



Supreme Court Bar Admits Alumni

Dean Cantú sponsored a group of nine St. Mary's School of Law alumni and friends to be admitted before the Supreme Court of the United States on May 2. This is the second time since 2009 Cantú has taken a group to Washington, D.C., for this purpose.

Pictured with Cantú are, back row, Jonathan L. Hardt (J.D. '06), Thomas Semmes (J.D. '83), St. Mary's Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law André Hampton and Justice Gregory T. Perkes (J.D. '87), and, front row, Courtney McKendrick, Justice Paul W. Green (J.D. '77), Justice Sandee Bryan Marion (J.D. '80), Sara Dysart (J.D. '81) and Steve A. Chiscano (J.D. '97). The group was sworn in before the nation's highest court.

After the ceremony, Cantú hosted events attended by Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito Jr., Sen. John Cornyn (J.D. '77), and Adrienne Urrutia Wisenberg (J.D. '89), president of the St. Mary's Alumni Association D.C. Chapter.



Trevor Hall

The Law Student Division Gold Key is awarded to a student who has demonstrated the highest degree of service, dedication, and leadership along with furthering the ABA Law Student Division's purpose

of achieving solutions to societal problems, strengthening law student participation in programs and activities, and encouraging the educational and professional development of law students. A limited number of Gold Keys are given to ABA Law Student Division Board members for exceptional service each year; Hall was the only one to win the award at the 2011 meeting.

Hall, then a third-year law student, served as an ABA Law Student Division Governor for 2010-2011. Last year, he was recognized by the ABA as a Star of the Division Recipient. At St. Mary's, he participated in the successful advocacy program as a member of its moot court, negotiation and arbitration teams. Hall was also a research assistant for Vincent Johnson, professor of law.

Porter Honored for Social Justice Work

J. Reid Porter (J.D. '02) was honored at the Law Homecoming Reunion as the 2011 Distinguished Young Alumnus, which recognizes an alumnus who has graduated in the last 10 years and has excelled in the legal profession.

Porter, committed to social justice work, left his position as a partnership-track, civil



Cantú, J. Reid Porter (J.D. '02) and then Law Alumni Association President Elizabeth Rogers (J.D. '88).