ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

LAW LEADERSHIP SOCIETY

2023/2024



A MESSAGE From the dean



It is an honor to address you as the newest Dean of the USC Gould School of Law. In my capacity as Interim Dean over the last year, I learned so much from you—our Law Leadership Society members—who truly are leaders in our law school community. The Law Leadership Society continues to serve as a vital support for USC Gould. With your help, last fall we welcomed both the most accomplished 1L class and the largest cohort of new faculty in USC Gould's history.

As I look to the coming year, I can assure you that we will continue to provide an outstanding educational experience to our students and to advance legal scholarship. I am particularly committed to increasing opportunities for students to participate in experiential learning and to growing our needbased scholarship program.

Please take a moment to read over this Impact Report for the 2023-2024 fiscal year and see all that you and fellow Law Leadership Society members have helped us accomplish. I am grateful for your partnership in these successes and those to come. I hope to have the opportunity to see each of you in the coming year and to say "Thank You" in person.

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Franita Tolson Dean and Carl Mason Franklin Chair in Law

MEMBER IMPACT

The Law Leadership Society is a community of the USC Gould School of Law's most generous alumni and friends. Your participation in this important group fuels our success. Whether you maintain your membership with annual donations, major gifts, or by including USC Gould in your estate plans, your support matters. Read on to learn how you made a difference in the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

BY THE NUMBERS

390 MEMBERS **\$3.9M** GIFTS RECEIVED **\$ 1.9M** IN SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING

WHERE YOU GAVE

Last year, members supported a wide range of funds, with most gifts supporting student scholarships, one of the law school's top priorities.



MEMBERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Law Leadership Society members gave back to the law school generously in every way. Here are just a few members who made a difference during this past year.

- USC Trustee John lino '87 served as the university's Interim Associate Senior Vice President for Alumni Relations
- Chris Kerns '85, Managing Partner at Hahn & Hahn, and the firm hosted the First Generation Professionals Program Etiquette Dinner
- Ron Martinetti '82 established the *Martinetti Family Endowed Scholarship Honoring Professor Allan Axelrod*
- Many members, including Jonathan Bachand '06, Andrew Elken '09, Erin Matzkin '02, and Justin Sanders '00, served as USC Gould Admissions Ambassadors

FROM OUR STUDENTS

"Thank you for your gift to USC Gould and for the impact it has had on my life's trajectory. Rather than feeling afraid of the unknowns and nervous about my next steps, I now feel excited to embrace the uncertainty in my life with confidence that what comes next will be better than I could have even hoped for - as long as I continue to work hard and make the most of the opportunities I am given. I look forward to the day that I can be in your shoes, making the next generation of USC lawyers' dreams a reality."

- Bella Robakowski, JD Class of 2025



LOOKING AHEAD

We hope you will join us this fall at the 2024 Law Leadership Society Celebration, our annual allmember event. Invitation to follow.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Please let us know if you have questions about your membership, including renewing, upgrading, or including USC Gould in your estate plans.

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