

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

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MACEY LEIGH LEVAN '11 is currently an Associate Professor of Surgery and Population Health at the NYU Grossman School of Medicine, and the Director of the Center for Surgical and Transplant Applied Research Qualitative Core at the NYU Langone Transplant Institute. She has authored 100+ publications in top medical and scientific journals, and her team is

comprised of renowned world experts who collectively, have secured millions in research funding from federal agencies including the National Institutes of Health and the Department of Defense for clinical research. Her team's work to operationalize vaccination trials for the immunocompromised during the COVID-19 pandemic was applauded and recognized by Dr. Fauci. Before joining the NYU faculty in 2022, she was tenure-track faculty at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine where she served as the Director of Policy and External Affairs for a \$100M grant-funded transplant research enterprise, which was known as the largest and most prolific in the world. Macey is proud to be the fourth member of her family to attend the Maurer School of Law.



DAVE MILNE '94 grew up in Fort Wayne. He attended Wabash College on a Lilly Fellowship and graduated with a B.A. in English in 1989. He earned an M.A. in English from Indiana University in 1990 and a J.D. from the Law School in 1994. Dave began his legal career at Bose McKinney & Evans and then practiced for several years at Scopelitis, Garvin, Light, Hanson

& Feary before joining Steak n Shake, Inc., where he became Vice President and General Counsel. In 2009, Dave joined Symmetry Medical, Inc., where he worked as General Counsel, Senior Vice President of Human Resources and Chief Compliance Officer. Following Symmetry Medical's sale, he remained with a former division, Symmetry Surgical Inc., as General Counsel and SVP of Business Development. After Symmetry Surgical's sale in 2022, he joined Natus Medical, Inc., an ArchiMed Portfolio Company, as Chief HR Officer and Chief Administrative Officer. Dave and his wife, Meagan (McAuley) Milne, met when they were students at the Law School and will soon celebrate their 28th wedding anniversary.



KIMBERLY RICHARDSON '06 is a strategic business leader and forward-thinking health, safety, and security attorney, skilled in helping large, complex organizations reduce risks in the United States and abroad. Kimberly currently serves as Of Counsel at Conn Maciel Carey in Washington, DC., an Adjunct Professor at Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law in Philadelphia, PA, and a consultant for the

Wilmington University School of Law in Delaware. Previously, Kimberly worked in-house at Amazon Web Services and DuPont, and in the federal government. Kimberly serves on the Indiana University Maurer School of Law Alumni Board, the Advisory Board for the Delaware Chapter of the National Alliance of Mental Illness, and the Board of Directors for the Delaware Chapter of the National Audobon Society. She previously served as a member of the Legal Steering Committee for the National Safety Council. In 2008, *The Network Journal* named her one of the nation's top 40 Under Forty African-Americans, and in 2012, she received the United States Postmaster General's D.R.I.V.E Award (Delivering Results, Innovation, Value, and Efficiency).



ALEX THIBODEAU '18 was appointed to Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer's administration in May 2023. In his role as Director of Appointments, he serves as senior advisor for gubernatorial appointments to the judiciary and cabinet, as well as the more than 240 state boards and commissions. Prior to this, he was an Associate Attorney at Varnum

LLP, where he focused primarily on data privacy and cybersecurity, as well as advising autonomous vehicle companies on compliance issues related to emerging technology. His background includes significant experience in civil litigation, telecommunication, municipal/administrative law, utility franchise agreements, and regulatory compliance. Alex is passionate about being a leader within the community. He currently serves as a Trustee to the Grand Rapids Bar Association—where he is Chair of the Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee and former President of the Young Lawyers Section.

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 their 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 ideals for community service and serve as accomplished role models for our Law School and the greater community.



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