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## INSTRUCTIONS TO 2023 GRADUATES COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION - MAY 14, 2023

There will be no rehearsal. Please read these instructions carefully, SAVE THEM, and reread them before robing on graduation day. Carry only your name-card and your hood in the processional. Do not bring a purse, backpack or other bags, as there is no secure area during the ceremony.

Be sure to check the Law School website (http://www.law.uconn.edu/) to learn if we will follow the SUNNY DAY or RAINY DAY Plan.

The description below is the SUNNY DAY PLAN.

## SUNNY DAY PLAN:



9:00 AM: Grab a cup of coffee at the Community Breakfast in front of Chase Hall! Students report to the Library patio to pick up name cards. If you need help folding your hood, visit the Café in the library for assistance. Do not wear your hood. Carry it over your left forearm, with the velvet neckband on the outside. The tassel goes on the left side (the wearer's left). SEE ATTACHED PHOTO HERE.

9:45 AM: A class photo will be taken in the quad in front of the Library. Once you have completed robing, please lineup outside the library as directed by staff.

By 10:00 AM: After the class photo has been taken, if not already done so, students will pick up their name cards at the tables outside the library, and then line-up in alphabetical order. The name cards will also be numbered to help you find your place in line. The Order of Procession is as follows:

| 1. | J.D. Flag bearers (US and CT flags) | 8. Insurance LL.M. Flag Bearer |
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| 2. | Mace Bearer | 9. Insurance LL.M. Candidates (alpha) |
| 3. | Floor Marshals | 10. U.S. LL.M. Flag Bearer |
| 4. | Energy and Enviro LL.M. Flag Bearer | 11. U.S. LL.M. Candidates (alpha) |
| 5. | Energy and Enviro LL.M. Candidates (alpha) | 12. Immediate Past Vice-President of the SBA |
| 6. | Human Rights and Social Justice Flag Bearer | 13. J.D. Candidates (alpha) |
| 7. | Human Rights and Social Justice LL.M. Candidates <br> (alpha) |  |

Approximately 10:30 AM: the herald trumpeters will begin to play and the formal procession will begin.


Once inside the tent, the Floor Marshals will direct you to the correct row. Make sure you leave no empty chairs between yourself and the person in front of you.

Upon reaching the stage to receive your diploma, hand your name card to the Law Marshal (Associate Dean Jessica Rubin), and wait until your name is read.


Proceed in front of the podium at the center of the stage, where you will be directed to one of the two hooding marshals. Do not walk in front of the other hooding marshals who are not hooding you--walk behind them. Hand your hood to the hooding marshal. Face the audience, when being hooded.

After you have been hooded, continue across the stage and shake hands with Dean Nelson and receive your diploma cover. Then shake hands with any other official. Finally, walk down the ramp at the end of the stage to the photography area where a professional photograph will be taken. Then return to your seat and be seated.

When all candidates have returned to their seats, the University Marshal (Associate Dean Paul Chill) will ask the candidates to rise.

Between 12:00 PM and 12:30 PM, the ceremony concludes. Students will recess out of the tent following the platform party and the faculty.

## IN CASE OF RAIN:

Starting at 9:00 AM: Students report to Janet M. Blumberg Hall. Do not wear your hood; carry it over your left forearm, with the velvet neckband on the outside. The tassel goes on the left side (the wearer's left). SEE ATTACHED PHOTO HERE.

By 10:00 AM: Students will assemble inside the first-floor hallway of Hosmer Hall to pick up name cards at the first floor Communications Center/Reception Desk. The name cards will also be numbered to help you find your place in line. Students will then line up, in alphabetical order, in the first-floor hallways of Hosmer with the beginning of the line nearest the last exit door in the Legal Practice area. There will be alpha letter signs in the hallways to help you find your place in line.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, students will recess out the side entrance of the tent, following the platform party and faculty.

## COMMENCEMENT DAY LINE-UP AND PROCESSION



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