



SETON HALL UNIVERSITY

Class of 2026

SCHOOL OF LAW *Commencement Exercises*

MAY 27, 2026

The New Jersey Performing Arts Center
Newark, New Jersey

PRAYER OF
St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved, as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Commencement Speaker



Camille M. Vasquez

Partner, Sheppard

Camille Vasquez specializes in high-profile litigation and complex legal disputes. With a reputation for her tenacity and strategic acumen, Camille has built a notable career handling high-stakes cases, crisis situations and providing exceptional legal counsel to her clients.

Throughout her career, Camille has been recognized for her outstanding advocacy skills and her ability to navigate complex legal landscapes. Her practice encompasses a range of areas including commercial litigation, entertainment law, and defamation. Camille is particularly known for her adept handling of cases involving media exposure and public scrutiny, where her strategic approach and persuasive abilities have consistently achieved favorable outcomes for her clients.

Fluent in Spanish, Camille brings an added dimension to her practice, enabling her to serve a diverse client base and effectively manage cases involving Spanish-speaking individuals and entities.

In addition to her litigation practice, Camille is a sought-after speaker and commentator on legal issues, frequently contributing for NBC, participating in industry panels and speaking at engagements around the world. Her commitment to the legal profession extends beyond the courtroom, as she actively mentors young attorneys and serves as a Foundation Trustee for the Children's Hospital Los Angeles.

Program

PROCESSIONAL

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Professor of Law

Andrea McDowell, J.D.
Professor of Law

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

Francis Scott Key
Soloist: Raquelle Rocco, J.D. '26

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INTRODUCTION OF COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Henna Shah, J.D. '26
President, Student Bar Association

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

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SUMMER 2025

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Celebrating 50 Years



Class of 1976

At the Law School's Commencement Exercises,
Seton Hall University confers four law degrees:

Master of Legal Studies (M.L.S.) [formerly Master of Science in Jurisprudence (M.S.J.)] program is designed for non-lawyers eager to advance their careers and enhance their marketability. M.L.S. students concentrate in Corporate Compliance, Health and Hospital Law, Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Law and Compliance, Gaming Regulation and Compliance, Sports Law and Compliance, or General Legal Studies. Joint concentrations are also available. M.L.S. students complete the 31-credit-hour master's degree online, or as a hybrid online/traditional (in-person) degree program.

The Juris Doctor, the traditional law degree, is pursued post-college and requires 88 credit hours. The program is three years of full-time study or four years of part-time study. All credits must be earned within six years. Seton Hall graduates are eligible to take the bar examination in all states. Seton Hall designs its course of study to ensure that all students gain basic competence for the many opportunities and responsibilities that will confront them. It offers substantive law taught in classroom settings, predominantly through the casebook, problem or simulation methods of instruction. Students not only learn the law, but are also encouraged to analyze related policy issues and to consider the effect laws have on people's lives. The required course curriculum is the foundation upon which later electives, seminars, and clinical work build. Upper-class students have wide latitude in program planning and may pursue a "concentration" in several areas of law or informally specialize in a number of other fields. Through diverse clinical and skills offerings, students have a first-hand opportunity to engage in a highly supervised law practice.

The Health Law, Financial Services Compliance, and Intellectual Property programs provide attorneys with an opportunity to broadly explore each of these areas. The Health Law LL.M. program is designed for both practicing health care attorneys and those seeking to expand their practice to health care clients. The Financial Services Compliance LL.M. program offers students the opportunity to broadly explore financial services or to focus more narrowly on areas such as securities regulation and compliance, taxation, or data protection. The IP program is designed for attorneys who wish to transition from other practice areas to IP, government officials, and regulators who specialize or wish to specialize in IP related issues, and law school graduates who are interested in teaching or other academic research relating to IP Law.

The LL.M. in American Law is a full-time, in-person program for foreign-educated lawyers seeking to practice law in the United States. The program is designed to satisfy the program requirements for eligibility to sit for many state bar examinations, including New York. Students take their courses on the weekends and supplement their classroom work with online activities.

May 2026 Graduating Students to be Recognized for Completing
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