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At top left, Dean Alan Ramo congratulates 1Ls who made the Dean's List. Alumni in attendance included, clockwise from top right, James Treppa (JD 92), Bledsoe, Cathcart, Diestel, Pedersen & Treppa LLP; Beth Seals (JD 07), Squire Sanders & Dempsey LLP; and Jessica Barber Gonzalez (JD 05), California Supreme Court.

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Over a dozen alumni from the private and public sectors attended the School of Law Dean's Breakfast on January 30 to honor and offer advice to first-year law students who made the Dean's List.

Returning alumni included recent graduates, such as Beth Seals (JD 07), an associate at Squire Sanders & Dempsey LLP; law firm partners such as James Treppa (JD 92) of Bledsoe, Cathcart, Diestel, Pedersen & Treppa LLP, and Amy Eskin (JD 86) and Mark Burton (JD 95), both of Hersh & Hersh; in-house counsel Gary Van Housen (JD 96) of Genentech; and alumni in the judiciary, including Jessica Barber Gonzalez (JD 05) of the California Supreme Court.

The alumni stressed the value of developing and cultivating relationships with fellow students, faculty, and practicing attorneys and of participating in student organizations and off-campus programs to enhance skills and expand networks, and several of them described how they had benefited in their careers from Golden Gate Law's commitment to practical skills training.