



**Brigham Young University**  
***J. Reuben Clark Law School***  
**Convocation**

April 23, 2026

5:00 p.m.

Music Building Concert Hall

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## Program

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Prelude Music	Matthew D. Imbler
University Representative	Brad Neiger Associate Academic Vice President
Opening Prayer	Solveig Jeanette Clifford
Conducting	William W. Clayton Associate Dean for Faculty and Curriculum and Professor of Law
Student Speaker	Samuel Houston Rather
Student Speaker	Jessica Dofelmire
Musical Number "God's Gracious Love" Lyrics by Lina Sandell-Berg Music by Oscar Ahnfelt	Luiza Almeida Rauta, Rachel Sowa Ray, Connor Mckay Dela-Cruz, vocalists Zachary Andrew Zalar, pianist Jack (Chen-Yuan) Chiu, violinist
Introduction of Speaker	William W. Clayton
Speaker	Judge David Barlow United States District Court for the District of Utah
Introduction of Graduates	Eric Talbot Jensen
Hooding of Graduates	Jarrod E. Shobe and Lucy Williams
Alumni Greetings	Michael W. Middleton Assistant Dean for External Relations
Remarks	David H. Moore Dean and Sterling and Eleanor Colton Endowed Chair
Congregational Song "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"	Abby Marie Carr, music director
Closing Prayer	Jenna Kristina Crowther
Recessional	Matthew D. Imbler

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## Graduates

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### MASTER OF LAW

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APRIL 2026

**Graham Thomas Bowden**

BS, University of Lethbridge, 2019  
JD, University of Alberta, 2023

**Lehi Patariki Dudley**

BS, Edith Cowan University, 2017  
JD, University of Sydney, 2024

**Matheus Prata Marques Farias**

LLB, Mackenzie Presbyterian  
University, 2021

**Karol Josef Sebolino Gutierrez**

BS, De La Salle Lipa, 2015  
JD, De La Salle Lipa College of Law, 2021

**Lorena Ortiz Kerby**

LLB, University of Buenos Aires, 2014  
BS, Brigham Young University–Idaho, 2024

**Hildergardis Aloyce Minja**

LLB, St. Augustine University of  
Tanzania, 2013  
PGDLP, Law School of Tanzania, 2018

**Luiza Almeida Rauta**

LLB, Faculdades Santo Agostinho, 2023

**Tamar Schneck**

BA, Brandeis University, 2013  
LLB, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2020

JUNE 2026

**Sharf Abdallah Mahmoud Abu Latifa**

BA, Yarmouk University, 2010

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### JURIS DOCTOR

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DECEMBER 2025

**MinJae Richard Robert Kim**

BS, Brigham Young University–Idaho, 2022

**Yu Sun**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

APRIL 2026

**Hamilton Alexander Abbott**

BS, Brigham Young University–Idaho, 2022

**Samuel Hobbs Adams**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Mark Albrechtsen**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Joseph Knight Andreason**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Anna Sophia Bailey**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2020

**Elena Balkova**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Nathan Isaac Benavidez**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Nicholas Bishop**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Jack Henry Blaylock**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Abigail Crandall Blonquist**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Naomi Melesiu Korkor Botchway**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2021

**Mary Liselle Bowers**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2020

**Haisley Burbidge**

BS, University of Utah, 2020

**Anthony Huynh Burson-Thomas**

BA, University of California, Santa  
Cruz, 2013

**Haley Brynn Butterfield**

BA, Brigham Young University–Idaho, 2021

**Abby Marie Carr**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Taj M. Carson**

BS, North Carolina State University, 2023

**Jon W. Chalmers**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**William Drew Chandler**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2017  
MA, Brigham Young University, 2019

**R. Bug Chapman**

BS, Arizona State University, 2022

**Trey Michael Chauncey**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Jack (Chen-Yuan) Chiu**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Seth D. Christensen**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Michael John Clark**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Solveig Jeanette Clifford**

BA, University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2022

**Sophie Victoria Rose Colton**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Taylor Trish Crofts**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Jenna Kristina Crowther**

BFA, Brigham Young University, 2018

**James DeVon Davis**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Anthony Alexander De Camillis**  
BS, William Paterson University, 2017  
MBA, William Paterson University, 2019

**Connor Mckay Dela-Cruz**  
BA, Brigham Young University–Idaho, 2020

**Jessica Dofelmire**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Sophie Ida Draayer**  
BS, University of Utah, 2022

**Madison Droubay**  
BS, Southern Utah University, 2023

**Chase T. Dunakin**  
BA, Central Washington University, 2023

**Neha Eqbal**  
BA, State University of New York at Stony Brook, 2020  
MBA, University of Bridgeport, 2023

**Mason William Evans**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Dallin Mark Everton**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Hollan Farner**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Alyssa Catherine Fox**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Connor J. Hansen**  
BS, Brigham Young University–Hawaii, 2022  
MBA, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Jared L. Hansen**  
BA, Idaho State University, 2022

**Sara Hansen-Cummings**  
BS, Utah State University, 2010  
MRC, Utah State University, 2016

**Jason William Harline**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Elias Jacob Haws**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Gavin McCormick Heap**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Brooke Nicole Heiner**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Melvin S. Hernandez**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2023  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Paige Herrmann-Ballard**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2019

**Benjamin Skyler Hill**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Christopher F. Hill**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Kaelin Rae Hirschi**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Megan Hofstetter**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2017

**Kaitlyn Christine Hyde**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Suzie Lee Jo**  
BS, University of Utah, 2023  
BS, University of Utah, 2023

**Timothy John Kelleher**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**DoHun Kim**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Abigail Elizabeth Kime**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Nathan David Larsen**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Cameron G. Larson**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2026  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Carson J. Lenox**  
BA, Weber State University, 2016

**Ashley Anne Leptich**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Joshua M. Lewis**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Joseph Lopez**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Allison Harris Mitton**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Anne Miner Morris**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Snow Adeline Nelson**  
BS, Brooklyn College, 2019  
CAS, Brooklyn College, 2020

**Samuel Erick Nielsen**  
BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Taylor Nikolaus**  
BA, Brigham Young University–Hawaii, 2021  
MPA, Brigham Young University, 2026

**Jackson Andrew O’Hare**  
BS, Arizona State University, 2022

**Mason Hunter Morran Pennock**  
BA, University of California, San Diego, 2023

**Cameo S. Petersen**  
BA, Southern Utah University, 2021

**Madelyn Monet Poston**  
BFA, University of Utah, 2021

**Anna Katherine Pulley**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Kyle Bruce Randall**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Samuel Houston Rather**  
BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Rachel Sowa Ray**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Matthew G. Rich**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Nathan Jeffrey Rich**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2018

**Lindsey Richards**

BA, Utah State University, 2021

**Dante C. Richardson**

BA, Utah State University, 2022

**Lois Salas Mora**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2020

**Macy Smith**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Hunter Clark Smithson**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Joseph Paul Sorensen**

BA, University of Utah, 2016  
MDiv, Harvard University, 2021

**Jacob O. Spencer**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2020

**Alec Justin Starr**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Scott Swain**

BS, Utah State University, 2023

**Hunter Tarry**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2017

**David M. Terry**

BS, Clemson University, 2023

**Brynn Hiatt Tingey**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Bryce Tucker**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2023  
MAcc, Brigham Young University, 2023

**Ligia Valencia**

BS, Brigham Young University–Hawaii, 2023

**Kassidee May Whiting**

BS, Weber State University, 2022

**Benjamin Williams**

BS, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Guo Yu**

BA, University of California, Berkeley, 2021

**Lauren Elaine Yu**

BA, Brigham Young University, 2022

**Zachary Andrew Zalar**

BA, Southern Virginia University, 2022

*Candidates listed for graduation will be awarded degrees subject to completion of all requirements.*

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## Pro Bono Service Recognition

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*In harmony with the mission of BYU Law to develop people of integrity who combine faith and intellect in lifelong service to God and neighbor, the Pro Bono Program recognizes students who have committed time and legal talents to serving those in need.*

### Pro Bono Service Award with High Honors

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*Awarded to graduates who demonstrated an exceptional commitment to access to justice by providing more than 100 hours of pro bono legal service.*

Jessica Dofelmire  
Macy Smith  
Scott Swain

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## Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
Join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song,  
Sounding in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord! Over all things he gloriously reigneth.  
Borne as on eagle wings, safely his Saints he sustaineth.  
Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been  
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee.  
Surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
Who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath breath, join with Abraham's seed to adore him!  
Let the "amen" sum all our praises again,  
Now as we worship before him.

Text by Joachim Neander, translated by Catherine Winkworth

Music from *Stralsund Gesangbuch*, arranged by William S. Bennett  
and Otto Goldschmidt

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## Law School Faculty

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Curtis B. Anderson  
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*Head of Reference and Faculty Services*

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*Director of the Howard W. Hunter Law Library*

Kory D. Staheli  
*Senior Law Librarian for Collections and Legal Research Instruction*

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Cherise M. Bacalski  
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Mariah Jackson-Christensen  
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Adam D. Wahlquist  
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## Law School Administration

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