

Clinical Law Program Celebrates 40 Years of Making an Impact

A Conversation on Access to Justice



(clockwise, from left to right) Professor Beverly Winstead '08, Cristina Meneses '08, Martha Sommerville, Professor Kathleen Hoke '92, and Andrea Vaughn.

ALUMNI, staff, students, and community partners gathered in Westminster Hall to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Maryland Carey Law's clinical law program on April 3.

"Service is what a law school clinic is all about ... it is a place for people who need a lawyer—sometimes desperately—but can't afford one," said former Dean Phoebe A. Haddon as she opened the celebration. "But it's also a place for the lawyers of tomorrow to meet some of the needs of others."

After dinner, CNN's Suzanne Malveaux moderated a lively discussion on access to justice with Thomas E. Perez, secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor and former director of the Clinical Law Program; Sherrilyn Ifill, currently on leave from Maryland Carey Law while serving as president and director-counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc.; and Michael Millemann, Jacob A. France Professor of Public Interest Law.

At the end of the evening, a special award was presented to Millemann for his four decades of service to both Maryland Carey Law and the Maryland legal community.



ABOVE: (from left to right) Bottom row - James Richardson and Hercules Williams (clients) and Professor Debra Weimer. Middle row - Professor Emeritus Brenda Bratton Blom, former Dean Phoebe A. Haddon, Professor Michael Millemann, and Professor Renee Hutchins. Top row - Terry Hickey '98 and Karriem Saleem El-Amin (client).





CNN national anchor Suzanne Malveaux moderated the night's events.



(from left to right) CNN's Suzanne Malveaux, U.S. Department of Labor Secretary Thomas E. Perez, NAACP LDF President and Director-Counsel Sherrilyn Ifill, and Professor Michael Millemann.