



Colorado **Law**

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO **BOULDER**

128th ANNUAL
**COMMENCEMENT
CEREMONY**

FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2023
12 p.m.

MACKY AUDITORIUM
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Welcome and Remarks, Dean Lolita Buckner Inniss

Honor Song (please stand), Doug Good Feather

Spanish Welcome, Professor Violeta Chapin

Order of the Coif, Professor Blake E. Reid

Introduction of Honorary Order of the Coif Recipient

Judge Regina M. Rodriguez '88

Introduction of Class Speaker, Dean Lolita Buckner Inniss

Remarks, Class President Alexander D. Clark

Student Awards, Class Treasurer Ashlyn Laurel DuThorn

Faculty and Staff Awards, Class Secretary Tanner Boyzuick

Introduction of Keynote, Class Vice President Stewart Ramsey

Keynote Speaker, Attorney General Phil Weiser

*JD Hooding Professors**, Professors Frederic Bloom,

Benjamin Levin, Helen Norton, and Scott Skinner-Thompson

**Selected by Class of 2023*

LLM Hooding Professors, Professor Todd M. Stafford and

Director JJ Ilseng

MSL Hooding Professors, Associate Dean Amy Bauer and

Professor Melanie Kay

Recognition of Graduates, Dean Lolita Buckner Inniss,

Registrar Shannon Foley, and Assistant Dean Emily Horowitz

Alumni Welcome, Michael Carrigan '94 (Law Alumni Board Chair)

Sears Charge, Dean Lolita Buckner Inniss

Recessional, Class of 2023, Deans, and Faculty

Please remain seated during the recessional.

POST-CEREMONY

Join us for a reception at the Wolf Law Building until 4 p.m. Buses will run from Macky Auditorium to the reception until 2:30 p.m. Graduates will receive their mini-composites and class gifts at the reception.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER ATTORNEY GENERAL PHIL WEISER



Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser was sworn in as the State's 39th Attorney General on January 8, 2019. As the state's chief legal officer, Attorney General Weiser is committed to protecting the people of Colorado and building an innovative and collaborative organization that will address a range of statewide challenges, from addressing the opioid

epidemic to improving our criminal justice system to protecting consumers to protecting our land, air, and water.

Attorney General Weiser has dedicated his life to the law, justice, and public service. Before running for office, Weiser served as the Hatfield Professor of Law and Dean of the University of Colorado Law School, where he founded the Silicon Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship and co-chaired the Colorado Innovation Council.

Weiser served as a Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the U.S. Department of Justice and as Senior Advisor for Technology and Innovation in the Obama Administration's National Economic Council. He served on President Obama's Transition Team, overseeing the Federal Trade Commission and previously served in President Bill Clinton's Department of Justice as senior counsel to the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division, advising on telecommunications matters.

Before his appointment at the Justice Department, Weiser served as a law clerk to Justices Byron R. White and Ruth Bader Ginsburg at the United States Supreme Court and to Judge David Ebel.

ORDER OF THE COIF

The English Order of the Coif, an ancient and honored institution of the Common Law, was an association of distinguished lawyers from whose members the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas were appointed and who for centuries had the exclusive right to be barristers in that Court. Later, judges of the King's Bench and the Exchequer were appointed from its members. The Order took its name from the coif, or cap, that all members wore. The American Order was formed in 1911 for the purpose of promoting scholarship among law students. Under the Order's constitution, the top 10 percent of the graduating class of each school is eligible for membership.

HONORARY ORDER OF THE COIF

We are pleased to honor Judge Regina M. Rodriguez '88 as the 2023 Honorary Order of the Coif Recipient. Judge Rodriguez is the newest member of the Colorado federal district court bench. She was confirmed by the U.S. Senate in June, 2021 and appointed by President Biden to the federal district court bench on July 1, 2021. Judge Rodriguez is a 1988 graduate of the University of Colorado School of Law, and she practiced as a trial attorney here in her home state of Colorado for over 30 years before joining the bench.

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HONOR COUNCIL

The Honor Council, appointed for three-year terms, advises the faculty and students on matters of academic honesty. When required, it conducts formal hearings, makes legal determinations, submits findings and conclusions, and when appropriate, recommends sanctions.

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LEGUM MAGISTER (LLM) GRADUATES

Colorado Law offers an LLM degree that prepares talented lawyers from diverse backgrounds and countries to practice law and serve as intellectual leaders around the globe. Students must complete at least 24 credits in a range of courses to earn this degree, and a JD or equivalent is required for admission to the program.

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JURIS DOCTOR (JD) GRADUATES WITH CERTIFICATES

To qualify for a certificate, a participating student must earn at least 92 credit hours for graduation (as contrasted with the usual 89 credit hours), and earn a specified number of credit hours in the relevant subject area.

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| ※ Order of the Coif Candidates | £ Graduate Certificate in |
| ◆ December 2022 graduate | Environmental Justice |
| € Projected Summer 2023 graduate | ⊕ JD/Master of Public Administration |
| □ Projected Fall 2023 graduate | |
- § Completed the Public Service Pledge by participating in 50 or more hours of law-related public service work not for credit or compensation.

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You have now received the Juris Doctor degree. Please do not take undue pride in this title, for in the final analysis the test of your professional fitness will lie not in your title, but rather in your service to society and in the extent to which you combine professional skills with humane concern, legal learning with intense integrity, great energy with high ideals. What kind of lawyer you will be depends in large part on the kind of person you are. I hope you may continue to grow and that, in the years to come, you will live the most challenging life of all: the life of the mind, the life of service. To you all, we wish great success in your chosen profession.