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The FCBA Foundation is pleased to announce it has selected 26 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 will award scholarships to six law school students and stipends to 12 law school 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!

2024 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Under the leadership of the Foundation's college scholarship committee, **Van Bloys, Rizwan Chowdry, Nicol Turner Lee,** and **Karen Sprung**, the Foundation reviewed applications from high school students of diverse backgrounds. Our scholarship recipients this year came from 16 local public high schools: Ballou, Basis DC, Bell Multicultural, Benjamin Banneker, Capital City, Cardozo Education Campus, Cesar Chavez, Duke Ellington, E.L. Haynes, Eastern, H.D. Woodson, IDEA, Jackson-Reed, McKinley Technology, School Without Walls, and Washington Latin. All 26 of the recipients will be provided with new laptop computers.

The Foundation thanks **Comcast NBCUniversal** for sponsoring the production of the video, and a special thank you to **Crown Castle** for hosting and sponsoring the College Scholarship Program interviews this year!

2024 LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Foundation's law school scholarship committee, **Angela Ball, Avonne Bell, Angela Kung,** and **Danielle Thumann**, 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 schools across the country and awarded a total of \$20,000 in scholarships to six law school students.

2024 PUBLIC SERVICE INTERNSHIP STIPEND PROGRAM

Under the leadership of the Foundation's internship committee, **Kayla Gardner, David Grossman, Brenda Villanueva,** and **Rachel Wolkowitz**, the Foundation reviewed applications from students at law schools across the country. The Foundation awarded stipends ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 to 12 students who have accepted public service positions for the summer.

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: **Melissa Alba, Dennis Amari, John Ayers, Leslie Barnes, John Bat, Kim Bayliss, Logan Bennett, Ann Bobeck, Karina Bohorquez, Xelef Botan, Jeff Carlisle, Megan Chavez, Stephen Conley, Tara Corvo, Michael Endrias, Connor Ferraro, Conor Flahive, Lisa Fowlkes, Chris Frascella, Jon Garvin, B'anca Glenn, Kara Graves, Anisa Green, Kevin Green, Peter Gregory, Erin Griffith, Kathleen Ham, Julian Harrison, John Hunter, Brian Indovina, Christopher Koves, Angie Kronenberg, Edlira Kuka, Serena Lau, Heidi Lankau, Jeffrey Lewis, Matt McCormick, Jaime McCoy, Patrick McFadden, Kasey McGee, Stephanie Minnock, Lynne Montgomery, Jake Nash, Conor O'Donovan, Nicholas Page, Anthony Patrone, Lee Petro, Laura Phillips, Joy Ragsdale, Tamber Ray, Marina Sansom, Michelle Schaefer, Morgan Schick, Madeline Sorg, Laura Stefani, Graham Stevenson, Nitin Tangellamudi, Johanna Thomas, Hannah Wigger, Erin Williams, and Stacey Zumo.**

THANKS TO OUR DONORS

Thanks to the continuing generosity of our individual members, law firms, companies, and associations, the FCBA Foundation's fundraising efforts continue to reach amazing levels each year. Thanks to the contributions of many, we've awarded almost **\$340,000!**

The current list of donors is at the end of this handout and the final list for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 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>.

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 AVONNE BELL AND KAREN SPRUNG 2023-2024 CO-CHAIRS, FCBA FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

We just wrapped another successful year for the FCBA Foundation programs with a substantial amount of funding in the form of scholarships and stipends to be awarded to talented, promising students to help advance their college and law school journeys. We want to convey our sincere appreciation to the many people that continue to donate time and energy to make sure the Foundation is able to achieve its vital mission, this, and every year. First, the contributions of the FCBA membership and our donors, particularly our corporate donors, whose generosity of time and resources are critical to sustaining the Foundation and make it possible to provide the scholarship awards. Next, we are extremely grateful to the FCBA's remarkable team – **Kerry Loughney, Janeen Wynn, Wendy Parish,** and **Elina Gross**. The Foundation simply could not run without the staff's support and hard work. Their continued attention to detail and commitment

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to the mission is invaluable. They go above and beyond, and words cannot fully express our appreciation.

Of course, we must extend acknowledgement and gratitude to this year's Board of Trustees for their commitment and hard work to ensuring the programs of the Foundation were executed effectively and efficiently. The Foundation has an ambitious agenda each year, which we could not accomplish without an engaged and devoted Board comprised of individuals willing to volunteer their time and talents, over and above the demands of their day jobs and other personal commitments.

As we close our elections and welcome four new trustees to the Foundation board, we want to recognize those who are coming to the end of their three-year term. The four Trustees moving on from the trustee board this year are: **Avonne Bell**, **Rizwan Chowdhry**, **Brenda Villanueva**, and **Rachel Wolkowitz**. Each of these Trustees has played an instrumental role in running the College Scholarship, Law School Scholarship, and Law School Stipend/Internship programs over the last three years. We thank them for their leadership and dedication during their years on the Board.

While one of the dedicated Co-Chairs will be rotating off the Board, Co-Chair **Karen Sprung** and **Van Bloys**, serving as a Co-Chair beginning in the 2024-2025 term, along with Trustees, **Angela Ball**, **Kayla Gardner**, **David Grossman**, **Angela Kung**, **Danielle Thumann** and **Dr. Nicol Turner Lee** look forward to continuing their work on the Foundation this coming year. We look forward to welcoming the newly elected members from among an exceptional set of candidates. Thanks to all the FCBA members who ran for election to the Board—we deeply appreciate your desire to be involved and it is a testament to the generosity of the FCBA community that we have an abundance of individuals that seek to join the Board each year.

Thanks, too, to former FCBA President **Barry Ohlson** for his insights and contributions as the ex-officio liaison between the Executive Committee and Foundation this year. This year's FCBA President **Diane Holland** continued to emphasize the collaboration between the Foundation and the FCBA and FCBA initiatives like the Diversity Pipeline Program, which is a program with interests and goals that align with those of the Foundation. The Board looks forward to Diane's participation as an ex-officio member of the Foundation over the coming year.

We reiterate our sincere thanks to the FCBA membership for your continued support. Remember, as a member of the FCBA, you are also a member of the FCBA Foundation. As Co-Chairs, we've had a unique perspective on how many volunteers it takes to help the Foundation reach its ambitious goals and it is impressive every time how many people raise their hands without reservation to review scholarship applications or to interview applicants, as well as how many are willing to help persuade an employer to support a named scholarship or to make generous monetary contributions themselves. This year

was no exception and really served to underscore not only what an incredibly special bar we have, but also how, together, we will ensure that the FCBA continues to positively impact our community. We continue to demonstrate why the DC Bar awarded the FCBA the distinction of 2023 Voluntary Bar of the Year. FCBA members step up and provide support whenever needed and we, on behalf of the Foundation and program awardees, celebrate and thank you for it.

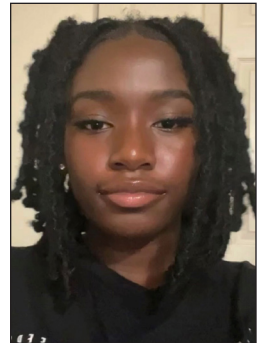
It is an honor to introduce this year's scholarship and internship stipend awardees:

2024 College Award Recipients

JACQUELINE ARMANDO

Sinclair Inc. Scholarship (\$10,000)

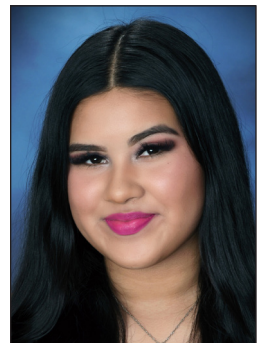
Jacqueline Armando, a senior at Cardozo High School, is excited to start her studies at Johns Hopkins University this fall. She's passionate about international affairs and will major in international studies with a minor in computer science, focusing on cybersecurity. Jacqueline achieved a GPA of 4.21, making her the valedictorian of her class. Outside of academics, she's been active in various clubs and organizations, such as the D.C. Public Schools Chancellor's Student Advisory Board and the President of the National Honor Society. She's also taken dual-enrollment classes at George Washington University. Fluent in four languages: Portuguese, French, Spanish, and English, Jacqueline aims to connect with women globally and promote STEM education for underprivileged communities, especially women facing challenges in patriarchal societies. Her goal is to use her skills to bridge gaps in STEM access and empower marginalized individuals. Jacqueline is committed to making a positive impact on society as she enters college.



PRISCILA DE LA CRUZ

Verizon Scholarship (\$15,000)

Priscila de la Cruz is a senior at Benjamin Banneker Academic High School and will be attending the Catholic University of America. She plans on majoring in biochemistry with a minor in French. During her time at Banneker, Priscila has played girls' varsity soccer and is the president of the club, LatinX. She also attended an internship at GWU's School of Medicine in which she participated in labs, saw numerous physicians, and was able to shadow doctors at GWU's Hospital. Priscila has done more than 300 community service hours in places like Mary's Center, LAYC,



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and Howard's College of Medicine. She is an active member of the National Honor Society, French Honor Society, and Mu Alpha Theta. As a first-generation student, Priscila aspires to become a pediatrician in the emergency setting. Her inspiration comes from becoming a part of the 2.4% of Latina physicians.

VIVIEN DOBRESCU

Comcast NBCUniversal Scholarship (\$15,000)

Vivien Dobrescu is a graduating senior from School Without Walls High School and will attend Cornell University. She will be majoring in urban and regional studies and minoring in dance. During high school, Vivien participated in many extracurriculars like pre-professional ballet, tennis, volunteering, and writing for local newspapers. Vivien hopes to learn more about human connections while continuing her passion for dance and the performing arts.



VERONICA DURAN

NCTA – The Internet & Television Association Scholarship (\$10,000)

Veronica Duran is a graduating senior from Jackson-Reed High School. She will attend the State University of New York at Buffalo in the fall, majoring in nursing with a minor in addiction studies. She hopes to work in the field of substance use disorder rehabilitation, offering medical treatment and counseling and advocating for drug policy reform. In school, Veronica is in the SCIMATECH Academy, taking multiple biomedical science courses and participating in events like the annual blood drive. As a part of the College Exposure Program, she is taking dual enrollment courses at Georgetown University. Outside school, she interns at the Carnegie Academy for Science Education and the Dance Institute of Washington. In her free time, she volunteers at the Capital Area Food Bank, which combats food insecurity in DC. She is eager to attend college and use her education to serve others.



JOSIAH GOMILLION

Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP Scholarship (\$10,000)

Josiah Gomillion is a graduating senior from Ballou High School in Washington, DC. Josiah plans to attend Virginia Union this fall majoring in sports management and business administration. Josiah plans to combine his passion for sports and his entrepreneurial interests to pursue his dream of working in the sports industry. Prior to coming to Ballou, Josiah attended a non-traditional school program from fourth to tenth grade. He

enrolled at Ballou to play basketball at the high school level. Since his junior year, Josiah has participated in varsity basketball, baseball, and track at Ballou. He also plays AAU basketball with a local team and helps with basketball drills for the younger teams. Along with two other classmates, Josiah designed, marketed, and sold self-branded hoodies, *Next Play*. Josiah is very active in his local church and has participated in several ministries since he was in preschool. He also continues to volunteer in community activities whenever possible. Josiah is excited to attend college to pursue his dreams and give back to his community.



LISETH LAZO HERNANDEZ

Young Lawyers and Charity Auction Scholarship (\$10,000)

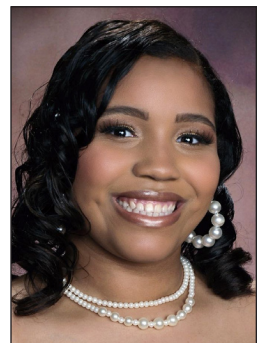
Liseth Lazo Hernandez is a graduating senior at Columbia Heights Educational Campus and will be attending Georgetown University, where she hopes to pursue a degree in linguistics and a minor in cognitive science. During her time in high school, she was a member of the National Honor Society and Bilingual Education Academy. She tutored ESL students by providing them with reading comprehension support and assistance with homework. As part of her community service, she volunteered at her school's daycare and library and provided interpretation and translation services during parent-teacher conferences and school events and celebrations. She has participated in Mayor Marion S. Barry's Summer Youth Employment Program for the last 2 years and has been an intern under the program of education & training for the Career and Technical Education Advanced Internship Program. Liseth hopes to become an ESL teacher and her goal is to show people that languages are alive and fun and worth the time and effort to learn, since language is the gateway to culture and the bridge between difference.



CHINA JONES-BURGESS

The Entertainment Software Association Scholarship (\$10,000)

China Jones-Burgess is a graduating senior from Cardozo Education Campus, and is an advocate for all but holds a special place in her heart for her Ward 7, Washington DC community. She will be attending George Mason University in the fall of 2024 majoring in sociology with a minor in elementary school education. Throughout her years in high school, she served as a Student Representative on the DC State Board of



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Education advocating for all of her peers and youth's education in the District. Outside of her time advocating for her peers and community, she participates in many programs and community events supporting the voice of youth in her city. China plans to create a greater outlet for DC Students to have access to more opportunities, and someone who is willing to listen and take action!

IDRISAH JANNEH

Mark Van Bergh Scholarship (\$10,000)

Idrisah Janneh is a graduating senior from Washington Latin PCS and will attend Winston-Salem State University. She will study nursing to obtain her RN and become a CRNA. Throughout high school, she has been an active member of her community with 313 community service hours, and serves as a student council representative, community service club leader, and peer mediator. Idrisah plans to continue advocating for minority patients not receiving fair or safe treatment in healthcare spaces. She aspires to decrease workplace toxicity in hospitals while also decreasing discrimination in hospitals.



KADEN JOHNSON

Young Lawyers and Charity Auction Scholarship (\$10,000)

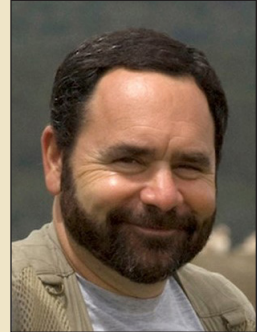
Kaden Johnson, a graduating senior from the Duke Ellington School of the Arts, will be attending George Mason University in the fall. He intends to major in music education and pursue a career as a professional musician and music educator. Throughout his time at Duke Ellington School of the Arts, Kaden was a member of numerous performing ensembles, affording him the opportunity to perform at prestigious venues such as the Kennedy Center on multiple occasions. He dedicated countless hours to honing his craft and is eager to further develop his artistic skills at the collegiate level. Post-college, he plans to give back to the D.C. music and arts community by utilizing his skills as an educator to nurture the arts back to relevancy in the school setting.



The Mark Van Bergh Scholarship

SPONSORED BY MARK'S FAMILY AND FRIENDS

In 2022, family, friends and colleagues established the Mark Van Bergh Scholarship Fund in his memory. Mark was a long-time supporter of the FCBA Foundation and its mission. Each year, he would review applications, interview students, and photograph the award recipients. He had a unique connection with these students and truly cared about their aspirations and achieving their goals. Mark was known to many as FCBA's 'photographer-in-residence,' an unofficial title earned by virtue of his regular presence with a camera at Association events. For decades, Mark not only captured FCBA members at our events, but he was a friend who genuinely cared about everyone.



Mark was born in New York City on November 28, 1956. He attended high school in White Plains, and then Syracuse University, graduating in 1978 magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in political science. He then attended George Washington University School of Law, graduating in 1981 with honors. Mark practiced communications law with Jim Edmundson and, later, Richard Waysdorf, and with firms such as Gardner, Carton & Douglas, Roberts & Eckard, and Arter & Hadden. He was a solo practitioner from 2003.

Mark was also a long-time FCBA member and held virtually every position in the Association other than President, including Secretary, Treasurer, and member of the Executive Committee, and member of the Board and Chair of the FCBA Foundation.

Parallel to his legal career was Mark's work as a photographer. Besides his assistance for the FCBA and FCBA Foundation, Mark photographed many things over the years, including weddings of friends and colleagues, travels to exotic parts of the world, and local events, such as those at the National Zoo, and much more.

In honor of Mark, the scholarship will provide deserving students assistance toward college tuition, a program that Mark whole-heartedly supported for over 25 years. This year, scholarships will be provided to two students, **Idrisah Janneh** and **Maryi Orellana**.

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IKRAMULLAH KAMAWAL

Fox Corporation Scholarship (\$20,000)

Ikramullah Kamawal is an 18-year-old high school senior at Howard D. Woodson STEM High School in Washington, DC. He is an enthusiastic speaker and information technology lover. Combining his passion for public speaking with his love for information technology, he wants to create a comfortable life for other people and himself. Academically, Ikramullah excels in his studies and is consistently recognized on the honor roll. He was recently awarded the Best Student award in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the school community. Ikramullah has worked on school projects like the Agriculture Project and he worked at a Radiology Center where he managed customer relations. Looking towards the future, Ikramullah hopes to pursue a career in computer science and continue to advocate for causes he believes in. He plans to major in information technology in college and eventually become a successful professional in the field. With his strong work ethic, and dedication to his passions, Ikramullah is sure to achieve great things in the years to come.



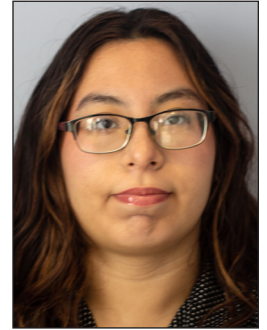
HBCU in the country, and is beyond ecstatic about how far her determination, focus, grit, and strength have taken her. In the fall, Logan will be pursuing a degree in psychology with a concentration in mental health. Logan's career goal is to become an adolescent therapist. The sudden death of her father at a young age seeded her purpose of helping those like her and she is committed to turning her trauma into triumph in honor of her dad's legacy.

ERICKA LOPEZ

Consumer Technology Association Scholarship (\$10,000)

Ericka Lopez is a graduating senior from Cesar Chavez Parkside High School. She plans to attend the University of District of Columbia. She plans to major in political science or legal studies to become a paralegal. Throughout high school, she has been challenging herself academically by completing Dual Enrollment classes and an AP class. She has interned at a PR and event management company.

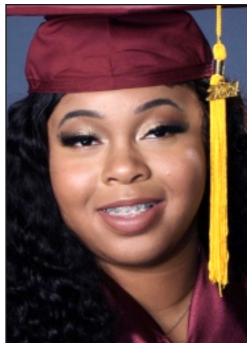
In her free time, she is a role model to her younger siblings and a responsible growing adult who helps those in need. She also assists in preparing food and delivers it to people in need. She also spends time baking and cooking to share with others.



JAYLA LEWIS-EPPS

FCBA Foundation Scholarship (\$12,000)

Jayla Lewis-Epps is graduating from IDEA Public Charter School, where she was the president of National Honor Society, a Peer Group Connection leader, and the manager of the softball team. She also took dual enrollment and AP courses as well as leading many community service events such as a sock drive, reading to elementary school kids, and writing letters to elders. In the fall she will be attending Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee to pursue a degree in computer science.



AKESH MALLIA

AT&T Scholarship (\$15,000)

Akesh Mallia is a graduating senior at School Without Walls High School and will attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison next year. He is passionate about space and plans to study mechanical engineering to become an aerospace engineer. Through taking full-time coursework at George Washington University in his junior and senior years, he will also be graduating this spring with an Associate of Arts. He teaches introductory calculus

to undergraduates, captains the Policy Debate Team, and is the founder of the high school Space Club. He has interned twice at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, and he has published peer-reviewed research on computational chemistry. On Saturdays, he volunteers for the Carnegie Academy for Science Education, where he facilitates astronomy activities with local middle school students. Akesh is passionate about increasing accessibility to science and engineering, and he is excited to continue community engagement in college.



LOGAN LOCKLEY

FCBA Foundation Scholarship (\$12,000)

Logan Lockley is a graduating senior from Jackson-Reed High School. Throughout Logan's academic career, she took part in several AP courses and participated in various extracurricular activities that helped her grow as a leader and supported her path to self-discovery. Also, Logan is a member of her school's National Honor Society and the National Society of High School Scholars. Logan has achieved her goal of attending Spelman College, the #1

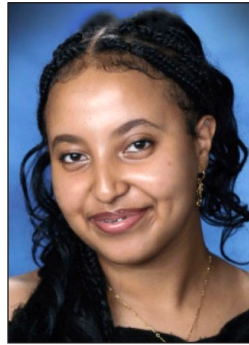


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MERON MANAYE

netnumber Scholarship (\$10,000)

Meron Manaye is a graduating senior from Columbia Heights Educational Campus and will attend Swarthmore College to study film and media studies with a minor in psychology. In high school, Meron was a member of the National Honor Society and the Afro-Caribbean Club, as the head of marketing, band, and drama club amongst outside organizations. Meron took a filmmaking course at Columbia University as an OSSE scholar for the summer of '23 and participated in NYU's Yellowbrick online course, which furthered her interest in filmmaking. Meron recognizes the disproportionate representation in the film industry, and hopes to be able to change that by amplifying silenced black voices and creating more space for underrepresented groups.



independently managing the cost of college and she's eternally grateful for being granted the incredible opportunity to flourish at a university without the stress of cost. During her tenure at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, she plans to major in biology to acquire the prerequisite credits for dental school. Ultimately, she aims to obtain a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree at an accredited institution and become a general dentist. Growing up, she and her family frequently visited their home country, the Dominican Republic, where she witnessed the detrimental impacts of poor healthcare in developing low-income communities. Because of this exposure, she is passionate about pursuing a profession where she gets the luxury of helping by improving the state of healthcare every day.

MARK NGUYEN

Young Lawyers and Charity Auction Scholarship (\$10,000)

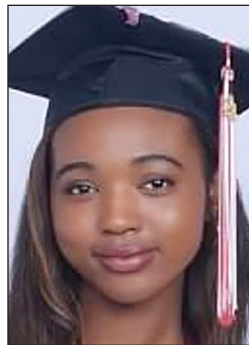
Mark Nguyen is a graduating senior from E.L Haynes Public Charter School and will be attending SUNY Oswego in the fall. His interest in various shows and video games has developed his passion for media, watching analysis videos of these stories in his free time. He will use this opportunity to further explore his interests and find more ways to interact with the stories he enjoys, whether that be the creation of media or the analysis and spread of it.



AZIZA McCLAIN-BAXTER

DLA Piper LLP Scholarship (\$10,000)

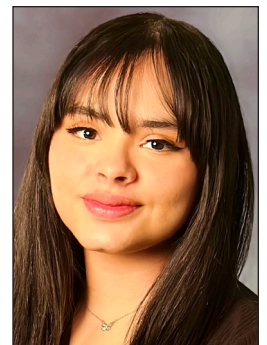
Aziza McClain-Baxter is graduating from BASIS DC High School and will be attending Howard University this fall. She plans to major in Computer Science with a Health Administration background at Howard's College of Arts and Sciences. During high school, Aziza served as an Ambassador in her Girl Scout troop, serving as the first Girl Scout in her troop to complete all awards-Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards. Beyond scouting, she was active in her high school clubs, participating and holding roles such as the secretary of the Youth Volunteer Club, and worked as part of her school's yearbook managing team. Outside of this, she also holds a Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do and helps with her father's Tae Kwon Do classes. With her major, Aziza intends to work in healthcare, pursuing a career in data analysis to create a more equitable and positive healthcare environment for patients using technology.



MARYI ORELLANA

Mark Van Bergh Scholarship (\$10,000)

Maryi (Mar) Orellana is originally from Honduras. She is a graduating senior from Cardozo Education Campus and will attend Trinity Washington University, majoring in psychology. She came to the United States in 2022 when she was 17. Mar faced many challenges in adapting to a new life as a young immigrant and learning the language. After school, she works as a server in an American restaurant to support her family in DC and Honduras. In Honduras, she demonstrated her commitment to community service as a young deputy and National Children's Congress vice president. This experience has instilled in her a deep sense of responsibility and a desire to positively impact her future studies. Mar is a member of the National Honor Society and Advanced Placement Club. She is also a recipient of OSSE's Advanced Summer Program at Syracuse University and DCPS Private Universities Dual Enrollment at Georgetown University. Mar dreams of becoming a professional who helps and impacts the lives of others, and this drives her to continue fighting for her ideals to inspire other young Latinos to do the same.



LESLIE MERCEDES

USTelecom – The Broadband Association Scholarship (\$10,000)

Leslie Mercedes is a graduating senior at McKinley Technology High School in DC. She will be attending North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University next fall. As a low-income resident, she is extremely grateful to the FCBA Foundation for providing a scholarship that alleviates the financial burdens of higher education. Leslie applied for the FCBA Foundation scholarship because she is



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CAMILLE PAIR

Karen Kincaid Scholarship (\$10,000)

Camille Pair is graduating from McKinley Technology High School and will be attending North Carolina A&T State University in the fall majoring in Chemical Engineering. In high school, Camille served on the DCPS Chancellor's Student Advisory Board, and the Kennedy Center Youth Council, and is an ambassador for both College Bound and her school McKinley Technology. Camille has a 3.7 GPA and is a member of the National Honor Society, Gardening Club, and she's been a Girl Scout for over ten years. She began learning Spanish at age three and is a fluent speaker. In addition to her studies, Camille also plans to become a North Carolina A&T student ambassador devoting her free time to advocating for the needs of the students and making her voice heard in her school community. Camille enjoys traveling and attended a study tour to Ghana with College

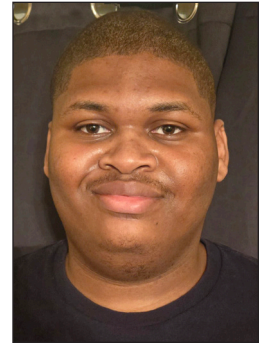


Bound during her senior year. She hopes to participate in more study abroad opportunities at North Carolina A&T. Post college Camille would like to complete her master's degree and own her own company in the chemical engineering industry employing members of her community.

KEVIN RALEY

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

Kevin Raley will be graduating from Cardozo Education Campus. He is an incoming freshman at the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor where he plans on pursuing a degree in secondary education with a concentration in English. Kevin was the debate captain for Cardozo, an Advanced Placement (AP) Club officer and gaming club member. He has also been participating in school reform through the XQ Redesign Program where he advocates for student voice within the reform effort. This opportunity, along with attending dual enrollment courses at American University has played a tremendous role in his future endeavors. After graduating, he plans on coming back to DC and becoming an educator within the DCPS system.



The Karen A. Kincaid Scholarship

SPONSORED BY WILEY REIN AND KAREN'S FRIENDS

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, **Camille Pair**.



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.

LUIS RUIZ

T-Mobile Scholarship (\$15,000)

Luis Ruiz was born and raised in DC, but his family is from El Salvador. Luis plans to major in criminology and work in law enforcement. He will be attending Villanova in the fall. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Bell SGA as the treasurer, and Captain of the Varsity Golf Team and the Varsity Bell Swim Team. He was the Bell Boys Soccer Team manager and the Bell Girls Softball Team Manager. Luis usually dedicates Thursdays to helping the CHEC Parent Center Program distribute groceries to the community and CHEC families. For the past 3 years, he has been a translator during Parent Teacher Conferences to bridge the language gap between families and teachers who don't speak English or Spanish.



JADYN SETTLES

Qualcomm Incorporated Scholarship (\$10,000)

Jadyn Settles is a graduating senior from Benjamin Banneker Academic High School. In the fall, she will attend Spelman College, where she will enroll in the dual degree in engineering track, focusing on biomedical engineering. Jadyn has a 4.2 GPA while participating in numerous extracurriculars and community service projects. While at Banneker, Jadyn participated in girls' varsity basketball and softball, recycling

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club, and student government. She also successfully completed dual enrollment courses at Georgetown University and the University of the District of Columbia. Moreover, Jadya served as a Youth Health Educator for the Young Women's Project and regional and chapter positions in the Jack and Jill of America. She was selected as one of 14 students nationally for Kaiser Permanente's National Healthy Schools Council. Jadya likes to play sports, hang out with friends, watch movies, and blow bubbles in her free time.



DUNCAN STADLER

Cox Enterprises Scholarship (\$10,000)

Duncan Stadler will graduate from Jackson-Reed High School and attend the Whiting School of Engineering at Johns Hopkins University. Duncan completed both the Engineering and Information Technology pathways in the SciMaTech Academy and expects to graduate with Academy honors and receive an NAF certification. He was a member of the school robotics team and completed a summer internship with Verizon and was a research assistant to a computer science professor at Bowie State University. Duncan has played a leadership role in competitive sports as a three-time captain of the varsity wrestling team. He is a two-time DC state champion, two-time All Met DC Honorable Mention recipient, and All-American in the Mid-Atlantic Wrestling Association. He will continue his wrestling career on the Johns Hopkins NCAA team. Duncan is community-minded and has performed significant service, including fundraising, and volunteering in multiple sports as a coach and camp counselor.



AYANA SHAW

CTIA Scholarship (\$10,000)

Ayana Shaw is a graduating senior from Benjamin Banneker Academic High School, where she has maintained a cumulative 4.0+ GPA, and is a member of the National Honor Society, and Spanish Honor Society. The spirit of service to others is one of the pillars of Banneker High School, and one that Ayana fully embraced having exceeded the required minimum of 270 hours of community service. Through service activities as a member of the George Washington University Upward Bound Program, the National Society of Black Engineers Jr., and local community youth



baseball academy, Ayana has mentored and tutored youth. Ayana is also an active participant in the Mayor's Youth Voice Council, and the National Council of Negro Women. She will attend Spelman College in the fall majoring in health sciences with a minor in Spanish.

DAVID WHITTINGTON

Google Scholarship (\$10,000)

David Whittington is a graduating senior at Capital City Public Charter School. He will be attending Morehouse College in the fall and majoring in computer science with a minor in business management. During his time at CCPCS, he participated in the STEM club and various sports such as football, track & field, and basketball where he was a team captain. David interned with the DC Health and Academic Prep Program (DC HAPP) held at George Washington University's Medical School during the summers of 2022 and 2023. He accumulated 250 hours of community service volunteering at local DC recreation centers by mentoring youth. He also participated in Kappa League of DC where he helped organize community events including food drives and cleaning up the Anacostia River. David is politically active and has met with DC's Mayor Bowser and the DC City Council to advocate for issues impacting DC's youth.



2024 Law School Scholarship and Internship Stipend Recipients

TYLER ANDERSON

Internship: FCC Media Bureau, Industry Analysis Division
Recipient of the Diane Cornell Internship Stipend

Tyler Anderson is a rising second year student at Boston University School of Law and a Connecticut native. Prior to law school, Tyler obtained a Bachelor of Science from Boston University with a major in communications and a minor in history. After graduating, he worked as a content editor for ABC News in New York City. Tyler looks forward to building on his interests in communications and media law as an intern with the FCC's Media Bureau in the Industry Analysis Division.



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KAILI AYERS

Internship: FCC, Space Bureau, Satellite Programs and Policy Division

Kaili Ayers is a rising 2L at the University of Oregon School of Law. Prior to law school, she received her Master of Liberal Arts in International Relations from Harvard Extension School, where she examined the intersection between national security and anti-satellite capabilities in her graduate thesis entitled: "Emerging Anti-Satellite Capabilities and the Recourse to Deterrence Theory in Practice." She is a Co-Director for University of Oregon's LawTech Society, the Director of National Membership for the National Asian Pacific American Law Student Association, and a Rapporteur at the Space Court Foundation. Kaili is particularly interested in exploring spectrum allocation as well as other regulatory issues in telecommunications, media, and technology



(TMT). She is excited to work with the Satellite Programs and Policy Division to meet the evolving needs of the next generation Space Age.

SOFIA CARRILLO

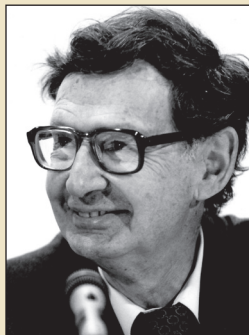
Internship: National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Recipient of the Henry Geller Internship Stipend

Sofia Carrillo is a rising 2L at the University of Colorado Law School. She will be working as a summer intern at the Office of the Chief Counsel at the National Telecommunication and Information Administration in Washington, D.C. Sofia has demonstrated an interest in telecommunications and administrative law. She is licensed as a Professional Civil Engineer in Texas and worked as a civil engineer prior to attending law school. She intends to use her engineering background to better understand and contribute to the intersection of law, policy, and science. She is excited to assist NTIA in its administration of the Broadband Equity Access and Deployment Program (BEAD), especially because of her work advocating for the funding through the American Society of Civil Engineers and her upbringing in rural Texas, where broadband access is an ongoing issue. Sofia is also a Dale Hatfield Scholar.



The Henry Geller Internship Stipend

The FCBA Foundation honors Henry Geller, a legend in the telecommunications field. Known for his encyclopedic institutional knowledge, Henry was an innovator, advocate and visionary who nurtured generations of communications talent. His energy and impact extended across a wide range of policies, from a Fairness Doctrine proposal that resulted in the end of cigarette ads on TV and radio to a successful challenge of the equal-time doctrine that led to a rule allowing televised debates among major presidential candidates.



His more than 50-year professional career included serving as general counsel of the Federal Communications Commission and the first administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration as assistant secretary of the Commerce Department. Henry always advocated for the public interest, often against powerful corporations. He worked tirelessly to foster minority ownership of broadcast facilities and relentlessly pursued a 2% spectrum fee to provide support for public broadcasting.

This internship stipend, created by Henry's wife, Judy Geller, helps extend his legacy. This year's recipient is **Sofia Carrillo**.

KENNEDY COLEMAN

Internship: Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Kennedy Coleman is a rising 2L at USC Gould School of Law interested in telecommunications and antitrust. Kennedy is the incoming president for Gould's Black Law Student Association. Before law school, Kennedy graduated from Southern Methodist University, where she studied English Literature and Political Science with minors in Human Rights, International Affairs, and Public Policy. During undergrad, she interned for the Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center and the American Bar Association. This summer, Kennedy is eager to expand her knowledge and earn hands-on experience as a law clerk at Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.



JOYSHKA DENNIS

Internship: FCC, Wireless Competition Bureau, Telecommunications Access Policy Division
Recipient of the Diane Cornell Internship Stipend

Joyshka Dennis is a rising 3L at Howard University School of Law ("HUSL"). Motivated by her participation in the FCBA Diversity Pipeline Program, where she earned a

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TMT certificate, she's committed to exploring the regulatory landscape of technology and communications law. Last summer, she gained valuable experience as a Government Affairs Intern at T-Mobile, offering her practical insights into industry operations. Looking ahead, Joyshka eagerly anticipates her upcoming internship with the FCC's Wireless Competition Bureau. At HUSL, she serves as President of the Atypical Law Students' Organization ("ALSO"), Treasurer for the Technology, Media, and Telecommunications Association ("TMTA"), and as a member of the Goler Teal Butcher International Moot Court Team.



Certificate and completed a regulatory internship at JSI, Inc. Thalia will be a Legal Intern in the Telecommunications Access Policy Division of the Federal Communications Commission's Wireline Competition Bureau this summer. Her enthusiasm for exploring digital equity and inclusion within TMT continues to drive her forward. Thalia is looking forward to returning to Washington D.C. this summer where she first fell in love with TMT law and policy.

LIANNA DUMENG

Internship: FCC, Office of Commissioner Geoffrey Starks

Lianna Dumeng is a rising 3L at George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School who is excited to have discovered her practice area of interest. Ever since participating in the FCBA's Diversity Pipeline Program, she has become a part of the FCBA community and has helped host an FCBA event on her campus. She is particularly interested in where telecommunications, law, and policy intersect with issues that affect underrepresented communities. She wrote her Civil Rights Law Journal comment on closing the digital divide, and has been selected as a Notes Editor for the upcoming school year. She is passionate about diversity, equity, and inclusion, and has been selected as the DEI Chair for the Student Bar Association at her law school. She has accepted an internship with the Office of Commissioner Geoffrey Starks at the FCC this summer.



The Diane Cornell Internship Stipend

In 2020, friends and colleagues established the Diane Cornell Scholarship Fund in memory of their colleague, mentor, and friend. Diane not only rose to prominence but changed institutions she became a part of, a truly rare quality. She spent two tours of duty and many years at the FCC holding an expansive list of positions, first joining the Common Carrier Bureau's Division of Policy and Program Planning in 1987, and finally as Special Counsel to FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler prior to her retirement in 2016. Other ranks of great responsibility Diane held included Chief of the International Policy Division of the Common Carrier Bureau, Chief of the Telecommunications Division of the International Bureau, and the Chief of Staff/Associate Chief of the Wireless Communications Bureau. She also served as legal advisor to FCC Commissioners Patricia Diaz Dennis and Sherrie Marshall, and as Acting Senior Legal Advisor to FCC Chairman Reed H. Hundt.



Prior to joining the FCC in 1987 Diane began her career at the law firm Squire, Sanders and Dempsey (now Squire Patton Boggs). Between Diane's two stints at the FCC she served as vice president at CTIA and Inmarsat where she led regulatory and government relations departments. Diane also served as FCBA President from 2007-2008.

Diane's unique combination of keen intellect and transformative work ethic leave behind a legacy as a lawyer, policy maker, advocate, and passionate public servant that most can only imagine.

In honor of Diane, the Diane Cornell Internship Fund supports law students accepting unpaid summer internships. This year's recipients are **Tyler Anderson** and **Joyshka Dennis**.

THALIA ETIENNE

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

Thalia Etienne is a rising 3L at Florida A&M University College of Law. Before law school, Thalia attended American University, where she received a bachelor's degree in Law and Society, a minor in Communication Studies, and a certificate in Advanced Leadership Studies. Thalia's commitment to excellence earned her a coveted position in the FCBA Diversity Pipeline Program Class of 2023. During this program, she attained a TMT



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KEELIN FERRIS

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Keelin Ferris is a rising 3L at The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law. Keelin is the incoming Editor-in-Chief for Volume 33 of The Journal of Law and Technology and the President of the Law and Technology Student Association. She is a member of The Law and Technology Institute, pursuing a certificate in communications and data privacy law. Before law school, Keelin graduated from American University with a Bachelors in Political Science and Data Science, where she played Division I soccer. Keelin is also a Food From the Bar Executive Committee member, which raises money for the Capital Area Food Bank. Keelin presently works for a firm specializing in telecommunications, technology, and privacy law. She looks forward to pursuing a career in intellectual property, social media regulation, and privacy law.



CONNOR HAGAN

Internship: U.S. Attorney's Office in Denver, CO

Connor Hagan is a first-year law student at the University of Colorado Law School. Prior to attending law school, Connor spent seven years in the United States Space Force, serving in both space operations and acquisitions. In these roles, he developed an appreciation for how strong legal and regulatory practices advanced an organization's larger technical goals. As a result, Connor is interested in the emerging body of space law and policy, a challenging nexus of various legal frameworks: telecommunications law, international law, privacy, and cybersecurity. He is the President of CU Law's Space Law Society and will be interning this summer for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Denver, CO.



JASMINE HELD-HERNANDEZ

Internship: FTC, Office of Commissioner Rebecca Kelly Slaughter

Jasmine Held-Hernandez is a rising 3L at Arizona State University where she will graduate with a Data, Privacy and Security Certificate. She holds an MA in International Relations and Global Governance from Universität Bremen and a BA in Political Science from Texas Lutheran University. Now, Jasmine is an Executive Editor on Jurimetrics, the ABA's journal for Law, Science, and Technology and is Senior Fellow for symposia of the McCarthy Institute for Intellectual Property. She served as an FCBA DPP fellow during her 1L summer and interned with Comcast's regulatory team. Most recently she interned in the office of FCC Commissioner Geoffrey Starks. Prior to her graduate studies, Jasmine was 1 of 10 Americans selected to participate in the German Chancellor Research Fellowship where she served as a Fellow at think tanks in Germany, Italy, and Estonia. Her research focused on mass surveillance, cybersecurity, and transatlantic data protection policy.



KAILEY LAUTER

Internship: FCC, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Mobility Division

Kailey Lauter is a rising 2L at the University of Colorado Law School who is excited to explore the regulatory side of telecommunications. She is particularly interested in addressing broadband access issues from a policy perspective to help close the digital divide. She has accepted an internship with the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau in Washington D.C. where she is excited to help develop policy and rules that facilitate widespread deployment of wireless communications services. Kailey's passion for technology has stemmed from her involvement in the Silicon Flatirons Center at Colorado Law where she will serve as Treasurer for the student group. She has been selected to join the Colorado Technology Law Journal beginning her 2L year, and looks forward to writing about current legal issues in the tech sector. Kailey is also a Dale Hatfield Scholar.



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NICOLE LEON-ELVIR

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Nicole Leon-Elvir is a rising third-year law student at the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law. Prior to law school, she obtained her Bachelor of Arts at Columbia University in Drama & Theatre Arts. During her undergraduate studies, Nicole co-founded the Women of Color Pre-Law Society and served on the First-Generation Advisory Board. In law school, Nicole served as the Co-President for the Sports and Entertainment Law Society, Conference Co-Chair for the Berkeley Journal of Entertainment and Sports Law, and Colloquium Editor for Berkeley Latine Journal of Law & Policy. This summer, Nicole will participate in the Google Legal Summer Institute and be a summer law clerk at O'Melveny & Myers in San Francisco and Willkie Farr & Gallagher in Chicago.



ABIGAIL MEYER

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

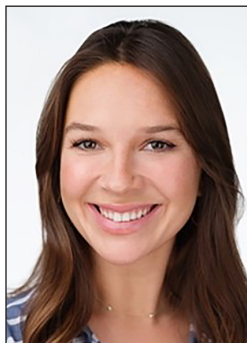
Abigail Meyer is a rising second-year at the University of Colorado Law school. Prior to law school, Abigail earned her Masters at the University of Colorado-Denver, where she found her interest in technology, criminal, and business law. Currently, Abigail works in PR while attending law school and has several years of experience in the Communication field, ranging from event planning to public relations. Abigail is a law clerk for Cantafio & Song PLLC this summer.



SARAH NEAL

Internship: FCC, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Mobility Division

Sarah Neal is a rising 2L at American University Washington College of Law. She discovered her love of telecommunications policy while working at American Tower, at which point she resolved to go to law school to sharpen her policy acumen. She hopes to work in the public sector and play a role in establishing the regulatory framework that governs domestic issues such as the promotion of equitable



broadband access, the deployment of 5G, and the integration of emerging technologies into our wireless ecosystem. She is thrilled to continue to learn about the world of telecommunications law in her FCC internship this summer.

ELLIOT PING

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Elliot Ping is a rising 3L at Yale Law School. She earned her Bachelor of Science from The Ohio State University in Neuroscience. At Yale, Elliot is an Executive Editor on the Yale Journal of Law and Technology, a Teaching Fellow in the Applied Physics Department, and a member of the Media Freedom and Information Access Clinic. She was a Wikimedia Fellow, and she has interned at the Federal Communications Commission in the Office of General Counsel, the Children and Screens Institute, and the Harvard-MGH Center for Law, Brain and Behavior. Prior to law school, Elliot worked in neuroscience research studying human information processing and in public libraries.



CATHERINE PURSIFULL

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Catherine Pursifull is a rising second year law student at the University of Colorado Law School. Catherine is mostly interested in the transactional side of technology and telecommunications law. Catherine's interest in technology law began once her team won the Daniel's Ethics Fund Interdisciplinary Ethics & Technology Competition in February. The competition centered AI's role in human resource technology development, and Catherine developed a strong interest in technology law from this experience. She is also involved with Silicon Flatirons and is hoping to get more involved this upcoming fall. Catherine has accepted a summer position with D.E. Shaw Renewable Investments, working in-house for their renewable energy and technology investment firm.

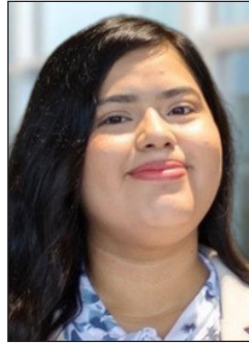


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SHAKIRA RAMIREZ

FCBA Foundation Scholarship

Shakira Ramirez is a first-generation, rising third-year law student at Rutgers Law - Newark. Before attending law school, she taught second, third, and fourth graders in New Jersey through Teach for America. During her first year of law school, Shakira participated in the Federal Communication Bar Association's Diversity Pipeline Program and landed an internship at CableLabs. There, she worked on research projects covering spectrum usage, privacy laws, and artificial intelligence. In law school, Shakira serves as a managing editor for the Rutgers Computer & Technology Law Journal and is involved with the Association of Latin American Law Students, Minority Student Program, and Women's Law Forum. This summer, she will intern with AIG and participate in the Hispanic National Bar Association's Intellectual Property Law Institute in Washington D.C. Additionally, she has accepted a position in the Eagleton Graduate Fellowship Program.



ANDREW YODER

Internship: FTC, Bureau of Consumer Protection

Andrew Yoder is a rising 3L at Georgetown University Law Center and a graduate of Miami University, where he majored in political science and studied abroad in Cuba, Luxembourg, and at Oxford University. Before law school, he was a film producer, specializing in political campaign advertising. Last summer and fall semester he interned at the US Agency for Global Media in the Office of the General Counsel, and this previous semester he interned in the FCC's Office of Legislative Affairs. This coming year, he will be participating in Georgetown's Communications and Technology Law Clinic. With his mass communications and public service background, Andrew is looking forward to being a summer law clerk at the FTC in the Bureau of Consumer Protection. He is excited to start his law career in government shaping policy guided by equity and social justice to ensure that consumers are protected as technology advances.





Honorary Degrees (Organizations)

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:

DEGREES ALL THEIR OWN

(\$10,000 and above)

AT&T
Comcast NBCUniversal
Consumer Technology Association (CTA)[®]
Cox Enterprises
CTIA
DLA Piper LLP
Fox Corporation
Google
Karen Kincaid: Sponsored by Wiley Rein and Karen's Friends
Mark Van Bergh: Sponsored by Mark's Family and Friends
National Association of Broadcasters
NCTA – The Internet & Television Association
netnumber
Qualcomm Incorporated
Sinclair Inc.
The Entertainment Software Association
T-Mobile US, Inc.
USTelecom – The Broadband Association
Verizon
Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP
Young Lawyers and Charity Auction

MASTERS OF MEDIA

(\$5,000 - \$9,999)

Cox Enterprises and Cox Law & Policy Department
in memory of June Ohlson, mother of Past President Barry Ohlson
Davis Wright Tremaine
Mintz
Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

BACHELORS OF BROADBAND

(\$2,000 - \$4,999)

Crown Castle Inc.
DISH Network
Jenner & Block LLP



Gems (Individuals)

Individual donations this year that will be going to support the Foundation's public service programs have been recognized at the following "birth stone" levels:

DIAMOND

(\$1,000 and above)

Mary Brannock
Christine Crowe
Seth Davidson
Scott Delacourt
Diana Dillon
Margaret Flinner
Wayne Johnsen
Kathleen Kirby
Elinor Kopmar
Adam Krinsky
Angela Kronenberg
Barry Matto
Barry Ohlson
Roger Sherman
James Van Bergh
Ryan Wallach

EMERALD

(\$500 - \$999)

Angela Ball
Kathleen Collins
Timothy Cooney
Kurt DeSoto
Anna Gomez
Hilary Hoyle
Patrick McFadden
Ari Meltzer
David O'Connor
Davina Sashkin
Dana Shaffer
Rachel Wolkowitz

PEARL

(\$250 - \$499)

Dennis Amari
Henry Gola
Erin Griffith
L. Charles Keller
Nancy Liebermann
Phillip Marchesiello
David Oxenford
Richard Zaragoza

RUBY

(\$100 - \$249)

Jonathan Bair
Utpal Kumar Bhattacharya
James Blitz
Van Bloys
Sally Buckman
Megan Chavez
Kathleen Collins
Paige Fronabarger
David Furth
J.G. Harrington
Jeffrey Jacobs
Rona Kohen
Kara Romagnino Graves
M. Anne Swanson
Scott Tollefsen

SAPPHIRE

(\$99 and below)

Maury Mechanick
Shakira Ramirez
Haran Rashes
Jeffrey Steinberg
Josh Waldman
K. Michele Walters