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Women Lawyers Association of Michigan Foundation Names Recipients of "Outstanding Women Law Student" Scholarships

13 exceptional female law students to receive \$42,000 in total scholarship awards, with contributions from law firm and corporate partners

LANSING, MI – The Women Lawyers Association of Michigan Foundation is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2020 WLAM Foundation Awards for Outstanding Women Law Students. Besides their superior academic performance at Michigan law schools, these individuals lead efforts to advance the position of women in important areas of the law, including STEM, social justice, equality, child advocacy, and domestic violence.

Since 1997, the WLAM Foundation has awarded over \$650,000 to more than 260 female law students. The recipients and sponsors for each of the \$3,500 scholarships for 2020 are:

- Anna Belkin, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law Kim Cahill Scholar, sponsored by the Women Lawyers of Michigan Foundation
- Veronica Beltran, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law John Dalton and Marcy Lou Peacock Scholarship, sponsored by Peacock Law Firm
- Lanita Carter, Western Michigan University Cooley School of Law WLAM Foundation Scholarship, sponsored by Women Lawyers of Michigan Foundation
- Lauren Collins, University of Michigan Law School
 General Motors Scholarship, sponsored by General Motors Corporation

- Chandler Dorris, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law Masco Scholarship, sponsored by Masco Corporation
- Jordan Ewald, Wayne State University Law School
 WLAM Foundation Scholarship, sponsored by Women Lawyers of Michigan Foundation
- Erin Gianopoulos, Wayne State University Law School General Motors Scholarship, sponsored by General Motors Corporation
- Elizabeth Helpling, University of Michigan Law School Miller Canfield Scholar, sponsored by Miller Canfield
- Michelle Mayfield, Wayne State University Law School
 Dawn Van Hoek Scholar, sponsored by Women Lawyers of Michigan Foundation
- Samantha Rothman, Michigan State University College of Law Dobrusin Law Scholarship, sponsored by the Dobrusin Law Firm
- Daria Solomon, Western Michigan University Cooley Law School
 WLAM Foundation Scholarship, sponsored by Women Lawyers of Michigan Foundation
- Emily Sosolick, Michigan State University College of Law Florence King Patent Law Scholarship, sponsored by Women Patent Lawyers
- Rebecca Zarras, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law Dickinson Wright Scholar, sponsored by the Dickinson Wright Women's Network

"We are grateful for our partners that continue to support the advancement of women in the legal profession through the 'Outstanding Women in Law' scholarships," said Kristen L. Pursley, WLAM Foundation president and managing partner with the Dobrusin Law Firm in Pontiac, Michigan. "Each of our 13 recipients has demonstrated a commitment to excellence in their legal studies and community involvement and has shown strong convictions to social causes. We look forward with great anticipation to their contributions to the profession."

The Women Lawyers of Michigan (www.womenlawyers.org) is a statewide organization providing wide-ranging networking and professional development opportunities for women lawyers includes attorneys, judges, and law students. Its mission is to secure the rights of women in society and advance the interests of women members of the legal profession, to promote improvements in the administration of justice, to promote equality and social justice for all people, to improve relations between the legal profession and the public, and to encourage the continued legal education of lawyers.

Since its founding in 1983, the primary mission of the **Women Lawyers Association of Michigan Foundation** (www.wlamfoundation.org) has been to support the education of women who show leadership in advancing the position of women in society. That mission is realized annually through scholarship awards to outstanding women law students attending Michigan law schools.