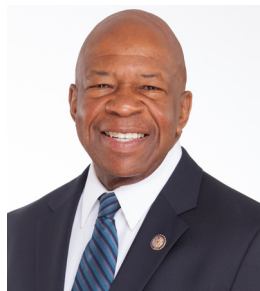


## ALUMNI AWARDS

Every spring, the Maryland Carey Law community celebrates alumni during Alumni Weekend. With an executive order keeping Marylanders at home during the height of the COVID-19 crisis in April, 2020 Alumni Weekend activities were canceled or postponed, including a special event celebrating the 2020 Alumni Honors. Below are the 2020 honorees.



### **Lifetime Achievement Award The Hon. Elijah E. Cummings '76 (posthumously)**

The Lifetime Achievement Award is given by the Alumni Board at the discretion of the dean. This year's honor is awarded posthumously to Elijah Cummings, who dedicated his life to public service. He is only the second recipient since the award's establishment in 2016. At the time of his death, Cummings was in his 13th term advocating for Maryland's 7th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives.

### **Distinguished Graduate Award M. Natalie McSherry '74**

The Distinguished Graduate Award is presented to an alum who has achieved prominence through professional excellence and service to the community. McSherry, a principal at Kramon & Graham, is recognized as one of Maryland's preeminent trial attorneys and is a leader in providing and expanding pro bono legal services to low-income Marylanders.



### **Mary Ellen Barbera '84 Judicial Excellence Award The Hon. Clayton Greene, Jr. '76**

The Judicial Excellence Award is presented to an alum who exemplifies the highest standards of judicial excellence, displays extraordinary courage, energy, and tenacity in the handling of controversial and difficult cases as well as embodies strength of character, service, and competence as a jurist, lawyer, and public servant. Recently retired, Judge Greene's distinguished career included serving at all four levels of the Maryland Judiciary.

### **Benjamin L. Cardin Public Service Award Meghan Marsh '96**

The Public Service Award is presented to an alum who has demonstrated significant and substantial contributions to furthering ideals of public service in the law. Marsh is director of operations at Disability Rights Maryland, a non-profit legal advocacy organization representing clients in civil rights cases for persons with disabilities.



### **Rising Star Award Michelle McLeod '10**

The Rising Star Award recognizes a recent graduate whose exemplary contributions of service and leadership, either professionally or at Maryland Carey Law, have brought credit to the graduate and this institution. McLeod is an attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division where she litigates complex civil rights cases in the division's Voting Section and Housing and Civil Enforcement Section.