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*The audience is asked to stand throughout the processional and the singing of the “National Anthem” and “Lift Ev’ry Voice and Sing.” At the conclusion of the ceremony, the audience is requested to remain seated throughout the recessional.

**Lyrics to Alma Mater on page 32
HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Jeh Charles Johnson


Johnson has been affiliated with Paul Weiss on and off since 1984 and became the firm’s first African American partner in 1994, and is currently a member of the firm’s Management and Partnership Committees. Early in his legal career Johnson became a seasoned trial lawyer, and in 2004 was elected a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Johnson is on the board of directors of Lockheed Martin and U.S. Steel and a trustee of Columbia University. In private life Johnson is also a commentator on national and homeland security matters on ABC, CBS, NBC, PBS, MSNBC, FOX, CNN, CNBC, NPR, Bloomberg TV and other news networks. Johnson is the author of numerous op-eds in The Washington Post and The Hill, and since leaving office has testified before Congress five times on the subject of homeland security and cybersecurity.

In June 2020 the Chief Judge of New York asked Johnson to undertake a comprehensive review of racial bias in the state court system. On October 1, 2020, Johnson delivered a 100-page public report with a number of observations and recommendations, all of which the Chief Judge will adopt. Johnson is the 2018 recipient of the Ronald Reagan Peace Through Strength Award, presented at the Reagan Presidential Library, for “contribute[ing] greatly to the defense of our nation,” and “guiding us through turbulent times with courage and wisdom.”

Johnson has debated at both the Cambridge and Oxford Unions in England, and in November 2019 was conferred honorary life membership in the Cambridge Union. He is also the recipient of 10 honorary degrees.

Johnson also currently serves on the board of directors of the Council on Foreign Relations, the 9/11 Memorial and Museum in New York City, the Center for a New American Security, and WBGO, an FM radio station based in Newark, New Jersey.

Johnson is a graduate of Morehouse College (1979) and Columbia Law School (1982).

Stefanie Tompkins, Ph.D.
DEFENSE ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY
KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Stefanie Tompkins is the director of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). Prior to this assignment she was the vice president for research and technology transfer at Colorado School of Mines.

Tompkins has spent much of her professional life leading scientists and engineers in developing new technology capabilities. She began her industry career as a senior scientist and later as assistant vice-president and line manager at Science Applications International Corporation, where she spent 10 years conducting and managing research projects in planetary mapping, geology, and imaging spectroscopy. As a program manager in DARPA’s Strategic Technology Office, she created and managed programs in ubiquitous GPS-free navigation as well as in optical component manufacturing. Tompkins has also served as the deputy director of DARPA’s Strategic Technology Office, director of DARPA’s Defense Sciences Office—the agency’s most exploratory office in identifying and accelerating breakthrough technologies for national security—as well as the acting DARPA deputy director.

Tompkins received a Bachelor of Arts degree in geology and geophysics from Princeton University and Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in geology from Brown University. She has also served as a military intelligence officer in the U.S. Army.
The history of academic regalia goes back more than seven centuries to the medieval universities of Salamanca, Paris, Bologna, Oxford, and Cambridge. Students and teachers were required to wear distinctive dress, the details of which were prescribed by university statutes, to distinguish the different degrees of learning and the various faculties.

Academic regalia was worn in the United States in colonial days, but gradually they came to be used only for special occasions, such as commencement exercises and presidential inaugurations.

Some examples of the colors established by the Code are as follows:

To promote uniformity in design, colors, and materials in academic dress, a commission representing leading American colleges produced The Intercollegiate Code in 1895. The Code was revised several times, most recently in 1959. Although the Code is not obligatory, most educational institutions in this country follow it.

The Code provides for three types of gowns. The bachelor’s gown has long, pointed sleeves; the master’s gown has short sleeves with trailing elbows; and the doctor’s gown has bell-shaped sleeves. The length of the hood and the width of trim indicate the level of degree; the color of the trim signifies the academic field.
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MA, Spain (College)

Grady J. Wright
BA, Florida Memorial University

School of Engineering and Applied Sciences

Master of Science

Civil Engineering-MS

Noah S. Bell
BS, University Vermont

Pablo E. Sanchez Guerrero
MS, University of the District of Columbia

Computer Science (MS)

Junied Altaf **
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BS, Grambling State University

Michelle A. Guo
BS, Syracuse University

Funsfo I. Koyejo
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Diaz M. Said **
BS, University of the District of Columbia
BS, University of the District of Columbia

Awet Shihata **
BS, Eduro (College)
BS, University of the District of Columbia
Electrical Engineering (MS)

Sandra M. Nkamgna
BS, University of the District of Columbia

Mechanical Engineering (MS)

Takele D. Gemeda
BS, University of the District of Columbia

Pius Suh
BS, University of the District of Columbia

Health Education

Bachelor of Science

Khalil Hazzaf A. Alanazi **
Kelia C. Chase, Cum Laude

Ebony Edwards **
Glenda Ferrufino
Cum Laude **

College of Agriculture, Urban Sustainability and Environmental Sciences

Architecture

Bachelor of Science

Yasmeen Y. Abdelaal
Summa Cum Laude

Cristian M. Amaya Aparicio, Magna Cum Laude

Zhina Farmer-George
Magna Cum Laude

Taha A. Gursoy
Ashley B. Jones
Cum Laude

Mechanical Engineering (MS)

Moyinoluwa M. Okulate
Cum Laude

Cameron M. Wright

Evelyn Xotla Bastian **

Gilles Yonga

Nutrition and Dietetics

Bachelor of Science

Mary C. DeBlasio
Magna Cum Laude

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Health Education

Yasmin S. Mangum
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Mechanical Engineering (MS)

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Rondenise S. Peake

Katie G. Rosales
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Alimatu Sallah **

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Stephany A. Singh
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Eliah F. Baker
Matthew T. Baldwin
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Jonathan T. Beatty
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Arnejah Crawford **
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Shanita M. Freeman *
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Sonora A. Howard *
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Jania Simpson
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Ivana L. Taylor **
Dajon C. Walker **
Ciara E. Young
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Zuleiga G. Awol
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Cum Laude **
Renee Edwards **
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Jessie A. Gross

Early Childhood Education
Bachelor of Arts
Camille N. Beasley **
Shadai A. Davis
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Jennifer C. Aguilar
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I will, in the interest of UDC, assume this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, so help me God.
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Star-Spangled Banner

O say can you see, by the dawn’s early light, What so proudly we hailed at the twilight’s last gleaming, Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight, O’er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming? And the rockets’ red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there; O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Francis Scott Key

Our Glorious UDC
(Alma Mater)

A path that’s paved in Red and Gold, Leading to the dreams life holds, Inspiring ev’ry growing mind to Conquer mountains hard to climb. You’ll always reign with equality, Strength and love and unity, Bringing life’s prosperity to Those who pledge their loyalty. UDC you’re praised and loved, Bless’d with strength from God above, Leading us on through ev’ry road to UDC our strength to hold.

REFRAIN

We praise our UDC; Your precepts we believe; Always our hearts will sing to thee, OUR GLORIOUS UDC.

Words by Larry Mills
Music by Robert Ikedie

Lift Ev’ry Voice and Sing

Lift ev’ry voice and sing Till earth and heaven ring, Ring with the harmonies of Liberty; Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list’ning skies, Let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us, Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, Bitter the chast’ning rod, Felt in the days when hope unborn had died; Yet with a steady beat, Have not our weary feet Come to the place for which our fathers sighed? We have come over a way that with tears has been watered. We have come, tracing our path through the blood of the slaughtered, Out from the gloomy past, Till now we stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; Thou who hast by Thy might, Led us into the light, Keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee, Lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee; Shadowed beneath Thy hand, May we forever stand, True to our God, True to our native land.

Words by James Weldon Johnson
Music by J. Rosamond Johnson

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