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CARDOZO HOSTS 40TH COMMENCEMENT



May 30, 2018

May 30, 2018 - Lincoln Center's David Geffen Hall served as the backdrop on a hot day in May for Cardozo's 40th Commencement Exercises, held May 29. Sixty-six students received LLM degrees, and 275 received JD degrees.

Yeshiva University President Ari Berman, Dean Melanie Leslie, and Provost Selma Botman were all in attendance and addressed the graduates. Dean Leslie told the graduates, "it is such a privilege to teach you."

David P. Samson, chair of the Board of Overseers and Earle Mack gave remarks as well and student Michael Ricottone spoke on behalf of the students.

This year's commencement speaker was Judge Patricia Millett, US Circuit Judge for the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia Circuit. Millett urged the students to think beyond themselves: "I want you to remember four words: it's not about you. You're not just graduating, you're becoming lawyers. As lawyers you hold the key to

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Gow W. Mosby, Jr. '18 has been selected as the 2018 recipient of the Mark Whitlock Scholarship.

March 22, 2018

[Judge Patricia Millett to Deliver Keynote Address at 2018 Commencement Ceremony \(/news/judge-patricia-millett-deliver-keynote-address-2018-commencement-ceremony\)](#)

Dean Melanie Leslie is proud to announce that Judge Patricia Millett of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit will be the keynote speaker.

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that third branch of government...it's about delivering justice to others."

"Justice does not just happen, you have to fight for it," Millett said. "It happens when you take the time to look in a client's eyes and learn what it looks like to be on the receiving end of the judicial system."

To see the full commencement photo gallery click [here](https://www.flickr.com/photos/cardozolaw/albums/72157695725069431) (<https://www.flickr.com/photos/cardozolaw/albums/72157695725069431>).

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February 16, 2018 - Cardozo hosted the New York Regional Competition (the regional round of The National Trial competition) February 9-11, with the law school's Benedict Morelli trial team front and center.

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Dean Melanie Leslie has announced that former [Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights Vanita Gupta](#) (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vanita_Gupta) will be the graduation speaker at the Cardozo School of Law 2017 commencement ceremony, which will take place on M

April 19, 2016

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Dean Melanie Leslie has announced the creation of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion at Cardozo

School of Law, and has hired Yolonda P. Harrison as its director after a national search