chapter author of the treatise *Defending Federal Criminal Cases: Attacking the Government's Proof*.

**EDWARD M. KRONK:**

Mr. Kronk graduated from the University of Michigan Law School with a J.D. in 1971. He currently practices with Brooks Wilkins Sharkey & Turco, a litigation firm in Birmingham, Michigan. His practice has been devoted principally to litigation with emphasis on product liability defense and commercial matters, including automotive warranty and recall litigation. Mr. Kronk has tried cases to conclusion in state and federal courts in Michigan and several other states and has represented clients in arbitrations before the New York Stock Exchange and the American Arbitration Association. He has been on the faculties of the Michigan Institute for Continuing Legal Education and the National Institute of Trial Advocacy. In addition to being a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, Mr. Kronk is a past President of the Eastern District of Michigan Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and of the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel. He is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*, *Michigan Super Lawyers* and *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*.



**HONORABLE RONALD B. LEIGHTON:**

Judge Leighton was sworn in as a United States District Court Judge for the Western District of Washington on November 26, 2002. Before becoming a member of the federal judiciary, Judge Leighton had been a trial lawyer for over 25 years with the firm of Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell, Malanca, Peterson & Daheim, specializing in complex litigation. While he was a practicing lawyer, Judge Leighton was voted by his peers as one of the top 10 trial lawyers in Washington. He is a Past President of the Washington Defense Trial Lawyers and the American Board of Trial Advocates. Judge Leighton is a Fellow of both the American College of Trial Lawyers and the International Society of Barristers.

**PAMELA ROBILLARD MACKEY:**

Known for her defense of high profile clients, such as Kobe Bryant, Patrick Roy, Brandon Craig and Don Vito, Pamela practices criminal defense and complex civil litigation as a shareholder at Haddon, Morgan, and Foreman, P.C., in Denver, Colorado. She is formerly of the Colorado Public Defender's Office. She is a fellow of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers and the American College of Trial Lawyers, is listed in The Best Lawyers in America, as lawyer of the year for both White-Collar Criminal Defense (2013) and Non-White Collar Criminal Defense (2012) and was named one of the top 10 lawyers in Colorado. She received her J.D. with highest honors from The George Washington University Law School in 1985 where she served as Executive Editor of The George Washington Law Review. She received her B.S. in Journalism from The University of Colorado with highest honors. She is a board member for the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System and an honorary board member for The Haven, a residential treatment program for adjudicated mothers and their babies. She served as chair of the Criminal Justice Act Standing Committee and on the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals Criminal Pattern Jury Instruction.

**HON. KATHLEEN M. O'MALLEY:**

Kathleen M. O'Malley was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit by President Barack Obama in 2010. Prior to her elevation to the Federal Circuit, Judge O'Malley was appointed to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio by President William J. Clinton on October 12, 1994. Judge O'Malley served as First Assistant Attorney general and Chief of Staff for Ohio Attorney General Lee Fisher from 1992-1994, and Chief Counsel to Attorney General Fisher from 1991-1992. From 1983-1991, Judge O'Malley was in private practice, where she focused on complex corporate and intellectual property litigation. During her sixteen years on the district court bench, Judge O'Malley presided over in excess of 100 patent and trademark cases and sat by designation on the United States Circuit Court for the Federal Circuit. As an educator, Judge O'Malley has regularly taught a course on patent litigation at Case Western Reserve University Law School; she is a member of the faculty of the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology's program designed to educate Federal Judges regarding the handling of intellectual property cases. Judge O'Malley received her J.D. degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Order of the Coif, in 1982, where she served on Law Review and was a member of the National Mock Trial Team. Judge O'Malley attended Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, where she graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa in 1979.

**GEORGE F. PAPPAS:**

During his 36 years of practice, George F. Pappas has served as lead counsel in more than 400 cases, having appeared in federal and state courts throughout the United States. Since 1990, he has been lead counsel in more than 200 patent cases for U.S. and foreign companies, often coordinating with patent counsel in Germany, Japan, Canada, and the United Kingdom. Mr. Pappas was Chair of the Editorial Committee and one of the co-authors of the book, *Anatomy of a Patent Case* (2009), prepared by the Complex Litigation Committee of the American College of Trial Lawyers and published in conjunction with the Federal Judicial Center. The book has been distributed to all judges of the federal judicial branch. He recently served as one of the Editors-in-Chief and one of the authors of the second edition of the book, published in 2012. At the invitation of the Federal Judicial Center (FJC) beginning in 1996, Mr. Pappas has presented program on patent law issues at 32 FJC National Workshops for federal district and magistrate judges. In 2001, he was appointed by Chief Justice Rehnquist of the U.S. Supreme Court to serve as a member of the District Judge Education Advisory Committee for the FJC. This committee reviews and makes recommendations for the continuing legal education courses offered to federal judges. Mr. Pappas was reappointed by Chief Justice Rehnquist in 2004 and served through 2007.

**C. RUFUS PENNINGTON, III:**

Rufus Pennington is a solo practitioner in the small town of Jacksonville Beach, Florida. In addition to his local practice representing various "beach characters" and small businesses, over the last 30+ years, he has also represented plaintiffs and defendants in various types of lawsuits around the country, including claims for misappropriation of intellectual property, multiple death and injury catastrophes, pharmaceutical product liability lawsuits, environmental and permitting disputes, and medical malpractice cases. His pro bono work has included several regional-impact environmental cases in northeastern Florida, as well as representing the Florida plaintiff's trial bar before the United States Supreme Court and other appellate courts; and he has traveled to Guantanamo and appeared in federal court in the District of Columbia on behalf of a detainee. He received his undergraduate degree from Duke University and his law degree from the University of Florida, where he was Senior Editor of the UF Law Review. He is a Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer (Florida Bar). He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers (Florida State Chair 2009-11), the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, and the International Society of Barristers.

**JOHN PHILLIPS:**

John W. Phillips is a founding partner in the litigation firm of Phillips Parker Orberson & Arnett, P.L.C. in Louisville, Kentucky. He is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Kentucky and received his J.D. degree as well from the University of Kentucky in 1981. Mr. Phillips has been a litigator specializing in the field of professional liability defense for nearly thirty years. His extensive trial experience includes the defense of medical, legal and engineering malpractice claims, product liability actions and general insurance defense. He has argued appeals before the Kentucky Court of Appeals and Kentucky Supreme Court and the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Mr. Phillips is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*. He is a member of the Louisville, Kentucky and American Bar Associations, the Kentucky Association of Trial Attorneys and the Defense Research Institute.

**DEBRA E. POLE:**

Debra Pole, a graduate and member of the law review of the University Of Florida College Of Law, is a partner in the Los Angeles office of Sidley Austin L.L.P., a member of the firm's executive committee, and a Global Coordinator of the Firm's Products Liability and Mass Torts Practice Group. As a seasoned trial lawyer, she has over twenty-five years of experience in multidistrict, class actions, and products liability litigation, including acting as national coordinating and trial counsel for a defendant in the high profile silicone breast implant litigation, and national coordination counsel for a defendant in the diet drug litigation. She has also supervised numerous defense law firms involved in complex pharmaceutical and medical device litigation; has had responsibility for national financial management of mass tort litigation; has provided products liability counseling for companies planning to introduce new products into the marketplace; has provided strategic advice to defendants in multidistrict litigation; and has examined independent medical and scientific expert witnesses appointed by an MDL court pursuant to Federal Rules of Evidence 706. In addition to being a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, Ms. Pole is a member of the Defense Research Institute, the American Bar Association, was honored recently by the Association of Black City Attorneys, was featured on the cover of the January 2013 edition of *American Lawyer* magazine, and received Benchmark's inaugural award for Products Liability (West Coast).

**HON. KAREN S. TOWNSEND:**

Elected in 2010 as a Judge for the 4th Judicial District, State of Montana, serving Missoula and Mineral Counties. The District Court is a court of general jurisdiction having responsibility for felony criminal matters, juvenile delinquency matters, Dependent and Neglected Children matters, sanity proceedings, guardianships, probate actions, civil matters worth more than \$7,500.00, divorce and custody matters, and trial de novo for misdemeanor criminal cases from the Justice Courts. Judge Townsend's previous service includes: Deputy County Attorney, Missoula County Attorney's Office 1976-1980; Chief Staff Attorney, County Prosecutor's Services Bureau, Montana Dept. of Justice, 1980-December, 1981; Senior Deputy County Attorney, Missoula County Attorney's Office, 1982-1988; Dir. of Training, National College of District Attorneys, 1988-1990; Senior Deputy County Attorney, Missoula County Attorney's Office, 1990-1998; Chief Deputy County Attorney Missoula County Attorney's Office 1998-December 2006; Special Assistant United States Attorney, 1984-1988, 1990-2006. Judge Townsend has extensive local, state and national trial advocacy teaching experience. She was a Member and later Chair of Montana Human Rights Commission, 1977-1981. Following retirement from the Missoula County Attorney's Office in 2006, she served as special deputy county attorney for Beaverhead, Sanders and Glacier Counties on criminal prosecution matters and has been retained as an expert witness by civil attorneys. Judge Townsend graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University and received her J.D. with honors at the University of Montana School of Law.

**CHILTON DAVIS VARNER:**

Chilton Varner has 30 years of courtroom experience as a trial lawyer defending corporations in product liability, business torts, contract and other commercial disputes. She is the senior partner in a product liability practice that has been selected by Chambers each year since 2005 as one of the best in the country. Based on interviews with peers and clients, Chambers Guide for the past six years has listed her as one of a small number of Tier One product liability lawyers in the country. The International Who's Who in Product Liability judged her the leading product liability practitioner in Georgia in 2005 and as one of the most highly regarded product liability practitioners globally since 2006. She has served as trial and appellate counsel for a number of the country's largest pharmaceutical, medical device and automotive manufacturers. She is experienced in mass tort litigation, class actions and MDL litigation, including the complex issues of discovery, attorney-client privilege and Daubert challenges to expert testimony that accompany such suits. She was appointed by Chief Justice Rehnquist in 2004 and re-appointed by Chief Justice Roberts in 2007 to the Federal Civil Rules Advisory Committee, where she has participated in the Committee's drafting of amendments governing electronic discovery and changes to the Rules governing summary judgment and expert discovery. Ms. Varner is President of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

**T. JOHN WARD:**

Judge T. John Ward received his J.D. degree from Baylor University in 1967 and was a trial lawyer with the firm of Brown, McCarroll & Oaks Hartline, L.L.P., first in its Houston, Texas office, and later in Longview, Texas. He was appointed U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas in 1999 and returned to private practice in 2011. In addition to being a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, he is a Life Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, a member of the Judicial Conference Committee on Court Administration and Court Management, and an Advocate of the American Board of Trial Advocates, served on the Board of Governors of the Fifth Circuit Bar Association from 1987 to 1991 and from 1996 to 1999, and Baylor University Law School named him as the 2004 Baylor Lawyer of the Year. Judge Ward is Chair of the National Trial Competition Committee of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

**R. GARY WINTERS:**

Mr. Winters is President and Managing Shareholder of McCaslin, Imbus & McCaslin in Cincinnati, Ohio. His practice is concentrated in the fields of school law, employment law, civil rights, product liability and insurance coverage. He is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati, where he obtained his B.A. in 1970, M.A. in 1972 and J.D. in 1976. Mr. Winters was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1976 and to the Kentucky Bar in 1995. He served as law clerk to the Honorable Carl B. Rubin of the United States District Court for the Southern District Ohio. His writings include "Many Questions Few Answers: Some Thoughts on the Meaning and Reach of *Kerans v. Porter Paint Company*", *Ohio Northern University Law Review*, 1993 and "*Congressional and Judicial Limits on Punitive Damages*", *For The Defense*, July, 2003. Mr. Winters is a member of the Defense Research Institute, the Ohio Council of School Board Attorneys and the Cincinnati, Ohio and Kentucky Bar Associations. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a Member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, and is listed among Ohio's "Super Lawyers". Mr. Winters has served on the Board of Trustees of the Wyoming Youth Services Bureau and on the City of Wyoming Recreation Commission. He was the President of the Wyoming City School District Board of Education from 2003 to 2006.

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Geoffrey Hansen

**Region 14**  
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Tucson, Arizona  
Brian Chase and Ryan Redman

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The law schools for the national championship team, the finalists, the semi-finalists, and the quarter-finalists will receive silver bowls. The bowls are engraved and remain permanently in the possession of each law school. Each member of the national championship team will also receive silver bowls.

Each team member advancing to the national competition will receive an ACTL Lewis Powell medallion for excellence in trial advocacy and a Certificate of Achievement.

The ACTL Kraft W. Eidman Award consists of \$10,000 to the national championship law school and a plaque to each member of the team. This generous award is endowed by Fulbright & Jaworski, L.L.P.

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Polsinelli Shughart P.C. presents \$1,500 to each semi-finalist team.

The best oral advocate is awarded the George A. Spiegelberg Award, donated by Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson, L.L.P.

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1978  
Loyola University of  
Chicago School of Law  
Linda A. Wawzenski

1979  
Syracuse University  
College of Law  
Eileen Cohen

1980  
Baylor University  
School of Law  
Timothy Herron

1981  
Samford University  
Cumberland  
School of Law  
Jack W. Stewart

1982  
Syracuse University  
College of Law  
David Abernathy

1983  
Washington University of  
St. Louis  
School of Law  
Cathy Gilbert

1984  
Samford University  
Cumberland  
School of Law  
Mark Rowe

1985  
University of Texas  
School of Law  
Jerry Galow

1986  
Washington University  
in St. Louis  
School of Law  
Mark Lynch

1987  
California Western  
School of Law  
Bruce McDonald

1988  
I.I.T./Chicago-Kent,  
College of Law  
Peter Roskam

1989  
Samford University  
Cumberland  
School of Law  
Jay Colling

1990  
Stetson University  
College of Law  
Marie L. DeMarco

1991  
University of Texas  
School of Law  
Greg Reed

1992  
Northwestern University  
School of Law  
Mark Niemeyer

1993  
Notre Dame Law School  
Frank J. Kros

1994  
Stetson University College  
of Law  
David Paul

1995  
Temple University School  
of Law  
Lucas Reiter

1996  
Loyola University-Chicago  
School of Law  
Jeffrey A. Soble

1997  
Northwestern University  
School of Law  
Jennifer E. Ancel

1998  
Temple University School  
of Law  
Kevin Toth

1999  
Loyola Law School  
Los Angeles  
Margaret P. Stevens

2000  
Notre Dame  
Law School  
Stone Grissom

2001  
Stetson University College  
of Law  
Carl Mitchell

2002  
Northwestern  
School of Law  
Christopher L. LaVigne

2003  
St. John's University  
School of Law  
Kareem R. Vessup

2004  
Stetson University College  
of Law  
Rena Upszaw-Frazier

2005  
Loyola Law School  
Los Angeles  
Melissa Lyons

2006  
University of Arkansas  
School of Law- Fayetteville  
Sach Oliver

2007  
Chicago-Kent College  
of Law  
Keya Rajput

2008  
Chicago-Kent College  
of Law  
Joshua Jones

2009  
University of Kentucky  
College of Law  
Christopher E. Schaefer

2010  
Stanford Law School  
Rakesh Kilarw

2011  
Chicago-Kent College  
of Law  
Ryan Nolte

2012  
Baylor University School  
of Law  
Mark Walraven



# Past National Champions

1976

**Harvard Law School**  
Michael Feldberg  
Eric Zagrans

1977

**Syracuse University  
College of Law**  
Brynley James, III  
Richard Palumbo  
Robert Wales

1978

**Baylor University  
School of Law**  
David C. Kent  
Max A. Sandlin, Jr.  
Robert W. Woody

1979

**Syracuse University  
College of Law**  
Eileen Cohen  
Mae D'Agostino  
James Priest

1980

**Baylor University  
School of Law**  
Joseph Norman Johnson, Jr.  
Mark Kenneth Patterson

1981

**Samford University  
Cumberland School of  
Law**  
Charles R. Malone  
Jack W. Stewart

1982

**Texas Tech University  
School of Law**  
Charles B. Frye  
Murray Hensley  
Marty Rowley

1983

**Washington University of  
St. Louis School of Law**  
Cathy Gilbert  
David Mason

1984

**Samford University  
Cumberland School  
of Law**  
Ottie Akers  
Mark Rowe  
Hill Sewell

1985

**University of Texas  
School of Law**  
Jerry Galow  
Paul Heard  
Robert Lapin

1986

**Washington University of  
St. Louis School of Law**  
Harry Haytayan, Jr.  
Mark Lynch

1987

**California Western  
School of Law**  
Peter Bertling  
Bruce McDonald

1988

**I.I.T./Chicago-Kent  
College of Law**  
Joel Daly  
Lauretta Higgins  
Peter Roskam

1989

**Stetson University  
College of Law**  
Carol E. McMurry  
Charles A. Samarkos

1990

**Stetson University  
College of Law**  
Marie L. DeMarco  
Jennifer S. Eden  
Douglas T. Noah

1991

**University of Texas  
School of Law**  
Nick Pittman  
Greg Reed  
Mark Walters

1992

**Northwestern University  
School of Law**  
Kate Kennelly  
Judith Krieg  
Mark Niemeyer

1993

**Notre Dame Law School  
Dominique Comacho**  
Frank J. Kros  
Edward Sullivan

1994

**Stetson University  
College of Law**  
Angelo M. Patacca, Jr.  
Karen A. Williams

1995

**Temple University  
School of Law**  
Robert E. Kelly  
Lukas Reiter

1996

**Loyola University-Chicago  
School of Law**  
Matthew Scott Miller  
Jeffrey A. Soble  
Robert D. Sweeney

1997

**Northwestern University  
School of Law**  
Jennifer E. Ancel  
Glen G. McGorty  
Dana R. Poole

1998

**Temple University  
School of Law**  
Bryan Fortay  
Kevin Toth

1999

**Temple University  
School of Law**  
Michael Lovell  
Amber Van Hauen

2000

**Notre Dame Law School**  
Shazzie Naseem  
Ryan Redmon  
Tamara Walker

2001

**Stetson University  
College of Law**  
Thea Dalkalitsis  
Carl Mitchell

2002

**Northwestern  
School of Law**  
Terra Leigh Brown  
William J. Dennison II  
Christopher L. LaVigne

2003  
**St. John's University  
School of Law**  
Eon R. Smith  
Kareem R. Vessup

2004  
**University of Houston  
Law Center**  
Michelle Benavides  
Eddie Berbarie  
Julie Gray

2005  
**Loyola Law School  
Los Angeles**  
Melissa Lyons  
Kathryn McCann  
Brian Ward

2006  
**Loyola Law School  
Los Angeles**  
Kimberly Greene  
Courtney Yoder

2007  
**Chicago-Kent College  
of Law**  
Joshua Jones  
Keya Rajput

2008  
**Chicago-Kent College  
of Law**  
Mark Griffin  
Joshua Jones

2009  
**Baylor Law School**  
Joel Bailey  
Eric Policastro

2010  
**Stetson University College  
of Law**  
Brock Johnson  
Katelyn Knallt  
Trina Sams

2011  
**Northwestern University  
School of Law**  
Karim Basaria  
Andrew Crowder  
Clare Diegel

2012  
**Baylor University School  
of Law**  
Steven Lopez  
Mark Walraven





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