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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

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THE HONOREES

Jeffrey J. Kennedy, '67

A native of Linton, Ind., Jeffrey J. Kennedy has had a distinguished career in private practice while serving both the Law School and his community. After graduating first in his class, he clerked for Hon. John S. Hastings of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit and practiced for 29 years as an antitrust attorney at Kirkland & Ellis in Chicago from 1968 until 1997. His service to the Law School includes 17 years as a member of the Board of Visitors and teaching a course in antitrust law. Closer to home, he has provided leadership for the Village of Oak Brook and supported the development of the Diocese of Joliet, always with a focus on the next generation and the community at large.

Martín Montes, '95

Martín Montes is director, regulatory affairs, for Chicago-based Commonwealth Edison, where he oversees day-to-day interactions with the Illinois Commerce Commission. Before joining ComEd, he was assistant general counsel for Exelon Corporation’s Legal Department and associate general counsel for Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.’s International Legal Division. A longtime community volunteer, Montes is active in the Hispanic National Bar Association, having served as a regional president and on its corporate advisory board. Through his efforts with the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, he has been active in promoting the civil rights of Latinos in America. Montes also serves as a board member for the Legal Aid Society Legal Prep Charter Academies, and the Hispanic Lawyers Scholarship Fund. He is currently president of the Law School’s Latino Alumni Board and a former member its Law Alumni Board.
Susan Blankenbaker Noyes, ’83

Susan Blankenbaker Noyes is founder and chief visionary officer of Make It Better Media, whose mission is to be the most trusted, easiest-to-use community resource that helps you make your life and the lives of others better — online, in print and in person. Noyes practiced law for Sidley & Austin from 1983–1989, then focused her efforts as a philanthropist and uber-volunteer while raising six children. In 2007, she founded makeitbetter.net, which has grown into a multiplatform publishing company that includes print magazines, events, and an extensive social network to accompany a website with 1.4 million page views annually. She launched the Make It Better Annual Philanthropy Awards in 2012 and the Make It Better Foundation in 2013. Her numerous board memberships include the American Red Cross Chicago Chapter and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Her motto. A clean house is a wasted life.

Courtney R. Tobin, ’92

Courtney R. Tobin is senior vice president and chief compliance officer at Sycamore Advisors LLC in Indianapolis and Atlanta. She is responsible for the firm’s regulatory compliance while managing bond transactions for public and nonprofit issuers. Previously she was associate director of the J.W. Fanning Institute, the economic development unit of the University of Georgia; executive director and general counsel of the Indiana Development Finance Authority; and an associate at Krieg DeVault in Indianapolis. She recently completed a term as president of the Law School’s Alumni Board and serves as president of the board of Athens (Ga.) Interfaith Hospitality Network and as vice chair of the Athens Clarke County Navy School Local Redevelopment Authority. She was named a Sagamore of the Wabash by former Indiana Governor Frank O’Bannon, ’57.
THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Distinguished Service Award was established in 1997 to recognize graduates of the Indiana University Maurer School of Law who have distinguished themselves in service to the communities and the school in ways far exceeding traditional business, professional, and civic duties.

Through their hard work, passion, and accomplishments, these alumni define Indiana Law’s ideas for community service and serve as accomplished role models for our Law School and the greater community.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

*Lindy G Moss 1952 Rynthia Mann Rost 1980
*Fred H Gregory 1953 Hon Joseph M Hogsett 1981
*Miles C. Gerberdng 1956 Abigail L. Kuzma 1981
Donald P Dorfman 1957 Brian P Williams 1981
Gene E. Whins 1957 Gary L. Davis 1982
Leroy W Hofmann 1958 *Jane E. Raley 1982
Jerry Moss 1962 Betsy Shuman-Moore 1982
Lowe E. Baier 1964 Arthur A. Lopez 1983
Edward C. King 1964 Holiday Hart McKiernan 1983
Jeffrey J. Kennedy 1967 Susan Blankenbaker Noyes 1983
Bruce A. Polizotto 1967 R Anthony Prather 1983
Kenneth R Yahne 1968 Zaldwaynaka (“Z”) Scott 1983
Robert A. Long 1971 Taylor C. Segue 1983
Lynn H. Coyne 1972 Gregory J. Jordan 1984
Jeffrey S. Davidson 1973 *Raphea M. Prevot Jr 1984
Dan E. Spicer 1973 M. Scott Bassett 1986
John E. Seddelmeyer 1974 Mark E. Holcomb 1987
Randy M. Lebedoff 1975 Andrew B. Buroker 1989
Susan Carpenter 1976 Jeffrey R Pankratz 1991
John W Purcell 1976 Kelby Y Testy 1991
Fred J. Logan Jr 1977 Lisa C. McKinney 1992
John F (“Jeff”) Richardson 1977 Courtney R Tobin 1992
*James Brotherson 1978 Christopher D. Lee 1993
Robin K. Boles 1979 Martin Montes 1995
*Sandra Leek 1979 Laurie N Robinson Haden 1998
Milton O. Thompson 1979
William W Weeks 1979 *deceased