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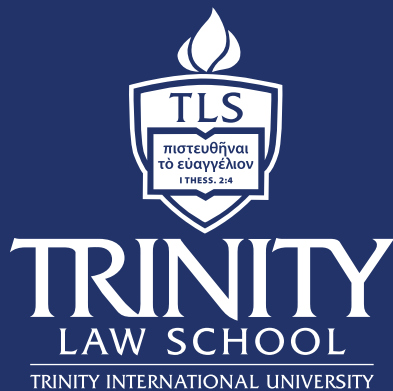
127TH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

TRINITY LAW SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2024
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to Trinity's 2024 Commencement! On behalf of the Board of Regents, the faculty, and the staff of Trinity International University, I want to express our sincere congratulations to each one of this year's graduates. Your commitment, hard work, and persistent dedication have led you to this point, where today, you will receive the degree you have earned. From the day you first started your journey at Trinity, there may have been times when you wondered if you would get to this point. Yet, with the encouragement, support, and prayers of family, friends, and faculty members, along with your determination and sacrifice, you have completed the journey.

For many of you, the sacrifice was shared by those closest to you. Your family and friends stood beside you, prayed for you, and, in so many other ways, helped make your education possible. To each family member and friend, I want to express a heartfelt word of appreciation for everything you did to make your graduate's dream a reality.

I also want to acknowledge and express my personal thanks to the exceptional faculty and staff of Trinity for the multiple investments you have made in the lives of our graduates. I deeply appreciate your heart for all that Trinity stands for and for your commitment to preparing our students well to make an impact for Jesus with their lives as they faithfully serve him. You not only shared information with our students but also shared yourselves with them. Thank you.

Trinity graduates, as you cross the stage today and receive your diploma, you will embark on the next leg of the journey of faith and service the Lord has for you. I pray you will know the clear direction from our heavenly Father, the encouragement from our Lord Jesus, and the empowerment and protection of the Holy Spirit. Keep your focus on walking with the Lord, serving him faithfully in the days ahead, and stewarding well the gift that has been entrusted to you through your Trinity education.

As you depart Trinity today, know that we are praying for you, and we ask that you also remember to pray for us as we continue to invest in the lives of men and women to prepare them well for God's redemptive work in the world.

"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace."
(Numbers 6:24–26)

Serving our Savior Together,

Kevin Kompelieh
President, Trinity International University

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him, all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church.

He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Colossians 1:13–20

ABOUT TRINITY LAW SCHOOL

OUR MISSION

Preparing students to flourish as attorneys dedicated to advocating for justice, serving the church, and pursuing the truth throughout the world for Christ

UNIVERSITY SCRIPTURE VERSE

"On the contrary, we speak as men approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please men but God, who tests our hearts." —1 Thessalonians 2:4

HISTORY

In 1980, a trio of Christian leaders—Dr. John Warwick Montgomery, Dr. Harold Lindsell, and Dr. Walter Martin had a vision for an institution called the Simon Greenleaf School of Law. Their goal was the academic integration of law, human rights, and defense of the Christian faith. Eventually, this school was renamed Simon Greenleaf University to reflect broader educational goals.

In 1997, Simon Greenleaf University joined Trinity International University and was renamed Trinity Law School. Trinity International University is the educational ministry of the Evangelical Free Church of America and includes both TLS and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Trinity's broadly evangelical ethos includes many of the same emphases that accompanied the law school's original founding in 1980, including the integration of the Christian faith and other disciplines such as law and the humanities.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Trinity Law School Alumni Association offers opportunities for professional development, networking, and fellowship to all graduates at no cost. Students automatically become members of the Alumni Association upon graduation. Visit tls.edu/alumni to connect!



ORDER OF CEREMONY

PROCESSIONAL MARCH

Pomp and Circumstance
by Edward Elgar

WELCOME

Dana C. Clark
Associate Dean, Student & Faculty Administration

INVOCATION

Craig Hawkins
Visiting Scholar, Center for Human Rights

SCRIPTURE READING

Andrew DeLoach
Associate Professor and Director of Center for Human Rights
Colossians 1:13–20

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Keith W. Carlson
Partner, Carlson & Jayakumar LLP
Newport Beach, California

EXCEPTIONAL MASTERS STUDENT AWARD PRESENTATION

Joy Statler
Assistant Dean, Director of Academic Support and Clinical Programs

STUDENT-OF-THE-YEAR AWARD PRESENTATION

R. Neil Rodgers
Clinical Professor

DEAN'S AWARD PRESENTATION

Eric Halvorson
Dean

DEGREE PRESENTATION AND HOODING

Eric Halvorson
Dean
Dana C. Clark
Associate Dean, Student & Faculty Administration

Master of Legal Studies Recipients

Juris Doctor Recipients

REMARKS

Eric Halvorson
Dean

PRAYER

Kevin Holsclaw
Associate Professor

CLOSING REMARKS

Dana C. Clark
Associate Dean, Student & Faculty Administration

THE RECESSIONAL

All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name
by Edward Perronet, John Rippon, Oliver Holden

RECEPTION

All are invited to celebrate the Class of 2024 at a dinner reception hosted by Trinity faculty and Staff. The reception will be held in the Commons and on the adjoining patio immediately following the ceremony.



The Speaker
**KEITH W.
CARLSON**

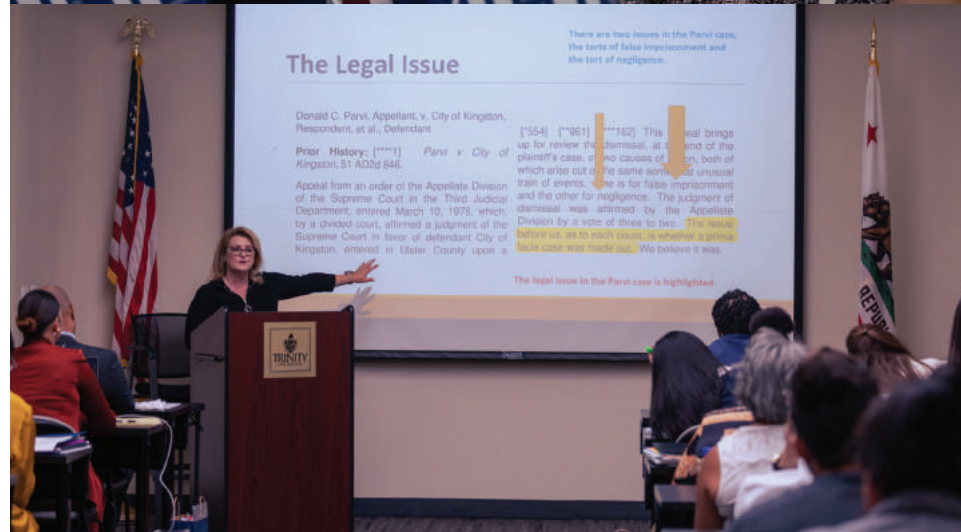
Keith W. Carlson is a founding partner with the law firm of Carlson & Jayakumar LLP, where he practices all aspects of employment law, healthcare law, and related litigation. Mr.

Carlson deals extensively with general employment issues, as well as employment and corporate issues affecting the healthcare industry. He also has experience—in both state and federal courts—in matters involving trade secrets, unfair competition, wage-and-hour claims, sexual-harassment claims, race-discrimination claims, disability-discrimination claims, wrongful-termination claims, business litigation, and representation before administrative agencies.

In addition to his litigation experience, Mr. Carlson regularly advises clients on contractual matters affecting professional employee compensation, specifically with respect to compliance with federal and state fraud-and-abuse laws. He is a regular guest lecturer at both Cleveland Chiropractic College and the Southern California University of Health Sciences (LACC) on multi-specialty practices, employment law, and practitioner-compensation issues. In addition to healthcare topics, Mr. Carlson frequently speaks on employment and political issues. He is a member of the Orange County Bar Association, Labor and Employment Section, and the National Association of Chiropractic Attorneys.

Mr. Carlson received his JD in 1997 from the University of California, Los Angeles School of Law. Mr. Carlson received his BA from the University of California, Los Angeles where he graduated magna cum laude and was selected to Phi Beta Kappa. He was also awarded the Chancellor's Service Award for excellence in community service.

Mr. Carlson is also highly involved in his community. He has served on both the Chapman and Whittier Law School's Board of Visitors, the Irvine Valley College Foundation, and Santa Ana Unified School District's Bond Oversight. He currently serves on the Advisory Board for Pacifica Christian High School.



HONOR CORDS

LAW REVIEW

Gold

MOOT COURT

Red

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Purple

INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAM

Green, White

MLS DEGREE, SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Blue, White

MLS DEGREE, MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Blue

MLS DEGREE, CUM LAUDE

White

STUDENT AWARDS

EXCEPTIONAL MASTERS STUDENT AWARD PRESENTATION

This award recognizes a masters-level graduate student who, by vote of the faculty, demonstrates a high level of excellence in his field by virtue of academic achievement, quality of papers, and commitment to advancing his studies.

STUDENT-OF-THE-YEAR AWARD PRESENTATION

The Student-of-the-Year Award is given to a JD candidate who, by vote of the faculty, exemplifies the mark of a complete lawyer: warm of heart, scholarly in thought, rich in vision, vigorous in act, steadfast in ethics, exemplary in bringing honor to Trinity Law School, and inspiring to all with whom he comes into contact.

DEAN'S AWARD PRESENTATION

The Dean's Award is given to a JD candidate who has contributed to the Trinity community through dedication and hard work on behalf of the school.



GRADUANDS

TRINITY LAW SCHOOL MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES RECIPIENTS 2024

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BS, Strayer University

Karen Burdine Barnes
BS, Capella University

Amber Susan Butler
BS, Kennesaw State University

Savannah Desiree Carmona
AA, Mt. San Jacinto College
BS, University of Redlands

Sara Helen Caycho
BA, Florida International University

Earl Eugene Clay, Jr.
AA, Baker College-Flint
BA, Baker College-Flint

Amanda Maria Collazo
BA, College of the Holy Cross

Denisha L. Collins
AA, University of West Florida
BA, University of West Florida

Mitch Robert Connelley
BS, Indiana University-Bloomington

Joshua Sebastian Cornejo
BA, University of California-Riverside

Lagier L. Coston
BS, Johnson C. Smith University

Kevin Lee Denney
AA, Cypress College
BA, California State University-Long Beach

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BLS, Bowling Green State University

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BA, Norfolk State University
MDiv, Virginia Union University
DMin, United Theological Seminary

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Gabrielle Estrada
BS, University of Phoenix
MA, Azusa Pacific University

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BS, Cal. State University-Sacramento
MBA, Cal. State University-Sacramento

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BS, Brown Mackie College

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BS, American InterContinental University

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BS, ECPI University

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MEd, Lesley University
MFA, National University
PhD, Walden University

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MS, Texas Southern University

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BS, Herzing University

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MA, Arizona State University-Tempe-Main

Kerry L. Napoleon
AS, Peirce College-PA
BS, Peirce College-PA

Theresa Nicolas-Sumulong
AS, Rasmussen College
BA, University of Phoenix

Angelique Pacheco
BA, Trinity International University-FL

Joel Parker
BS, Regis University-Colorado
MBA, Regis University-Colorado

Blanca Estela Richards
BA, California State University-San Marcos



GRADUANDS

TRINITY LAW SCHOOL JURIS DOCTOR RECIPIENTS 2024

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BA, University of Arizona

Gwendolyn M. Smith
BA, Claflin University
MS, Metropolitan College of New York

Michael Smith
BS, Everest University-Tampa
MA, Ashford University-UA Global

Tanya Smith
AA, Jefferson State Community College
BS, Samford University

Victoria Lee Smith
BA, Centenary College

Monica C. Suarez
BA, Strayer University

Hazel A. Tamano
BA, Saint Louis University
MA, Webster University

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BS, Central University

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BA, Scripps College
MBA, University of Texas-Austin

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BA, Columbia College-MO
MS, University of Phoenix

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BA, The Master's College

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BS, Southern New Hampshire University
MS, Southern New Hampshire University

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BS, Biola University
MA, Claremont Graduate University

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AA, Santa Ana College
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BS, University of California-Riverside

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BA, California State University-Fresno

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AA, Ashford University (UA Global)
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BA, San Francisco State University
MS, San Francisco State University

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BA, University of California-Riverside
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BS, Jarvis Christian College
MS, Texas Southern University

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BS, University of Phoenix
MS, Cal. State University-San Bernardino

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A Message From the
ALUMNI OFFICE

Dear Graduates,

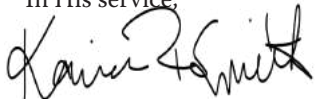
Greetings in the mighty name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

On behalf of the Alumni Office of Trinity International University, it is my joy and privilege to congratulate each of you on the completion of your degree. This has been a transformative and worthwhile journey. What you have accomplished is no small feat. You have stayed the course and finished your race. By God's grace you've earned the crown of your degree. We, as well as your family, friends, and peers are super proud of you! We know that God has plans to use you for his glory and service in magnificent ways. Be light in the darkness and let the light of Christ shine all around you, everywhere you go. You have joined a legacy of more than 28,000 Trinity alumni who are living out the gospel throughout the world. You, like your fellow alumni, are entrusted with the gospel. Use this opportunity to live out your faith and to share the gospel wherever you work, live and minister. As an Alumni Office, we seek to serve and support Trinity graduates in every way we can. If the Alumni Office at Trinity can ever be of service, it is our pleasure to do so. Please feel free to contact us.

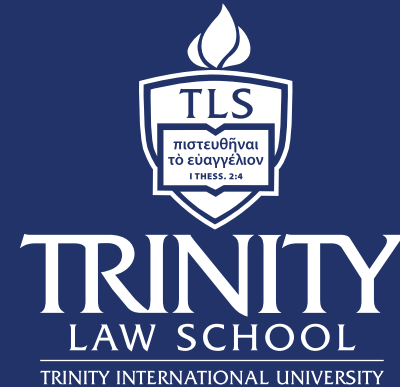
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