The Northeast Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel held its twelfth annual Law Student Ethics Awards dinner on April 25 at the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston.

The Chapter’s awards program recognizes and encourages the ethical practice of law at the earliest stages of a young lawyer’s professional career. It also shines a spotlight on ethics more generally, demonstrating that the legal community values lawyers who are guided by ethical principles. The award, which includes a $1,000 scholarship, is given to one student from each participating local law school who has demonstrated an early commitment to ethics as recognized by the school’s faculty.

The event was attended by prominent judges of the state trial and appellate courts in Massachusetts, as well as faculty from the participating schools, general counsel from many prominent local companies and managing and senior partners from law firm sponsors. The presence of so many distinguished members of the bench and bar, the inspiring stories of the award-winning students and the collegial atmosphere all made for a memorable celebration.

In celebration of the award winning students, a musical performance by Pitch Slapped, the well-known a capella group from the Berklee College of Music, topped off the evening. Their performance truly made the evening a celebration of a job well done by these deserving law students.

The Law Student Ethics Awards have become increasingly popular over the past twelve years, and are an excellent opportunity for in-house counsel, academia, law firms, and the judiciary to come together with a common purpose, to celebrate and promote the ethical underpinnings of the profession and to support and encourage the next generation of accomplished and ethical lawyers.

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2016 Law Student Ethics Awards Recipients

Colleen Decker  
*New England Law | Boston*

Michael Dueñas  
*University of Massachusetts School of Law*

Abbey Field  
*Western New England University School of Law*

Aileen G. Konanez  
*Roger Williams University School of Law*

Cristina Manzano  
*Boston College Law School*

Shannon McClelland  
*Vermont Law School*

Isabel I. Mullin  
*University of Maine School of Law*

Hannah Nead  
*Boston University School of Law*

Jesse Renauld-Smith  
*University of New Hampshire School of Law*

Steven Salcedo  
*Harvard Law School*

Anne Sheldon  
*Northeastern University School of Law*

Kassandra Chery Tat  
*Suffolk University Law School*
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Front Row, L to R: Michael Dueñas, University of Massachusetts School of Law, Steven Salcedo, Harvard Law School, Aileen Konanez, Roger Williams University School of Law, Kassandra Chery Tat, Suffolk University Law School, Cristina Manzano, Boston College Law School, Isabel Mullin, University of Maine School of Law, Anne Sheldon, Northeastern University School of Law.


Not Shown: Jesse Renauld-Smith, University of New Hampshire School of Law.