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## PENN STATE DICKINSON LAW FACULTY, STAFF PRESENT AT 2022 AALS ANNUAL MEETING



Numerous Penn State Dickinson Law scholars joined law faculty and deans from around the country to present at the 2022 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS). The theme of the virtual meeting, which ran from January 5-9, was Freedom, Equality, and the Common Good. Participants were provided with the opportunity to discuss how our legal system should deal with the realities of a post-pandemic world and explored how crafting a common understanding of what freedom means in a democratic society can be very complicated, particularly in the face of a crisis. Further discussion scrutinized how the executive powers used to enact sweeping public health restrictions and actions by employers to mandate vaccines during the pandemic could be interpreted as threats to our freedoms and how a rejection of those restrictions and employer mandates has had some devastating results: the emergence of new virus variants and a new surge of infections, hospitalizations, and deaths that fall disproportionately on the elderly, those of low and moderate income, and on communities of color. [Read more](#)

## PENN STATE DICKINSON LAW INVITED TO WHITE HOUSE AND DOJ LAW SCHOOL DEANS EVENT



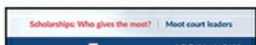
Eight Penn State Dickinson Law scholars received an invitation to participate in a White House and Department of Justice virtual meeting held on January 28, 2022. This offer was made on behalf of the White House and the Department of Justice in order to recognize and discuss Dickinson Law's efforts to secure access to justice and housing stability in the months ahead. Attorney General of the United States Merrick Garland, Second Gentleman Douglas Emhoff, Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Treasury Adewale Adeyemo, and other top Administration officials were in attendance during this significant event. [Read more](#)

## DEAN CONWAY RE-ELECTED TO BOARD OF ACCESSLEX INSTITUTE



AccessLex Institute recently announced that Dean Danielle M. Conway was re-elected by her peers to the company's board of directors. Dean Conway will serve a three-year term as a Class A Director beginning April 1, 2022. Class A Directors, who represent a majority of the Board, are elected directly by AccessLex Member law schools during a process that concludes at the company's annual meeting, which occurred on October 27, 2021. Dean Conway joined the AccessLex Board in 2020. [Learn more](#)

## DICKINSON LAW EARNS RECOGNITION AS A "BEST VALUE LAW SCHOOL" BY PRELAW MAGAZINE



Penn State Dickinson Law received an A- for Best Value Law School in the fall 2021 issue of



best value Law School in the fall 2021 issue of preLaw magazine—a ranking that recognizes law schools where graduates have excellent chances of passing the bar and getting a legal job without taking on a ton of debt. “Dickinson Law is on a mission to make law school accessible and affordable,” said Dean and Donald J. Farage Professor of Law Danielle M. Conway. “Making law school attainable for people from underrepresented groups is a priority because equity demands it, and because the members of our communities, which are diverse in every way, deserve to see themselves in the people who serve in our profession.” [Read more](#)

## THE PRINCETON REVIEW NAMES DICKINSON LAW A BEST LAW SCHOOL



Penn State Dickinson Law is one of the nation’s most outstanding law schools, according to The Princeton Review®. The education services company recently included Dickinson Law in its list, Best Law Schools for 2022. “We recommend Dickinson Law and every one of the 168 law schools on our 2022 list as an excellent choice for an aspiring attorney,” said Rob Franek, The Princeton Review’s editor-in-chief. The company selected the schools based on an analysis of institutional data it collected from surveys of administrators at law schools during the 2020-21 academic year. [Learn more](#)

## DICKINSON LAW REVIEW SYMPOSIUM TO BE HELD MARCH 25, 2022



The Dickinson Law Review will present “Qualifying Qualified Immunity: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow,” beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, March 25 in the Apfelbaum Family Courtroom and Auditorium, Lewis Katz Hall, Dickinson Law. Members of academia, the bar, and the judiciary will offer unique perspectives on qualified immunity and its current impact on the field of constitutional rights litigation. The event is also being sponsored by the Macon Bolling Allen Civil Rights and Transitional Justice Program at Penn State Dickinson Law. The Macon Bolling Allen Civil Rights and Transitional Justice Program was established to support civil rights and transitional justice activities at Dickinson Law, particularly activities that serve juveniles from underrepresented populations to include children of color, children in the foster care system, and immigrants. Registration information is forthcoming. [Event details](#)



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