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DISTINGUISHED
ALUMNI AWARD
CEREMONY

2017



WILLIAM J. BOGAARD, '65



Upon graduation from Michigan Law, Bill Bogaard joined O'Melveny & Myers in Los Angeles—along with Law School classmates C. Douglas Kranwinkle and Charles F. Niemeth—and pursued a corporate securities law practice. He served as deputy commissioner of corporations for the State of California in 1966 and then returned to private law practice until the early 1980s. At that time, he joined First Interstate Bancorp, a financial services holding company, as executive vice president and general counsel.

Following First Interstate's merger with Wells Fargo & Co., Bogaard served as a visiting professor at Michigan Law from 1996 to 1997, where he taught banking law and securities regulation. He then taught securities regulation and corporations as an adjunct law professor at the University of Southern California while also pursuing an arbitration practice. In 1999, he became the mayor of Pasadena, California—the city's first directly elected mayor. Bogaard went on to serve four four-year terms.

The Los Angeles Bar Association honored Bogaard as outstanding corporate counsel in 1987, and in 1997, the City of Pasadena presented him the Arthur Noble Award, its most prestigious recognition for community service.

Bogaard currently serves as chairman of Pasadena Bioscience Collaborative, a life sciences incubator and workforce development program whose partners include the City of Pasadena, California State University Los Angeles, Cal Poly Pomona, and Pasadena City College. He is a board member of Huntington Memorial Hospital and the Pasadena Community Foundation. He also co-chairs, with Doug Kranwinkle, the Arroyo Advisory Group, which the City of Pasadena formed to enhance and preserve the Arroyo Seco, its 1,000 acre "Central Park."

Bogaard and his wife, Claire, a founder of Pasadena Heritage (a historic preservation organization), have four children—Michele, Jeannine, Joseph, and Matthew—and eight grandchildren.

PROGRAM OF EVENTS



Welcome

Dean Mark West



Greetings on Behalf of Students

LSSS President Kristin Froehle, 2L



Lunch



Introduction of Bill Bogaard, '65



Presentation of Distinguished Alumni Award

Dean Mark West



Musical Conclusion

The Headnotes



PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS

2011

The Hon. Harry T. Edwards, '65
Robert B. Fiske Jr., '55, HLLD '97
Richard W. Pogue, '53

2012

Bruce P. Bickner, '68
The Hon. Amalya L. Kearse, '62
James J. White, '62

2013

Valerie B. Jarrett, '81
John M. Nannes, '73
Theodore J. St. Antoine, '54

2014

Roger W. Wilkins, '56

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Thomas E. Kauper, '60
Yoichiro Yamakawa, MCL '69

2016

Mary Frances Berry, '70
Kenneth L. Salazar, '81

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William Jentes, '56
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