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125 Alumni of Distinction Dinner: List of Honorees

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List of Honorees

Robert S. Abbott, Class of 1898
Founder of the CHICAGO DEFENDER newspaper

Katherine D. Agar, Class of 1941
First female partner at the law firm of McDermott, Will & Emery

Anne L. Alonzo, Class of 1984
Global agricultural public policy advisor

Anita Alvarez, Class of 1986
First female and the first Hispanic Cook County State’s Attorney

Glen E. Amundsen, Class of 1980
Expert trial lawyer and founder of SmithAmundsen

Louis B. Anderson, Class of 1897
Second African-American alderman in Chicago

Lee D. Augsburger, Class of 1987
Senior vice president of Prudential Financial, Inc., overseeing global compliance and ethics

Sue Augustus, Class of 1982
Nationally recognized advocate for the homeless

Emma Baumann, Class of 1891
First woman to graduate from Chicago College of Law

Rex E. Beach, Class of 1900
Novelist, playwright and Olympic medalist

Gerald L. Bepko, Class of 1965
Former chancellor of Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
Marc J. Bern, Class of 1975
Nationally recognized plaintiff’s attorney who represented 9/11 first responders

Andrea E. Bertone, Class of 1995
Head of the international branch of the United States’ third-largest electric power holding company

Peter J. Birnbaum, Class of 1983
President and CEO of Attorneys’ Title Guaranty Fund

Bruce Bloom, Class of 1988
President and chief science officer of Cures Within Reach

Marilyn F. Booker, Class of 1985
One of SAVOY MAGAZINE’s Top 100 Most Influential Blacks in Corporate America

James J. Boyne, Class of 1991
President and COO of investment firm with more than $32 billion in assets

Paul W. Brandel, Class of 1933
Businessman and philanthropist

Dorothy A. Brown, Class of 1996
First African American elected Clerk of Circuit Court of Cook County

Anne M. Burke, Class of 1983
Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court

Webster H. Burke, Class of 1903
Former dean of Chicago-Kent College of Law

Patrick G. Burns, Class of 1978
Founder of the IP boutique law firm Greer, Burns & Crain

Margaret Byrne, Class of 1982
Founder of the Illinois Clemency Project

Joseph B. Cahill, Class of 1985
Journalist and editor of CRAIN’S CHICAGO BUSINESS

Archibald Carey, Jr., Class of 1929
Judge, clergymen and civil rights activist

Jonathan A. Carson, Class of 1997
Founder of one of the biggest claims and noticing agents for companies going through bankruptcy

Joel Daly, Class of 1988
Emmy-winning newscaster and trial attorney

Billy Dec, Class of 1999
Entertainment impresario

Thomas A. Demetrio, Class of 1973
Nationally recognized plaintiff’s lawyer

Zhang Derong, Class of 2009
Leading Chinese banking and financial services lawyer

William Dever, Class of 1890
Former mayor of Chicago
Craig S. Donohue, Class of 1989  
Former CEO of the CME Group

Robert Eatman, Class of 1981  
Founder of the talent agency Robert Eatman Enterprises

Harris W. Fawell, Class of 1952  
Longtime member of the U.S. House of Representatives

Eileen Flaherty, Class of 1983  
Global head of compliance for the world’s largest options clearing house

Thomas D. Flanagan, Class of 1963  
Founder of a nationwide property tax law firm

Etha Beatrice Fox, Class of 1939  
Women's pioneer in the legal profession

Norman Freehling, Class of 1932  
Businessman and philanthropist

Jamie Freveletti, Class of 1985  
Award-winning novelist and trial attorney

Mark Frey, Class of 1989  
President and CEO of Alexian Brothers Health System

Michael R. Galasso, Class of 1961  
Former Illinois Appellate Court justice and chief judge of the Circuit Court of DuPage County

Michael P. Galvin, Class of 1978  
Leading private equity fund manager and former assistant secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce

Tracy K. Genesen, Class of 1988  
The primary go-to litigator for the American wine industry on constitutional issues

Lynn A. Goldstein, Class of 1978  
Retired chief privacy officer at JPMorgan Chase and recognized expert on data protection laws

Mary Beth Goodman, Class of 1999  
Director for international economic affairs on the national security staff at the White House

Gordon A. Greenberg, Class of 1980  
Precedent-setting prosecutor and partner at McDermott Will & Emery

Dolores Hanna, Class of 1952  
First female president of the International Trademark Association

David W. Hanson, Class of 1984  
Intellectual property and technology attorney at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

Richard Hess, Class of 1969  
Lifelong legal aid attorney

Daniel Hoan, Class of 1906  
Former mayor of Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Henry Horner, Class of 1898
Former governor of Illinois

Juleann Hornyak, Class of 1979
Longest tenured clerk of the Illinois Supreme Court

Randall Hultgren, Class of 1993
U.S. Representative for the 14th Congressional District of Illinois

William V. Johnson, Class of 1966
Acclaimed defense litigator and president of Johnson & Bell

Mark F. Kemper, Class of 1986
General Counsel of the Americas for UBS Global Asset Management

Colleen A. Khoury, Class of 1975
Former dean of the University of Maine School of Law

Weymouth Kirkland, Class of 1901
Namesake of Kirkland & Ellis

Theodore L. Koenig, Class of 1983
Lawyer turned leader in middle-market financing

Bruce M. Kohen, Class of 1979
Successful trial lawyer dedicated to preserving laws that protect consumers and victims

Marc Korman, Class of 1989
Partner and agent at William Morris Endeavor

Eric M. Lasry, Class of 1991
Partner in the Paris office of Baker & McKenzie

Terrence J. Lavin, Class of 1983
Leading plaintiff’s attorney, now Illinois Appellate Court justice

Jim E. Lavine, Class of 1974
Leading criminal defense attorney in Texas

Elaine R. Levin, Class of 1985
Leader in representing emerging growth and middle-market companies

Jeffrey M. Leving, Class of 1979
Internationally known as the Fathers’ Rights attorney

Richard Levy, Class of 1997
Managing partner and founder of Victory Park Capital

Homer J. Livingston, Jr., Class of 1966
Former president and CEO of LaSalle National Bank

Michael Maggiano, Class of 1974
Regarded as one of the finest civil trial attorneys in New Jersey

Howard Margulis, Class of 1987
Expert in crafting global energy and infrastructure development deals

Michael M. Marick, Class of 1982
National leader in insurance coverage litigation
Abraham Lincoln Marovitz, Class of 1925
One of the most respected and admired judges in Illinois history

Kevin T. Martin, Class of 1967
Founding partner of the law firm Swanson, Martin & Bell

Linda Mastandrea, Class of 1994
Gold medal-winning paralympian, author and civil rights attorney

Robert McClory, Class of 1932
Former member of the U.S. House of Representatives

John J. McDonnell, Class of 1975
Leading patent lawyer and founding partner of McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff

Lester H. McKeever, Jr., Class of 1971
Former chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Gregory T. McLaughlin, Class of 1999
President of the Tiger Woods Foundation

David E. Mendelsohn, Class of 1991
Managing partner of the Chicago office of DLA Piper

Raymond C. Mikulich, Class of 1981
Recognized leader in real estate finance and investments

Camille M. Miller, Class of 1991
Co-chair of the intellectual property practice at Cozen O'Connor

Thomas J. Moran, Class of 1950
Former chief justice of the Illinois Supreme Court

James J. Morici, Jr., Class of 1979
Trial lawyer with track record of multimillion dollar verdicts and settlements

Arthur J. Morris, Class of 1971
Founder of the largest real estate closing firm in the nation

Anita Nagler, Class of 1980
Retired chairman and CEO of Harris Alternatives LLC

Theodore J. Novak, Class of 1967
Highly regarded real estate and land use attorney at DLA Piper

Steven Odre, Class of 1977
Leading patent attorney and retired general counsel of Amgen

Richard B. Ogilvie, Class of 1949
Former governor of Illinois

Kevin M. O'Keefe, Class of 1973
Leading state and local tax lawyer and former White House staff member under President Clinton

Roy C. Palmer, Class of 1962
Retired real estate lawyer and philanthropist

Ward Parkinson, Class of 1997
Patent lawyer and entrepreneur
Kerry R. Peck, Class of 1978
Nationally recognized elder law attorney

John J. Pikarski, Jr., Class of 1969
Zoning expert and founder of Gordon & Pikarski

Ida Platt, Class of 1894
First African-American woman admitted to the Illinois Bar

Paul W. Pretzel, Class of 1926
Founder of the law firm Pretzel & Stouffer

Jorge Ramirez, Class of 1997
President of the Chicago Federation of Labor

Kwame Raoul, Class of 1993
Illinois State Senator known for tackling difficult issues

Richard L. Rodriguez, Class of 1997
Civic leader and corporate executive

Peter Roskam, Class of 1989
U.S. Representative for the 6th Congressional District of Illinois

Esther Rothstein, Class of 1949
First female president of the Chicago Bar Association

Ilana Diamond Rovner, Class of 1966
Judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

James E. Ryan, Class of 1971
Former Illinois Attorney General

Adolph Sabath, Class of 1891
Second-longest serving member of the U.S. House of Representatives

Lajos Schmidt, Class of 1954
International law expert and leader of Baker & McKenzie’s Budapest office

Dennis A. Schoville, Class of 1973
Leading trial attorney who successfully represented victims of Tailhook and the Ford Explorer rollover crashes

Thomas G. Siracusa, Class of 1986
Successful trial lawyer and partner at Power Rogers & Smith

Fred Stein, Class of 1991
Senior vice president and general counsel of Redbox

James L. Terman, Class of 1973
Public affairs and strategic communications expert

Lowell J. Thomas, Class of 1916
Writer and broadcaster who made “Lawrence of Arabia” famous

Bernard R. Tresnowski, Class of 1998
Blue Cross Blue Shield CEO turned pro bono attorney

Rowine Brown Truitt, Class of 1961
First female administrator of Cook County Hospital
Jerome Vainisi, Class of 1969  
Former general manager and executive vice president of the Chicago Bears

John C. Walden, Class of 1986  
CEO of the UK’s leading digital retailer

Robert J. Washlow, Class of 1970  
Corporate executive and civic leader

John W. Watson, Class of 1988  
Leading environmental attorney at Baker & McKenzie

Si Weijiang, Class of 2010  
Chinese human rights attorney

Jeff Weiner, Class of 1974  
Leading criminal defense attorney

Joel D. Weisman, Class of 1969  
Pulitzer Prize-nominated journalist and entertainment law expert

Raymond J. Werner, Class of 1971  
Managing partner of Arnstein & Lehr

Patricia Whitten, Class of 1974  
First female and youngest general counsel of the Chicago Board of Education

Standish E. Willis, Class of 1983  
Renowned civil rights attorney

Pamela Woldow, Class of 1984  
Named by the ABA as a “Legal Rebel” for leading innovations in law practice

Bernard B. Wolfe, Class of 1937  
Longtime legislative and judicial leader

Philip Yordan, Class of 1936  
Academy Award winning writer

William Zacharias, Class of 1933  
Former dean of Chicago-Kent College of Law

George Zelcs, Class of 1979  
Leading consumer rights and class action litigator known for his work on the light cigarette cases