Whittier Law School
For Students, Faculty and Staff
Office of Student Services
Commencement 2004
Sunday, May 23, 2004, 3:00 p.m.

The Office of Students Services congratulates our graduating students and welcomes you to the official web site for Commencement 2004. We hope to make Commencement 2004 a more enjoyable experience for you and your family by providing information about events, deadlines, requirements, and accommodations on this web page.

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Graduation Information

Location, Date, and Time of Commencement

The 2004 Commencement Exercises will be held on Sunday, May 23, 2004 at 3:00pm at the Whittier Law School campus in Costa Mesa. The ceremony lasts approximately two hours with a reception immediately following the ceremony. Graduates should arrive on-campus no later than 2:00 p.m. You may view photos of the ceremony at www.californiacandids.net.

Commencement Honoree and Speaker

The 2004 commencement speaker and honorary degree recipient will be Sheila J. Kuehl, California State Senator.

Valedictorian

Congratulations to Ms. Jennifer Culhane.

Class Speaker

The 2004 class speaker will be Miji Vellakkatel.

Graduation Program
During the *Graduation Fair*, candidates were requested to verify the correct spelling of their name for the Commencement Program. The program will include only degrees for which we have an official transcript on file. Therefore, if you have an advanced degree and wish for it to be included in the program, it will be necessary for you to request that an official transcript from that institution be sent to us immediately.

In addition, student organizations will be asked to supply lists of their graduating members for the Commencement Program. Information must be submitted to Teri Jablonski by March 22.

**Cap & Gown Fittings and Distribution**

Cap and Gown fittings took place during the *Graduation Fair* on February 17-19. If you have not already had your cap and gown measurement taken, please stop by the Registrar’s Office as soon as possible or you may be subject to a $25 late fee.

Cap and Gowns will be distributed on Wednesday, April 28 and Thursday, April 29 from 9:00am to 7:00pm. Distribution will take place in Room #1. If you are unable to pick up your cap and gown during these times, please notify the Registrar’s Office.

**Invitation/Guest Lists**

This year, to increase available seating and visibility, commencement will be held on the school grounds without a tent. We should be able to seat approximately 2,200 people. In addition, we have audio and video feed in a classroom which seats approximately 100 people. To ensure the comfort of your family and friends, we are requesting that each graduate limit his/her invitation list to 10 people. We are not issuing tickets so we ask that you respect this limit. We want this to be a memorable day for you and your family. To that end, we request your cooperation and understanding.

**Graduation Announcements**

Graduation announcements may be ordered directly from Josten’s by going to their website at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) or by telephone at 1-800-854-7464.

**Ceremony Arrival Time and Location**

Plan to arrive at the Law Library entrance **no later than 2:00pm** for check-in and announcements. A class group photo will be taken at 2:15pm on the south walkway between the Library and Building #3.

The student processional line-up will begin at 2:30pm in the Library Lobby. Graduates will march in alphabetical order by last name. Promptly at 3:00pm, the Marshals will lead the commencement processional line into the courtyard. *Details regarding the processional, where you line-up, where you sit, and the logistics of the ceremony will be posted on the Whittier Law School website approximately one week prior to the ceremony.*
2004 Commencement Videos for Whittier Law School
DVDs on sale now for only $24.99

Please send me ______ copies of the Whittier Law School Commencement Ceremony.

I’ve enclosed $24.99 for each DVD. Total enclosed: ______.

Name:________________________________ Make Checks Payable and send to:

Address:______________________________ Larry Sharp @ MDTV

City, State, Zip:________________________ 1984 Ridgemont Ct.

Phone:________________________________ Upland, CA 91784

Questions? Call Larry Sharp at MDTV (714) 957-3797
Parking

Please plan to park on the law school campus. All parking gates will be lifted and parking will be free. Additional free parking will be available across Sunflower and in the Prescriptive Solutions parking lot.

Disabled Students and Guests

The Whittier Law School campus is completely wheelchair accessible. Handicap parking spaces are available in the law school parking lot and there is a ramp leading from the parking lot to the walkway. For the commencement ceremony, a section of seats will be reserved for wheelchair seating. In addition, for those who are sensitive to the heat or sun, live feed of the ceremony will be transmitted to classroom #12.

Grand Marshall

The graduating class has selected Professor John Heilman as Teacher of the Year and Grand Marshall of the graduation ceremony.

Photographs during Ceremony

The Law School has made arrangements with an independent professional photographer to photograph all graduates. Before the ceremony, a class group photo will be taken at 2:15pm on the south walkway between the Library and Building #3. During the ceremony, the photographer will take photos of each graduate as he/she receives his/her diploma cover. (Actual diplomas are mailed in mid-July). Photos can be viewed and purchased on-line from California Candids within 48 hours of the ceremony at www.californiacandids.net - click on “need to order your grad photos click here” button.

In addition, a small area near the stage will be set up for guests to enter briefly and take photographs. Please ask your guests to utilize this area and not block the aisles during the ceremony.

Videotape

DVDs available for purchase (see page 2).

Graduation Reception

Immediately following the ceremony, a light reception will be offered for all graduates, their families and guests. For graduates interested in making dinner reservations in Costa Mesa/Irvine area, a list of local restaurants is included for your consideration.

Graduation Diplomas and Certificates

The Registrar’s Office will notify you when diplomas and certificates are available which will most
likely be in mid-July.

**COMMENCEMENT 2004**

* * * * * * **IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS** * * * * * *

**Grad Fair**
February 17-19  
Cap & Gown fittings for December 2003, May 2004 and Summer 2004 graduates  
Complete Career Services Questionnaire  
SBA Election – Teacher of the Year & Student Speaker  
Sign-off on Information for Graduation Program  
Information Distributed regarding Graduation Announcements  
Fingerprinting for bar examination

February 17  
Begin Ordering Graduation Announcement Online directly from Josten’s by going to their website at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) or by telephone at 1-800-854-7464.

March 22  
Deadline: Student organizations submitting information for graduation program ➔ Student Services Office ➙

April TBA  
Graduate Financial Aid Exit Session

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April 28 - 29  
Cap & Gown Distribution  
9:00am to 7:00pm, Room #1

May 23  
Commencement Timetable ☼  
1:00-2:00pm - Graduate Check-in  
2:15pm - Class Group Photo  
Graduates will wear caps, gowns, and hoods. After group photo, the graduates will report immediately to the Law Library entrance for the Graduate Line-Up.  
2:30pm - Graduate Line-Up  
3:00pm - Procession begins  
Follow the directions of the Grand Marshal into the seating area.

Dean’s Reception immediately follow ceremony for Graduates and Guests.
May 25  Order graduation photos on-line @ www.californiacandids.net
Mid-July  Diplomas, Certificates and Official Transcripts mailed
July 27-29  California Bar Examination
Early December  Whittier Swearing-In Ceremony for Bar Admittees

Questions regarding Graduation should be addressed to
Ms. Phyllis Sands, Registrar or the Associate Dean’s Office of Student Services

Questions???
If you have questions, please contact the Registrar’s Office at (714) 444-4141 ext 208 or the
Student Services Office at (714) 444-4141 ext 278.

Keep in Touch

The Whittier Law School Alumni Association maintains an on-line address book of all

Graduation Checklist

Have you?

☐ Given your family the date for graduation?

☐ Ordered your cap and gown?

☐ Updated your mailing address with the Office of the Registrar?

☐ Completed and turned in your application to graduate to the Office of the Registrar,
   including a phonetic pronunciation of your name if needed?

☐ Checked the accuracy of your name with Office of the Registrar in Building 2?

☐ Completed your student loan exit interview with Financial Aid (by April 30)?

RESTAURANTS
The Orange County area has a variety of restaurants offering a variety of dining experiences. The following is a list of restaurants within a few miles of the campus. It is best to make advance reservations wherever possible.

For those who prefer to “surf the net” for information, there are a few websites with restaurant information guides, including descriptions, review, photos, menus and much more. Here is a list you may want to check out:

- [www.chowbaby.com](http://www.chowbaby.com)
- [www.restaurantrow.com](http://www.restaurantrow.com)
- [www.ocnow.com](http://www.ocnow.com)

### Costa Mesa / South Coast Plaza

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<td>3333 Bear St.</td>
<td>Thai (casual)</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(714) 540-7661</td>
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<td>Beer &amp; Wine only</td>
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<td>Clubhouse</td>
<td>3333 Bristol St.</td>
<td>Traditional American</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(714) 708-2582</td>
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<td>Gustaf Anders</td>
<td>1651 Sunflower Ave.</td>
<td>Swedish</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(714) 668-1737</td>
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<td>Darya</td>
<td>1611 Sunflower Ave.</td>
<td>Persian</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(714) 557-6600</td>
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<td>Habana</td>
<td>2930 Bristol St.</td>
<td>Cuban</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(714) 556-0176</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Jerry’s Famous Deli</td>
<td>3210 Anton Blvd.</td>
<td>New York style deli</td>
<td>Yes - valet &amp; parking structure</td>
<td>(714) 662-3354</td>
<td>No</td>
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Maggiano’s Little Italy
Address: 3333 Bristol St.
Cuisine: Southern Italian
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (714) 546-9550
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

Memphis Soul Café Bar
Address: 2920 Bristol St.
Cuisine: Southern American
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (714) 432-7685
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes

Morton’s of Chicago Steakhouse
Address: 1661 Sunflower Ave.
Cuisine: Steakhouse
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (714) 444-4834
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

Pinot Provence
Address: 686 Anton Blvd.
Cuisine: French Mediterranean
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (714) 444-5900
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

Rain Forest Café
Address: 3333 Bristol St. (Inside South Coast Plaza - 1st level near Sears)
Cuisine: American w/ Tropical Flair
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (714) 424-9200
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes

Scott’s Grill & Bar
Address: 3300 Bristol St.
Cuisine: Seafood, Prime-Aged Steak
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (714) 979-2400
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

Turner New Zealand
Address: 650 Anton Blvd.
Cuisine: Upscale Steakhouse & Seafood
Parking: Yes, 2-hr validation
Telephone: (714) 668-0880
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes
Dinner begins @ 5pm

TGI Friday’s
Address: 601 Anton Blvd.
Cuisine: American (casual)
Parking: Parking Structure
Telephone: (714) 540-2227
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes

Wolfgang Puck’s Café
Address: 3333 Bristol St. (Inside South Coast Plaza - 2nd level near Macy’s)
Cuisine: Californian
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (714) 546-9653
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Beer & Wine Only
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<td>1875 Newport Blvd, Ste A219</td>
<td>American Fusion</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(949) 642-0090</td>
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<td><strong>Z'Tejas Southwestern Grill</strong></td>
<td>3333 Bristol St. #1876 (1st floor)</td>
<td>Southwest</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(714) 979-7469</td>
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<td><strong>Bistango</strong></td>
<td>19100 Von Karman</td>
<td>Contempo American w/ Euro Flair</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(949) 752-5222</td>
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<td><strong>California Pizza Kitchen</strong></td>
<td>2957 Michelson</td>
<td>Multi-Cultural</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(949) 975-1585</td>
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<td>Premium Well</td>
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<td><strong>Cheesecake Factory</strong></td>
<td>71 Fortune Dr. (Irvine Spectrum)</td>
<td>American</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(949) 788-9998</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td><strong>El Torito Grill</strong></td>
<td>1910 Main St.</td>
<td>Mexican/Southwestern Style</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(949) 975-1220</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td><strong>Houston’s Restaurant</strong></td>
<td>2991 Michelson Dr.</td>
<td>American</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>(949) 833-0977</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td><strong>Il Fornaio</strong></td>
<td>18051 Von Karman Ave.</td>
<td>Italian</td>
<td>Yes, do validate</td>
<td>(949) 261-1444</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td><strong>McCormick &amp; Schmick</strong></td>
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Address: 2000 Main St.
Cuisine: Seafood, Steaks & Pasta
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 756-0505
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes
Dinner begins @ 5pm

P.F. Chang’s China Bistro
Address: 61 Fortune Dr. (Irvine Spectrum)
Cuisine: Upscale Traditional Chinese
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 453-1211
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes

Prego Ristorante
Address: 18420 Von Karman
Cuisine: Italian
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 553-1333
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes
Dinner begins @ 5pm

Ruth’s Chris Steakhouse
Address: 2961 Michelson
Cuisine: Steakhouse
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 252-8848
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes
Dinner begins @ 4pm

Steelhead Brewing Company
Address: 4175 Campus Dr.
Cuisine: American
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 856-2227
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes

Newport Beach / Fashion Island

Bluewater Grill Seafood Rest. & Oyster Bar
Address: 630 Lido Park Dr.
Cuisine: Seafood, Steak & Pasta
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 675-3474
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

The Cannery
Address: 3010 Lafayette Ave.
Cuisine: Fine Seafood & Continental
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 566-0060
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

Cheesecake Factory
Address: 1141 Newport Center Dr.
Cuisine: Multi-Cultural
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 720-8333
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes

Daily Grill
Address: 957 Newport Center Dr.
Cuisine: American
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 644-2223
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes
**Fleming’s Prime Steakhouse**
Address: 455 Newport Center Dr.
Cuisine: Steaks & Seafood
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 720-9633
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

**Hard Rock Café**
Address: 451 Newport Center Dr.
Cuisine: American
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 640-8844
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes

**Newport Landing**
Address: 503 E. Edgewater
Cuisine: Seafood & Steaks
Parking: Street
Telephone: (949) 675-2373
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

**P.F. Chang’s China Bistro**
Address: 1145 Newport Center Dr.
Cuisine: Upscale Traditional Chinese
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 759-9007
Private Rooms: No
Full Bar: Yes

**Ristorante Mamma Gina**
Address: 251 E. Coast Hwy.
Cuisine: Tuscan Florentine Northern Italian
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 673-9500
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

**The Ritz**
Address: 880 Newport Center Dr.
Cuisine: Continental
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 720-1800
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes

**Roy’s of Newport**
Address: 453 Newport Center Dr.
Cuisine: Hawaiian Fusion
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 640-7697
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes
Dinner begins @ 5pm

**Villa Nova Restaurant**
Address: 3131 W. Coast Hwy.
Cuisine: Italian
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 642-7880
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes
Dinner begins @ 4pm

**21 Oceanfront**
Address: 2100 W. Oceanfront
Cuisine: American
Parking: Yes
Telephone: (949) 673-2100
Private Rooms: Yes
Full Bar: Yes
HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Listed below are hotels within a few miles of the campus and a list of hotels near John Wayne Airport. We have also listed the room rate range; however, please keep in mind that all rates are subject to change and that they are subject to availability. It is best to make advance reservations whenever possible. If you are a member of the auto club or another organization which offers a discount, please ask when making reservations.

Close to Whittier Law School

**Marriott Suites in Costa Mesa**
(less than 3 miles from campus)
500 Anton Blvd.
Costa Mesa, CA
(714) 957-1100
Room Rates Range: $79 & up (weekend) $149 & up (corporate)
Parking: $10/night

**South Coast Metro Courtyard**
(less than 1 mile from campus)
3002 S. Harbor Blvd.
Santa Ana, CA
(714) 545-1001 (800) 321-2211
Room Rates Range: $114 & up $59 - $94 (Fri. & Sat.)
Parking: free

**Hilton Costa Mesa Hotel**
(less than 3 miles from campus)
3050 Bristol St.
Costa Mesa, CA
(714) 540-7000 (800) HILTONS
Room Rates Range: $89 & up
Parking: $13/night

**Doubletree Hotel (Not Full Service)**
(less than 5 miles from campus)
7 Hutton Center Dr.
Santa Ana, CA
(714) 751-2400
Room Rates Range: $89 & up
Parking: free

**Doubletree Hotel (Full Service Hotel)**
(less than 5 miles from campus)
201 E. MacArthur Blvd.
Santa Ana, CA
(714) 825-3333
Room Rates Range: $99 & up
Parking: $7/night

**La Quinta Inn**
(less than 1 mile from campus)
1515 South Coast Dr.
Costa Mesa, CA
(714) 957-5841
Room Rates Range: $75.60 & up
Parking: free

**Residence Inn by Marriott**
(less than 2.5 miles from campus)
881 W. Baker St.
Costa Mesa, CA
(714) 241-8800 (800) 331-3131
Room Rates Range: $89-$179
Parking: free
Complimentary Break

**Vagabond Inn - Costa Mesa**
(less than 1 mile from campus)
3205 Harbor Blvd.
Costa Mesa, CA
(714) 557-8360 (800) 522-1555
Room Rates Range: $59-$69
Parking: free
Westin South Coast Plaza  
(less than 2.5 miles from campus)  
686 Anton Blvd.  
Costa Mesa, CA  
(714) 540-2500  
Room Rates Range: $109 - $325  
Parking: $10/night self ~ $15/night valet

Wyndham Garden Hotel - Orange Cnty  
(less than 3 miles from campus)  
3350 Avenue of the Arts  
Costa Mesa, CA  
(714) 751-5100 (800) WYNDHAM  
Room Rates Range: $84 & up  
Parking: $8/night

Holiday Inn Costa Mesa  
(less than 3 miles from campus)  
3131 Bristol St.  
Costa Mesa, CA  
(714) 557-3000 (800) 221-7220  
Room Rates Range: $112 & up  
Parking: free

**Hotels near John Wayne Airport**

Crowne Plaza Irvine  
(less than 5 miles from campus)  
17941 Von Karman Ave.  
Irvine, CA  
(949) 863-1999  
Room Rates Range: $85 - $209  
Parking: $9/night self ~ $11/night valet

Hyatt Regency Irvine  
(less than 5 miles from campus)  
17900 Jamboree Rd.  
Irvine, CA  
(949) 975-1234  
Room Rates Range: $99 - $129 (weekend)  
$189 & up (weekdays)  
Parking: $10/night self ~ $15/night valet

Marriott Irvine  
(less than 5.5 miles from campus)  
18000 Von Karman Ave.  
Irvine, CA  
(949) 553-0100  
Room Rates Range: $89 - $109  
Parking: $12/night self ~ $16/night valet

Courtyard John Wayne Airport/Irvine  
(less than 5.5 miles from campus)  
2701 Main St.  
Irvine, CA  
(949) 757-1200  
Room Rates Range: $159 & up  
Parking: free

Radisson Newport Beach  
(less than 5.5 miles from campus)  
4545 MacArthur Blvd.  
Newport Beach, CA  
(949) 833-0570  
Room Rates Range: $85 - $129  
Parking: free