2022 Susman Godfrey Prize Winners

The Susman Godfrey Prize is an honor awarded annually to up to 12 students of color who are finishing their first or second year of law school. The Prize is part of the firm's ongoing commitment to celebrate and promote diversity among civil trial lawyers.



HABIB ABRAHAM COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL, 2L

Habib is a Senior Editor of the Columbia Law Review and serves as Vice President of the Black Law Students Association at Columbia. He was a member of the Frederick Douglass Moot Court and The Appellate Project. A Teach For America alum, Habib taught middle school math and served as a regional Board Member of TFA's Association for Alumni of Color. Habib earned his B.S. in Economics and Political Science from American University.



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Sydney is an Alumni Affairs Co-Chair of the Black Law Student Association and is on the board of the Yale Civil Rights Project. She is an active member of the Women of Color Collective and also served as an Editor of both the Yale Journal of Regulation and Yale Law & Policy Review. Sydney earned her B.A. at Yale University where she graduated cum laude and received the Arthur Liman Public Interest Fellowship and the Institute for Social Policy Studies Director's Fellowship.



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Gabrielle is the Executive Articles Editor of the University of Chicago Law Review, President of the ACLU UChicago Chapter, and Academic Chair of the Black Law Students Association. She is a recipient of the Rubenstein Scholarship at UChicago Law and the Cook Country Bar Association Foundation Scholarship. She earned her B.S. in Chemical Engineering from University of Notre Dame, where she graduated magna cum laude and received the Notre Dame Scholar Award and the CBE Alumni Award.



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