

# development news

## Alumni Giving

ALUMNI AND FRIENDS of Yale Law School provide vital support that sustains the excellence and vision of our School. In 2013–2014, YLS received gift commitments from 3,738 donors totaling \$36,825,137, and cash contributions from 4,579 donors totaling \$15,287,202. The generosity of our loyal alumni who celebrated Reunions in 2014 was responsible for a significant portion of the total raised. Classes of 1954, 1959, 1964, 1974, 1979, and 1989 are recognized for each having raised reunion gifts surpassing more than \$1 million! Yale Law School extends its heartfelt gratitude to all those who made gifts—large or small—and contributed in a meaningful way to the current needs of the Law School.

Yale Law School Reunion 2014 Class Gifts	Donors	Participation	Dollars
60th Reunion: Class of 1954	61	58%	\$1,118,069
55th Reunion: Class of 1959	76	58%	\$25,299,487*
50th Reunion: Class of 1964	99	74%	\$2,495,443
45th Reunion: Class of 1969	79	59%	\$766,343
40th Reunion: Class of 1974	101	62%	\$1,268,467
35th Reunion: Class of 1979	87	55%	\$1,565,348
30th Reunion: Class of 1984	94	53%	\$670,522
25th Reunion: Class of 1989	115	62%	\$1,001,961
20th Reunion: Class of 1994	106	57%	\$413,725
15th Reunion: Class of 1999	88	43%	\$223,140
10th Reunion: Class of 2004	100	53%	\$179,017
5th Reunion: Class of 2009	130	66%	\$65,304
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,136</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>\$35,066,826</b>

NOTE: Class totals include all gifts and new pledges from July 1, 2013 to October 31, 2014

\*The Class of 1959 set a record for the amount raised by a 55th Reunion

## Law Firm Alumni Rise to the Challenge

THE YLS LAW FIRM CHALLENGE PROGRAM is a friendly competition that promotes financial support of the Yale Law School Fund by alumni at leading law firms. Now in its fifth year, the program emphasizes participation in the Law School Fund and the impact of alumni donations.

The chart below provides the results from fiscal year 2013–2014. Overall, thirty-six firms participated in the challenge, which represented a total of 951 alumni. The overall participation rate was 63 percent (an increase from 53 percent last year) with a participation rate of 72 percent among all partners (an increase from 64 percent last year) and 51 percent among all associates (an increase from 35 percent last year).

		Number of Alums	Number of Donors	Participation
<b>GROUP 1</b> 35+	<b>Overall</b>	371	232	63%
	<b>Partner</b>	202	155	77%
	<b>Associate</b>	169	77	46%
<b>GROUP 2</b> 20 to 34	<b>Overall</b>	397	244	61%
	<b>Partner</b>	221	146	66%
	<b>Associate</b>	176	98	56%
<b>GROUP 3</b> 14 to 19	<b>Overall</b>	183	121	66%
	<b>Partner</b>	118	87	74%
	<b>Associate</b>	65	34	52%

The opposite chart shows results based on law firm group size.

Yale Law School offers special thanks and recognition to the following law firms for their extraordinary accomplishments:

**Cleary Gottlieb:** First place in Group 1 (firms with more than thirty-five alumni) for the third consecutive year with an overall participation rate of 75 percent.

**Wachtell Lipton:** First place in Group 2 (twenty to thirty-four alumni) with an overall participation rate of 100 percent.

**Keker & Van Nest and Norton Rose Fulbright:** Tied for first place in Group 3 (ten to nineteen alumni) with an overall participation rate of 100 percent.

	Law Firm	Number of Alums	Number of Donors	Participation	Partner	Associate
<b>GROUP 1</b> 35+	Cleary Gottlieb	36	27	75%	90%	53%
	Paul, Weiss	40	27	68%	84%	52%
	Sullivan & Cromwell	41	27	66%	81%	56%
	Arnold & Porter	39	25	64%	73%	46%
	Davis Polk	38	24	63%	71%	58%
	Debevoise & Plimpton	42	26	62%	78%	33%
	WilmerHale	47	28	60%	72%	39%
	Sidley Austin	39	22	56%	75%	27%
	Covington & Burling	49	26	53%	69%	35%
<b>GROUP 2</b> 20 to 34	Wachtell Lipton*	32	32/7	100% / 25%	100% / 50%	100% / 17%
	Simpson Thacher	23	21	91%	92%	91%
	Morrison & Foerster	25	20	80%	88%	67%
	Cravath	27	21	78%	88%	64%
	Williams & Connolly	25	16	64%	75%	54%
	Mayer Brown	24	14	58%	67%	33%
	Kirkland & Ellis	23	13	57%	58%	55%
	Ropes & Gray	32	18	56%	53%	59%
	Jones Day	24	13	54%	67%	33%
	Gibson Dunn	33	17	52%	58%	48%
	Boies, Schiller & Flexner	22	11	50%	44%	67%
	Munger, Tolles & Olson	27	13	48%	69%	18%
	Perkins Coie	21	10	48%	62%	25%
	Latham & Watkins	28	13	46%	56%	30%
Skadden	31	14	45%	55%	22%	
<b>GROUP 3</b> 10 to 19	Keker & Van Nest	10	10	100%	100%	100%
	Norton Rose Fulbright	10	10	100%	100%	100%
	Paul Hastings	15	13	87%	92%	50%
	Goodwin Procter	18	14	78%	75%	100%
	Weil, Gotshal & Manges	10	7	70%	86%	33%
	Bingham McCutchen	18	11	61%	77%	20%
	Irell & Manella	15	9	60%	75%	43%
	Quinn Emanuel	19	11	58%	50%	64%
	Jenner & Block	16	9	56%	50%	63%
	O'Melveny & Myers	18	10	56%	70%	38%
	Stephens & Johnson	17	9	53%	53%	50%
	Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati	17	8	47%	71%	30%

\*Wachtell makes a donation every year on behalf of all partners and associates; therefore, the firm achieves 100% participation. Volunteers solicit colleagues for their "own" gift, and the second rate reflects these results.