



Duke University **School of Law** **Class of 2023**

Convocation Ceremony
5:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 13, 2023
Edmund M. Cameron Indoor Stadium
Durham, North Carolina

**DUKE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
CONVOCAATION CEREMONY
SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2023**

Processional	Peter McArthur Pipe Major, Cross Creek Pipes and Drums
Welcome and Opening Remarks	Dean Kerry Abrams
Presentation of Justin Miller Awards	Dean Abrams
Remarks	Justice Douglas M. Fasciale, MJS Class Speaker Rennan Gil Alves Nascimento, LLM Class Speaker Vanessa Vihenda Keverenge, JD Class Speaker
Alumni Messages	
Address	Kate Adams
Presentation of Graduates	Associate Dean Oleg Kobelev Assistant Dean Lewis L. Hutchison Jr. Professor Nita A. Farahany JD/MA '04 PhD '06 Clinical Professor Jeff Ward '09 Dean Abrams
Adjournment	Dean Abrams
Recessional	Peter McArthur

Guests, please remain at your seats during the Recessional.

We invite you to enjoy champagne and cookies in the Law School's
Star Commons before you depart from campus this evening.
Diplomas will be distributed on the 4th Floor Loggia.

Kerry Abrams became the James B. Duke and Benjamin N. Duke Dean of the School of Law on July 1, 2018. Dean Abrams, who is also a Distinguished Professor of Law, is a scholar of immigration, citizenship, family, and constitutional law. She is well-known for her scholarly writing on family-based migration, the legal regulation of immigrant families, and the history of immigration law. Prior to her appointment at Duke Law, she served on the law faculty of the University of Virginia for thirteen years, and, more recently, as vice provost for faculty affairs. Dean Abrams is a graduate of Swarthmore College, where she earned a BA in English literature with highest honors. She graduated with distinction from Stanford Law School, where she was president of the Moot Court Board and the co-chair of Women of Stanford Law. After law school, she clerked for Judge Stanwood R. Duval Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana and practiced as a commercial litigator for several years at the New York City law firm of Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler LLP.

Justice Douglas M. Fasciale was sworn in as an associate justice on the New Jersey Supreme Court in 2022. He was appointed to the New Jersey Superior Court in 2004 and elevated to the Appellate Division in 2010. He previously practiced law as a trial attorney for 17 years and in 2000 became a Certified Civil Trial Attorney by the New Jersey Supreme Court, a designation that was held by fewer than three percent of New Jersey attorneys. He is a first-generation U.S. citizen, a graduate of Seton Hall University, and a member of the American Law Institute.

Rennan Gil Alves Nascimento earned his undergraduate degree at Pontifícia Universidade Católica in São Paulo and a postgraduate diploma in Corporate Labor and Employment Law from Fundação Getúlio Vargas. With a Business Administration Certificate from In-sper, he served as treasurer for Duke's Global Law Student Association. Following graduation, he will return to working at Pinheiro Neto Advogados in São Paulo.

Vanessa Keverenge, a Winter Haven, Florida native, was a voting rights and grassroots political organizer before law school. She earned a bachelor's degree in theatre and international relations from Mount Holyoke College. At Duke, she has served as president of the Black Law Students Association, co-policy director of the Innocence Project, a member of the Tricky Dick sketch comedy group, and on the Graduating Class Fundraising Committee. After graduation, she will work for Baker McKenzie in Washington, D.C.

Kate Adams is Apple's general counsel and senior vice president of Legal and Global Security, reporting to CEO Tim Cook. She serves on the company's executive team and oversees Apple's legal matters, including corporate governance, intellectual property, litigation and securities compliance, global security, and privacy. Adams joined Apple from Honeywell in 2017, where she worked for 14 years, most recently as senior vice president and general counsel. Prior to joining Honeywell, she was a partner at the law firm Sidley Austin LLP. Earlier in her career, Adams served as a law clerk for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, as trial attorney for the United States Department of Justice in the Environment and Natural Resources Division, and as law clerk for Stephen Breyer, then chief judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. She has served as an adjunct professor of law at Columbia University and New York University.



CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF JURIDICAL SCIENCE SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

Rupanjali Karthik ♦
Adaptive Regulation in India – Groundwater, Electric Vehicles,
and Health Data



RECIPIENTS OF THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

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Justice, Texas Fourth Court of Appeals

John Campbell Barker
Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern
District of Texas

James Putnam Bassett
Associate Justice, New Hampshire
Supreme Court

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Judge, North Carolina Court of Appeals

Veronica L. Duffy
Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court,
District of South Dakota

Willie James Epps, Jr.
Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court,
Western District of Missouri

Douglas M. Fasciale
Associate Justice, New Jersey Supreme
Court

Pamela Renee Goodwine
Judge, Kentucky Court of Appeals, Fifth
Appellate District

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Judge, Alabama Tenth Judicial Circuit

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Judge, North Carolina Superior Court

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Chief Magistrate Judge, U.S. District
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