Law-School Donors Endow Fifty New Scholarships

Members of the law school’s Class of 2019. Photo courtesy of Columbia Law School

Alumni and friends of Columbia Law School recently completed a fundraising challenge that saw fifty donors give $100,000 each for student aid. Their gifts were matched by the New York-based Jerome L. Greene Foundation, resulting in the creation of a $10 million endowment that will support fifty new scholarships in perpetuity.

The establishment of the scholarship fund is part of a larger effort by the law school
to raise $100 million for student aid over the next few years — including scholarships, summer internships, and loan repayments for graduates in public-service careers.

“We are helping to ensure that the very best students from diverse socioeconomic backgrounds can attend Columbia Law School and have access to the finest legal education in the world,” says dean Gillian Lester.

The late Jerome L. Greene ‘26CC, ‘28LAW, ‘83HON and his wife, Dawn M. Greene ‘83HON, were among Columbia’s most generous benefactors; their foundation has supported major University initiatives in, among other fields, neuroscience, legal education, and public health.

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