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COMMENCEMENT

## UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC McGEORGE SCHOOL OF LAW



## 2:00 p.m.

May 19

Two Thousand and Eighteen

94<sup>h</sup> Academic Year

Memorial Auditorium Sacramento, California

## THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Standard Bearer

REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY

President Of The University

VICE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY

DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF LAW

Commencement Speaker

Special Guests Of The Commencement

Representative Of The Alumni Association

Faculty Of The School of Law

Candidates For The Degree of Master of Public Administration and Public Policy

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN LAW

Candidates For The Degree Master Of Laws

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF JURIDICAL SCIENCE

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE JURIS DOCTOR

## THE PROGRAM

## Michael Hunter Schwartz, Dean — Presiding

PROCESSIONAL	<i>Pomp and Circumstance</i> , Op. 39 No. 1 By Edward Elgar
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Cary A. Bricker, <i>Professor</i> J. Clark Kelso, <i>Associate Dean &amp; Professor</i> Thomas J. Leach, <i>Professor</i> Jeffrey E. Proske, <i>Associate Dean &amp; Professor</i> Jarrod Liang Ping Wong, <i>Professor</i>
Invocation	Rev. Laura Steed, <i>Associate Multifaith Chaplain</i> University of the Pacific
Introduction	Platform Party
Address	Justice James W. Hardesty, Supreme Court of Nevada
Remarks	Dr. Pamela A. Eibeck, <i>President</i> <i>University of the Pacific</i>
RESPONSES FROM THE CLASS	Yasaman Kavousi, <i>MPA &amp; MPP</i> Sarah Kerber, <i>MSL</i> Daniil Vlasenko, <i>LL.M.</i> Kathryn Hulse, <i>Part-Time Evening Division</i> Rachel Sarah Tochterman, <i>Full-Time Day Division</i>
PRESENTATION OF GRADUATING CLASS	Michael Hunter Schwartz, <i>Dean</i> McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific
Conferring of Degrees	Dr. Pamela A. Eibeck, <i>President</i> <i>University of the Pacific</i>

**BENEDICTION** Rev. Laura Steed, Associate Multifaith Chaplain University of the Pacific

RECESSIONAL Grand March from 'Aida' By Giuseppe Verdi

Professor J. Clark Kelso — Announcer

## **COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER**

## Justice James W. Hardesty, '75

Justice James W. Hardesty graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno with a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting in 1970. While an undergraduate student, Justice Hardesty was elected President of the student body and named outstanding senior graduate. Justice Hardesty graduated from the University of Pacific McGeorge School of Law in 1975 and immediately returned to the Reno/ Sparks area to enter private practice. He remained in private practice from 1975 to 1998. He received the highest rating of AV by Martindale-Hubbell, a nationally recognized publication of lawyer ratings.

In November 1998, Justice Hardesty was elected District Court Judge for the Second Judicial District of Washoe County, Reno, Nevada. In November 2001, he was elected by his fellow judges to serve as Chief Judge of the Second Judicial District Court, a position to which he was re-elected in November 2003. Justice Hardesty also served as President of the Nevada District Judges Association in 2003.

During his tenure as Second Judicial District Court Chief Judge, Justice Hardesty declined a workload reduction to offset his administrative responsibilities and implemented the following: early case resolution in criminal matters, thus reducing incarceration costs and delayed dockets; an expanded and strengthened drug diversion court and other specialty courts; the re-invigoration of bench/bar committees; the promulgation of "strong Chief Judge" rules; and efforts to create a cohesive court structure through workload assessments and cross-jurisdictional assignments. Justice Hardesty also assumed responsibility for the judicial budget, which included 19 judicial officers and approximately 170 employees, and spoke for the court in the community, developing a rapport with other agencies and stakeholders, such as the limited jurisdiction courts, law enforcement, parole and probation, and the county's elected and managerial leadership teams that improved the administration of justice in Washoe County.

In November 2004, Justice Hardesty was elected to the Nevada Supreme Court. Justice Hardesty previously served as Chief Justice of the Nevada Supreme Court in 2009 and was re-elected to the Court without opposition in 2010. In June 2013, Justice Hardesty was unanimously nominated by his colleagues on the Supreme Court for the William H. Rehnquist Award for Judicial Excellence, a nomination that was also supported by the Chief Judges for the Second and Eighth Judicial District Courts. In 2014, he led the Nevada Supreme Court's educational effort to amend the Nevada Constitution to create a Court of Appeals, which the voters approved in the November election. Nevada's Court of Appeals commenced on January 5, 2015. Justice Hardesty has been a guest lecturer on case management, settlement and evidence for the National Judicial College, State Bar of Nevada, Professional Education systems, Inc., the Association of Defense Counsel and the Nevada Justice Association. In addition, he has presented annual lectures to the Media Law students at the Donald W. Reynolds School of Journalism, University of Nevada, Reno.

As a District Court Judge and as a Nevada Supreme Court Justice, he has served on various Supreme Court Commissions including: the Nevada Supreme Court Task Force to create a Business Court in Nevada; the Nevada Supreme Court Task Force studying the Multi-Jurisdictional Practice of Law; the Nevada Supreme Court Commission on Judicial Funding; and the Nevada Supreme Court Committee to Implement Recommendations of the Jury Improvement Commission. Justice Hardesty currently co-chairs the Nevada Supreme Court Bench-Bar Committee; the Nevada Supreme Court Access to Justice Commission; and the Commission on Statewide Juvenile Justice Reform. He has also chaired and is currently the vicechair of the Nevada Legislature's Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice. Justice Hardesty is a member of the Nevada State-Federal Judicial Council, serving as chairman from 2009 to 2011. He was re-elected to serve as chair of the council in May 2014.

Justice Hardesty was born and raised in Reno, Nevada. He has been married for 44 years to his wife, Sandy, and together they have two children and five grandchildren. From 1978 through 1991, Justice Hardesty coached Bobby Sox Softball teams that included his daughters. In 1991, his team won the National Fast Pitch Championship. He has been active with the Foster Grandparents Program, served on the Nevada State Board of Education, and is Past President of the Rotary Club of Sparks.

#### VALEDICTORIAN AWARDS

Erin Elizabeth Riswold *Full-Time Day Division*  Katherine C. Jenkins Part-Time Evening Division

## McGeorge School of Law Outstanding Graduating Senior Awards

Seniors recognized for outstanding scholarship and academic achievement.

Kendall Carolyn Fisher	Katherine C. Jenkins
Full-Time Day Division	Part-Time Evening Division

#### McGeorge School of Law

#### **OUTSTANDING SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Award recognizing overall scholastic accomplishment to one student in each division of the graduating class.

Wiemond Wu	Kyle W. Owen
Full-time Day Division	Part-Time Evening Division

#### McGeorge School of Law Outstanding Student Achievement Awards

Students recognized for remarkable contributions to the McGeorge Community.

Kelci Skye Binau Tiffany Cenzianne Sala *Full-Time Day Division* 

Christina McAmis Part-Time Evening Division

#### ALI-ABA SCHOLARSHIP & LEADERSHIP AWARD

Seniors recognized for best representing a combination of scholarship and leadership, the qualities embodied by the American Law Institute and American Bar Association.

Bryce Quinton Fick Full-Time Day Division Mary Varni Part-Time Evening Division

#### **OUTSTANDING STUDENT SERVICE AWARD**

In recognition of the graduating seniors who have given most significant service to the McGeorge community.

Aoibheann Foley Cline My Tien Thi Doan Rachel Sarah Tochterman Christian W. Yoo *Full-Time Day Division* 

Michelle Cheree Evans Keri Lynn Firth Part-Time Evening Division

#### MPP Award of Excellence

Awarded to the MPP student with the highest GPA, with a minimum mandatory GPA requirement of 3.5.

Vanessa Renee Adame

#### MPA Award of Excellence

Awarded to the MPA student with the highest GPA, with a minimum mandatory GPA requirement of 3.5.

Tiffini R. Anderson

#### LL.M. Award of Excellence

In recognition of the graduating LL.M. who most successfully demonstrated excellence in scholastic achievement; consideration was also given to criteria such as honors the student received and the student's participation in activities that exemplify the highest academic and individual achievements during his or her LL.M. studies.

Daniil Vlasenko

#### M.S.L. Award of Excellence

In recognition of the M.S.L. student with the highest GPA, with a minimum mandatory GPA requirement of 3.5. Nominations are not accepted for this award; it is automatically conferred to the most qualified student.

Sarah Kerber

#### GRADUATE STUDENT SERVICE AWARD

In recognition of the graduate student who has given the most significant service and contributed in the most meaningful way to the McGeorge Community.

Sarah Kerber

#### CHAMPION OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AWARD

In recognition of the Pacific student who has gone above and beyond their role to work as a proponent of diversity and inclusion. Winners include those who are seen as leaders who support diversity and inclusivity in their work both at Pacific and in the larger community.

Karla Denise Cruz

#### **OUTSTANDING CLINICAL STUDENT AWARD**

For excellence in clinical fieldwork and for exceptionally thoughtful, selfreflective participation in an accompanying clinical seminar, as nominated by the clinical faculty at the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law.

April Ann Perkins

#### THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC LAW REVIEW

The following students constitute Volume 49 of *The University of the Pacific Law Review* and are responsible for its publication. Appointment to *The University of the Pacific Law Review* is one of the highest honors bestowed upon law students.

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Kelli Tong

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Tiffany Cenzianne Sala

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#### GUMPERT SECOND HONORS IN TRIAL ADVOCACY

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The Student Giving Program leaves a lasting legacy at the law school and instills a sense of philanthropy among the students. This section is sponsored by the McGeorge Alumni Association in appreciation of the generosity of the following members of the Class of 2018.

Kathryn Lyn Althizer	Thank you to my whole family and my best friend Deena. I love you all and couldn't have done this without your support. Thank you Ty and Nate for being there. Thank you to Bogart for keeping me company during many late nights of studying.
Tania Marie Ament	To my family for your never-ending support. Thank you – husband Jared, you inspire me daily; daughters Noa and Maya, you forever remain my greatest achievement; mum Marissa, for being my EVERYTHING for 3 yrs; mom Karen, for believing in me.
Samina Azizi	Everything I am and will ever be I owe to my family. Dad, thank you for being my doctor, protector, voice of reason, and best friend. Mom, your love is more than I ever deserved. My precious siblings, thank you for giving my life meaning.
Callie Rose Buck	To the ones I love I owe my life. "Thank you" can never express my gratitude for your unconditional support. For I could never be me or do the things I do if it wasn't for you. Wishing you all peace, love, and happiness always.
Karla Denise Cruz	Gracias Mama, Papa, Irene and Kelly. Thank you all for your love, support and always reminding me that "todo es posible en Cristo que me fortalece".
My Tien Thi Doan	Here's to continuing the Doan legacy. Thank you to Trai Doan, Dieu Chi Nguyen, Dangkhoa Doan, and Quang Doan. I could not have done this without you all. I love you!

Kendall Carolyn Fisher	Thank you to my family, especially my mom Mary and sister Marilyn—without the two of you and your support, nothing would be possible, least of all law school; and thank you to Wiemond, my best friend and favorite study-turned-life buddy.
Monserrat Garcia	For me, my parents would cross 5,000 borders. This is for them. Adelita, gracias por ponerme en la bola. For my sisters Priscilla and Grecia, my nephews Damyan and Matteo, & Gerardo. I love you & couldn't have done it without you. We did it!
Ana Imelda Gonzalez	Only when the last tree has been cut down, the last fish has been caught, and the last stream poisoned, will we realize we cannot eat money. Gracias mama y papa, mis logros son los suyos. Thank you, H.G.D. for your unwavering love and patience.
Matthew W. Gross	Thank you Kelci and Jesica for being the best study group ever! Thank you Mom and Dad for listening to me complain and always helping me out. And finally thank you Nicole for supporting me through the challenging process of law school.
Conrad Harder III	Mom and Dad, I showed up to law school in boots, and you can blame it all on my roots. From the time I was born, you have always helped me navigate ahead and chance the rapids of life. I thank God every day for your love and support. We finally did it!
Jose Alfredo Jaramillo	Maricela, Cesar, Melissa and Michelle: thank you for being a great source of support, motivation, and inspiration. Remember that life rewards hard work and that you can accomplish all of your dreams in life by working hard and trusting in God.

## 2017 McGEORGE STUDENT GIVING PROGRAM

Sarah Kerber	I couldn't have done it without the cheers of my pug family, ladies night, transit riders, community organizers, book club, HP fans, inspiring classmates, Angie, friends, family, and neighbors. I am blessed with an amazing community.
Ashley Lopeztello	Mom, thank you for making all my dreams possible. You are my rock and my role model. Dad, thank you for being my guardian angel. You are forever missed and treasured. Family and Friends, I love you and could not have done this without you guys!
Waynee Lucero	Thank you Jacob, you are my rock, I love you. Thank you Lucero family, T&T, B&K, Lala, and the CovCA team. Thank you to my mentors, classmates, and Public Policy Program Professors. I am so blessed to have you all in this journey.
Albert Mendoza	Debbie, without your unmatched support, kind words, warm hugs, stubborn confidence, and most importantly, your unconditional love, today would not be possible. Thank you for everything you do each and every day. Te amo.
Dannica L. Molina	To my husband Rene, We did it! Thank you for your unwavering love and support during this journey. I can't wait to start the next chapter of our lives. I love you. Yours forever, Dannica
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#### **PROFILE OF THE PACIFIC**

#### PREPARING OUR STUDENTS: SUCCESS AFTER GRADUATION

University of the Pacific provides a superior, student-centered learning experience that integrates liberal arts and professional education to prepare students for lasting achievement and responsible leadership in their careers and communities.

At six months after graduation, nearly 90 percent of the Class of 2016 was employed or accepted to a graduate or professional school, completing a post-graduate internship or fellowship, or serving in a military or community service experience. In 2016, Pacific alumni salaries ranked No. 2 in California compared to similar institutions, according to the White House College Scorecard. Overall, Pacific ranked No. 7 among California's 348 colleges and universities for alumni salaries.

#### LOOKING BACK: OUR UNIQUE HISTORY

University of the Pacific was established in 1851 as California's first chartered institution of higher learning. It was founded by pioneering Methodist ministers remains the only Methodist-related university in California. Originally located in Santa Clara, the university later moved to San Jose and, in 1924, moved to Stockton, making it the first private four-year university in the Central Valley.

An innovator and leader in higher education, Pacific provided California with its first chartered medical school in 1858, its first coeducational campus in 1871, and its first conservatory of music in 1878. It was the nation's first to offer an undergraduate teacher corps program, the first to send an entire class to an overseas campus, the first to establish a Spanish-speaking inter-American college, and the first to offer a four-year graduation guarantee.

Pacific has enjoyed extraordinary stability in administration. Pamela A. Eibeck began her service in 2009 as the sixth president since the university's move to Stockton in 1924 and the 24th since its founding in 1851.

Under the leadership of President Eibeck, Pacific continues to expand its academic offerings in Sacramento and San Francisco as guided by our strategic plan. The plan capitalizes on Pacific's highly regarded academic programs, formative student-teacher relationships and multiple locations to position Pacific as the best teaching-focused university in California.

#### LOOKING FORWARD: INNOVATING WITH THE TIMES

Today, University of the Pacific is a highly ranked national university that remains deeply committed to its personal, student-centered approach. Campuses in Stockton, Sacramento and San Francisco strategically position Pacific in three of California's, and the nation's, most important and dynamic markets. The university earns widespread recognition for its deep commitment to teaching and learning, its history of innovation and the accomplishments of its alumni.

Pacific has added more than a dozen new academic programs across its three campuses over the last two years. Once the exclusive homes to Pacific's law and dental schools, the Sacramento and San Francisco campuses now reach new students with graduate programs in data science, physician assistant studies, audiology, music therapy, education, public policy, and public administration. These programs help address the region's critical need for leaders in technology, health care, education, government and nonprofit sectors.

This fall, the Stockton Campus will host new graduate and undergraduate programs designed to equip students for success in the digital era, including a master's in cybersecurity and Media X, a program that integrates the analysis, performance, production, marketing, and management of traditional, digital, and emerging media.

#### BEYOND ACADEMICS: PACIFIC'S COMMUNITY IMPACT

In addition to academics, Pacific is making a positive community impact across the Northern California region through tens of thousands of hours of public outreach, innovative new programs and the efforts of students, faculty and staff across the university.

For example, the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences held its 100th Mobile Medicare Clinic and celebrated a decade of free clinics that have saved more than 5,500 Medicare recipients upwards of \$5.7 million in prescription drug costs. Since 2010, more than 3,000 of the most vulnerable and underserved in our communities have received health care services through our Virtual Dental Home program, a revolutionary new care delivery system developed by Pacific's Center for Special Care. And McGeorge's legal clinics on important topics, such as immigration law, benefit the community while preparing students through meaningful experiential learning.

#### OUR SCHOOLS, MAJORS AND PROGRAMS

Pacific's nine schools and college on its three campuses offer students their choice of 80-plus majors, including 25 graduate programs and 10 accelerated program options. For example, students can go directly into certain professional programs, including pharmacy, dentistry and law, while accelerated programs in business, engineering and education make it possible to earn both undergraduate and graduate degrees in five years.

#### COLLEGE OF THE PACIFIC (1851)

The College of the Pacific is the oldest and largest academic unit, encompassing 18 departments and 29 majors in the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, and the fine and performing arts. Based upon its foundation of a rigorous liberal arts curriculum, the College champions experiential learning through undergraduate research and creative activity, fieldwork, internships, and study abroad. The College prepares graduating students to command a broad perspective in their professional careers, ready to assume the responsibilities of leadership.

#### CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC (1878)

Pacific's Conservatory of Music has been delivering an outstanding music education for more than 135 years. Degree programs are offered in performance, composition, jazz, education, management, music therapy and history. Conservatory faculty artists/ scholars provide a rigorous and supportive learning environment. Students have access to a recording studio, technology and composition labs. Seminars and master classes with accomplished alumni and visiting artists along with numerous performance and other experiential opportunities help prepare graduates for professions in music.

#### ARTHUR A. DUGONI SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY (1896)

The nationally renowned Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry, named in honor of its dean of 28 years, is committed to providing a world-class dental education for its students and comprehensive, affordable patient care for adults and children. The Dugoni School is highly regarded for its humanistic model of education that respects the dignity of each individual and for innovation in dental curriculum, including comprehensive patient care and competency-based education. Its programs include an accelerated yearround pre-doctoral DDS program that enables students to complete four academic years of instruction in three calendar years.

#### McGeorge School of Law (1924)

McGeorge educates lawyers for large and small law firms, government agencies and corporate legal departments around the world. McGeorge's success is built on its distinguished faculty, high quality students, committed and involved alumni, and beautiful, spacious campus with state-of-the art classrooms and student facilities. McGeorge is a dynamic law school that is changing and growing to meet the challenges of the global economy and to educate the lawyers who will be tomorrow's leaders.

#### GLADYS L. BENERD SCHOOL OF EDUCATION (1924)

The Benerd School of Education, named in honor of an alumna's endowed gift, has educated future professionals in learning, education, and leadership roles for more than 90 years. Benerd School faculty prepare students for service in public and private education and learning-related professions in other sectors; provide programs for current educational professionals to update and upgrade their understanding, knowledge and skills; and promote and engage in research leading to better education and learning.

#### THOMAS J. LONG SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AND HEALTH SCIENCES (1955)

The Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences is named in honor the of the financial commitment of the Thomas J. Long Foundation and the Long family. The School offers a three-year accelerated pharmacy program, provides speech-language pathology students early clinical experience, prepares highly-trained audiologists and produces practice-ready physical therapists. The School is committed to creating a leadership focused, success centered environment for its diverse student body. Students are empowered to succeed through meaningful, experiential learning in state-of-the-art laboratories. The School's programs have received continuous national accreditation.

#### SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE (1957)

The School of Engineering and Computer Science empowers its students to solve problems by developing their own projects and working alongside professors on contemporary research. The School's faculty take each student's education personally and are committed to mentoring them both inside and outside of the classroom. With its distinguished cooperative education program, students also get to 'learn and earn' through a paid professional internship, built right into the curriculum, with one of the School's 200-plus industry partners worldwide.

#### EBERHARDT SCHOOL OF BUSINESS (1977)

The Eberhardt School of Business was renamed in 1995 in recognition of the Eberhardt family's endowed gifts. Fully accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, the School boasts a \$3 million Eberhardt Student Investment Fund, a dedicated Career Management Center, top-rated faculty, state-of-the-art classroom technology, and exceptional experiential learning opportunities. The School offers valuable leadership development and business resources through its centers and institutes, including the Center for Business and Policy Research, Center for Entrepreneurship, Westgate Center for Leadership and Management Development and Institute for Family Business.

#### SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (1987)

A school within College of the Pacific, the School of International Studies is devoted to the interdisciplinary study of international affairs. International, interdisciplinary and intercultural immersion, acquisition of at least one second language and at least a semester of study abroad prepare students to succeed in a variety of professions in industry, government, not-for-profit organizations and educational institutions. The School's programs help students develop strong analytical reasoning ability and strengthen written and oral communication skills while building intercultural competence and personal confidence.

#### UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC MCGEORGE SCHOOL OF LAW

94 years ago, McGeorge School of Law began as a one-room night school in downtown Sacramento in 1924 when it was founded as the Sacramento College of Law. Verne Adrian McGeorge was the founding dean and professor of law. In 1929, the Board of Trustees renamed the school McGeorge College of Law in honor of its founder.

Succeeding McGeorge, Russell Harris was dean from 1930-1933. Gilford Rowland was dean from 1933-1937. Lawrence Dorety was dean from 1937 until the school closed during WWII. The school reopened in 1946 under Dean John Swan. In 1957 Gordon D. Schaber became dean of McGeorge College of Law. That same year the law school moved to its permanent home in a vacant well-baby clinic at the corner of 33rd Street and Fifth Avenue in the Oak Park neighborhood.

The school won full accreditation from the State Bar of California in 1964. McGeorge affiliated with the University of the Pacific in 1966 and began offering day classes the following year. The merger with Pacific paved the way for ABA accreditation (1968) and an explosive growth in enrollment the following decade.

McGeorge is part of Pacific's Sacramento campus; a 13-acre, 26-building complex that includes 14 classrooms, a courtroom, student center, student apartments, community legal services offices, and the lecture hall. The McGeorge Legal Studies Center opened in 2011 and houses the Gordon D. Schaber Law Library.

A leader in the study of international law, McGeorge established a presence in Europe in 1974. Anthony M. Kennedy, an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and adjunct professor of constitutional law at McGeorge since 1965, teaches each summer at the school's International Legal Studies Program in Salzburg, Austria.

Dean Gerald Caplan succeeded Schaber in 1991. In 2002, Dean Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker became the eighth dean of McGeorge. In 2012, Francis J. Mootz III, formerly of UNLV's William Boyd School of Law, became the ninth dean of McGeorge. Dean Michael Hunter Schwartz, who previously served as the dean of the William H. Bowen School of Law at University of Arkansas at Little Rock, joined McGeorge as its 10th dean in 2017. The McGeorge faculty includes 42 full-time faculty and 63 adjuncts recognized nationally and internationally in their fields.

#### THE ORDER OF THE COIF

The Order of the Coif is a national society for law students that recognizes academic excellence and promotes legal scholarship. Award of the chapter of The Order of the Coif signifies that the school of law maintains scholarship and academic standards of particularly high quality. The McGeorge Chapter was chartered in 1982. Chapters have been awarded to 80 of the 198 law schools accredited by the American Bar Association. Candidates for the Juris Doctor Degree who have been elected to membership are designated by the "†" symbol.

#### HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE MACE

Originally a weapon of offence used in medieval warfare by a king or a noble, the mace has been refined to a symbolic device used on ceremonial occasions. The mace, as an academic symbol, dates back to 16th century England when Queen Elizabeth I presented a replica of her own royal mace to the corporation of the University of Oxford. She ordered that it be used in all ceremonies to represent the royal presence and the authority given to the university to grant degrees under the royal insignia. King Charles I made a similar gift to Cambridge University in 1625.

Robert E. Burns, Pacific president from 1946-1971, asked Stuart Devlin, an internationally-known London silver designer, to create University of the Pacific's mace. It was commissioned in recognition of the University's transition from a college to a university and was first used at a Founders Day ceremony on March 6, 1966. Constructed entirely of silver with a gold plated seal of the University in its head, the mace weighs 15 pounds and is approximately four feet long. It was a gift from Mrs. Winifred Olson Raney, a regent of the University. The mace is displayed at all official University functions, including Commencement and Convocation. It is traditionally carried by the chair of the Academic Council to symbolize the role of the faculty in university governance.

#### SIGNIFICANCE OF ACADEMIC REGALIA

Distinctive academic dress can be traced back to the universities of the Middle Ages when students and faculty wore robes of the clergy. Today three ranks of degrees are distinguished through variations in the robes, which also indicate the discipline and the university that awarded the degree.

In the United States, gowns generally are black, although a few universities have adopted other colors for their doctoral gowns. The field of learning in which the degree is awarded is shown by the color of the edging of the hood, and in some cases by the color of the facing and crossbars on the doctoral gown. Some of the more frequently seen colors are: white (Arts and Letters), pink (Music), dark blue (Philosophy), light blue (Education), scarlet (Theology), golden yellow (Science), lilac (Dentistry), olive green (Pharmacy), and purple (Law). The colors of the lining of the hood are those of the institution awarding the degree. For example, University of the Pacific is burnt orange and black. An olive green tassel is often worn on the cap to signify the field of Pharmacy, although generally bachelor's and master's tassels are black. Doctoral tassels generally are gold. The left side of the mortarboard is the proper side to wear the tassel after graduation. An individual's degree is revealed by the type of gown and width of the edging on the hood.

For graduates or candidates for the Juris Doctor Degree who are elected to The Order of the Coif, as part of their academic regalia, the traditional white coif is attached to their mortarboard.

#### SIGNIFICANCE OF CORDS

Gold & Purple... Day & Evening Valedictorians Solid Orange & Black... Honors & Awards Committee Award Recipients Entwined Black & Orange ... Members of the University of the Pacific Law Review Entwined Red, White & Blue... Veterans

