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The FCBA Foundation, celebrating its 25th anniversary, is pleased to announce it has selected 20 students from Washington, DC public high schools for merit and need-based awards and college scholarships to be distributed over four years of matriculation. Also, we are pleased to award scholarships to 10 law school students and one scholarship to a Case Western law student from the Amy Zoslov Memorial Fund. Finally, we are pleased to award stipends to 23 law students who have accepted unpaid public service internships in communications-related agencies for the summer. None of these awards would be possible without the generous support of the FCBA's members and the organizations in which they work. We thank you for your generosity!

2016 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Under the leadership of the Foundation's college scholarship committee, **Adam Krinsky**, **Kevin Ryan**, and **Krista Witanowski**, the Foundation reviewed applications from high school students of diverse backgrounds with an interest in communications-related fields, including media, journalism, technology, engineering, or law. Our applicants this year came from 15 local public high schools: Bell Multicultural, Benjamin Banneker, Calvin Coolidge, Duke Ellington, E.L. Haynes, Eastern, Frank W. Ballou, Friendship, H.D. Woodson, McKinley, Phelps, Roosevelt, School Without Walls, SEED, and Woodrow Wilson. Thirty-two of these high school student applicants were selected for interviews, and 20 of these students from 10 schools will receive FCBA Foundation scholarship assistance funded over four years. All 32 of the applicants who attended interviews will be provided new laptop computers. Software has been made available to each student through the generous donation of **Microsoft Corporation**. Additionally, all 32 students will be assigned FCBA mentors to help them advance academically and professionally.

The Foundation thanks **CTIA** for hosting college applicant interviews and the taping of the Foundation video, **Mark Van Bergh** for photographing the recipients, and **Comcast Corporation** for production of the video.

2016 LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Foundation's law school scholarship committee, **Parul Desai** and **Kathleen Kirby**, led the efforts to review applications from current students at law schools across the country who demonstrated merit and need, as well as an interest in communications law and technology and public service. We received applications from students at more than 40 schools, and awarded 10 scholarships to law students ranging from \$2,000 to \$10,000. We also awarded one Amy Zoslov Scholarship in the amount of \$5,000 from the Amy Zoslov Memorial Fund to a current Case Western law student.

2016 PUBLIC SERVICE INTERNSHIP STIPEND PROGRAM

Under the leadership of the Foundation's internship committee, **Rick Chessen**, **Jennifer Holtz**, and **Anita Wallgren**, with help from volunteer **Alison Nemeth**, the Foundation reviewed applications from students at law schools across the country. The Foundation awarded stipends ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000 to 23 students who have accepted public service positions for the summer. One outstanding applicant to both the Stipend and Law School Scholarship program received the annual Max Paglin Award, representing an additional stipend of \$600.

Congratulations to all of our scholarship and stipend recipients!

The Foundation also thanks the following volunteers for their time and talent, serving as liaisons to participating public high schools, reviewing college and law school scholarship applications, and interviewing high school students: **Sarah Aceves**, **Dennis Amari**, **Rachael Bender**, **Jeremy Berkowitz**, **Van Bloys**, **Ann Bobeck**, **Karen Brinkmann**, **Daniel Bumpus**, **John Burgett**, **Megan Capasso**, **Shawn Chang**, **Zac Champ**, **Debra Clemens**, **Marjorie Conner**, **Tara Corvo**, **Seth Davidson**, **Delara Derakhshani**, **Ian Forbes**, **Anna Gomez**, **Russ Hanser**, **Diane Holland**, **Kimberly Hulsey**, **Douglas Jarrett**, **Erin Kim**, **Hadass Kogan**, **Grace Koh**, **Heidi Lankau**, **Anisa Latif**, **Patrick McFadden**, **Aimee Meacham**, **Ari Moskowitz**, **Nancy Ory**, **Lee Petro**, **Laura Phillips**, **Eve Reed**, **Kara Romagnino**, **Bennett Ross**, **Alex Sanjenis**, **Michelle Schaefer**, **Kathleen Scott**, **Justin Shore**, **Joan Stewart**, **Megan Stull**, **Scott Tollefsen**, **Brenda Villanueva**, **Stephen Wang**, **Lauren Wilson**, **Rachel Wolkowitz**, **Richard Young**, and **Ali Zayas**.

THANKS TO DONORS & MENTORS

Thanks to the continuing generosity of our individual members, law firms, companies, and associations, the FCBA Foundation's fundraising efforts continue to reach new levels each year. Thanks to the contributions of many, this is another record year for the amount of scholarship and stipend funds distributed, **over \$390,000!** See the end of the handout for a complete list of our generous donors.

The final list of donors for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 will be included in the Foundation's annual report, in the FCBA newsletter, and on the FCBA Foundation website. To donate, please visit the Foundation's web page: <http://www.fcba.org/foundation>.

FCBA Foundation trustees **Catherine Hilke**, **Adam Krinsky**, and **Kevin Ryan** are coordinating the mentoring program this year. FCBA mentors provide advice and encouragement to our college and law school scholarship winners and internship stipend recipients as they transition from high school to college and from academics to careers. They also provide a link back to the Foundation, allowing us to appreciate our students'

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progress, supported by our members' donations. Thanks to all of our mentors: **Rachael Bender, Scott Bergmann, Bob Branson, Alyssia Bryant, Shawn Chang, Noah Cherry, Rick Chessen, Randy Clarke, Jacqueline Clary, Tara Corvo, Samuel Cullari, Elizabeth Cuttner, Emilie de Lozier, Parul Desai, Kyle Dixon, Chuck Evilsizer, Darah Franklin, Matthew Gerst, Kathleen Ham, Russell Hanser, Mia Guizzetti Hayes, Janet Hernandez, Cathy Hilke, Jennifer Holtz, Chuck Keller, Kathleen Kirby, Adam Krinsky, John Kuzin, Sarah Leggin, Chris Miller, Evan Morris, Rob Morse, Ari Moskowitz, Alex Moyer, Mike Nancy, Lee Petro, Stephanie Power, Megan Stull, Kara Romagnino, Kevin Ryan, Robert Schill, Mariah Shuman, Drew Simshaw, Lawrence Spiwak, Elvis Stumbergs, Danielle Thumann, Anita Wallgren, Krista Witanowski, Rachel Wolkowitz, and Amy Wolverton.**

Your generous donations of time and talent enable the Foundation to do more in our community, and to nurture aspiring communications professionals. Thank you!

SPECIAL THANKS FROM RUSS HANSER AND MIA GUIZZETTI HAYES - 2015-2016 CO-CHAIRS, FCBA FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

We would like to thank this year's Board of Trustees for their dedication and commitment in support of the programs of the Foundation. This year, the Board also tackled a number of significant administrative initiatives. We continued the Foundation's shift to an on-line application program, significantly expanded outreach efforts to potential applicants, and forged a new partnership with Byte Back to expand the volunteering opportunities available to FCBA members. We could not have undertaken these projects without a deeply committed Board of Directors who were willing to offer up their time and skills. We are grateful for their work, which we believe will pay significant dividends going forward.

We would like to extend our personal thanks to the four "graduating" Trustees, **Rick Chessen, Cathy Hilke, Anita Wallgren, and Krista Witanowski**, for their leadership and hard work during their three years on the Board. Fortunately, the Foundation remains in excellent hands with returning Trustees: **Parul Desai, Kathleen Ham, Jennifer Holtz, Kathy Kirby, Adam Krinsky, and Kevin Ryan.** **Kathy Kirby** will be taking over the reins as Foundation Board Chair, and while we are pleased to hand her those reins, we will be right behind her serving our final year on the Board as well. We are also extremely grateful to the FCBA's terrific team – **Kerry Loughney, Starsha Valentine, Wendy Parish, and Megan Nazareth.** All four have been invaluable partners in this year's Foundation work.

Finally, let us close by reminding you that as a member of the FCBA, you are also a member of the FCBA Foundation. The programs we support would not be possible without your significant donations of time and resources. Many thanks to all

of you for your continued commitment to the Foundation, which ensures that the FCBA has a positive impact on our community.

It is an honor to introduce this year's scholarship and internship stipend awardees:

2016 College Scholarship Recipients

DAYASIA BANDY

Karen Kincaid Scholarship sponsored by Wiley Rein and Karen's Friends (\$24,000)

Dayasia Bandy graduated from H.D. Woodson Senior High School where she was Student Body Secretary and she initiated a dress down day for her fellow students to reward good behavior. Despite her diagnosis of Lupus and constant instances of homelessness, she saw the importance of education and community. Dayasia is the co-founder of the H.O.P.E. club (Happiness, Optimism, Peace, and Equality), a club in which high-schoolers travel to neighboring elementary schools to teach children about peaceful conflict resolution. As the leader of this group, she is developing a website to reach a broader audience and instill the option of resolving conflicts peacefully within everyone. Dayasia is hoping to dual major in Computer Science and Bioinformatics at the University of California, Santa Cruz, a school she chose because of its outstanding research opportunities. Dayasia's goal is to create her own cybersecurity company and to contribute to biology research with her bioinformatics degree.



MEROBI DEGEFA

CTIA Scholarship (\$10,000)

Merobi Degefa was born and raised in Ethiopia until the age of 12. Once she came to the United States, she took an ESL class for a semester where she learned how to read, write, and speak the English language. At Bell Multicultural High School, she took seven AP classes and enrolled at Georgetown University to take a calculus class. She was also able to spend three consecutive summers at Philips Academy Andover taking math and science courses. While at Bell, she started an afterschool tutoring program for ESL students. In her final year, she was the President of the National Honor Society and a member of multiple afterschool programs. She aspires to work in developing countries as a reconstructive surgeon. In fall 2016, she will attend the University of Pennsylvania with a major in Biochemistry and following the pre-med track.



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MARIE-HELENE DE-MESSOU

FCBA Foundation Scholarship (\$10,000)

Marie-Helene De-messou graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School. She is a member of the National Honors Society. She was a youth community organizer and recruiter at Many Languages One Voice, and a youth health educator at The Young Women's Project. During the summer of 2015, she interned at The World Bank Group and is currently interning at The Boston Consulting Group. During her time at Wilson, the challenge of her AP U.S.



History course inspired her to pursue Political Science and International Relations as her major and Communications as her minor at the George Washington University, which she will attend starting in the fall of 2016.

ZACHARY ESSIG

Young Lawyers and Charity Auction Scholarship (\$20,000)

Zachary Essig graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School. He completed the Wilson International Studies Program and served as a Student Government Officer, co-founder of the Best Buddies club, and News Editor of *The Beacon*. Zach also served as the Managing Director of The Paper Project, a DC nonprofit dedicated to fostering interest in journalism for middle school students in underserved schools. During the summer of 2014, Zachary traveled to



Bursa, Turkey for seven weeks on a National Security Language Initiative Scholarship sponsored by the U.S. Department of State. In addition to his academic study and extracurricular and volunteer activities, Zachary holds a part-time job at Baked By Yael, DC's first cakepoppery. In the fall, Zachary will attend Tufts University, where he plans to study International Relations and write for *The Tufts Daily*. He is deeply grateful to have received such a generous scholarship from the FBCA Foundation that will enable him to fulfill his goal of pursuing a career in international media.

BREYONNA EVANS

FCBA Foundation Scholarship (\$10,000)

Breyonna Evans graduated from Duke Ellington School of the Arts where she studied vocal music and performance and trained in classical music. She has learned to sing in several languages, such as German, Italian, and Latin. Breyonna is a member of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts Show Choir. With the show choir, she recently traveled to Florida and won first place at the Show Choir of America



The Karen A. Kincaid Scholarship

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The Karen A. Kincaid Scholarship is an annual award that pays tribute to the late Karen Kincaid, a partner in Wiley Rein's Communications Practice. Karen is remembered by her friends and colleagues for her warmth, intellect, and a deep commitment to her family and her community, qualities that also are demonstrated by the scholarship recipient, **Dayasia Bandy**.



Prior to joining Wiley Rein, Karen served as a Senior Attorney-Advisor for the Private Radio Bureau, at the Federal Communications Commission from 1989 to 1993. She was a law clerk to the Honorable J. Smith Hensley, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit and the Honorable Leo Oxenberger, Chief Judge, Iowa Court of Appeals. She received her B.A. from Central College and her J.D. from Drake University.

Friends and colleagues of Karen Kincaid are proud to fund a scholarship in her memory to provide a deserving student assistance toward college tuition.

competition. Breyonna has a love and passion for music and plans on attending University of the Arts where she plans on studying music business and vocal performance.

ALMA GARCIA-GARCIA

Cox Enterprises, Inc. Scholarship (\$10,000)

Alma Garcia-Garcia graduated from Columbia Heights Educational Campus. Throughout her academic career, she participated in a variety of organizations such as "The Club" from the Latin American Youth Center, The Boxing Club, the National Honor Society, the Future Business Leaders of America as a Senior Officer, and her school band where she serves as Section Leader. She was heavily involved in Resources to Inspire Educators and Educators, which mentors youth in math. She will continue her education in fall 2016 at Trinity University where she will study biology.



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KIDEST GEBRE

National Association of Broadcasters Scholarship (\$10,000)

Kidest Gebre was born and raised in Ethiopia. She came to the United States in late 2010 with her mother and siblings. She graduated from Benjamin Banneker Academic High School where she participated in the school's soccer team as well as book club. She has volunteered as a tutor and a TA at her middle school. She is also part of Mary's Center Teen Program where she learned about health and shared that knowledge with other teens. She also had the opportunity to be part of the TEDx event at Columbia Heights embracing teen independence. Kidest hopes to pursue her studies in the medical field.



JORDAN LAWRENCE-BETHEA

Google Inc. Scholarship (\$15,000)

Jordan Lawrence-Bethea graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School where she was the President of the National Honor Society and an active member of the Human Rights Club and the Black Student Union. She considers herself an activist and is very passionate about volunteering and finding opportunities to better communities. Throughout her high school years, she has volunteered at The Dance Institute of Washington and most recently she organized a 5k walk to raise money for water resources in Burkina Fasso and Flint, MI. Jordan will attend New York University as an MLK Scholar this fall and major in History.



LISA LE

Sidley Austin LLP and the Sidley Austin Foundation Scholarship (\$10,000)

Lisa Le graduated from Bell Multicultural High School. This fall, she will attend the University of Michigan on the Ann Arbor campus and major in Actuarial Mathematics. She has interned at the National Museum of Natural History and the National Museum of American History, both of which have given her insight into civil rights and in careers in science, technology, engineering, and math. She has participated in Future Business Leaders of America and worked for the community through the Latin American Youth Center as well as through tutoring local middle school students.



SAMANTHA MEHRING

Comcast Corporation Scholarship (\$21,000)

Samantha Mehring graduated from School Without Walls High School in the top five percent of her class. She led her school's Global Issues Network Club for the past two years and will major in International Relations at the College of William and Mary. Samantha has also been the President of her school's Community Service Club and the co-captain of the field hockey team, as well as a member of the National Honor Society and the National French Honor Society. She was named as a 2016 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program Nominee and a National Merit Commended Scholar. Samantha also interned with the General Federation of Women's Clubs and Congresswoman Kathleen Rice, which influenced her plan to either become part of the Foreign Service or to attend law school after college. During college, Samantha hopes to stay involved in volunteer work and continue to excel academically.



BETHLEHEM MELAKU

Verizon Scholarship (\$15,000)

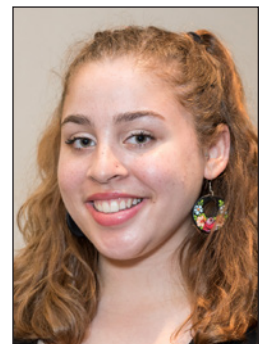
Bethlehem Melaku moved to the United States from Ethiopia two years ago, entering high school as a sophomore at Roosevelt Senior High School. Since then, she has maintained a 4.0 GPA and has earned awards in science and math. She has volunteered at the Ethiopian Community Center where she tutored students, Green Club where she was President, and Art Club, which she co-founded. She has had the honor of having her art work published by her high school in the *Journalist Magazine*, the Latin American Youth Center, and her church just to name a few. She plans to study computer science at Wittenberg University, in Ohio.



ZOE MILLS

AT&T Services, Inc. Scholarship (\$15,000)

Zoe Mills graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School where she served as Student Body President, co-founder of the diversity initiative, The Social Something, and worked on publications such as the *Literary and Visual Arts Magazine* and *The Beacon*. In her time before her senior year, she also played lacrosse for Wilson and soccer on two teams. In 2015, she was named an AP Scholar, and in the fall was awarded an Official Selection for her film "Choose One" in the All American High



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School Film Festival. In the fall, Zoe is attending the University of Southern California's School of Cinematic Arts where she will major in Film and Television Production.

JOSCA MOORE

Consumer Technology Association Scholarship (\$10,000)

Josca Moore graduated from Duke Ellington School of the Arts. She has maintained a 4.0 GPA and above for the past four years. Throughout high school, Josca has been very active in extracurricular activities. She co-founded the Women's Empowerment Club at her school and served as Historian of the National Honor Society. Last summer, Josca earned eight college credits in psychology and advanced acting at Harvard University's Secondary School Program as an Office of the State Superintendent of Education Scholar. To further her interests in foreign relations and multicultural performing arts, Josca is spending her freshman year of college studying abroad at New York University London, England. Her major will be Global Liberal Studies.



EDWIN ORDONEZ

Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP Scholarship (\$16,200)

Edwin Ordonez grew up in El Salvador and immigrated to Washington, DC when he was nine years old. He graduated from Bell Multicultural High School, where he ranked number one in his class. He received the OSSE Scholarship to take credit bearing classes at Syracuse University last summer. Edwin serves as the Vice President of the DC Chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America. He is also a dedicated member of the National Honor Society and DC SCORES. He enjoys playing soccer and pool. Edwin plans to major in Computer Science and pursue a career in software design after graduating from Princeton University.



SAJWA PRATHER

Sinclair Broadcast Group Scholarship (\$10,000)

Sajwa Prather graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School. She is interning at Burson-Marsteller rotating through the healthcare, PAC, Direct Impact, Core Services, and Worldwide Headquarter branches. She has learned many crucial professional skills during her internship and is very passionate about healthcare communications and the STEM field. She would like to pursue a career in law after obtaining her undergraduate



degree from Howard University. Aside from her academic career, she is very passionate about language and served as the French Club President at her high school. She also teaches Arabic to children. She hopes to learn to speak Spanish and French fluently in the future.

JULIA RAKAS

NCTA Scholarship (\$10,000)

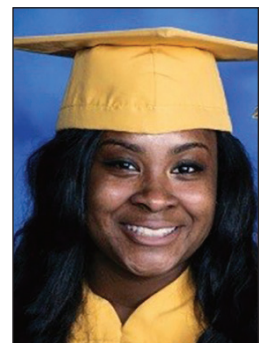
Julia Rakas graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School. Due to her mom's job as a Foreign Service officer, she has lived in four other countries in Latin America: Bolivia, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Paraguay. While at Wilson, she ran varsity track, participated in Model UN, and joined the robotics team. She also spent her Tuesday afternoons reading about and discussing philosophy with retired Johns Hopkins professor, William Marks. In her junior year, she interned at the National Institute of Health, working in a pediatric cancer lab; however her astronomy and physics classes at American University awoke in her a deep fascination with the subjects, inspiring her to shift her focus from biology. She is currently pursuing her passion for physics as an intern for the National Heart, Blood, and Lung Institute, studying molecular dynamics through computer simulations. This fall, she will attend the University of Michigan, where she hopes to double major in Physics and Philosophy.



TATYANA SHELTON

FCBA Foundation Scholarship (\$15,000)

Tatyana Shelton graduated from Friendship Collegiate Academy. Throughout her high school career, she has maintained a high GPA and has taken eight AP classes with AP Government and Politics being her favorite. Tatyana was recently inducted into the National Honor Society and has received multiple awards, honors, and recognitions for her hard work and dedication despite any obstacles she has faced. She is actively involved in her church and other extracurricular activities. Tatyana's strong passion for law was inspired by the many social injustices in today's society. In the fall, Tatyana will be attending North Carolina Central University where she will major in Criminal Justice. Upon receiving her bachelor's degree, she plans on going to law school and getting her juris doctorate degree.



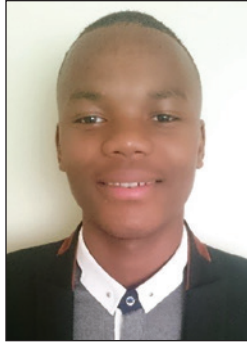
YVAN TCHAPOA SIPOWA

21st Century Fox Scholarship (\$20,000)

Yvan Tchapo Sipowa graduated from E.L Haynes Public Charter School. Yvan is from Cameroon and moved to the United States in 2012. When he arrived, he did not know English at all.

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But a year later, after hard work and perseverance, he was able to excel in classes with native English speakers. He has taken a number of AP classes, including AP Calculus, AP Physics, AP History, AP Chemistry, and AP Government. In 11th grade, he joined the OSSE program, which gave him the opportunity to fly to Syracuse University for an intense eight-week engineering program. Yvan has volunteered his time at Mary's Center, Martha's Table, and S.M.A.R.T. He will pursue a major in Mechanical Engineering when he attends Temple University in the fall.



MYIAH SMITH

FCBA Foundation Scholarship (\$5,000)

Myiah Smith graduated from the SEED School, a boarding college-prep school located in southeast DC. Myiah has enjoyed a range of diverse programs and clubs. In January, she attended the Junior Theater Festival with the Falcon Theater to perform an excerpt from the Lion King Jr. Musical. She was given a "golden ticket" to be one of the 250 kids picked from the 5,000 participants to audition for Disney. She was also awarded Best Individual Female Lead, with just 20 of the 5,000 participants being awarded this distinction. Myiah spent her junior year abroad on the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program scholarship funded by the State Department. She attended a German "Gymnasium" and lived with a German host family in the state of Saxony. Myiah's experience abroad led to her interest in international affairs. Myiah looks forward to attending classes "on the hilltop" at Georgetown's School of Foreign Service. She hopes to work internationally or for the U.S. State Department.



SIERRA TRAMMELL

T-Mobile US, Inc. Scholarship (\$15,000)

Sierra Trammell is an International Baccalaureate student who graduated from Benjamin Banneker Academic High School. While attending Banneker, Sierra was actively engaged in academics, extracurricular activities, and community service. She was on the tennis team during her freshman and sophomore years and has completed more than 270 hours of volunteer work. Sierra also loves to bake (especially cupcakes) and she was able to use her baking skills at Brainfood, a non-profit organization in Washington, DC that encourages youth to learn cooking, baking, and life skills. An aspiring information technology professional,



Sierra will be attending George Mason University in the fall of 2016. She will major in Computer Information Systems and Operations Management and minor in International Business, and she hopes to design and enhance computer information systems for the healthcare industry.

2016 Law School Scholarship and Internship Stipend Recipients

ARIAN ATTAR

Internship: FCC, Media Bureau, Policy Division

Arian Attar is a rising 3L at George Washington University Law School. She first became interested in media and communications from her work experiences in music and radio. During college at UC San Diego, Arian managed The Loft, a music and arts venue for three years and was a DJ for her college radio station, KSDT. Upon graduation, she spent a summer at St. Antony's College at Oxford University, researching transformations in modern Middle Eastern politics. She went on to work at The Observatory and Constellation Room, another music venue in Santa Ana, CA, where she handled artist contracts. In 2013, Arian moved to Australia for a year, where she was a TA at the University of Canberra for Government-Business Relations. In Australia, she volunteered at a local community radio station, 98.3 2XX FM, whereafter she became Assistant Manager. Her first summer after 1L, Arian was a legal intern for the Office of General Counsel at the Broadcasting Board of Governors, the federal agency that oversees all U.S. international broadcasting which motivated her to pursue media and communications law.



MICHAEL BURDI

Internship: FCC, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Cybersecurity and Communications Reliability Division

Michael Burdi is a rising 3L at the University of Illinois College of Law, where he has focused his studies on the intersection of law and cybersecurity. Before going to law school, he attended Loyola University Chicago and graduated *magna cum laude* in 2014 with a B.A. in Political Science. Michael has an employment background in networking and computer specialist positions, which led to an interest in cybersecurity and the law surrounding network communications infrastructure. In law school, Michael went on to found the Privacy and Security Law Society, and is currently a board member. He is also a member of the



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interdisciplinary Illinois Cybersecurity Scholars Program, where he is researching technology issues related to the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act. As a representative of this program, Michael recently gave a presentation at the Cybersecurity Awareness Week Conference on a national security vulnerability bounty program.

ERIC BURSE

Internship: FCC, Media Bureau, Policy Division

Eric Burse is a rising 2L and M.B.A. student at the University of Kentucky. Prior to attending law school, he attended Columbia Journalism School and USC's Annenberg School, where he gained experience with NBC Network News in the newsroom and out in the field covering national politics and breaking news. In 2012, the National Association of Black Journalists honored Eric as their Student Journalist of the Year. Most recently, he was Engagement Editor at Gannett's Courier-Journal in Louisville, KY. Eric's interest in communications law and policy is enlightened by practical experience working in mass media as an innovator, educator, and creator of content. He is a legal intern at the FCC in the Media Bureau's Policy Division.



EDYAEAL CASAPERALTA

Internship: FCC, Wireline Competition Bureau, Telecommunications Access Policy Division (Max Paglin Award Winner)
FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Edyael is a rising 2L at the University of Colorado Law School where she focuses on communications law and telecom deployment in developing areas and underserved communities. She is Co-President of the Latino Law Student Association and a member of the *Colorado Technology Law Journal*. Prior to law school, Edyael was an Internet Rights Fellow at Public Knowledge and a Programs Associate at the Center for Rural Strategies. In both roles, she focused on rural telecommunications issues; promoting broadband deployment to rural, native, immigrant, and poor communities; and directed the Rural Broadband Policy Group – a national coalition of rural organizations advocating for access to affordable, reliable, and high-speed broadband. Edyael's family immigrated to Elsa, TX from México when she was 12 years old. She attended Occidental College, and obtained a Masters in Latin American Studies from Ohio University.



NICHOLAS CHANIN

Internship: FCC, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Cybersecurity and Communications Reliability Division

Nick Chanin is a rising 2L at the George Washington University Law School, where he is a member of the Cyberlaw Students Association and its President for the coming year. Prior to attending law school, Nick graduated from Davidson College with a B.A. in History. After undergrad, Nick joined the United States Marine Corps where he served as a Communications Officer. His work included commanding Cyber Networking, Satellite, and Radio Communications Platoons, supporting Marine Command Elements in the U.S. and abroad. In 2013, Nick and his Marines were responsible for the operation and maintenance of multiple networks supporting operations in Regional Command-Southwest, Helmand Province, Afghanistan. Nick is thrilled to be working this summer with the exceptional staff of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau's Cybersecurity and Communications Reliability Division.



DANIEL CUTLER

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

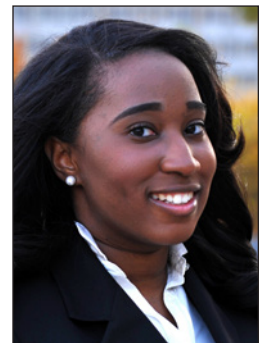
Daniel was born and raised in Scranton, PA. He attended college at Fordham University in New York City, where he majored in both Political Science and Communications and Media Studies. He greatly enjoyed the time he spent in NYC, and believes it shaped him into the person he is today. Daniel then chose to attend law school at William & Mary in Williamsburg, VA. He recently completed his first year there, and is now interning in the Political Programming Unit of the Media Bureau's Policy Division. Daniel is extremely thankful to have received this scholarship, and expresses his deepest thanks to all those who made it possible.



MAYA DAY

Internship: FCC, Media Bureau, Industry Analysis Division

Maya Day is a rising 2L at Howard University School of Law. At Howard, she is actively involved in the Sports and Entertainment Law Student Association and Phi Alpha Delta Fraternity, Incorporated. Prior to starting law school, she received her B.A. in Criminal Justice from George Washington University and studied abroad at the University of Cape Town in Cape Town, South Africa. Interning



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in the Business and Legal Affairs department of BET Networks piqued her interest in media law. She looks forward to interning in the Media Bureau's Industry Analysis Division.

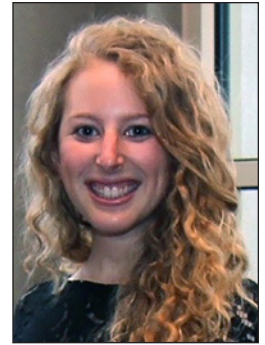
ROBERT DESMOND

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Bobby Desmond is a student at the University of Florida Levin College of Law. He is currently an intern at the Association of Public Television Stations in Arlington, VA. He also holds a number of leadership positions on campus including Vice President of Entertainment for the Entertainment and Sports Law Society, Student Recruitment Team Member, and ILSP Ambassador. He is enrolled in the Intellectual Property Law Certificate Program and a member of the Intellectual Property & Technology Law Association. As an undergraduate at the University of Florida, Bobby received a B.S. in Telecommunication and a B.A. in Criminology & Law. During this time, he worked as an on-air radio personality on WYKS Kiss 105.3 FM, directed and hosted a web-series at ChomPics Productions, and served as the Independent Florida Alligator's resident television critic. A proud first-generation college student from a low-income family, he also acted as a Peer Mentor for the Machen Florida Opportunity Scholars Program.



reviewed article, "The Role of Actors' Gender in Men's and Women's Selective Exposure to Movies," which examined the link between a lead character's gender and audience enjoyment. The results were intended to promote gender diversity in the media industry; such implications were presented at the National Communications Conference in November 2015. Jessica plans to expand her knowledge and involvement with communications policy and entertainment law throughout law school. She will serve on the editorial board for Indiana's IP Theory, as well as on the executive board for Intellectual Property Association this coming fall.



DYLAN GILBERT

Internship: FCC, Wireless Bureau, Competition and Infrastructure Policy Division

Dylan Gilbert is a rising 3L at the George Washington University Law School. After graduating *cum laude* from the College of William and Mary with a degree in English, Dylan returned to his hometown of Los Angeles. There he worked for over a decade in the entertainment industry as a touring musician, producer, audio engineer, and music supervisor. He became fascinated by the legal aspects of his work and decided to pursue a law degree. Dylan is focusing his studies on communications law because it relates to his interests in policy, technology, and media. He clerked at the Association of Public Television Stations last fall, and he is interning at the FCC's Wireless Bureau this summer. Later this year, he plans to research and write about potential, proposed, and existing efforts to close gaps in mobile wireless service.



RACHEL ENGLE

Internship: FCC, Connect2HealthFCC Task Force

Rachel Engle is a rising 3L at George Washington University Law School, where she is focusing on communications, privacy, and technology law. She is currently a Notes Editor for the *Federal Circuit Bar Journal*. Prior to law school, Rachel graduated *magna cum laude* from Binghamton University with majors in Political Science and Psychology. At graduation, the Political Science Department gave her an award for excellence in her Constitutional Law studies. Last summer, she interned at the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. Rachel anticipates completing her J.D. in the spring of 2017.



BRADLEY GORAN

Internship: FCC, Office of Commissioner Clyburn

Bradley Goran is a rising 2L at Boston College Law School. He was the 1L representative to the school's Internet Law Society, and will serve as the organization's President next fall. His interest in the field of media and telecommunications stemmed from his time as a Paralegal Specialist in the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division, working in the Telecommunications and Media Enforcement Section, where his team earned an Assistant Attorney General Award of Distinction. Prior to law school, Bradley interned for Congressman Brad



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Sherman, as well as the Corporation for Supportive Housing. He graduated from the University of Maryland in 2011 with a B.A. in Political Science and a concentration in Communication.

HANNAH HOFFMAN

Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP Scholarship

Hannah Hoffman was born and raised in rural southern Oregon. She attended the University of Oregon and graduated in 2009 with a bachelor's degree in Journalism with a minor in Spanish. She spent the next six years working as a reporter, covering government and politics. She most recently wrote for the *Salem Statesman Journal*, where she covered the Oregon Legislature and Governor John Kitzhaber's administration, as well as his abrupt resignation and the subsequent transition to Governor Kate Brown. Hannah has just completed her first year at the University of Michigan Law School. She hopes to practice media and intellectual property litigation upon graduation.



CAROLINE JONES

Internship: FCC, Office of General Counsel, Administrative Law Division
FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Caroline Jones is a rising 2L at the University of Colorado School of Law. Before attending law school, Caroline attended the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee where she earned her bachelor's degree in International Studies with a minor in Spanish. As a 1L, Caroline served as Student Bar Association representative for the Health Law Society as well as on the SBA Election Commission. Caroline's interest in communications law began after attending the Silicon Flatirons Digital Broadband Migration Conference at Colorado Law during her first year of law school. This conference inspired her interest in issues such as competition policy, network neutrality, and data privacy. Caroline also attended this year's International Association of Privacy Professionals' Global Privacy Summit in Washington, DC where she gained valuable insight into international privacy policy approaches and data breach protection principles.



SANG AH KIM

Internship: FCC, Enforcement Bureau, Investigations and Hearings Division

Sang Ah Kim is a rising 2L at Georgetown University Law Center. She graduated *summa cum laude* from University of Georgia with degrees in International Affairs and Japanese Language & Literature. Prior to law school, she gained experience with

various NGOs, policy institutes, and firms around the world, including Korea, Japan, Singapore, and Peru. At Georgetown, she has worked for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights as a law clerk to Commissioner Karen Narasaki. Becoming familiar with computers at a young age opened her eyes to the importance of cybersecurity and privacy issues. Sang Ah is excited to dive into the field of communications law this summer with the Enforcement Bureau.



ADAM KLEVEN

Internship: FCC, Office of General Counsel

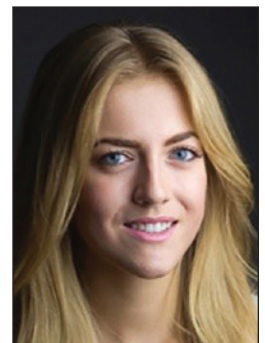
Adam Kleven is a rising 2L at the University of Michigan Law School. He is a member of the Moot Court Executive Board, President of the MLaw Hockey Team, and is a member of the Privacy, Technology, and Law Association. During his 1L year, Adam also worked with the Michigan Unemployment Insurance Clinic where he represented individuals who were denied unemployment benefits at Administrative Law Judge hearings. He also graduated from University of Michigan with degrees in Political Science and Communications Studies, which sparked his interest in communications law.



MADelyn LA FRANCE

Internship: FCC, Media Bureau, Audio Division

Madelyn La France is a rising 2L at Georgetown University Law Center. She is a member of the Appellate Advocacy Division of the Law Center's Barristers Council and a member of the Women's Law Association. Prior to attending law school, Madelyn graduated *magna cum laude* from Pepperdine University where she studied English and philosophy. While at Pepperdine, Madelyn also received an undergraduate certificate in Conflict Management from the Straus Institute at the Pepperdine University School of Law.



MORGAN LIPHART

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Morgan Liphart is a rising 2L at the University of Colorado School of Law. At Colorado Law, Morgan is active in the Silicon Flatirons Student Group, where her love of telecommunications law was originally sparked. She is also a student associate at the Deming Center Venture Fund,

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where her goal is to enable the fund to foster the next wave of industry innovation. Morgan is also a member of the *Colorado Technology Law Journal* and a participant in CU's Technology Lawyer Accelerator program. Prior to law school, she graduated *summa cum laude* from Bradley University in Illinois, where she studied business. This summer, Morgan is working at Layer3 TV, located in Denver.



VARSHA MANGAL

Internship: FCC, Office of General Counsel
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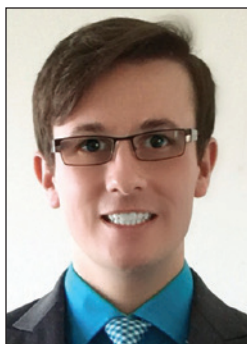
Varsha Mangal is a rising 3L at the University of North Carolina School of Law. She graduated from Washington University in St. Louis where she majored in Chemistry and minored in Communication Design and decided to pursue a legal career to help creators and innovators. After her first year of law school, she interned at ABC News' Rights & Clearances Department, where she developed an interest in media and communications law. As a second year law student, Varsha was a Staff Member for the *North Carolina Journal of Law and Technology*, in which she was selected to be published on a recent development discussing the *Authors Guild v. Google* decision. She will continue working on the journal during her 3L year as a Notes Editor. Additionally, Varsha is a member of the Holderness Moot Court Intellectual Property Team.



SHAWN MARCUM

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Shawn Marcum is a rising 3L at American University Washington College of Law, where he is pursuing his interests in Communications and Intellectual Property Law. As an active member of both the *American University Business Law Review* and *American University Intellectual Property Brief*, Shawn has several publications related to both fields of law. He graduated with honors from Georgetown College in 2014, earning a B.A. in both Mathematics and Political Science. While working on an undergraduate summer research project for an honors STEM program, Shawn became interested in open internet and broadband deployment issues. As a law student, Shawn has held legal internship positions at the FCC and has become a member of both the FCBA and American University Communications & Media Law Society.



JULIA PALERMO

Internship: FCC, International Bureau,
Office of the Bureau Chief

Julia Palermo is a rising 2L at George Mason University School of Law where she is a member of the Communication Law Society, Trial Advocacy Association, and serves as Auction Coordinator for the Pro Bono Society. Julia recently graduated *magna cum laude* from Marist College in New York with a bachelor's degree in Communications and an emphasis in public relations. She also spent a semester abroad in Dublin, Ireland studying internet marketing and policy while also interning with a public relations firm, which initially sparked her passion for international communications law and global strategy and negotiation. She also competed in an arbitration and negotiation competition during her first year of law school. Julia is looking forward to learning more about the field and gaining practical experience during her internship with the FCC this summer.



KARA PODRAZA

Internship: FCC, Enforcement Bureau, Investigations and
Hearings Division

Kara Podraza is a rising 2L at George Mason University School of Law. She is the Vice President of Events for the Pro Bono Society, an active member of the Communications Law Association, and she participates in Trial Advocacy. Kara received her undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she graduated with distinction from the School of Media and Journalism, majoring in Public Relations and Political Science.

Kara first became interested in communications law after taking several courses on media law and policy during her undergraduate career. Prior to attending law school, Kara worked as a legal assistant for a criminal defense law firm and she served as a Guardian Ad Litem in Chapel Hill, NC.



SEKOIA ROGERS

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Sekoia Rogers is a rising 3L student at American University Washington College of Law. Over the past two years, Sekoia has tailored her studies to prepare for the practice of intellectual property, media, and entertainment law. She is currently a legal intern at NBCUniversal and is involved in researching and writing about regulatory and public policy matters relating to Intellectual Property and other broadcasting/media



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issues. She previously interned at the Federal Communications Commission in the Media Division and participated in the summer Program on International Organizations, Law, and Diplomacy in Geneva, Switzerland. One of the most rewarding experiences of Sekoia's law school career was serving as a constitutional law teacher at the School Without Walls High School for the 2015-2016 school year. Sekoia is eager to begin her final year of law school, where she will serve as a student attorney in the Glushko-Samuels Intellectual Property Law Clinic.

VERNON ROSS

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Vernon Ross is a rising 3L at Howard University School of Law where he will be serving as a student attorney in the Intellectual Property Clinic this fall. He has a profound interest in communications and has organized and moderated a Communications Law Panel at Howard two years in a row. Vernon earned his B.A. in International Studies, *cum laude*, from Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA. He went on to earn his Masters of Public Policy at the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies at Georgia State University. Over the past few years his interest in communications law and policy has grown through internships in the International Bureau of the FCC, the Office of Chairman Wheeler, and at CTIA. He currently is working as a summer associate at Arnold & Porter in the Washington, DC office.



KELSIE RUTHERFORD

Internship: FCC, Media Bureau, Policy Division

Kelsie Rutherford will be a 2L at Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law. At CUA Law, she is a student in the Law and Technology Institute, where she is focusing on communications and media law. Kelsie earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Tennessee, majoring in Journalism and Electronic Media, and Political Science. She has held internships at the U.S. Senate and in local government, and enjoyed being a member on UT's Mock Trial team. Her interest in media and journalism inspired her focus in communications law. She is part of the Law and Technology Students Association and is excited to serve on the board of the CUA Law Habitat for Humanity chapter next fall.



ANDREA SALVINO

Internship: FCC, Consumer and Government Affairs Bureau

Andrea Salvino is a rising 2L at Ohio State University Moritz College of Law. She attended the University of South Florida and received her B.A. in History in 2013. Her interest in communications law began during her undergraduate career when she interned at the U.S. Department of Justice in the Consumer Protection Branch in Washington, DC. This summer she will be learning more about consumer protection when she interns at the FCC, Consumer and Government Affairs Bureau.



RUSSELL TERMAN

Internship: FCC, Wireline Bureau, Telecommunications Access and Policy Division

Russell Terman is a 3rd year J.D./M.B.A. student at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, VA. Russell was born in Seattle, WA, and attended Wheaton College in Illinois before traveling all the way across the country for law school. He has focused his studies and work experience on the confluence of business, law, and government, interning with both the Small Business Administration and Verizon Communications. As a member of the Business Law Review at William & Mary, and a Graduate Research Fellow for the Institute of Bill of Rights Law, Russell has a strong commitment to the value of telecommunication access both for the development of local economies, and the empowerment of overlooked communities to exercise first amendment speech. After graduation, Russell hopes to continue to serve on the borderline between regulated industry and government, preferably in the telecommunication space.



LAUREN TONTI

Amy Zoslov Scholarship

Lauren Tonti is a 2017 J.D. Candidate at Case Western Reserve University School of Law. Before beginning her legal education, Lauren earned a B.A. in both Political Science and Psychology from Wellesley College. In the fall, she will pursue an L.L.M. in International and Business Law at Université Paris-Dauphine. At Case Western, Lauren served as Vice President of the Women's Law Association. She mentors youth through Big Brothers, Big Sisters of



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The Amy Zoslov Scholarships

Amy J. Zoslov lost her battle with breast cancer in August 2000 at the age of 42. Known to members of the communications industry as a dedicated public servant, Amy spent nearly her entire career with the Federal Communications Commission. Amy earned her B.A. from Boston University in 1980 and her J.D. from Case Western Reserve University School of Law in 1983.



The scholarship fund was established in Amy's memory by her family and friends, the FCC staff, and telecommunications industry donors. Until 2013, the Amy Zoslov Scholarship program was administered by CTIA's Wireless Foundation; in 2013, The FCBA Foundation assumed the privilege of administering the program. Amy Zoslov scholarships currently are awarded annually to deserving students who exhibit the same personal strengths and professional promise that Amy demonstrated.

Greater Cleveland, and is an active member of the Student Public Interest Law Fellowship. Lauren also serves as an Assistant Notes Editor for *Health Matrix: Journal of LawMedicine*. Lauren is dedicated to serving the public interest, and has spent her summers interning at the International Trade Centre in Geneva Switzerland, and the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention's Public Health Law Program in Atlanta, GA. Lauren would like to thank her family, friends, and teachers for invaluable contributing to her success.

EILIF VANDERKOLK

Internship: FCC, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau

Eilif Vanderkolk is a rising 2L at University of Colorado Law School. He first became interested in communications technology and policy while working as a signals intelligence analyst for 2D Radio Battalion, United States Marine Corps. While at Colorado Law, Eilif has been the Director of Privacy for the Silicon Flatirons Student Group and acted as the legal adviser for the University of New Mexico's student team in the Daniels Fund



Ethics Initiative Case Competition. This summer, Eilif will be working within the Policy and Licensing Division of the FCC's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau to gain a better understanding of how telecommunication policy can impact national security issues.

PAIGE WEINSTEIN

Internship: FCC, Office of Legislative Affairs

Paige Weinstein is a rising 2L at Ohio State University Moritz College of Law. She attended Ohio State University for undergrad, where she received a B.A. in English and a minor in Sociology. Paige has a strong interest in public policy that emerged during her time at U.S. Senator Rob Portman's office. She pursued this interest as a page at the Ohio House of Representative's Majority Caucus and eventually rose to the rank of Constituent Aide for Chairman Al



Landis of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee. During her 2L year, she will serve as the Orientation Chair for SBA and President of the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund. She hopes to pursue a career in public policy in the future.



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Inspired by the Foundation's mission to support educational and professional pursuits, organizations and their collaborative individuals' donations, this year so far, have been recognized with the following honorary degrees:

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